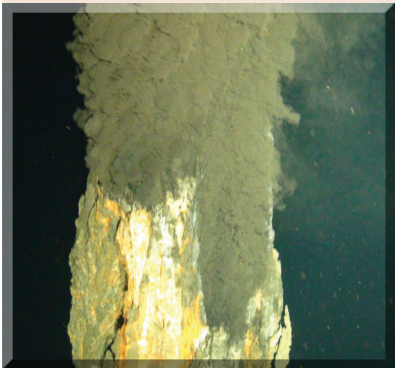


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ON THIS DAY



▲ **2009:** The deepest ever undersea volcanic vents, or “black smokers”, were discovered 5,000m down in the Cayman Trough in the Caribbean

1914: George Bernard Shaw’s play *Pygmalion* first opened in London

1945: U.S. president Franklin D. Roosevelt died in office as World War II neared its end

1981: NASA launched its first reusable space shuttle, *Columbia*

2010: The U.S. hosted its biggest international summit since 1945, focusing on how to better safeguard weapons-grade plutonium and uranium to prevent nuclear terrorism