

1906 in the United States

Events from the year **1906 in the United States**.

Contents

Incumbents

Federal Government
Governors
Lieutenant Governors

Events

January–March
April–June
July–
September
October–
December
Undated
Ongoing

Sport

Births


January–
February
March–April
May–June
July–August
September–
October
November–
December

Deaths

See also

External links

Incumbents

←		1906	→	
1905		in		1907
1904		the		1908
1903		United States		1909
Decades:	1880s · 1890s · 1900s · 1910s · 1920s			
See also:	History of the United States (1865–1918) · Timeline of United States history (1900–1929) · List of years in the United States			

Federal Government

- President: Theodore Roosevelt (R-New York)
- Vice President: Charles W. Fairbanks (R-Indiana)
- Chief Justice: Melville Fuller (Illinois)
- Speaker of the House of Representatives: Joseph Gurney Cannon (R-Illinois)
- Congress: 59th

Governors and Lieutenant Governors

Governors

- Governor of Alabama: William D. Jelks (Democratic)
- Governor of Arkansas: Jeff Davis (Democratic)
- Governor of California: George Pardee (Republican)
- Governor of Colorado: Jesse Fuller McDonald (Republican)
- Governor of Connecticut: Henry Roberts (Republican)
- Governor of Delaware: Preston Lea (Republican)
- Governor of Florida: Napoleon B. Broward (Democratic)
- Governor of Georgia: Joseph M. Terrell (Democratic)
- Governor of Idaho: Frank R. Gooding (Republican)
- Governor of Illinois: Charles S. Deneen (Republican)
- Governor of Indiana: J. Frank Hanly (Republican)
- Governor of Iowa: Albert B. Cummins (Republican)
- Governor of Kansas: Edward W. Hoch (Republican)
- Governor of Kentucky: J. C. W. Beckham (Democratic)
- Governor of Louisiana: Newton Crain Blanchard (Democratic)
- Governor of Maine: William T. Cobb (Republican)
- Governor of Maryland: Edwin Warfield (Democratic)
- Governor of Massachusetts: William L. Douglas (Democratic) (until January 4), Curtis Guild, Jr. (Republican) (starting January 4)
- Governor of Michigan: Fred M. Warner (Republican)
- Governor of Minnesota: John A. Johnson (Democratic)
- Governor of Mississippi: James K. Vardaman (Democratic)
- Governor of Missouri: Joseph W. Folk (Democratic)
- Governor of Montana: Joseph Toole (Democratic)
- Governor of Nebraska: John H. Mickey (Republican)
- Governor of Nevada: John Sparks (Silver)
- Governor of New Hampshire: John McLane (Republican)
- Governor of New Jersey: Edward C. Stokes (Republican)
- Governor of New York: Frank W. Higgins (Republican) (until end of December 31)
- Governor of North Carolina: Robert Broadnax Glenn (Democratic)
- Governor of North Dakota: Elmore Y. Sarles (Republican)
- Governor of Ohio:
 - until January 8: Myron T. Herrick (Republican)
 - January 8-June 18: John M. Pattison (Democratic)
 - starting June 18: Andrew L. Harris (Republican)
- Governor of Oregon: George Chamberlain (Democratic)
- Governor of Pennsylvania: Samuel W. Pennypacker (Republican)
- Governor of Rhode Island: George H. Utter (Republican)
- Governor of South Carolina: Duncan Clinch Heyward (Democratic)
- Governor of South Dakota: Samuel H. Elrod (Republican)
- Governor of Tennessee: John I. Cox (Democratic)
- Governor of Texas: S. W. T. Lanham (Democratic)
- Governor of Utah: John Christopher Cutler (Republican)

- Governor of Vermont: Charles J. Bell (Republican) (until October 3), Fletcher D. Proctor (Republican) (starting October 3)
- Governor of Virginia: Andrew Jackson Montague (Democratic) (until February 1), Claude A. Swanson (Democratic) (starting February 10)
- Governor of Washington: Albert E. Mead (Republican)
- Governor of West Virginia: William M. O. Dawson (Republican)
- Governor of Wisconsin: Robert M. La Follette, Sr. (Republican) (until January 1), James O. Davidson (Republican) (starting January 1)
- Governor of Wyoming: Bryant B. Brooks (Republican)

Lieutenant Governors

- Lieutenant Governor of Alabama: Russell M. Cunningham (Democratic)
- Lieutenant Governor of California: Alden Anderson (Republican)
- Lieutenant Governor of Colorado: Fred W. Parks (Republican)
- Lieutenant Governor of Connecticut: Rollin S. Woodruff (Republican)
- Lieutenant Governor of Delaware: Isaac T. Parker (Republican)
- Lieutenant Governor of Idaho: Burpee L. Steeves (Republican)
- Lieutenant Governor of Illinois: Lawrence Sherman (Republican)
- Lieutenant Governor of Indiana: Hugh T. Miller (Republican)
- Lieutenant Governor of Iowa: John Herriott (Republican)
- Lieutenant Governor of Kansas: David J. Hanna (Republican)
- Lieutenant Governor of Kentucky: William P. Thorne (Democratic)
- Lieutenant Governor of Louisiana: Jared Y. Sanders, Sr. (Democratic)
- Lieutenant Governor of Massachusetts: Curtis Guild, Jr. (Republican) (until month and day unknown), Eben Sumner Draper (Republican) (starting month and day unknown)
- Lieutenant Governor of Michigan: Alexander Maitland (Republican)
- Lieutenant Governor of Minnesota: Ray W. Jones (Republican)
- Lieutenant Governor of Mississippi: John Prentiss Carter (Democratic)
- Lieutenant Governor of Missouri: John C. McKinley (Republican)
- Lieutenant Governor of Montana: Edwin L. Norris (Democratic)
- Lieutenant Governor of Nebraska: Edmund G. McGilton (Republican)
- Lieutenant Governor of Nevada: Lemuel Allen (political party unknown)
- Lieutenant Governor of New York:
 - until December 5: Matthew Linn Bruce (Republican)
 - December 5 to end of December 31: John Raines (Republican)
- Lieutenant Governor of North Carolina: Francis D. Winston (Democratic)
- Lieutenant Governor of North Dakota: David Bartlett (Republican)
- Lieutenant Governor of Ohio:
 - until January 8: Warren G. Harding (Republican)
 - January 8-June 18: Andrew L. Harris (Republican)
 - starting June 18: vacant
- Lieutenant Governor of Pennsylvania: William M. Brown (Republican)
- Lieutenant Governor of Rhode Island: Frederick Jackson (Republican)
- Lieutenant Governor of South Carolina: John Sloan (Democratic)
- Lieutenant Governor of South Dakota: John E. McDougall (Republican)
- Lieutenant Governor of Tennessee: Ernest Rice (Democratic)
- Lieutenant Governor of Texas: George D. Neal (Democratic)
- Lieutenant Governor of Vermont: Charles H. Stearns (Republican) (until October 4), George H. Prouty (Republican) (starting October 4)

- Lieutenant Governor of Virginia: Joseph Edward Willard (Democratic) (until February 1), James Taylor Ellyson (Democratic) (starting February 1)
- Lieutenant Governor of Washington: Charles E. Coon (Republican)
- Lieutenant Governor of Wisconsin: James O. Davidson (Republican)

Events

January–March

- January 8 – A landslide in Haverstraw, New York kills 21 people.
- February 26 – Upton Sinclair publishes *The Jungle*, a novel depicting the life of an immigrant family in Chicago during the early 1900s.
- March 17 – The Phi Kappa Tau fraternity is founded at Miami Universities, Oxford, Ohio.

April–June

- April 5 – The Maryland General Assembly authorises the election of the Union Soldiers and Sailors Monument in Baltimore.
- April 14 – The first service is held at African Methodist Episcopal Church in Los Angeles by W. J. Seymour, in a series later known as the Azusa Street Revival, an event which launches the Pentecostal movement in Christianity.
- April 18 – The 1906 San Francisco earthquake (estimated magnitude 7.8) on the San Andreas Fault destroys much of San Francisco, California, killing at least 3,000 people, with 225,000–300,000 left homeless, and \$350,000,000 in damages.
- June 6 – Durham and Southern Railway operates its first revenue train, Bonsal to Durham, North Carolina.
- June 8 – Theodore Roosevelt signs the Antiquities Act into law, authorizing the President to restrict the use of certain parcels of public land with historical or conservation value.
- June 25 – Harry K. Thaw shoots architect Stanford White at the roof garden theatre of Madison Square Garden (designed by White) in New York City.
- June 28 – Osage Allotment Act allocates land to members of the Osage Nation in Oklahoma.
- June 29 – Mesa Verde is declared a National Park.
- June 30 – The United States Congress passes the Meat Inspection Act and Pure Food and Drug Act.



February 28: *The Jungle* exposes corruption in the meatpacking industry.



April 18: 1906 San Francisco earthquake.

July–September

- July 11 – Murder of Grace Brown, a factory worker whose killing caused a nationwide sensation.
- August 23 – Unable to control a rebellion in the newly formed Cuban Republic, President Tomás Estrada Palma requests U.S. intervention.
- September 5 – Bradbury Robinson of St. Louis University throws the first legal forward pass in an American football game.
- September 22 – Atlanta race riot: Race riots in Atlanta, Georgia result in 27 people killed and the Black-owned business district severely damaged.
- September 24 – U.S. President Theodore Roosevelt proclaims Devils Tower, Wyoming as the nation's first National Monument.
- September 26 – The first concert of the Telharmonium, the first music synthesizer, is presented at Telharmonic Hall, Broadway at 39th St., New York City.
- September 30 – The first Gordon Bennett Cup in ballooning is held, starting in Paris. The winning team, piloting the balloon United States, lands in Fylingdales, Yorkshire, England, UK.



September 5: The first legal forward pass in an American football.

October–December

- October 1 – The Madeira School, a private boarding school for girls, opens with 28 students attending classes in two buildings on 19th Street, just off Dupont Circle in downtown Washington, D.C.
- October 11 – The San Francisco public school board sparks a United States diplomatic crisis with Japan, by ordering Japanese students to be taught in racially segregated schools.
- November 9 – U.S. President Theodore Roosevelt leaves for a trip to Panama to inspect the construction progress of the Panama Canal (the first time a sitting President of the United States makes an official trip outside of the United States).
- December 4 – Alpha Phi Alpha, the first inter-collegiate Greek-letter Fraternity established for African Americans, is founded at Cornell University.
- December 8 – The Petrified Forest, Arizona is designated a National Monument.
- December 10 – U.S. President Theodore Roosevelt is awarded the Nobel Peace Prize for his role in negotiating peace in the Russo-Japanese War (1905).

Undated

- The muffuletta sandwich is invented in New Orleans, Louisiana.

Ongoing

- Progressive Era (1890s–1920s)
- Lochner era (c. 1897–c. 1937)
- Black Patch Tobacco Wars (1904–1908)

Sport

- October 14 – The Chicago White Sox win their First World Series by defeating their crosstown rival Chicago Cubs 4 games to 2 at South Side Park (III)

Births

January–February

- January 7
 - Red Allen, trumpet player (died 1967)
 - Bobbi Trout, pilot (died 2003)
- January 14 – William Bendix, actor (died 1964)
- January 22 – Robert E. Howard, author (died 1936)
- February 4 – Clyde Tombaugh, astronomer (died 1997)
- February 10
 - Lon Chaney Jr., actor (died 1973)
 - Erik Rhodes, actor (died 1990)
- February 17 – Elizabeth M. Ramsey research physician (died 1993)
- February 20 – John Kenley, theatrical producer (died 2009)
- February 28 – Bugsy Siegel, gangster (died 1947)

March–April

- March 4 – Charles Rudolph Walgreen Jr., businessman (died 2007)
- March 6 – Lou Costello, actor and comedian, half of Abbott & Costello team (died 1959)
- March 20 – Ozzie Nelson, actor and band leader (died 1975)
- April 4 – John Cameron Swayze, journalist (died 1995)
- April 22 – Eddie Albert, actor (died 2005)
- April 24 – William Joyce, fascist propagandist (executed 1946 in the United Kingdom)
- April 25 – William J. Brennan, Supreme Court Justice (died 1997)

May–June

- May 3 – Mary Astor, actress and writer (died 1987)

- May 11
 - Jacqueline Cochran, aviator (died 1980)
 - Ethel Weed, promoter of women's rights in Japan (died 1975)
 - Richard Arvin Overton, oldest surviving American war veteran (WWII) and oldest living man in the U.S.
- May 12 – Maurice Ewing, geophysicist and oceanographer (died 1974)
- May 19 – Bruce Bennett, athlete and actor (died 2007)
- May 23 – Allan Scott, screenwriter (died 1995)
- May 28 – Phil Regan, actor (died 1996)
- June 3 – Josephine Baker, actress (died 1975 in France)
- June 19 – Earl W. Bascom, rodeo pioneer, artist, inventor (died 1995)
- June 22 – Anne Morrow Lindbergh, author and aviator (died 2001)
- June 26 – Viktor Schreckengost, industrial designer (died 2008)

July–August

- July 1 – Estée Lauder, cosmetics entrepreneur (died 2004)
- July 7 – Satchel Paige, baseball player (died 1982)
- July 18 – S. I. Hayakawa, Canadian-born American academic and politician, U.S. Senator from California from 1977 to 1983 (died 1992)
- August 6 – Vic Dickenson, trombonist (died 1984)
- August 9 – Robert L. Surtees, cinematographer (died 1985)
- August 12 – Tedd Pierce, animator (died 1972)
- August 17 – Hazel Bishop, chemist and inventor of "no-smear" lipstick (died 1998)
- August 19 – Philo Farnsworth, American inventor and television pioneer (died 1971)
- August 27 – Ed Gein, serial killer (died 1984)

September–October

- September 5 – Shimon Agranat, American-born president of the Supreme Court of Israel (died 1992)
- September 17
 - Raymond D. Mindlin, mechanic (died 1987)
 - Edgar Wayburn, environmentalist (died 2010)
- September 21 – Henry Beachell, plant breeder (died 2006)
- October 6 – Janet Gaynor, actress (died 1984)
- October 7 – James E. Webb, government administrator (died 1992)
- October 15 – Hiram Fong, businessman and U.S. Senator from Hawaii from 1959 to 1977 (died 2004)
- October 23 – Gertrude Ederle, swimmer (died 2003)
- October 27 – Earle Cabell, politician (died 1975)

November–December

- November 1 – Johnny Indrisano, boxer and actor (died 1968)

- November 5 – Fred Lawrence Whipple, astronomer (died 2004)
- November 14 – Louise Brooks, actress (died 1985)
- November 15 – Curtis LeMay, U.S.A.F. general, vice-presidential candidate (died 1990)
- November 18 – George Wald, scientist, Nobel Prize laureate (died 1997)
- December 9 – Grace Hopper, computer scientist and naval officer (died 1992)
- December 11 – Herman Welker, U.S. Senator from Idaho from 1951 to 1957 (died 1957)
- December 27 – Oscar Levant, pianist, composer, author, comedian and actor (died 1972)

Deaths

- January 25
 - John S. Harris, United States Senator from Louisiana from 1868 till 1871 (born 1825)
 - Joseph Wheeler, U.S. Army general and politician (born 1836)
- February 9 – Paul Laurence Dunbar, poet and publisher (born 1872)
- February 18 – John B. Stetson, hat manufacturer and inventor of the cowboy hat (born 1830)
- February 27 – Samuel Pierpont Langley, astronomer, physicist, and aeronautics pioneer (born 1834)
- March 4 – John Schofield, 28th United States Secretary of War and Commanding General of the United States Army (born 1831)
- March 13 – Susan B. Anthony, civil rights and women's suffrage activist (born 1820)
- April 11 – Francis Pharcellus Church, editor and publisher (born 1839)
- April 24 – Mary Hunt, temperance activist (born 1830)
- April 25 – John Knowles Paine, composer (born 1839)
- May 12 – Gabriel C. Wharton, civil engineer and Confederate general (born 1824)
- May 14 – Carl Schurz, German-born statesman (born 1829)
- May 15 – John K. Bucklyn, Medal of Honor recipient (born 1834)
- June 17 – Harry Nelson Pillsbury, chess champion (born 1872)
- June 25 – Stanford White, architect (born 1853)
- September 20 – Robert R. Hitt, 13th Assistant Secretary of State (born 1834)
- September 21 – Samuel Arnold, conspirator involved in the plot to kidnap U.S. President Abraham Lincoln in 1865 (born 1834)
- October 6 – Buck Ewing, American baseball player New York Giants and MLB Hall of Famer (born 1859)
- October 9 – Joseph Glidden, inventor of barbed wire (born 1813)
- October 16 – Varina Davis, wife of Jefferson Davis, First Lady of the Confederate States of America (born 1826)
- October 17 – James D. Walker, United States Senator from Arkansas from 1879 till 1885 (born 1830)
- November 4 – John H. Ketcham, politician (born 1832)

- November 23 – Willard Warner, United States Senator from Alabama from 1868 till 1871 (born 1826)
- December 12 – Arthur Brown, United States Senator from Utah from 1896 till 1897 (born 1843)
- December 30 – Thomas M. Bowen, United States Senator from Colorado from 1883 till 1889 (born 1835)
- December 31 – Donelson Caffery, United States Senator from Louisiana from 1892 till 1901 (born 1835)

See also

- List of American films of 1906
- Timeline of United States history (1900–1929)

External links

-  Media related to 1906 in the United States at Wikimedia Commons

Retrieved from "https://en.wikipedia.org/w/index.php?title=1906_in_the_United_States&oldid=934998679"

This page was last edited on 9 January 2020, at 20:35 (UTC).

Text is available under the [Creative Commons Attribution-ShareAlike License](#); additional terms may apply. By using this site, you agree to the [Terms of Use](#) and [Privacy Policy](#). Wikipedia® is a registered trademark of the [Wikimedia Foundation, Inc.](#), a non-profit organization.