



## 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**

**1953:** *Waiting for Godot*, by Samuel Beckett, with its revolutionary lack of plot, was first staged in Paris

**1968:** **Alexander Dubcek** became leader of Czechoslovakia. His liberal policies led to the invasion by Warsaw Pact forces

**1993:** The freighter *Akatsuki Maru* arrived in Japan having carried a cargo of plutonium from France

**1993:** **Price controls** were reinstated in Russia due to soaring inflation