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World Events

- Churchill and Roosevelt hold the [Casablanca Conference](#).
- [Mussolini](#) is deposed and placed under arrest (July).

U.S. Events

- President freezes prices, salaries, and wages to prevent [inflation](#).
- [Withholding tax on wages](#) introduced.
Background: [History of the Income Tax in the United States](#)
- The [Pentagon](#) is completed and becomes the largest office building in the world.
- The [Chinese Exclusion Acts](#) of 1882 and 1902 are repealed permitting immigration and naturalization of Chinese.

Economics

Federal spending: \$78.56 billion

Federal debt \$142.7 billion

Consumer Price Index: \$17.3

Unemployment: 1.9%

Cost of a first-class stamp: \$0.03

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Sports

World Statistics

Population: 4.378 billion

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U.S. Statistics

President: [Franklin D Roosevelt](#)

Vice President: [Henry A. Wallace](#)

Population: 136,739,353

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World Series

NY Yankees d. St. Louis Cardinals (4-1)

Stanley Cup

Detroit d. Boston

Kentucky Derby Champion

Count Fleet

NCAA Basketball Championship

Wyoming d. Georgetown

NCAA Football Champions

Notre Dame (9-1-0)

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Entertainment

Events

- [Rodgers & Hammerstein's *Oklahoma!*](#) opens and changes American musical theater by combining entertainment and serious subjects. [Agnes de Mille](#) choreographs the musical, capturing the essence of American folk dance.
- Radio classic *Amos 'n' Andy* is canceled after 15 years and more than 4,000 consecutive shows.

Science

- Selman Waksman discovers [streptomycin](#) and coins the term [antibiotic](#).
- Doctors begin to use the [pap test](#) to detect cervical cancer.

Nobel Prizes in Science

Chemistry: Georg Hevesy De Heves (Hungary), for work on use of isotopes as indicators

Physics: Otto Stern (US), for detection of magnetic momentum of protons

Physiology or Medicine: Henrik Dam (Denmark) and Edward A. Doisy (US), for analysis of vitamin K

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