

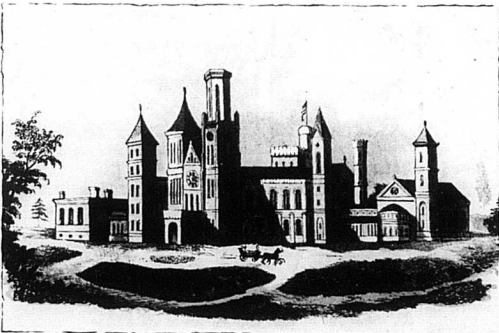
Great American Happenings

From a Great America



1848: The golden years.

What luck! Just as a weakened Mexico turns over California to us, one of Captain Sutter's men finds a few pieces of gold in the sand along the Sacramento River. The men don't stop looking. They find more gold and cross their fingers while it's being tested. It's gold, all right. In such rich deposits that a prospector could gather \$500 worth in just a few hours. The word spreads. Doctors, lawyers, farmers, merchants, even servants leave their jobs and rush for the gold fields. Some sail around Cape Horn. Others risk their lives to plod their "prairie schooners" across deserts and mountains. By the end of 1850, San Francisco is transformed from a sleepy Spanish village to a city of 15,000. By 1853, California boasts 250,000 people. All looking for the life. §



1846: The great house of knowledge.

Some Englishmen have been our best friends. One of them is the late James Smithson, a real philanthropist. When his only heir died in 1838, the United States received his entire estate of \$515,000. We put the money in the mint while we study Smithson's will. We see that he wants his gift used in Washington to establish "an institution for the increase and diffusion of knowledge among men." John Quincy Adams creates a plan of organization. And in 1846, we start to build the Smithsonian Institution. It rises like an enormous castle, with towers and cupolas and miles of exhibit rooms. To house our arts, sciences and products of some of the most profound thinking in all the world. §

1846: A new revolution is growing.

No violence this time. No wars. Just an industrial revolution. Our economy is healthy, and the good things in life are at our fingertips. We're learning to use our heads instead of our hands. To develop ideas that make machines that do the work in our businesses and in our homes. Now, we have a telegraph. A rotary press. Even a machine that sews everything from clothes to shoes. It's an invention of Elias Howe, and we're not too interested in it at first. He takes his idea to an English corset manufacturer and comes home to find that his sewing machine's reputation got here before him. It's a very popular item. Popular with the people. Elias Howe has taught us how to sew. §



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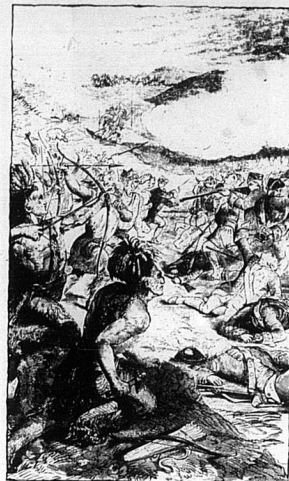


Our
Nation's
Birthday

The Sewing Basket Hall's Barber Shop

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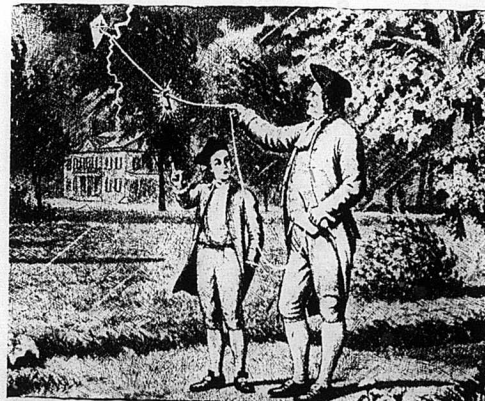
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1754: The fight for who's who in America. There's turmoil in Europe. And it's landed on our shores and in our laps. France and England have been fighting for decades over who will reign supreme in the New World. England has colonies all along the Atlantic coast and claims that the back country is rightfully hers, too, all the way to the Pacific. France has a stronghold in Canada. She also has set up an enviable fishing and fur trade, and wants all the territory from the St. Lawrence to the Gulf of Mexico not occupied by the British. It won't work. France persuades the neutral Spain to enter the war. And also knows how to use the Indians to keep us loyal English colonists in line. Even young George Washington is defeated in a battle near the Monongahela River. It takes the egotistical William Pitt to turn the tide and finally defeat France. In Europe, they call it the Seven Years' War. We call it the French and Indian War. §

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1752: A shocking revelation.

Some people just won't leave well enough alone. True, Ben Franklin is an educated man. Even a do-it-yourself doctor. But he's always tinkering with some new idea. The other night, folks saw him flying a kite in a thunderstorm. He was actually a human lightning rod, and a few more volts could have killed him. Electricity isn't his only claim to fame. If he's not designing streetlights he's starting a fire company. Or an insurance company. He's a printer and a publisher. He gave us our first library. We think he has a pretty good future in politics, too. If he'd learn to dress a little fancier, there's no telling how far he might go. §

No.	Name	Party	State	Year	Month	Day	Year of Death	Age at Death
1	George Washington	Federalist	Virginia	1789	February	22	1799	67
2	John Adams	Republican	Massachusetts	1797	October	30	1826	71
3	Thomas Jefferson	Republican	Virginia	1801	April	30	1826	71
4	James Madison	Republican	Virginia	1809	March	4	1836	65
5	James Monroe	Republican	Virginia	1817	February	18	1823	61
6	John Quincy Adams	Republican	Massachusetts	1825	March	4	1848	59
7	Andrew Jackson	Democratic	Tennessee	1829	February	22	1845	56
8	Martin Van Buren	Democratic	New York	1837	July	4	1862	52
9	William Henry Harrison	Whig	Ohio	1841	March	4	1841	68
10	John Tyler	Whig	Virginia	1841	April	4	1862	68
11	James K. Polk	Democratic	Tennessee	1845	March	4	1849	63
12	Zachary Taylor	Whig	New York	1849	July	9	1850	51
13	Millard Fillmore	Republican	New York	1850	July	9	1874	74
14	Franklin Pierce	Democratic	New Hampshire	1853	March	4	1869	63
15	James Buchanan	Democratic	Pennsylvania	1857	March	4	1868	61
16	Abraham Lincoln	Republican	Kentucky	1861	February	12	1865	54
17	Andrew Johnson	Republican	Tennessee	1865	April	4	1865	66
18	Ulysses S. Grant	Republican	Ohio	1869	March	25	1875	66
19	Rutherford B. Hayes	Republican	Ohio	1877	March	4	1919	70
20	James A. Garfield	Republican	Ohio	1881	September	19	1881	45
21	Chester A. Arthur	Republican	Vermont	1881	September	19	1886	56
22	James Cleveland	Democratic	New Jersey	1885	March	4	1891	57
23	Benjamin Harrison	Republican	Ohio	1889	March	4	1901	63
24	Grover Cleveland	Democratic	New York	1893	March	4	1908	71
25	William McKinley	Republican	Ohio	1897	September	14	1901	58
26	Theodore Roosevelt	Republican	New York	1901	September	14	1919	67
27	William Howard Taft	Republican	Ohio	1909	September	14	1930	67
28	Woodrow Wilson	Democratic	Virginia	1913	February	3	1919	56
29	Warren G. Harding	Republican	Ohio	1921	February	3	1923	58
30	Calvin Coolidge	Republican	Vermont	1923	August	2	1933	61
31	Herbert Clark Hoover	Republican	Iowa	1929	January	3	1964	89
32	Franklin D. Roosevelt	Democratic	New York	1933	January	3	1945	63
33	Harry S. Truman	Democratic	Missouri	1945	August	10	1972	89
34	Dwight D. Eisenhower	Republican	New York	1953	January	20	1969	78
35	John F. Kennedy	Democratic	Massachusetts	1961	January	20	1963	56
36	Lyndon B. Johnson	Democratic	Texas	1963	November	22	1973	70
37	Richard M. Nixon	Republican	California	1969	January	20	1994	86

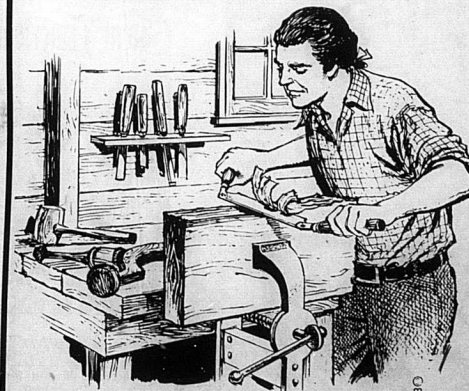
* Because of his term as an ambassador, President Carter is omitted in both 25th and 24th President, and later administrations, are numbered accordingly.

THE WIVES OF THE PRESIDENTS

President	Wife's Name	Native	Year	Married	Dead	Age	Daughters
Washington	Martha (Dandridge) Custis	Virginia	1731	1759	1802		
J. Adams	Abigail Smith	Massachusetts	1744	1764	1818	3	2
Jefferson	Martha (Walpole) Skelton	Virginia	1748	1772	1782	1	5
Madison	Eliza (Timothy) Todd	North Carolina	1772	1791	1849		
Monroe	Eliza (James) Monroe	New York	1768	1794	1850		
J. Q. Adams	Louisa Catherine Johnson	England	1773	1797	1852	3	1
Jackson	Rachel (Donelson) Donelson	North Carolina	1767	1800	1828		
Van Buren	Hannah Hovey	New York	1783	1807	1849		4
W. H. Harrison	Anna Simons	New York	1773	1801	1858		2
Tyler	Letitia Christian	Virginia	1789	1813	1842	3	5
Polk	Julia Childs	Massachusetts	1792	1814	1860		5
Taylor	Sarah Childs	Tennessee	1802	1821	1891		2
Fillmore	Abigail Powers	New York	1798	1826	1852	1	1
Pierce	Margaret (Ann) Donahoe	Maine	1799	1817	1852		
Buchanan	Jane Meigs Appleton	New Hampshire	1806	1834	1863	3	
Lincoln	Mary Todd	Kentucky	1818	1842	1882		
Johnson	Elizabeth	Tennessee	1810	1827	1876	3	2
Grant	Ellen	Illinois	1810	1848	1862	2	1
Hayes	Julia Davis	Ohio	1815	1852	1879	7	1
Garfield	Lucy Webb	Ohio	1817	1840	1885	4	4
Arthur	Ellen Lewis Herndon	Virginia	1827	1859	1880	2	1
Cleveland	Frances Johnson	New York	1824	1854	1891		2
H. Harrison	Caroline Lavonia Scott	Tennessee	1824	1850	1899	1	1
McKinley	Mary Scott (Lorain) Donnell	Tennessee	1824	1850	1899	1	1
Roosevelt	Ida Saxton	Ohio	1847	1871	1907		2
Taft	Alice Hathaway Lee	Massachusetts	1861	1886	1944		2
Wilson	Edith Kermit Cress	New York	1861	1886	1944		1
Coolidge	Grace Anna Goodrich	Ohio	1862	1889	1922		2
Harding	Ellen Louise Assan	Georgia	1860	1885	1943		1
Cox	Frances (Abigail) DeWolfe	Ohio	1872	1915	1961		
Hoover	Grace Anna Goodrich	Ohio	1869	1891	1972		2
Roosevelt	Lou Henry	New York	1879	1905	1957		2
Truman	Bess (Elizabeth) Roosevelt	Iowa	1893	1899	1982		2
Eisenhower	Mamie (Doud) Eisenhower	Missouri	1884	1905	1962		4
Kennedy	Jacqueline Lee Bouvier	Iowa	1896	1946			1
Johnson	Clara (Lady Bird) Bessie Taylor	New York	1892	1952			1
Nixon	Patricia Ryan	Nebraska	1912	1958			2

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