Chapter 20

Part A

DOCUMENT 1

1. Representative Luther A. Johnson believes that the power of radio is much greater compared to that of newspapers.
2. Representative Luther A. Johnson seems to worry that radio could be used for good or evil.

DOCUMENT 2

1. American interests focused on celebrity culture in the early 1900s.
2. Access to mass information the forms of print, broadcasting, recording and film contributed to the rise of celebrity culture in the 1920s.

DOCUMENT 3

1. Student answers may vary, but based on the photograph, one can infer that many people attended sporting events in the 1920s.
2. Student answers will vary, but must include an explanation. An example of an acceptable answer would be: The massive number of people at the fight shows how many people wanted to see a championship fight and that the fighters were surely celebrities as a result.

DOCUMENT 4

1. Grantland Rice described the Notre Dame Football players as the Four Horseman – Famine, Pestilence, Destruction and Death. He also described them as a cyclone. This would have given the reader a feeling that the Notre Dame players were very powerful and unstoppable.
2. Rice wanted the readers to know that he believed the Notre Dame Football team was nearly unbeatable.

DOCUMENT 5

1. The photographs shows lots of lights and signs used to entice people to see a movie.
2. The crowd in front of the theatre seems to indicate that there was a great interest in seeing the first movie with sound.

DOCUMENT 6

1. The subject of the celebration was Charles Lindbergh. They were celebrating his being the first person to fly across the Atlantic Ocean.
2. Americans in the 1920s celebrated their heroes and came out to see them and celebrate them.

DOCUMENT 7

1. Babe Ruth was a baseball player. He is described as having a big swing and that he is jovial.
2. Babe Ruth broke his own homerun record that he had set six years before.