



## Today in History

*July 28, 1976*

▲ **A 7.9 earthquake completely destroyed the city of Tangshan in northern China. At least 242,000 people died, the highest quake death toll in modern times**

**1821:** Jose de San Martin and his forces liberated Peru and proclaimed its independence from Spain

**1914:** Austria-Hungary declared war on Serbia following the assassination of Archduke Franz Ferdinand

**1977:** The first oil through the TransAlaska Pipeline System reached Valdez, Alaska

**1996:** The bones of a prehistoric man some 9,000 years old were discovered in the U.S. state of Washington