

Monday, January 17

ON THIS DAY



▲ **1874: Famous Siamese twins Chang and Eng Bunker died within three hours of each other, aged 62**

1600: Spanish poet and dramatist Pedro Calderon de la Barca was born

1773: The *Resolution*, under the command of Captain James Cook, became the first ship to cross the Antarctic Circle

1934: A 500-carat diamond discovered near Pretoria, South Africa, was thought to be the stolen half of the Cullinan diamond found in 1905

2010: Some 300 people were killed in deadly Muslim-Christian clashes in and around Jos, in central Nigeria