

GN46275 On this day in history Week39 - September 22-28



Today in History

September 22, 2006

▲ The F-14 Tomcat, made famous by the movie Top Gun, was retired by the U.S. Navy after 32 years in service. It was superceded by the F/A-18 Super Hornet

1869: Das Rheingold, the first of four operas in Richard Wagner's cycle Der Ring des Nibelungen, was first staged

1924: The League of Nations received the Nobel Peace Prize aimed at ousting Hitler

1949: An atomic bomb was detected in the test of a Soviet bomb

1999: Five men were sued for the death of a woman over the date of her death

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Today in History

September 23, 1949

▲ Bruce Springsteen, U.S. singer-songwriter, was born. He came to fame in the post-Vietnam War years with hits like Born to Run, and Born in the USA

1999: NASA lost contact with its \$125m Mars Climate Orbiter due to a mix-up between imperial and metric measures

2000: India's first nuclear test



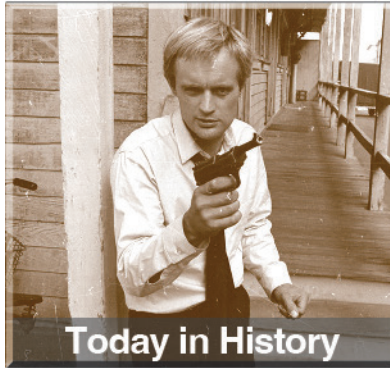
Today in History

September 24, 1934

▲ Baseball star Babe Ruth played his farewell game with the New York Yankees. He is considered by many to be the greatest baseball player of all time

1834: King Pedro IV of Portugal died. Better known as Dom Pedro, he founded the Brazilian Empire

2010: Brazil's first nuclear power plant



Today in History

September 25, 2023

▲ David McCallum, who shot to fame in the 1960s series The Man from U.N.C.L.E., and later played the eccentric medical examiner in the TV show NCIS, died at age 90

1818: The first blood transfusion using human as opposed to animal blood was carried out in London

1974: Queen's close performer was shot down as a result of a plane crash

1973: The first of a series of protests in favour of the environment was held in London

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September 26, 1934

▲ The Cunard liner Queen Mary, which broke the Atlantic crossing record four times, was launched in Scotland. The River Clyde had to be deepened to cope with her size

1949: Britain rejected demands from the Soviet Union to stop research into nuclear weapons

1989: Vietnam pulled its troops out of Cambodia, abandoning the fight against Khmer Rouge guerrillas

2009: Families separated since the Korean War met in North Korea in the first arranged reunions in two years

2014: Protests erupted in Mexico after 43 students were seized after clashes with local police

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Today in History

September 27, 2014

▲ A-listers flocked to Venice for days of celebrations as Hollywood star George Clooney married Lebanese-British human rights lawyer Amal Alamuddin

1939: In WWII Warsaw surrendered to the invading German army after three days of constant bombardment

1964: A U.S. commission found Lee Harvey Oswald acted alone in the assassination of President Kennedy

2004: Insurance claims for the four hurricanes that battered Florida in six weeks over the summer were estimated to top \$20bn

2008: Zhai Zhigang carried out China's first spacewalk

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Today in History

September 28, 2023

▲ A landmark tree at Sycamore Gap, on Hadrian's Wall in northern England, was cut down overnight, causing widespread outrage around the world

1969: Fragments from a large meteorite that fell over Murchison, Australia, were found to contain extra-terrestrial amino acids

1994: Over 850 people died when the ferry Estonia sank in the Baltic Sea

2004: The price of oil surged past the \$50 milestone for the first time

2016: Dutch investigators found that Malaysia Airlines flight MH17 was shot down by a missile brought into Ukraine from Russia

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