

We Didn't Start the Fire

Billy Joel

... **Harry Truman, Doris Day, Red China, Johnnie Ray**

South Pacific, Walter Winchell, Joe DiMaggio

Joe McCarthy, Richard Nixon, Studebaker, television

North Korea, South Korea, Marilyn Monroe

... **Rosenbergs, H-bomb, Sugar Ray, Panmunjom**

Brando, "The King and I", and "The Catcher in the Rye"

Eisenhower, Vaccine, England's got a new queen

Marciano, Liberace, Santayana, goodbye

... **We didn't start the fire**

It was always burning, since the world's been turning

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No, we didn't light it, but we tried to fight it

... **Joseph Stalin, Malenkov, Nasser and Prokofiev**

Rockefeller, Campanella, Communist Bloc

Roy Cohn, Juan Peron, Toscanini, Dacron

Dien Bien Phu falls, "Rock Around the Clock"

... **Einstein, James Dean, Brooklyn's got a winning team**

Davy Crockett, Peter Pan, Elvis Presley, Disneyland

Bardot, Budapest, Alabama, Krushchev

Princess Grace, Peyton Place, Trouble in the Suez

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... **Little Rock, Pasternak, Mickey Mantle, Kerouac**

Sputnik, Chou En-Lai, "Bridge on the River Kwai"

Lebanon, Charles de Gaulle, California baseball

Starkweather homicide, children of thalidomide

... **Buddy Holly, Ben Hur, space monkey, mafia**

Hula hoops, Castro, Edsel is a no-go

U2, Syngman Rhee, Payola and Kennedy

Chubby Checker, Psycho, Belgians in the Congo

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... **Hemingway, Eichmann, "Stranger in a Strange Land"**

Dylan, Berlin, Bay of Pigs invasion
"Lawrence of Arabia", British Beatlemania
Ole Miss, John Glenn, Liston beats Patterson
Pope Paul, Malcolm X, British politician sex
JFK – blown away, what else do I have to say?

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... **Birth control, Ho Chi Minh, Richard Nixon back again**

Moonshot, Woodstock, Watergate, punk rock
Begin, Reagan, Palestine, terror on the airline
Ayatollah's in Iran, Russians in Afghanistan

... **"Wheel of Fortune", Sally Ride, heavy metal suicide**

Foreign debts, homeless vets, AIDS, crack, Bernie Goetz
Hypodermics on the shore, China's under martial law
Rock and roller, cola wars, I can't take it anymore

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We didn't start the fire
But when we are gone
It will still burn on, and on, and on, and on, and on, and on, and on, and on

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