



Today in History

December 20, 1933

▲ The dance partnership of Fred Astaire and Ginger Rogers was born in the movie *Flying Down To Rio*. They made 10 films, including *Roberta* (above), from 1933-49

1803: The United States took formal possession of the Louisiana Territory from France

1973: Spanish prime minister Luis Carrero Blanco was assassinated by Basque separatists

1983: PLO leader Yasser Arafat and 4,000 of his supporters were evacuated from Lebanon

2013: Bolivia's Chinese-built Tupac Katari 1 telecoms satellite was successfully launched in China