

This Eventful Year

CHRONOLOGY of the YEAR 1948

FLOODS Disasters

January
 12-Dominican DC-3 airplane crash between Santiago and Barcelona, kills 31 persons, including entire San Juan team.

February
 2-Two truckloads of explosives are blown up, devastating a three-block business section in Jerusalem.
 2-Nineteen persons aboard an Indian National Airways plane en route from New Delhi to London killed in crash.

March
 13-Thirty persons killed when Northwest Airlines DC-4 crashes on Mt. Sanford, Alaska, en route from Shanghai to St. Paul.
 18-Ten A-1 flyers killed when a B-29 crashes at MacDill field, near Tampa, Fla.
 21-At least 62 persons killed and more than 300 injured in a series of tornadoes which struck nine states from Texas to central New York.

April
 13-More than 3,000 families are evacuated when Ohio river overflows.
 23-Thirty persons (19 Americans) killed when FAW plane crashes in Erie, Pa.
 25-Cooper mine explosion near Aguan, Caliente, Peru, kills 41 miners.

May
 3-Tornadoes kill at least 23 persons in midwestern states.
 20-Flooded Columbia river claims 23 lives, causes great damage in Oregon, Washington, Idaho. Devastates Portland City, Ore.

July
 1-Series of earthquakes destroy about 70 per cent of the Japanese industrial city of Fukui (population 85,000) and surrounding towns of Honshu.
 2-Transport plane dies by the Mexican-American foot and mouth disease commission crashes on Mt. Orizaba, 16 killed.
 4-Thirty-nine killed when Swedish C-47 (32 aboard) collides with A-1 transport (7 aboard) near London.
 17-Thirteen coal miners killed in explosion in Princeton, Ind.

August
 13-Thirteen men killed when B-29 crashes after take-off near Roswell, N. M. Navy's other reconnaissance plane with 13 aboard crashes and burns same day on Rota Island, 50 miles north of Guam.
 27-Seventeen U. S. air force men killed in B-29 crash at Rapid City, S. D.

September
 6-Labor Day holiday deaths from accidents in the U. S. over three-day period total 407.
 14-Forty U. S. soldiers killed and 60 injured in train wreck in Korea.
 17-Floods in Japan leave 541 dead and 600 missing.

October
 8-Hurricane causes 11 deaths and 10 million dollars damage in Cuba, then does great damage in Miami.
 10-Bombers struck by lightning, explodes over Waycross, Ga. Nine killed.
 14-Twenty persons died and hundreds were made ill, as result of smog (blend of smoke and fog) which blanketed Donora, Pa.

November
 2-Search abandoned for Air Forces B-29, missing since Nov. 6 en route from Okinawa to Guam.
 2-Thankingsgiving Day accidents take toll of 114 lives, compared with 128 in 1947.

Panorama

January
 1-Bing Crosby named top money-making star for 8th consecutive year.
 11-"Best Years of Our Lives" wins daily film poll as the best 1947 picture.
 21-California observes 100th anniversary of discovery of gold by Jas. W. W. W. in Coloma.
 23-Gen Omar Bradley formally nominated by President Truman to succeed Gen. Dwight D. Eisenhower as army chief of staff.
 27-Bolivia is put in state of siege because of alleged revolutionary plot.

February
 3-Eric Johnson re-elected president of Motion Picture Directors.
 4-President urges congress to continue for two more years the 500 million-a-year programs of federal aid to states for highways.
 5-Lowry reports that World War II cost U. S. \$282,235,000,000 (\$2,460 a second).
 23-Pope grants ex-King Michael of Romania dispensation to marry Danish actress Anne of Bourbon-Farma.

March
 5-House grants \$200,000 to un-American activities committee by a 37-37 vote.
 23-Drop of 42,000-pound non-explosive bomb, largest ever made in test at Marac, Cal.
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 2-Walker B. Reuther, president of CIO United Auto Workers, badly wounded by unidentified assassin.
 3-Commission of the Churches of International Affairs is established in New York City.

May
 1-Columbia breaks off diplomatic relations with Russia.
 6-Gov Dewey of New York stumps Oregon.
 12-President Truman invokes Taft-Hartley law to avert long-distance telephone strike.
 15-Chrysler ends its 17-day strike. Grants 12c hourly raise.

June
 2-Senator Felt of Ohio tours North Carolina in election campaign.
 3-C.I.O. packinghouse workers in Chicago ends its 52-day strike of 8,000

Wilson employees, winning nine-cent hourly raise, reveals that rocket-powered Bell X-1 has been flown faster than speed of sound.

July
 5-Geo. I. Hall, of New York, elected Grand Ruler of BPOE in Philadelphia.
 13-John L. Lewis and 18 steel companies sign a contract ending strike of 40,000 I.A.M.W. miners, 414,000, as of July 1.
 18-President Truman orders all men between 18 and 25 to register August 30 to September 18 for military service.
 30-Combined navy, air force shelling, bombing and torpedoing sinks battleship Nevada in Pacific.
 31-Idlewild airport, 4,900 acres—dedicated in New York.

August
 6-First around the world flight by B-29 is completed when two of the bombers land at Davis-Monthan base, near Tucson, Ariz.
 8-Census bureau estimates U. S. population at 142,414,000, as of July 1, 1947, 8.9 per cent higher than the 1940 census.
 17-Vancouver, Ore., devastated by flood May 30, is sold for salvage for \$178,591. Original cost, 28 million.

September
 11-Miss America of 1948 chosen in Atlantic City; Beatrice Vella Shopp, 18, Hopkins, Minn.
 13-Rep. Margaret Chase (R., Me.) elected to U. S. senate by a record majority.

October
 5-UMW announces beginning of a program to guarantee all 400,000 members and families free medical and dental service.
 13-Capt. Colin P. Kelly, Jr., first U. S. hero of World War II, is buried in his hometown, Madison, Wis.
 14-U. S. Judge Luther M. Swygert of Indianapolis holds the A.F.L. Int. Typo. Union in contempt.

November
 6-Prof. Auguste Piccard and Max Cosyns abandoned plans to make two-and-one-half-mile deep-sea dives after their special bathyscaphe was damaged off the Cape Verde islands.
 6-White House was closed indefinitely to social engagements and sightseers until extensive repairs to the mansion could be completed.
 12-Trial of 12 top U. S. Communist leaders postponed for fourth time because of illness of William Z. Foster, Communist party chairman.
 22-U. S. air force ends efforts to make rain by seeding clouds with dry ice after nine months of experiments prove inefficiency of procedure.

December
 7-Secretary of State George Marshall undergoes appendectomy.
 13-Astronomer at Mt. Wilson observatory announced discovery of a new minor planet traveling a route within 10 million miles of Earth.
 21-Princess Elizabeth's son christened.

Domestic

January
 6-80th congress convenes.
 8-Regin hearings on the Marshall plan.
 10-Principal witness in State Secretary Acheson's trial is Bernard Baruch, presents senate foreign relations committee with his startling "peace mobilization" program.

February
 3-National Airlines' 145 pilots strike before midnight over dismissal of pilot two years ago.
 4-Defense secretary Forrestal consolidates navy and air force transport systems into military air transport service.
 23-Clyde H. Taylor (D., Ida.) quits party to become Henry Wallace's running mate.
 24-Hayden Bennet E. Meyers goes on trial on charges of suborning perjury in senate investigation.

March
 1-House un-American activities committee accuses Dr. Edward U. Condon, director of the national bureau of standards, of having the weakest links in our atomic security.
 16-Gen. Eisenhower declares it has cleared 1,003,944 federal employees in loyalty program.
 24-Berth Eisler sentenced to one to three years imprisonment in Washington for passport fraud.

April
 2-Both houses of congress override tax cut veto, pass omnibus foreign aid bill and adjourn for week.
 10-House speaker Joseph W. Martin, Jr. intervenes in the 27-day strike of 400,000 soft-coal miners, and soon afterwards an important agreement is announced.
 20-John L. Lewis is fined \$20,000 and UMW \$1,400,000 for contempt of federal court.
 30-Gen Hoyt S. Vandenberg succeeds Gen. Carl A. Spaatz as air force chief.

May
 3-Gen Dwight Eisenhower retires from the army.
 5-President Truman celebrates his 64th birthday.
 10-Three railroad brotherhoods call off threatened national strike after President Truman orders army to seize roads.
 19-Senate passes Mundt-Nixon Communist control bill, 319-58.
 21-N. Y. Gov Dewey wins Oregon presidential primary over Harold E. Stassen.

June
 2-Senate votes to admit 100,000 displaced persons to U. S. during next two years.
 4-House appropriates \$100 million for foreign aid.
 10-Senate passes two-year peacetime draft bill.
 21-Twenty-fourth Republican convention meets in Philadelphia, officially names Bewell the Progressive Party, and nominates Henry Agard Wallace and Sen. Glen H. Taylor of Idaho as its candidates for president and vice-president.

July
 5-Gen Eisenhower reiterates he will not run for the presidency.
 8-Soft coal prices rise 46 cents a ton.
 15-President Harry S. Truman, 64, and Sen. Alben W. Barkley, 70, of Kentucky, are nominated for president and vice-president by the Democratic national convention in Philadelphia.
 22-The Wallace third party, meeting in Philadelphia, officially names Bewell the Progressive Party, and nominates Henry Agard Wallace and Sen. Glen H. Taylor of Idaho as its candidates for president and vice-president.

August
 2-Congress convenes in a special session called by President Truman.
 5-Elizabeth Bentley, confessed wartime Communist spy, makes startling disclosures before a senate expenditures subcommittee.

Top Ten Spot News Stories of 1948

(As selected by nation's weekly editors in Publishers' Auxiliary poll.)

President Truman and Democratic party score upset election victory.

Russians blockade Berlin, causing inauguration of airlift, heightening the "cold war."

Count Bernadotte assassinated during U. N. mission in Palestine. Southern Democrats rebel to form states' rights or "Dixiecrat" party.

War in China nears climax with Communist troops marching to apparent victory and U. S. officials refusing to grant additional aid to Chiang Kai-shek.

High cost of living plagues Americans and their business with fourth round of wage boosts seen in offing.

Oksana Kasenkina leaps from Russian consulate window in desperate effort to escape impending return to native land, creating international episode.

Mahandas Gandhi assassinated by Hindu extremist, terminating life of service to India and cause of freedom.

United Nations proceedings bring into open many international problems and emphasize conflict between East and West. Eightieth congress sets legislative background for party positions during election campaign.

Sports

January
 2-President Truman appoints three men displaced persons commission to administer the DP act, under which 200,000 persons are to be admitted to the U. S.
 7-Congress adjourns its two-week extra session.
 10-U. S. demands ouster of Jacob Lomakin, Soviet consul general in New York.

September
 2-West coast ports paralyzed when CIO Longshoremen's union go on strike.
 6-President Truman launches his reelection campaign.
 18-Sen. Alben W. Barkley, President Truman's running mate, begins two-week, 15-speech tour of eight eastern states.

October
 2-Population of the U. S. as of July 1 was estimated at 142,414,000 by U. S. census bureau.
 4-Railroads grant 10-cent hourly wage increase to railway conductors and trainmen.
 11-Former interior secretary, Harold L. Ickes, will resign as secretary of the Interior.
 16-President Truman orders reserves brought up to full strength.

November
 2-President Harry S. Truman, 64, Democrat, astounded the political world by defeating Gov. Thomas E. Dewey, 42, of New York, for re-election.
 4-Rep. J. Parnell Thomas (R., N. J.) invoked his constitutional rights and refused to testify before a federal grand jury on charges that he had padded his congressional office payroll and collected kickbacks.
 7-President Truman arrives in Key West, Fla., for a two-week post-election vacation.
 18-First major billiard of season sweeps through north central states, killing 13 persons.
 23-Striking Longshoremen on both coasts return to work as shipping strike ends.

December
 3-Microfilm copies of secret state, war and navy department documents found in hollow pumpkin on Maryland farm are introduced as evidence in un-American activities committee's spy investigation.
 10-Whittaker Chambers, confessed former Communist courier and key figure in Communist espionage probe, resigned his position as a senior editor of Time magazine.
 14-GOP Sen. Arthur Vandenberg is mentioned as possible successor to ailing George C. Marshall as secretary of state.

Deaths

January
 7-Dr. Robert Ernest Hume, international spy, known author on living relations.
 78, publicity director of the Democratic national committee, 1929-43.
 15-Joseph Daniels, 85, World War I navy secretary.
 30-Mohandas K. Gandhi, 78, spiritual leader of the Hindu, slain by Hindu fanatic.
 30-Orville Wright, 76, co-inventor of heavier-than-air plane.

February
 9-Burns mantle drama critic, N. Y. Daily News editor of early collection of best plays.
 21-Dr. John Robert Gregg, 80, inventor of Gregg system of shorthand.
 24-Will Irwin, 74, newspaperman, novelist and playwright, Barrington Ward, 87, London Times editor since 1941.

March
 8-Emily P. Bissell, 88, founder of U. S. Primus mail drive in 1907.
 23-Adm. Jose Reeves, 76, commander-in-chief of U. S. fleet, 1934-36.

April
 5-Mrs. John D. Rockefeller, Jr., 73.
 7-Rep. Orville Zimmerman, 67 (Dem. Mo.), member of house since 1935.
 11-Manuel Acuna Roxas, 56, first president of Philippine Republic.
 28-Tom Beneman, 46, star of radio's "Breakfast in Hollywood."

May
 15-Mrs. Edward Joseph Flanagan, 61, founder of Boys Town.
 27-Rudolph H. Wurlitzer, 74, ex-president of the musical instrument company.

Foreign

January
 6-George Evan Roberts, 80, director of U. S. mint, 1838-1907, 1910-1914.
 10-Cecil Schwabach, 53, secretary of labor since 1945.

July
 2-Richard Gerard Huseh, 72, author of Sweet Adeline's lyrics.
 5-Film actress Cecile Landis, 29, suicide in her Hollywood home.
 15-Gen. John J. Pershing, 87, commander-in-chief of the AEF in World War I and only man holding rank of general of the Armies.
 21-David Wark Griffith, 73, pioneer film producer, and producer of "Birth of a Nation" dies.
 24-Mrs. Eleanor Medill Patterson, 63, editor-publisher of Washington Times Herald.

August
 5-May DeSousa, 66, former light opera star.
 13-F. Shafer, 59, Rep. governor of North Dakota.
 16-George Herman (Babe) Ruth, 33, the greatest slugger in baseball history.
 27-Charles Evans Hughes, 86, former chief justice of U. S.

September
 1-Charles A. Beard, 73, historian, author of more than 30 books on American history.
 11-Mohammed Ali Jinnah, 71, founder of Muslim Pakistan.
 15-J. P. Morley, 84, violinist and conductor, former child prodigy.
 30-Mrs. Edith Kermit Cresswell Roosevelt, wife of President Theodore Roosevelt.

October
 3-Thomas Augustine Daly, 77, poet, humorist, lecturer and journalist.
 10-Mary Eaton, 46, former New York musical comedy star.
 21-Follette beauty, who won fame as Imogene (Bubbles) Wilson.

November
 9-Edgar Kennedy, 58, film comedian, one of the original "Keystone Kops," died of cancer in San Fernando, Calif.
 23-Rep. Frank P. Rowland, 48, all-time National League home run king, 66 for Chicago in 1930, in Baltimore.

December
 3-Carl Lorenz Hagenebeck, 40, head of leading German circus family, in Hamburg.

January
 1-Bowl football games—Rose Bowl: Mich. USC 0; Sugar Bowl: Tex. 27, Ala. 7; Cotton Bowl: SMU Ga. Tech. 20, Kan. 13; Shrine All-Star, East 40, West 9.
 8-Joe Louis signs with 20th Century Sporting club to defend his heavyweight title in New York bout June 23 against Joe Walcott.
 12-Detroit Lions sold for about \$300,000 to a Detroit syndicate.

February
 7-Gilbert Dodds runs fastest indoor mile ever timed in Boston (4:08.1).
 24-Fatherweight title is retained by Willie Pep, who knocks out Humbert Sierra of Cuba in Miami.
 27-Jersey Joe Walcott signs for a return Joe Louis bout June 23.

March
 7-Wilhelm Hoppe, 60, of Chicago, retains world's three-cushion billiard title defeating Ezequiel Navarra in a challenge series.
 25-Guy Lombardo sets U. S. goldcup record in record of 113.28 MPH at Miami Beach.

April
 23-Joe Veurede of Philadelphia sets new 30.5 sec. in the 220-yd. breaststroke at AAU indoor championships in New York.
 17-Harrison Dillard sets world record of 13.6 sec. in 120-yard high hurdles and Charles Foville a world shotput mark of 58 ft. 4-inch in Kansas Relays, in Lawrence.
 19-Major league baseball season opens.

May
 15-Preakness Stakes (72nd annual, \$134,870) is won by Calumet Farms "Citation" in Baltimore.
 25-Ben Hogan wins the \$10,000 Colonus open golf championship.
 25-King George VI formally opens Empire games in London's Wembley stadium.

June
 10-Tony Zale, 34, regains world middleweight title by knocking out Rocky Graziano, 26.
 12-Ben Hogan wins national open golf championship, 18 holes, at the club house, with 278 strokes, to win record.
 25-Joe Louis, 34, retains world's heavyweight title by knocking out Jersey Joe Walcott in 11th round.

July
 3-Princeton's 150-pound crew wins the world title by winning the Henley Royal Regatta on Henley-on-Thames, England.
 11-Ben Mangrum wins the \$10,000 Columbus open golf championship.
 20-King George VI formally opens Empire games in London's Wembley stadium.

August
 9-Home pro Lloyd Mangrum wins \$22,500 in prize in winning the All-American tourney Aug. 6, a world championship event Aug. 7 and Tam O'Shanter professional tournament Aug. 9, in Chicago.
 14-Summer games of the 14th modern Olympiad end in London after a 16-day program.

September
 6-Paul Mantz wins Bendis trophy third time in air race from Long Beach, Calif. to Cleveland, averaging 447.60 MPH.
 12-Roland R. Free of Hollywood sets world motor speed record of 150.835 MPH on Bonneville salt flats, Utah.
 20-Robert McCowan, 68, star of radio's "Breakfast in Hollywood."

October
 2-Three-year old "Citation" wins the \$100,800 "Gold Cup" race at Belmont Park, N. Y.
 11-2-2 victory in Boston gives the Indians the jerseys championship over the Boston Braves.
 13-National hockey season opens.

November
 26-Rocky Graziano, former middleweight boxing champion, suspended by National Boxing Association after he withdrew from scheduled fight with Fred Astaire.
 27-United States Army and consistently defeated Army fought to 21-21 tie in annual football classic.

December
 11-Chicago Cardinals defeat Chicago Bears 24-21 in season's top pro football game.



Services at The Churches

Sylva Methodist
 (The Rev. W. G. Grigg, Pastor)
 Sunday school will meet at 10 a. m., Gudger Crawford, superintendent.
 11 a. m. Morning Worship. Communion Service.
 6:00 p. m., Youth Fellowship.
 Thursday 7:30 p. m. Choir Rehearsal.

Sylva Presbyterian
 (The Rev. W. H. Wakefield, Pastor)
 Services held in Episcopal church.
 10:00 a. m. Sunday School, M. C. Cunningham, superintendent.
 11:05 a. m. Morning worship. Sermon subject of the pastor, "We Pass This Way."
 7:00 p. m. Evening worship. "The Adventure of Prayer."

Sylva Baptist
 (The Rev. C. M. Warren, Pastor)
 Sunday school at 10 a. m., Mr. Carl Corbin, Supt.
 11 a. m. Morning worship with the pastor using for his sermon subject, "Voices Are Calling" — 1 Cor. 14:1-12.
 B. T. U. at 6:30 p. m. Miss Hattie Hilda Sutton, Director.
 7:30 Evening Worship. Sermon subject, "Stars of The Night" Psalm 8.
 Tuesday 7:30 p. m. Prayer meeting.

Cullowhee Baptist
 (Rev. Chas. B. McConnell, Pastor)
 9:50 a. m. Sunday School
 11 a. m. Morning Worship. Evening program
 6:30 Training Union
 7:30 Worship Service.
 Wednesday-7:30 p. m. Sunday school lesson pre-view.
 Friday, 7:00 p. m. Choir Rehearsal.

Cullowhee Methodist
 (The Rev. R. T. Houts, Jr., Pastor)
 10 a. m. Sunday school.
 11 a. m. Morning worship.
 6 p. m. Intermediate Youth Fellowship.
 6:30 p. m. Wesleyan Foundation.
 7:30 p. m. Evening Vesper service.
 Friday, 7 p. m. Junior choir rehearsal.
 Friday, 7:30 p. m. Senior choir rehearsal.

Buff Creek Baptist
 (Rev. Edgar Willis, Pastor)
 Sunday School each Sunday at 10 a. m. S. S. Supt. Charlie Parris.
 Worship service each 1st and 3rd Sundays at 11 a. m. and 7:30 p. m.

East Sylva Baptist
 (Rev. E. W. Jamison, Pastor)
 10 a. m. Sunday School. DeWitt Beasley, S. S. Supt.
 11 a. m. Morning Worship.
 6:30 p. m. B.T.U. James Jones, director.
 7:30 p. m. Evening Worship.
 Wed. 7 p. m. Choir Practice.
 Wed. 7:30 p. m. Prayer Meeting.

Wesleyan Methodist
 (Rev. Gertrude Farmer, Pastor)
 10 p. m. Sunday School.
 11 a. m. Morning Worship.
 8 p. m. Evening Worship.

Webster Baptist
 (Rev. W. C. Ditz, Pastor)
 10 a. m. Sunday School.
 11 a. m. Morning worship.
 7:30 p. m. Evening Worship.

Scotts Creek Baptist
 (The Rev. B. S. Hensley, Pastor)
 10 a. m. Sunday School.
 11 a. m. Morning Worship by the pastor.
 6:30 p. m. Baptist Training Union.
 7:30 p. m. Evening Worship.

Dillsboro Methodist
 (Rev. W. G. Grigg, Pastor)
 7:30 p. m. Evening worship.
 "Looking Forward" will be the pastor's sermon subject.

Glenville Baptist
 10:00 a. m. Sunday School; Sam Fisher, Superintendent.
 11 a. m. Morning worship.
 7 p. m. B.T.U.
 8 p. m. Evening worship.

Lovedale Baptist Church
 (Rev. G. E. Scruggs, Pastor)
 10 A. M. Sunday School.
 11 A. M. Worship Service.
 6:30 p. m. B. T. U.
 7:30 p. m. Worship Service

Tuckaseegee Baptist
 (Rev. Edgar Willis, Pastor)
 Sunday School each Sunday at 10 a. m. Supt. Jennie Hooper.
 Worship service at 11 a. m. and 7:30 p. m. each 2nd and 4th Sundays.

