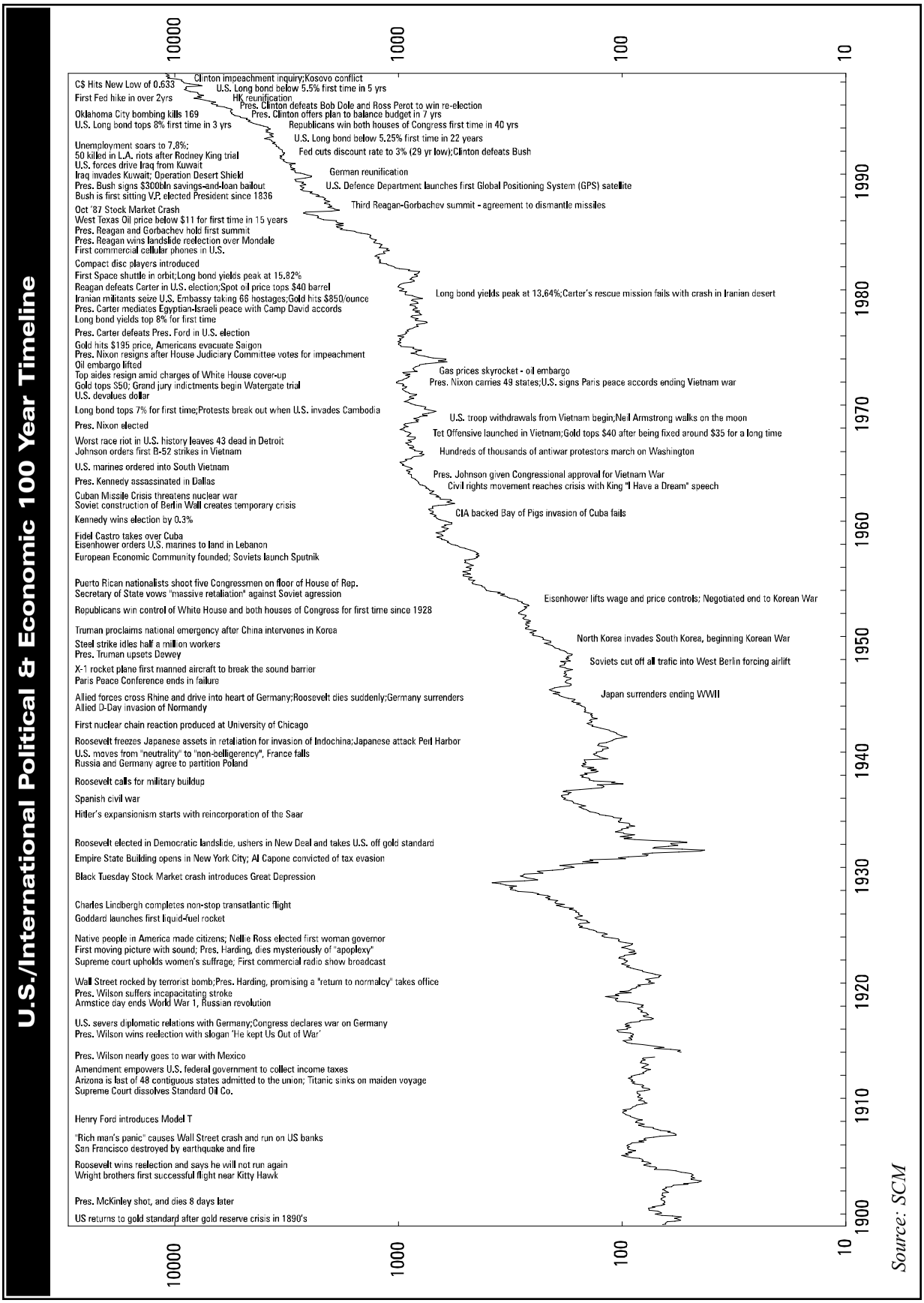
U.S./International Political & Economic 100 Year Timeline
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C$ Hits New Low of 0.633
First Fed hike in over 2yrs
Oklahoma City bombing kills 169
U.S. Long bond tops 8% first time in 3 yrs
Unemployment soars to 7.8%;
50 killed in L.A. riots after Rodney King trial
U.S. forces drive Iraq from Kuwait
Iraq invades Kuwait; Operation Desert Shield
Pres. Bush signs $300bln savings-and-loan bailout
Bush is first sitting V.P. elected President since 1836
Oct '87 Stock Market Crash
West Texas Oil price below $11 for first time in 15 years
Pres. Reagan and Gorbachev hold first summit
Pres. Reagan wins landslide reelection over Mondale
First commercial cellular phones in U.S.
Compact disc players introduced
First Space shuttle in orbit;Long bond yields peak at 15.82%
Reagan defeats Carter in U.S. election;Spot oil price tops $40 barrel
Iranian militants seize U.S. Embassy taking 66 hostages;Gold hits $850/ounce
Pres. Carter mediates Egyptian-Israeli peace with Camp David accords
Long bond yields top 8% for first time
Pres. Carter defeats Pres. Ford in U.S. election
Gold hits $195 price, Americans evacuate Saigon
Pres. Nixon resigns after House Judiciary Committee votes for impeachment
Oil embargo lifted
Top aides resign amid charges of White House cover-up
Gold tops $50; Grand jury indictments begin Watergate trial
U.S. devalues dollar
Long bond tops 7% for first time;Protests break out when U.S. invades Cambodia
Pres. Nixon elected
Worst race riot in U.S. history leaves 43 dead in Detroit
Johnson orders first B-52 strikes in Vietnam
U.S. marines ordered into South Vietnam
Pres. Kennedy assassinated in Dallas
Cuban Missile Crisis threatens nuclear war
Soviet construction of Berlin Wall creates temporary crisis
Kennedy wins election by 0.3%
Fidel Castro takes over Cuba
Eisenhower orders U.S. marines to land in Lebanon
European Economic Community founded; Soviets launch Sputnik
Puerto Rican nationalists shoot five Congressmen on floor of House of Rep.
Secretary of State vows "massive retaliation" against Soviet agression
Republicans win control of White House and both houses of Congress for first time since 1928
Truman proclaims national emergency after China intervenes in Korea
Steel strike idles half a million workers
Pres. Truman upsets Dewey
X-1 rocket plane first manned aircraft to break the sound barrier
Paris Peace Conference ends in failure
Allied forces cross Rhine and drive into heart of Germany;Roosevelt dies suddenly;Germany surrenders
Allied D-Day invasion of Normandy
First nuclear chain reaction produced at University of Chicago
Roosevelt freezes Japanese assets in retaliation for invasion of Indochina;Japanese attack Perl Harbor
U.S. moves from "neutrality" to "non-belligerency", France falls
Russia and Germany agree to partition Poland
Roosevelt calls for military buildup
Spanish civil war
Hitler's expansionism starts with reincorporation of the Saar
Roosevelt elected in Democratic landslide, ushers in New Deal and takes U.S. off gold standard
Empire State Building opens in New York City; Al Capone convicted of tax evasion
Black Tuesday Stock Market crash introduces Great Depression
Charles Lindbergh completes non-stop transatlantic flight
Goddard launches first liquid-fuel rocket
Native people in America made citizens; Nellie Ross elected first woman governor
First moving picture with sound; Pres. Harding, dies mysteriously of "apoplexy"
Supreme court upholds women's suffrage; First commercial radio show broadcast
Wall Street rocked by terrorist bomb;Pres. Harding, promising a "return to normalcy" takes office
Pres. Wilson suffers incapacitating stroke
Armstice day ends World War 1, Russian revolution
U.S. severs diplomatic relations with Germany;Congress declares war on Germany
Pres. Wilson wins reelection with slogan 'He kept Us Out of War'
Pres. Wilson nearly goes to war with Mexico
Amendment empowers U.S. federal government to collect income taxes
Arizona is last of 48 contiguous states admitted to the union; Titanic sinks on maiden voyage
Supreme Court dissolves Standard Oil Co.
Henry Ford introduces Model T
"Rich man's panic" causes Wall Street crash and run on US banks
San Francisco destroyed by earthquake and fire
Roosevelt wins reelection and says he will not run again
Wright brothers first successful flight near Kitty Hawk
Pres. McKinley shot, and dies 8 days later
US returns to gold standard after gold reserve crisis in 1890's
Clinton impeachment inquiry;Kosovo conflict
U.S. Long bond below 5.5% first time in 5 yrs
HK reunification
Pres. Clinton defeats Bob Dole and Ross Perot to win re-election
Pres. Clinton offers plan to balance budget in 7 yrs
Republicans win both houses of Congress first time in 40 yrs
U.S. Long bond below 5.25% first time in 22 years
Fed cuts discount rate to 3% (29 yr low);Clinton defeats Bush
German reunification
U.S. Defence Department launches first Global Positioning System (GPS) satellite
Third Reagan-Gorbachev summit - agreement to dismantle missiles
Long bond yields peak at 13.64%;Carter's rescue mission fails with crash in Iranian desert
Gas prices skyrocket - oil embargo
Pres. Nixon carries 49 states;U.S. signs Paris peace accords ending Vietnam war
U.S. troop withdrawals from Vietnam begin;Neil Armstrong walks on the moon
Tet Offensive launched in Vietnam;Gold tops $40 after being fixed around $35 for a long time
Hundreds of thousands of antiwar protestors march on Washington
Pres. Johnson given Congressional approval for Vietnam War
Civil rights movement reaches crisis with King "I Have a Dream" speech
CIA backed Bay of Pigs invasion of Cuba fails
Eisenhower lifts wage and price controls; Negotiated end to Korean War
North Korea invades South Korea, beginning Korean War
Soviets cut off all trafic into West Berlin forcing airlift
Japan surrenders ending WWII
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