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| <p>Unemployment fell from 12 million to 3 million (a reduction of 75%) between 1921 and 1923.</p> | <p>In 1935, Senator Huey Long criticised the New Deal and Roosevelt for not going far enough. He demanded a cap of \$3m on personal wealth.</p> | <p>In 1921, the US government introduced immigration quotas, which were then tightened in 1924, with a total limit of 150,000.</p> | <p>In the Second World War, women in employment went from 12 million in 1941 to 19 million in 1945. 300,000 women joined the army.</p> | <p>JFK was assassinated in 1963 which prompted the Civil Rights Act of 1964. LBJ passed this act to end discrimination in housing and employment.</p> |
| <p>After the Second World War there was an enormous 'baby boom' of children born in the late 40s-early 60s.</p> | <p>By 1960, the living standard of the average American was 3 times higher than the average Briton.</p> | <p>US international trade fell from \$10 billion in 1929 to \$3 billion in 1932.</p> | <p>By 1927 Ford's production line was so efficient it was turning out a new car every ten seconds.</p> | <p>Membership of the NAACP rose from 50,000 before WW2 to over 500,000 by the end of the war.</p> |
| <p>Roosevelt ended prohibition with the Beer Act in January of 1933 (one of the first three laws he passed).</p> | <p>King was assassinated in 1968, marking the end of an era for the Civil Rights Movement.</p> | <p>Warren G Harding was elected in 1921 as a Republican President (replacing the Democrat Woodrow Wilson).</p> | <p>In 1936, Roosevelt was re-elected with an even higher margin. He joked 'everyone is against the New Deal except the voters'.</p> | <p>In 1932, 50% of workers in the steel making city of Cleveland were unemployed and a huge 80% in Toledo.</p> |
| <p>There were over 300 lynchings of African Americans between 1919 and 1925 by the KKK.</p> | <p>Roosevelt shut all banks in 1933 for a 'bank holiday', inspected them all, and only allowed strong banks to reopen. Trust in banks returned.</p> | <p>During the 1950s the American GNP doubled. This reflected the 'decade of prosperity' often associated with the 1950s 'American dream'.</p> | <p>Hire purchase schemes in the 1920s made new household goods and cars much more accessible to ordinary consumers.</p> | <p>Steinbeck's '<i>Grapes of Wrath</i>' was published in 1939 and turned into a movie by 1940.</p> |

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| <p>In the 1920s, the average working week dropped from 48 hours to 44 hours and Ford in particular pioneered the 5 day working week.</p> | <p>In 1917, Russia became a Communist country. This leads to the Red Scare in the 1920s, with widespread paranoia about Communism.</p> | <p>In 1917 the Eighteenth Amendment to the Constitution was passed, and fully put into law in January of 1920 - prohibition was started.</p> | <p>Nine African American students joined a white school in Little Rock in 1957. Eisenhower sent federal troops to protect the black students.</p> | <p>Between 1928 and 1933, industrial and farm production fell by 40%. Wages fell by 60%. 14 million were unemployed, 10,000 banks failed.</p> |
| <p>28 million homes owned a radio by 1939. NBC and CBS were born.</p> | <p>In 1921, there was one radio station in America. In 1929 there were 508.</p> | <p>Roosevelt won the 1932 election by over 7 million votes.</p> | <p>The CCC, FERA, AAA and PWA launched in 1933. They were the 'Alphabet Agencies.'</p> | <p>Over 1 million African Americans joined the armed forces in WW2.</p> |
| <p>Phyllis Schaffly led the 'No ERA' campaign, opposing constitutional steps to further the 'women's lib' movement.</p> | <p>Johnson passed Medicare and Medicaid in 1965, projects that JFK had never quite got passed.</p> | <p>The 1920s were particularly associated with Jazz and the accompanying new dance - the Charleston.</p> | <p>In 1920, around 10,000 suspected communists and anarchists were informed they would be deported. Only 556 cases had even been investigated.</p> | <p>Between 1933 and 1936, the Home Owners Loan Corporation lent over one million mortgages and helped around 20% of American homeowners.</p> |
| <p>Racism remained a significant problem in the 1950s, as war-time gains did not bring sufficient change. Only 5% of black people registered to vote in Mississippi.</p> | <p>A woman's pay was, on average, below 70% of a man's pay for a comparable role in the 1960s.</p> | <p>In May of 1961, CORE activists began 'freedom rides' - protests seeking out bus companies that were still segregating Alabama buses.</p> | <p>Until 1927 all movies were silent. Then, the first 'talkie' was released - the 'Jazz Singer'.</p> | <p>Sacco and Vanzetti were charged with murder in 1921 and then executed in 1927. The case against them was made largely for being anarchists.</p> |

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| <p>After the First World War, women who had been working in factories surrendered their jobs.</p> | <p>In 1960 JFK set out his vision of a New Frontier in American Politics.</p> | <p>The CRA of 1968 outlawed discrimination in all housing - buying and renting.</p> | <p>Senator McCarthy announced that he had a list of Communist agents inside America spurring a 'witch-hunt'.</p> | <p>The Black Power Movement grew in the 1960s with frustrations over lack of Civil Rights progress.</p> |
| <p>American workers raised over \$130 billion in war bonds during the Second World War which also helped post-war prosperity when repaid.</p> | <p>The Wizard of Oz (starring Judy Garland) was released in 1939, typifying the glamour and star power of 1930s Hollywood.</p> | <p>Hoover allowed General Douglas MacArthur to use tear gas on the Bonus Army (ex-military asking for pensions) and burned their camps.</p> | <p>In 1958, an African American teacher was committed to a mental asylum for applying to teach at the University of Mississippi.</p> | <p>The NOW was set up in 1966 inspired by Betty Friedan's <i>'The Feminine Mystique'</i> of 1963. New phrase: 'women's liberation'.</p> |
| <p>Every Sunday of his Presidency, Roosevelt addressed the public via radio in a 'fireside chat'.</p> | <p>The rise of the teenager in the 1950s leads to figures such as Marlon Brando and James Dean.</p> | <p>430,000 African Americans registered to vote in the months directly following the 1964 Civil Rights Act.</p> | <p>In the 1920s the African American populations of Chicago and New York more than double.</p> | <p>Televisions became the fastest spreading new household technology, from 0.4% of houses in 1948 to 84% in 1958.</p> |
| <p>In 1963 there was a Civil Rights march on Washington D.C.. MLK gave the famous 'I Have A Dream' speech.</p> | <p>In Chicago in 1926 there were 130 gang and organised crime murders relating to gang wars over prohibition.</p> | <p>The number of women in work grew by 25% through the 1920s, to 10 million women in 1929.</p> | <p>In December 1956, the Supreme Court declared Montgomery's bus laws to be unconstitutional.</p> | <p>The KKK had 4.5 million members in 1924 - the second rise of the KKK.</p> |

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| <p>In 1935, Roosevelt set up the Social Security Act, providing better healthcare and retirement for the elderly and disabled.</p> | <p>More than half a million new businesses were set up during the Second World War. Coca Cola and Wrigley's took on war contracts.</p> | <p>By 1925 there were more speakeasies in American towns than there had been legal bars in 1919.</p> | <p>'Oklahoma ' (the musical) was made into a film in 1955. This typified the confidence and prosperity of white and also now rural America.</p> | <p>1954: Brown v. Board of Education . This case was eventually taken to the Supreme Court where schools were forced to desegregate.</p> |
| <p>In 1934 the Indian Reorganisation Act and Reservation Act were part of the New Deal to change how Native Americans would live in the US.</p> | <p>Desperation of the Great Depression pushed agriculture to its limit, and created the Dust Bowl in central American States.</p> | <p>Consumerism returned and flourished in the 1950 as people came to accept that goods might only last a few years before needing replacing.</p> | <p>In 1928 the head of the FBI ordered all New York policemen to show him their hands. He fired anyone wearing a diamond for corruption.</p> | <p>The Supreme Court ruled in 1972 that contraception must be legally available to unmarried couples, just as married couples.</p> |
| <p>Road construction was the biggest national employer in the 1920s.</p> | <p>Lend Lease (March 1941) lent the Allies over 50 billion dollars' worth of war goods.</p> | <p>In October of 1929, the Wall Street Crash shook the American economy.</p> | <p>US steel production doubled between 1920 and 1929.</p> | <p>Levels of alcohol consumption fell around 30% in the early 1920s.</p> |
| <p>In 1949 China 'fell' to Communism, prompting the 'Second Red Scare' - McCarthyism. This was boosted by the 1950 Korean War.</p> | <p>Average earnings rose by 10% in the 1920s whereas company profits and shareholder dividends rose by over 60%.</p> | <p>There were still six million unemployed in 1941, which dropped to below one million in 1942 once America had joined WW2.</p> | <p>Hoover attempted to restart the American economy with new tax cuts in 1930 and 1931, by encouraging people to start re-buying stocks.</p> | <p>In 1920, an anarchist terrorist attack in Milwaukee killed ten people and blew up a church.</p> |

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| <p>Roosevelt set up the Tennessee Valley Authority in 1933 to address water shortages and the Dust Bowl. Workers built dams.</p> | <p>In 1960 in Greensboro SNCC students began a campaign of sit-ins. They sat at 'white only' counters in restaurants.</p> | <p>The 1920s are called the Roaring Twenties, because of the wealth, excess, and fun associated with the period.</p> | <p>By 1944, the US was producing almost half of all weapons made in the entire world, helped by Roosevelt's War Production Board.</p> | <p>In 1929, Al Capone had seven rival gang members murdered in the St Valentine's Day Massacre.</p> |
| <p>Elvis Presley dominated the 1950s 'rock n roll' charts, with 170 hit singles and over 80 top-selling albums.</p> | <p>Johnson's EOA and Development Act of 1964 targeted poverty and poor housing.</p> | <p>Hire Purchase schemes hit the public in the 1950s, expanding the 1920s new ways of buying and selling.</p> | <p>A voting rights march in Selma in 1965 was brutally attacked by racist sheriff Jim Clark.</p> | <p>The Second World War brought a significant boost to farmers, who were again exporting food - now for the armies.</p> |

