



# Today in History

*July 28, 1858*

▲ The first use of fingerprints as a means of identification was made by William Herschel in India. He asked a businessman to impress his hand print on a contract

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

**1995:** The Indian city of Bombay was renamed Mumbai, after the Hindu goddess Mumbadevi

**2004:** China opened its first Arctic research station, the Arctic Yellow River Station, in Svalbard, Norway

**2005:** The Irish Republican Army ended its 36-year armed campaign against British rule in N. Ireland