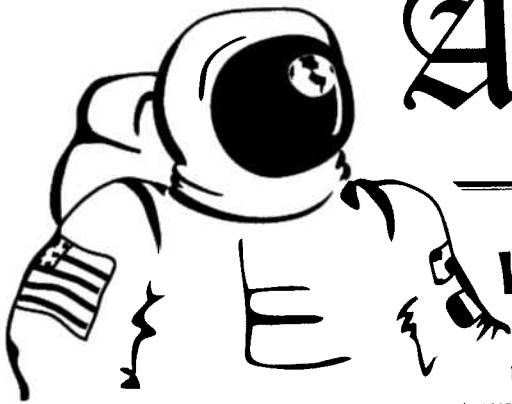




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ALL THE HISTORY THAT FITS ON THE PAGE



First African-American in Space

August 30, 1983—Philadelphia-born U.S. Air Force Lieutenant Colonel Guion S. Bluford on this day became the first African-American to travel into space. He was a specialist on the space shuttle *Challenger*, which spent six days in orbit around Earth. This was the eighth U.S. shuttle mission and the first to have a night launch and landing. Guy, as he was called, later flew three more shuttle missions, logging 688 hours in orbit.

First U.S. Census

August 1, 1790—The U.S. finished its first census, or count of all its people, on this day, just over a year after George Washington was elected president. Back then, there were only 4 million citizens in 16 states. Now there are more than 281 million, which is over a quarter of a billion. How much has the population grown? The U.S. takes a census every 10 years. Until the next in 2010, visit www.census.gov/main/www/popclock.html for the latest estimate.

Women Win Vote

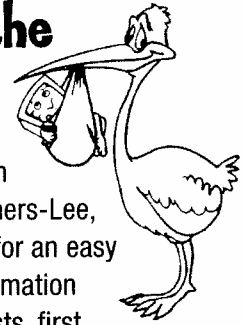
August 26, 1920—After more than 70 years of struggle, U.S. women on this day finally won the right to vote, as the 19th Amendment was added to the Constitution. Until this time, women could not vote in any election. This special law made it illegal to deny women this right.

The Wizard of Oz World Premiere

August 15, 1939—On this day, *The Wizard of Oz* opened in Hollywood. Huge crowds surrounded the theater to see the famous people attending the show. In 1956, it debuted on television—to 45 million viewers!

Birth of the Internet

August 1, 1990—On this day, British physicist Tim Berners-Lee, who was looking for an easy way to share information with other scientists, first suggested what became the World Wide Web. A computer programmer from Belgium, Robert Cailliau, helped him design the first Web browser. Later that year they came up with the idea of a URL, or Web-site address. At the time, they never suspected it would change the way the entire world shares information—not just scientists, but kids and teachers too! What kinds of technology would you like to invent? What would it do?



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