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*John C. Calhoun*  
*Chronology*

- 1782—Born (March 18) near Abbeville, in Ninety-Six District, South Carolina.
- 1802—Enters Yale College as a junior.
- 1804—Graduates from Yale (September 12).
- 1805—Enters the Litchfield, Connecticut, law school, to remain there for about a year and a half.
- 1807—Begins law practice in Abbeville. Elected (October 13) to the South Carolina general assembly, where he is to serve for two years.
- 1810—Elected (October) for the first of his three successive terms as a South Carolina representative in Congress.
- 1811—Marries Floride Calhoun (January 8) and begins his congressional career (November 4).
- 1812—Introduces bill for war against Great Britain (June 3).
- 1816—Sponsors incorporation of the second Bank of the United States, supports the bill for a protective tariff, and proposes federal expenditures for internal improvements.
- 1817—Accepts appointment, which he is to hold for eight years, as Secretary of War in the Monroe Administration.
- 1821—Declares himself a presidential candidate.
- 1824—Elected Vice-President of the United States.
- 1825—Inaugurated (March 4) as Vice-President. Adopts as his permanent residence the Fort Hill plantation in South Carolina.
- 1827—Defeats the Woolens Bill, for raising tariffs, by casting his vote in the Senate to break a tie.