



## Today in History

*August 24, 2016*

▲ A magnitude 6.2 earthquake struck central Italy, killing 300 people and leaving thousands homeless. The historic town of Amatrice was mostly destroyed

**1572:** Thousands of French Protestant Huguenots were slaughtered in Paris in the St Bartholomew's Day Massacre

**1994:** Thousands of Cubans took to the sea to reach Florida before the U.S. ended automatic political asylum

**2012:** Cyclist Lance Armstrong was stripped of his seven Tour de France titles after being found guilty of doping

**2016:** The Colombian government and Farc rebels agreed a historic peace accord after 52 years of bitter conflict