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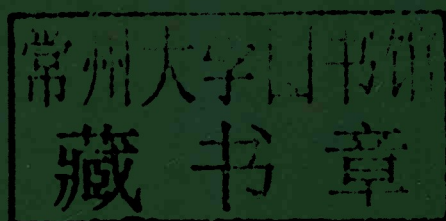
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we wanted to do:*

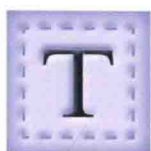
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Our cousin and brother, Hollis Pearce O'Bryant;

And our husbands, Maurice Lee Bresenhan, Jr.,
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A Quarter Century of Change

1986

The anti-smoking movement gained traction when both Surgeon General C. Everett Koop and the National Academy of Sciences reported that breathing secondhand smoke could cause cancer.

The first woman to win a United States Senate seat, Congresswoman Barbara Mikulski, had the political and financial support of women contributors to Emily's List, who gave \$150,000 to her campaign.

The Statue of Liberty got a face-lift for her 100th birthday.

Five and a half million Americans joined Hands Across America on May 25, paying \$10 each for a place in a human chain reaching across the continental United States. Proceeds were donated to local charities to fight hunger, homelessness, and poverty.

The Chernobyl nuclear disaster in the U.S.S.R. set off widespread speculation about potential fallout from a radioactive cloud.

Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr.'s birthday was celebrated as a national holiday for the first time.

The first American woman died of AIDS.

1987

Americans watched televised coverage of the rescue of "Baby Jessica" McClure, who fell into a well.

The population of the world hit five billion.

"Black Monday" on October 19 saw the steepest drop in Wall Street history, far surpassing the 1929 stock market crash that led to the Great Depression. The drop of 508.32 points represented a 22.6% loss of total stock value.

The Starbucks coffee empire, featuring coffee bars staffed by "baristas," began to build.

1988

NASA launched its first manned flight since the *Challenger* disaster two years earlier, when seven astronauts were killed in an explosion that occurred less than two minutes after takeoff.

The number of microwave products introduced in the United States soared as microwave ovens became ubiquitous in households.

1989

The Chinese army massacred student protesters at Tiananmen Square in Beijing.

The *Exxon Valdez* ran aground, releasing 240,000 barrels of crude oil into Prince William Sound, Alaska, killing or endangering otters, whales, porpoises, fish, and seafowl.

On August 25, America's *Voyager* space probe confirmed the rings of Neptune, and discovered six new moons circling the planet.

On November 9, the Berlin Wall came down.

1990

The popularity of "rap" music spread through all socioeconomic groups.

Iraq invaded Kuwait on August 2.

On October 3, after forty-three years of separation, East and West Germany were reunified.

1991

Operation Desert Storm started on February 24; on February 28, one hundred hours later, Iraq agreed to a ceasefire.

Texan Red Adair came out of retirement to fight Kuwaiti oil well fires set by withdrawing Iraqi forces.

Martha Stewart Living was launched.

The World Wide Web allowed image as well as message exchanges across the Internet.

IBM ceased typewriter production.

Eastman Kodak introduced its first digital camera.

Salsa outsold ketchup by \$40 million.

Scarlett, the sequel to *Gone with the Wind*, became the fastest-selling novel in history; 2.5 million copies were purchased between September 25 and December 31.

1992

Civil war began in the former Yugoslavia, as Serbia attempted to gain control of Bosnia-Herzegovina, Macedonia, Croatia, and Slovenia.

The United Nations Security Council sanctioned Libya for failing to surrender two suspects in the bombing of a Pan Am flight over Lockerbie, Scotland.

The Americans with Disabilities Act became effective.

Jury selection began in Los Angeles in the case of the beating of Rodney King by Los Angeles police.

At sixteen, Tiger Woods became the youngest Professional Golf Association (PGA) golfer in thirty-five years.

The Soviet newspaper *Pravda* suspended publication.

Disneyland Paris opened.

Rosa Parks's autobiography, *Rosa Parks: My Story*, was published, recounting the civil rights icon's life up to her historic refusal to give up her seat on a Montgomery, Alabama, bus.

Bill Clinton, the Democratic governor of Arkansas, was elected president of the United States, defeating the Republican incumbent, President George H. W. Bush, and independent candidate H. Ross Perot of Texas.

1993

The Branch Davidians had a standoff with U.S. Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, and Firearms agents at Mount Carmel, near Waco.

A U.S. Black Hawk helicopter was shot down in Mogadishu, Somalia.

Agents of al-Qaeda carried out the first bombing of the World Trade Center in New York City.

1994

Jacqueline Kennedy Onassis died and was buried next to her first husband, President John F. Kennedy.

The Hubble Telescope revealed proof of the existence of black holes.

Nelson Mandela was elected president of South Africa.

The oldest human ancestor, believed to be 4.4 million years old, was discovered in Kenya.

Nicole Brown Simpson and Ronald Goldman were murdered, and the O. J. Simpson trial began.

The Channel Tunnel, or "Chunnel," between England and France opened, allowing under-water travel from one shore to the other in only thirty-five minutes.

1995

Timothy McVeigh and Terry Nichols bombed the Alfred P. Murrah Federal Building in Oklahoma City, killing 168 people, including eight federal marshals.

The Ebola virus hit in Zaire, killing 244 people.

The first planet, a gas giant, was found outside our solar system.

1996

The Unabomber, Theodore "Ted" Kaczynski, was arrested in Montana.

Prince Charles and Princess Diana divorced.

NASA scientists described the presence of possible microbe fossils on a meteorite from Mars, indicating the possibility of life having existed on another planet.

1997

Madeleine Albright was the first woman sworn in as the U.S. Secretary of State.

Princess Diana died in an August car crash in Paris; one week later, Mother Teresa of Calcutta died.

Scottish scientists introduced Dolly, the cloned sheep.

Timothy McVeigh was found guilty and sentenced to death for the Oklahoma City bombing.

After 156 years, the British returned the colony of Hong Kong to China.

Pathfinder, the remote-controlled robot, landed on Mars, took pictures, and sampled its surface.

Hale-Bopp, considered the greatest comet of the twentieth century, was visible to 80% of Americans without need of a telescope.

Titanic became the biggest box-office hit in film history, earning more than \$1 billion and winning thirteen Academy Awards.

The first Harry Potter book by J. K. Rowling was published.

1998

Google began operations.

President Bill Clinton was impeached.

A heat wave in Texas saw temperatures reach nearly 120 degrees, the hottest temperature on record.

Former astronaut John Glenn returned to space on the shuttle *Discovery*, becoming the oldest person ever in space.

1999

Fears that the millennium changeover known as Y2K would cause major problems with computer software were unwarranted.

NATO, the North Atlantic Treaty Organization, celebrated its fiftieth anniversary.

Two students killed twelve classmates, a teacher, and themselves in the Columbine High School tragedy.

America's women's soccer team won the World Cup.

Refugee Elián González survived while others in his boat, including his mother, drowned en route between Cuba and Florida. González's Miami relatives wanted to keep him in the United States, but Fidel Castro demanded his return to Cuba.