

Section 5: Eradicating the Boundaries of Human Experience From 1900 *anno Domini* to the Present

Acceleration of Discovery, Counter-culture Revolution, and Societal Responsibility

Twentieth Century

1900

Boxer Rebellion in China results in the murder of 20,000 Christians.

Count Ferdinand von Zeppelin designs a rigid cylindrical airship.

Kodak's Brownie camera sells for \$1.

Carrie Chapman Catt becomes president of the "National American Woman Suffrage Association". (refer: 1920)

John Luther "Casey" Jones' rail accident in Mississippi inspires *The Ballad of Casey Jones*.

Hawaii becomes a U.S. Territory. (refer: 1959)

Finley Peter Dunne writes *Mr. Dooley's Philosophy Casual Observations*, "Thrust ivrybody - but cut th' ca-ards". [sic]

U.S. population reaches 76,212,168.

Italy's King Umberto I assassinated. Replaced by King Emmanuel III. (refer: 1946)

Paper clip introduced.

Niagara Movement is established. (refer: 1909 – National Conference)

Galveston, Texas hurricane kills 8,000; most deadly U.S. natural disaster.

Lyman Frank Baum writes *The Wonderful Wizard of Oz*; phrases include: "The road to the City of Emeralds is paved with yellow brick," and "There is no place like home." (refer: 1939)

1901

President McKinley assassinated.

(-09) Theodore Roosevelt, Republican, becomes the 26th President.

Guglielmo Marconi of Italy perfects radio-telegraphic transmission system, sending a Morse Code message across the Atlantic Ocean.

George M. Cohan composes *The Yankee Doodle Boy* and in the next year, *Give My Regards to Broadway*.

American Revised Version of the Bible (of the King James Version) is published.

Alberto Santos-Dumont flies a powered dirigible.

British Petroleum founded. (refer: 1908) [Editor's note: With the acquisitions of U.S.'s Amoco and Standard Oil, name was changed to BP; presently this is one of the ten world-largest companies.]

Ignace Jan Paderewski presents the opera *Manru*. (refer: 1919)

American League of Professional Baseball Clubs founded. (refer: 1903)

Industrialist, J. P. Morgan, buys Andrew Carnegie's steel business. (refer: 1913)

Sigmund Freud, a professed atheist, publishes *The Psychopathology of Everyday Life*. (refer: 1923)

President Roosevelt says, "I have always been fond of the West African proverb, 'Speak softly and carry a big stick; you will go far'."

First Alfred B. Nobel Prizes, for chemistry, literature, medicine and physiology, peace and physics, are awarded. Prize for economics is added in 1969.

Colonies of Australia are united under a self-governing commonwealth.

First American motorcycle, the *Indian*, is introduced.

1902

President Roosevelt appoints Oliver Wendell Holmes, Jr. to the Supreme Court. [Some detail: Holmes' term becomes the longest. He retired in 1932.]

Andrew Carnegie (Carnegie Steel) forms the philanthropic Carnegie Institute, promoting humanities and sciences. (refer: 1919)

Beatrix Potter writes *The Tale of Peter Rabbit*.

End of Boer War gives England control of South Africa.

John W. Burgess authors *Reconstruction and the Constitution*, ridiculing Republican legislators' efforts to apprehend Ku Klux Klan terrorists.

Bank of America is founded. (Presently, this is one of the ten world-largest companies.) (r. - 31) King Alfonso XIII of Spain (refer: 1921 and 1931)

Mexico City earthquake takes 300 lives.

Booker T. Washington authors *Up from Slavery*.

Leocadia (Lillian) Madura is baptized at Holy Trinity Church, Chicago.

U.S. purchases the rights and equipment from French organization, Compagnie Nouvelle du Canal de Panama. (refer: 1904)

Hughie Cannon composes *Won't You Come Home, Bill Bailey?*

Japan and Great Britain sign the Defensive Agreement, agreeing to mutual support.

In the first Rose Bowl football game, University of Michigan beats Stanford.

Psychologist William James writes *The Varieties of Religious Experience*, supporting evidence that spiritual faith is basic in thought and contributes to physical healing.

Teddy Bear promoters secure President "Teddy" Roosevelt's permission to use his nickname.

**During the Reign of Pius X (Giuseppe Melchiorre Sarto)
August 4, 1903 – August 20, 1914**

1903

The Roman Catholic Metropolitan Cathedral of Westminster is dedicated in London.
Wright brothers' *Flyer* accomplishes the first powered, heavier-than-air, controlled, maneuvered flight at Kill Devil Hills, North Carolina.

The Declaratory Statement by the *Presbyterian Church in the United States of America* formally supports dozens of theologians who, since the Reformation, discounted the concept of limbo. The Orthodox Eastern churches also historically had held this theory. (refer: Vatican- 2007)

Victor Talking Machine introduces a phonograph disc player, the *Victrola*.

Charles E. McCarthy baptized at Holy Family Church, Chicago.

Wisconsin establishes the world's first Lake Sturgeon population management program, covering the Lake Winnebago System.

(-15) James E. Quigley is appointed the (Catholic) Archbishop of Chicago.

Claude Monet paints *Water Lilies (The Clouds)*.

Baseball's first World Series games (best-of-nine) results in Boston's Americans win (5) over the Pittsburgh Pirates (3). [Some details: From 1905, with the exception of the baseball strike of 1994, this is an annual event.]

Jack London writes *The Call of the Wild*.

U.S. Department of Commerce and Labor is established. [Some detail: In 1913, it is divided into two departments.]

George Bernard Shaw writes, "He who can does. He, who cannot, teaches."

(-30) Sebastian Gebhard Messmer becomes (Catholic) Archbishop of Milwaukee.

W.E.B. DuBois authors *The Souls of Black Folk*, essays on race dealing with being Black in American society.

France's Madame Marie Curie, aided by her husband, Pierre, isolates radium. Both receive Nobel Prizes for Physics. She is the first woman so honored.

1904

The first section of the New York subway opens.

Polish National Catholic Church claims laity-authority to control parish property and the hiring of priests. (refer: 1993)

U.S.-sponsors its first Summer Olympic Games (Saint Louis).

Sir Arthur Conan Doyle authors *The Adventures of Sherlock Holmes*.

Ransom E. Olds starts REO Motor Company, creating the first auto assembly line. (refer: 1908-Ford)

Marie Peterman and John Wardzinski married at Saint Stanislaus Kostka Church in Chicago, Illinois.

Lady Gregory and William Yates found Ireland's Abbey Theatre.

William H. Taft appoints U.S. Secretary of War. (refer: 1909, 1921 and 1947)

World's Fair opens in Saint Louis, Missouri.

Opera *Madame Butterfly* by Giacomo Puccini performed.

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Construction of the Panama Canal links the Atlantic and Pacific Oceans (opens in 1914). (refer: 1978) [Some background: Bucyrus Company (Bucyrus-Erie) of Milwaukee was the sole source of steam shovels used in the excavation.]
Angelo Giuseppe Roncalli is ordained a priest. (refer: 1914)
Italy's Great Synagogue, *Tempio Maggiore di Roma* is completed.

1905

Pope Pius X affirms, "Children who die without baptism go into limbo." He condemned Modernists (theologically-liberal Catholics). (refer: Vatican-2007)
Albert Einstein presents his *On the Electrodynamics of Moving Bodies*. This included the Special Theory of Relativity, constant speed of light, and $E=mc^2$. (refer: 1915)
Former Democrat President Grover Cleveland's article in *Ladies Home Journal* details his belief that, "Sensible and responsible women do not want to vote."
Max Weber, a German sociologist, authors *The Protestant Ethic and the Spirit of Capitalism*. (refer: 1914)
J. W. Jung of Randolph, Wisconsin, founds the Jung Seed Company.
Top names for babies born in U.S. are Mary and John.
Russian Sergei Nilus publishes *Protocols of the Elders of Zion*, an anti-Semitic forgery and hoax, which details a secret Jewish conspiracy for world domination. (refer: 1934 and Elaboration-Protocols)
A New York Times article notes, "If English was good enough for Saint Paul to write the Bible in, it's good enough for me."
Nettie Stevens identifies X and Y chromosomes.
Anna Eleanor Roosevelt marries her fifth cousin, Franklin Delano Roosevelt.

1906

Alfred Fuller introduces Fuller Brush Company's door-to-door salesmen.
Typhoon in Hong Kong kills 10,000.
SOS in Morse code (... --- ...) is adopted as the wireless distress signal.
Union Pacific Railroad develops a suburban passenger rail car powered by a six-cylinder gasoline engine.
Gelett Burgess authors *Are You a Bromide* (including words, "It isn't so much the heat...as the humidity").
Lee De Forrest, American, invents the vacuum tube which amplifies radio signals and generates radio waves.
American Jewish Committee is founded in New York; addresses the civil and religious rights of Jews.
Dunwoody and Pickard introduce a crystal radio device.
Chicago's cable-car transit system, the most extensive in U.S., is converted to electricity.
Dreadnought, the first naval battleship, is launched in Britain.
Dr. Alois Alzheimer publishes an evaluation of a senile patient. (refer: 1987)
Harvard's Dr. Dudley Sargent warns women to avoid playing sports such as basketball, due to their "inability to endure extended mental and physical strain."
San Francisco earthquake (April 18-19) kills an estimated 3,000.

Our Lady of Victory Church founded in Chicago, Illinois.

1907

S.S. Lusitania crosses the Atlantic in a record five days. (refer: 1915)

In Rome, Doctor Maria Montessori opens her first school. (refer: 1909)

Joyful, Joyful, We Adore You, a hymn presented by Henry Van Dyke, Williams College, Massachusetts, utilizes Beethoven's *Hymn to Joy* (c. 1823).

Neiman-Marcus, a department store, opens in Dallas, Texas.

William James authors *Pragmatism: A New Name for Some Ways of Thinking*.

Thor is the first self-contained electric washing machine. In 1911, Maytag's electric model is produced.

Florence Anna Wardzinski is baptized at Saint Stanislaus Kostka Church in Chicago.

Charles Zimmerman, U.S. naval Academy bandmaster, composes the football march, *Anchors Aweigh*. Words include, "Sail Navy down the field and sink the Army Grey".

Walter Rauschenbusch authors *Christianity and the Social Crisis*.

Coal mine disaster in Monongah, West Virginia claims 361.

(-79) Marion Morrison (aka John Wayne) is born in Winterset, Iowa.

Ascension Church, Oak Park, Illinois founded.

New Zealand gains dominion status.

1908

Cellophane is introduced.

Briton, Robert Stephenson Smyth Baden-Powell, founder of the Boy Scouts, uses his initials, B P, for motto, "Be prepared".

Vatican's office, "Roman and Universal Inquisition" is renamed "Supreme Sacred Congregation of the Holy Office". (refer: 1965).

Anglo-Persian Oil Company, owned and operated by British Petroleum, locates oil in Iran.

Henry Ford introduces Model T. Refines Ransom Olds' assembly-line manufacturing process. [Some particulars: In 1936, he established the Ford Foundation.]

William Graham Sumner, who coined the term "social Darwinism", is elected President of the Sociological Association.

Leo Baekeland develops Bakelite.

Vatican's "Supreme Sacred Congregation of the Sacraments" is established. (refer: Elaboration)

1909

(-13) William Howard Taft, 27th President, Republican

National Conference on the Negro formed. [Some detail: Later, it is called the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People (NAACP).]

Marquette College, Milwaukee, Wisconsin becomes a University. [Some detail: Later it became the first Jesuit institution to admit women.]

Robert Peary's expedition reaches the North Pole. [Editor's note: Some current thinking suggests that they were at least 30 miles off course.]

Doctor Maria Montessori introduces *Metodo della pedagogia scientifica*, educational techniques for children. [Some detail: In 1912, a teacher's school opens.]
In San Francisco, a Japanese gardener introduces the fortune cookie; later adopted by local Chinese.
Edward Madden composes *By the Light of the Silvery Moon*.
Cardinal James Gibbons of Baltimore says, "Reform must come from within, not without. You cannot legislate virtue." (refer: 2003-Boston)

c. 1910

William Ewer, British journalist, writes, "How odd / Of God / To choose / The Jews." To which Cecil Browne responds, "But not so odd / As those who choose / A Jewish God / But spurn the Jews."

Gramophone, using 10-inch shellac music discs, is introduced.

1910

(r. - 36) George V (England)

Union of South Africa combines Boer republics, Cape Colony, and Natal.

Ole Evinrude designs a gasoline engine for boats.

Milwaukee, Wisconsin becomes first large American city to be controlled by the Socialist Party. (refer: 1948)

Alice Wells is designated as the first female police officer, Los Angeles Police Department.

(-21) Edward D. White is appointed Chief Justice of the U.S. Supreme Court.

Carl Jung becomes first president of the International Psychoanalytical Association.

Boy Scouts of America founded. (refer: 1977)

Father's Day is initially observed in Washington State.

G. K. Chesterton authors *What's Wrong with the World*. He observes, "If a thing is worth doing, it is worth doing badly."

1911

Andrew Carnegie, steel manufacturer, defines charity as a moral imperative; later, founds the Carnegie Corporation Foundation.

First Workman's Compensation Law is introduced in Wisconsin.

English clergyman, William Fitchett, discussing imminent world peace says, "Very shortly any war will be recognized as impossible."

China is proclaimed a republic; a revolution follows. Sun Yat-sen elected President of the United Provinces of China (resigns in 1912).

Fire kills 146 employees of the Triangle Shirtwaist Factory (New York City).

Portuguese women are granted voting rights.

Road Amundsen of Norway reaches the South Pole.

Marie Curie receives the Nobel Prize for Chemistry.

U.S. transcontinental flight's airtime, not including multiple stops, is 82 hours and 4 minutes.

George Bernard Shaw writes, "All professions are conspiracies against the laity."

C. F. Kettering invents the electric starter for automobile engines. (refer:1934)

Alexander's Ragtime Band composed by Irving Berlin.

Gasoline-powered farm tractor is designed by J.I. Case in Racine, Wisconsin.

Our Lady of Mercy Church founded in Chicago, Illinois.

Rida Johnson Young composes *Ah! Sweet Mystery of Life*.

1912

On its initial voyage, S.S. *Titanic* (White Star Lines) sinks in North Atlantic; 1,513 die, 711 survivors.

North British Locomotive Company produces a diesel locomotive.

Chauncey Olcott composes *When Irish Eyes Are Smiling*.

Alaska becomes a U.S. Territory.

American Girl Guides is founded; one year later, the name is changed to Girl Scouts.

(r. - 26) In Japan, accession of Emperor Yoshihito.

George Bernard Shaw presents play, *Pygmalion*.

North Dakota is the earliest to hold a national Presidential Primary.

Harriet Quimby is first woman to fly over the English Channel; first U.S. licensed pilot.

She dies 2 ½ months later due to a high-altitude mechanical failure.

1913

(-21) Woodrow Wilson, 28th President, Democrat

16th Constitutional Amendment is ratified; Congress shall have power to lay and collect taxes...

Geiger Counter developed.

Marguerite Davis and Elmer McCollum of the University of Wisconsin discover vitamin A. Shortly thereafter, vitamins D and E, as well as insulin, are developed.

John D. Rockefeller funds the Foundation for Public Health and endows the "American Society for the Control of Cancer" [Some particulars: Now called the "Rockefeller Foundation" with current assets of \$4 billion. In 1945, the Society was renamed the "American Cancer Society".]

17th Constitutional Amendment requiring that senators be elected by direct popular vote is ratified.

J. P. Morgan's will creates the Morgan library. He was also a major benefactor to the Metropolitan Museum of Art and the American Museum of Natural History.

Gideon Sundback designs the Slack Fastener for clothes. [Editor's note: In 1926, the item was nicknamed, "Zipper".]

Archbishop Sebastian Messmer of Milwaukee, Wisconsin crusades against women's right to vote.

Hans Reck finds *Homo sapiens* skeleton in Rift Valley, East Africa.

Woolworth Building opens in New York. [Some particulars: At 792 feet (60 stories), for 16 years, it was the tallest habitable structure.]

**During the Reign of Benedict XV (Giacomo Della Chiesa)
September 3, 1914 – January 22, 1922**

1914

Assassination of Austrian Archduke Franz Ferdinand results in the Great War. [Some detail: It was designated “World War I” in 1940.]

First feature-length comedy movie, *Tillie’s Punctured Romance* features Charlie Chaplin. In that year he appears in 35 films.

World Series, National League’s Boston over American League’s Philadelphia (4 to 0)

Russian, Igor Sikorsky, develops a four-engine cabin biplane. (refer: 1939)

Edgar Rice Burroughs authors *Tarzan of the Apes*.

Max Weber’s *Economy and Society*, using legal, traditional, and charismatic factors, defines legitimate authority or domination.

In Ireland, violent clashes with the British by *Sinn Fein (We Ourselves)* and other Irish nationalists escalate.

Basilica of Saint Mary, in Minnesota, is the first basilica constructed in U.S.

Oskar Barnack introduces the Leica 35mm camera.

Flight training commences at Pensacola (Florida) Naval Air Station.

Original Federal Tax 1040 Form instituted containing a total of four instructions. [Editor’s note: Presently, there are 4,000.]

Angelo Giuseppe Roncalli serves as a sergeant in the Royal Italian Army. (refer: 1953)

England’s Royal Air Force (RAF) is established, becoming the first independent military flight organization.

National Mother’s Day celebration is initiated.

1915

Armenian Christian genocide is begun by the Muslim’s Turkish government. [Some details: Over 1½ million are massacred through 1917. This episode is often referred to as The First Genocide of the Twentieth Century.]

Pope Benedict XV asks for a halt to the murders and the systematic starvation. (refer: 1935 and Elaboration- Armenian)

U.S. Revenue Cutter Service merges with Life-Saving Service becoming the U.S. Coast Guard.

University of Wisconsin’s 9XM goes on the air. [Some detail: Now called WHA, it is currently the oldest active radio station.]

Albert Einstein presents his expanded work on the General Theory of Relativity, which includes data on the curvature of space-time.

Song, *M-O-T-H-E-R (a Word that Means the World to Me)* is composed by Morse and Johnson.

S.S. Lusitania, crossing the Atlantic, is sunk by German submarine, killing 1,200.

Haiti becomes a U.S. protectorate.

William Somerset Maugham writes *Of Human Bondage*.

Germany is first country in warfare to use poison gas.

The AM (amplitude modulation) radio is introduced. (refer: 1933)

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Holiday vessel, *SS Eastland* rolls over in the Chicago River; 844 die.

Film, *Birth of a Nation*, produced.

The war includes the first use of mechanized, military tanks; England's design.

George Asaf composes; *Pack up Your Troubles in Your Old Kit-bag, and Smile, Smile, Smile*.

Britain sends a permanent representative to the Vatican, first time in 300 years.

1916

Francesco Forgione (later, known as Padre Pio) is drafted into the Italian army; he becomes ill and is sent to the monastery of San Giovanni Rotondo. [Some particulars: September 1918 was the onset of his stigmata (wounds of the crucified Christ). These bled for 50 years until his death in 1968. Circa 1970, Pope Paul VI appointed a Director General for Padre Pio's Prayer Groups. Current membership is estimated at 70,000.] (refer: Elaboration)

William Boeing produces aircraft in Seattle, Washington.

Mexican bandit, Pancho Villa raids Columbus, New Mexico.

Carl Sandburg writes *Chicago Poems*.

Puerto Rico becomes a U.S. territory. (refer: 1952)

The "Mad Monk", Grigori Rasputin, eccentric advisor to Russia's Czarina Alexandra, is assassinated by poisoning, shot three times. Finally, the exhausted killers toss him into the Neva River to drown.

(-23) Construction of Imperial Hotel, Tokyo, a design by architect Frank Lloyd Wright, begins.

Irish Easter Rebellion is put down. Leaders are executed by British.

Jeannette Rankin, Montana Republican, becomes first U.S. Congresswoman.

Clergyman William J. H. Boetcker's book, *The Industrial Decalogue*, maintains, "You cannot help the poor by destroying the rich."

Goiter, an enlargement of the thyroid gland, is minimized through use of iodine.

H. L. Mencken authors *A Little Book in C Major*. Humorous definitions include: "Archbishop: A Christian ecclesiastic of a rank superior to that attained by Christ."

Stainless steel is developed.

President Wilson directs military bands to play *The Star-Spangled Banner*. (refer: 1931)

Warren Harding says, "People should be less concerned for what government can do for citizenship and more for what citizenship can do for their country." [Editor's note: Some similarity in a segment of Kahlil Gibran's work of 1925 and the inauguration speech of 1961.]

(-39) George Cardinal Mundelein becomes (Catholic) Archbishop of Chicago.

Woodrow Wilson is re-elected on campaign, "He'll keep us out of war."

1917

April 6th, U.S. enters the Great War.

Bolshevik Revolution erupts; Vladimir Ilyich Ulyanov (Vladimir Lenin) becomes Russian Premier.

Codex Juris Canonici (Code of Canon Law) centralizes Church authority in Rome.

Women's Army Auxiliary Air Force is organized in France.

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After 17 nation-wide failures, Wisconsin is credited as the first state with an enduring income tax.

Our Lady of Fatima appears in Portugal.

For national security purposes, U.S. purchases the Virgin Islands from Denmark. (refer: 1927)

Harvard is the first university to initiate a Reserve Officer Training program as the “foundation of a great citizen army, vital for the security and well-being of the Country.” [Some detail: In the 1990s, faculty pressure resulted in its elimination.]

Marc Chagall (Moishe Segal) paints *Bella with White collar*.

After 400 years of Ottoman occupation, Britain secures Judea Palestine. The Balfour Declaration promises a Jewish national home. [Some particulars: In 1922, the League of Nations agrees. This is thousands of years after the first records of Israel as the Jews’ ancestral home.]

Mexican Constitution outlaws monastic orders, prohibits church ownership of property, and denies clergy the right to vote. (refer: 1992)

Canada (except Quebec) authorizes women’s voting rights.

Archdiocese of Chicago Catholic Charities is established. (refer: 1921)

Joseph Pulitzer Prizes are instituted for journalism and letters; music, added later.

World Series is won by Chicago White Sox, American League, over New York Giants of the National League, 4 to 2. (refer: 1921 and 2005)

Benedict XV establishes Pius VII’s Secretariat (office) as the new “Sacred Congregation of Extraordinary Ecclesiastical Affairs”.

Gertrud Zelle (aka Mata Hari) is convicted in France of spying for Germany; death by firing squad.

Foreign Russian Orthodox members, fearing Lenin’s anti-church stance, separate from Russian Orthodox Church, forming the Russian Orthodox Church Outside of Russia (aka Russian Orthodox Church Abroad). (refer: 1927 and 2007)

[Editor’s note: Presently, this America-based Church is headed by Metropolitan Laurus in New York. Worldwide membership exceeds 400,000.]

1918

Premier Vladimir Lenin orders the murder of Russia’s royal Romanov entire family and nobles throughout country. Co-terrorist, Fanya Kaplan, shoots at Lenin for “betraying the humanistic intention of the revolution.” She is also executed.

Toyota Company, Japan, is founded. (Presently, this is one of the ten world-largest companies.)

U.S. Postal Airmail service is inaugurated.

Poland declares its independence; recognized by Treaty of Versailles in 1919.

Germany, Poland, and England establish vote for women. England restricts it to women over thirty years of age.

Coast and Geodetic Survey defines the center of U.S. (lower) 48 states near Lebanon, Kansas.

Spanish influenza kills more than 21 million (estimated at 1.3% of world population).

Hertz’s Driv-Ur-Self opens in Chicago with 12 Model-T Ford automobiles.

Boston Red Sox (American League) win the World Series, beating Chicago Cubs (National League) 4 to 2. (refer: 2004)

Vatican's "Congregation of the Propagation of the Faith" removes the U.S. from its missionary territory category. The Congregation acknowledges that there is no further need to oversee and be responsible for the inhabitants' spiritual and faith development. (refer: Elaboration-Curia)

1919

First airline food service, a free basket-lunch, begins.

Treaty of Versailles ends Great War. (refer: 1935 and 1939)

The National Baptist Convention in America (second-largest Black Baptist organization) is founded.

Ignace Paderewski becomes the third Prime Minister of Poland.

Irving Berlin composes *A Pretty Girl is like a Melody*.

President Wilson orders approximately 250 alien "radicals" deported.

Andrew Carnegie dies. He had given away more than 90 percent of his fortune and constructed some 2,500 libraries.

Communist Party is founded in Germany and America.

18th Constitutional Amendment is ratified; liquor prohibition. (refer: 1933)

Decatur, Illinois football team (the Bears) founded; moves to Chicago in 1921.

Nancy Witcher Astor (born in Virginia) is first woman elected to British Parliament's House of Commons.

Boston Red Sox trade an unknown, George Herman Ruth, to New York Yankees. (refer: 1920)

Pogo Stick is patented.

Hermann Cohen's *The Religion of Reason Drawn from the Sources of Judaism* maintains that humans merely created the idea of God.

(d. - 87) Wladziu Valentine Liberace (aka Liberace), pianist and entertainer, born in West Allis, Wisconsin.

Dial telephones become available in U.S. (refer: 1963)

Sid Chaplin (Charlie's brother) founds the short-lived, first Pacific-coast flying service, Chaplin Air Line.

Harry Steenbock of the University of Wisconsin links the yellow pigment, carotene (found in carrots and sweet potatoes) to vitamin A. [Some particulars: Later, he found that by exposing milk to ultraviolet light vitamin D would be introduced, eliminating rickets, a condition resulting in soft, deformed bones.]

Song, *Alice Blue Gown* becomes all the rage.

Industrialist Henry Clay Frick wills \$15 million, his home, and art collection to establish what is now known as the Frick Collection.

1920s

Surrealist painter, Salvador Dali contributes to the expansion of the *Art Deco* style.

c. 1920

George Santayana, philosopher, upholds that those who cannot remember the past are condemned to repeat it.

1920

Pope Benedict XV sells the precious stones from the 1805 papal tiara to aid European veterans of the Great War.

Jeanne d'Arc is canonized. Dormant since 1910, France immediately reopens diplomatic relations with the Vatican.

U.S. population reaches 106 million; world's estimated population is 1.8 billion.

World powers accept the British Palestine Mandate requiring a Jewish homeland.

(refer: 1922)

Station KDKA in Pittsburgh airs the first commercial radio broadcast.

Carrie Chapman Catt becomes the second-time president of the "National American Woman Suffrage Association".

Giovanni Battista Montini ordained a priest. (refer: 1954)

Buddy DeSylva composes *Look for the Silver Lining*.

Earthquake in Gansu, China kills 200,000.

Woman suffrage is won by ratification of 19th Amendment to U.S. Constitution.

Carrie Chapman Catt founds the "League of Women Voters".

Pope issues letter, *Pacem Dei Munus* calling for continued world peace.

Felix Frankfurter helps found "American Civil Liberties Union" ("ACLU"). (refer: 1939)

George (*Babe*) Ruth, New York Yankees hits 137 home runs (171 in '21, 131 in '23 and 145 in 1926).

Margaret Gorman of Washington, D.C. becomes first Miss America.

Eugene O'Neill's play, *Beyond the Horizon* premieres.

Pope Benedict strongly rejects any individual analysis of theological matters; "...must avoid, as children of God, this insane freedom in ventilating opinions."

1921

(-23) Warren Harding, 29th President, Republican

Unidentified American soldier, killed in the Great War, is buried at Arlington Cemetery.

Monument became known as the Tomb of the Unknown Soldier (aka Tomb of the Unknowns).

(-30) William H. Taft is appointed Chief Justice of the U.S. Supreme Court. He is the only person in history to have been both president (1909-13) and chief justice.

Congress establishes a national immigration policy, setting quotas.

Wisconsin's Bill of Rights for Women is the first to grant the right to vote, hold office, own property, and sign contracts [Some background: This was the only location in the English-speaking world where women had the same rights as men.]

Britain aids Reza Shah Pahlavi in a coup against the Qajar dynasty in Iran. (refer: 1932)

Attorney Franklin D. Roosevelt is stricken with poliomyelitis.

Chicago's "Catholic Charities" launches the child foster-care program. [Some detail: It was closed in 2007, as insurance companies were no longer able to underwrite a myriad of lawyers' onslaughts.]

(-30) Spain is dominated under the dictatorship of Primo de Rivera's.

Explosion at chemical storage facility in Oppau, Germany kills 561.

"Black Sox" scandal temporarily bans Chicago White Sox team for throwing the 1919 World Series.

Russia's Kamera (aka Laboratory No. 21) develops dioxin and other poisons for assassinations by the KGB (now FSB); facility remains an active product source.

Anglo-Irish Treaty establishes the Irish Free-State, excluding six northern counties.

[Some detail: In 1937, it is designated *Eire*.]

Ku Klux Klan expands its killings to include more Catholics as well as Blacks. (refer: 1924 and 1937)

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1922

The Palestine Mandate takes effect. [Some particulars: Winston Churchill, as Colonial Secretary, separates Transjordan (Jordan) from the rest of Palestine to have that become the Arab's future state. The balance, including the West Bank is open for Jewish settlement. Arab's violent reaction to Jewish physical presence results in their hunting down and murdering hundreds.](refer: 1947)

(-45) Prime Minister Benito Mussolini's Fascist dictatorship governs Italy.

In World Series, New York's National League beats New York's American League; Giants over Yankees (4 to 0, one tie).

The first recorded *bat (aka bas) Mitzvah* is by Judith Kaplan, daughter of a Reconstitutionist Movement rabbi. [Some background: The *bar Mitzvah* (for boys of 13 years) had been the religious ceremony of responsibility since the mid 1300s.] (refer: Elaboration-Judaism)

"Magen David Adom" ("MDA"), the Israeli equivalent of the Red Cross, is founded.

Niels Bohr of Denmark is awarded Nobel Prize for Physics for studies of the structure of atoms.

King Tutankhamun's (aka Tutankhamen) tomb in the Valley of the Kings is excavated.

Publication of *Reader's Digest*

Victor Berger of Milwaukee, Wisconsin, becomes the first Socialist Representative in U.S. Congress. In 1918, his election had been voided because of his indictment under the Great War's Espionage Act.

Alfred Lunt and Lynn Fontanne marry. [Some particulars: They are to become the most popular acting couple in American theatre history with over 24 plays and one movie, *The Guardsman* (1931). They retired from the stage in 1966.]

Lincoln Memorial, Washington, D.C. is dedicated.

Rebecca L. Felton is appointed as first U.S. woman senator (by Governor of Georgia). (refer: 1932)

(-45) League of Nations founded. [Editor's note: Historically, an abject failure in addressing both individual and countries' rights-issues. U.S. Senate had declined membership in the League.] (refer: 1933, 35,36,37,45)

Ulysses by James Joyce published.

1923

(-29) Calvin Coolidge, 30th President, Republican
William Yates of Ireland is awarded the Nobel Prize for Literature.

Phonofilm, first sound-on-film motion picture plays.

Adolph Hitler of the National Socialist (aka Nazi) party writes *Mein Kampf* (My Battle). In that he says, "Today I believe that I am acting in accordance with the will of the Almighty Creator: by defending myself against the Jew, I am fighting for the work of the Lord."

Mustafa Kemal Ataturk founds the Turkish Republic.

Albino Luciani is denied acceptance by the Jesuit Order. (refer: 1935)

Sigmund Freud publishes *New Introductory Lectures on Psychoanalysis*.

Greece recognizes the Gregorian calendar of 1582; all major countries are now standardized.

President's speech to Congress is the first official governmental radio broadcast.

Edwin Hubble finds Andromeda, proving existence of galaxies beyond the Milky Way.

1924

The first Winter Olympics, called the International Sports Week, takes place in France.

George Gershwin composes *Rhapsody in Blue* and, in 1928, *An American in Paris*.

Lenin dies. Aleksei Rykov becomes Russia's Premier. Joseph Vissarionovich Dzugashvili (aka Stalin) soon becomes General Secretary of the Central Committee of the Communist Party, running the country. (refer: 1930s and 1939)

Gus Kahn composes *I'll See You in My Dreams*.

Congress passes bill granting citizenship to all Indians native to U. S.

Saint Barnabas Church founded in Beverly Hills area of Chicago, Illinois. Several cross-burnings by Ku Klux Klan follow, protesting this Catholic Church's location.

Columnist H. L. Mencken, Chicago Tribune, coins the phrase, "Bible Belt".

Mexico elects Presidente Plutarco Elias Calles. [Some particulars: After 1928 and through 1934 he rules through puppet presidents.]

1925

Scopes trial tests the morality of teaching the theory of evolution.

Ida Noddak, German physicist, isolates element 75 (rhenium), which later suggests the plausibility of nuclear fission.

The Great Gatsby is written by F. Scott Fitzgerald.

Harvey Corbett of the American Institute of Architects, says, "Fifty years hence (1975) automobile traffic will have entirely disappeared from the surface thoroughfares of New York City, and people will be shot through tubes like merchandise."

Kahlil Gibran writes in his *The New Frontier*, “Are you a politician asking what your country can do for you or a zealous one asking what you can do for your country.”
[Editor’s note: Some similarity in a segment of the Inauguration Speech of 1961.]
Tristate Tornado, covering portions of Missouri, Illinois and Indiana, kills 689.

1926

Mexican government closes all churches. The *Cristero* movement opposes this suppression. Hundreds of priests and their supporters are executed. President Plutarco Elias Calles enforces new anti-Catholic laws.

(r. - 89) Emperor Hirohito (Japan)

Gertrude Ederle of New York is first woman to swim the English Channel; in less than fifteen hours, she beats men’s record by two hours.

George H. Booth founds the Tupelo, Mississippi Hardware Store. (refer: 1945)

Liquid-fuel rockets developed.

Leonard O’Connor and Florence Wardzinski are married at Our Lady of Victory Church, Chicago.

Floyd Bennett and Richard Byrd fly over North Pole.

Ernest Hemingway’s novel *The Sun Also Rises* (aka *Fiesta*) popularizes the Pamplona, Spain’s Festival, “Run of the Bulls”, held since the 13th century honors patron, San Fermin.

Catholic bishops in Italy criticize women’s participation in public sports competition as “incompatible with their dignity.”

Agatha Christie authors *The Murder of Roger Ackroyd*.

Top names for babies born in U.S. are Mary and Robert.

1927

Charles Lindbergh accomplishes the first solo, non-stop transatlantic flight.

In Chicago, Abe Saperstein founds the Harlem Globetrotters basketball team. (refer: 1950)

Work begins on the Mount Rushmore National Monument; completed in 1941.

Great flooding of the Mississippi River Valley kills 250; displaces thousands.

Residents of the Virgin Islands become U.S. citizens.

Jack Dempsey losing world heavyweight boxing championship to Gene Tunney, reports to his wife, “I forgot to duck.” (refer: 1981)

Earthquake in Nan-Shan China causes 200,000 deaths.

First Academy Award is presented to the movie *Wings*.

Josepf Stalin takes control of Russian Orthodox Church by appointing his own Moscow leader, Metropolitan Sergii (aka Stragorodsky). He refers to Stalin as the “wise, God-appointed leader of our Great Union.”

Homogenized milk is developed by the Borden Company.

Oswald, the “Lucky Rabbit”, movie character by Walt Disney, is appropriated by Disney’s employers.

Chiang Kai-shek subdues Chinese warlords, assuming total control.

1928

Alexander Fleming discovers penicillin.

Spanish priest, José Maria Escriva founds Catholic organization *Opus Dei* (Latin for Work of God). (refer: Elaboration)

Cooper Underwear Company, Kenosha, Wisconsin introduces the Jockey “singleton”.

Maurice Ravel composes *Bolero*.

In Italy, dictator Benito Mussolini denies women the right to vote.

Great Okeechobee Hurricane (Florida) kills over 2,500.

Octavius Granady, a Black Republican attorney running for committeeman of Chicago's 20th Ward shot to death. His Democrat opponent is elected. Nine are charged, including five police officers; no convictions.

Bertolt Brecht writes *The Threepenny Opera* (*Oh, the shark has pretty teeth, dear...*).

Bubble Gum marketed.

Sixteen-year-old, Sonja Henie of Norway, is the youngest female to win the Single Figure Skating gold medal at St. Moritz Winter Olympics. (refer: 1932)

En el Arsenal is painted by Diego Rivera.

Penicillin and vitamin C produced.

Russian dictator, Joseph Stalin comes into power.

Philo Farnsworth develops the first television.

Walt Disney creates Mickey Mouse (referred to as Oswald with round ears); Disney's first, exclusive movie cartoon star.

1929

(-33) Herbert Hoover, 31st President, Republican

Hitler's Nazi party guards (*Schutzstaffeln*, *Schutzstaffel*, or *SS*) and the Storm Troops (*Sturmabteilung* or *SA*) increase violent activities throughout Germany.

The Lateran Treaty recognizes the independence of the State of the Vatican City and the Kingdom of Italy. (refer: Elaboration - Santa Sede and Papal Flag)

Catholic Popular Party, opposed to fascism, is restrained by the Vatican.

Museum of Modern Art opens in New York.

Iron Lung developed.

Richard Byrd is first to fly over South Pole.

Leonard G. O'Connor, Jr. is baptized at Our Lady of Mercy Church, Chicago

Priest and scientist, Georges Lemaitre, proposes the Big Bang theory. (refer: 1948)

Blue Cross health insurance founded.

R. L. Winston Company, the leading manufacturer of bamboo fly-fishing rods, founded in San Francisco. [Some detail: Moved to Twin Bridges, Montana in 1976.]

Seeing Eye organization is established by Dorothy Eustis of Nashville, Tennessee.

U.S. Stock Market collapses. (refer: 1954)

1930s

Joseph Stalin retains atheistic-political absolute control over Union of Soviet Socialist Republics by purges, exiles and mass murder of the citizenry. He orchestrates a famine in the Ukraine, which alone murders some 7 million.

1930

Clyde Tombaugh discovers new planet, Pluto. (refer: 2006)

Continental Bakery markets pre-sliced bread under the name, "Wonder Bread".

Frank Whittle develops jet aircraft engine; rejected by British Air Ministry. (refer: 1939)

Grant Wood paints the *American Gothic*.

(-41) Charles E. Hughes is appointed Chief Justice of the U.S. Supreme Court.

Scotch Invisible Tape is introduced.

(-40) Samuel Alphonsus Stritch is appointed (Catholic) Archbishop of Milwaukee.

Jimmie Davis and Charles Mitchell write the song, *You Are My Sunshine*.

Birds Eye Frosted Foods is founded in Springfield, Massachusetts.

Ellen Church becomes the first flight attendant. (refer: 1935)

Democratic Party wins Congress. (refer: 1946)

Moscow Patriarch Sergii proclaims, "There has never been religious persecution in the U.S.S.R., nor is there now."

Sir Noel Coward's play *Private Lives* opens.

Illinois baker, Jimmy Dewar, creates the *Twinkie*. [Some detail: By 2005, the annual consumption is at 500 million.]

Chrysler Building (1,046 feet) is completed in New York.

Karl Landsteiner is first U.S. citizen to be awarded Nobel Prize in Physiology or Medicine. He had categorized blood types, "A", "B" and "O". [Some particulars: There are now 23 blood groups and hundreds of subtypes.]

Polystyrene is developed.

Mohandas (aka Mahatma or Great Soul) Gandhi of India leads protests against England's taxation without representation. [Some detail: By 1935, India achieves a limited, self-rule constitution.]

First World Cup Soccer tournament meets in Uruguay.

Wallace Fard (Wali Fard) organizes a separatist movement, "Nation of Islam" (refer: 1934)

Carolyn Keene authors *The Secrets of the old Clock*, introducing Nancy Drew, girl detective.

1931

Jane Addams, social-service leader and co-founder of Hull House and Nicholas Murray Butler, educator and head of Columbia University, become the first women - U.S. citizens to be awarded Nobel Prize for Peace.

Empire State Building, New York, is completed (1,250 feet).

Kate Smith sings *When the Moon Comes over the Mountain*.

Gangster, Al Capone, is imprisoned for seven years on tax evasion.

Christo Redemptor, Rio de Janeiro, at 98 feet tall is the largest art deco sculpture in the world.

In the Spanish Revolution, King Alfonso XIII is forced to leave without abdication.

Monarchy is replaced with The Second Republic; Niceto Zamora president.

Movie, *Dracula*, premieres.

Huang He River, China, flood kills 3.7 million.

Congress adopts *The Star-Spangled Banner* as the national anthem.

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Pius XI's *Quadragesimo anno* (*Forty years later*) continues the social teachings of Pope Leo XIII.
Bell Telephone & Telegraph introduces TWX (a telephone-typewriter exchange).
Henry Tomlinson authors *Out of Soundings* noting, "We do not see things as they are, but as we are ourselves."
Florence Seibert isolates an active tuberculin protein.
Beech Aircraft is founded in Wichita, Kansas.
Long-playing phonograph records (33 1/3) are marketed.
Mildred "Babe" Didrikson Zaharias is named U.S. Woman Athlete of the Year.
Lew Brown composes song, *Life is Just a Bowl of Cherries*.
Vatican's radio station goes on the air. Set up by Guglielmo Marconi, the first message, in Morse Code is, "In nomine Domini, amen."
Jacob Schick introduces an electric razor.
Pope Pius XI's *Non Abbiamo Bisogno* berates Fascist governments that "deny human rights, placing nations over God."

1932

First Unemployment Compensation program is initiated (Wisconsin).
Defibrillator for medical emergencies is designed.
"Babe" Zaharias wins two gold medals (track and field) in Olympic games.
Iran's Reza Shah Pahlavi revokes Anglo-Persian Oil Co.'s license. (refer: 1941)
Laura Wilder authors *Little House in the Big Woods*.
Lillian Madura and Charles McCarthy are married at Saint Pius Church, Chicago.
James Chadwick (Briton) discovers neutrons; named for the lack of electric charge in atoms except hydrogen. [Some particulars: In 1935, Chadwick is awarded the Nobel Prize for Physics.]
Record largemouth bass (22 lbs. 4 oz.) is caught in Montgomery Lake, Georgia.
Yellow Fever vaccine developed.
Alaska Airline is founded.
Winston Churchill, reflecting on hate speeches and addressing a Hitler acquaintance, says, "Tell your boss from me that anti-Semitism may be a good starter, but it is a bad finisher."
Galvin Company introduces Motorola, first AM radio transmission for automobiles; FM for radios came 8 years later.
Hattie Caraway is first woman elected to U.S. Senate (Arkansas). She had been appointed by the governor (1931) to replace deceased husband. A special election followed.
First U.S.-sponsored Winter Olympic Games are held in New York.
Norwegian Sonja Henie wins Single Figure Skating gold medal. (refer: 1936)

1933

(-45) Franklin Delano Roosevelt, 32nd President, Democrat
[Some details: Franklin Roosevelt is the only person to have ignored the no-third-term presidential tradition. His second term in 1937 was followed by the third in 1940 and the fourth in 1944. The 22nd Amendment in 1951, imposed a presidential two-term limit.]

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On February 15th, an attempted assassination of president-elect Roosevelt results in the death of Anton Cermak, Mayor of Chicago.

Adolph Hitler is appointed Leader-Chancellor (Fuehrer-Reichskanzler) of The Third Reich.

First state law prohibiting discrimination by race or national origin in hiring of teachers is passed (Wisconsin).

20th Constitutional Amendment ratified; establishes the dates of installation of president and vice-president (January 20th) and senator and representative (January 3rd).

Kiichiro Toyoda founds Toyota Motors Corporation, a spin-off of his father's company. *Monopoly*, a board game, is introduced.

Edwin Armstrong demonstrates FM (frequency modulation).

Nazis establish their first concentration camp at Dachau, near Munich. The victims are greeted by a sign, *Arbeit macht frei* (Work liberates you).

(-37) Robert W. Bingham is appointed U.S. Ambassador to the Court of Saint James (Great Britain).

Frank E. Churchill composes *Who's Afraid of the Big Bad Wolf?*

James McDonald, League of Nations' High Commissioner for Refugees, aware of Hitler's plan to annihilate the Jews of Europe, appeals to President Roosevelt, Mussolini, and Eugenio Cardinal Pacelli, Vatican Secretary of State (later Pius XII) for relief. [Some particulars: McDonald, frustrated over the world's indifference to the plight of these people, resigned two years later.]

Francis Perkins becomes first woman Cabinet member (Secretary of Labor).

Dorothy Day publishes the *Catholic Worker* magazine.

Constitution's 21st Amendment is ratified, repealing the eighteenth (liquor prohibition).

Vatican and Germany sign concordant (treaty) to protect Church interests.

Chicago World's Fair opens.

Wiley Post flies solo around the world.

President Roosevelt initiates the New Deal.

1934

Dionne quintuplets of Ontario, Canada, are first five babies on record to survive at birth.

Microbiologist Thomas Francis, Jr. identifies influenza virus.

Germany's President Paul von Hindenburg dies. Adolph Hitler assumes total control.

The Lutheran Reich Church of Germany is established, supporting the goals of Hitler's new government.

Copies of the anti-Semitic hoax, *Protocols of the Elders of Zion*, are mass distributed.

[Some particulars: References to this subterfuge continue to be made by the leadership in al Qaeda, Hamas, Hezbollah, the Muslim Brotherhood, the Palestine Liberation Organization (PLO) and in countries such as Iran and Syria.]

Florence Allen becomes the first woman Federal judge (U.S. Sixth Circuit Court of Appeals).

Wali Fard of the Nation of Islam disappears. Elijah Poole assumes leadership.

Theologian Dietrich Bonhoeffer of the University of Berlin writes *The Church and Jewish Tradition*, denouncing the assumptions of the "false church" (Reich Church). [Some detail: He was executed by the Nazis in 1945.]

Gertrude Schlotz-Klinke is appointed Nazi Germany's *Reichsfrauenfuhrer* (National Woman's Leader).

Dr. Armand Quick of the Medical College of Wisconsin develops the Quick Test, a method to measure the time blood needs to coagulate.

First Masters Golf Tournament, the Augusta National, is won by Horton Smith (score 284).

RMS Queen Mary is launched. (Cunard Lines prefixes all ships RMS for Royal Mail Service)

Clyde Barrow and Bonnie Parker die after a two-year bank robbery and killing spree (12 people were murdered).

The first U.S. Islamic mosque, specifically designed for that purpose, is constructed in Cedar Rapids, Iowa.

Shirley Temple appears in her first full-length film, *Stand up and Cheer*. In *Bright Eyes*, she sings Sidney Clare's *The Good Ship Lollipop*. In 1935, Shirley receives the first Juvenile Performer Academy Award. (refer: 1969)

Ernest Lawrence patents the Cyclotron, a nuclear particles accelerator.

John Dillinger, Public Enemy Number One, is shot and killed outside Chicago's Biograph theatre.

C.F. Kellering, V-P, General Motors, proclaims, "In the near future, all aerial transportation will be totally unaffected by fog and weather conditions."

Irving Berlin composes *God Bless America*.

1935

DC-3 (Douglas Commercial) air-service commences, carrying 21 passengers at cruising speed of 160 mph.

Gang-murder takes down Governor Huey "Kingfish" Long. [Some detail: To that date he was the most openly corrupt politician in the disreputable history of Louisiana.]

Kodachrome, amateur-use color film is marketed.

National Archives and Records building opens in Washington, DC, housing the original Declaration of Independence, Constitution and the Bill of Rights.

White House failure to authorize transportation to evacuate hurricane-endangered Great War veterans working in Florida Keys results in 260 deaths.

Leonarde Keeler's "polygraph" measures heart rate and palm sweatiness in response to questioning.

Dance team Fred Astaire and Ginger Rogers star in the movie *Top Hat*.

HMS Queen Mary ocean liner is launched.

Charles Richter designs a scale to measure magnitude of seismic activity.

Reel-to-reel plastic-based magnetic tape recorder is demonstrated.

Year's top names for babies born in U.S. are Mary and Robert.

T. S. Eliot's play, *Murder in the Cathedral* premieres; relates to the life of Archbishop Thomas Becket (1162).

Gladys and Vernon Presley announce the birth of their son, Elvis Aaron.

U.S. State Department forbids MGM from producing a movie detailing the Turkish Muslim genocide of Armenians (1915-17). (refer: 1944)

Hitler renounces the Treaty of Versailles and begins rearmament. League of Nations expresses “grave concern”.

Ram’s Head White Hollyhock and Little Hills painted by Georgia O’Keefe.

TWA (Trans World Airlines) introduces “air hostesses” on some flights.

Albino Luciani is ordained a priest. (refer: 1958)

Henry R. Sanders, football coach at Columbia Military Academy, asserts, “Winning isn’t everything...it’s the only thing!”

The Social Security Act, designed to provide old-age annuities and some unemployment insurance as “a supplement to personal savings and pensions”, becomes law. (refer: 1939)

Germany’s Nuremberg Laws allow citizenship only to “Germans or related blood,” specifically denying that right to Jews. It forbids Jews’ inter-marriage. Father Titus Brandsma of the Catholic University, Amsterdam, chronicles his objections. (refer: 1942)

1936

Heinrich Himmler of *Schutzstaffel* (SS) introduces Nazi’s “Aryan super race” program, *Lebensborn* (Lifeforce). SS officers will mate with willing “pure-blood” volunteers.

King Edward VIII (David Windsor) of England abdicates after 11 months; marries Wallis Simpson.

(r. - 52) George VI, King of England

Sonja Henie, Norway, accomplishes an unprecedented, third-straight win of the Single Figure Skating gold medal at Garmish, Germany.

Vatican’s Pontifical Academy of Science opens.

Dale Carnegie authors *How to Win Friends and Influence People*.

Winston S. Churchill, speaking to Parliament, warns that appeasement and negotiations with Hitler would only result in a more bloody conflict.

Germany reoccupies Rhineland.

Life magazine is published.

U.S. Supreme Court rules New York’s 1933 minimum wage law for women unconstitutional.

Production of the first passenger Toyota, model AA, commences. (refer: 1957)

Lake Mead, the largest U.S. reservoir is completed with construction of Boulder Dam (renamed Hoover). (refer: Oroville-1968)

Spain’s Manuel Azana is elected president. General Francisco Franco organizes revolt. [Some particulars; Through 1939, Spain’s civil war results in over one million deaths.]

Beryl Markham is first woman to solo-fly the Atlantic.

At the Summer Olympic Games in Berlin, Jessie Owens, a Black American sprinter, wins four gold medals infuriating Hitler.

Italy invades, occupies and annexes Ethiopia. The League of Nations, over France’s opposition, imposes economic sanctions, which inconveniences Italy. The sanctions are dropped a few months later.

Dorothea Lange’s document, *America’s Dust Bowl* produces one of century’s most renowned photographs, *Migrant Mother*.

Pablo Ruiz Picasso paints *Guernica*.

1937

Japan invades China. (refer: 1945)

Golden Gate suspension bridge (San Francisco) is completed.

Germany law allows for the removal of children from parental authority if Nazi's social and political theories are not taught.

Industrialist, Andrew Mellon wills his art collection and \$60 million creating the National Gallery of Art.

Hindenburg, German zeppelin, burns at mooring, Lakehurst, New Jersey; 36 die.

Grote Reber develops the radio telescope.

Edward, Duke of Windsor, visits and publicly supports Hitler. (refer 1940)

Germany bombs Spain in support of Franco. Members of the League of Nations express "grave concern".

Hugo Black, former leader of the Alabama Ku Klux Klan, is appointed to the U.S. Supreme Court. (refer: 1948)

Joe Louis becomes world heavyweight champion.

Wallace Carothers, DuPont chemist, develops a linear condensation superpolymer (nylon), which becomes the first commercial synthetic fiber.

Spencer Tracy of Milwaukee wins Academy Award's Best Actor for movie, *Captains Courageous*.

French authorities announce the sighting of a U.F.O.

Super market shopping carts are introduced in Oklahoma.

Xerography is designed as a document duplicator. (refer: 1950)

Amelia Earhart and co-pilot, Fred Noonan, disappear on the Pacific leg of a round-the-world flight.

Charles Edward Coughlin, a Catholic priest, heads the "National Union of Social Justice" (aka "Christian Front") in print and by radio, incorporating anti-Semitic views.

Deadly virus appears in the West Nile District of Uganda. (refer: 1999)

Johnny Mercer composes *Jeepers Creepers*.

1938

Cortisone is developed.

The "Fair Labor Standards Act" limits working hours, sets minimum wages and provides for overtime pay. Intended to keep jobs in the North, it puts thousands of low-skilled southern Blacks out of work and, in Puerto Rico, 40,000 lose their jobs.

First ballpoint pen is marketed.

War of the Worlds, radio program by Orson Welles, depicts a Martian invasion.

(-40) Joseph Kennedy, Ambassador to the Court of Saint James (Great Britain), publicly announces that Adolph Hitler is "a leader with whom Americans can work."

(refer: 1940)

Academy Award's Best Actor is Spencer Tracy for *Boys Town*. (refer: 1999)

First incubator for premature babies is utilized. (Milwaukee, Wisconsin)

The Great New England Hurricane kills 720; \$300 million in damages.

Tom (aka "Tennessee") Williams writes five short-plays entitled *American Blues*.

(refer: 1947)

Electroshock treatment is developed for behavioral disorders.
Nobel Prize for Peace is awarded to the “Nansen International Office for Refugees”.
Their primary work is among thousands of displaced non-communist (White verses Red) Russians, who had escaped Stalin’s genocide squads.
Arthur Baer writes, “You can take a boy out of the country, but you can’t take the country out of a boy.”
Thornton Wilder’s play *Our Town* opens.
Neville Chamberlain, British Prime Minister, by sacrificing Czechoslovakia to Hitler, announces that he had given all of Europe “peace in our time.” (refer: 1940)
Jerry Siegel and Joe Shuster introduce *Superman* comics.
U.S. unemployment reaches all time high of 13 million.
Sir Noel Coward’s play *Still Life* introduces the phrase “shop ‘till you drop”.
General Electric develops non-reflecting glass.
During Germany’s Kristallnacht (the Night of Shattered Glass) hundreds of synagogues and 7,500 Jewish-owned businesses are destroyed, along with the murder of over 100 Jews.

**During the Reign of Pius XII (Eugenio Maria Giuseppe Giovanni Pacelli)
March 2, 1939 – October 9, 1958**

1939

On the death of Pope Pius XI, Italian dictator, Benito Mussolini, declares, “thank God the stubborn old man has gone.”

President Roosevelt expands Social Security benefits.

Academy Award’s best movie is *Gone with the Wind*.

Henri Matisse paints *La Musique*.

United States denies political asylum to Jews aboard the steamship *Saint Louis*. The vessel returns to Europe. More than 660 passengers were later murdered in the Holocaust.

Insecticide DDT is formulated. (refer: 1962)

In the World Series, New York’s Yankees (4) win over Cincinnati Reds (0).

Russia’s Joseph Stalin executes Premier Aleksei Rykov.

President Roosevelt campaigns for an unprecedented 3rd term.

New York World’s Fair opens.

Dr. Karl Link (University of Wisconsin) develops anti-coagulant, Dicumarol; treats patients with heart and circulatory diseases.

President Roosevelt directs Treasury to include “the eye” on the dollar bill as part of the Country’s spiritual tradition.

In U.S., Igor Sikorsky develops the helicopter.

Radio detecting and ranging (radar) is developed.

(-62) Felix Frankfurter is appointed Associate Justice, U.S. Supreme Court. (refer: 1954).

Lou Gehrig, suffering from Amyotrophic Lateral Sclerosis (ALS), bids farewell to fans at Yankee Stadium.

Vatican declares neutrality to avoid Italian occupation.

Spain's Generalissimo Francisco Franco, backed by fascist Germany and Italy (and the Catholic Church) is named *Caudillo*. As Chief of State, he begins a 36-year dictatorship. (refer: 1975)

U.S. initiates the first peacetime military draft.

Pope Pius XII, commenting on Italy's invasions of Ethiopia and Albania, says that he is impartial rather than neutral.

Albert Einstein, realizing progress by German scientists, urges President Roosevelt to accelerate development of the atomic bomb.

Germany and Russia sign a non-aggression pact, sanctioning Hitler's invasion of Poland.

Movie, *The Wizard of Oz* (song, *Over the Rainbow*) stars Judy Garland.

(-68) Excavation of the tomb of Saint Peter commences.

Russia also imprisons about 600,000 Poles. [Some particulars: Over two-thirds die in Siberian gulags. Only after Germany invades in 1942 are the remaining 200,000 released, migrating into Iran.]

Frank Sinatra joins the Harry James Band.

The German Heinkel He178 is the first operational jet aircraft. (refer: 1944)

Plans for Germany's "final solution" include references to Martin Luther's *On the Jews and their Lies* (1543).

John Steinbeck writes *The Grapes of Wrath*. The phrase, "I know this - a man got to do what he got to do," is popularized.

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1940

German *blitzkrieg* (lightning war) defeats Belgium, France and Netherlands.

Germany bombs England, beginning the Battle of Britain.

The Great War of 1914 - 18 becomes known as World War I.

(-46) President appoints John G. Winant as Ambassador to the Court of Saint James, replacing Joseph Kennedy.

U.S. Population reaches 132,164,569.

In Croatia, Cardinal Stepinac welcomes Nazis as friends and Allies; after the war, he assisted many in fleeing to Latin America.

Movie *Pinocchio* features the song *When You Wish Upon a Star*. A script highlight is, "Always let your conscience be your guide."

(-45) Winston S. Churchill replaces Neville Chamberlain as Prime Minister of Great Britain.

Tex Avery originates the term, "What's up, Doc?" in the first Bugs Bunny cartoon, *A Wild Hare*.

Gene Autry sings *Back in the Saddle Again*.

(-58) Moving from Milwaukee, Samuel Cardinal Stritch becomes (Catholic) Archbishop of Chicago.

(-53) Moses Elias Kiley is appointed (Catholic) Archbishop of Milwaukee.

U.S. Congress passes Alien Registration Act.

German SS torture and murder Jews in Czestochowa, Poland. They establish a Jewish Ghetto in Warsaw. [Some particulars: Irena Sendler, a Polish Catholic social worker, saves some 2,500 Jewish babies by sedating and sneaking them out in medical or tool bags. Sendler places the babies with Catholic families.]

Warner Sallman paints the *Head of Christ*. [Some detail: Reproductions became the most non-government issue item distributed to U.S. military. To date, there have been more than 500 million copies printed.]

(-44) Hitler establishes France's Vichy government. It assists in the deportation of over 76,000 Jews to Nazi Death Camps.

Winston S. Churchill says, "...victory in spite of all terror...without victory, there is no survival."

1941

Edward, Duke of Windsor is suspected of passing military-crucial data to Hitler.

Maximilian Maria (Raymond) Kolbe volunteers as a replacement for one of ten placed in a starvation chamber by the Germans at Auschwitz. After surviving for two weeks, he is injected with carbolic acid. [Some particulars: Kolbe is later canonized by the Catholic Church. Throughout the war, Denmark and Bulgaria were the only two mainland European countries that refused to turn their Jewish citizens over to the Nazis.]

Jacqueline Cochran flies a bomber to England. She is commissioned as Flight Captain in British Air Transport Auxiliary.

Ford Motor Company and United Auto Workers sign their first contract.

Mount Rushmore is completed (South Dakota).

John Magee, flying a Spitfire MkV, is inspired to write *High Flight*; "Oh, I have slipped the surly bonds of earth...and touched the face of God."

Joseph Ratzinger enrolls in Hitler Youth, a compulsory paramilitary group. (refer: 1951)

(-46) Harlan F. Stone is appointed Chief Justice of the U.S. Supreme Court.

Legion of Christ, a Catholic lay organization, is established to support Vatican policies. [Editor's note: Presently, the group promotes the papacy's social-political agenda, especially in Central and South America.]

Because of his endorsement of Hitler, Britain compels Reza Shah Pahlavi to abdicate.

(-79) His son, Mohammad Reza Pahlavi becomes Shah of Iran. Anglo-Persian Oil Company is reinstated.

First Black aviators train at Moton Field, Alabama, forming the 99th Fighter Squadron (aka Tuskegee Airmen).

In Russia, Stalin appoints himself Premier.

National Gallery of Art, Washington D.C. opens.

Roy Plunkett patents Teflon.

Admiral Isoroku Yamamoto using code phrase, *Climb Mount Niitaka*, launches attack on U.S. at Pearl Harbor, Hawaii (7:55 AM, December 7th).

U.S. and Britain declare war on Japan (December 8th).

Germany and Italy declare war on U.S. (December 11th).

(-44) Japanese occupy the Philippines.

(-45) World War II begins. [Some particulars; There were more than 55 million deaths. In America, 16 million served in the military; 400,000 of these died in combat or as prisoners of war.]

1942

All Dutch religious orders are directed to provide the German authorities with the identity of their Jewish-heritage members. These nuns, priests, and brothers are sent to concentration camps. Among the hundreds was Sister Teresa Benedicta (Edith Stein); murdered in a gas chamber at Auschwitz. (refer: 1998-Vatican)

By Executive Order 9066, President Roosevelt initiates the detention of 122,000 United States citizens of Japanese descent. (refer: Elaboration:- Internment)

Japanese-American men are declared 4-C, Enemy Aliens, unfit for military service.

Jacqueline Cochran heads WASP (Women's Air Force Service Pilots). (refer: 1953)

President establishes the Biological Warfare Program (Fort Detrick, Maryland) to test and develop delivery systems for anthrax and other bacterium. (refer: 1970)

Movie, *Holiday Inn*, features the song, *White Christmas*.

Hurricane in Bengal, India kills 40,000.

Prime Minister Winston Churchill learns of and advises President Roosevelt about the thousands of Polish Jews being sent to the Concentration Camp at Belzec.

George Baker introduces the cartoon series, "The Sad Sack".

National Association of Evangelicals is founded. [Some detail: Presently, it represents 60 denominations with over 30 million members.]

Lt. Col. James Doolittle leads 16 B-25 bombers on a raid over Japan.

Song, *As Time Goes By*, is featured in the movie, *Casablanca*.

League of Women Voters, in support of food rationing, adopts the motto, "Will you eat beans for democracy?"

Titus Brandsma, a spiritual advisor to Dutch Catholic journalists, declares that it is morally wrong to accept Nazi propaganda ads. In July, he is sent to Dachau. After weeks of daily beatings he is murdered by carbolic acid injection. [Editor's note: The Catholic Church refers to him as Blessed Brandsma.]

WAAC (Women's Army Auxiliary Corps) is founded.

1943

U.S. enacts rules outlawing certain forms of the Japanese Shinto religion in which members traditionally worship the head of state (the Emperor of Japan). [Editor's note: This undocumented assumption was directed at Japanese-American citizens.]

Nazis round up Jews in Rome.

Japanese volunteer combat units formed in Hawaii (they were non-citizens).

Thomas Jefferson Memorial dedicated in Washington D.C.

The Pentagon, headquarters for the Department of Defense, opens in Arlington, Virginia; largest office building in U.S.

Italy's Prime Minister Benito Mussolini is deposed; escapes to German-controlled northern Italy. King Victor Emmanuel assumes leadership.

Japanese - American male citizens drafted into U.S. military for service in Europe.

Freedom to Worship is painted by Norman Rockwell. (One of over 4,000 works)

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1944

German army occupies Rome.

D Day (June 6th); Allied forces land at Normandy.

General Eisenhower desegregates U.S. Army fighting in Belgium. (refer: 1948-Truman)

Raphael Lemkin, a Polish Jew, coins the word genocide. (Some background: *Genos* is Greek for “family” or “tribe”; *cide* is Latin for “killed”.)

Failed plot to assassinate Hitler results in arrest and execution of Jesuit, Alfred Delp.

U.S. military frees the Philippines.

Harvard installs IBM's *Mark 1*, Automatic Sequence Controlled calculator.

President Roosevelt wins a fourth term. (refer: 1933 and 1951)

Germany's Messerschmitt Me 262 becomes first jet fighter aircraft to see action.

Explosion in Bombay, India harbor kills 700.

In Turkey, Muslims bomb publisher's office, killing 11. They had printed books dealing with Turkish genocide of Armenian Christians. (Some particulars: Presently, Turkey only allows history books which make no such reference.)

First general-purpose digital computer is assembled. Navy WAVE Lieutenant, Grace Brewster, develops its operating programs. (refer: 1952)

France's Charles de Gaulle leads the Provisional government through early 1946. (refer: 1947)

“Focolare” (Italian word for “hearth”), a Catholic lay organization emerges in Italy. Small, financially self-sufficient groups, living in community, promote unity between Christians and non-Christians. [Editor's note: Current worldwide membership numbers nearly 90,000.]

France becomes the last European country to sanction women's right to vote.

1945

Wilhelm Gustloff with 5,000 to 8,000 German refugees aboard is sunk by Russian submarine.

President Roosevelt dies (April 12th).

(-53) Harry S Truman, Democrat, becomes the 33rd President.

Germany surrenders (May 8th). [Some particulars: During the Holocaust, Nazi Germany killed more than six million Jews as well as an equal number of other “undesirables”.

Italy lost 20% of their Jewish population. Germany also murdered 4 million Russian prisoners of war.]

Dictator, Benito Mussolini is executed by Italian citizens.

Russia declares war on Japan.

Jackie Robinson joins the Negro League's Kansas City Monarchs.

Initial test of the Atomic Bomb at Alamogordo, New Mexico (July 16th)

After four months of failed negotiations and following the use of the bomb, Japan surrenders (August 14th).

Japan's four-year biological-weapons-test program in occupied China, Unit 731, murders 10,000 by anthrax experimentations and thousands more by airborne distribution of plaque-infested fleas. U.S. grants immunity from war-crime trials to participants in Unit 731 in exchange for test data. (refer: 1970)

In October, the United Nations is founded with 51 countries. Their charter includes, "...to maintain international peace and security..."
Earl W. Tupper introduces self-sealing containers.
League of Arab States (Arab League) founded.
Gladys Presley buys a guitar for her ten year-old son at the Tupelo Hardware Store (\$7.75 plus tax).
Thirteen Gnostic Scriptures are discovered at Nag Hammadi. (refer: Elaboration-Gnostics)
Sonar (sound navigation ranging) is developed.
Korea is divided along the 38th parallel. (refer:1950)
Composer Aaron Copland receives a Pulitzer Prize.

1946

Revised Standard Version of King James Bible is published.
Italy's King Emmanuel III abdicates. King Humbert II rules for one month. Country becomes a republic. Constituent Assembly elects Enrico de Nicola as president.
Anna Mary Robertson Moses (aka Grandma Moses) paints *The Old Checkered Inn in Summer*.
At Westminster College, Fulton, Missouri, Winston S. Churchill asserts that, "an Iron Curtain has descended across the Continent." (refer: 1946-Berlin)
Movie, *It's a Wonderful Life*, stars Jimmy Stewart.
United Nations International Children's Emergency Fund (UNICEF) is created. [Some details: Presently, \$2 billion per year is spent on programs.]
In July, President Truman orders price controls on meat, causing the loss of thousands of jobs. In October, by lifting controls, costs escalate beyond the average U.S. budget.
(-53) Fred M. Vinson is appointed Chief Justice of the U.S. Supreme Court.
In Georgia, the only Black man daring to vote in the Democratic Party's Primary Election for U.S. Congress is murdered; no one is charged with the crime.
Trygve Lie of Norway becomes the first Secretary General of the United Nations.
Ho Chi Minh begins Indochina war against French.
Benjamin Spock writes *The Common Sense Book of Baby and Child Care*.
Boxer, Joe Louis, referring to an opponent, says, "He can run, but he can't hide."
Mother Francis Cabrini (Italian, naturalized American), is canonized, becoming the U.S.'s first saint. (refer: 1963, first American-born saint)
Tide detergent is introduced.
Eugene O'Neill's play, *The Iceman Cometh*, opens.
Republican Party wins Congress; first time in sixteen years.
Richard M. Nixon of California serves in U.S. House of Representatives.
Karol Wojtyla is ordained a priest. (refer: 1958)
Theodore Bilbo, U.S. Senator (Democrat, Mississippi), campaigning for his third term, declares that any Black wanting to register to vote should be "atomically bombed and exterminated from the face of the earth." He also says, "I call on every red-blooded White man to use *any means* to keep the n... away from the polls." He is re-elected.

1947

Radiocarbon dating is established.

Chuck Yeager in the Bell X-1 breaks the sound barrier; 741 mph at sea level.

Partition of India creates the two states of India and Pakistan; including the provinces of Bengal and Punjab. (refer: 1971) [Editor's note: Presently, India, with a population of over one billion, is the world's largest democracy.]

John F. Kennedy of Massachusetts serves in U.S. House of Representatives.

Milwaukee's Cathedral of Saint John the Evangelist is rebuilt after fire.

Two-thousand-year-old *Dead Sea Scrolls*, a history of Judaism from 3rd century BC to 68 AD are discovered near Qumran. Scrolls had been written in Hebrew and Aramaic.

Arthur M. Schlesinger, Jr. helps found Americans for Democratic Action. [Some particulars: He authored more than 20 books and was an advisor to John, Robert and Ted Kennedy, Lyndon Johnson, and Jimmy Carter.] (refer: 2007)

Pakistan acquires dominion status becoming the world's largest Islamic country. (refer: 1956)

Bell Laboratories develops the transistor. (refer: 1955)

U.S. War Department becomes the Department of the Army (and later, a branch of the Department of Defense).

Jackie Robinson joins the Brooklyn Dodgers as the first Black Major League player. (refer: 1962)

James W. Forrestal, the last U.S. Secretary of War, becomes head of the National Military Establishment (later called Department of Defense).

Edwin Land introduces the Polaroid Land camera (\$89.75); prints pictures on paper that contains developer and fixer chemicals.

France inaugurates the Fourth Republic. Vincent Auriol becomes president. (refer: 1959)

Mikhail Kalashnikov (Russia) designs the AK-47 automatic weapon. [Editor's note: Currently, with 100 million in use, it is also the terrorists' assault-rifle of choice.]

Tom (aka "Tennessee") Williams' play, *A Streetcar Named Desire* (named after "Desire", a street-car route in New Orleans) opens. He wins a Pulitzer Prize. (refer: 1955)

Princess Royal Elizabeth marries her cousin, Lieutenant Phillip Mountbatten (titled: Prince Phillip, duke of Edinburgh).

U.S. and several other countries sign a General Agreement on Tariffs and Trade (GATT).

(-48) Hindu-Muslim war in India kills over 1 million. (refer: Elaboration-India)

James Michener authors *Tales of the South Pacific*. (refer: 1959)

Al Scalpone creates the slogan for the Catholic Family Rosary Crusade, "The family that prays together stays together."

Thor Heyerdahl sails a balsa raft from Peru to Polynesia.

The major New York newspaper, on President Harry Truman's two-years in office, reports, "[his] performance was terrible."

United Nations vote to partition Palestine into an Arab and a Jewish state.

Howard Hughes's *Spruce Goose* becomes the largest aircraft flown (one mile at 80 feet).

American Bishops in northern cities begin integrating parish schools.

1948

State of Israel established; Haim Weizman first president. As Britain withdraws, five Arab countries (Egypt, Iraq, Lebanon, Saudi Arabia, and Syria) immediately invade and are repelled. (refer: 1993-Vatican)

Norman Mailer authors *The Naked and the Dead*. [Some detail: This two-time Pulitzer Prize winner passed away in 2007 at 84 years of age.]

U.S. Supreme Court Justice Hugo Black redefines the First Amendment. [Some particulars: Historically, it had merely denied Federal power over matters of religion. The new interpretation forbids public aid or support of religious issues, thus altering and expanding its original intent.]

Velcro is manufactured (Switzerland).

First “Tony” award is conferred on the play *Mister Roberts*.

Mohandas (Mahatma) Gandhi of India is assassinated.

World Council of Churches is established. [Some detail: Presently, it represents over 550 million Christians.] (refer: 1960)

(-60) Frank Zeidler elected; the last Socialist mayor of Milwaukee, Wisconsin.

Thomas Merton, Trappist monk, authors *The Seven Storey Mountain* (and in 1955, *No Man is an Island*).

Organization of American States (OAS) is established.

President Truman desegregates the U.S. military.

George Gamow expands on the Big Bang, theorizing that radiation may still flourish at measurable levels. (refer: 1965)

Jewish historian Jules Isaac’s *Jesus et Israel* ties scorn of Judaism to Christian teachings. (refer: 1960)

Britain initiates state-sponsored medical care. [Some particulars: Currently, more than a million patients are on waiting list for treatment, while 200,000 are waiting to be placed on these waiting lists.]

Russia blocks ground travel to Berlin. In next 17 months, U.S. airlifts 2.4 million tons of supplies; 31 Americans die in the effort.

(-53) Winston S. Churchill authors the series, *The Second World War*.

Criss-Cross, a 1931 game, is renamed “Scrabble”.

Reverend Martin Luther King, Jr. is ordained as a Baptist minister.

1949

Communist takeover establishes The People’s Republic of China. Mao Zedong becomes Chairman of Central People’s Administrative Council. Two million escape to Formosa (Taiwan), new seat of Republic of China. (refer: 1958 and 1978)

General Omar N. Bradley becomes first Chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff

“Electronic Secretary”, a telephone answering machine, is introduced (Milwaukee, Wisconsin).

Mildred Gillars (aka Axis Sally), a U.S. citizen, as the highest paid Nazi broadcaster is found guilty of wartime treason and sentenced to 30 years. [Some background: She

had hosted demoralizing radio programs targeting American soldiers. She served only 12 years of imprisonment.]

Record Muskellunge (67 lbs. 8 oz.) caught in Lake Court Oreilles, Wisconsin.

H. L. Mencken defines Puritanism as, "The haunting fear that someone, somewhere, may be happy." He also writes, "God is the immemorial refuge of the incompetent, the helpless, the miserable."

Gerald R. Ford is elected U.S. Congressman representing Michigan.

State of Israel becomes member-nation in the U.N.

Additional Geneva Convention revisions to those of 1864, 1907, and 1929 prolong the failure to address crimes against innocent civilians during internal or partial-international conflicts.

Under Israeli armistices, Jordan occupies the West Bank and Egypt, the Gaza. Both Egypt and Jordan refuse to grant Palestinian autonomy.

"Tony" award is given for the play, *Death of a Salesman* and, a first for a musical, *Kiss Me Kate*.

China invades and occupies Tibet. (refer: 1959)

RCA introduces the seven-inch wide 45 RPM phonograph record; LPs in 1951.

North Atlantic Treaty Organization (NATO) is founded.

The first Sara Lee Cheesecake is prepared at Charles Lubin's Kitchens of Sara Lee, named after his daughter.

1950s

Charles Townes designs the MASER (microwave amplification by stimulated emission of radiation).

Chicago's crime mob, controlling processing plants, mixes 40% horse meat with 60% cow, naming the product "ground beef". Political bribery facilitates the sale of million of pounds

Pop Art movement emerges with artists such as Andy Warhol.

1950

First Xerox copying machine is unveiled; produced in 1960.

Communist North Korea invades South Korea. President Truman orders military intervention.

Germany's Z3, is the first commercial computer, followed in 1951 by United Kingdom's Ferranti Mark 1. (refer: 1951)

Pius XII issues bull, *Munificentissimus Deus*, declaring Mary's bodily assumption into heaven.

(-51) Television's highest-rated program is the *Texaco Star Theatre*.

National Council of the Churches of Christ in the United States is formed; includes twenty-five Protestant and four Orthodox Eastern church groups. (Estimated membership is 30 million)

Charles Schulz introduces the cartoon series, *Peanuts*, in seven papers ("Good Grief!").

Richard M. Nixon is elected U.S. Senator from California.

National Basketball Association becomes racially integrated. (refer: 2002)

Encyclical, *Humani generis*, acknowledges scientific arguments in support of evolution; with the caveat that "...souls immediately created by God".

Roy Evans and Jay Livingston compose song, *Mona Lisa*. (refer: 1956)

Otis installs self-service passenger elevators.

Thirty-five military advisors are sent to South Vietnam. (refer: 1961)

1951

United Nations drafts a convention on women's rights.

China expels all foreign Catholic priests; severs diplomatic ties with Vatican.

Georg Ratzinger and his brother, Joseph, are ordained priests. (refer: 1966)

J. D. Salinger writes *The Catcher in the Rye*.

The Universal Automatic Computer 1 (Univac 1) is developed; U.S.'s first commercial unit.

22nd Constitutional Amendment ratified; limits presidential terms.

1952

Upon death of George VI, Elizabeth II crowned.

Grace Brewster designs *COBOL*, the first user-friendly, English-language, business oriented vernacular for computers.

(-55) *I Love Lucy* is the most popular television program.

Puerto Rico becomes a U.S. commonwealth.

John F. Kennedy serves as U.S. Senator from Massachusetts.

Justice William O. Douglas, U.S. Supreme Court says, "We are a religious people whose institutions presuppose a Supreme Being."

Hydrogen bomb tested.

Jawaharlal Nehru becomes the first prime minister of India.

Song, *Singin' in the Rain* is featured in the movie of same name.

General Douglas MacArthur says, "It is fatal to enter any war without the will to win it."

Heart "pacemaker" developed.

Jonas Salk formulates a hypodermic solution of killed polio viruses. (refer:1957)

1953

(-61) Dwight D. Eisenhower, 34th President, Republican

Rosalind Franklin's "Photo 51", shows the structure of Deoxyribose Nucleic Acid (DNA).

Watson and Crick define this chemical substance as that which carries genetic information.

General electric introduces Lexan, a hard plastic (used for astronauts' clear helmets).

Korean War armistice is signed.

Heart-lung machine developed by John H. Gibbon.

Soviet dictator Joseph Stalin, having murdered over 25 million during his 29-year career, dies.

Vietcong forces invade Laos.

Ian Fleming's *Casino Royale* introduces "Bond, James Bond (007)". [Some particulars:

Through 1966, thirteen movies in the series are produced.] (refer: 1964)

Tenzing Norgay and Edmund Hillary reach the summit of Mount Everest (29,028 feet).

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U.S. Air Force launches the demonstration team *Thunderbirds*, using F-84s. (refer: 2006)

L. Ron Hubbard's Church of Scientology advocates awareness of spiritual existences across many lifetimes.

(-69) Earl Warren is appointed Chief Justice of the U.S. Supreme Court.

Golfer, Ben Hogan, wins four straight tournaments. (refer: 1999)

Ethel and Julius Rosenberg executed for treason (selling U.S. atomic secrets to Russia).

Dag Hammarskjold (Sweden) elected Secretary General of the United Nations.

Jacqueline Cochran flies an F-86 Sabre over 760 mph; first woman to break sound barrier (741 mph at sea level). (refer: 1964)

Angelo Giuseppe Roncalli is appointed Patriarch of Venice. (refer: 1958)

Television quiz program debuts, *The \$64,000 Question*.

Oveta Culp Hobby becomes first Secretary of Health, Education and Welfare. In 1979, the Office is divided into Education and Health and Human Services.

Cole Porter composes *I Love Paris*.

Georgi Malenkov becomes Premier of Russia with Nikita Khrushchev as First Secretary of the Central Committee.

X-1-A aircraft flies at 1650 mph (2 1/2 times speed of sound).

(-58) Albert Gregory Meyer becomes (Catholic) Archbishop of Milwaukee.

1954

Ray Kroc opens McDonald's in Des Plaines, Illinois. The first day's revenue is \$366.12.

French troops are defeated by Vietcong at Dien Bien Phu.

The phrase "under God" is added to *The Pledge of Allegiance*.

Oprah Winfrey is born in Kosciusko, Mississippi.

SSN Nautilus, first nuclear-powered submarine, launched.

Supreme Court in *Brown v. Board of Education* (Topeka, Kansas) finds racial segregation unconstitutional in public schools. Justice Felix Frankfurter casts dissenting vote.

U.S. Air Force Academy founded at Colorado Springs, Colorado.

Giovanni Battista Montini becomes Archbishop of Milan. (refer: 1963)

Dow Jones Industrial Average passes 381.17, the high reached November 1929, closing the year above 404.

"Swanson and Sons" of Omaha, Nebraska introduces the TV Dinner.

"Holy Spirit Association for the Unification of World Christianity" (aka Unification Church) is founded by Reverend Sun Myung Moon in South Korea. (refer: 1957)

Georgia O'Keefe, artist, says, "I hate flowers-I paint them because they're cheaper than models and they don't move."

1955

Fiber Optics developed.

Avian (H2N2) flu, the most virulent of the three forms of Influenza A virus, is identified; it causes up to 1 million deaths.

In March, fifteen-year-old Claudette Colvin, Montgomery, Alabama, is arrested for refusing to relinquish her bus seat to a White. An identical case with Rosa Parks occurs in December. (refer: 2005)

Disneyland Theme Park opens. [Some background: The initial concept was to design the world's longest train set.]

Terrorist raids and murders escalate in Israel.

Surrealist Salvador Dali paints *The Sacrament of the Last Supper*.

Sony (Tokyo) markets the transistor radio.

Top names for babies born in U.S. are Mary and Michael.

Georgi Malenkov resigns as Russia's premier.

Play, *Cat on a Hot Tin Roof* presented by Tennessee Williams. He wins another Pulitzer Prize.

"Jewish Reconstructionist Federation" is formed in U.S. (refer: Elaboration-Judaism)

1956

Bette Nesmith patents "Mistake Out" (later called "Liquid Paper").

President Eisenhower initiates Interstate Highway System.

Dynamite truck explodes in Cali, Colombia killing over 1100.

Plastic contact lens introduced.

Don Larsen (N.Y. Yankees) pitches the only no-hitter game in World Series history.

"International Criminal Police Organization" (Interpol) founded. [Some particulars: Presently, there are more than 182 nation-members.]

Reacting to accelerated Arab-sponsored terrorist raids, Israel attacks Egypt's Sinai.

Arabs agree to a truce. (refer: 1967)

Play, *My Fair Lady* opens.

U.S. Supreme Court rules as unconstitutional the South's racial segregation on buses.

Autherine Lucy is the first Black to enroll at University of Alabama, resulting in three days of riots by Whites. She is suspended, and then expelled for outrageous comments.

Pakistan becomes an Islamic republic.

Que Sera, Sera composed by Evans and Livingston.

Neutrinos, small, uncharged particles observed.

Governor Allan Shivers (Democrat) calls out Texas Rangers to prevent Black students' entry into Mansfield public schools.

Elvis Presley and Tommy Durden write the song, *Heartbreak Hotel*.

Week-long Hungarian Revolution is put down by Soviet military, murdering 2,500, jailing 13,000. Jozsef Cardinal Mindszenty, is imprisoned for life. [Some details: He escapes, seeking political refuge in the U.S. Embassy. Mindszenty remains there for 15 years, until a negotiated exile is arranged with Russia.] (refer: 1971)

Alan Jay Lerner composes *I Could Have Danced All Night*.

1957

Albert Sabin develops a live-virus polio vaccine, which will later replace Salk's.

Milwaukee Art Museum opens. (refer: 2001)

“United Church of Christ”, largest of the Congregationist denominations, formed by merging the “General Council of Congregational Christian Churches” with the “Evangelical and Reformed churches”.

U.S.’s first commercial nuclear reactor goes on-line producing 60 megawatts of electricity. [Some detail: Current units’ capacity is 1200 to 1500 megawatts.]

Daisy Lee Bates, publisher of the Arkansas State Press, defies Democratic Party’s state leaders in a fight to desegregate Little Rock’s Central High School with the Little Rock Nine (Black students). Governor Orval Faubus orders the National Guard to block Black students

President Eisenhower’s Executive Order 10730 orders desegregation of Little Rock’s Central High School, sending a U.S. Army platoon to escort the Black students. (refer: 1958-Faubus)

Hong Kong (H3N2) flu results in more than two million deaths.

Russia launches *Sputnik*.

Brooklyn Dodgers relocate to Los Angeles.

The “Treaty of Rome”, among six countries, establishes the “European Community”.

[Some detail: In 1994, it is renamed the “European Union”.]

Nikolai Bulganin becomes Russia’s premier.

John F. Kennedy wins a Pulitzer Prize for his book, *Profiles in Courage*.

Toyota’s “Crown”, is the first Japanese auto to be exported to U.S.

Boris Leonidovich Pasternak authors *Doctor Zhivago*.

Diane McCarthy and Alan O’Connor are married at Saint Barnabas Church, Chicago.

(-61) *Gunsmoke* is the highest-rated television series.

Reverend Sun Myung Moon publishes the *Divine Principle*. (refer: 1972)

Eugene Luther Gore Vidal, playwright and author, produces *Visit to a Small Planet*. (refer: 1963)

Russia develops the intercontinental ballistic missile.

Wham-O produces “Pluto Platter”; renamed “Frisbee” in 1958.

National Cancer Institute funded.

China’s Mao Zedong forces 500 million peasants into communes. Communists refer to move as “a great leap forward”. (refer: 1959)

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1958

Charles de Gaulle is elected president of France.

“Southern Christian Leadership Conference” lead by president, Reverend Martin Luther King, Jr., continues the voters’ rights program, “Crusade for Citizenship”.

Academy Award best movie is *Gigi*.

Albino Luciani appointed Bishop of Vittorio Veneto. (refer: 1978)

U.S.'s Vanguard 1 satellite is launched; presently the oldest object in earth-orbit. [Some particulars: Presently, there are 860 active satellites in orbit.]

"Tony" awards given for musical *The Music Man* and for the play *Sunrise at Campobello*.

President establishes the "Civil Rights Division" within the Justice Department.

(-60) Leonard Bernstein directs the New York Philharmonic.

Russia establishes "Akademgorodok" ("Academic Town") devoted entirely to science and discovery.

Kevin O'Connor baptized at Saint Joseph's Church, Columbia, South Carolina.

Nel Blu Dipinto Di Blul (Volare) by Domenico Modugno is the Grammy Record of the Year.

Karol Wojtyla consecrated a bishop; the youngest in Poland. (refer: 1978)

1959

(-65) Transferring from Milwaukee, Albert Cardinal Meyer is appointed (Catholic) Archbishop of Chicago.

James Michener authors *Hawaii*.

Record White shark (2,664 lbs.) is caught off Ceduna, S.A., Australia.

Nikita Khrushchev becomes Russia's premier.

Governor Orval Faubus orders all Little Rock, Arkansas schools closed, thus avoiding integration.

(-77) William E. Cousins becomes (Catholic) Archbishop of Milwaukee.

Fifth French Republic is established under President Charles de Gaulle.

Rod Serling produces television program, *The Twilight Zone*.

Guggenheim Museum, New York City is designed by architect Frank Lloyd Wright.

In World Series, National League's Los Angeles Dodgers (4) win over American League's Chicago White Sox (2).

"ETA" (Basque Homeland and Liberty), a terrorist group, founded to seek independence from Spain and France. [Some detail: To date, they have murdered more than 850.]

"United Presbyterian Church in the U.S.A." is formed by merging the northern "United Presbyterian Church of North America" with the southern "Presbyterian Church in the United States of America".

In China, Mao Zedong's Great Leap Forward results in tens of millions of deaths.

[Editor's note: This type of program is repeated in the early 60s with the Cultural Revolution.]

Frank Lloyd Wright dies.

John and Dodie Osteen found Lakewood Church Houston, Texas. [Some particulars: Since 1999, it is headed by their son, Joel and his wife, Victoria. Average weekly worshippers now number 30,000.]

Alaska (January) and Hawaii (August) attain statehood.

Highest point in North America, Alaska's Mount McKinley (20,320 feet), displaces California's Whitney (14,494 feet) as Nation's tallest.

In Tibet, China crushes Buddhist uprising. Lhamo Dhondrub, the Dalai Lama, along with 100,000 Tibetans flee to India.

Fidel Castro Ruiz becomes Cuba's Premier.

Gerald Gardner's book, *The Meaning of Witchcrafts*, becomes the basis for "Gardnerian Witchcraft" in the United Kingdom. [Some detail: Today, Wicca is the largest faction of neo-paganism.]

King Faisal of Saudi Arabia, ignoring objections and threats from Islamic leadership, permits educational opportunities for girls

1960

Sirimavo Bandaranaike, as Prime Minister of Ceylon, becomes world's first *elected* woman head of state.

Protests at southern White-only restaurants by NAACP and the Congress of Racial Equality accelerated.

Movie, *Psycho* premieres.

Pope John XXIII establishes the *Secretariat for Christian Unity*. He meets with England's Archbishop of Canterbury.

Greg O'Connor is baptized at Ascension Church, Oak Park, Illinois.

Theodore Maiman introduces the LASER (light amplification by stimulated emission of radiation) device.

Fire at circus in Niteroi, Brazil results in 323 deaths.

Sony's portable transistor TV marketed.

Joe Kittinger, jumping from 102,800 feet (19.5 miles) and free-falling for four and one-half minutes, reaches a speed of 741 m.p.h. He is the first person to break speed of sound without an aircraft.

John XXIII formally closes the Twentieth Ecumenical Council: "Vatican I" (1869-70) in preparation for the new Council

First Olympic Games for the disabled (now Paralympics) is held in Rome.

USS *Enterprise*, first nuclear-powered ship launched.

Neo-pentecostal movement begins; St. Marks Episcopal Church in California.

Dr. Albert Starr of Portland performs the first artificial heart-valve replacement. [Some particulars: The patient lived more than ten years; dying accidentally.] (refer: 1968)

Care of the Dying by Cicely Saunders introduces hospice programs.

Francis Kelsey's research causes a delay of FDA's approval of Thalidomide for U.S. consumption; prevents thousands of birth defects.

Nelle Harper Lee authors *To Kill a Mockingbird*. Some detail: In 2007, President Bush presents her with the Medal of Freedom.]

"Organization of Petroleum Exporting Countries" (OPEC) established.

Pope sends observers to the World Council of Churches meeting.

1961

(-63) John F. Kennedy, 35th President, Democrat

At 44 years-of-age, he is the youngest and the first U.S. Catholic president. A portion of JFK's inaugural speech reads "Pay any price, bear any burden...oppose any foe, in order to assure the survival and success of liberty."

Eight-track tape players, designed by William Lear, are installed in automobiles. (refer: 1963)

Reacting to hijacks to Cuba, President launches the Air Marshall Program.

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Movie, *Breakfast at Tiffany's* features song, *Moon River*.
Robert F. Kennedy is appointed U.S. Attorney General.
U Thant (Burma) becomes Secretary General of the United Nations.
Alan Shepard flies in first U. S. sub-orbital space flight.
Karyn Marie O'Connor is baptized at Ascension Church, Oak Park, Illinois.
John XXIII's encyclical *Mater et Magistra (Mother and Teacher)* discusses an individual's rights and responsibilities.
Chicago's Black Hawks hockey team defeats Detroit's Red Wings for the Stanley Cup; the Hawks had experienced 46-year dry-spell.
President orders thousands of military advisors to Vietnam.
Leslie Bricusse and Anthony Newley compose *What Kind of Fool Am I ?*
Yuri Gagarin of Russia, aboard Vostok I, becomes first human in orbital flight.
U.S. breaks diplomatic relations with Cuba.
"Peace Corps of Young Americans for Overseas Service" established.
IBM's Selectric typewriter automatically, individually addresses letters. [Some particulars: Magnetic Tapes are developed in 1964 and Word Processors in 1974.]
FDA approves acetaminophen as an aspirin-alternative (Tylenol).
"Bay of Pigs" offensive by Cuban exiles is thwarted after U. S. withdraws promised air support.
Pope eliminates phrase "perfidious (faithless, deceitful, treacherous) Jews" from all liturgy. [Editor's note: In some cultures, the Good Friday prayer had read, "Let us pray for the faithless Jews." The word "faithless" was eliminated and "...that they reach the goal God intends for them," was added.]
Russia, reacting to diplomatic arguments with U.S., erects the "Anti-Fascist Protective Rampart" in East Germany. (refer: Berlin Wall-1987 and 1989)

1962

(-65) Twenty-first Ecumenical Council (Second Vatican Council) is called by Pope John XXIII's. Some highlights:

His opening address includes, "...history is the teacher of life...." The announced purpose is the spiritual renewal of the Church and its position in the modern world. [Some particulars: Greater non-ordained (lay) participation in liturgy is also a strongly expressed goal. Suspended in 1963 at John's death, the Council was reconvened by Paul VI] (refer: Appendix-Roman Catholic Church Councils)

World population is estimated at 3.1 billion.

Stanislaw Jerzy Lee writes, "No snowflake in an avalanche ever feels responsible."

Governor Ross Barnett refuses Federal Court order to enroll Black students in University of Mississippi. Two Black supporters are murdered.

Soviets conduct an offensive missile buildup in Cuba.

Sam Walton recommends to his employer, Ben Franklin Stores, that a chain of discount centers be opened in small towns. Idea is rejected.

President Kennedy says, "We choose to go to the moon in this decade and do other things, not because they are easy, but because they are hard..."

24th Constitutional Amendment is proposed. [Some background: This was to grant voting-rights to all citizens in Federal elections by banning poll taxes. Since the Civil

War, most southern-states Blacks had been denied this opportunity by threats, lynchings and poll taxes (or other fees not charged to Whites). Fourteen previous attempts to bring the amendment to a vote had been blocked by Congressional Democrats.] (refer: 1964)

John Glenn, Jr. becomes the first American in orbital space flight.

Diet-Rite Cola introduced.

Jackie Robinson, retired since 1957, is inducted into Baseball's Hall of Fame.

The "Pizza Connection" sees hundreds of sponsored Sicilian immigrants opening Mafia-controlled drug distribution centers in restaurants throughout the U.S.

The largest four-sided, self-illuminated clock in the world is installed at the Allen-Bradley Company, Milwaukee, Wisconsin. (London's Big Ben is illuminated by spot-lights.)

First Wal-Mart opens in Rogers, Arkansas. (Presently, this is one of the ten world-largest companies.)

Public school recitation of *Lord's Prayer* or Bible verses is declared unconstitutional.

(-64) Television's top program is the *Beverly Hillbillies*.

TELSTAR and RELAY, satellite communications systems, launched.

U.S.'s rate of inflation is 1.2%.

Silent Spring by Rachel Carson warns of the destructive use of persistent pesticides.

[Some particulars: Disregarding authoritative studies on controls, panic-driven U.S. and many other nations ban DDT. Lacking protection, especially from malaria, millions died.

To date, The World Health Organization's studies have also shown no carcinogenic effects from DDT applications.] (refer: 2006)

At Pepsi-Cola, Harvey Russell becomes the first Black V-P of a major corporation.

Defensive military action is authorized for advisors in South Vietnam. (refer: 1964)

1963

Pope John XXIII issues *Pacem in Terris (Peace on Earth)*; respect for others is essential for world peace.

Dr. James Hardy, University of Mississippi Medical Center, performs first human lung transplant.

Business aircraft, Learjet 23, flies. [Some particulars: William Powell Lear founded the "Swiss American Aviation Corporation", later renaming it "Lear Jet Corp".]

Academy Award's best movie is *Tom Jones*.

John XXIII receives Nobel Prize for Peace. He dies on June 3rd.

During the Reign of Paul VI (Giovanni Battista Montini)

June 21, 1963 – August 6, 1978

1963 (continued)

After his installation, Paul VI retires the Tiara. [Some background; This headpiece of three over-lapping crowns had been used since the Middle Ages. It symbolized papal duties and powers; spiritual, imperial, and royal.]

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New Hampshire initiates the first state lottery.
Valentina Tereshkova of Russia becomes the first woman in space.
“Tony” awards are given for the musical, *A Funny Thing Happened on the Way to the Forum* and for the play, *Who’s Afraid of Virginia Woolf?*.
World’s largest Single Radio Disc telescope is installed at Arecibo, Puerto Rico.
Mother Elizabeth Anne Seton becomes the first American-born canonized saint.
Cassette tapes are introduced.
In the World Series, L.A. Dodgers (4) win over N.Y. Yankees (0).
Dr. Thomas Starzl performs the first liver transplant. [Some detail: Through 1983, there are very few one-year post-transplantation survivors.] (refer: 1983)
Nobel Prize for Peace is awarded to the “International Red Cross” and the “League of Red Cross Societies”.
Governor George Wallace (Democrat) vows that no Blacks are to be allowed in the Arkansas University system. (refer: 1967)
Touch-tone telephones are made available to the public for a premium.
Chicago’s O’Hare International Airport is dedicated.
Medgar Evers, civil rights leader is murdered.
Loyola University (Chicago) wins over Cincinnati in basketball’s NCAA.
Gore Vidal authors *Rocking the Boat*.
U.S. atomic submarine *Thresher* sinks (129 die).
Congress’ “Equal Pay Act” once more guarantees women equal pay for equal work; Act is weak and mostly unenforceable.
Pope removes two agenda items from Second Vatican Council discussions, priestly celibacy and family birth control.
Martin Luther King, Jr.’s *I Have a Dream* speech includes, “...they will not be judged by the color of their skin, but by the content of their character.”
Bomb attack in Birmingham, Alabama murders four Black schoolgirls; 19 injured.
Pope Paul VI’s *Sacrosanctum Concilium* on liturgy includes Mass in the vernacular. (refer: 2007)
U.S. Supreme Court in *School District of Arlington Township v. Schempp* finds it unconstitutional to read (or hear) Lord’s Prayer or Bible verses in public schools.
Kodak introduces the Instamatic camera with film cartridges.
Windstorm in Bangladesh kills over 22,000.
Paul VI allows five women delegates as observers to Vatican II, except during voting.
The Grammy Record of the Year is *The Days of Wine and Roses* by Henry Mancini.
Anti-measles vaccine is introduced in U.S.
President Kennedy is assassinated in Dallas, Texas on November 22nd.
(-69) Vice-President, Lyndon B. Johnson, Democrat, becomes the 36th President.

1964

Civil Rights Act prohibits racial and sex discrimination in a variety of situations. Senate votes in favor: Republicans 81%, Democrats 63%. Alabama Governor George Wallace says of the Act, “the most monstrous piece of legislation ever enacted by the U.S. Congress.” (refer: 1965-Ku Klux Klan)

In Russia, Khrushchev is removed. Leonid Brezhnev becomes first secretary of the party and Aleksei Kosygin, premier.

Pope arranges for Michelangelo's *Pieta (Pity)* display at the World's Fair in New York. (Refer: 1972)

Ian Fleming authors child's novel, *Chitty Chitty Bang Bang: The Magical Car*.

U.S. launches Syncom 3, world's first geostationary-satellite. [Some particulars: Although still in orbit, presently it is non-functioning.]

Beatles invade USA.

President Johnson promises, "...total victory ...national war on poverty." He appoints John Kennedy's brother-in-law, Sargent Shriver, to head Office of Economic Opportunity.

Nine civil rights workers and two White supporters are murdered in Mississippi.

Tokyo hosts Summer Olympic Games.

Geraldine Mock of Germany is the first woman to fly solo around the world; 22,858 miles in a single engine aircraft.

24th Constitutional Amendment is ratified.

Pope Pius VI meets with the Orthodox Patriarch of Jerusalem.

Jacqueline Cochran establishes fastest woman's flight at 1,429 mph.

Verrazano-Narrows suspension bridge, New York (4,260 Feet) is completed.

Fannie Lou Hamer of the Freedom Party, attending the Democratic National Convention, challenges the legality of the all-White Mississippi delegation. Her objection is ignored.

Laser surgery expands, covering a variety of new procedures.

Some English language is allowed for Catholic Masses in U.S. (refer: 1970)

Pope Pius VI visits with Athenagoras, Patriarch of the Orthodox Eastern Church.

Reverend Martin Luther King, Jr. is awarded the Nobel Prize for Peace.

Gulf of Tonkin Resolution empowers President Johnson to escalate Vietnam War involvement.

1965

Aleksei Leonov performs the first "space walk".

Second Vatican Council releases *Nostra Aetate*; Jews must not be held responsible for Jesus' death.

Patricia Harris is first U.S. Black woman ambassador (Luxembourg).

Winston S. Churchill dies.

President Johnson signs Medicare Act.

Paul VI is the first pope to fly and first to visit the U.S., addressing the United Nations and conducting Mass in Yankee Stadium.

Voting Rights Act is signed.

(-82) John Cardinal Cody becomes (Catholic) Archbishop of Chicago.

Wisconsin is the first state to ban hiring discrimination for the handicapped.

Pedro Arrupe is installed as Superior General of the Society of Jesus. (refer:1981)

Pope Paul VI and the Ecumenical Patriarch Athenagoras I issue a joint declaration.

After 911 years, the Vatican Council in Rome and Holy Synod in Constantinople remove the mutual condemnations and excommunications of the year 1054.

Viola Liuzzo, civil rights leader, is murdered by Ku Klux Klan members in Montgomery, Alabama.

Song and movie *The Sound of Music* premieres.

Paul VI issues *Apostolicam Actuositatem* (*Apostolate of the Laity*) acknowledging the importance of the non-ordained in Church structure.

Blacks in the Watts district of Los Angeles riot, kill 34 and cause \$200 million property damage and theft.

Three priests, six nuns and 14 Protestant ministers (all in clerical dress) are arrested while blocking traffic, supporting integration of Chicago public schools. [Some detail: The Archdiocese issued a statement defending their right to demonstrate as citizens, while maintaining that they did not officially represent the Catholic Church.]

Jefferson National Expansion Memorial (aka Gateway Arch) is completed in Saint Louis, Missouri.

Paul VI closes the Second Vatican Council (December 8th).

Arno Penzias and Robert Wilson, using radio telescopes, pick up residual radiation “noise” from the Big Bang. [Some particulars: They win the Nobel Prize in 1978.]

Vatican’s Supreme “Sacred Congregation of the Holy Office” is renamed the “Sacred Congregation for the Doctrine of the Faith”. (refer: 1983)

1966

Pope Paul VI abolishes the Index of Prohibited Books. (refer: Elaboration-Index)

The National Organization for Women is established.

First use of infrared technology allows for determining the Milky Way’s center.

Kwanzaa (“first” in Swahili) celebrates African-American heritage.

Star Trek television series is launched.

“Society for Krishna Consciousness” is founded in U.S. [Some particulars: Krishna is the supreme god. A worshipper is Hare Krishna.]

The “Supremes” becomes the first female singing group to be Number 1 in the Billboard 200.

Pope Paul VI revokes the automatic excommunication of Catholics who married non-Catholics.

Prime Minister Indira Gandhi becomes first female prime minister of India. (refer: 1984)

Association of Chicago Priests is formed. (refer: 1971)

Ronald W. Reagan is elected Governor of California.

U.S. Departments of Housing and Urban Development and of Transportation are established.

Marcel Lefebvre, French Archbishop, rejects most of the Vatican II revisions. (refer: 1969)

The first commercial application of the Bar Code is introduced. (refer: 1974)

Joseph Ratzinger receives a teaching position at the University of Tübingen, Germany. (refer: 1969)

Baseball player, Yogi Berra says, “It’s déjà vu all over again.”

Paul VI announces, “the relics of Saint Peter have been identified in a manner which we believe convincing.”

1967

Arab-Israeli War commences on July 5th with Israel reacting to publicized threats of immediate annihilation. [Some particulars: Iraq and other countries had declared that now is "the opportunity to wipe Israel off the face of the earth." In six days, Israel occupies buffer territories; Egypt's Gaza Strip, Jordan's West Bank, East Jerusalem, Syria's Golan Heights, and the Sinai Peninsula to the Suez Canal.] (refer: 1973)

Ann D. McLaughlin is appointed as the first woman U.S. Secretary of Labor.

Pope Paul VI issues encyclical, *Populorum Progressio (On the Development of Peoples)*.

Thurgood Marshall becomes the first Black Justice of Supreme Court.

Governor Lurleen Wallace, George Wallace's wife, pledges to continue to fight against racial integration.

25th Constitutional Amendment is ratified; defines presidential disability and succession. Surgeon General announces, "We have basically wiped out infection in the United States. The time has come to close the book on infectious disease."

AIG Incorporated is founded. (Presently, this is one of the ten world-largest companies).

U.S. population reaches 200 million; world's, 3.5 billion.

Store fire in Brussels, Belgium kills 323.

Henry John Deutschendorf, Jr. (aka John Denver) sings *Leaving on a Jet Plane*.

Study of astronomical electromagnetic waves results in the discovery of pulsating stars (Pulsar).

Catholic Charismatic Renewal is initiated at Duquesne University, Pittsburgh.

Dr. Christiaan Barnard in Cape Town, South Africa, performs the first human heart transplant. Patient lives 18 days, dying of pneumonia.

1968

Championship game, NFL vs. AFL, is won by the Green Bay Packers. (Later games are called the Super Bowl.)

Cathy Kusner becomes the first female U.S. racing jockey.

Paul VI's *Humanae vitae* rejects methods of artificial birth control.

Movie, *A Space Odyssey*, stars on-board computer, Hal 9000 (Heuristically-programmed Algorithmic).

Highest U.S. dam (770 feet) is completed at Oroville, California.

Vatican assigns a Feast Day to Mary of Magdala (Magdalene). (refer: Elaboration)

At Winter Olympics, Jean Claude Killy wins three Golds, sweeping Alpine Skiing.

President Johnson's Great Society program promises, "...will eliminate poverty in America". [Some detail: To date, in excess of \$8 billion of Federal taxpayers' funds have been spent.]

USS *Pueblo* and the crew of 83 is captured by North Korea; held for 11 months, one member dies.

Rep. Shirley Chisholm becomes the first Black woman elected to Congress.

Sony introduces color TV (Trinton).

Dr. Alain Carpentier of Paris performs the first heart-valve replacement using a pig's valve. [Editor's note: As a result, patients would have less dependency on clot-reducing blood thinners.]

Influenza pandemic kills an estimated one million.
Archbishop Cardinal Cody of Chicago begins Project Hospitality in which 250 Black-student volunteers are bused to all-White Catholic schools.
Vietnam intervention increases.
Uniform Monday Holiday Law authorizes the 3-day weekends for Federal employees.
First human heart transplant in U.S. is performed by Dr. Norman Shumway.
Martin Luther King, Jr. is assassinated. Reaction includes nation-wide sorrow as well as numerous incidents of riots, arson and looting.
Jacqueline Kennedy marries Greek shipping magnate, Aristotle Onassis.
Dr. W. Dudley Johnson performs the first multiple bypass operation (Saint Luke Hospital, Milwaukee, Wisconsin).
Pope Paul VI authorizes the ordination of married men to the position of Permanent Deacon.

1969

(-74) Richard M. Nixon, 37th President, Republican
(-86) Warren E. Burger is appointed Chief Justice of the U.S. Supreme Court.
Golda Meir, of Milwaukee, Wisconsin, becomes first female prime minister of Israel.
Dave Thomas opens "Wendy's", hamburger chain (Columbus, Ohio).
Supreme Court, referring to freedom of speech, rules Georgia's anti-pornography law unconstitutional.
Senator Edward Kennedy drives into a pond on Chappaquiddick Island causing the drowning-death of Mary Jo Kopechne. His office contacts police some ten hours later.
(-84) Bowie Kuhn becomes Commissioner of Baseball.
Joseph Ratzinger begins teaching at the University of Regensburg, Bavaria. (refer: 1971)
Hal David composes *Raindrops Keep Fallin' on My Head*.
Neil Armstrong walks on the moon (July 20).
French Archbishop Marcel Lefebvre founds the Swiss-based *Society of Saint Pius X*. Later, he ordains priests and four auxiliary bishops. (refer: 1988)
(-97) "The Troubles" commence in Northern Ireland. [Some particulars: This political fighting between the Democratic Unionist Party and the Irish Republican Party pits Catholic against Protestant. There have been more than 1,800 killings.]
Woodstock Music Festival is unleashed.
Shirley Temple Black is appointed as a delegate to the United Nations. (refer: 1974)
Mikhail Baryshnikov is selected as soloist of Russia's Kirov Ballet. [Some particulars: In 1974, he defects and becomes a member of the American Ballet Theatre.]

1970

Pope Paul VI scraps plan to abolish the Vatican's Swiss Guard.
President Nixon orders a halt to all U.S. biological weapons testing. This results in a world treaty outlawing germ warfare. [Some particulars: Several European and Asian signatory countries choose to continue experimentations.]
Russia's Soyuz 9 becomes the first space station.

Weather Underground's bomb factory explodes in New York City. They are the terrorist faction of the Students for a Democratic Society (SDS).

Lutheran Church in United States ordains the first woman pastor.

First Earth Day demonstrations occur.

Computer floppy disk (5 ¼") is introduced by IBM.

U.S. terrorists bomb University of Wisconsin (Madison) math research center, killing a student.

Elizabeth Hoisington and Anna Hays are appointed as the first women generals in US history.

Palestine Liberation Organization (PLO) terrorists hijack three aircraft, initiating the practice of using innocent civilians as hostages and victims.

President assigns the expanding Air Marshall Program to U.S. Customs.

Publication of *The New American Bible* replaces the *Douay-Challoner* (refer: years 405, 1582, 1609-10, 1750).

Assassination attempt on Pope Paul VI in Manila

Federal Postal reform creates the independent U.S. Postal Service.

Diane Crump becomes first woman-jockey in Kentucky Derby.

President Nixon signs the U. S. Occupational Safety and Health Act (OSHA).

Patriarchate of the Russian Orthodox Church grants autonomy to the Orthodox Church in America (OCA), formerly known as the Russian Orthodox Greek Catholic Church of North America. This action allows the OCA to have its own Primate. (refer: Elaboration-Catholic Faiths)

1971

National Cancer Act is signed by President Nixon.

Twenty-sixth Amendment lowers the voting age to 18.

(-79) General Idi Amin seizes power in Uganda. [Some details; Contributions by the United Nations, as well as many other countries, fund this dictatorship. He oversees the murder of over 400,000 during the next eight years.]

Andrew Lloyd Weber produces the musical, *Jesus Christ Superstar*.

United Nations expels the Republic of China (Taiwan), a member since 1945, giving the seat to Communist China (People's Republic of China). U.S. supports the admission but opposes removal; continues to recognize the "two Chinas". (refer: 1978)

Joseph Cardinal Ratzinger writes *The Unity of the Nations*; on the evils of Nationalism. (refer: 1977)

Barry Commoner authors *The Closing Circle*, defining "The Fourth Law of Ecology: There Is No Such Thing as a Free Lunch."

Banco Ambrosiano undergoes a multi-billion collapse. [Some particulars: Italy conducts a years-long investigation, including a probe of the Vatican's financial advisor Roberto Calvi ("God's Banker").] (refer: 1982 and 1984)

Revolution in Pakistan results in the Bengal province becoming the independent Bangladesh. [Some particulars: Presently Muslim population ranking is: Indonesia, Pakistan, India, and Bangladesh.]

Association of Chicago Priests (ACP) votes to censure the Archbishop and his auxiliary bishops for their failure to address issues of priest celibacy and the ordination of women at the Catholic Bishop's Conference.

Chicago's archbishop, Cardinal Cody, convenes the Priest Senate, replacing the ACP. (-76) *All in the Family* is top-rated television program.

President Nixon negotiates with Russia's first secretary, Leonid Brezhnev, for the exile of Hungarian Jozsef Cardinal Mindszenty.

Catholic priest-theologian, Hans Kung authors *Infallible? An Inquiry*. (refer: 1979)

John F. Kennedy Center for the Performing Arts, Washington D.C. is dedicated.

Cold-sore herpes virus is isolated from a lymph-cell cancer.

Starbucks opens as a coffee bean retailer in Seattle, Washington. (refer: 1987)

1972

Yasser Arafat's Palestine Liberation Organization (PLO) terrorists murder Israeli team members at the Munich Olympics (refer: 1992)

Equal Opportunity Commission is activated.

Nixon becomes the first U.S. President to visit China and Russia.

At Saint Peter's Basilica, a deranged man, shouts, "I am Jesus Christ" while smashing a portion of the *Pieta*.

Sally Pries is the first American woman rabbi (Monmouth Reform Temple, New Jersey).

[Some detail: Presently there are in excess of 400 female rabbis serving.]

"Black hole" is defined.

After 75 years, the Boston Marathon allows women runners.

Kurt Waldheim (Austria) becomes the Secretary General of the United Nations.

Dow Jones Industrial Average closes above 1,000.

U.S.'s Rate of Inflation is 3.7%.

Break-in occurs at the Democratic National Committee Headquarters (Watergate) (refer: 1974)

Hewlett-Packard introduces the HP-35 Pocket Calculator (\$395).

Reverend Sun Myung Moon expands his Unification Church to the U.S. (refer: Elaboration-Unification Church)

Environmental Protection Agency bans DDT overlooking conclusive evidence that the product is not a Mutagenic or Teratogenic hazard. [Some particulars: During the ensuing 35 years, world-wide, millions of unprotected people have died. (refer: 2006)

Anglican Church ordains first two female priests

1973

Cease-fire in Vietnam on January 28th; American combat deaths exceed 45,960.

Dr. Akira Endo (Japan) discovers anti-cholesterol statin.

United States Supreme Court rules on *Roe v. Wade* in which the termination of human fetal life becomes a fundamental right. [Some particulars: To date, more than 47 million unborn children have been eliminated.]

Charles Schwab, a discount brokerage firm, is founded.

(-74) Six-year drought in Ethiopia results in 200,000 deaths. (refer: 1984)

Thi T. Truong designs first microprocessor-based computer (MICRAL).

Skylab 3 is first USA space station.

Danielle Farnaude Schuelein-Steel publishes her first book, *Going Home*; to date there have been 71.

Vietnam Peace Accords is signed.

President Nixon ends the military draft.

Golda Meir says, "Let me tell you something that we Israelis have against Moses. He took us 40 years through the desert...to bring us to the one spot in the Middle East that has no oil."

Computerized axial tomography (CAT) for brain and whole-body scanning is introduced (England).

Sidney Opera House opens in Australia.

On Yom Kippur, October 6th, Egypt and Syria attack Israel. Eighteen days later, Israel has driven back the Syrians and occupies Egypt's Suez Canal, which they later return.

Universal Product Code (UPC) is recommended for use by U. S. manufacturers and food processors.

1974

Richard Nixon resigns on August 9th, thus avoiding impeachment.

(-77) Gerald F. Ford, Republican, becomes the 38th President. [Editor's note: He is history's only non-elected vice-president and president.]

Sears Tower (1450 feet) is completed.

Lucy, a 3.2 million-year-old *Australopithecus afarensis* skeleton, is found by Donald Johnson in Hadar, Ethiopia.

(-76) Shirley Temple Black is appointed Ambassador to Ghana. (refer: 1989)

Pakistan announces an objective "to build a Muslim nuclear bomb".

Federal Aviation Administration is given control over Air Marshalls.

Business use of Word Processors with CRT displays expands.

Little League Baseball accepts girl players.

Wrigley's gum packets are first product with a bar code.

Black militants' Symbionese Liberation Army kidnap heiress Patricia

Hearst. Soon after, she assists in SBL's bank robberies.

1975

President Ford authorizes promotion of Daniel "Chappie" James; becomes the first Black four-star general.

Factory-produced monoclonal antibodies aid in warding off viruses.

Paleoanthropologist Mary Leakey discovers bones with humanoid characteristics dating back 3.75 million years. (refer: 1984)

Movie, *Jaws* plays.

Congress denies financial aid to South Vietnam resulting in renewed attacks by Viet Cong. [Some particulars: Victorious communists go on to massacre millions in Vietnam, Laos and Cambodia. Through 1979, just in Cambodia, the Khmer Rouge slaughtered some two million including political enemies, peasants guilty of mistakes, the religious and intellectuals.]

The term, Personal Computer, is credited to Ed Robert's ALTAIR 8800 kit. (refer: IBM-1981)

Carla Anderson Hills is first woman Secretary of Housing and Urban Development.
Spain's Chief of State, General Francisco Franco dies. Prince Juan Carlos, Alfonso XIII's grandson, becomes king.

Two women are elected to the World Council of Churches.

President Ford is first president to visit Japan.

Bernadette Olowo (Uganda) is the first woman-ambassador to the Vatican.

Top names for babies born in U.S. are Jessica and Michael.

Bacterial infection from ticks is identified (Lyme disease).

Academy Award's best movie is *One Flew Over the Cuckoo's Nest*.

ATM machines are approved.

Karen Ann Quinlan's coma, which continues for nine years, touches off the right to live/die issues. (Life-support is removed in 1985.)

Junko Tabei of Japan becomes the first woman to scale Mount Everest.

President Ford signs the Toxic Substances Control Act to eliminate Polychlorinated biphenyls (PCBs).

1976

CN Tower, Toronto is completed; tallest freestanding structure (1,815 feet).

Supersonic *Concorde* commercial flights begin.

Steve Wozniak and Steve Jobs found Apple Computer.

Aleksandr I. Solzhenitsyn authors *The Gulag Archipelago*.

Viking I and Viking II land on Mars.

Palestinian terrorists hijack Air France jet. Israeli commandos rescue 103 at Entebbe, Uganda.

Northern Mariana Islands become a U.S. commonwealth.

Milwaukee, Wisconsin public schools are ordered integrated.

Sucralose sweetener (Splenda) is introduced.

Perrier Water wins customer approval. [Editor's note: This product is consistently an also-ran in blind taste-tests with tap water.]

US Military academies accept women cadets.

Wang Laboratories produce word processors, which, at workstations, share a central computer.

Ore carrier, Edmund Fitzgerald sinks in Lake Superior; 29 perish.

Technological improvements popularize facsimile transmission (FAX).

Earthquake in Tang-Shan, China kills 255,000.

VHS system of in-home television recording is introduced.

U.S.'s Rate of Inflation is 5.75%.

1977

(-81) James Earl "Jimmy" Carter, 39th President, Democrat

Muslim Brotherhood bombs Egyptian theaters.

President Carter pardons Vietnam War draft dodgers.

Boy Scouts of America change their name to Scouting/USA.

Collision of two 747s on runway in the Canary Islands results in 583 deaths.
U.S. Department of Energy is created.
(-83) Movie, *Star Wars*, first of the trilogy, shown.
A single human case of naturally-occurring smallpox is reported. [Editor's note: This was the last occurrence to date.]
First Black woman Cabinet member, Patricia Harris, is appointed Secretary of Housing and Urban Development.
Leonid Brezhnev becomes Russia's president.
Terry Bollea (aka Hulk Hogan) appears as The Super Destroyer in his first professional wrestling match.
Joseph Cardinal Ratzinger is appointed Archbishop of Munich and Freising. (refer: 1981)
North Korean agents kidnap Japanese citizen, Megumi Yokota, to teach their spies methods to pass as Japanese. [Some particulars: Hundreds more, as well as 400 South Koreans, have since been abducted.]
Marquette University's Warriors basketball team wins over North Carolina in NCAA.
Roots, a television-novelized family history of a slave, Kunta Kinta, is presented.
Juanita M. Kreps is appointed as the first woman Secretary of Commerce.
(-2002) Rembert G. Weakland becomes (Catholic) Archbishop of Milwaukee.
Concerned over the energy crisis, President Carter warns, "By the 1980s world demand [for oil] will overtake production capabilities."
Toguri D'Aquino (aka Tokyo Rose), a World War II traitor, receives a Presidential Pardon.
His Holiness Pope Shenouda III, Patriarch of the See of Saint Mark and the 117th pope of Alexandria is appointed. (refer: Copts)
Paul VI dies on August 6th.

During the Reigns of:
John Paul I (Albino Luciani) August 26 – September 28, 1978
John Paul II (Karol Wojtyla)
October 16, 1978 – April 2, 2005

1978

John Paul I reigns for 33 days. He is the first pope to decline the crowning ritual and first to utilize a double name.
(-2005) John Paul II, born in Poland, becomes the first non-Italian Pope in 456 years.
In the World Series, Yankees (4) win over Dodgers (2).
Mormons accept Black clergy; as in Catholicism, women still may not serve.
"Tony" awards for musical *Ain't Misbehavin'* and for the play, *Da* presented.
President Carter initiates the termination of U.S. management of the Panama Canal (effective 1999).

Joint Nobel Prize for Peace is awarded to Menachem Begin of Israel and Anwar al-Sadat of Egypt. (refer: 1981)
Academy Award's best movie is *The Deer Hunter*.
Mass suicide occurs at the Peoples Temple (Jonestown, in Guyana, South America).
President Carter severs diplomatic relations with Republic of China (Taiwan); recognizing only the Communist People's Republic of China.
James Michener authors *Chesapeake*.
William J. Clinton is elected governor of Arkansas.
Grammy Record of the Year for *Just the Way You Are*, is given to Billy Joel.
Fire in Abadan, Iran movie theatre kills 425.
First experimental Global Position Navigation Satellite is launched.
Freedom House publishes first annual *Freedom in the World*, a comparative analysis of world nations' civil liberties and political rights.
Number of women entering U.S. colleges exceeds men.

1979

Baath leader, Saddam Hussein, seizes control of Iraq; begins a purge of Kurds, Shiites, and other disloyals.
Vatican withdraws Hans Kung's license to teach as a Roman Catholic theologian. He appeals to Pope for reconsideration. (refer: 2005)
Patricia Roberts Harris is appointed first Secretary of Health and Human Services.
Fr. Mike Joncas composes song *On Eagle's Wings*.
Princeton University's Engineering Anomalies Research laboratory (PEAR) studies extrasensory perception and telekinesis. Having expended \$10 million, it closes in 2007.
Italy legalizes abortion.
(-83) Jane Byrne is elected as first woman mayor of Chicago.
Shah Mohammad Reza Pahlavi of Iran leaves to avoid overthrow.
Shiite Muslim, Ayatollah Khomeini, returns to Iran, creates an Islamic government and becomes the Supreme Spiritual Leader (*Valy-e-Fagih*). Thousands are killed in mass murders.
Blowout of oil well in southern Gulf of Mexico lets loose an estimated 87 million gallons.
Shirley Hufstедler becomes the first Secretary of Education.
John Paul II visits Chicago and New York, celebrating Masses in Grant Park and Yankee Stadium.
Partial meltdown occurs at the Three Mile Island (Middleton, Pennsylvania) nuclear reactor.
An invasion of American territory occurs by taking more than 60 U.S. citizens hostage at the embassy in Tehran, Iran, followed by 444 days of enemy occupation. (refer: 1981)
First test-tube baby born (London).
In July, President Carter announces that, "Beginning this moment, this nation will never use more foreign oil than we did in 1977, never."
South Korean Christian aid missionaries number 93. (refer: 2006)
(-90) Margaret Thatcher becomes Britain's first female prime minister.
Collision of oil transports, *Atlantic Empress* and the *Aegean Captain*, spills estimated 88 million gallons. [Some detail: This is the largest tanker spill to date.]

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The Moral Majority is founded by the Reverend Jerry Falwell of the Thomas Road Baptist Church, Lynchburg, Virginia. (refer: 2007)
Sonia Johnson, active in the Equal Rights Amendment issue, is excommunicated by the Mormon Church for "...serious deviation from the Church and its doctrines".
Sony introduces a cassette player, the Walkman.
Mother Teresa of Calcutta is awarded Nobel Prize for Peace. [Some background: Years before, as Agnes Gonxha Bojaxhiu of Yugoslavia, she had joined the Irish order, Sisters of Loretto. Later, Teresa formed the Missionaries of Charity.] (refer: 1997)
USA experiences double-digit inflation (13.3%). Prime loan rate is 14.5%.
Russia invades Afghanistan. There is a resurgence of the Taliban. (refer: 1980 and 1989)

1980s

Ayman al-Zawahiri and Osama bin Laden found *al Qaeda* as a pan-Islamic organization. They cultivate terrorists (aka Irhabi) who are both anti-Shiite and anti non-Muslims.
Tehran's Evin Prison becomes Iran's major facility for the housing, torture, and murder of political detainees, among them thousands of Jews whose singular transgression was an unacceptable religious belief.
By the mid-80s, most Lutheran church bodies have disassociated themselves from Martin Luther's anti-Semitic views.

1980

President Carter signs military draft registration measure.
United Nations issues a resolution "strongly deploring the (Russian) recent armed intervention in Afghanistan." (refer: 1989)
Oscar Romero, Archbishop of San Salvador is assassinated.
Saddam Hussein invades Iran. [Some details: In the eight-year war, millions die.]
The Mariel Boatlift allows 125,000 citizens and political prisoners to leave Cuba, inundating U.S. Gulf Coast. Fidel Castro supports the departure of thousands of criminals and mental patients.
Winter Olympics takes place in Lake Placid, New York. In hockey, U.S. beats Russia ending their 20-year win record, and later wins the Gold. Eric Heiden, U.S., sets records in all speed-skating events (five Golds).
Milton Friedman, Nobel Prize winner, authors *Free to Choose* upholding Capitalism over failed government policies. [Some detail: He died in 2006.]
Argentina invades the Falkland Islands, a British dependency. Britain responds on May 21st. Argentina surrenders on June 14th.
(-82) *Dallas* is highest-rated television program.
In April, President Carter, protesting Russia's incursion into Afghanistan, cancels U.S.'s participation in Moscow's Summer Olympics.
Poland's Lech Welesa forms Solidarity, a labor group. [Some details: Solidarity is outlawed in 1982, then legalized in 1988.]
Mount Saint Helen, Washington State erupts. Fifty-seven die.

The Misery Index, adding inflation to the unemployment rate rises to 21.9%. [Some particulars: This has been unmatched to date. Example: in 2006 it was 7.2%.]
Worldwide computer sales total 700,000 units.

1981

(-89) Ronald Reagan, 40th President, Republican

Within minutes of the Presidential Inauguration, Iran releases the U.S. Embassy hostages.

Here I am, Lord is composed by Dan Schutte of The Saint Louis Jesuits.

Reacting to Iraq's declared purpose to destroy Israel, their jets bomb an atomic reactor near Baghdad.

Growing concerns over Jesuit involvement in national politics (notably, Central and South America) prompts John Paul II to remove Pedro Arrupe as Superior General. (refer: Elaboration- Liberation Theology)

Charles, Prince of Wales marries Lady Diana Spencer. She assumes the title, Princess of Wales.

President Reagan appoints Sandra Day O'Connor as first woman justice in the U.S. Supreme Court. (refer: 2006)

Joseph Cardinal Ratzinger is appointed Prefect of the Congregation for the Doctrine of the Faith. (refer: 2003)

President Anwar al-Sadat of Egypt is murdered by Muslim terrorists for his continuing efforts to bring peace to the region.

Dr. Bruce Reitz, Stanford, performs the first heart-lung transplant.

President Reagan is shot by John Hinckley (March 30th). Referring to boxer, Jack Dempsey, Reagan says to his wife, Nancy, "Honey, I forgot to duck!"

Poland's Lech Walesa and other Solidarity members are arrested. (refer: 1990)

Initial report on Acquired Immune Deficiency Syndrome (AIDS) is issued.

Pope John Paul II survives an attempted assassination by Turkish gunman, Mehmet Ali Agca. [Some particulars: In 2006, Italy confirmed Soviet Military Intelligence's involvement in reaction to John Paul's support of Poland's Solidarity labor movement.]

First reusable space shuttle, Columbia, is launched. (refer: 1999)

IBM introduces the personal computer, using Microsoft's Disk Operating System (MS-DOS).

Jeane J. Kirkpatrick becomes the first woman U.S. ambassador to the United Nations.

Sony markets the CD Player. (refer: 1984)

Peter-Hans Kolvenbach is elected the 29th Jesuit Superior General. [Some background and detail: In 1961, he had been ordained a priest in the Armenian Catholic Church (Eastern Rite). He is to retire in 2008.]

France elects President Mitterrand.

Evangelical Movement commences at the Faith Theological Seminary.

Federal taxes are reduced. [Some detail: Nicknamed Reaganomics, this action, through 1988, produces the longest sustained economic growth in U.S. history.]

1982

Magnetic resonance imaging (MRI) visualizes blood flow and medication reaction is introduced (England).

Tunnel explosion in Salang, Afghanistan kills 1,000.

Vatican financial advisor, Roberto Calvi ("God's Banker") is murdered in London. (refer: 1984)

After years of fruitless appeals to the United Nations, Israel attacks Palestine Liberation Organization (PLO)'s terrorist stronghold in Lebanon.

Bertha Wilson is appointed as first woman in the Canadian Supreme Court.

Vietnam Veterans Memorial is dedicated, Washington D.C.

El Chichón erupts in México, killing 1,900.

Terrorists murder Lebanese President Bashir Gemayel. (refer: 1987)

Javier Perez de Cuellar (Peru) becomes Secretary General of the United Nations.

Yuri Andropov, former head of the KGB, is appointed Russia's president. [Some detail: KGB, Soviet security, is now FSB.]

Robert Jarvik devises an Artificial Heart.

(-96) Joseph Cardinal Bernardin becomes (Catholic) Archbishop of Chicago.

1983

Microsoft introduces the system, Windows, a graphical user interface (GUI) and multitasking for IBM computers.

The word Sacred is eliminated from the titles of all Vatican Congregations. (refer: Elaboration-Curia)

Islamic terrorists bomb U.S. Marine barracks in Beirut, killing 241.

Rembert G. Weakland, Archbishop of Milwaukee, Wisconsin establishes the Women's Commission, one of the first such organizations specifically mandated to explore spiritual and social concerns of women. (refer: 1998)

Blowout in Persian Gulf oil well spills an estimated 88 million gallons. (refer: 1991)

Nora Ephron authors *Heartburn* ("If pregnancy were a book, they would cut the last two chapters").

Discovery of Cyclosporine, an immunosuppressant, expands human liver post-transplantation's survival rate.

Russia shoots down an off-course South Korean passenger jet, killing 269.

Elizabeth Hanford Dole becomes first woman Secretary of Transportation.

Cyanide mixed into Tylenol kills seven in Chicago. Recall of all tablets and new packaging of health-related items evolves. [Some detail: To date the murderer has not been found.]

U.S.'s Rate of Inflation is 3.22%.

Harold Washington elected first Black mayor of Chicago.

Sally Ride becomes the first American woman in space, aboard June's launch of shuttle Challenger.

National Council of Churches releases a Bible with minimum gender references to God; rejected by Lutheran and Greek Orthodox churches.

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Suspended since 1867, the U.S. restores diplomatic relations with the Vatican.
Sony introduces a portable CD player.
Prime Minister Indira Gandhi of India is assassinated by a Sikh. [Some particulars: Her Son, Rajiv replaced her. Removed from office in 1989, Rajiv was murdered while campaigning in 1991.]
Two *Challenger* astronauts participate in an untethered “space walk”.
In Africa, primarily Ethiopia, years of drought and several governments’ mismanagement result in over one million famine-related deaths.
Irish Republican Army terrorists bomb the Grand Hotel, Brighton, England, murdering five civilians.
Richard Leakey (Mary’s son) locates a 1.6 million-year-old *Homo erectus* skeleton.
Robert Gallo confirms that HIV (Human Immunodeficiency Virus) causes the Acquired Immune Deficiency Syndrome (AIDS).
(- present) Lansand Conte overthrows the legitimate government of Guinea. As dictator, he rules over one of Africa’s wealthiest countries.
Bhopal, India chemical plant explosion kills 3850.
Vatican pays the Italian Government \$250 million as a “goodwill settlement” in the Banco Ambrosiano investigation. The President of Vatican Bank, Archbishop Paul Marcinkus’, arrest warrant is vacated. He retires to U.S. [Some background: As there is no extradition agreement with Italy, Marcinkus had remained safely inside the Vatican since issuance of the warrant several years earlier.]
Michael Dell founds PC’s Limited. [Some detail: The name was changed in 1988.]

1985

Mikhail Gorbachev becomes General Secretary of the U.S.S.R. and in 1988, President. (refer: 1991).
Gateway, a computer company, is founded.
Group of Eight (G-8) is established with seven democracies and, later, Russia.
(-88) *Cosby Show* is television’s top program.
Palestinian terrorists hijack the cruise ship, *Achille Lauro* and murder an American.
U.S. Supreme Court restricts public school teachers from working in parochial schools.
Japan’s Hitachi Company introduces CD-ROM (compact-disk read-only memory).
Islamic extremists hijack a TWA flight in Athens and murder a U.S. Navy diver.
President expands the Air Marshall Program.

1986

Aircraft *Voyager* circumnavigates the earth (24,987 miles) without refueling.
Cuba’s human rights abuses, including torture and assassinations, are exposed. [Some background: Castro’s brother, Raul, and Ernesto “Che” Guevara had been in charge of the killing-machine prisons.]
Mike Espy becomes the first Mississippi Black in 103 years to be elected to U.S. House of Representatives.
U.S. Library of Congress appoints Robert Penn Warren as nation’s first Poet Laureate.
At liftoff plus 73 seconds, space shuttle *Challenger* explodes, killing seven, including a civilian teacher, Christa McAuliffe.

Jose Luis de Jesus Miranda founds the religious sect, *Growing in Grace*. (refer: 1998)
(- 2005) William H. Rehnquist is appointed Chief Justice of the U.S. Supreme Court.
President Reagan directs the U.S. observation of Martin Luther King, Jr. Day.

1987

Alzheimer's disease gene is isolated.

In Berlin, President Reagan, directing his comments to Russia's General Secretary, says, "Mr. Gorbachev, tear down this wall."

Terrorists murder Lebanese Premier Rashid Karami.

Federal Communication Commission's "Fairness Doctrine", is eliminated. [Some particulars: This action results in allowing free-speech radio programming. Participants favoring potentially "contrasting perspectives" are given an opportunity to challenge acknowledged media bias.] [Editor's note: To date, as evidenced by program selection, federally-sponsored Public Broadcasting Service has continued to limit such opportunities.]

Il Giomale, coffee outlet stores buys the name Starbucks.

Chernobyl nuclear power plant meltdown causes explosions and fires near Kiev, USSR (now the Ukraine); results in 31 immediate deaths. Tens of thousands face early cancer deaths due to radiation poisoning.

Ann D. McLaughlin becomes the first woman Secretary of Labor.

(- to present) Professor Peter Duesberg, University of California, Berkeley, maintains that HIV is not a deadly virus and AIDS can be avoided by proper diet and avoiding certain drugs.

Iraqi missile accidentally kills 37 on USS *Stark* in Persian Gulf.

Dow Jones Industrial Average closes above 2,000.

Hamas, a terrorist-sponsored Islamic group, is founded. [Some particulars: Hamas is dedicated to violence as a negotiating instrument as well as the immediate destruction of Israel. Presently, it is financially supported by Arab League states and tolerated by some European and Asian countries.]

Actress Tallulah Bankhead says, "There have been only two authentic geniuses in the world, Willie Mays (baseball) and Willie Shakespeare."

1988

Libya-sponsored terrorists explode Pan Am 103 over Lockerbie, Scotland, murdering 270 passengers and 11 on the ground.

Donna E. Shalala becomes first woman president of the University of Wisconsin. (refer: 1993)

China produces an anti-malarial drug, Kunming. (refer: 2002)

Saddam Hussein's Anfal Campaign murders 200,000 Iraqi Kurds. In Halabja, Hussein kills at least 5,000 by poison gas. [Some details: This is the first use of the chemical weapon against civilians since the Holocaust. The United Nations responds with debate and powerless resolutions.]

President Reagan signs into law the National Day of Prayer.

Russia introduces the Antonov-225 Mriya, world's largest airplane (gross weight 1.4 million pounds).

Earthquake in Soviet Armenia kills 55,000.

Salman Rushdie authors *The Satanic Verses*. Iran's Ayatollah Khomeini immediately issues a *fatwa*, calling for his murder.

In Sei-kan, Japan the world's longest railway tunnel (33.5 miles) is completed.

Anti-democracy crackdown in Rangoon, Burma (aka Myanmar) results in over 3,000 deaths. [Some particulars: United Nations pressured for free elections, held in 1990; results were ignored by the dictatorship. A repeated action in 2007 attacked Buddhist monks and peaceful demonstrators. United Nations issued a statement calling the action unacceptable.]

John Paul II excommunicates Archbishop Marcel Lefebvre, four other member-bishops, and priests of the *Society of Saint Pius X*. (refer: 1991)

1989

(-93) George H. W. Bush, 41st President, Republican

L. Douglas Wilder (Virginia) becomes first Black governor since the post Civil War reconstruction (c. 1866).

Accession of Japan's Emperor Akihito.

General Colin Powell, as the first Black, is appointed Chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff.

Exxon Valdez, oil transport, grounding off Prince William Sound, Alaska spills 10 million gallons. (refer: 1993)

First living partial-liver transplant is performed.

Russia withdraws from Afghanistan, leaving Taliban in total control.

(-92) Shirley Temple Black is appointed as Ambassador to Czechoslovakia.

The Simpsons animated show premieres. [Some detail: It becomes the longest-running prime-time telecast.]

In Tiananmen Square, Beijing, Peoples Republic of China, a pro-democracy demonstration results in many murders with thousands being imprisoned.

Edward J. Derwinski becomes the first Secretary of Veterans Affairs.

Berlin Wall is torn down. [Some background: In its twenty-eight year history more than 5,000 East Germans escaped. There were at least 780 documented murders of East Germans and others attempting to flee Russian dominance. No cases of free Germans attempting to cross the Anti-Fascist Protective Rampart into the East were reported.]

1990s

Muslims allow Christians and some Hasidic Jews to visit Jordan's Jebel Haroun (Arabic for Mount Aaron). Tradition holds this to be Moses' brother's burial place. (refer: Elaboration- Jebel Haroun)

1990

West and East Germany are united.

U.S. Population reaches 248,710,000.

Lech Walesa is elected president of Poland.

In August, Iraq's Saddam Hussein invades Kuwait.

World's highest dam (1100 feet) is completed in Rogun, Tajikistan.

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Washington National Cathedral dedicated.

George F. Will writes, "Football combines the two worst features of American life. It is violence punctuated by committee meetings."

U.S.'s Rate of Inflation is 5.39%.

(-97) John Major becomes Great Britain's Prime Minister.

Father Richard John Neuhaus founds the magazine, *First Things*, reflecting on religious and social issues.

Tim Berners-Lee and Robert A. Cailliau author the electronic document, *World Wide Web: Proposal for a Hyper Text Project*, developing the appropriate software.

Hubble Space Telescope is launched from the shuttle Discovery.

1991

In January, Iraq intentionally spills 130 million gallons of Kuwaiti oil into Persian Gulf, the largest such environmental contamination in history.

In February, United Nations authorizes the U.S.-led coalition liberating Kuwait.

Iraq fires Scud missiles into Israel.

Collapse of the Soviet Union; the fifteen constituent republics become independent.

Boris Yeltsin becomes the Russian Republic's president.

Russia, now officially called Russian Federation, founds the Commonwealth of Independent States.

"Iceman" (aka Otzi) is found in the Otztal Alps, Italy. Estimated to have lived 5300 years ago, these are the oldest intact human remains.

Academy Award's best movie is *The Silence of the Lambs*.

Kodak introduces the Professional Digital Camera System (1.3 mega pixel sensor).

United Nations begins sanctions against Iraq. [Some particulars: These actions are proven to be no consequence, ineffective, not enforceable, and blighted by corruption, bribes, and scandal.]

Mount Pinatubo, Luzon, the Philippines erupts, killing 800, leaving 130,000 homeless.

(-92) *60 Minutes* is the top-rated television program.

President Bush nominates Clarence Thomas as Justice of the U.S. Supreme Court.

[Some particulars: Reflecting on the nature of the hearings and as a warning to any "uppity Blacks", Thomas says, "You will be lynched, destroyed, caricatured by a committee of the U.S. Senate, rather than hung from a tree."]

P. J. O'Rourke writes, "Liberals have invented whole college majors - psychology, women's studies, sociology - to prove that nothing is anybody's fault."

Archbishop Marcel Lefebvre, head of the *Society of Saint Pius X*, dies. [Some detail: The current leader is Bishop Bernard Fellay.]

Slobodan Milosevic becomes president of the Federal Republic of Yugoslavia (the combined Serbia and Montenegro). [Some details: Through 1998, the "Butcher of the Balkans" was responsible for the deaths of 250,000 (aka ethnic-cleansing), including 8,000 Bosnian Muslims in Srebrenica. The Islamic Kosovo Liberation Army's culpability is yet to be fully explored.]

1992

Mexico's President removes their Constitution's anti-Catholic statutes. (refer:1917)

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Hurricane *Andrew*, a category 4, kills 40, leaving 250,000 homeless.
Boutros Boutros-Ghali of Egypt is appointed Secretary General of the United Nations.
Iran president orders three political dissidents murdered in Berlin.
26th Constitutional Amendment is ratified; addressing changes in congressional compensation.
Sam Walton, Wal-Mart's founder, dies.
Catholic Church introduces a revised Catechism.
(-93) *60 Minutes* is the top-rated television program.
Yasser Arafat's PLO bomb the Israeli Embassy in Buenos Aires, Argentina murdering over 30, injuring 200. (refer: 1994)
Seinfeld television show premieres; theme is "...everything else is about something; this - it's about nothing."

1993

(-2001) William Jefferson Clinton, 42nd President, Democrat
Vatican recognizes State of Israel. Diplomatic relations are established.
Janet Reno becomes the first woman U.S. Attorney General.
Oil transport, *Braer's* grounding spills 26 million gallons off Shetland Islands.
Boris Yeltsin dissolves Russia's Parliament. [Some details: All new minister appointments must now have presidential approval. Courts are also subordinate to the Russian president.]
Donna E. Shalala is appointed Secretary of Health and Human Services.
World's largest Reflecting (mirror) Optical telescope is installed at Keck Observatory, Mauna Kea, Hawaii. [Some detail: The largest Infrared-light telescope followed in 1996.]
Osama bin Laden's *al Qaeda* terrorists murder six in their first bombing of World Trade Center, New York.
Theologian Karen Armstrong authors *A History of God*, a study of Judaism, Christianity, and Islam.
University of Arizona is awarded 25% ownership in the Vatican-funded Steward Observatory, Mt. Graham, Arizona.
(-97) Air Marshall Program is reduced in size. (refer: 2001)
U.S. Food and Drug Administration approves the growth-hormone *rGBH*. [Some particulars: To date, 14 billion gallons of milk from treated cows has been consumed with no documented ill effect.]
Frank Griswold becomes presiding bishop of the Episcopal Church in U.S. (refer: 2006)
Federal siege of religious group, Branch Davidian, compound results in over 80 deaths.
Hazel R. O'Leary becomes the first woman Secretary of Energy.
David McCullough wins a Pulitzer Prize for book, *Truman*. (refer: 2002)
American tourist, Amy Biehl, is stabbed and beaten to death by Blacks protesting White presence in South Africa.
Holocaust Memorial Museum, Washington D.C. is dedicated.
Vatican allows U.S. and Canadian members of Polish National Catholic Church to receive Roman Catholic Holy Communion. (refer: 2006)

Eighteen U.S. soldiers are killed on a peace-keeping mission in Somalia by Osama bin Laden's *al Qaeda* terrorists. (refer: 1994)
The Great Flood of 1993 covers over eight million acres in nine states (fifty deaths).
Deputy White House Council, Vincent Foster, is found shot dead in an apparent suicide.

1994

Church of England ordains 32 women priests. (refer: 1995)
President Clinton withdraws U.S. peacekeeping force from Somalia. [Some detail: A year later, U.N. forces are also removed.]
Jewish Cultural Center, Buenos Aires, Argentina bombing murders 85, injuring 150. [Some particulars: Eight international warrants were issued in 2006, each naming senior officers of Iran's Islamic Revolutionary Guards Corp as responsible for the terrorist action.]
North American Free Trade Agreement is established.
Hutu militia of Rwanda massacre over one million Tutsi inhabitants.
Guam, formerly a territory, becomes a U.S. Commonwealth.
Postage stamp (29 ¢) features the late 1800s' Buffalo Soldier. [Some detail: This was the Indian nickname for Black members of the U.S. Cavalry.]
President orders invasion of Haiti without congressional authority; later, U.N. is involved.
World Series baseball games cancelled because of strikes; first time since 1905.
Yasser Arafat returns to Gaza. Hamas terrorism escalates to include suicide-bombing attacks against Jewish civilians.
Los Angeles earthquake kills 61.
The Muslim - controlled Republic of Chechnya declares independence. Russia invades. [Some detail: A temporary peace is established after 21 months.]
(-95) *Seinfeld* is the television season's top program.
George W. Bush is elected Governor of Texas.
The Channel Tunnel links Britain to the Continent.
School fire in Mandi Dabwali, India kills 500.
Cuban military murder 37 fleeing adults and children. [Editor's note: To date, such documented killings number 223.]
North Korea's Kim Il Sung dies, replaced by son, Kim Jong Il. U.S. negotiates a freeze on Kim's nuclear development. [Some detail: The agreement was later shown to have been totally ignored.] (refer: 2002)
Baruch Goldstein kills 29 Muslims at the Mosque of the Patriarch in Hebron.
Nobel Prize for Peace is awarded to Shimon Peres and Yitzhak Rabin of Israel and Yasser Arafat of the Palestinian Authority. (refer: 2004)

1995

Revision of political refugees policy, especially applying to Cubans, results in the "Wet Feet, Dry Feet" strategy. [Some detail: A person seeking sanctuary in the U.S. must now first step on dry land or be sent back to whatever fate.]
O. J. Simpson is found not guilty of double-murder. [Some particulars: Later, a civil trial found him guilty. Simpson moved to Florida to avoid paying court-awarded damages.]
Islamic terrorists bomb U.S. military post in Saudi Arabia, killing seven.

Varivax, chickenpox vaccine, is introduced. [Some detail: Presently, in U.S. alone, there are up to 600,000 cases of this illness per year.]

Dissident clergy of the Anglican Communion, protesting the ordination of women, withdraw. Although several are married with families, Pope John Paul II invites them to become Catholic priests. [Some particulars: There are an estimated 100 serving in U.S.] (refer: Elaboration-Christianity in Compromise)

Top names for babies born in U.S. are Jessica and Michael.

(-96) *E.R.* is the highest-rated television program.

Korean War Veterans Memorial, Washington D.C. is dedicated.

Bombing of Federal office building in Oklahoma City murders 168, injures 500.

Several countries form the World Trade Organization (WTO) addressing issues concerning products, services and intellectual property.

President rejects bill authorizing low-income Washington, D.C. families a school choice.

Shuttle *Atlantis* docks with Russian space station, *Mir*.

1996

John Paul II's message to the Pontifical Academy of Science includes, "New scientific knowledge has led us to the conclusion that the theory of evolution is no longer a mere hypothesis."

Shannon Lucid's 188 days in space becomes a record for women and U.S. astronauts.

Mad Cow disease hits Britain.

United Nations initiates Iraq's Oil-for-Food program. [Editor's note: To date, the full impact of the United Nations' and several countries' massive corrupt involvement is undetermined.]

Cuban jets down two U.S. civilian planes over free air-space, four die.

"Palm Pilot", first handheld computer and information manager, is marketed.

Russia's Antonov cargo plane, overloaded with weapons for rebels in Angola, crashes in Zaire, killing 300 people on the ground.

(-97) *E.R.* is the highest-rated television program.

Iranian terrorists bomb U.S. barracks in Saudi Arabia killing 19.

Republican-controlled Congress passes the Line-item Veto bill, signed by President Clinton.

Diana and Charles, Princess and Prince of Wales, divorce.

Rock from Mars found in Antarctica offering proof of previous life forms on that planet.

[Some detail: Invalidated after a ten-year study.]

Thomas L. Friedman writes, "No two countries that both have a McDonalds have ever fought a war against each other."

1997

President Clinton employs the Line-item Veto authority to minimize wasteful "pork" attachments to Congress' budget bills. (refer: 1998)

Madeleine Albright is appointed as the first woman Secretary of State.

First cloned mammal, a sheep, is produced in Britain.

(- 2007) Tony Blair becomes Great Britain's Prime Minister.

Griffin Bailey O'Connor is born.

National Academy of Science publishes *National Science Education Standards for teaching scientific principles*.

Ariahna Persephoni Sotiriades is born.

(-98) *Seinfeld* is the television season's top program.

A.Q. Khan of Pakistan is found to have been supplying nuclear technology to Iran, North Korea, and Libya. (refer: 2003)

Mass suicide by members of *Heaven's Gate*, a California religious cult, results in 39 deaths.

Joanne (aka J.K.) Rowling's first of a series, *Harry Potter and the Philosopher's Stone* is published. [Some particulars: She has no middle name, but the initial K was added as a publishing strategy. By 2007, Rowling became the first billionaire author.]

Kofi Annan of Ghana is elected Secretary General of the United Nations.

Diana, Princess of Wales dies in a car accident.

John Paul II beatifies Ceferino Gimenez Malla, the only Rom (Gypsy). [Some detail: Malla had been murdered during the Spanish Civil War (1936-39) for refusing to give up his rosary.] (refer: 2006 and Elaboration-Roma)

Hong Kong, a British dependency since 1842, becomes a Special Administrative Region of The Peoples Republic of China.

Franklin Delano Roosevelt Memorial, Washington D.C. is dedicated.

(- present) Francis Cardinal George becomes (Catholic) Archbishop of Chicago; first native Chicagoan in that position.

Mother Teresa of Calcutta dies.

1998

First component of the International Space Station is launched.

Petronas Towers world's tallest buildings (1,483 feet) completed.

Final episode of TV's *Seinfeld* (May 14) presented.

U.S. embassies in Kenya and Tanzania are bombed by Osama bin Laden's *al Qaeda* terrorists; 257 murdered. In retaliation, U.S.'s missiles destroy a pharmaceutical plant in Sudan.

Jose Miranda, head of *Growing in Grace* religious sect, claims to be the reincarnated Saint Paul. Later, he declares himself to be Christ. (refer: 2000)

American Film Institute ballots name *Citizen Kane* (1941) featuring Orson Welles, as best all time American movie; *Casablanca* is number two.

Vatican canonizes Sister Teresa Benedicta (aka Edith Stein); murdered in a gas chamber at Auschwitz in 1942. The Jewish community objects.

U.S. Supreme Court in *Clinton vs. City of New York* finds the Line-item Veto unconstitutional.

(-99) *E.R.* is the highest-rated television program.

Charlotte Allen authors *The Human Christ: The Search for the Historical Jesus*.

World's longest Suspension Bridge (6,570 feet) is completed in Akashi Kaikyo, Japan.

To better address women's concerns in their Church, Milwaukee's Archbishop Weakland elevates the Women's Commission to an archdiocesan-level Office for Women. (refer: 2004)

1999

United States relinquishes control of the Panama Canal under an agreement initiated by President Carter.

(-2000) *Who Wants to Be a Millionaire* is the highest-rated television program.

Spencer Bonaventure Tracy of Milwaukee, Wisconsin (born 1900; died 1967) is named by the American Film Institute as the all-time best male actor.

President Clinton is impeached, charged with perjury and obstruction of justice.

Congressional vote is insufficient. [Some particulars: Later, Arkansas Supreme Court finds him guilty of perjury, suspends his law license, and fines him for obstruction of justice.]

Air Force Colonel Eileen Collins is the first woman commander of a space shuttle (*Columbia*). (refer: 2003)

The Columbine High School (Littleton, Colorado) attack results in 13 murdered, 30 wounded, and two suicides.

William Persell is elected Episcopal bishop of Chicago.

President Clinton orders aerial bombing of Kosovo.

Throughout the U.S., there is an increased awareness of clergy-related pedophile issues.

Russia's President Boris Yeltsin resigns, appoints Vladimir Putin, a former Lt. Colonel in the KGB, as the interim successor. Putin is elected in 2000.

First case of West Nile virus, with encephalitis, appears in North America. [Some detail: To date, in U.S. alone, there have been 657 deaths and more than 7,200 sickened.]

Twenty-first Century

2000

Change-over fears affecting worldwide technology issues over Y2K are unrealized.

Muslim head, Warith Deen Muhammad, offers prayer at the opening of the first session of the U.S. Congress.

Fiona Riley O'Connor is born.

Estimated Christian portion of the world's population is 33%.

Tiger Woods, at 24, becomes the youngest to win all four major golf tournaments.

Concorde jet crashes, killing 113.

At closing, *Cats*, with 7,485 performances, is rated top play.

"Doctor Death", Jack Kevorkian, after 130 assisted suicides, is convicted of one death.

Dow Jones Industrial Average reaches all-time high (11,722.98 points).

U.S.'s Rate of Inflation is 3.38%.

Alexania Helena Sotiriades is born.

Judaism marks approximately 5,760 years in existence.

Pope John Paul II visits Jerusalem's holy Western Wall.

Osama bin Laden's *al Qaeda* terrorists' attack on the USS Cole results in 17 sailors killed and 39 injured.

Summer Olympics is held in Sydney, Australia.

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(-2001) *Survivor II* is the highest-rated television program.
U.S. rebuffs two opportunities to capture or to neutralize Osama bin Laden.
Structure of human genome is determined.
United States population is 281,421,906; world's is estimated at 6 billion.
Six year old Elian Gonzalez is returned to Cuba seven months after his escape.
Russia provides nuclear technology to Iran in a \$7 billion arms agreement.
During a visit to Sicily, John Paul II declares, " the Mafia has a pact with the Devil."
[Some particulars: This is the first time in Vatican Church history that any reference was made to organized crime.]

2001

Outgoing President Clinton issues 176 pardons and commutations, including drug dealers and Mark Rich, tax-evading bail-jumper and major political contributor.
(- present) George W. Bush, 43rd President, Republican
Colin Powell is appointed as the first Black Secretary of State.
Gale Norton is first woman appointed as Secretary of the Interior.
Vatican prohibits further discussion of women in the diaconate or their potential ordination to priesthood.
(-2002) *Friends* is the highest-rated television program.
A new wing of the Milwaukee Art Museum, Santiago Calatrava's first American commission, opens.
Archbishop Wilton Gregory becomes the first Black president of U.S. Conference of Catholic Bishops.
Vatican rules that Mormon converts must be rebaptized, as their former faith is not recognized as Christian. (refer: Elaboration-Mormons)
A smaller Mormon offshoot sect, the Reorganized Church of Jesus Christ of Latter Day Saints changes their name to the Community of Christ. They have ordained women ministers since 1984.
Anne Mulcahy becomes the first woman CEO of Xerox.
President Bush approves Federal funding of limited stem-cell research utilizing human embryos.
White House Office of Faith-Based and Community Initiatives is established.
Ann M. Veneman is appointed as the first woman Secretary of Agriculture.
Iran provides Palestinian terrorists with 50 tons of weapons.
Sapamurat Niyazov, President-for-life of Turkmenistan publishes the first portion of the *Ruhname* (Book of Soul or Book of Spirit). This re-write of history and folklore is fashioned in an *al-Qur'an*-like style. [Some detail: He died in 2006.]
Islamic terrorists commandeering four aircraft murder more than 3,000 defenseless men, women, and children in the United States (September 11th). [Some particulars: Attacks occurred on the World Trade Center, the Pentagon, and in a Pennsylvania field where Todd Beamer led fellow passengers calling out, "Let's roll."]
Five die from exposure to anthrax in U.S. mail deliveries.
Beijing is chosen as site of 2008 Summer Olympics.

2002

Republic of Eire withdraws their territorial claim to the six counties of Northern Ireland.
Mother Teresa of Calcutta is beatified; now called Blessed.

The Euro becomes the new European currency.

Father Donald Cozzens authors *Sacred Silence, the sexual abuse crisis*.

Islamic terrorists bomb a synagogue in Tunisia, murdering 17.

The Roman Catholic Women-priests movement is founded. [Some particulars: World-wide, approximately 100 women have been ordained as priests or deacons, including 37 in the U.S. To date, the Vatican has excommunicated seven.]

The Harlem Globetrotters are inducted into the Basketball Hall of Fame.

Explosion at munitions dump in Lagos, Nigeria kills 1,000.

David McCullough wins a Pulitzer Prize for the book, *John Adams*.

Timothy M. Dolan becomes (Catholic) Archbishop of Milwaukee.

Chechen terrorists invade a Moscow theatre. More than 100 die during rescue attempt.

Salt Lake City, Utah hosts the Winter Olympic Games.

U.S. Roman Catholic bishops approve stern policies regarding priest's sexual abuse of minors. [Editor's note: To date, no such policy addresses hierarchical co-conspiracy in this rape of these innocents.]

Daniel Pearl, American reporter, is murdered by Islamic terrorists in Afghanistan simply because he is Jewish.

Nobel Prize for Peace is awarded to former president, Jimmy Carter.

North Korea acknowledges that it has never abided by the nine-year-old agreement with the U.S. to eliminate nuclear arms development.

Novartis Company purchases China's anti-malarial drug, producing and distributing Coartem (at no profit) through the United Nations' programs. [Some details: Primary attention is directed to sub-Saharan Africa, which accounts for 90% of the one million annual fatalities.]

Mary Sue Coleman becomes the first woman president of the University of Michigan.
(-05) *CSI* is highest-rated television program.

Vancouver, B.C., Canada is selected as the site of 2010 Winter Olympics.

U.S. Supreme Court upholds the Ohio State School Voucher Program.

John Paul II adds five *Luminous* Mysteries to the Rosary. (refer: Elaboration-Rosary)

2003

Rodney Stark's book *For the Glory of God* affirms that the abolition of slavery in the West during the 1800s was exclusively a Christian endeavor.

Under pressure from U.S., Libya stops their nuclear program, while documenting Pakistan-Taliban's cooperative venture and "yellowcake" uranium purchases.

Russian Orthodox Church is lead by Patriarch Alexis II.

Iran, through European negotiations, consents to suspension of all nuclear work.

[Some detail: To date, pledge is totally ignored.] (refer: Elaboration- Islam [*Taqyya*])

At a cost of approximately \$85 million, Catholic Archdiocese of Boston settles with some 550 victims of sexual abuse by priests.

U.S.-led Coalition Forces strike Iraq.

Heat wave, extending from Britain to Russia, results in 35,000 fatalities.

Thomas Ridge becomes the first Secretary of Homeland Security.
U.S. Federal tax cuts continue as the key contributing factor in global economic growth.
Joseph Cardinal Ratzinger, Congregation for the Doctrine of Faith, declares, "Hosts that are gluten-free are invalid matter for the celebration of the Eucharist." (refer: 2005)
Space shuttle *Columbia* breaks up on re-entry killing all 7 crewmembers.
U.S. Conference of Catholic Bishops determined that Eucharistic wafers with a minimum of 0.01% gluten are valid, satisfying the Vatican's wheat-required policy. (refer: 2006-First Communion)
(-present) Darfur region of the Sudan suffers mass murders and refugee starvation initiated by military and Muslim terrorists. Secretary General Kofi Annan expresses the United Nations' grave concern.
H5N1 virus influenza (similar to that of 1918 pandemic) kills chickens in South Korea.

2004

Al-Qaeda terrorists murder 202 and wound 1,500 in commuter trains bombings (Madrid, Spain).
Susan Hockfield becomes the first woman president of the Massachusetts Institute of Technology.
Iraq beheads a South Korean Christian aid missionary as a spy.
Ken Jennings's 72-game win on TV's *Jeopardy* nets \$2.5 million.
H5N1 virus is transmitted from birds to people; dozens die in Vietnam and Thailand.
Pope John Paul II asks forgiveness for wounds caused by the innumerable Church - sponsored Inquisitions.
Terrorist bomb Moscow subway, slaughtering 39; also blow up two aircraft, murdering 89.
Yasser Arafat dies in November. His wife inherits an estimated \$3.5 billion; from untraceable sources. [Editor's note: Palestinian leadership continues to negotiate for the return of their funds.]
For the first time since 1918, the Boston Red Sox win the World Series. Red Sox (4), St. Louis Cardinals (0).
Chechen terrorists invade a Beslan, Russia school, murdering 331.
Bernard Cardinal Law, the resigned Archbishop of Boston, is appointed as Archpriest of the Basilica of Saint Mary Major, Rome. [Some background: The first church on that location was c. 352] (refer: Elaboration-Benefit of Clergy)
Ray Charles and Norah Jones win the Grammy Record of the Year for *Here We Go Again*.
Taipei 101 Tower in Taiwan, the world's highest building (1670 feet) is completed.
San Francisco, California begins issuing marriage licenses to same-sex couples. State court issues a stay, thus blocking the practice.
In Russia, Vladimir Putin is re-elected president. He eliminates the popular election of governors.
Muslim terrorists bomb a ferry in the Philippines, murdering 116.
National WW II Memorial, Washington D.C. is dedicated.
Archdiocese of Milwaukee abolishes the Office for Women.

United Nations reports that excluding kidnappings, assassinations and military targets worldwide, since 1971 there have been in excess of 97 major terrorist incidents.
Lance Armstrong wins his sixth consecutive *Tour de France*.
Indian Ocean Tsunami kills 228,000 (December 26).
Athens, Greece hosts the Summer Olympic Games.
Kodak ceases production of film cameras.
Catholics number 1.1 billion.

2005

Condoleezza Rice is appointed as Secretary of State; first Black woman to achieve such a position, unmatched in world democracies.
The New England *Patriots* beat the Philadelphia *Eagles* in Super Bowl XXXIX.
The International Atomic Energy Agency reports that Iran continues to be in violation of nuclear non-proliferation agreements.
Academy Award's best movie is *Million Dollar Baby*.
H5N1 virus is found in China.
Howard Dean is appointed Chairman of the Democratic National Committee (DNC).
Prince Rainier III of Monaco dies; succeeded by son, Prince Albert II.
Kingda Ka, Jackson, New Jersey, the tallest (456 feet) and fastest (128 mph) roller coaster is completed.
Orange County (California) Catholic diocese pays \$100 million to settle sexual-abuse suits involving 90 plaintiffs.
U.S. Supreme Court bans the execution of anyone under the age of 18 convicted of a capital crime.
Islamic terrorists slaughter 80, wounding 200 in Egypt.
Charles, Prince of Wales, heir to British throne, marries Camilla Parker-Bowles. She assumes the title, Her Royal Highness, the Duchess of Cornwall.
Pope John Paul II dies on April 2nd.

During the Reign of Benedict XVI (Joseph Ratzinger) from April 15, 2005

2005 (continued)

President Bush authorizes a statue of Rosa Parks for the Capitol's Statuary Hall. She is the first Black woman to be so honored.
Patriarch Theofilos of the Greek Orthodox Church is elected.
Israel withdraws from the Gaza Strip.
President Bush announces a \$7.1 billion pandemic flu-prevention plan.
Muslim-terrorist suicide bombers massacre 56 Londoners.
U.S. Supreme Court allows the Texas State Capitol to display the Ten Commandments as part of a larger historical display. The Court also rules in favor of the A.C.L.U., ordering removal of the Ten Commandments from a wall of a Kentucky courthouse as "...lacking a secular purpose..."

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After 26 years of a Vatican-imposed separation, theologian Hans Kung meets with Pope.

London is selected as the site for 2012 Summer Olympics.

Alexei (Alexy) II continues as Patriarch of Moscow and Russia.

Dan Rather's *60 Minutes* program attempts to discredit the President. [Some detail: His supporting "old" documents were intentional forgeries which, in fact, had actually been recently computer-generated.] Mr. Rather retires.

Tiger Woods wins his 4th Masters Title.

His Holiness Karekin II continues as Catholicos of All Armenians. (refer: Elaboration-Observations on Catholic Faiths)

(- present) John G. Roberts, Jr. is appointed Chief Justice of the U.S. Supreme Court.

At 50 years old, he is the youngest in 204 years (Justice John Marshall, 1801).

"Tony" awards are presented for the musical *Monty Python's Spamalot* and for the play *Doubt*.

By their adding racist cartoons to twelve others published in Denmark's *Jyllands-Posten*, imams and al-Jazeera spark riots in the near East. Denmark's embassy is burned down in Lebanon.

World Series is won by Chicago White Sox (American League) in their sweep over the Houston Astros (National League), 4 to 0; the previous White Sox title was in 1917.

Judge George Greer, Pinellas-Pasco, Florida Circuit Court orders the death of the comatose-patient, Theresa Schiavo. (refer: Elaboration-Schiavo)

South Korean Christian aid missionaries number 16,600, second only to U.S. Less than 30% of South Korea's 49 million citizens are Christian.

Vatican's Congregation for Catholic Education document states, "...those with deeply rooted homosexual tendencies or those who support gay culture cannot be admitted to the priesthood."

Sergeant Leigh Ann Hester, U.S. Army, is the first woman to be awarded the Silver Star during direct combat; the third highest decoration following the Medal of Honor and Distinguished Service Cross.

Millions vote in Iraq's first free election.

South Asia earthquake kills an estimated 41,000.

Angela Merkel is elected as the first woman Chancellor of Germany.

Turbo-Tax 2004 leads all software sales

His All-Holiness Bartholomew I, Archbishop of Constantinople, New Rome and Ecumenical Patriarch continues as 270th successor in the Greek Orthodox Church.

Tradition holds that Saint Andrew founded this Church.

Based on U.S. unit-sales, nine out of ten computer operating systems are Microsoft.

Top names for babies born in U.S. are Emily and Jacob.

Vatican celebrates the 500th anniversary of the Swiss Guard; established by Pope Julius II in 1505.

2006

Ellen Johnson-Sirleaf is elected president of Liberia. She is the first African woman to achieve that position.

Iran, disregarding worldwide agreements, reopens the Natanz Nuclear Research Facility in order to enrich uranium.

Benedict XVI visits Auschwitz.

The Bill and Melinda Gates Foundation is valued at \$29 billion; continues to address world health issues.

Islamic terrorists accelerate the use of children in bomb attacks.

Nicole Malachowski, Major U.S. Air Force, becomes the first woman-member of the *Thunderbirds*; presently flying F-16Cs.

Robert M. (Mike) Duncan is appointed Chairman, Republican National Committee (RNC).

Three Duke University students are pre-condemned on rape charges. [Some particulars: The New York Times, the mass media, Duke's president and faculty members, politicians, human-rights spokespersons, entertainers and the NAACP immediately determined their guilt. Facts, however, proved that they were innocent. To date there have been no retractions by any of the aforementioned.]

Pontifical Council for Migrants and Travelers document solicits a change in the attitude towards Roma (aka Gypsies). (refer: Elaboration-Roma)

Islamic terrorists murder 20 in Bali.

President Yahya Jammeh, Gambia, Africa continues his claim of a special herbal remedy cure for AIDS.

First Holy Communion, with a wheat-free wafer, of a Celiac-diseased eight year old in New Jersey is invalidated.

Pluto loses planet status.

La Presidenta Michelle Bachelet becomes the first woman leader of Chile.

Over 450 Episcopalians in U.S., have split from the global Anglican Communion. (refer: Elaboration- Anglican)

Hurricane Katrina, a Category 3, causes an estimated 1200 deaths, leaving hundreds of thousands homeless.

It is estimated that since 1810, copies of the Bible in various formats, have been printed five billion times.

Sandra Day O'Connor, the first woman justice in the US Supreme Court, retires.

In the U.S., the Catholic Church and the Polish National Catholic Church open discussions aimed at unification.

Pope Benedict XVI's address at University of Regensburg, Germany touches on a reflection by Emperor Manuel II Paleologus (c.1415) dealing with anger against Muslim invasions. Organized protests, decrying Benedict's insensitivity, result in the murder of a nun, beatings and the burning of property.

U.S population is 300 million; world's, 6.5 billion (China 1.3 billion, India 1.1 billion).

An ancient Book of Psalms, dating from 800 - 1000, is found in an Irish bog.

Newspaper *Gazeta Polska* exposes an earlier 20-year relationship between Poland's secret service and Warsaw's Archbishop-elect Stanislaw Wielgus. Three weeks later, the Vatican removes Wielgus as well as the rector of the Cathedral of Krakow.

Kashmir-area earthquake, a 7.6 magnitude, results in over 19,000 deaths.

Katharine Jefferts Schori becomes first female presiding U.S. Episcopal bishop
[Some detail: The Episcopal Church has ordained women for over 30 years.]

The U. N.'s World Health Organization recommends use of DDT to fight malaria in Third World countries. *PLoS ONE*, a health journal, publishes more supportive data.

Pope appoints Cardinal Tarcisio Bertone as the Vatican Secretary of State.

Since 1981 in the U.S., Toyota Motor Corp. has in-sourced more than 380,000 jobs and paid in excess of \$14 billion. Presently, they account for more than \$15 billion in annual U.S. wages.

Catholic Kathy Vanbenberg, after an unauthorized ordination, is excommunicated by Archbishop Timothy M. Dolan, Archdiocese of Milwaukee.

Top names for babies born in U.S. are Emily and Jacob (repeat of 2005).

World Series is won by Saint Louis Cardinals, National League, over the American League's Detroit Tigers, 4 to 1.

U.S.'s Rate of Inflation is 3.24%.

Palestine elects a Hamas government.

Dow Jones Industrial closes the year at all-time high, 12,463 points.

2007

Nancy Pelosi becomes the first woman Speaker of the House of Representatives.

Several South Korean Christian aid missionaries are murdered by the Taliban in Afghanistan.

Academy Award's best movie is *The Departed*.

Russian Orthodox Patriarch Aleksy II initiates reconciliation with the Russian Orthodox Church Outside Russia (aka Russian Orthodox Church Abroad).

Metropolitan Isidor leads a delegation of Moscow clergy to meetings with Metropolitan Laurus in America.

Donald Tai Loy Ho, Hawaiian singer (*Tiny Bubbles*), dies.

Vatican has reviewed the concept of limbo, special place for children who die without baptism; published evaluation is pending. (refer: Elaboration-Protestant Reformation)

Ban Ki-moon is appointed Secretary General of the United Nations.

Missouri Synod of the Lutheran Church revives the practice of member's private confession to clergy. [Some detail: Synod leadership maintains that while Martin Luther criticized the Roman Catholic Church's practices regarding indulgences, he had never directly objected to the Rite.]

Dow Jones Industrial Average is at an all-time high; over 14,000 points.

Jeffrey Lee is elected Episcopal bishop of Chicago. [Some detail: Selection was by the majority vote of some 500 delegates.]

Dr. Nancy C. Andrews becomes the first permanent Dean of a Medical School (Duke University).

Reverend Jerry Falwell of Thomas Road Baptist Church, Lynchburg, Virginia, dies.

Beefeater Moira Cameron becomes first female Yeoman Warder of London's Tower Guards.

Jose Miranda of the *Growing in Grace* sect now claims to be the Antichrist. The sect has almost 100,000 members in 300 congregations.

Pope Benedict XVI's *Summorum Pontificum* gives priests direct authority to celebrate the Mass in the Tridentine Rite (Missa Tridentina). [Some details: Mass in the

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vernacular had become the norm as a result of Pope Paul VI's *Sacrosanctum Concilium* in 1963. This was in response to discussions during Vatican II.]

Pratibha Patil elected as India's first female president.

Arthur M. Schlesinger, Jr., author and advisor to presidents, dies.

Vatican's Congregation for the Doctrine of the Faith restates the Catholic Church's position as being the only one church. The Vatican considers other Christian faiths to be ecclesial communities lacking apostolic succession, and therefore, any claim to valid priestly ordinations.

Pope Benedict XVI conducts the largest beatification ceremony in the Church's history acknowledging 498 slain nuns and priests, victims of Spain's 1936-39 Civil War.