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ON THIS DAY



▲ **2002:** Scientists unveiled the skull of the earliest hominid found to date, discovered in Chad and dating back six or seven million years

1934: Franklin D. Roosevelt became the first U.S. President to sail through the Panama Canal

1940: Marshal Henri-Philippe Petain was named Chief of State in France after its defeat by Nazi Germany

1990: Canadian police and Mohawk Indians exchanged fire over a land rights dispute near Montreal

2000: An explosion in an oil pipeline in Nigeria killed at least 250 people near the southern town of Warri