



Today in History

August 22, 1812

▲ Swiss explorer Johann Ludwig Burckhardt discovered the city of Petra, one of the Seven Wonders of the World, that had lain hidden for the best part of a millennium

1850: The first patent for a mechanical refrigerator was issued, for a “Process for the Artificial Production of Ice”

1910: Korea was forced to sign an annexation treaty with Japan

2010: All 33 Chilean miners trapped deep underground by a cave collapse were located alive after 17 days

2018: As Venezuela’s economic and humanitarian crisis worsened the UN estimated that over 2 million people had fled the country since 2014