

# CALENDAR OF EVENTS

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## INSTRUCTIONS

Because we are asking you to recall details about your family's life during 1939 through 1957, we have developed this **Calendar of Events** to help you remember some of the information we will want to know about your family during this time. The following two pages list some events that may have happened in your family in 1939, the 1940's and 50's. However, only you or your close friends or relatives will know the kinds of events and dates that will be most helpful in remembering the details of your lives.

As you read through this calendar, please take some time to think about events we have noted on the calendar year pages and write down the events important in your own family history during these years. There is room for your notes at the bottom of each calendar page. You may first want to write down the important events that you recall, and then go back and add the approximate dates when these events occurred. This may be a good time to bring out the family scrapbooks, photo albums, old letters or baby books, or to talk with friends and family about your lives in 1939, the 1940's and 50's. This **Calendar of Events** is for *your* use. We will not be asking you to return it to us.

This **Calendar of Events** may be helpful for you to review before filling out the enclosed **Residence History Questionnaire**. We will also ask that you have this **Calendar of Events** with you when we conduct your phone interview as it will be helpful for you to refer to it throughout the interview.

**Please keep this calendar until you have completed the phone interview.**

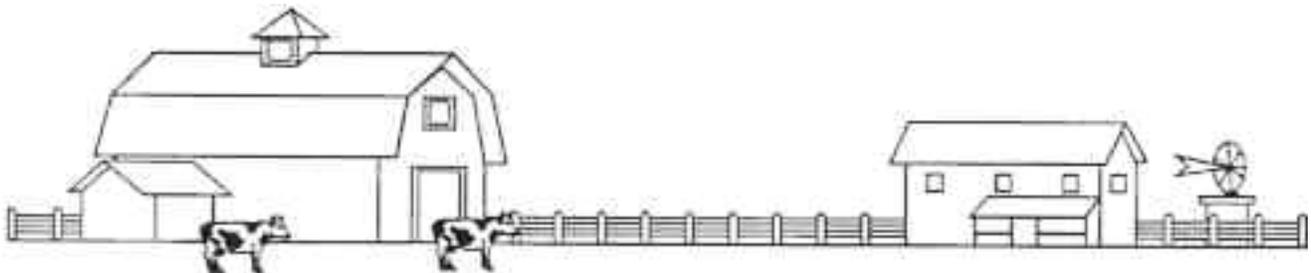
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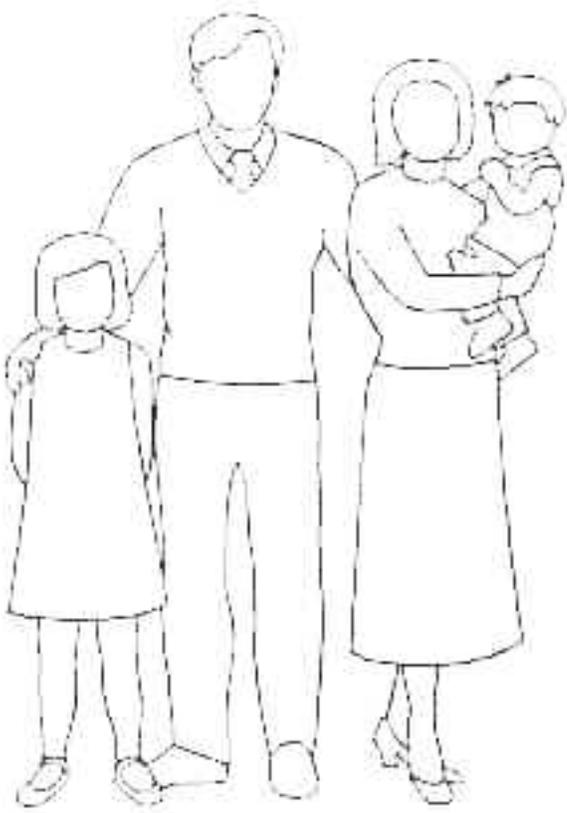
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## **YOUR LIFE BETWEEN 1939 and 1957:**

### **YOUR HOME**

- Did your family move between 1939-1957? Where? When?
- What kind of house did you live in?
- Did you have farm animals or pets? What were their names? When did you have them?
- Did you build onto your home, like adding a garage or fence?





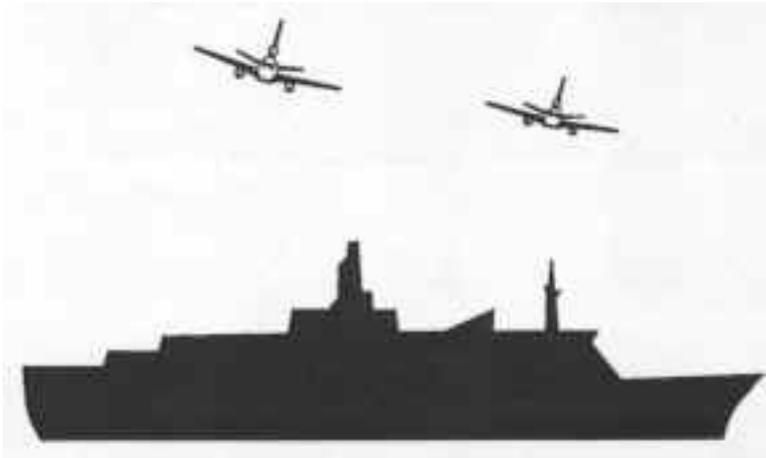
## **YOUR FAMILY and FRIENDS**

- When were your children born?  
Where did you live then?
- Did someone start a new job?  
Or retire?
- When did your children start school?  
Where were you living then?
- Did family, friends, or neighbors move? When?
- Were children born to family or friends? When?
- Were family or friends wed? Divorced? When?
- Was there a death in the family or among friends?  
When?

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## **YOUR LIFE BETWEEN 1939 and 1957:**

### **THE WAR**



- Did a friend or relative join the military? Who? When?
- Did family or friends return from military service? Who? When?
- Where were you when Pearl Harbor was bombed? (December, 1941)  
On V-E Day? (May, 1945) or V-J Day (August, 1945)

## SPECIAL OCCASIONS

- Do you recall a special anniversary?
- Where did your family gather for holidays?  
Which holidays did you celebrate?
- Did you take vacations? Where? When?
- Did someone graduate from school? from college? Who?  
When?



## SOMETHING OLD, SOMETHING NEW

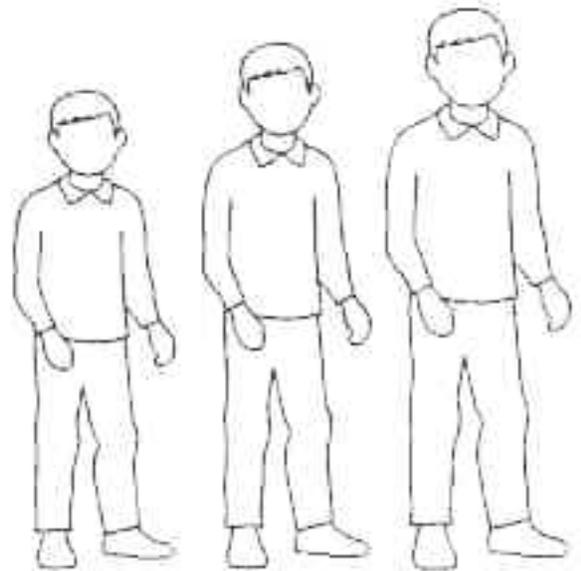
- Did your family purchase a new car or appliance? What kind? When?
- When did you first get indoor plumbing?
- Did your family get a new radio?  
or television?

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## LIFE THROUGH 1957:

### HEALTH and GROWING UP

- When did he/she . . .
  - start eating solid food?
  - get first baby tooth?
  - get first adult tooth?
  - begin walking?
- What were his/her first words?  
When did he/she first talk?
- Which childhood illnesses did he/she have? Measles?  
Mumps? Chicken Pox? When?
- Did this child have other illnesses?  
What? When?



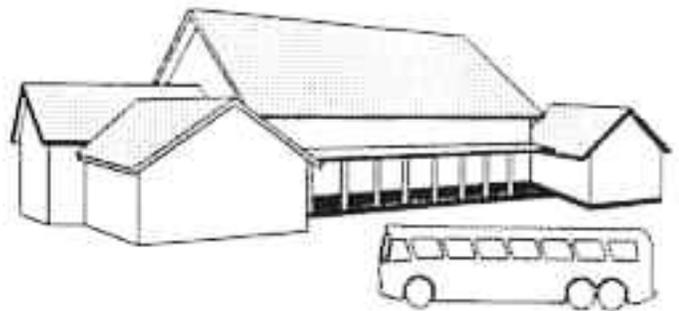
## HOME LIFE

- Were there other children in the family? When were they born?
- When did this child move from a crib to a bed? Did he/she share a room?
- Did this child have a pet? When?
- When did he/she learn to ride a bicycle?



## SCHOOL DAYS

- When did this child begin to read?
- What were this child's favorite after-school activities?
- Did this child join Scouts?
- When did this child change schools?



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## TOP STORIES OF 1939

\* WORLD WAR II BEGINS IN EUROPE - GERMANY INVADES POLAND \*

\* NEW YORK WORLD'S FAIR \*

\* U.S. ECONOMY BOOMING FROM EUROPEAN ORDERS FOR ARMS AND WAR EQUIPMENT

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## WASHINGTON STATE NEWS

\* Boeing in full war  
production \*

\* John Grant Kelly established  
continental canning company  
in Walla Walla, bringing many  
jobs to area \*

## TRENDS & PERSONALITIES

\* Baseball game is first televised in U.S. \*

\* Nylon stockings first appear \*

\* John Steinbeck wins Pulitzer Prize for Grapes of Wrath \*



## POPULAR SONGS and MOVIES

\* Roll out the Barrel \*

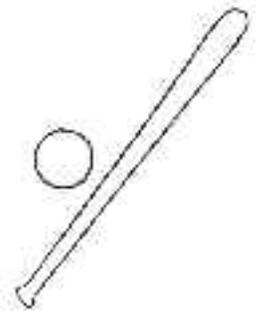
\* God Bless America \*

\* Over the Rainbow \*

\* Wizard of Oz \*

\* Gone with the Wind \*

\* Goodbye Mr. Chips \*



# Memorable Events of 1939

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## TOP STORIES OF 1940

- \* WW II: GERMANY INVADES DENMARK, NORWAY, LOW COUNTRIES, FRANCE and BRITAIN \*
- \* TROTSKY ASSASSINATED IN MEXICO ON STALIN'S ORDERS \*
- \* ROOSEVELT RE-ELECTED FOR 3rd TERM \*
- \* VIGOROUS ISOLATIONISM SLOGAN: "THE PEOPLE SAY NO TO WAR" \*

### WASHINGTON STATE NEWS

### TRENDS & PERSONALITIES

- \* "Galloping Gertie" suspension bridge over Narrows of Puget Sound collapses in wind, dropping 200 feet \*
- \* Mercer Island Floating Bridge Opens \*
- \* James Stewart wins Best Actor Oscar for Philadelphia Story \*
- \* Ernest Hemingway's For Whom the Bell Tolls published \*
- \* Jack Dempsey retires \*
- \* Duke Ellington, popular composer and jazz pianist \*



## POPULAR SONGS and MOVIES

- \* You are My Sunshine \*
- \* How High the Moon \*
- \* When You Wish Upon a Star \*
- \* Grapes of Wrath \*
- \* Disney's Fantasia \*
- \* Rebecca \*



## Memorable Events of 1940

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## TOP STORIES OF 1941

- \* Dec. 7: JAPANESE BOMB PEARL HARBOR \*
- \* Dec. 8: U.S. DECLARES WAR ON JAPAN \*
- \* Dec. 11: U.S. DECLARES WAR ON GERMANY and ITALY \*
- \* U.S. SAVINGS BONDS AND STAMPS GO ON SALE \*

### WASHINGTON STATE NEWS

### TRENDS & PERSONALITIES

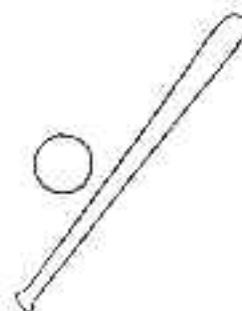
- \* Tri-Cities: July temp hits 115;
- August and September rains destroy hay crop and damages grape crop \*
- \* TriCities: Blackouts ordered in December \*

- \* F. Scott Fitzgerald's The Last Tycoon \*
- \* Joe DiMaggio sets record hitting safely in 56 straight games \*



### POPULAR SONGS and MOVIES

- \* Deep in the Heart of Texas \*
- \* Chattanooga Choo-Choo \*
- \* Citizen Kane \*
- \* How Green Was My Valley \*
- \* Sergeant York \*
- \* Suspicion \*



## Memorable Events of 1941

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## TOP STORIES OF 1942

- \* RATIONING BEGINS \*
- \* WAGES ARE FROZEN \*
- \* AMERICANS DEFEAT JAPANESE AT MIDWAY \*
- \* Oct.: GUADALCANAL \*

### WASHINGTON STATE NEWS

- \* Army begins work on Walla Walla airport \*
- \* Pacific War Time Implemented \*
- \* White Bluffs High School burned; Students moved to Hanford High \*

### TRENDS & PERSONALITIES

- \* Joe Louis knocks out Buddy Baer to retain world heavyweight boxing crown \*

### POPULAR SONGS and MOVIES

- \* White Christmas \*
- \* Holiday Inn \*
- \* Bambi \*
- \* That Old Black Magic \*
- \* White Cliffs of Dover \*



## Memorable Events of 1942

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## TOP STORIES OF 1943



- \* July: MacARTHUR LAUNCHES ALLIED OFFENSE IN THE PACIFIC \*
- \* RATIONING CONTINUES \*
- \* BATTLE OF THE BISMARCK \*

### WASHINGTON STATE NEWS

- \* Building of Hanford Begins \*
- \* McCaw General Hospital Opens \*
- \* Town of White Bluffs Abandoned \*

### TRENDS & PERSONALITIES

- \* Jake La Motta beats Sugar Ray Robinson \*
- \* Charlie Chaplin marries Oona O'Neill \*
- \* Zoot Suit becomes popular \*

## POPULAR SONGS and MOVIES

- \* Casablanca \*
- \* Jane Eyre \*
- \* For Whom the Bell Tolls \*
- \* I'll Be Seeing You \*
- \* Mairzy Doats \*
- \* Oh, What a Beautiful Mornin' \*

## Memorable Events of 1943

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## TOP STORIES OF 1944



- \* June: D-DAY/NORMANDY \*
- \* PRESIDENTIAL ELECTIONS: FDR vs. DEWEY \*
- \* BATTLE OF THE BULGE \*
- \* COST OF LIVING IN U.S. RISES ALMOST 30% \*



### WASHINGTON STATE NEWS

- \* December: Hanford Starts Production \*

### POPULAR SONGS and MOVIES



- \* To Have and Have Not \*
- \* Going My Way \*
- \* Gaslight \*
- \* Lifeboat \*
- \* Don't Fence Me In \*
- \* Rum and Coca-Cola \*
- \* Accentuate the Positive \*
- \* Sentimental Journey \*

## Memorable Events of 1944

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## TOP STORIES OF 1945

- \* February: IWO JIMA \*
- \* April: FDR DIES \*
- \* May: GERMANS SURRENDER - V-E DAY \*
- \* August: BOMBING OF HIROSHIMA and NAGASAKI \*
- \* August: JAPAN SURRENDERS - V-J DAY \*



## TRENDS & PERSONALITIES

- \* Bebop comes into fashion \*
- \* Rocky Graziano, Boxer of the Year \*
- \* Carousel hits Broadway \*



## POPULAR MOVIES

- \* Lost Weekend \*
- \* Spellbound \*
- \* Mildred Pierce \*

## Memorable Events of 1945

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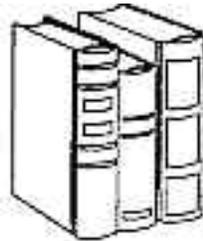
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## TOP STORIES OF 1946

\* NUREMBURG TRIAL VERDICT REACHED \*  
\* 9 NAZI WAR CRIMINALS HUNG \*

### WASHINGTON STATE NEWS

\* McCaw Hospital Closed \*



### TRENDS & PERSONALITIES

\* John D. Rockefeller, Jr. donates \$8.5 million  
to U.N. \*  
\* H.G. Wells dies \*  
\* Benjamin Spock, M.D.'s Baby and Child Care  
published \*

## POPULAR SONGS and MOVIES

- \* Best Years of Our Lives \*
- \* The Yearling \*
- \* It's a Wonderful Life \*
- \* Notorious \*
- \* Ole Buttermilk Sky \*
- \* Zip-a-dee-doo-dah \*

## Memorable Events of 1946

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## TOP STORIES OF 1947

- \* RELIEF DRIVE FOR EUROPEAN JEWS \*
- \* OVER PRESIDENT TRUMAN'S VETO, U.S. CONGRESS PASSES TAFT-HARTLEY ACT,  
RESTRICTING RIGHTS OF LABOR UNIONS \*

## TRENDS & PERSONALITIES

- \* Al Capone dies \*
- \* American, Jack Kramer, wins Wimbledon \*
- \* Henry Ford dies \*

## POPULAR SONGS and MOVIES

- \* Gentleman's Agreement \*
- \* Miracle on 34th Street \*
- \* Almost Like Being in Love \*



## Memorable Events of 1947

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## TOP STORIES OF 1948

- \* BERLIN BLOCKADED; U.S. RESPONDS WITH AIRLIFT \*
- \* TRUMAN ELECTED \*
- \* April: FOREIGN ASSISTANCE ACT PASSED \*
- \* INJUNCTION PREVENTS NATION-WIDE RAIL STRIKE \*

## WASHINGTON STATE NEWS

- \* Pasco Land Raffle \*
- \* Freedom Train in Walla Walla \*
- \* Tri-Cities Memorial Day Flood \*



## TRENDS & PERSONALITIES

- \* Babe Ruth dies \*
- \* Joe Louis retires after fighting 25 title bouts \*

## POPULAR SONGS and MOVIES

- \* The Red Shoes \*
- \* The Fallen Idol \*
- \* Hamlet \*
- \* All I Want for Christmas is My Two Front Teeth \*
- \* Buttons and Bows \*

# Memorable Events of 1948

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## TOP STORIES OF 1949

- \* UNIV OF CALIFORNIA REQUIRES ALL FACULTY TO TAKE ANTI-COMMUNIST OATH \*
- \* BERLIN BLOCKADE LIFTED \*
- \* FIGHTER PLANE HITS AIRLINER -- 55 KILLED \*

### WASHINGTON STATE NEWS:

- \* FHA renegs on Veteran Farm Loans \*

### TRENDS & PERSONALITIES

- \* The McCarthy Years Begin \*

### POPULAR SONGS and MOVIES

- \* Twelve O'Clock High \*
- \* Sands of Iwo Jima \*
- \* The Third Man \*
- \* Some Enchanted Evening \*
- \* Diamonds are a Girl's Best Friend \*
- \* Rudolph the Red Nosed Reindeer \*



## Memorable Events of 1949

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## TOP STORIES OF 1950

\* KOREAN WAR BEGINS \*

\* JOE McCARTHY CHARGES THAT COMMUNISTS HAVE INFILTRATED STATE  
DEPARTMENT \*



\* BLIZZARD KILLS 250 NATIONWIDE \*

\* MacARTHUR NAMED HEAD OF FORCES IN KOREA \*

### WASHINGTON STATE NEWS

\* Yakima River Frozen; Floods Follow \*

### TRENDS & PERSONALITIES

\* McCarthyism Continues \*  
\* Ray Bradbury's Martian Chronicles published \*

\* Al Jolson dies \*

## POPULAR SONGS and MOVIES

- \* Sunset Boulevard \*
- \* All About Eve \*
- \* If I Knew You Were Coming, I'd Have Baked a Cake \*
- \* Mona Lisa \*
- \* Ragg Mopp \*



## Memorable Events of 1950

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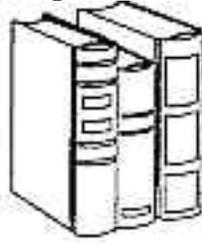
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## TOP STORIES OF 1951

- \* PRICES AND WAGES ARE FROZEN TO CURB INFLATION \*
- \* TRUMAN STRIPS MacARTHUR OF COMMAND IN FAR EAST \*
- \* JULIUS AND ETHEL ROSENBERG SENTENCED TO DEATH FOR ESPIONAGE \*

## WASHINGTON STATE NEWS

\* Chief Joseph Jr High School Opens \*



## TRENDS & PERSONALITIES

\* William Randolph Hearst dies \*

\* JD Salinger's Catcher in the Rye published \*

\* Leadbelly dies \*

## POPULAR SONGS and MOVIES

\* African Queen \*

\* An American in Paris \*

\* A Streetcar Named Desire \*

\* Getting to Know You \*

\* Shrimboats \*

\* In the Cool Cool Cool of the Evening \*

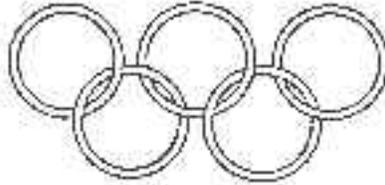
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# TOP STORIES OF 1952

- \* KOREAN WAR CONTINUES \*
- \* EISENHOWER ELECTED \*
- \* HELSINKI OLYMPICS \*



## TRENDS & PERSONALITIES

- \* Albert Schweitzer wins Nobel Peace Prize \*
- \* Capote's The Grass Harp published \*
- \* Hemmingway's Old Man and the Sea published \*



## POPULAR SONGS and MOVIES

- \* High Noon \*
- \* The Greatest Show on Earth \*
- \* Limelight \*
- \* Your Cheatin' Heart \*
- \* I Saw Mommy Kissing Santa Claus \*

## Memorable Events of 1952

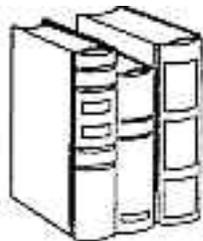
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## TOP STORIES OF 1953

- \* QUEEN ELIZABETH II CROWNED \*
- \* U.S. WITHDRAWS 2 DIVISIONS FROM KOREA \*
- \* ROSENBERGS EXECUTED \*
- \* KOREAN ARMISTICE SIGNED \*



### TRENDS & PERSONALITIES

- \* Ian Fleming's Casino Royale published \*
- \* Stalin dies \*
- \* Enforced desegregation begins \*

### POPULAR SONGS and MOVIES

- \* From Here to Eternity \*
- \* Shane \*
- \* Roman Holiday \*
- \* Doggie in the Window \*
- \* Stranger in Paradise \*



## Memorable Events of 1953

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## TOP STORIES OF 1954

- \* U.S. SIGNS PACT WITH NATIONALIST CHINA \*
- \* JOE McCARTHY'S TELEVISED HEARINGS SEEK TO PROVE COMMUNIST INFILTRATION;  
HEARINGS LATER CONDEMNED BY SENATE \*
- \* APRIL: 1ST H-BOMB TEST ON NATIONAL T.V. \*

### WASHINGTON STATE NEWS

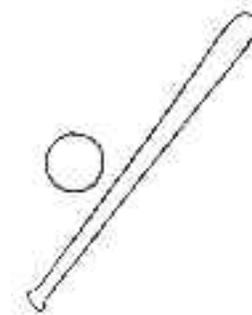
- \* 4-Lane Highway Linking Pasco and  
Kennewick Opens \*

### TRENDS & PERSONALITIES

- \* Joe DiMaggio marries Marilyn Monroe \*
- \* Willie Mays wins batting title \*

## POPULAR SONGS and MOVIES

- \* On the Waterfront \*
- \* Rear Window \*
- \* Seven Brides for Seven  
Brothers \*
- \* Mr. Sandman \*
- \* Three Coins in the Fountain \*



## Memorable Events of 1954

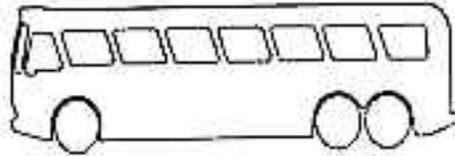
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## TOP STORIES OF 1955

- \* April: CHURCHILL RESIGNS \*
- \* PANAMA AGREES TO COOPERATE OVER CANAL ISSUES \*
- \* MONTGOMERY, ALABAMA BUS BOYCOTT \*



## WASHINGTON STATE NEWS

\* Northern Pacific Railroad Yard Opens in Pasco \*

## TRENDS & PERSONALITIES

\* April: Albert Einstein dies \*  
\* September: James Dean dies \*  
\* Sugar Ray Robinson wins boxing championship \*

## POPULAR SONGS and MOVIES

\* Marty \*  
\* Seven Year Itch \*  
\* East of Eden \*  
\* Rock Around the Clock \*  
\* Yellow Rose of Texas \*  
\* Love is a Many Splendored Thing \*

# Memorable Events of 1955

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## TOP STORIES OF 1956

- \* SALK POLIO VACCINE DEVELOPED \*
- \* December: JAPAN ADMITTED TO U.N. \*
- \* June: STEEL STRIKE \*
- \* EISENHOWER RE-ELECTED \*
- \* OLYMPIC GAMES HELD AT MELBOURNE \*

## TRENDS & PERSONALITIES

- \* Martin Luther King Jr. emerges as leader in fight for desegregation \*
- \* Elvis Presley gains popularity \*



## POPULAR SONGS and MOVIES

- \* The Ten Commandments \*
- \* The King and I \*
- \* Giant \*
- \* Blue Suede Shoes \*
- \* Hound Dog \*
- \* Que Sera Sera \*

## Memorable Events of 1956

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## **TOP STORIES OF 1957**

- \* June: SPUTNIK LAUNCHED \*
- \* CUBAN SOLDIERS JOIN CASTRO REBELS \*
- \* DESEGREGATION CRISIS IN LITTLE ROCK, ARKANSAS \*

## **TRENDS & PERSONALITIES**

- \* Joseph McCarthy Dies \*
- \* Jimmy Hoffa charged, acquitted, & elected head of Teamsters \*
- \* West Side Story hits Broadway \*



## POPULAR SONGS and MOVIES

- \* Bridge on the River Kwai \*
- \* Peyton Place \*
- \* Twelve Angry Men \*
- \* 76 Trombones \*
- \* Love Letters in the Sand \*

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