



Today in History

January 5, 1933

▲ **Construction work began on the Golden Gate Bridge in San Francisco, the first bridge in the U.S. to span the outer mouth of a major ocean harbour**

1896: The first public account of Wilhelm Roentgen's discovery of X-rays was published in Austria

1938: Spain's former king, Juan Carlos, was born. He became king on the death of General Franco

1953: *Waiting for Godot*, by Samuel Beckett, was first staged in Paris

1968: Alexander Dubcek became leader of Czechoslovakia. His policy of political liberalisation led to the invasion by Warsaw Pact forces