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“West Virginia @ 150 – One Minute Celebrations of West Virginia’s 150 Years”



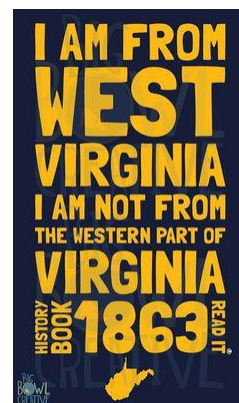


- **1863 – West Virginia Becomes the 35th State**
- **1869 – Helvetia is Settled**
- **1872 – “Harper’s” Publishes Porte Crayon’s “The Mountains”**
- **1882 – The Hatfield – McCoy Feud**
- **1897 – The Last Public Hanging in West Virginia**
- **1907 – The Monongah Mine Disaster**
- **1910 – Mother’s Day Established**
- **1912 – The Paint Creek Strike**
- **1914 – The Eccles Mine Disaster**
- **1920 – The End of West Virginia’s Ancient Forests**

- **1920 – The Matewan Massacre**
- **1921 – The Battle of Blair Mountain**
- **1924 – Don Knotts Born**
- **1927 – Blind Alfred Reed Discovered at the Bristol Sessions**
- **1928 – The Silver Bridge Opens**
- **1930 – Hawks Nest Tunnel Work Begins**
- **1932 – West Virginia’s New Capitol Building**
- **1932 – The Lilly Brothers’ Radio Debut**
- **1933 – West Virginia’s First CCC Camp**
- **1934 – Arthurdale Founded**

- **1935 – Hazel Dickens Born**
- **1936 – Pare Lorentz Makes His First Documentary**
- **1941 – USS West Virginia Sinks in Pearl Harbor**
- **1945 – Woody Williams Wins the Congressional Medal of Honor**
- **1947 – The Hammons Family’s First Recording**
- **1947 – Chuck Yeager Breaks the Sound Barrier**

- 1952 – Johnnie Johnson Hires Chuck Berry
- 1954 – The West Virginia Turnpike Opens
- 1956 – The Green Bank Telescope – National Radio Astronomy Observatory Founded
- 1959 – Jerry West & the National Championship
- 1960 – JFK Wins in West Virginia
- 1963 – Cass Scenic Railroad Opens
- 1968 – The Farmington Mine Disaster
- 1970 – The Marshall Plane Crash
- 1971 – West Virginia’s First Ski Resort
- 1972 – The Buffalo Creek Flood
- 1972 – “Lean On Me” from Bill Withers
- 1974 – The Kanawha County Textbook Controversy
- 1977 – The New River Gorge Bridge Opens
- 1978 – The New River Gorge National River Established
- 1981 – Mountain Stage Begins
- 1983 – Kathy Mattea Signs First Record Deal
- 1984 – Mary Lou Retton Wins Olympic Gold Medal
- 1985 – The Flood of 1985
- 1988 – “Chillers” The Movie
- 2003 – Army Bridge Built in Iraq
- 2006 – The Sago Mine Disaster
- 2009 – Robert C. Byrd Becomes the Longest Serving US Politician
- 2010 – The Upper Big Branch Mine Explodes
- 2012 – WVU Wins the Orange Bowl



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