



## Today in History

*November 24, 1859*

▲ British naturalist Charles Darwin published his *Origin of Species*, a key observation being variations of the giant Galapagos tortoise on different islands

**1642:** Dutch navigator Abel Tasman discovered Tasmania

**1874:** American Joseph Farwell Glidden patented barbed wire

**2009:** More than 300,000 buffalo, sheep and goats were slaughtered in the Hindu Gadhimai festival in Nepal, which happens once every five years

**2010:** Twenty-nine miners were confirmed dead in the Pike River Mine, New Zealand's worst mining disaster in 96 years