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1929 Fun Facts and The Sound and the Fury

1929 Fun Facts:

Popeye made his comic debut.

US and Canada came to an agreement to protect Niagara Falls.

7-up was invented.

The Broadway Melody became the first major musical film of the sound era.

Time is a very important symbol in The Sound and the Fury. Benjy has no concept of time, partially explaining his erratic and confusing narration style. Quentin, on the other hand, is surrounded by time, and there is apparent symbolism in his shattering of his wristwatch and his asking if clocks were running on time, but not wanting to know the time. What is this significance?