Gene's Electronic Time Capsule

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PROPAGANDA POSTERS FROM THE EARLY 1940s:

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This poster was used to represent the American women who worked in factories during World War II.

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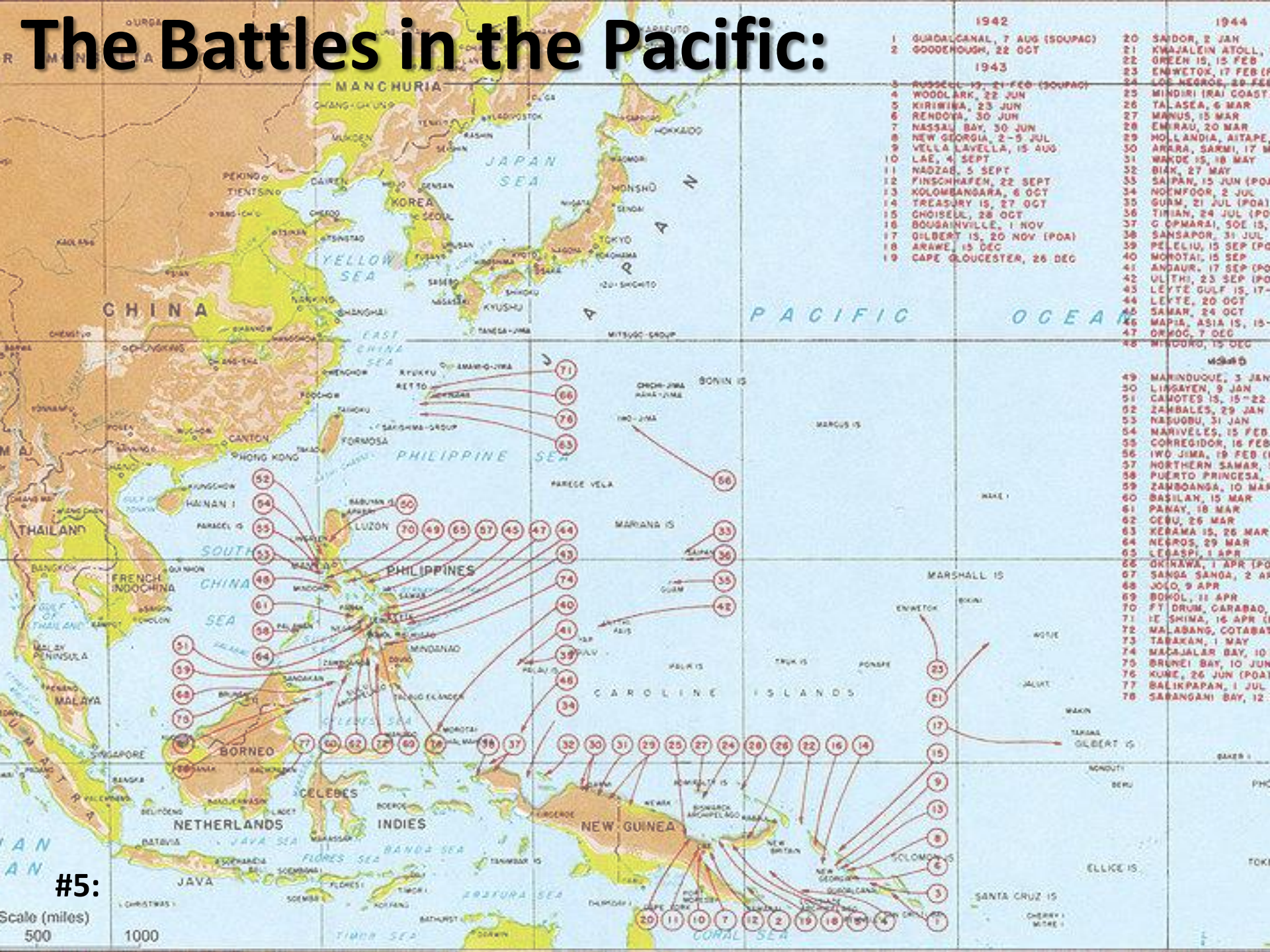This is a poster of Uncle Sam saying that people should enlist into the army.

The Allies

1) **British Empire (United Kingdom)**
2) **Union of Soviet Socialist Republics (Soviet Union)**
3) **United States of America**
   1) The leaders of the #1-3 formed what is known as "The Big Three".
4) **Australia**
5) **Belgium**
6) **Brazil**
7) **Canada**
8) **Czechoslovakia**
9) **Ethiopia**
10) **Greece**
11) **India**
12) **Mexico**
13) **The Netherlands**
14) **New Zealand**
15) **Norway**
16) **The Philippine Commonwealth**
17) **Poland**
18) **Republic of South Africa**
19) **Yugoslavia**
20) **Republic of China**

The Axis Powers

1) **Germany**
2) **Japan**
3) **Italy**
   1) Numbers 1-3 were the three major powers.
4) **Empire of Japan**
5) **Manchukuo**
6) **Wang Jingwei**
7) **Provisional Government of Free India (Azad Hind)**
8) **Thailand**

The Battles in the Pacific:

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Pearl Harbor:

- **Damages and Deaths:**
  - **United States:**
    - 4 battleships sunken, 4 damaged, including 1 run aground
    - 2 destroyers sunken, 1 damaged
    - 1 other ship sunken, 3 damaged
    - 3 cruisers damaged
    - 188 aircrafts destroyed, 155 aircrafts damaged
    - 2,402 military killed, 1,247 military wounded
    - 57 civilians killed, 35 civilians wounded
  - **Japan:**
    - 4 midget submarines sunken, 1 midget submarine run aground,
    - 29 aircraft destroyed,
    - 55 airmen killed
    - 9 submariners killed, 1 submariner captured

Overview:

- On **December 7, 1941**, the Empire of Japan launched a surprise attack on Pearl Harbor, in Hawaii, prompting the United States to join the Allies against the Axis powers, as well as the captivity of Japanese Americans by the thousands.

#17:

Pearl Harbor during the Japanese attack.

The Battle of the Java Sea

#19:

Bombs from a Japanese aircraft falling around *Netherlands Cruiser Java*, during Battle of Java Sea.

- The **Battle of the Java Sea** was a major naval battle of the Pacific during World War II. Allied navies suffered a disastrous defeat against the Japanese Navy, on **February 27, 1942**.
- The American-British-Dutch-Australian Command (ABDA) commander, **Admiral Karel Doorman** was among one of the many who died.
- **Damages and Deaths:**
  - **United States:**
    - **2 cruisers sunken**
    - **2 destroyers sunken and one damaged**
    - **2,300 sailors killed**
  - **Japan:**
    - **1 destroyer damaged**

The Battle of Coral Sea

- The Battle of the Coral Sea was fought in the waters southwest of the Solomon Islands and eastward from New Guinea on **May 4–8, 1942.**
- It was the first of the Pacific War's six fights between opposing aircraft carrier forces.
- It was fought between the **Japanese Navy** and **Australia and the U.S.**
- **Damages and Deaths:**
  - **United States:**
    - **2 fleet carriers damaged**
    - **1 destroyer sunken**
    - **1 oiler sunken**
    - **69 aircraft destroyed**
    - **656 killed**
  - **Japan:**
    - **1 light carrier sunken**
    - **1 destroyer sunken, 1 damaged**
    - **3 small warships sunken, 2 damaged**
    - **1 fleet carrier damaged**
    - **92 aircraft destroyed**
    - **966 killed**

#20:

U.S. Navy aircraft carrier *Lexington* exploding.

The Battle of Midway

#18:

This picture shows oil tanks burning during the Battle of Midway.

- **The Battle of Midway** is usually regarded to as being the most important naval battle of the Pacific during WWII.
- On **June 4-7, 1942**, the United States Navy finally defeated an attack made by the Imperial Japanese Navy (IJN) against Midway Atoll.
- **Damages and Deaths:**
  - **United States:**
    - 1 carrier sunken
    - 1 destroyer sunk
    - 150 aircraft destroyed
    - 307 killed
  - **Japan:**
    - 4 carriers sunken
    - 1 cruiser sunken
    - 248 carrier aircraft destroyed
    - 3,057 killed

The Battle of Savo Island

- The Battle of Savo Island, or **First Battle of Savo Island**, and known by the Japanese as the **First Battle of the Solomon Sea**, was a naval battle in the Pacific during WWII, between the Japanese Navy and Allied naval forces on **August 8-9, 1942.**

- **Damages and Deaths:**
  - **United States:**
    - 4 heavy cruisers sunken, 1 damaged
    - 2 destroyers damaged
    - 1,077 killed
  - **Japan:**
    - 3 cruisers moderately damaged
    - 58 killed

#21:

This picture shows the aftermath of the ship, HMAS *Canberra,* during the Battle of Savo Island.

American Political Leaders During 1942-1945

Franklin D. Roosevelt

- He was born on January 30, 1882

- Worked closely with Winston Churchill and Joseph Stalin in leading the Allies against Germany and Japan in WWII.

- As World War II emerged after 1938, Franklin D. Roosevelt gave strong diplomatic and financial support to China and Britain, while remaining officially neutral. His goal was to make America the **"Arsenal of Democracy"** which would supply ammunition to the Allies.

- He died on April 12, 1945, just as victory for the U.S. and it's allies was in sight.

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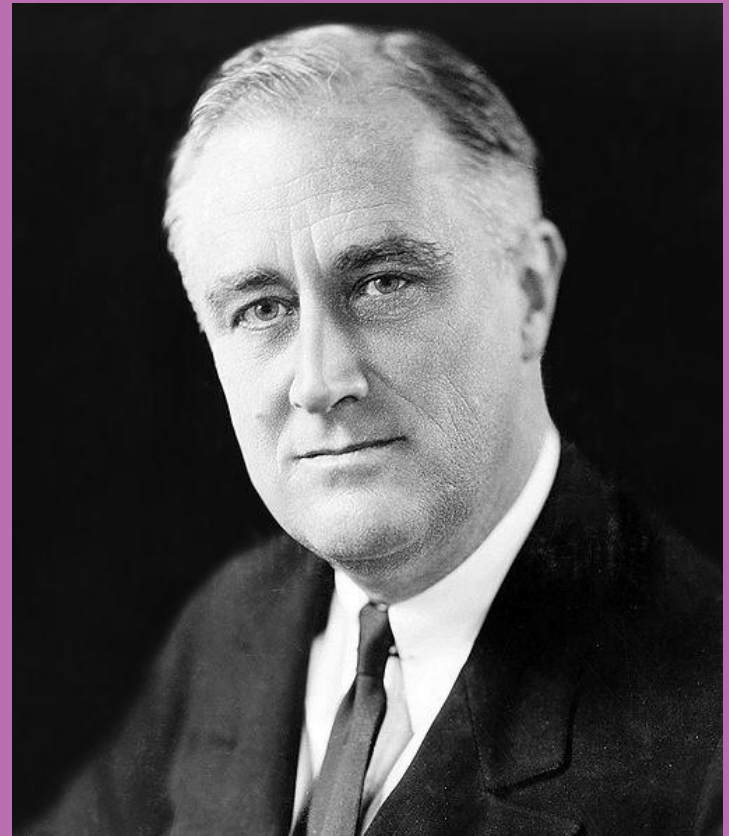
Franklin D. Roosevelt (FDR), the 32nd President of the United States.

Harry S. Truman

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- He was born on May 8, 1884.

- During WWI, he served as an artillery officer, making him the only president to be in combat during that time.

- After he gained a national reputation as head of wartime Truman Committee in 1944, he replaced vice president Henry A. Wallace, who was Roosevelt's first running mate.

- Upon President Roosevelt's death, he took over as the President.
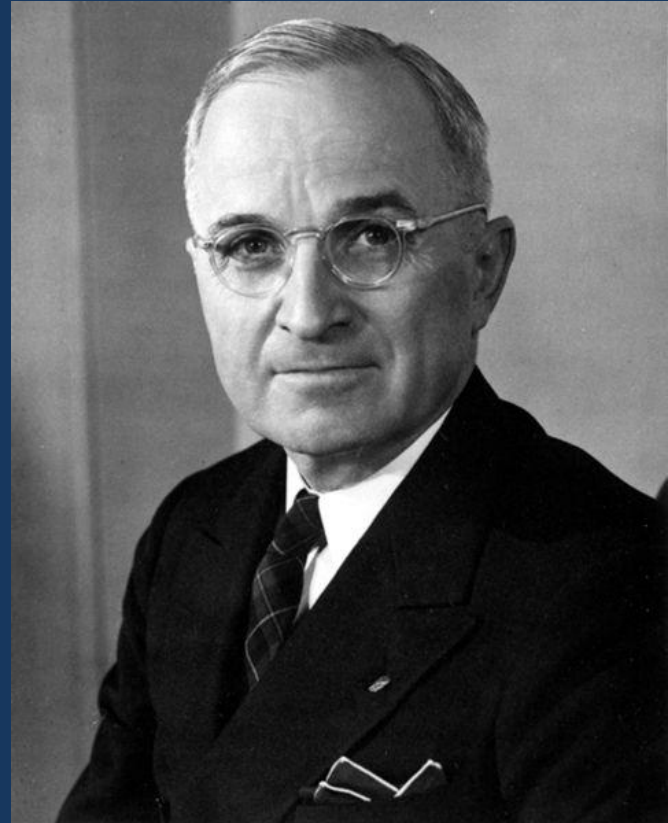
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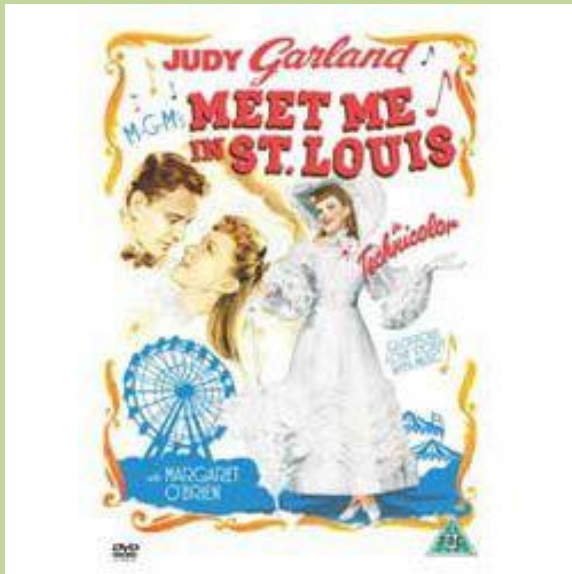
Popular Individuals in the early 1940s

Judy Garland

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This is was a movie poster which encouraged people to watch the movie, "Easter Parade".

#9:

This is the cover to the movie, "Meet Me in St. Louis".

#10:

This is Judy Garland starring as Dorothy in the Wizard of Oz.

William Saroyan

#11:

This is what the cover page to William Saroyan's book, "The Human Comedy" looked like.

#12:

This is William Saroyan composing one of his novels.

Michael Curtiz

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This is Michael Curtiz, a famous director in the 1930's and 40's.

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This is a movie that Michael Curtiz directed in 1943.

The Slinky®

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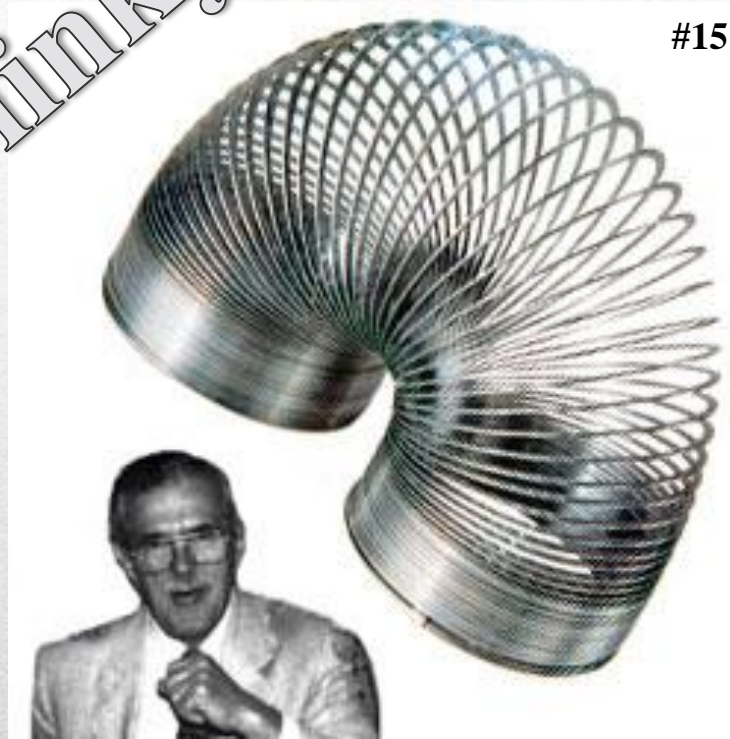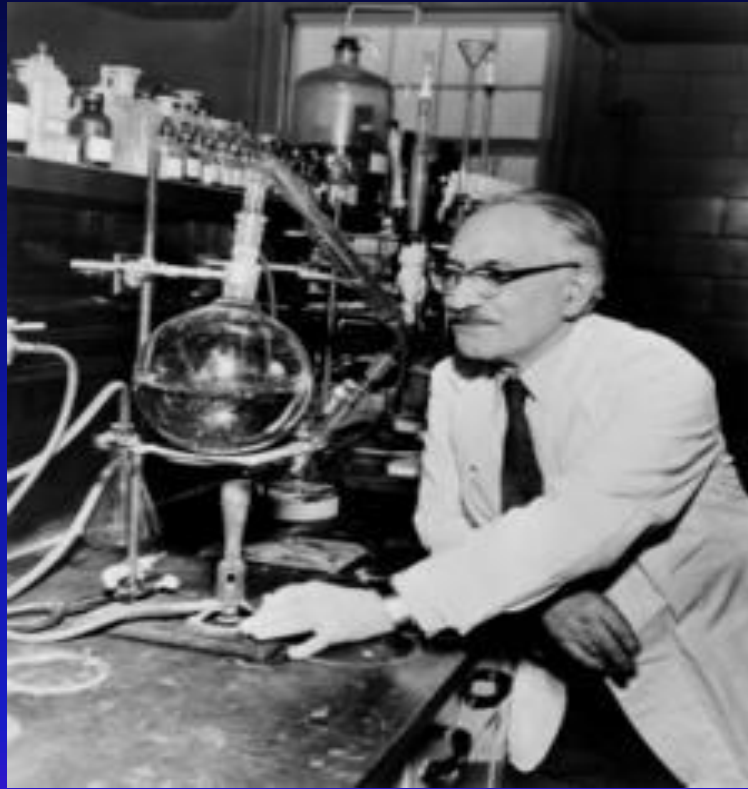

Richard James and The Slinky®.

A New Invention in the 1940s:

An Interesting Medical Discovery:

#16:

Above is a picture of **Selman Waksman,** an elite biochemist who worked to find cures for many diseases.

Popular Hit Songs in the 1940s

#7:

#1 Hit in 1942:
White Christmas – Bing Crosby

This is Bing Crosby recording his hit song, "White Christmas".

#6:

#1 Hit in 1943:
Paper Doll – Mills Brothers

The Mills Brothers posing for a picture.

Typical Clothing for Young Men in the 1940's:

#3:

This is typically what most men and young men dressed like in the 1940's.

#4:

This is another example of what some men wore. This form of attire is known as a "Zoot Suit".

Pictures have corresponding numbers beside them

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