

The background of the entire image is a stylized American flag with a distressed, weathered texture. It features a blue canton with white stars and alternating red and white horizontal stripes.

UNITED STATES

HISTORY

with Mr. Willis

UNIT 4 - DAY 9

ROARING TWENTIES CULTURE

THE ROARING

TWENTIES

**THE 1920s CHANGED AMERICA
FOREVER! NO OTHER DECADE
BEFORE IT HAD BROUGHT ABOUT
MORE RADICAL CHANGE TO
AMERICAN SOCIETY AND CULTURE.**

THE AIRWAVES & MASS PRINT



The **radio** becomes one of the most powerful means of **COMMUNICATION** in human history
"TUNING IN" TO THE "AIRWAVES" GAVE AMERICANS A SHARED NATIONAL EXPERIENCE

The radio brought the world directly into the **AMERICAN HOME**
FOR THE 1ST TIME EVER, WE COULD LISTEN TO NEWS OR THE POTUS SPEAK LIVE!
SPORTING EVENTS, MUSIC, DRAMAS, ETC.

The 20s saw massive growth in **NEWS PRINT**. **MAGAZINE JOURNALISM**
JOURNALISTS REPORTED ON FOREIGN NEWS,
TIME AND READER'S DIGEST WERE CREATED



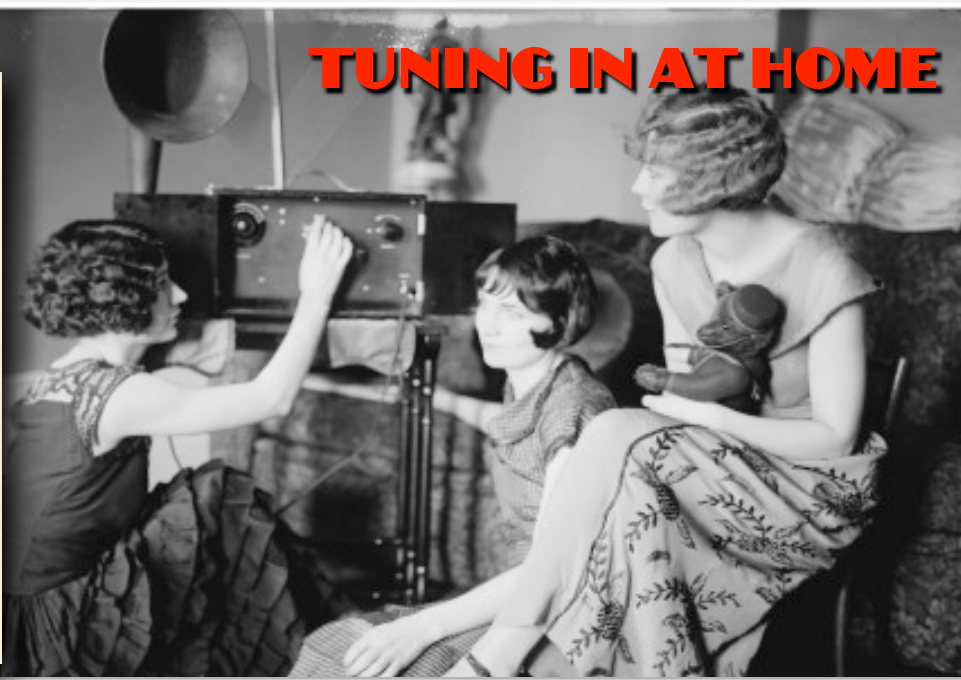
Every Sunday Night
8:15 P.M. East 7:15 P.M. West

RADIO DRAMAS

Broadcast Through
KDKA
WBZA
KSD
WJR
KYW
WCCO
WDAF

Turn your dial-
to the
Most Unusual
Feature on the Air!

TUNING IN AT HOME



RADIO IN THE 20s

AMERICANS BROUGHT THE RADIO INTO THEIR HOMES AND TUNED IN FOR NEWS, MUSIC, PERFORMANCES, AND SPORTS.

AMERICA CHANGED **FOREVER!**



RADIO DANCE PARTIES

AN ERA OF HEROES & FADS

Americans spent **billions of \$\$** on leisure activities, including **fads** solving crossword puzzles, **flagpole sitting**, **buying Egyptian-themed furniture**

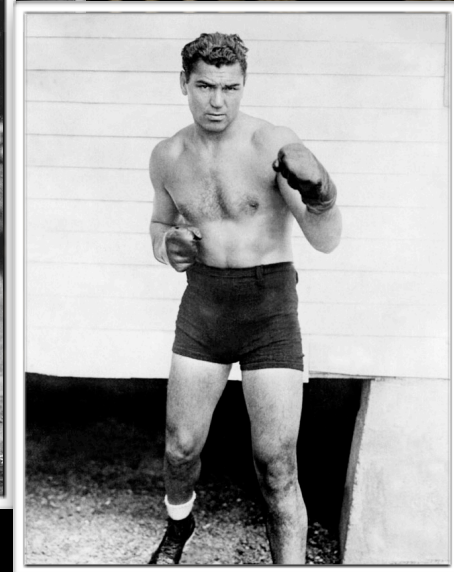
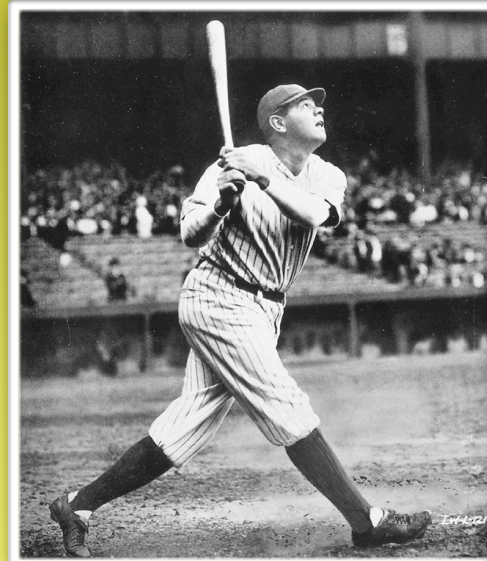
They went to outdoor **sporting events**, athletes became **heroes**

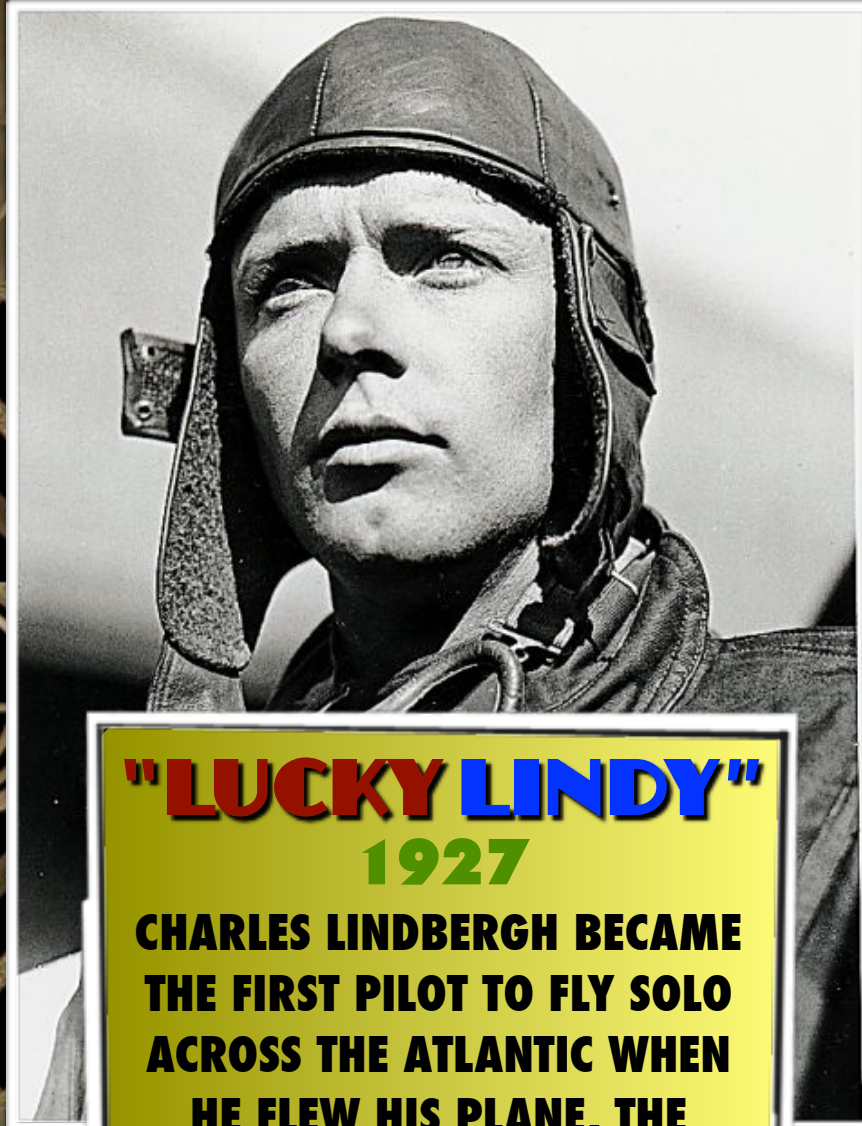
Babe Ruth was the **biggest star of all**, **Jack Dempsey** was a **champion boxer**

These heroes set new records, tested human limits, **personified American spirit**

Another hero was aviator and pilot **Charles Lindbergh**

"Lucky Lindy" was the **first pilot to fly non-stop alone across the Atlantic**

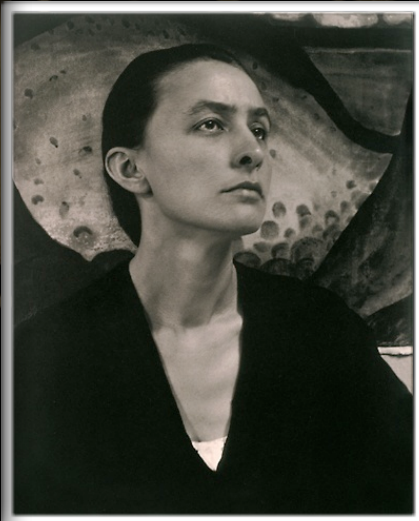




"LUCKY LINDY" 1927

CHARLES LINDBERGH BECAME THE FIRST PILOT TO FLY SOLO ACROSS THE ATLANTIC WHEN HE FLEW HIS PLANE, THE "SPIRIT OF ST. LOUIS", NON-STOP FROM NEW YORK TO PARIS.

MOVIES, MUSIC & THE ARTS



Movies (silent & black and white) became an **American pastime** on the **silver screen** in the 20s. **Americans were enchanted**, and stars like **Charlie Chapin**, **Rudolph Valentino** became **American legends!**

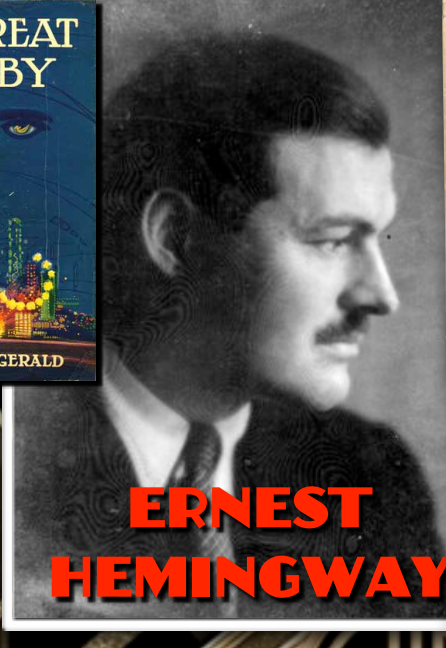
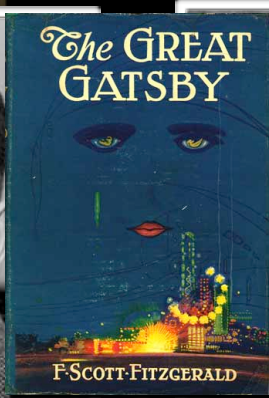
Composer **George Gershwin** became a **legendary jazz artist**

Painter **Georgia O'Keefe** and other artists embodied **art-deco**

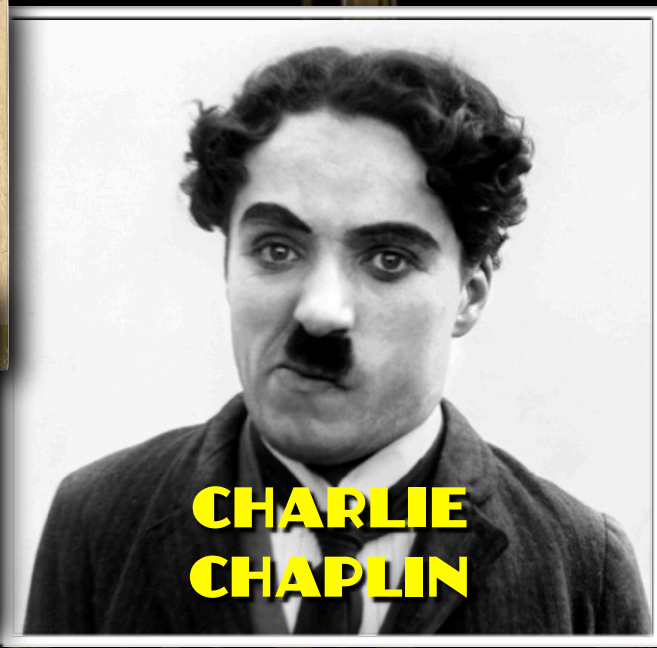
American writers known as the "**Lost Generation**" became known. **In their works**, these authors **criticized** **American society's greed and inhumanity**



**F. SCOTT
FITZGERALD**



**ERNEST
HEMINGWAY**



**CHARLIE
CHAPLIN**

ENTERTAINMENT

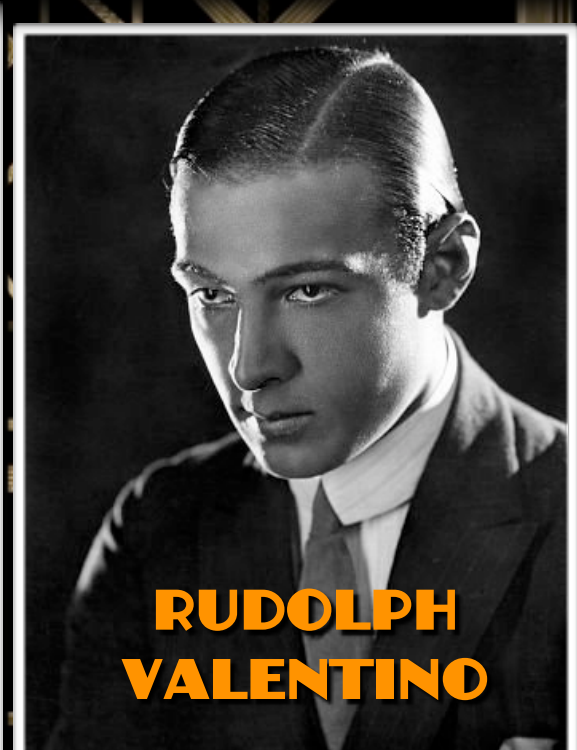
IN THE **20s**

**JAZZ MUSIC, THE MOTION
PICTURE, AND AMERICAN
LITERATURE BECAME NATIONAL
TREASURES IN THE 1920s.**

**THE ICONS OF THIS ERA ARE
FAMOUS EVEN
TODAY!**



**GEORGE
GERSHWIN**



**RUDOLPH
VALENTINO**