
Great Generation And Its Obstacle - Great Depression

Being born between 1910-1925 or growing up in the 1920s/30s you were a part of the Greatest Generation. It was basically depicting the generation who were the offspring of the Great Depression and who turned into the grown-ups of the Second World War. It was a generation that distinguished itself from others, by means of total sacrifice, commitment, and belief in their cause. It is important to note that their 'Greatness' was achieved out of necessity, having to respond to a situation, and having to deal with certain circumstances.

One of the obstacles that the Great Generation survived, was the Great Depression. The start of this downturn was on Thursday, October 29, 1929. On this day the securities exchanges costs all of a sudden plunged. Billions of Dollars were lost in merely hours. Stunned by the abrupt fall of stock esteem, financial specialists started to sell their offers. After several days the financial exchange started its long voyage downwards. This day is known as Black Tuesday, October 29. As terrible as the financial exchange fall sounds, it didn't generally harm the American Economy without anyone else's input. It helped call attention to more profound issues including the economy. For Example, declining request, rising imbalance, rustic breakdown, over expanded speculators, and the blasting of theoretical air pockets. All these were main considerations to the dive of the US. As the Depression spread its way over the US, Americans would have liked to continue this financial destruction. Until some type of help tagged along.

Though the more wealthy didn't have it as bad, the crisis eventually got to deep it had basically impacted all Americans. Middle class and working-class Americans might rely on credit with stores, default on utility bills, even skipping meals. The most desperate, slept at public property/parks. Poor women and young children were forced to make ends meet. So, the male being the bread winner wasn't the case anymore.

The next big thing the Great Generation overcame was WWII. Most children that had gone through the Great Depression, are now all grown up going through WWII. First let's look at the numbers and participants. Roughly about 18 million men served in WWII. More than half of them were drafted into service. Women were also involved in fighting for the US in WWII. FDR and his administration asked for women to help the war effort. They believed that with the help of women, it would really be a big boost. Many labor opportunities were brought upon women during these times. For Example, industrial labor was now a women's job for the rest of the war. Other woman applied for factory jobs. Those who chose to not work, there were many volunteer opportunities available such as Red Cross, organizing social events for families, packing and shipping medical supplies overseas, and preparing care packages for Americans away at war. Options such as military service were also on the table for women. Over 350,000 women served in all female units of the military branches. The Army and Navy Nurse Corps Reserve, Women's Army Auxiliary Corps, Coast Guards SPARS. The Marine Corps also gave them the option to work as officers or enlisted members at military bases at home or abroad.

Unfortunately, these opportunities weren't available for all woman. Segregation remained a problem for black woman wanting to join the fight. Factory jobs for them involved them wiping floors, having separate lunchrooms, and working at night so they would be separated from the white woman. Just two or three hundred of Black medical attendants were employed for Red

Cross. The Black Army and Navy medical caretakers worked in isolated military clinics on bases in America and abroad.

The war also impacted of people of color such as African Americans, Mexicans, Jews, and Japanese Americans. The most affected seemed to be the African Americans, and the Japanese Americans. Segregated and led by white officers, more than 1 million African Americans fought in the war. Many Africans Americans saw that fighting in the war brought upon the opportunity to fight for two wars. The war against Fascism and the war against racial inequality back home. The war ignited African Americans an urgency for equality that would carry with them into the subsequent years. -----

Around this time, the FBI had begun investigating Japanese American for disloyalty. Even though a good number of Japanese Americans fought for the US in WWII, the president authorized Executive Order 9066. So, at this point Japanese immigrants and citizens in the US were removed from their homes and relocated. Under the Custody of War Relocation authority, they were taken into internment camps, surrounded by guards and barbed wire. They lost their homes and jobs, which affected roughly around 100,000 Japanese descended individuals. About 70,000 were American citizens.-----

Wartime economy during this time was impacting. Wartime generation stirred America's monetary quality. The projects controlling monetary creation for war exertion, helped the budgetary yield takeoff up. During the four years of war, the US doubled up on their federal spending. Be that as it may, the wartime economy blasted. The Roosevelt organization asked natives to spare their profit or purchase war bonds to avoid swelling. They not just financed a great part of the war exertion, they restrained swelling also. So too taxed rates. The government raised annual assessments and helped the top minimal expense rate to 94 percent. Each American got proportioning cards and, lawfully, products, for example, gas, espresso, meat, cheddar, margarine, prepared nourishment, kindling, and sugar couldn't be obtained without them. The lodging business was closed, and the urban communities became stuffed. Not being able to employ $\frac{1}{4}$ of the workforce, now the economy had trouble filling open jobs up. At this point the US economy has drastically improved from where it had been in the beginning of the War.

The US entered the war in a devastating financial downturn and left toward the start of an unrivaled monetary blast. The war had been won, the US was more grounded than any time in recent memory, and Americans anticipated a prosperous future.