



Today in History

September 2, 1666

▲ **The Great Fire of London began in a bakery in Pudding Lane. The four-day inferno destroyed much of the city but, remarkably, claimed only a few lives**

1971: The United Arab Republic reverted to its former name of Egypt

2008: Clashes broke out between government and opposition protesters in Bangkok, Thailand

2013: The eastern span replacement of the San Francisco-Oakland Bay Bridge opened to traffic as the widest bridge in the world, with 10 traffic lanes

2014: ISIS militants released a video showing the beheading of a second American journalist, Steven Sotloff