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## ON THIS DAY IN IRISH HISTORY -AUGUST

1st

- 1906 - The Catholic hierarchy rule out mixed education at Trinity College, Dublin.
- 1915 - Funeral of Jeremiah O'Donovan Rossa, at which Patrick Pearse gives an oration.
- 1969 - A huge rally outside the GPO in Dublin protests events in Northern Ireland.
- 1980 - Eighteen people die in the Buttevant Rail Disaster.

3rd

- 1916 - Roger Casement hanged for treason.

5th

- 1969 - Severe sectarian rioting in Belfast.

7th

- 1957 - A war memorial in Limerick is blown up.
- 1986 - Peter Robinson, deputy leader of the DUP, is arrested for illegal assembly after a Loyalist mob takes over a village in County Monaghan.

8th

- 1980 - Ten people die in a hotel fire at Bundoran.

9th

- 1971 - Internment without trial is introduced in Northern Ireland.

11th

- 1927 - Fianna Fáil TDs join the Dáil for the first time.
- 1950 - At a meeting of the European Consultative Assembly in Strasbourg, Irish representatives vote against the European army proposed by Winston Churchill.

12th

- 1898 - James Connolly publishes the first copy of the Workers' Republic newsletter.
- 1946 - A plane carrying 23 French Girl Guides crashes in the Wicklow Mountains.

13th

- 1931 - Business resumes in the Four Courts following damage caused in the Civil War.
- 1969 - The Taoiseach Jack Lynch says on television that Ireland 'can no longer stand by' given the situation in Northern Ireland.
- 1995 - Gerry Adams tells a rally in Belfast that the IRA 'haven't gone away'.

14th

- 1903 - Wyndham Land Act passed, offering incentives to landlord to sell their estates.

15th

- 1838 - Government introduces relief work and a reduction in tithes for the poor.
- 1843 - Repeal meeting at Tara.
- 1969 - A night of violence and arson in Belfast. Sinn Féin calls for UN intervention and the boycott of British goods.
- 1998 - Real IRA bomb at Omagh kills 29 people.

16th

- 1879 - Land League of Mayo founded at Castlebar.
- 1969 - British soldiers are deployed in Belfast.
- 1982 - The Attorney General Patrick Connolly resigns after a wanted killer is found at his house.

17th

1922 - Dublin Castle is formally handed over to the IRA by the British.

1969 - Northern Ireland protesters clash with the Garda Síochána in Dublin.

18th

1911 - The British House of Lords loses its veto power beyond two years, making Home Rule possible.

19th

1989 - 10,000 people march in Dublin calling for Britain's withdrawal from Northern Ireland.

20th

1888 - Christian Brothers College founded in Cork.

21st

1962 - Former US President Eisenhower arrives in Belfast.

1970 - The Social Democratic and Labour Party is founded in Northern Ireland.

22nd

1922 - Michael Collins is killed in an ambush at Béal na Bláth.

23rd

1921 - Stormont Castle agreed as the Parliament building for Northern Ireland.

27th

1928 - Ireland becomes a signatory of the Kellogg Peace Pact.

1969 - The B-Specials begin to hand over their guns. British Home Secretary James Callaghan visits Belfast.

1979 - The IRA kill Lord Mountbatten, his grandson and the grandson's friend; on the same day, an IRA ambush at Warrenpoint kills 18 British soldiers.

28th

1835 - St. Vincent's Ecclesiastical Seminary opened at Castleknock.

1930 - Rembrandt painting found in an Irish cottage is authenticated.

31st

1994 - IRA announces a ceasefire.