



Today in History

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▲ **The Yavuz Sultan Selim Bridge, the world's tallest suspension bridge, was opened to traffic in Istanbul. It is the city's third bridge across the Bosphorus**

1498: Michelangelo was commissioned to carve the Pieta for St Peter's Basilica in the Vatican

1856: William Henry Perkin applied for a British patent for the invention of aniline dye, the first synthetic dye

1920: Women in the United States won the right to vote

1952: The Soviet Union said it had conducted the first successful tests of an Intercontinental Ballistic Missile