

Politics of the 1920s

Three Republican Presidents







President 1920-23

President 1923-1928 all promoted "a return to normalcy" after WWI

President 1928-1932

Washington Conference

1922

post-WWI, America is very ____ (don't get involved in what's going on in other countries) attends the conference in Washington, DC with _____ other nations US and other nations agree to limit their (men, arms, ships)

Japan had taken land from China, so we told them they could only have ships for every of ours (?)



WE'LL NEVER CHANGE THE BLUE AND WHITE TO RED Sorvey Munda by LEO FRIEDMAN

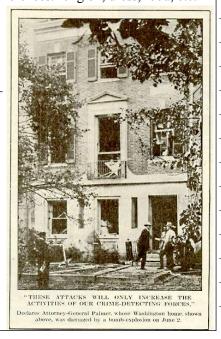
Red Scare

a fear of foreigners and _____ emerged from 1919–1921 natives were worried that immigrants would take their ____ natives didn't like immigrants' differences: religion, dress, food, etc.

A. Mitchell Palmer arrested about 6,000 people; some were

(sent out of the country)

(he slowed down a bit after a bomb blew up his house)



The Prohibition "Experiment"

came about from anti-foreign sentiment and religious crusading against "demon rum" in 1919, the ______ was passed prohibiting (______) alcohol many violated or ignored the prohibition laws there were positive results: bank savings and absences at work







The "Golden Age" of Gangsterism prohibition created an entire industry for organized crime: gangs were born and staked out their territories for selling alcohol in their "_______" bars guests of a speakeasy had to know a to enter had the greatest number and strongest gangs "______ Al Capone was the biggest and the baddest of the crime bosses the "G-men" (_______ men = federal police) named him "Public _______ Number One" although never convicted of mob-related activities, he was put in jail for ______

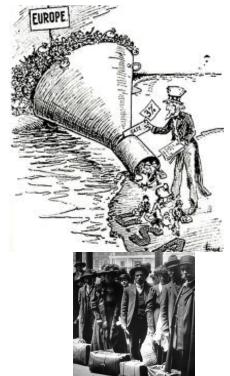
Restricting Immigration

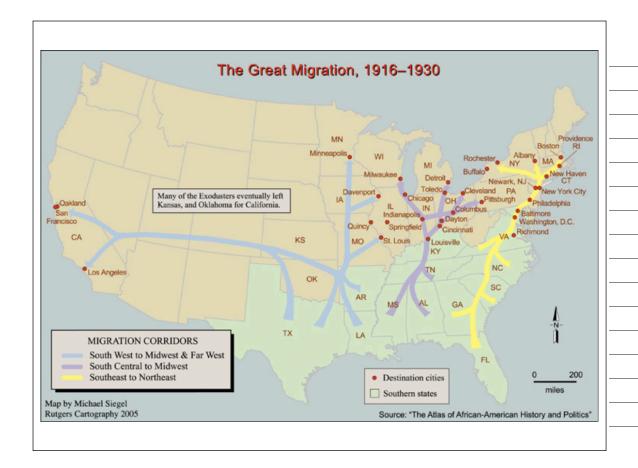


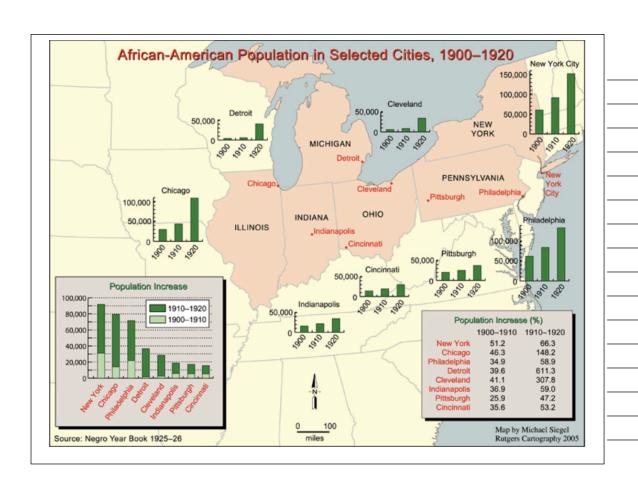
_____ Act (1921)
cut the umber of people admitted to the US to 3% of
the total number of people in any group already living
in the US in 1910

cut down to 2% of a group's U.S. population in 1890: New Immigrants v. Old Immigrants

NO _____ immigrants







An_	<u>-</u>	_ arts movement (writing,	music,	and art)	in the	1920s
	tha	t centered on Harlem.				



Notable Harlem Renaissance Artists:
Langston Hughes, Author
Louis Armstrong, Jazz Musician
Duke Ellington, Jazz Musician
Marian Anderson, Singer
Billie Holiday, Singer







Langston Hughes



In his many poems and novels of the 1920s, Langston Hughes creatively suggested the idea that black culture should be celebrated.





The Weary Blues (1925)

Droning a drowsy syncopated tune,
Rocking back and forth to a mellow croon,
I heard a Negro play.
Down on Lenox Avenue the other night
By the pale dull pallor of an old gas light
He did a lazy sway . . .
He did a lazy sway . . .
To the tune o' those Weary Blues.
With his ebony hands on each ivory key
He made that poor piano moan with melody.
O Blues!
Swaying to and fro on his rickety stool

Swaying to and fro on his rickety stool
He played that sad raggy tune like a musical fool.
Sweet Blues!

Coming from a black man's soul. O Blues!

In a deep song voice with a melancholy tone I heard that Negro sing, that old piano moan—

"Ain't got nobody in all this world, Ain't got nobody but ma self. I's gwine to quit ma frownin' And put ma troubles on the shelf."

Thump, thump, thump, went his foot on the floor. He played a few chords then he sang some more—

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"I got the Weary Blues
And I can't be satisfied.
Got the Weary Blues
And can't be satisfied—
I ain't happy no mo'
And I wish that I had died."
And far into the night he crooned that tune.

The stars went out and so did the moon.
The singer stopped playing and went to bed
While the Weary Blues echoed through his head.
He slept like a rock or a man that's dead.



New Orleans native Louis
Armstrong moved to New York City
in 1924, where he played the clubs
and on Broadway, helping to spread
the sound of jazz to a larger
audience.

By forming a band, moving to New York City in the early 1920s and playing at exclusively white clubs like the Cotton Club, Duke Ellington impacted the way that Jazz developed as an artform during the Harlem Renaissance.





Songstress Marian Anderson made her contralto voice heard as an opera singer who performed at Carnegie Hall in 1928 and at the New York Metropolitan Opera House in the 1930s, the first black performer to ever do so.

Billie Holiday moved her career forward into becoming one of the most influential jazz singers in history after performing in the Apollo Theater in Harlem.



Hooded Hoodlums of the KKK

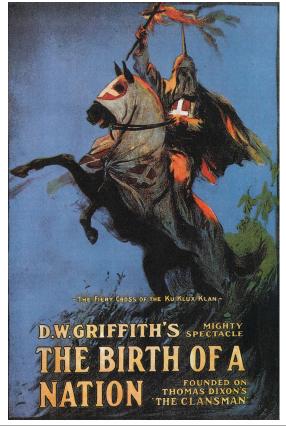


membership in the Ku Klux Klan _____ dramatically during the 1920s

although started as an antiblack group, in the 20's it was also opposed to Catholics, Jewish, pacifists, communists, internationalists, revolutionists, bootleggers, gambling, adultery, and birth control

(basically, the KKK was pro-white Anglo-Saxon Protestant - "WASP" and anti-everything else)

KKK membership reached its peak during the 20's to about				
they used fear,	, and intimidation to gain and k	eep their power		



The	of a	,1915
	silent film	
	directed by D. W. Griffith	
	based on the novel and play	
	The Clansman, by Thomas Dixor	n, Jr.
man	y Δmericans believed it was true	including

President !

Birth of A Nation excerpt





The first daylight Ku Klux Klan parade in the US and the first Klan parade in New England took place in Milo, ME on September 3, 1923.

In the 1920s the Klan had as many as 20,000 members throughout Maine.



Ku Klux Klan procession, Portland, ca. 1923

The Ku Klux Klan impacted Maine politics in 1923 when over 7,000 of their number rallied to change the Portland city government structure from having an elected mayor to hiring a city manager.

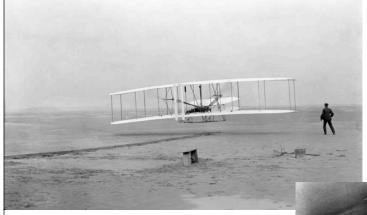
The Klan had a huge headquarters complex on Forest Avenue. The Klan's Maine director, F. Eugene "Doc" Farnsworth, spoke against Catholics, Jews and immigrants.



A Ku Klux Klansman and horse in full regalia lead a motorcade of members to the Brownville Centennial Pageant Grounds in 1924.

Civic leaders had put up \$500 to celebrate 100 years as a town. The Piscataquis County community of 1,743 people was experiencing divisive labor problems and some residents struck out at arriving Catholic Franco-Americans.





and

flew for the first time on December 17, 1903 for 12 seconds at Kitty Hawk, N.C.

Planes were used a little in WWI - for spying, dog fighting each other, and bombing

After WWI planes were used for air mail - airmail started from

New York to San Francisco in 1920

in 1927 _____ was the first to fly solo across the Atlantic Ocean in 33 1/2 hours

The Automobile Revolution

Henry Ford's
_____ line
produced a new car every
10 seconds

by 1929, there were
26_____
registered cars - 1
car for every 4.9
people America
(now it's 1 for every 3 people)

cars created 6 million new jobs (making cars and gas stations, roads, etc.)





Replica of the Benz Patent Motorwagen (1886)

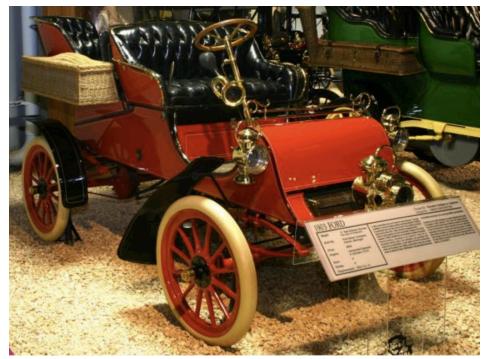
France, Germany, Austria (1890s)

internal combustion engine: expanding power of burning gas to drive pistons

Karl Benz's "Velo" model (1894) entered the first automobile race

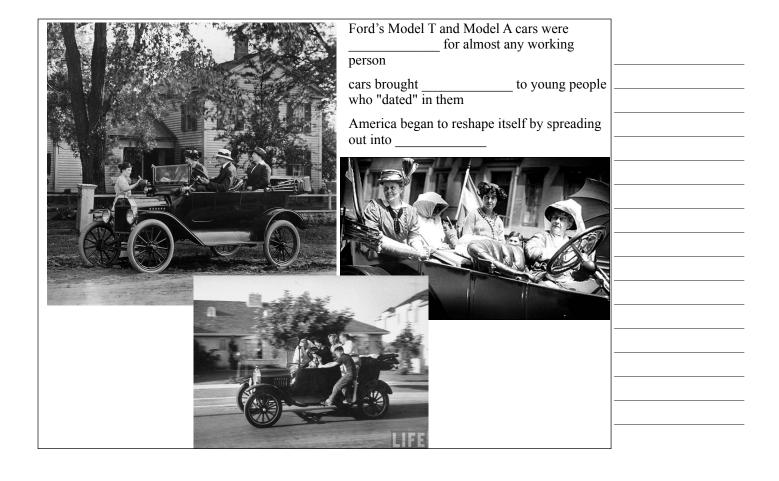






The original Ford Model A, also called the Fordmobile, was the first car produced by Ford Motor Company, beginning production in 1903.





"Flappers"





young modern women in the 20's visited speakeasies, drank alcohol, dressed in short dresses, "bobbed" their hair danced to the



Some of the Many Other American Events and People of the Roaring 20s

1920

First Commercial Radio Broadcast Aired League of Nations Established Women Granted the Right to Vote in US

1921

Lie Detector Invented

1922

Insulin Discovered The Reader's Digest Published

1923

Talking Movies Invented Time Magazine Founded

1924

First Olympic Winter Games J. Edgar Hoover Appointed FBI Director

1925

Flapper Dresses in Style The Scopes (Monkey) Trial

1926

A.A. Milne Publishes Winnie-the-Pooh Houdini Dies After Being Punched

1927

Babe Ruth Makes Home-Run Record The First Talking Movie, The Jazz Singer Lindbergh Flies Solo Across the Atlantic Sacco and Venzetti Executed

1928

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Stock Market Crashes

Bubble Gum Invented	
First Mickey Mouse Cartoon	
rst Oxford English Dictionary Published	
Kellogg-Briand Treaty Outlaws War	
Penicillin Discovered	
Sliced Bread Invented	
1929	
Car Radio Invented	
First Academy Awards	
The Great Depression Begins	