



Today in History

February 17, 1971

▲ **Elton John, English singer and songwriter who has sold over 300 million albums worldwide, won his first American gold disc for his self-titled album**

1864: The first successful attack by a submarine, a hand-propelled vessel, took place in the U.S. Civil War

1923: Howard Carter and Lord Carnarvon opened the inner tomb of the Egyptian pharaoh Tutankhamun

1996: World chess champion Garry Kasparov beat the Deep Blue computer to win their series 4-2

2006: France became the latest EU country to report the lethal H5N1 strain of bird flu