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1734 Daniel Boone was born in Pennsylvania. Boone rose to fame as a hunter and settler of what is now Kentucky. The Spanish Governor at St. Louis offered Boone 1,000 arpents of land for bringing a group of settlers to the present-day St. Charles County in 1799. Boone died on September 26, 1820 and left specific instructions that he was to be buried next to his wife in Dutrow. But 25 years later, the state of Kentucky led a successful effort to bring the remains there.

1876 In what seemed like a good move at the time, St. Louis City and County were officially separated. The city boundaries were fixed permanently. The "Great Divorce" is now blamed for many of the city's problems, as the population spread far beyond the city limits.

1877 Commissioners appointed by the County Court reported their choice for a site for the courthouse of St. Louis County, separated from the city the year before. The commissioners choose a 100-acre tract donated by Ralph Clayton, to be joined with four acres donated by Martin Hanley. The choice was subject to approval by the voters.

1881 St. Louis was linked by rail for the first time with the new county seat of Clayton. The new Forest Park and Clayton Railroad boasted 32 passenger cars with silver painted fixtures and mahogany paneling.

1903 News arrived from Mexico of the arrest for extradition of a former St. Louis city official in connection with the sale of city franchises. Circuit Attorney Joseph Folk had gone to Washington D.C. to enlist the help of the White House in bringing the man back here for trial.

1924 In conjunction with the opening of a new St. Mary's Hospital on Clayton Road, citizens launched a campaign to raise \$1,500,000. The money would be used to help the sisters pay for the modern facility and keep operating the old St. Mary's Infirmary on Papin Street.

1928 Bud Yates, team manager, announced that pro football was coming back to St. Louis. The American Legion would sponsor the St. Louis Legionnaires. Yates said several members of the old St. Louis Blues had signed on. Yates had also signed Art Coglizer, a former Mizzou star who had played for Red Grange's New York football team in 1927.

1946 A St. Louis committee opened a campaign to raise prize money for a design contest for the proposed national expansion memorial on the riverfront. In 1948, Eero Saarinen of Detroit would be picked as the winner. His design called for a 630-foot-tall arch of steel.

1954 Cartoonist George McManus of St. Louis died. He drew the strip "Bringing Up Father," which introduced the characters of Maggie and Jiggs to the world. By 1954, the strip was being published in 27 languages and 500 newspapers worldwide.

1960 Democratic Presidential nominee John F. Kennedy returned to St. Louis for the second time in a month. He made appearances at Crestwood Plaza, Northland Shopping Center, and the Chase-Park-Plaza. Over 70,000 heard him speak with just 18 days to go before the election.

1970 Former Washington University student Howard Mechanic was convicted for tossing a cherry bomb during the burning of the ROTC building in May, 1970. He got five years. Mechanic jumped bail and lived for 30 years under the assumed name Gary Treadway until a bid for city council in Scottsdale, Arizona brought his past to light. President Clinton pardoned him in 2001.

1970 Former St. Louis Mayor Raymond Tucker died at the age of 73. Tucker served three terms, and was a major force behind construction of the Arch, Busch Stadium and the Planetarium as well as the freeway system.

1971 A massive manhunt was underway for a bank robbery suspect who shot it out with police, then fled through Northwest High School, holding students at gunpoint. James LeRoy Cochran would abduct eight people in ten states before he surrendered to the FBI on October 28th.

1981 The Cardinals traded relief pitcher Bob Sykes to the Yankees for a 23-year-old minor league prospect. The deal that brought Willie McGee to St. Louis didn't get much attention at the time. Willie went on to become one of the best loved players in Redbird history. The Cardinals shipped Willie to Oakland in 1990, but he returned to the Cardinals in 1996.

1985 Kansas City won their first game in the I-70 series, a 6-1 win by Brett Saberhagen. The Cardinals still led the series two games to one.

1987 The Cardinals took the lead in the World Series, three games to two, as Danny Cox got the 4-2 win at Busch. The Cards had won all three games played at Busch, but the series was headed back to the Metrodome in Minneapolis.

2004 The Cardinals beat Houston 5-2 in Game Seven of the National League Championship Series at Busch Stadium, clinching their first World Series appearance in 17 years. The Cards fell behind 2-1, but scored three in the sixth inning. Albert Pujols smashed an RBI double and Scott Rolen homered off Roger Clemens on consecutive pitches.

2006 Kenny Rogers of the Tigers held the Cardinals to just two hits and shut them out for eight innings, as the Tigers took Game Two of the World Series 3-1. A controversy erupted over a smudge on Rogers hand.