

Saturday, February 19

ON THIS DAY



▲ 2010: A 400-year-old minaret collapsed at a mosque in Meknes, Morocco, killing 41 people

1473: Astronomer Nicolaus Copernicus was born in Torun, Poland

1861: Tsar Alexander II of Russia proclaimed the Emancipation Manifesto, liberating millions of serfs

1951: Jean Lee became the last woman to be hanged in Australia. She and two accomplices were executed in Melbourne for murder

2010: Golfer Tiger Woods made an emotional public apology for his extramarital affairs, in his first public appearance since the scandal broke