While life was becoming more and more happy and entertaining, heated debates were in action. Many people did not want evolution to be taught in their schools, while many people wanted the opposite. This lead to a series of debates between fundamentalist and modernist. There was also a lot of turmoil over communism spreading. Many Americans were terrified of a communist government gaining power in the United States. This became known as the ‘Red Scare’

During the 1920s there was plenty of racial issues. Mob violence between whites and blacks was extremely common and causing many issues. This lead to many riots, and court cases. However, the fighting for civil rights in the 1920s also lead to many laws protecting blacks in the future. The 1920s was an important time for African Americans.

One of the most significant events in the 1920s was the case of Sacco and Vanzetti. Two anarchist, Italian immigrants were accused of double homicide during a robbery. The two men were not given a fair trial and were swiftly executed. This case revived an anti-immigration sentiment across the nation.

Another important series of events in the 1920s was the Scopes Trials. When a high school teacher named John T. Scopes taught evolution to his class he was arrested. His arrest lead to a series of trials and investigations known as ‘Scopes Trials’. These trials became the first to be broadcasted over the radio. Scopes was eventually found guilty.