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1838 Three days after Governor Lilburn Boggs issued his “extermination order,” to drive the Mormons from Missouri, about 250 members of the militia attacked Mormon families near Haun's Mill in Caldwell County. Seventeen Mormons and one non-Mormon civilian were killed and 13 wounded. Boggs extermination order read in part, “The Mormons must be treated as enemies and must be exterminated or driven from the state if necessary for the public peace.”

1875 Missouri voters approved a new constitution. Among the provisions was one officially separating St. Louis City and County. The city limits were extended west to include the new Forest Park. At the time, city residents believed it would be large enough to contain any future growth. They were tired of paying for improvements in mostly-rural St. Louis County.

1877 Irma Rombauer was born in St. Louis. In 1931, she risked her own money to publish her book *The Joy of Cooking*. The book started out as 73 mimeographed pages she put together for a cooking class at the First Unitarian Church in the 1920's. It became the most popular cookbook ever. Her heirs continue to publish new editions to this day, updated to reflect changing times.

1900 The entire University of Missouri football team resigned, "rather than disgrace the university by continual failure." Players were upset over a restriction that only full time students with an average of 75 or higher were eligible to play football.

1904 After a three-month trial period, the St. Louis Police Department became the first in the United States to adopt the use of fingerprinting for identification. Scotland Yard Sergeant John K. Ferrier introduced the method during a meeting of the International Association of Policemen, held during the World's Fair. Ferrier was on duty guarding the British Crown Jewels exhibit.

1909 George Freeland Durant died in a Colorado sanitarium at the age of 67. Durant brought the telephone to St. Louis, opening the first exchange here in 1877 with just 12 subscribers. The following year, he founded Bell Telephone of Missouri.

1929 The Cardinals announced that Charles "Gabby" Street would take over as manager the following year.

1936 More than 100,000 lined the streets for a huge parade welcoming Republican presidential candidate Alf Landon to St. Louis. The parade featured 10,000 marchers, 500 cars, and 14 elephants.

1946 Vincent Scheomehl was born. The 46th Mayor of St. Louis served from 1981 to 1993. He worked to save the Cupples Complex and received acclaim for his “Operation Brightside” beautification program. The effort included planting millions of daffodils

along the highways. Today, Scheomehl serves as President and CEO of Grand Center and is a reforming member of the School Board.

1949 After months of denying rumors of romantic involvement, Mrs Carlton Hadley announced she would marry Vice President Alben Barkley here on November 18th. Barkley had made repeated visits here since he began courting the attractive 38-year-old widow back in June.

1953 St. Louis patrolmen Elmer Dolan testified before a grand jury investigating the missing \$300,000 dollars in Greenlease ransom money. He told of his movements the night he and Lieutenant Louis Shoulders arrested the kidnapers here. The grand jury would later indict him for perjury.

1964 The *Globe-Democrat* reported that the Cardinal's share for winning the 1964 World Series came to \$8,622 per man. The Yankees each got 5,309 for their losing effort.

1980 President Jimmy Carter made a campaign stop at Northwest Plaza. He said Republican nominee Ronald Reagan had changed his position on such issues as Medicare, Social Security and the Soviet grain embargo.

1983 Thousands of fans on their way to the Big Red game watched as stuntman Skip Stanley of Texas scaled the Equitable Building. He unfurled an American flag before rappeling down to the arms of the waiting policemen. Stanley was charged with trespassing and destruction of property.

1990 Plans were unveiled for an \$85 million sports arena to be built on the site of Kiel Auditorium. Some of the top business leaders in the area formed a partnership to develop the 18,000 seat facility.

2000 Jean Carnahan said she would accept the offer from Missouri's new governor to serve in the Senate if her late husband won the election. Governor Mel Carnahan died in a plane crash on October 16th, in the midst of a bitter race with incumbent John Ashcroft.