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1836 William Carr Lane announced he was building an "addition." (What we would call a "subdivision" today) He named the streets in his addition after his sons and daughters. That's why we have Sidney, Victor and Anne Streets today. Lane was the first mayor of St. Louis, and was re-elected seven times.

1870 Mayor Nathan Cole predicted a period of rapid growth for St. Louis. He said "The smoke will roll heavenward from her furnaces, mills, machine shops and factories--and shall cover like a silver sheen her hills and valleys far and near."

1872 A.B. Mullett, architect of the proposed new post office, took under advisement a proposal by James B. Eads. Eads suggested that a tunnel be built between the post office and the great bridge now under construction. Eads said railroad cars could then be easily routed to the post office basement. Today, Metro Link cars use the tunnel.

1906 The U.S. Justice Department filed suit in St. Louis to dissolve Standard Oil as an illegal monopoly. The investigation and suits began here in order to take advantage of evidence uncovered by Missouri Attorney General Herbert Hadley. Hadley successfully sued to oust Standard Oil from Missouri. In 1923, Hadley became chairman of Washington University.

1922 The St. Louis Board of Education announced a new high school would be built on the site of the old Cardinal Baseball Field at Vandeventer and Natural Bridge. It would be named after a famous St. Louis physician, William Beaumont.

1936 The Jewel Box in Forest Park was dedicated. William Becker, an engineer for the St. Louis Board of Public Service, came up with the radical Art Deco design featuring cantilevered 50-foot tall vertical glass walls. The *Post-Dispatch* said the Jewel Box was the "latest word in display greenhouses." On December 11, 2002, the Jewel Box re-opened after a \$3.5 million-dollar eleven-month restoration.

1958 Cardinal fans were pleased at the team's acquisition of right handed pitcher Ernie Broglio. Picked up just before the Cardinals left on a tour of Japan, Broglio tossed a one-hit 8-0 shout out against a team of Japanese All-Stars. In 1960, Broglio would win 21 games, but he is best remembered for being sent to the Cubs for Lou Brock.

1961 Federal officials okayed the plans and location for a new free bridge across the Mississippi at Poplar Street. State highway officials were predicting it could be finished within four years. (It actually opened in November of 1967)

1962 The St. Louis Committee to Warn of Communist Merchandise organized to protest the sale of goods from Communist nations. They slipped cards into such items reading "Buy your communist slave labor items at(insert store name)"

1966 A \$500,000 fire destroyed two warehouse and manufacturing plants in the 27 and 2800 blocks of Hamilton. The city Director of Public Safety called it the equivalent of a ten-alarm blaze.

1990 Kiel Center Re-Development Corporation submitted its proposal for a new arena to the Land Clearance for Re-Development Authority. The \$85 million plan included the renovation of Kiel Opera House.

1995 Disappointed tourists were being turned away at the Arch and Old Courthouse downtown, victims of the government shutdown. All of the workers, except for security guards, were sent home because of a budget battle in Washington.