



Today in History

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▲ The destruction of the historic Torgau bridge over the Elbe river in Germany, where U.S. and Soviet troops met in April 1945, caused a public outcry

1631: Mumtaz Mahal, wife of Mughal emperor Shah Jahan, died. He built the Taj Mahal as a mausoleum for her

1939: The last person to be publicly executed in France was guillotined before a large crowd at Versailles

1940: The Soviet Union occupied the three Baltic states of Estonia, Latvia and Lithuania

1994: Former U.S. football star O.J. Simpson, accused of two murders, was arrested after a freeway chase