1947 THE YEAR You were born

AVERAGE COST

A first class stamp \$0.03
A gallon of gas \$0.23
A loaf of bread \$0.13
A movie ticket \$0.40
A new house \$6.600.00

PER YEAR \$2,850

'40s SLANG

Ace – Top notch expert
Bad news – It's trouble
Cookie – Cute Girl
Cat's Meow – The best
Flip your lid - Get angry
Buzz – Excitement
Bupkis – Zero

IN *Style...*

WOMEN

Shoulder pads
Defined waistlines
Skirts above the knee
Wrist length gloves
Victory roll hairstyle

MEN

Zoot Suits
Knit V-neck vests
Gabardine jacket
Fedora hats
Lace up Oxfords

U.S. PRESIDENT





U.S. POPULATION 144.1 MILLION

IN THE NEWS..

President Truman signs the National Security Act, establishing the Department of Defense, CIA, National Security Council and Joint Chiefs of Staff.

The Marshall Plan proposed to help European nations recover economically from World War II.

Jackie Robinson joins the Brooklyn Dodgers and becomes the first African-American to play in U.S. Major League Baseball.

The first version of Anne Frank's diary "Het Achterhuis" published in the Netherlands.

The Howdy Doody Show was the first tv show targeted towards children.

ON THE RADIO...

Near You - Francis Craig
Peg O' My Heart - Harmonicats
Heartaches - Ted Weems
Linda - Ray Noble and Buddy Clark
I Wish I Didn't Love You So Vaughn Monroe

TECHNOLOGY

A research team at Bell Laboratories invents the transistor.

The microwave oven is invented by Percy Spencer.

The first instant developing camera is demonstrated by Edwin Land in NYC.

IN THEATERS...

Gentleman's Agreement

Miracle On 34th Street

Out of the Past

The Bishop's Wife

ON Jelevision...

Howdy Doody Meet the Press Mary Kay & Johnny

Kraft Television Theatre