

GN45933 On this day in history Week27 June 30 - July 6



Today in History

June 30, 1894

▲ Tower Bridge, an iconic symbol of London, was officially opened. Two sections bearing the roadway are raised to allow tall-masted ships to pass through

1974: Soviet ballet dancer Mikhail Baryshnikov defected to the West on a tour of Canada with the Bolshoi Ballet

1994: The International Earth

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Today in History

July 1, 1999

▲ Scotland's first parliament for 292 years opened in Edinburgh, devolved from the UK government to give the Scottish people greater control over their own affairs

1994: Yasser Arafat, chairman of the PLO, set foot on Palestinian territory for the first time in 27 years

2004: Russia joined Modern Period



Today in History

July 2, 1937

▲ Aviator Amelia Earhart and her navigator, Fred Noonan, vanished over the Pacific Ocean as they tried to make the first flight around the world at the equator

1964: The U.S. Civil Rights Bill was signed into law, banning segregation in public places and racial discrimination

1994: Aviator Earhart's disappearance



Today in History

July 3, 2004

▲ Tennis player Maria Sharapova, aged 17, beat defending champion Serena Williams to become the first Russian woman to win the Wimbledon singles title

1904: Theodor Herzl, first president of the World Zionist Organisation for a Jewish homeland in Palestine, died

2004: President George W. Bush

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Today in History

July 4, 1924

▲ Chef Caesar Cardini, running out of food for his customers, created a salad from odds and ends that remained. Caesar salad was an instant hit

1884: The Statue of Liberty was presented to the United States of America by the people of France

1999: Soccer star David Beckham married Spice Girl Victoria Adams in a glitzy ceremony in Ireland

2004: The cornerstone of the 1,776ft Freedom Tower was laid, on the site of the destroyed World Trade Center

2012: The discovery of a subatomic particle, subsequently confirmed to be the Higgs boson, was announced

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Today in History

July 5, 1946

▲ The bikini, designed by former Renault engineer Louis Reard and named after the Pacific atoll where atom bombs were then being tested, was first modelled in Paris

1811: Venezuela declared its independence from Spain

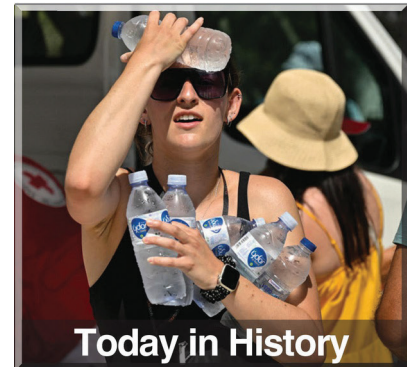
1865: Britain imposed the world's first speed limit, of two miles per hour

1962: Algeria formally declared independence from France following a brutal eight-year war

2007: The discovery of a possible new species dubbed "octosquid", with eight tentacles and a squid-like mantle, was announced

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Today in History

July 6, 2023

▲ Earth experienced its hottest day to date, with an average temperature of 17.23C (63F), according to climate and weather forecast models

1785: The dollar was unanimously chosen as the monetary unit for the United States

1964: Nyasaland became the independent state of Malawi

1994: Israeli premier Yitzhak Rabin pleaded for time and PLO chairman Yasser Arafat pleaded for money upon receiving a UN peace prize

2006: The Nathula Pass, an historic trade route between India and China, was reopened after 44 years

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