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February 1926 - Black History Week was initiated by Dr. Carter G. Woodson. Largely through his efforts, the nation today celebrates Black History Month every February. He organized the campaign to dramatize the achievements of Black people. Woodson taught many more Black scholars to shed their feelings of inferiority."

February 22, 1911 - Frances Ellen Watkins Harper, died at the age of 86. She was the first Black woman to publish a novel, Iola Leary, the Shadows Uplifted. Frances Harper lectured for the Anti-Slavery Society of Maine. She composed a hymn, Freedom's Battle, in protest of the U.S. Supreme Court's Dred Scott Decision (1857) which had supported slavery.

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