



# On this day in history

**August 23, 2026**

1784

North Carolina counties declare themselves breakaway state of Franklin

1823

Mountain man Hugh Glass mauled by a grizzly bear

1856

Eunice Foote's research on global warming is presented publicly

1861

Confederate spy Rose O'Neal Greenhow is arrested

1914

Battle of Mons

1926

Star of the silent screen Rudolph Valentino dies

1927

Sacco and Vanzetti executed

1939

Germany, Soviet Union sign nonaggression pact

1945

Senior U.S. POW is released

1945

Marcario García becomes first Mexican national to receive U.S. Medal of Honor

1947

First Little League World Series champion crowned

1968

Black soldiers stage sit-in at Fort Hood

1970

Lou Reed plays his last show with the Velvet Underground

1989

Pete Rose gets booted from baseball

1999

New York City reports first cases of West Nile virus

2000

First “Survivor” finale airs

2006

Austrian teen escapes after eight years in captivity

2021

FDA fully approves the Pfizer COVID-19 vaccine