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This Week in History

February 28 to March 6

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USPA NEWS - Battles during WWI and WWII, numerous nuclear tests, the siege in Waco, and Russia invading Crimea are just some of the events that happened this week in history.

February 28:

1909 – The 1st National Women's Day observed in the United States.
1947 – An anti-government uprising began in Taiwan, violently suppressed by the Kuomintang-led Republic of China government, kills thousands of civilians.
1954 – United States tests hydrogen bomb on Bikini Island.
1956 – Wright Forrester awarded a patent for computer core.
1975 and 1980 – Nuclear tests in Nevada, United States.
1984 – Singer Michael Jackson receives eight Grammy Awards.
1991 – The Gulf War ends.
1993 – The Waco, Texas siege began between the United States ATF and Branch Davidians.
1998 – The Kosovo War began.
2014 - Russia invaded and subsequently annexed the Crimean Peninsula from Ukraine.

March 1:

1896 - Henri Becquerel discovers radioactivity.
1912 – United States Army Captain, Albert Berry, performs first parachute jump.
1916 – Germany attacks ships in the Atlantic Ocean during WWI.
1941 – German troops invade Bulgaria and Himmler inspects Auschwitz.
1945 – United States President Franklin Roosevelt Address to Congress on the Yalta Conference.
1954 – Castle Bravo, the first in a series of high-yield thermonuclear weapon design tests conducted by the United States at Bikini Atoll.
1970 – End of United States commercial whale hunting.
1971 – Bomb attack on the Capital in Washington, D.C.
1984 – USSR performs nuclear tests.
1985 – Pentagon accepts theory that atomic war would cause nuclear winter.
2002 – United States invasion of Afghanistan.
2014 – United States President Barack Obama warns Russian President Vladimir Putin over involvement in Ukraine.
2018 – Vladimir Putin claims Russia has an "invincible" intercontinental cruise missile.
2020 – First known COVID-19 case identified in New York, a health care worker returning from Iran.

March 2:

1776 – American troops begin shelling the British in Boston, Massachusetts.
1807 – United States Congress bans the slave trade within the US, effective January 1, 1808.
1855 – Aleksandr Romanov becomes Tsar of Russia.
1882 – Queen Victoria escapes assassination attempt by Roderick Maclean while boarding a train in Windsor.
1888 – The Convention of Constantinople signed, guaranteeing free maritime passage through the Suez Canal during war and peace.
1919 - 1st congress of Communist International opens at the Kremlin.
1933 – The movie "King Kong" starring Fay Wray, premieres in New York City.
1933 – Sanriku earthquake of 8.4 and tsunami hit Japan.
1940 – Soviet armies conquer Tuppura Island, Finland.
1944 – Fumes of a stalled locomotive in a tunnel suffocate 521 in Italy.

1945 – United States 8th Air Force bomb Dresden, Germany.
1946 – Ho Chi Minh elected President of North Vietnam
1962 – President John F. Kennedy announces the US will resume above ground nuclear testing.
1965 – The movie “The Sound of Music” is released.
1965 – US Air Force begins Operation Rolling Thunder, a three year sustained bombing campaign against North Vietnam.
1967 – US performs nuclear test at Nevada Test Site.
1968 – USSR launches space probe Zond 4. It fails to leave Earth orbit.
1969 – First test flight of the supersonic Concorde.
1970 – American Airline’s first flight of a Boeing 747.
1972 – NASA launches its Pioneer 10 space probe to Jupiter.
1974 – Grand jury concludes US President Richard Nixon is involved in Watergate cover-up.
1978 – Soyuz 28 carries two cosmonauts to Salyut 6.
1983 – Compact Disc recordings developed by Phillips and Sony introduced.
1983 – USSR performs underground nuclear test.
1985 – FDA in the US approves screening test for AIDS antibody for all blood banks.
2004 – Rosetta space probe is launched by the European Space Agency.
2014 – President Vladimir Putin receives unanimous approval from Russia’s parliament to send troops to the Ukraine.
2021 – Six books by Dr. Seuss will cease publication because of racist and insensitive imagery.

March 3:

1855 – US Congress approves $30,000 to test camels for military use.
1863 – Abraham Lincoln approves charter for National Academy of Sciences.
1887 – Anne Sullivan begins teaching 6 year old blind-deaf Helen Keller.
1904 – Emperor Wilhelm II of Germany becomes the first person to make a sound recording of a political document, using Thomas Edison’s cylinder.
1913 – Woman suffrage procession through Washington D.C.
1918 – Facing internal counterrevolutionary pressures and external German offensive, Bolsheviks forced to sign Treaty of Brest-Litovsk with Germany and Austria.
1934 – John Dillinger breaks out of jail using a wooden pistol.
1943 – Battle of the Bismarck Sea: Australian and American air forces devastate Japanese navy convoy.
1945 – RAF bombing error hits The Hague, killing 511.
1955 – Elvis Presley makes his first television appearance on the broadcast of “Louisiana Hayride.”
1956 – Elvis Presley’s first hit in Billboard’s top 10: “Heartbreak Hotel.”
1959 – First US probe to enter solar orbit, Pioneer 4, launched.
1965 – US performs nuclear test at Nevada Test Site.
1965 – USSR performs nuclear test at Eastern Kazakh/Semipalitinsk USSR.
1967 – US performs nuclear test at Nevada Test Site.
1969 – Apollo 9 launched for 151 Earth orbits.
1974 – Turkish Airlines Flight 981 crashes in the Ermenonville Forest outside Paris, killing all 346 people onboard.
1991 – The beginning of riots in Los Angeles after police severely beat motorist Rodney King.
1992 – Gas explodes in coal mine at Zonguldak Turkey, 263 die.
2017 – Mass grave of 800 children and infants confirmed at a former Catholic care home in Tuam, Ireland.
2019 – SpaceX’s Dragon capsule successfully docks with the International Space Station during its demonstration run.

March 4:

1665 – English King Charles II declares war on Netherlands.
1699- Jews are expelled from Lubeck, Germany.
1789- First US Congress meets and declares constitution in effect.
1791- First Jewish member of US Congress, Israel Jacobs (PA), takes office.
1798 – Catholic women force to do penance for kindling sabbath fire for Jews.
1861 – Abraham Lincoln is inaugurated as the 16th US President.
1877 – Pyotr Ilyich Tchaikovsky’s ballet “Swan Lake” has its world premiere, performed by the Bolshoi Ballet in Moscow.
1894 – Great fire in Shanghai. Over 1,000 buildings destroyed.

1923 – Lenin's last article in Pravada, about Soviet bureaucracy.
1927 – Babe Ruth becomes the highest paid player in MLB history when he signs 3 year, $70,000 per season contract with the New York Yankees.
1936 – First flight of the airship Hindenburg at Friedrichshafen, Germany.
1943 – Transport #50 departs with French Jews to Maidanek/Sobibor.
1944 – First US bombing of Berlin.
1945 – Finland declares war on Nazi Germany.
1966 – John Lennon says "We (the Beatles) are more popular than Jesus."
1977 – Earthquake in Romania kills 1,541.
1979 – US Voyager I photo reveals Jupiter's rings.
1989 – The Louvre Pyramid designed by I.M. Pei is inaugurated by French President Francois Mitterrand.
1994 – Four Arab terrorist found guilty of bombing the World Trade Center.
1997 – US President Clinton bans federally funded human cloning research.
2002 – Canada bans human embryo cloning but permits government funded scientists to use embryos left over from fertility treatment or abortions.
2012 – Vladimir Putin wins Russian presidential election amid allegations of voter fraud.
2018 – Former Russian spy, Sergei Skripal and his daughter Yulia Skripal, are poisoned by nerve agent in Salisbury, England.
2019 – US Democrats announce a wide ranging corruption investigation into President Donald Trump.

March 5:

1616 – Astronomical work "de Revolutionibus" by Nicholaus Copernicus placed on Catholic Forbidden index.
1820 – Dutch city of Leeuwarden forbids Jews to go to synagogues on Sundays.
1836 – Samuel Colt manufactures first pistol, the 34-caliber "Texas" model.
1842 – Over 500 Mexican troops led by Rafael Vasquez invade Texas, briefly occupy San Antonio and then head back to the Rio Grande.
1868 – Stapler patented in England by C.H. Gould.
1904 – Nikola Tesla describes the process of the ball lightning formation in Electrical World and Engineer.
1907 – First radio broadcast of a musical composition aired.
1912 – Spanish steamer "Principe de Asturias" sinks northeast of Spain, 500 die.
1924 – Computing-Tabulating-Recording Corp becomes IBM.
1933 – Germany's Nazi Party wins majority in parliament (43.9% - 17.2 million votes).
1943 – RAF bombs Essen, Germany.
1945 – Allies bomb The Hague, Netherlands.
1945 – World War II: The Battle of the Ruhr begins.
1946 – Hungarian Communists and Social Democrats co-found the Left Bloc.
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1968 – US launches Solar Explorer 2 to study the Sun.
1971 – "Stairway to Heaven" by Led Zeppelin first played live at Ulster Hall, Belfast.
1982 – Russian spacecraft Venera 14 lands on Venus, sends back data.
1995 – Graves of Tsar Nicholas II and family found in St. Petersburg.
2013 – Willcom announces the world's smallest mobile phone, weighing 32 grams.
2018 – North Korean leader Kim Jong-un meets South Korean officials for the first time since taking office, hosting a dinner in Pyongyang.

March 6:

1799 – Napoleon Bonaparte captures city of Jaffa, Palestine, after a 5 day siege, defeating the Ottoman Empire.
1816- Jews are expelled from the Free city of Lubeck, Germany.
1831- Edgar Allan Poe removed from West Point military academy.
1836 – Battle of the Alamo: After 13 days of fighting, as many as 3,000 Mexican soldiers overwhelm the Texan defenders, killing up to 250.
1853 – Giuseppe Verdi's Opera "La Traviata" premieres in Venice.
1869 – Dmitri Mendeleev presents the first periodic table of the elements to the Russian Chemical Society.

1899 – “Aspirin (acetylsalicylic acid) patented by Felix Hoffmann at German company Bayer.
1904 – The Japanese fleet bombard Vladivostok, the major Russian port on the Pacific.
1918 – US naval boat “Cyclops” disappears in Bermuda Triangle.
1944 – US Air Force begin daylight bombing of Berlin.
1951 – The trial of Soviet spies Julius Rosenberg and his wife Ethel Rosenberg begin.
1953 – Georgy Malenkov becomes chairman of the USSR.
1967 – Joseph Stalin’s daughter Svetlana Allilujeva approaches the US Embassy in New Delhi, India and asks for political asylum.
1981 – France performs nuclear test at Mururoa atoll.
1997 – Picasso’s painting Tete de Femme is stolen from a London gallery and is recovered a week later.
2014 – Crimean parliament votes unanimously to make Crimea part of Russia.

I hope you found some of these facts interesting and worth getting some more information on. I found it fascinating that the invasion of Ukraine last week mirrors some of Putin’s actions in the past during this same time period.

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