## Tuesday, May 16 ON THIS DAY



▲ 1955: Soviet gymnast Olga Korbut, who captivated audiences at the 1972 Munich Olympics, was born in Grodno, now in Belarus

**1888:** A Paris journal described a scheme for constructing a giant bridge across the English Channel, its cost estimated at a then astronomical \$64m

**1969:** The Russian spacecraft *Venus 5* landed on the planet Venus

**1990:** American entertainer Sammy Davis Jr. died of throat cancer

2005: Kuwait's National Assembly passed a law giving women the right to vote and to run for office for the first time

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