

BLACK HISTORY MONTH

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What is Black History Month?

In February 1926, black historian Dr.
Carter G. Woodson organized the celebration of "Negro History Week" during the second week of February in honor of the birthdays of Frederick Douglass and Abraham Lincoln. The week-long celebration grew in popularity, and by the early 1970s, it expanded to include the entire month.









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1582



Pope Gregory XIII announces this calendar will go into effect in October, replacing the Julian. It's not adopted by England until 1752 and Russia until 1918.













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1806



The Supreme Court ruling on *Marbury* v. *Madison* is released. It establishes judicial review and says that laws can be deemed "unconstitutional".













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1811



Bishop Daniel A. Payne is born in SC. In 1863, he became the President of Wilberforce University in Ohio – the first black president of a U.S. college.













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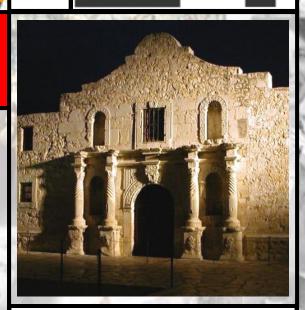


1836



Colonel William Travis issues a call for help on behalf of the Texan troops defending this Spanish mission against the Mexican Army. Only 32 respond.













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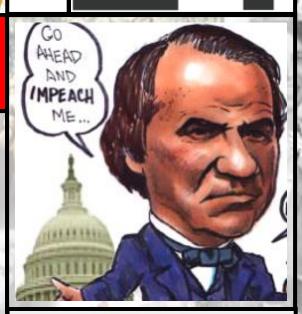


1868



The HOR votes 11 articles of impeachment against President Andrew Johnson. He is later acquitted 35-19... just 1 vote short of the needed two-thirds.

Q: What is impeachment?











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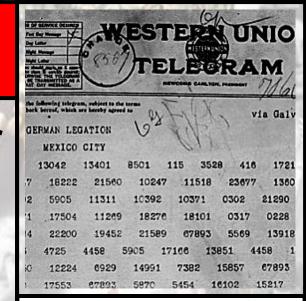


1917



During WWI, Britain gives Walter Page, the U.S. ambassador to Britain, the Zimmerman Note. It is a coded message from Germany to Mexico.

Q: What did it say?













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1959



Lloyd Price's "Stagger Lee" hits #1 on the *Billboard* Hot 100. It's about a pimp named Lee Shelton who shot a man in 1895 for taking his Stetson.













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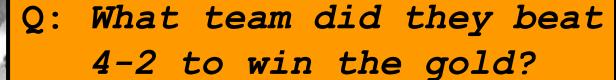
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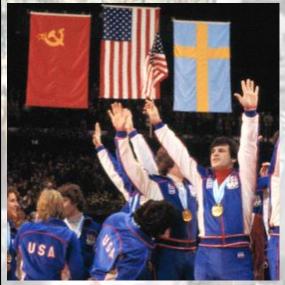


1980



After a stunning victory over the Soviets 2 days earlier, Team U.S.A. wins the gold medal during the 13th Winter Olympics in Lake Placid, New York.













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1991



During Gulf War I, U.S. troops launch their "ground war" against Iraq. It takes only 100 hours to win this phase of the conflict and take Baghdad.



U.S. trying to liberate?











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2002



During the Winter Olympics in Salt Lake City, this team defeats Team U.S.A. 5-2 to win the gold medal. It was the first home loss for U.S. hockey in 70 years.

Q: What hockey team, eh?











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Today is...



National Tortilla Chip Day

Just in case you needed an extra reason to celebrate!

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Birthdays



Is it your birthday?

If so, see Dr. Hartnell for your official Birthday Pencil!

Happy Birthday to you!

