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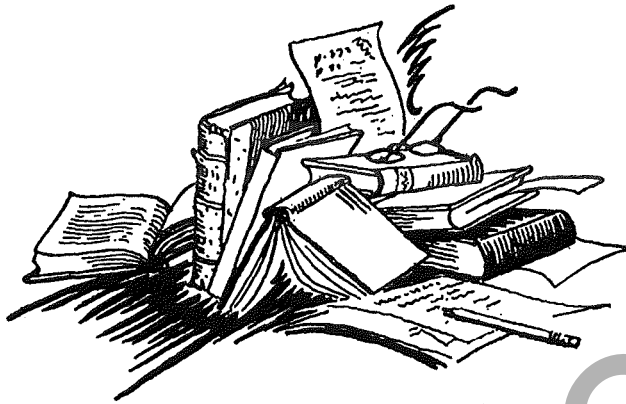
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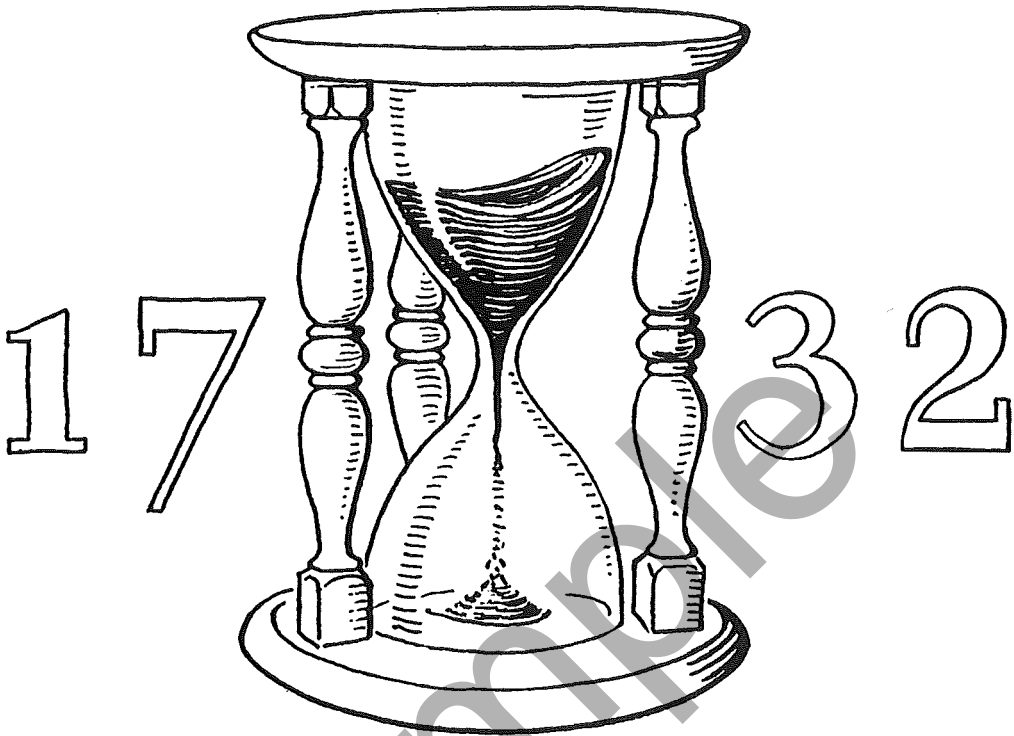
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IN THE YEAR 1732, in a small house overlooking the Potomac River in the colony of Virginia, a baby boy was born and a man's life began. It was February. A new year also was beginning. Winter was melting into spring, and the lazy wind that blew about the chimneys brought with it the smell of fresh moist earth from the broad fields of the plantation.

Inside the house the cheerful crackle of wood burning on the hearth mingled with the rich low sound of humming as an old servant washed and dressed the new-born one and laid him in his cradle.

"He's a fine big boy, Mis' Mary," she said with pride. "So big and strong. Looks like he's a month old already."

Two months later, when the spring sun was warmer and the young tobacco plants would soon be spreading their pattern of green dots against the rusty red soil of the fields, the baby boy was christened. Augustine, his father, inscribed this record of a third son's birthday in the family Bible.

*George Washington son to Augustines Mary his Wife was Born
on the 11th Day of February 1732^{1/2} about 10 in the Morning was Baptis'd the 5th of April
following*

February 11 was his birthday then, because the English people still used the Old Style Calendar made by Julius Caesar. It was not until twenty years later that they decided to number the days of their years according to what they still spoke of as the New Style Calendar, although it had been made by Pope Gregory more than one hundred fifty years before. The Old and New Style calendars varied in reckoning by eleven days, and so February 11 became February 22.

More than two hundred and fifty years have passed since that February morning when George Washington was born. Travel is rapid, now, news can circle the globe with the speed of light and what happens in other parts of the world affects our lives almost immediately.

But even in George Washington's world, when travel and the spread of news was slow and depended upon sails and horses, many of the events that happened in distant parts of the world had their effect upon one another and wove themselves into a single story.

This book tells that story, the story of George Washington's life, of the people who were living when he was, both in America, and all over the world. It tells of what they did when they were children, and of how later on the pattern of their lives fitted together, and what part each one played in that greatest of all adventure stories, the History of the World.



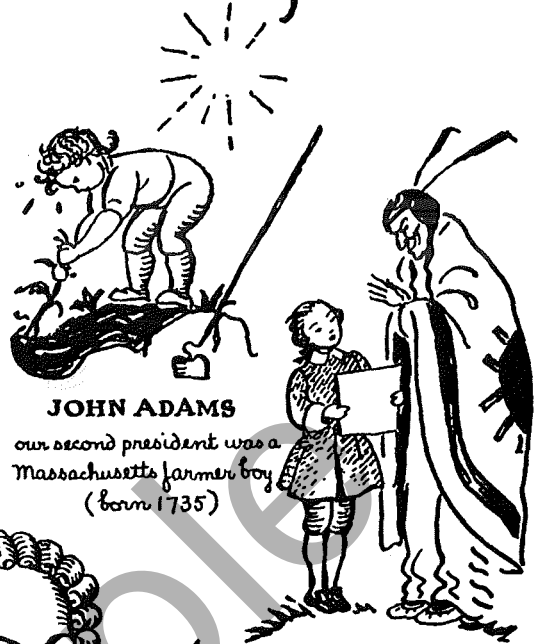
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People who were living, when



JOHN HANCOCK
was practicing penmanship
in the Boston Latin School
(born 1737)

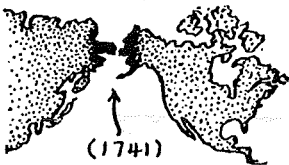


JOHN ADAMS
our second president was a
Massachusetts farmer boy
(born 1735)

BENJAMIN WEST
(born 1738) had his first paintings
admired by his Indian friends

He experimented
with Electricity

DANIEL BOONE
was learning to hunt in
the backwoods (born 1735)



VITUS BERING
exploring for Russia, crossed
the strait from Asia to America



BENJAMIN FRANKLIN
a friendly printer (born 1706)
was the best known American



JUNIPERO SERRA
who was to help found California
arrived in Mexico from Spain.
(born 1709)



JAMES WATT
inventor of the Steam Engine,
was busy in his father's shop. (born 1736)



JAMES COOK
who was to discover Australia
for England, ran away to sea
(born 1727)

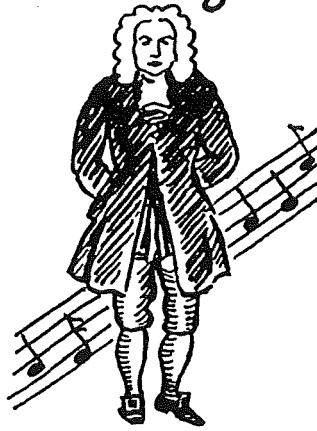
and Events that took place

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George Washington was a Boy



CATHERINE "the Great"
 then a German princess
 went to Russia (born 1729)



BACH
 the famous organist
 born 1685, died in 1750



MARIA THERESA
 became Queen of Austria
 and mother of many children
 (born 1717)



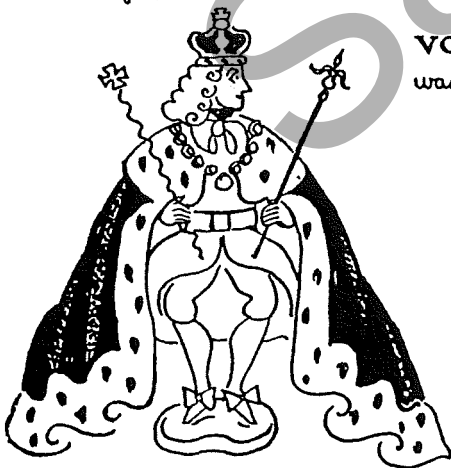
LOUIS XV
 was King of France (born 1710)



VOLTAIRE (born 1694)
 was writing against injustice



(born 1712)
FREDERICK "the Great"
 became King of Prussia,



GEORGE II
 though German born, was
 King of England (born 1683)



GEORGE III
 was being a good
 boy (born 1738)



QIANLONG
 had begun, in 1736, his sixty years
 as Emperor of China (born 1710)

between the years 1740 and 1755

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FIRST FLIGHT

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JUNIPERO SERRA

The Exciting Story of People, Events and Ideas from 1732 to 1799



FRANKLIN

Scientists, Doctors and Inventors such as Franklin (electricity), Lavoisier (modern chemistry), Watt (steam engine), Whitney (cotton gin), Dr. Jenner (smallpox vaccination), Slater (manufacturing) and more!

Authors, Poets, Painters and Musicians such as Bach, Voltaire, Thomas Paine, Phillis Wheatley, Benjamin West, Mozart, Hokusai, Benjamin Banneker, Vigée Le Brun and Goethe.

Voyages and Expeditions by Cook to Australia, Anson to the Pacific, Portola and Junipero Serra to California.

Discoveries such as Pompeii and the Rosetta stone.

Important Events such as the writing of the Declaration of Independence, the American Revolution, the creation of the Constitution, the French Revolution and many, many more.

Kings, Queens and Leaders such as Empress Catherine the Great of Russia, George III of England, Emperor Qianlong of China, Frederick the Great of Prussia, Louis XVI and Marie Antoinette of France, Sultan Mustafa III of the Ottoman Empire, Toussaint L'Ouverture of Haiti and the young Napoleon to name just a few.

Many American Contemporaries of Washington such as Thomas Jefferson, Daniel Boone, John Hancock, Pontiac, John and Abigail Adams, Alexander Hamilton, Haym Solomon, Casimir Pulaski, James Madison and others!



GOYA



BANNEKER



FREDERICK OF PRUSSIA



QIANLONG OF CHINA



CATHERINE OF RUSSIA

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