

Sunday, June 26

ON THIS DAY



▲ 1959: Queen Elizabeth II and U.S. President Eisenhower opened the St Lawrence Seaway, connecting the Great Lakes to the Atlantic Ocean

1541: Francisco Pizarro, Spanish conqueror of Peru, was assassinated in his palace in Lima

1977: Elvis Presley gave his final live performance at Indianapolis, two months before his death

1996: Irish crime journalist Veronica Guerin was shot dead at the wheel of her car in Dublin

2000: Two rival teams of scientists announced they had deciphered the structure of the human genome