



## Today in History

*October 26, 1863*

▲ **An international conference in Geneva set out the principles which led to the First Geneva Convention and the establishment of the International Red Cross**

**1980:** The worldwide eradication of smallpox was announced

**1991:** Serb forces shelled the historic Croatian city of Dubrovnik

**1996:** Hans Walter Kosterlitz, German-born British pharmacologist, died at the age of 93. In 1975 he and John Hughes discovered enkephalins, naturally occurring opiates in the brain

**1998:** Ecuador and Peru signed a peace treaty that ended years of conflict over their ill-defined borders