



# Today in History

*August 19, 1930*

▲ The two arches of the Sydney Harbour Bridge were joined together after five years under construction. The bridge was eventually opened in March 1932

**1848:** The New York Herald reported the discovery of gold in California

**1953:** Iranian premier Mohammad Mossadeq was overthrown in a coup engineered by British and U.S. intelligence agencies, which reinforced the power of the Shah

**2008:** Egypt's upper house of Parliament was gutted in a huge fire

**2015:** Europe's migration crisis intensified, with up to 3,000 migrants arriving daily