



## Today in History

*June 30, 2010*

▲ Rio de Janeiro's iconic statue of Christ the Redeemer was unveiled after a \$4 million restoration. The 38-metre statue attracts two million tourists a year

**1908:** A huge explosion caused by a meteorite rocked eastern Siberia

**1933:** The Australian state of Victoria bought Captain Cook's cottage in Yorkshire for 800 pounds

**1972:** The first leap second was added to adjust for the mean solar day being slightly longer than 24 hours

**1998:** A casualty of the Vietnam War buried at America's Tomb of the Unknown Soldier was identified by DNA tests