

Friday, July 28

# ON THIS DAY



▲ **2005:** The Irish Republican Army formally ordered an end to its 36-year armed campaign against British rule in Northern Ireland

**1741:** Italian baroque composer Antonio Vivaldi, best known for *The Four Seasons*, died

**1821:** Jose de San Martin and his forces liberated Peru and proclaimed its independence from Spain

**1977:** The first oil through the TransAlaska Pipeline System reached Valdez, Alaska

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