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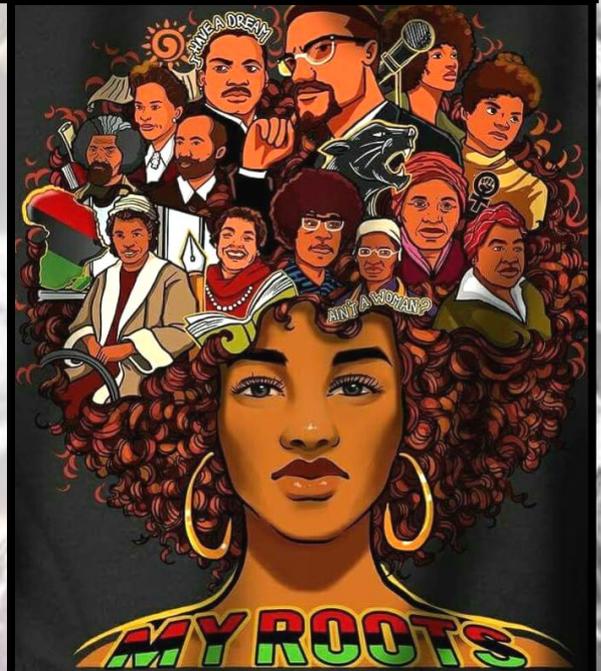
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## What is Black History Month?

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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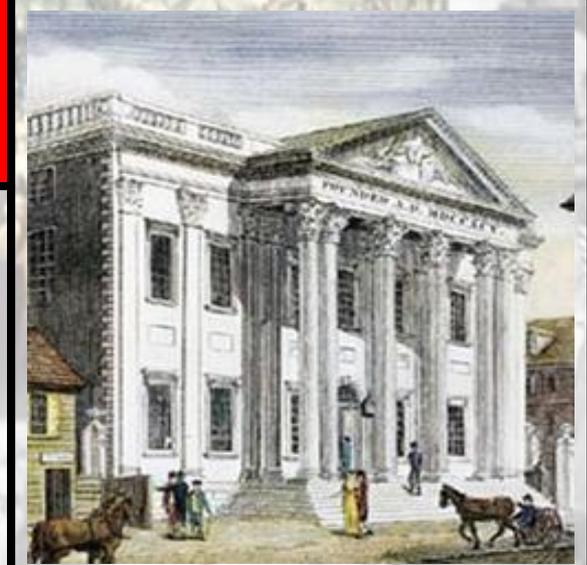
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# 1791



President George Washington signs a bill creating the First Bank of the United States to serve both the Federal Government and the public.



Q: *What man destroyed the Second Bank of the U.S.?*



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# 1793



The first Cabinet meeting takes place at President George Washington's home in Mount Vernon, Virginia.



Q: *Why was the meeting not held at the White House?*



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# 1828



John Adams, father of President John Quincy Adams, marries his first cousin at a ceremony at the White House. (His daughter later marries her second cousin.)



*Q: Why should you  
NOT marry your cousins?*



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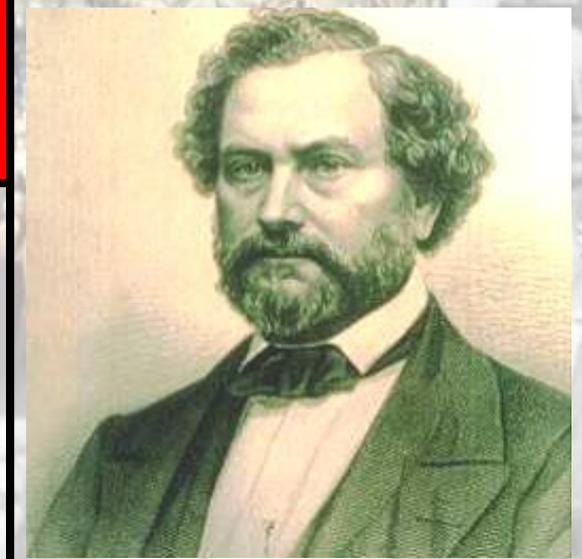
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# 1836



This man receives a patent for a pistol that uses a revolving cylinder containing powder and bullets in 6 tubes. It is *waaaaay* faster than the flintlock pistol.



Q: *What man?*



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# 1862



Congress passes the Legal Tender Act, authorizing the use of paper money (in \$5s, \$10s, and \$20s) to pay the Federal Government's bills.

*Q: What nickname was given to this paper money?*



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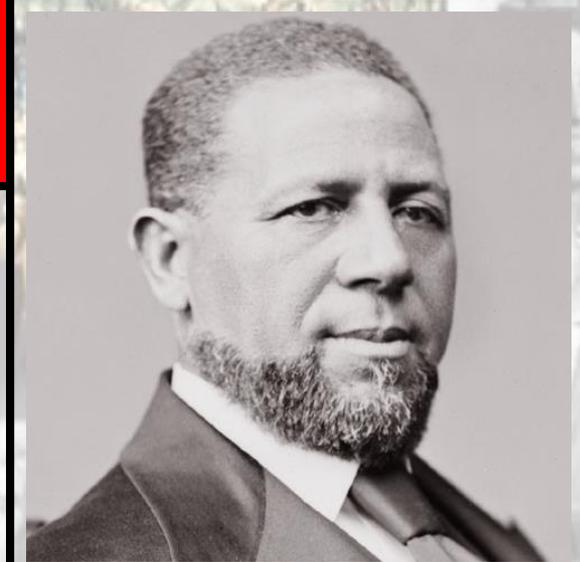
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# 1870



Hiram R. Revels, a Republican from Natchez, Mississippi, is sworn into the U.S. Senate, becoming the first black man to ever to sit in Congress.



*Q: Whose seat did he take in the Senate?*



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# 1919



In order to pay for road construction, this state becomes the first to tax gasoline. The cost is \$0.01 per gallon (which is \$0.17 in today's money).

Q: *What state?*



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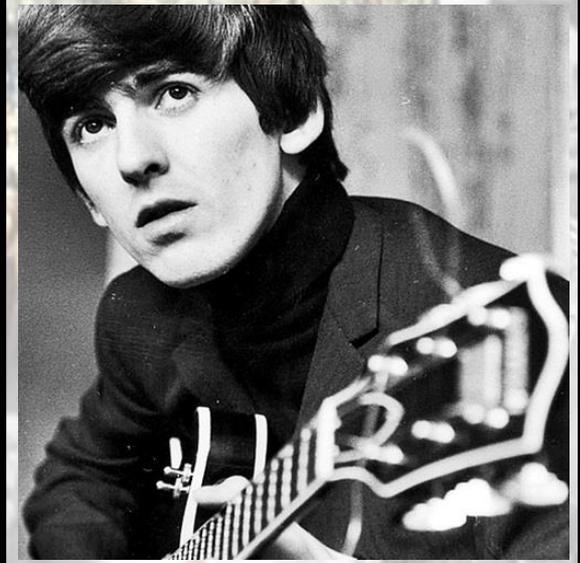
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# 1943



This Beatle is born in Liverpool, England. His song "Something" remains the most covered song in music history. He died of lung cancer in 2001 at the age of 58.



Q: *What Beatle?*



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# 1964



Cassius Clay, the 22-year-old nicknamed the “Louisville Lip”, shocks the boxing world by dethroning heavyweight champ Sonny Liston in a 7<sup>th</sup> round TKO.

*Q: What did Clay change his name to after he won?*



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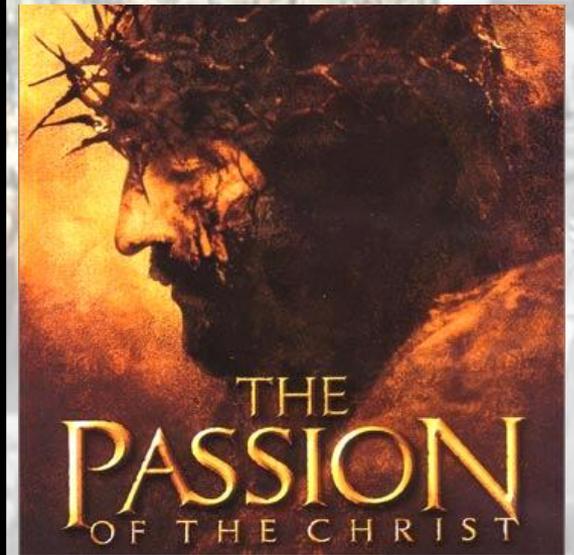
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# 2004



*The Passion of the Christ*, a film about the last 12 hours of Jesus, opens on Ash Wednesday. It pulls in \$370 million, among the highest for an R-rated movie.



*Q: What is the highest-grossing R-rated movie?*



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**Today is...**



**National Chocolate-Covered  
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*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!*

