



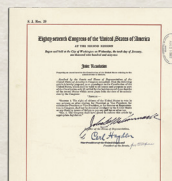
**November 14, 1960**  
Ruby Bridges becomes the first black student to attend an all-white elementary school in Louisiana.

Photo by Fred Blackwell



**May 28, 1963**  
Sit-in held at a Woolworth's lunch counter in Jackson, Mississippi, is attacked.

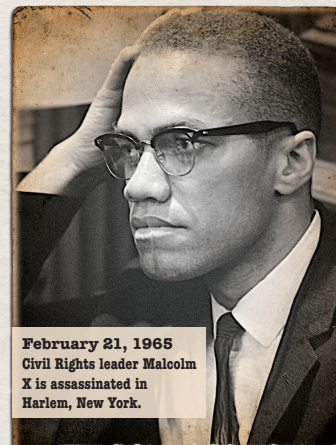
**September 15, 1963**  
Four girls are killed in the bombing of the 16th Street Baptist Church in Birmingham, Alabama.



**January 23, 1964**  
The 24th Amendment abolishes poll taxes.



**Summer 1964**  
Known as "Freedom Summer" in Mississippi. Hundreds of students work for civil rights. Three are killed.



**February 21, 1965**  
Civil Rights leader Malcolm X is assassinated in Harlem, New York.

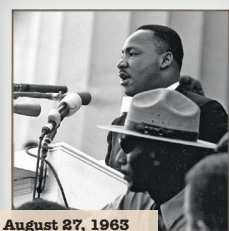


**March 7, 1965**  
Demonstrators attempt to cross the Edmund Pettus Bridge in Selma, Alabama, but are attacked and beaten by police.

**April 18-17, 1960**  
Students form the Student Nonviolent Coordinating Committee (SNCC).

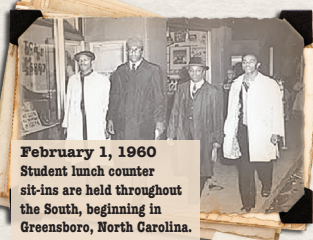


**October 1, 1962**  
James Meredith becomes the first black student to enroll at the University of Mississippi.



**August 27, 1963**  
Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. leads the March on Washington.

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**February 1, 1960**  
Student lunch counter sit-ins are held throughout the South, beginning in Greensboro, North Carolina.



**May 2-5, 1963**  
The Children's Crusade—a march made by hundreds of school students—is attacked by police dogs and fire hoses in Birmingham, Alabama.



**November 22, 1963**  
President John F. Kennedy is assassinated in Dallas, Texas.

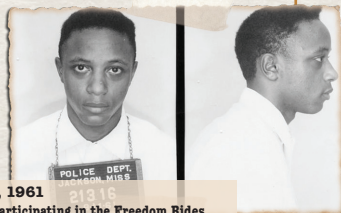


**August 24-27, 1964**  
Fannie Lou Hamer and other members of the Mississippi Freedom Democratic Party demand to be seated at the Democratic National Convention in Atlantic City, New Jersey.

**August 6, 1965**  
President Lyndon B. Johnson signs the Voting Rights Act of 1965 into law.

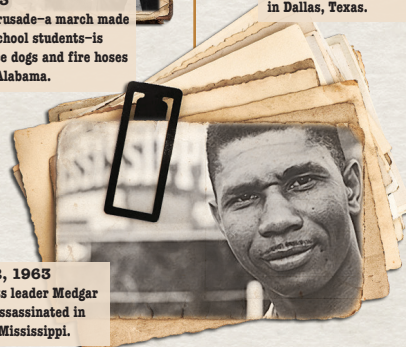
**April 4, 1968**  
Civil Rights leader Martin Luther King, Jr. is assassinated in Memphis, Tennessee.

**June 6, 1966**  
James Meredith begins the March Against Fear from Memphis, Tennessee to Jackson, Mississippi. He is shot on the second day of the march. Thousands rally to finish the march for him. This photo of Meredith, taken shortly after he was shot by Jack R. Thornell, won the Pulitzer Prize in 1967. Meredith survived the attack.



**May 4, 1961**  
People participating in the Freedom Rides board buses, trains and planes to obtain equal treatment in interstate travel (as required by the Supreme Court). Hundreds go to jail.

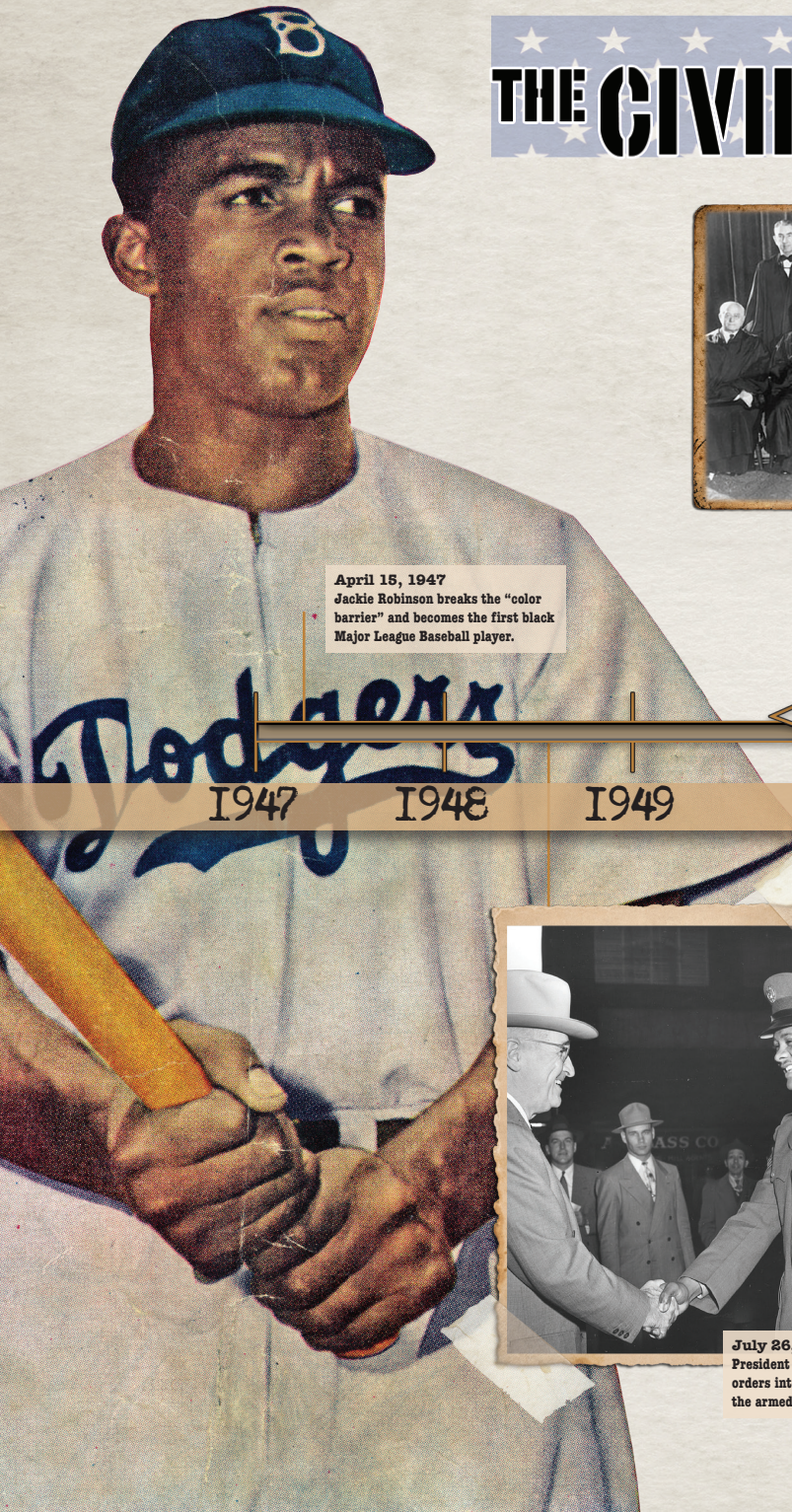
**June 12, 1963**  
Civil rights leader Medgar Evers is assassinated in Jackson, Mississippi.



**July 2, 1964**  
Civil Rights Act of 1964 becomes law, outlawing discrimination based on race, color or religion.



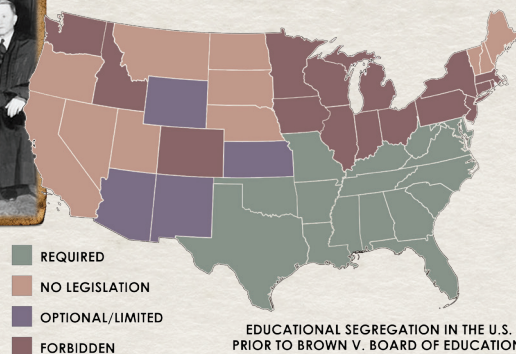
# STUDIES WEEKLY PRESENTS: THE CIVIL RIGHTS MOVEMENT



**April 15, 1947**  
Jackie Robinson breaks the "color barrier" and becomes the first black Major League Baseball player.



**May 17, 1954**  
Brown v. Board of Education. Supreme Court rules schools must be integrated. Separate is not equal.



**September 25, 1957**  
Nine students integrate Central High School in Little Rock, Arkansas.

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1948

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**July 26, 1948**  
President Truman orders integration of the armed forces.



**August 28, 1955**  
Emmett Till, a fourteen-year-old boy, is tortured and killed after being accused of whistling at a white woman.



**December 1, 1955**  
Rosa Parks is arrested for refusing to move to the back of a city bus. Reverend Martin Luther King, Jr. leads the Montgomery Bus Boycott.