

HISTORICAL DECEMBER

December 1, 1955:

Rosa Parks

was arrested for disobeying an Alabama law requiring black passengers to relinquish seats to white passengers when the bus was full.

Her arrest sparked a 381-day boycott of the Montgomery bus system and led to a 1956 Supreme Court decision banning segregation on public transportation.



December 3, 1818:

Illinois entered the Union.

The 21st state takes its name from the Illinois Confederation, a group of Algonquian-speaking tribes, native to the area. The Algonquin word "Illinois" means "tribe of superior men."

December 21, 1928:

President Calvin Coolidge signed the **Boulder Canyon Project Act** intended to dam the 1,400-mile Colorado River and distribute its water for use throughout the West.



Often referred to as Boulder Dam, the site was named after Herbert Hoover, an engineer actively engaged in the dam's development and distribution of its water rights, and president-elect on this day in 1928.

December 27, 1932:

New York City's **Radio City Music Hall** opened to the public.

Located in Rockefeller Center, the art deco theater is home to *The Radio City Christmas Spectacular*, a New York holiday tradition since 1933, and to the women's precision dance team known as the "Rockettes."



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I've passed the bar three times... and this is better.



Arizona Bar member and Diamondbacks general manager

Joe Garagiola Jr. upon winning the 2001 World Series

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