

**This day in history: March 18**

- 1766** After months of protests by American colonists, the British repeal the Stamp Act.
- 1818** Congress approves pensions for Revolutionary War vets (\$20 per month for officers, \$8 per month for soldiers).
- 1834** The first railroad tunnel in the United States opens for business, the Staple Bend Tunnel in western Pennsylvania.
- 1837** Grover Cleveland, the only U.S. president to serve two non-concurrent terms, is born in Caldwell, NJ.
- 1925** The Tri-State Tornado, the deadliest tornado in U.S. history, kills some seven hundred people in Missouri, Illinois, and Indiana.

**This day in history: March 19**

- 1831** Edward Smith steals \$245,000 from the City Bank in downtown New York, the first recorded bank robbery in American history.
- 1916** The first U.S. air combat mission begins as the First Aero Squadron takes off from Columbus, NM, in an expedition to catch Pancho Villa.
- 1952** The one millionth Jeep, originally produced as a "general purpose" (GP) vehicle for the U.S. Army, is manufactured.
- 1979** The U.S. House begins televising its day-to-day business on C-SPAN.
- 2003** An American-led coalition launches a war against Iraq dictator Saddam Hussein, with air strikes on Baghdad.

**This day in history: March 20**

- 1816** The U.S. Supreme Court affirms its right to review the decisions of state courts.
- 1922** The USS *Langley*, converted from the collier USS *Jupiter*, is commissioned as the first U.S. Navy aircraft carrier.
- 1942** In Australia, General Douglas MacArthur pledges to fight his way back to the Japanese-controlled Philippines, declaring "I shall return."
- 2003** One day after an air attack, a coalition of troops comprised mainly of U.S. and British forces invades Iraq, quickly overwhelming Saddam Hussein's army.

**This day in history: March 21**

- 1617** Pocahontas, who died just before she was to begin her return to Virginia, is buried in Gravesend, England.
- 1788** A fire destroys 856 buildings in New Orleans, ruining most of the city.
- 1790** Thomas Jefferson takes office as America's first secretary of state.
- 1963** Alcatraz, the federal prison on Alcatraz Island in San Francisco Bay, closes.
- 1980** President Jimmy Carter announces the United States will boycott the Moscow Olympics in response to the Soviet Union's invasion of Afghanistan.

**This day in history: March 22**

- 1622** Algonquian Indians attack and kill some 350 English colonialists near Jamestown, Virginia.

- 1638 The Massachusetts Bay Colony banishes Anne Hutchinson. (She today is remembered as a pioneer who stood up for some freedoms now embedded in our Constitution. The inscription on her statue in front of Boston's state house reads, in part: "In Memory of Anne Marbury Hutchinson . . ." "Courageous Exponent of Civil Liberty and Religious Tolerance.")
- 1765 The British Parliament enacts the Stamp Act, a tax that meets with colonial indignation.
- 1946 The first U.S. rocket to leave the earth's atmosphere, launched from White Sands, New Mexico, reaches an altitude of 50 miles.
- 1972 Congress sends the Equal Rights Amendment to the states for ratification, it later fails to get enough states' approval to become law.

**This day in history: March 23**

- 1775 Patrick Henry delivers his "*Liberty or Death*" speech in Richmond, VA.
- 1806 The Lewis and Clark expedition departs the Pacific coast and begins its return journey east.
- 1857 Elisha Otis installs the first modern passenger elevator in New York City.
- 1965 American's first two-man space flight begins as *Gemini 3* lifts off from Cape Canaveral with astronauts Gus Grissom and John Young aboard.
- 2014 Today will mark the fourth anniversary of the launch of the SS *Obamacare* packed with 300 million Americans in steerage, about half of whom had to be forcibly dragged aboard. Nearly six months ago — October 1, 2013, to be precise — the great ship steamed into the Sea of Reality and promptly began banging into icebergs. Subsequent collisions have damaged the ship and injured numerous passengers. So far, the response from the captain and crew has been threefold: (1) stoke the boilers to build up speed, (2) repeatedly assure the increasingly anxious passengers that the ship has suffered only minor scrapes and remains on course toward its glorious destination, and (3) scurry about (as unobtrusively as possible) plugging leaks in the hull with gobs of money and layers of new regulations.

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**This day in history: March 24**

- 1765 The British Parliament enacts the hated Quartering Act requiring American colonists to provide temporary housing for British soldiers.
- 1900 Andrew Carnegie incorporates his giant Carnegie Steel Company.
- 1934 Franklin D. Roosevelt signs legislation providing for independence for the Philippine Islands.
- 1958 Elvis Presley is inducted into the Army for two years.
- 1989 The tanker *Exxon Valdez* strikes a reef in Alaska's Prince William Sound, spilling and estimated 11 million gallons of oil.

**This day in history: March 25**

- 1634 The colony of Maryland is founded by Catholic and Protestant settlers sent by Lord Baltimore.

- 1865 Robert E. Lee orders his last attack of the Civil War against Fort Steadman, near Petersburg, VA.**
- 1911 A fire kills 146 garment workers at the Triangle Shirtwaist Company factory in New York City leading the public to call for safety reforms.**
- 1965 Civil rights activists led by Martin Luther King Jr. end their historic march from Selma to Montgomery, Alabama, at the steps of the state capitol.**