

GN45782 On this day in history Week23 - June 2-8



Today in History

June 2, 2014

▲ Telangana, India's 29th state, came into being after the state of Andhra Pradesh formally split in two, ending a nearly 50-year-long struggle for separate status

1924: The U.S. Congress granted citizenship to all Native Americans

1964: The Palestinian Liberation Organization was founded in East Jerusalem

2014: The PLO announced a national unity government

2014: King J. announced 10 years on the throne after the French Revolution

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Today in History

June 3, 1844

▲ A large, flightless seabird, the Great Auk, became extinct when the last pair of breeding adults were killed by hunters on an island off the coast of Iceland

1864: Over 6,000 Union troops were killed or wounded in one hour at Cold Harbor, during the U.S. Civil War

1998: The ANC released Nelson Mandela



Today in History

June 4, 1944

▲ Rome was liberated by allied troops led by U.S. General Mark Clark. Historic sites such as the Colosseum were found to have been left intact

1896: Henry Ford test drove his first car, the quadricycle. It had four bicycle wheels and a gas-powered engine

1977: The first rock festival held in the U.S.



Today in History

June 5, 2005

▲ Rising tennis star Rafael Nadal won his first Grand Slam title at Roland Garros. He went on to win 22 major titles, including a record 14 on the red clay in Paris

1967: The Six Day War began between Israel and its Arab neighbours

1968: U.S. Senator Robert Kennedy was assassinated in Los Angeles

1968: The Kennedy campaign's first sale, and the first time a candidate halted the press in a protest

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Today in History

June 6, 1944

▲ Allied forces landed on the beaches of Normandy, France. Operation Overlord, codenamed D-Day, was the largest seaborne invasion in history

1984: Tetris, one of the best-selling video games of all time, was released

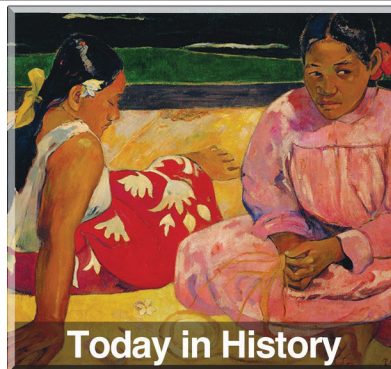
2004: Israeli Premier Ariel Sharon won approval for a plan to withdraw Jewish settlements in Gaza

2004: Tamil, one of 22 official languages in India, was the first to be given the status of a "classical language"

2023: The Nova Kakhovka dam in Russian-occupied Ukraine was destroyed, releasing a huge amount of water down the Dnipro River

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Today in History

June 7, 1848

▲ Paul Gauguin, the French post-impressionist painter greatly influenced by Van Gogh, was born. His work was not fully appreciated until after his death

1494: Spain and Portugal signed the Treaty of Tordesillas, agreeing to divide the New World between themselves

1929: The Vatican State was established in Rome

1981: Israeli warplanes destroyed the Osirak reactor in Iraq to prevent the manufacture of nuclear weapons

2023: Millions of people in the U.S. and Canada were warned to limit time outdoors due to smoke and bad air quality from large wildfires

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Today in History

June 8, 2004

▲ Observers were able to witness the Transit of Venus, when the tiny black silhouette of the planet moves across the disc of the sun, for the first time since 1882

1869: A "sweeping machine", the earliest suction type vacuum cleaner, was patented in the U.S.

1887: Herman Hollerith patented a system of using punched cards to hold digital data

1949: George Orwell's novel 1984 warned of a world controlled by Big Brother and the Thought Police

2021: Over 800 suspected criminals worldwide were arrested after using an FBI-run encrypted messaging app

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