



CHRONOLOGY OF 1949

Disasters

January

1—Three-foot snowfall in Tehran and other Iranian towns causes earthen houses to collapse, killing 60.

February

3—Blizzards in western and mountain states cause \$200 million and property damage of \$200 million.

March

24—Tornadoes kill 26 in south and southwest Arkansas, Oklahoma, Texas, Mississippi and Louisiana.

April

6—Seventy-four die in Effingham, Ill. hospital fire.

May

4—Italy's entire world champion soccer team dies in plane crash at Turin.

June

7—Twenty-two killed in Greek air crash near Athens. Crackup of plane near Floranopolis, Brazil, kills 27.

July

18—Eighteen persons killed in air crash near Perth, Australia.

August

9—Between 3,000 and 4,000 persons killed by Ecuador earthquake.

September

6—Crazed war veteran slays 13 in Camden, N.J.

October

18—One thousand die, 70,000 left homeless in Guatemala floods.

November

1—Fifty-five killed at Washington, D.C., airport as P-38 hits airliner.

December

2—Dormitory blaze at University of Oklahoma kills three.

January

1—Barbara Ann Scott wins Lou E. Marsh memorial trophy as Canada's outstanding 1948 athlete.

February

7—Joe DiMaggio signs 1949 contract with Yankees for \$90,000.

March

1—Joe Louis retires as heavyweight champion, turns promoter.

Top Ten Spot News Stories of 1949

- These are the 10 biggest news stories of the past year, as selected by a representative group of weekly newspaper editors speaking through an annual poll conducted by The Publishers' Auxiliary. 1. Announcement that the Soviet Union possesses atom bomb.

Foreign

3—Israel involved in a dispute with Britain set after invading Egypt and shooting down R.A.F. planes.

January

13—U.S. turns pressure on Britain to abandon dispute with Israel so as not to endanger Arab-Jewish peace.

February

8—Cardinal Mindszenty pleads "guilty in principle" to treason charges by Hungary's Red regime. Gets life sentence.

March

4—Andre Vishinsky replaces Molotov as Russian foreign minister.

April

2—Chinese Communists modify peace terms.

May

4—Russians agree to lift land blockade of Berlin. Dutch-Indonesians agree on new truce. Reds capture Hangchow, isolate Shanghai.

June

6—Senate foreign relations committee approves Atlantic pact.

July

10—Chiang Kai-shek enlists Philippines in drive to form Pacific union, takes charge of Chinese nationalist resistance.

August

1—Dutch-Indonesian truce signed.

September

3—Yugoslavia breaks off two commercial pacts with Russia and disjoints danger of Russian invasion.

October

2—Russia recognizes Communist government in China.

Deaths

January 1—Sir Malcolm Campbell, first man to exceed 300 mph on land.

February

10—Iso Abe, who introduced baseball to Japan.

March

4—Arthur Atwater Kent, inventor, philanthropist, famous host.

April

27—Wallace Beery, veteran screen star.

May

3—Joseph Peter DiMaggio, father of ballplayers Joe, Dominic and Vincent DiMaggio.

June

10—Siegfried Undset, Danish-born Norwegian novelist.

July

2—Georgi Dimitroff, Communist premier of Bulgaria.

August

1—George Moran (Searcy), survivor of Moran and Mack, the "two black crows."

September

3—Maj. Gen. Walter Short, army commander at Pearl Harbor when Japan attacked.

October

6—Robert Emmet Hannegan, ex-postmaster general and Democratic national chairman.

November

6—Rex Mays, leading auto racing driver.

December

11—Clifford Berryman, editorial cartoonist for Washington Star.

Domestic

January 5—Truman asks higher taxes, universal military training, wage-price controls in the state-of-the-union message.

February

3—Truman declares Constitution gives him power to stop walkouts affecting national health and welfare.

March

2—Air force B-50 makes first non-stop trip around world.

April

14—Congress passes second year E.R.P. authorization. House votes \$16 billion for arms.

May

4—Administration efforts to repeal Taft-Hartley act come to temporary halt in congress.

June

3—Alger Hiss perjury trial opens. Three top Communists sentenced to jail for contempt of court.

July

7—John Foster Dulles appointed to Senate.

August

5—State department white paper marks off nationalistic China as lost cause.

September

10—President's fact-finding board rejects steel workers' demands for fourth-round pay raises.

October

1—500,000 CIO steelworkers strike over pension-welfare dispute.

November

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December

17—Federal Judge Sherman Minton nominated to supreme court.

Atlantic Pact Ratified

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Yanks Win Series

New York Yankees defeat Brooklyn Dodgers in World Series, four games to one.

Inauguration

John F. Dulles inaugurated as secretary of state.

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Channel Swim

Swimmer crosses English Channel in 15 hours.

Aly Khan and Wife

Iranian prince and wife visit U.S.

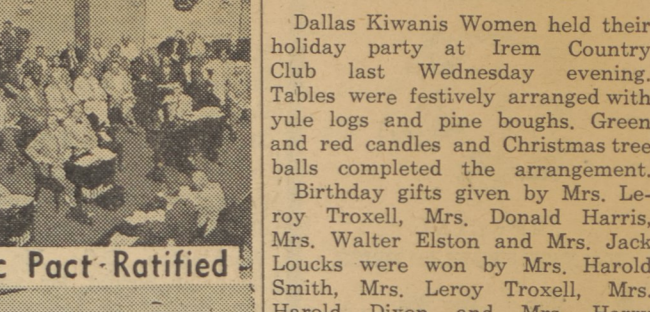
Coplon Trial

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Dallas Kiwanis Women Enjoy Holiday Party



Dallas Kiwanis Women held their holiday party at Irem Country Club last Wednesday evening.

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dropper. No such thing as a self-sufficient kitten eight weeks old, housebroken by a firm mother cat, and willing to chase its tail in a strange kitchen on a tank of warm milk.

The recent quest for a kitten reminds us of a time when kittens were all too easily come by. There was the black and white kitten which was dropped nonchalantly through the front door by some child on the way to school, heralded by a cheerful, "Here's another stray kitten for you, Mrs. Hicks."

There was the tiny black kitten with the white spot under its chin, two days old and hopefully flumming around for food in the grubby little hand of the small boy with the freckles. When it was suggested to the freckled youngster that this was a very young kitten, that it would doubtless be homesick for its little brothers and sisters, there was a hurried departure through the front door with an equally hurried and breathless return five minutes later. Where there had been one kitten there were now two kittens, insurance against homesickness. They could keep each other company, it was explained, and if there were two kittens there would be no need of a hot-water bottle. The owner of that litter must have found her waning faith in Santa Claus restored. In fact, the owner suggested, by telephone, that there were two more kittens, but we did not wish to be considered greedy. We told the generous lady, somewhat dryly, that there were other freckled-faced little boys in the neighborhood.

There was the red Persian kitten adopted at birth because of a cruel circumstance. This one spent the first two weeks of its life wrapped in a woolen sock, carried about in a sweater pocket by day for warmth, tucked beneath the blankets at the foot of the bed at night, fed at frequent intervals night and day, and finally allowed to emerge from its cocoon when danger of complications seemed to have been averted.

There were the numberless kittens dropped casually over the picket fence by neighbors in Lincoln, Nebraska at the time of the annual summer hejira to the lakes and the mountains.

This present kitten? It came, as stated above, from New Jersey, and its owner, his freckles now emerged in a solid and becoming coat of tan instead of standing out separate and distinct as they did twenty years ago when he presented the tiny black kittens on the palm of his hand, agreed to part with it if its initial visit to the Pump House seemed satisfactory to all concerned.

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