



GEORGE C. MARSHALL: A CHRONOLOGY

- * 1880 Born in Uniontown, PA. (December 31)
- 1901 Graduated from Virginia Military Institute (Lexington, VA)
- * 1902 Commissioned as a second lieutenant in the Army (February 2)
Married Elizabeth (Lily) Coles (February 11)
Posted to the Philippines
- 1903-17 Officer in a variety of Army assignments in the U.S. and the Philippines (1913-16)
- * 1917-1918 Served as officer in France during World War I
- 1919-24 Assisted General Pershing (France, Washington, DC)
- * 1924-27 Commanded troops stationed in China
- 1927 Wife Lily suddenly died
Assigned to head U.S. Army Infantry School at Fort Benning (Georgia)
- 1930 Married Katherine Tupper Brown and became father to three stepchildren: Molly (18), Clifton (16), and Allen (14).
- 1932-36 Commanded various posts in Georgia and South Carolina (also oversaw CCC camps) and then in Chicago (trained National Guard)
- * 1936-38 Promoted to brigadier general
Oversaw CCC camps and army troops in states of Oregon and Washington
Recalled to Washington, D.C. to serve as Deputy Chief of Staff
- * 1939-45 Promoted to general and sworn in as Chief of Staff
1939-40: urged President Roosevelt to prepare for war
December 7, 1941: alerted President about Pearl Harbor attack
- 1941-1945 Coordinated global war effort in WW II until Allied victory
November 18, 1945: retired as Chief of Staff
- * 1945-46 Sent by President Truman on a special mission to China
- * 1947-48 Appointed by President Truman to serve as Secretary of State, initiated European Recovery Program (Marshall Plan)
- 1949-50 Served as president of the American Red Cross
- * 1950-51 Served as Secretary of Defense during Korean crisis
- * 1953 Received the Nobel Peace Prize for the Marshall Plan
- * 1959 Died at Walter Reed Army Hospital, Washington, D.C. (October 16)

* Items to be included in **Marshall's World** lesson, timetable column #5.