

Thursday, March 24

ON THIS DAY



▲ **1877: The Oxford and Cambridge Boat Race was declared a dead heat for the only time in its history**

1882: German scientist Robert Koch announced he had discovered the bacillus responsible for tuberculosis

1911: Denmark abolished capital punishment

1999: Fire broke out in the Mont Blanc tunnel in the Alps; it would claim 39 lives and take two days to extinguish

2010: Indian scientists said that a tiny island in the Bay of Bengal and claimed for years by both India and Bangladesh, had disappeared beneath the rising seas