



Today in History

August 15, 1945

▲ Millions celebrated VJ (Victory in Japan) Day after Japan's unconditional surrender ended World War II, a global conflict in which over 50 million people died

1843: The Tivoli Pleasure Gardens, one of the world's oldest amusement parks, was opened in Copenhagen, Denmark

1925: Oscar Peterson, Canadian jazz pianist and composer, was born

1965: Over 55,600 fans attended a Beatles concert at Shea Stadium, New York, setting world records for revenue and attendance at a pop concert

1975: The president of Bangladesh, Sheikh Mujibur Rahman, was killed by army officers in a dawn coup