



Today in History

August 8, 1937

▲ U.S. stage and screen actor Dustin Hoffman, Oscar-winning star of *The Graduate* (above) and *Rain Man*, was born. He celebrates his 80th birthday today

1854: Smith and Wesson patented their self-contained metal bullet

1967: The Association of South East Asian Nations (ASEAN) was signed into being in Bangkok

1994: The first border crossing was opened between Jordan and Israel, ending 46 years of hostilities

2016: *Pokemon Go*, the smash hit augmented reality smartphone game, notched up a record \$200m in the first month after its launch