



# Today in History

*August 19, 1930*

▲ The two arches of the Sydney Harbour Bridge were joined together after five years under construction. The bridge was eventually opened in March 1932

**1839:** The first “daguerreotype” photograph, a direct positive image, was shown in Paris

**1897:** London’s first all-electric taxi cab went into operation. It had a top speed of 9-12mph

**1960:** The Soviet Union launched two dogs into orbit in the Sputnik 5 satellite

**2004:** Internet search engine Google was floated on the New York Stock Exchange. The offer price of \$85 shot up 18% on the first day of trading