

# Honors United States History

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## Sec 1 – The Roaring 20s



# Red Scare

- Fears of Communism following the Russian Revolution
  - May spread to the US.
- **Sacco and Vanzetti** - Executed in 1927.



Bartolomeo Vanzetti and Nicola Sacco



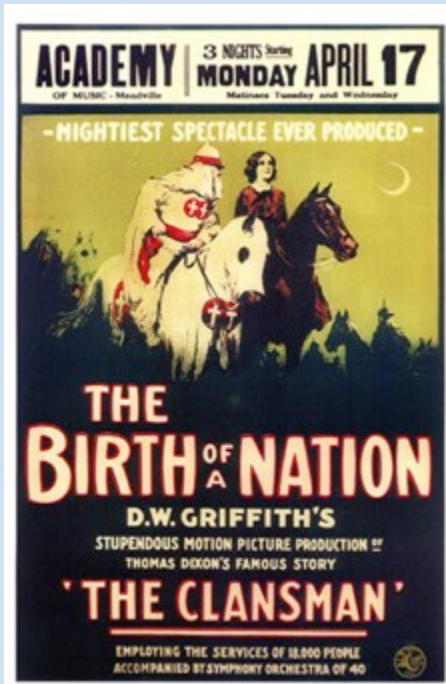
# Nativism

- Isolationist Americans felt they had no use for immigrants.
  - Quotas placed on immigrants coming to America.



# The KKK

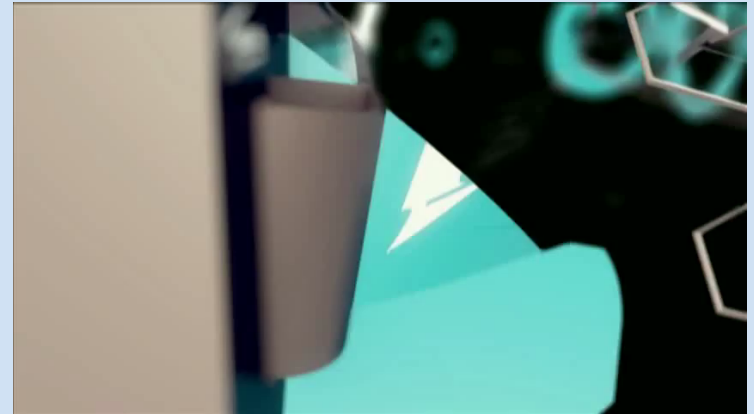
- Nativism and the intolerance of the American public led to a rebirth of the **Ku Klux Klan**
  - It fell apart in the late 1920s – corruption and embezzlement.



The Birth of a Nation (1915)

# Prohibition

- The **18<sup>th</sup> Amendment**, passed in **1919**, banned alcohol.
  - Hard to enforce.
- "**Speakeasies**" replaced saloons.



# Prohibition

- Al Capone - alcohol trafficking – found guilty of tax evasion.
- Gangsters move into prostitution, gambling, narcotics, and kidnapping for ransom.
  - Lindbergh baby kidnapping



# The Scopes Trial

- **Fundamentalists** - claimed that the teaching of **Darwinism evolution** contributed to the moral breakdown of youth.
- The "**Monkey Trial**," John Scopes taught evolution in Tennessee. Found guilty and fined \$100.
  - Clarence Darrow (defense attorney) William Jennings Bryan (prosecution attorney)



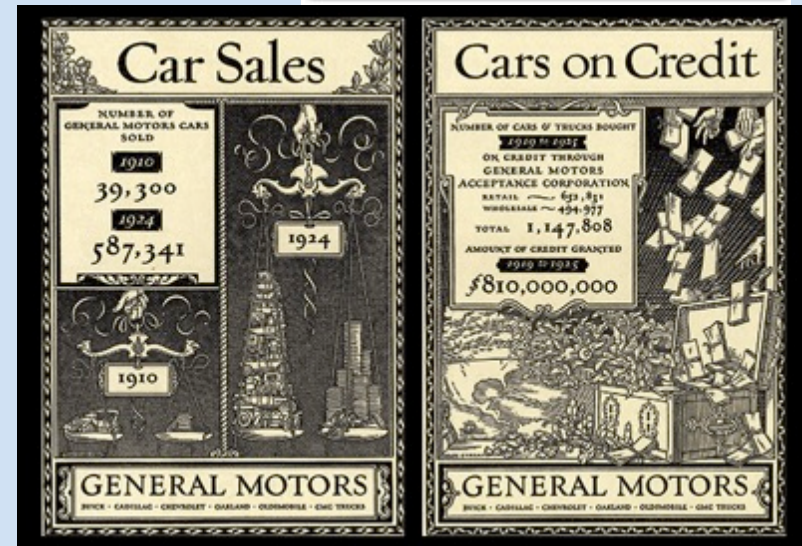
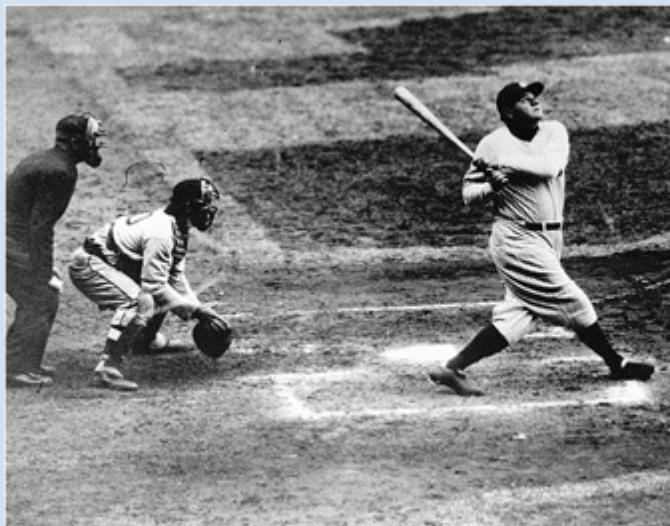


# The Mass-Consumption Economy

- Economic prosperity
- Rise in advertising
- **Sports** became big business in the consumer economy.
- Buying on **credit** – led to increased personal debt.

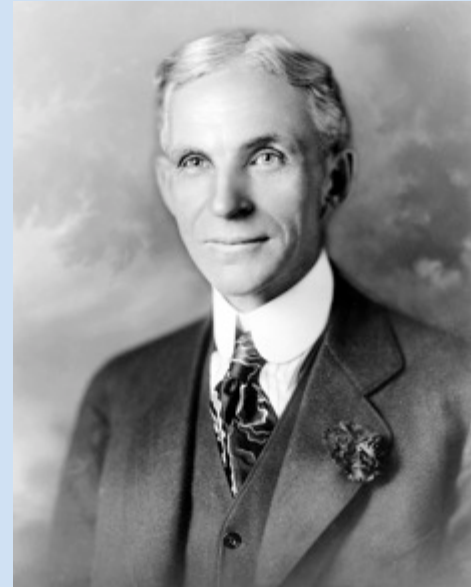


Babe  
Ruth  
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# The Model T

- The automobile industry grew (Detroit)
- Henry Ford, father of the moving assembly line (**Fordism**), created the **Model T**.
  - Growth in Suburbs



# Women and the 20s



- Margaret Sanger - birth-control movement.
- Alice Paul - campaign for an Equal Rights Amendment to the Constitution.
- **Flappers**: young women who expressed their disdain for traditional women behavior. – Part of a dance craze in youth culture

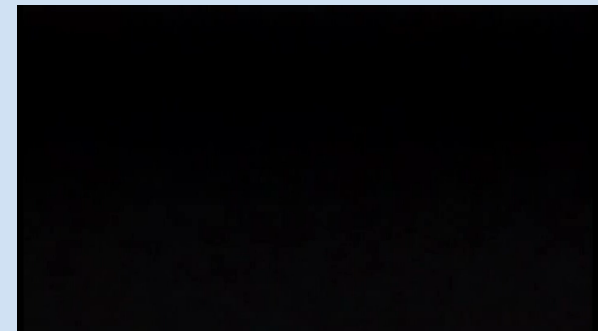


# African Americans and the 20s

- **Jazz** thrived in the 1920s.
- Racial pride grew in the northern black communities.
  - Marcus Garvey and the resettlement of Africa.
- **Harlem Renaissance:** Celebration of African American art and culture.
  - Harlem, New York

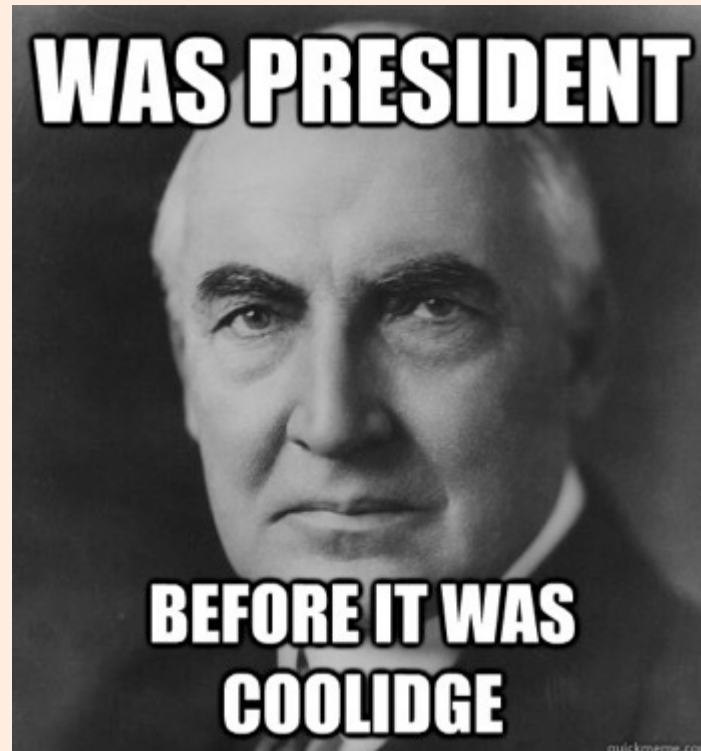


Marcus Garvey



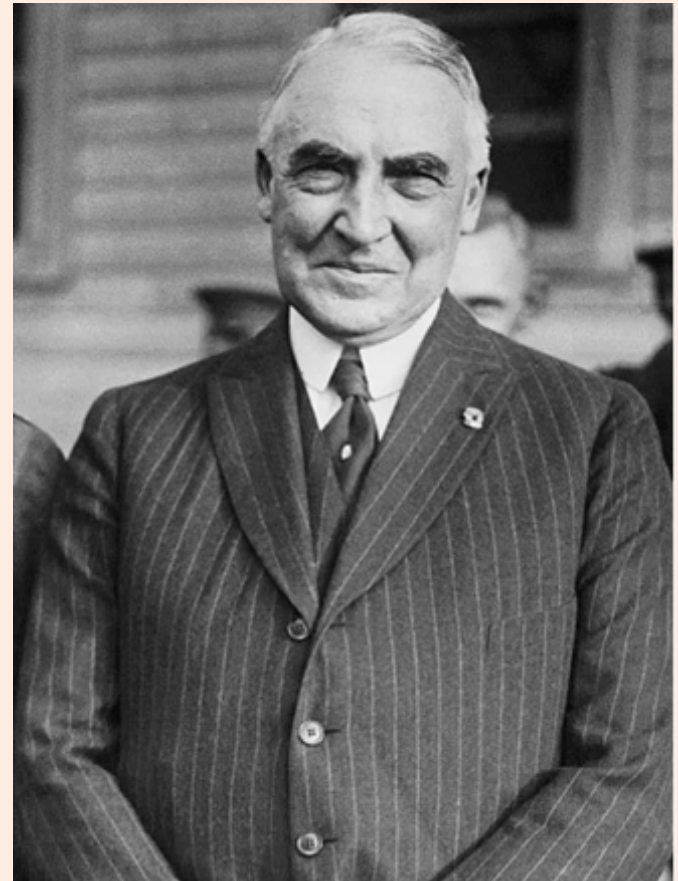
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## Sec 2 – Politics of the 20s



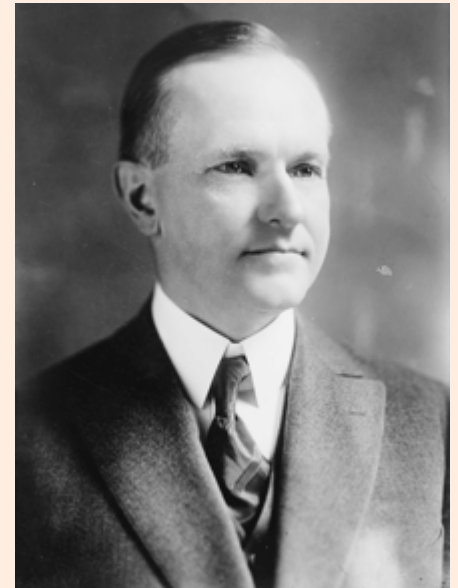
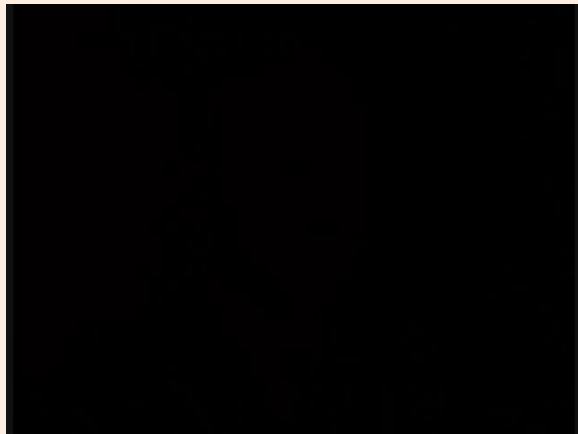
# Harding as President

- Warren G. Harding - Unable to detect corruption in his own staff.
- Expand corporations and de-regulate businesses – economic growth
- Teapot Dome Scandal



# President Coolidge

- President Harding died in 1923.
- Vice President Calvin Coolidge took over following Harding's death. Extremely shy and boring.
- Coolidge did not change the business-friendly policies that Harding had created.
  - Won re-election in 1924



# Harding and Coolidge

