



Today in History

December 22, 1895

▲ German scientist Wilhelm Roentgen made the first X-ray image, of his wife's hand, allowing the inner workings of the body to be observed without surgery

1885: Prince Ito Hirobumi, a samurai, became Japan's first Prime Minister

1989: Reclusive Irish dramatist Samuel Beckett died in Paris

1989: Nicolae Ceausescu, Romania's communist dictator, was ousted in a revolution after 24 years of hardline rule. He was executed within days

1994: The first private cars to travel through the Channel Tunnel between England and France boarded Le Shuttle for the train's 35-minute trip