

Birthday Financial Review

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Your Birthstone - Garnet

Your Birth Sign - Capricorn

Events of the Month

In Washington, D.C., President Eisenhower allows a presidential press conference to be filmed for television and newsreels for the first time. The Atomic Energy Commission announces that nuclear power plants will be available for private ownership. Yale University's Albert Sabin reports that he is testing live polio vaccine. American scientists introduce Thorazine and Reserpine for mental patients. Panama and the United States sign a pact that establishes cooperation over Panama Canal issues.

Popular Music

Back in 1955, the popular songs were: "Ain't That a Shame" performed by Pat Boone; "Autumn Leaves" performed by Roger Williams; "Hearts of Stone" sung by The Fontane Sisters; and "Learnin' the Blues" by Frank Sinatra. Also topping the charts: "Let Me Go Lover" by Joan Weber; "Sincerely" by The McGuire Sisters; "Sixteen Tons" by Tennessee Ford; and the popular "Unchained Melody" by Les Baxter.

Then vs. Now Cost of Living Comparisons

	1955	2015
Gallon of Milk	\$.92	\$3.76
Loaf of Bread	\$.18	\$1.41
New Auto	\$1,950.00	\$26,790.00
Gallon of Gas	\$.23	\$2.77
New Home	\$22,000.00	\$208,300.00
Average Income	\$4,137.00	\$39,659.00
Dow Jones	488.40	17,727.16

Academy Award Winning Movies

Best Movie "Marty" - Directed by Delbert Mann
Best Actor Ernest Borgnine-"Marty"
Best Actress Anna Magnani-"The Rose Tattoo"

The Year's Sports Highlights

The Brooklyn Dodgers defeat the New York Yankees in the seventh game to clinch the World Series. Seven-foot-two-inch Wilt Chamberlain is scheduled to attend the University of Kansas. In the NBA, Syracuse beats Ft. Wayne to become NBA champs. The Los Angeles Rams defeat the Cleveland Browns 38-14 for the NFL title. For the third consecutive year, Louison Bobet wins the Tour de France. Ken Rosewall wins Australian tennis title. Swaps, ridden by Willie Shoemaker, wins the Kentucky Derby.

Yearly Income

