



## Today in History

*August 7, 1942*

▲ The first U.S. land offensive in the Pacific during World War Two began in the Southern Solomon Islands under Lieutenant-General Alexander Archer Vandergift

**1958:** The U.S. submarine Nautilus arrived in Iceland after the first voyage by a vessel under the Polar ice cap

**1995:** British triple jumper Jonathan Edwards set a new world record of 18.29m (60ft) the first jump over 18m

**2002:** The inauguration of Alvaro Uribé Velez as president of Colombia

**2007:** Astronomers announced the discovery of the largest known planet in the universe, a giant ball 20 times larger than Earth