***“We Didn’t Start the Fire”*** ~ by Billy Joel

Harry Truman, Doris Day, Red China, Johnny Ray  
South Pacific, Walter Winchell, Joe DiMaggio  
  
Joe McCarthy, Richard Nixon, Studebaker, Television  
North Korea, South Korea, Marilyn Monroe  
  
Rosenbergs, H Bomb, Sugar Ray, Panmunjom  
Brando, The King And I, and The Catcher In The Rye  
  
Eisenhower, Vaccine, England's got a new queen  
Marciano, Liberace, Santayana goodbye

We didn't start the fire  
It was always burning  
Since the world's been turning  
We didn't start the fire  
No we didn't light it  
But we tried to fight it  
  
Joseph Stalin, Malenkov, Nasser and Prokofiev  
Rockefeller, Campanella, Communist Bloc

Roy Cohn, Juan Peron, Toscanini, Dacron  
Dien Bien Phu Falls, Rock Around the Clock  
  
Einstein, James Dean, Brooklyn's got a winning team  
Davy Crockett, Peter Pan, Elvis Presley, Disneyland  
  
Bardot, Budapest, Alabama, Khrushchev  
Princess Grace, Peyton Place, Trouble in the Suez  
  
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Little Rock, Pasternak, Mickey Mantle, Kerouac  
Sputnik, Chou En-Lai, Bridge On The River Kwai  
  
Lebanon, Charles de Gaulle, California baseball  
Starkweather, Homicide, Children of Thalidomide  
Buddy Holly, Ben Hur, Space Monkey, Mafia  
Hula Hoops, Castro, Edsel is a no-go  
  
U2, Syngman Rhee, payola and Kennedy  
Chubby Checker, Psycho, Belgians in the Congo  
  
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Hemingway, Eichmann, Stranger in a Strange Land  
Dylan, Berlin, Bay of Pigs invasion  
  
Lawrence of Arabia, British Beatlemania  
Ole Miss, John Glenn, Liston beats Patterson  
  
Pope Paul, Malcolm X, British Politician sex  
J.F.K. blown away, what else do I have to say  
  
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Birth control, Ho Chi Minh, Richard Nixon back again  
Moonshot, Woodstock, Watergate, punk rock  
Begin, Reagan, Palestine, Terror on the airline  
Ayatollah's in Iran, Russians in Afghanistan  
  
Wheel of Fortune, Sally Ride, heavy metal, suicide  
Foreign debts, homeless Vets, AIDS, Crack, Bernie Goetz  
Hypodermics on the shores, China's under martial law  
Rock and Roller cola wars, I can't take it anymore  
  
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