Sunday, August 20

ON THIS DAY



▲ 1968: Soviet troops invaded Czechoslovakia to crush the *Prague Spring* reform movement

1741: Danish explorer Vitus Bering discovered Alaska

1961: East Germany began to erect a five-foot-high wall along the border with the West to replace the barbed wire put up a week earlier

1977: The United States launched an unmanned spacecraft, *Voyager II*, on a mission to explore the outer planets

2000: Tiger Woods won the U.S. PGA Championship, becoming the first golfer since Ben Hogan in 1953 to win three majors in the same year