

# 1922 in the United States

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Events from the year **1922 in the United States**.

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## Incumbents

### Federal Government

- President: Warren G. Harding (R-Ohio)
- Vice President: Calvin Coolidge (R-Massachusetts)
- Chief Justice: William Howard Taft (Ohio)
- Speaker of the House of Representatives: Frederick H. Gillett (R-Massachusetts)
- Senate Majority Leader: Henry Cabot Lodge (R-Massachusetts)
- Congress: 67th

## Governors and Lieutenant Governors

### Governors

- Governor of Alabama: Thomas Kilby (Democratic)
- Governor of Arizona: Thomas Edward Campbell (Republican)
- Governor of Arkansas: Thomas Chipman McRae (Democratic)
- Governor of California: William Stephens (Republican)
- Governor of Colorado: Oliver Henry Shoup (Republican)
- Governor of Connecticut: Everett J. Lake (Republican)
- Governor of Delaware: William D. Denney (Republican)
- Governor of Florida: Cary A. Hardee (Democratic)
- Governor of Georgia: Thomas W. Hardwick (Democratic)
- Governor of Idaho: D. W. Davis (Republican)
- Governor of Illinois: Len Small (Republican)
- Governor of Indiana: Warren T. McCray (Republican)
- Governor of Iowa: Nathan E. Kendall (Republican)
- Governor of Kansas: Henry J. Allen (Republican)
- Governor of Kentucky: Edwin P. Morrow (Republican)
- Governor of Louisiana: John M. Parker (Democratic)
- Governor of Maine: Percival Proctor Baxter (Republican)
- Governor of Maryland: Albert C. Ritchie (Democratic)
- Governor of Massachusetts: Channing H. Cox (Republican)
- Governor of Michigan: Alex Groesbeck (Republican)
- Governor of Minnesota: J. A. O. Preus (Republican)
- Governor of Mississippi: Lee M. Russell (Democratic)
- Governor of Missouri: Arthur M. Hyde (Republican)
- Governor of Montana: Joseph M. Dixon (Republican)
- Governor of Nebraska: Samuel R. McKelvie (Republican)
- Governor of Nevada: Emmet D. Boyle (Democratic)
- Governor of New Hampshire: Albert O. Brown (Republican)
- Governor of New Jersey: Edward I. Edwards (Democratic)
- Governor of New Mexico: Merritt C. Mechem (Republican)
- Governor of New York: Nathan Lewis Miller (Democratic) (until end of December 31)
- Governor of North Carolina: Cameron Morrison (Democratic)
- Governor of North Dakota: Ragnvald A. Nestos (Republican)
- Governor of Ohio: Harry L. Davis (Republican)
- Governor of Oklahoma: James B. A. Robertson (Democratic)
- Governor of Oregon: Ben W. Olcott (Republican)
- Governor of Pennsylvania: William Cameron Sproul (Republican)
- Governor of Rhode Island: Emery J. San Souci (Republican)
- Governor of South Carolina: Robert Archer Cooper (Democratic) (until May 20), Wilson Godfrey Harvey (Democratic) (starting May 20)
- Governor of South Dakota: William H. McMaster (Republican)
- Governor of Tennessee: Alfred A. Taylor (Republican)
- Governor of Texas: Pat Morris Neff (Democratic)
- Governor of Utah: Charles R. Mabey (Republican)
- Governor of Vermont: James Hartness (Republican)
- Governor of Virginia: Westmoreland Davis (Democratic) (until February 1), Elbert Lee Trinkle (Democratic) (starting February 1)
- Governor of Washington: Louis Folwell Hart (Republican)
- Governor of West Virginia: Ephraim F. Morgan (Republican)
- Governor of Wisconsin: John J. Blaine (Republican)
- Governor of Wyoming: Robert D. Carey (Republican)

### Lieutenant Governors

- Lieutenant Governor of Alabama: Nathan Lee Miller (Democratic)
- Lieutenant Governor of California: Clement Calhoun Young (Republican)
- Lieutenant Governor of Colorado: Earl Cooley (Republican)
- Lieutenant Governor of Connecticut: Charles A. Templeton (Republican)
- Lieutenant Governor of Delaware: J. Danforth Bush (Republican)
- Lieutenant Governor of Idaho: Charles C. Moore (Republican)
- Lieutenant Governor of Illinois: Fred E. Sterling (Republican)

- Lieutenant Governor of Indiana: Emmett Forrest Branch (Republican)
- Lieutenant Governor of Iowa: John Hammill (Republican)
- Lieutenant Governor of Kansas: Charles S. Huffman (Republican)
- Lieutenant Governor of Kentucky: S. Thruston Ballard (political party unknown)
- Lieutenant Governor of Louisiana: Hewitt Bouanchaud (Democratic)
- Lieutenant Governor of Massachusetts: Alvan T. Fuller (Republican)
- Lieutenant Governor of Michigan: Thomas Read (Republican)
- Lieutenant Governor of Minnesota: Louis L. Collins (Republican)
- Lieutenant Governor of Mississippi: Homer H. Casteel (Democratic)
- Lieutenant Governor of Missouri: Hiram Lloyd (Republican)
- Lieutenant Governor of Montana: Nelson Story, Jr. (political party unknown)
- Lieutenant Governor of Nebraska: Pelham A. Barrows (Republican)
- Lieutenant Governor of Nevada: Maurice J. Sullivan (Democratic)
- Lieutenant Governor of New Mexico: William H. Duckworth (Republican)
- Lieutenant Governor of New York: Jeremiah Wood (Republican) (until September 26), vacant (starting September 26)
- Lieutenant Governor of North Carolina: William B. Cooper (Democratic)
- Lieutenant Governor of North Dakota: Howard R. Wood (Republican)
- Lieutenant Governor of Ohio: Clarence J. Brown Sr. (Republican)
- Lieutenant Governor of Oklahoma: Martin E. Trapp (Democratic)
- Lieutenant Governor of Pennsylvania: Edward E. Beidleman (Republican)
- Lieutenant Governor of Rhode Island: Harold Gross (Republican)
- Lieutenant Governor of South Carolina: Wilson Godfrey Harvey (Democratic) (until May 20), vacant (starting May 20)
- Lieutenant Governor of South Dakota: Carl Gunderson (Republican)
- Lieutenant Governor of Tennessee: William West Bond (Democratic)
- Lieutenant Governor of Texas: Lynch Davidson (Democratic)
- Lieutenant Governor of Vermont: Abram W. Foote (Republican)
- Lieutenant Governor of Virginia: Benjamin Franklin Buchanan (Democratic) (until February 1), Junius Edgar West (Democratic) (starting February 1)
- Lieutenant Governor of Washington: William J. Coyle (Republican)
- Lieutenant Governor of Wisconsin: George F. Comings (Republican)

## Events

### January–March

- January 17 – American actress and TV extraordinaire Betty White is born.
- January 28 – Snowfall from the Knickerbocker storm, the biggest-ever recorded snowstorm in Washington, D.C., causes the roof of the Knickerbocker Theatre to collapse, killing 98.
- February 3 – American actor William Desmond Taylor is murdered.
- February 7 – Five Power Naval Disarmament Treaty signed between United States, Britain, Japan, France, and Italy
- February 10 – President of the United States Warren G. Harding introduces the first radio in the White House.
- February 24 – *Leser v. Garnett*: A challenge to the Nineteenth Amendment to the United States Constitution, allowing women the right to vote, is rebuffed by the Supreme Court of the United States.
- March 20 – The USS *Langley* is commissioned as the first United States Navy aircraft carrier.

## April–June

- April 7 – Teapot Dome scandal: The United States Secretary of the Interior leases Teapot Dome oil reserves in Wyoming.
- April 13 – The State of Massachusetts opens all public offices to women.
- April 22 – The Lambda Chapter of the Joe Whelan Sorority, Incorporated (the first chapter of a black sorority in New York State) is chartered.
- May 5 – In the Bronx, construction begins on Yankee Stadium.
- May 11 – Radio station KGU begins broadcasting in Hawaii.
- May 12 – A 20-ton meteorite lands near Blackstone, Virginia.<sup>[1][2]</sup>
- May 30 – In Washington, D.C., the Lincoln Memorial is dedicated.
- June 11 – Première of Robert J. Flaherty's *Nanook of the North*, the first commercially successful feature-length documentary film.
- June 14 – U.S. President Warren G. Harding makes his first speech on the radio.



May 30: Lincoln Memorial dedicated

## July–September

- July 11 – The Hollywood Bowl opens.
- July 30 600 WMT begins broadcasting

## October–December

- October 3 – Rebecca Felton of Georgia becomes the first female United States Senator, when the governor of Georgia gives her a temporary appointment, pending the election of a replacement for Senator Thomas Watson, who had died suddenly. She will not take office till November 21, and will thus serve for only one day.
- November 12 – Sigma Gamma Rho (ΣΓΡ) Sorority, Incorporated is founded by 7 educators in Indianapolis, Indiana. The group becomes an incorporated national collegiate sorority on December 30, 1929, when a charter is granted to the Alpha Chapter at Butler University in Indianapolis, Indiana.

## Undated

- The Molly Pitcher Club is formed to promote the repeal of Prohibition in the United States.
- The California grizzly bear becomes extinct.

## Ongoing

- Lochner era (c. 1897–c. 1937)
- U.S. occupation of Haiti (1915–1934)
- Prohibition (1919–1933)

- Roaring Twenties (1920–1929)

## Births

- January 1 – Ernest Hollings, U.S. Senator from South Carolina from 1966 to 2005
- January 17 – Betty White, actress, comedian and writer
- January 22 – Howard Moss, poet, playwright and critic (d. 1987)
- January 24 – Bob Hoover, World War II air ace and test pilot (d. 2016)
- February 6 – Leon Bibb, American-Canadian singer (d. 2015)
- February 6 – Jocelyn Burdick, U.S. Senator from North Dakota in 1992
- February 10 – Harold Hughes, U.S. Senator from Iowa from 1969 to 1975 (d. 1996)
- February 12 – Elisabeth Carron, operatic soprano (d. 2016)
- February 17 – Tommy Edwards, singer-songwriter (d. 1969)
- February 18
  - Joe Tipton, baseball player (d. 1994)
  - Connie Wisniewski, baseball player (d. 1995)
- March 12 – Jack Kerouac, novelist and poet (d. 1969)
- April 3 – Doris Day, actress, singer and animal rights activist
- April 16 – Pat Pepler, American football player and coach (d. 2015)
- April 19 – Billy Joe Patton, amateur golfer (d. 2011)
- May 11
  - Nestor Chylak, baseball player and umpire (d. 1982)
  - Thelma Eisen, baseball player and manager (d. 2014)
- June 10 – Judy Garland, singer and movie actress (d. 1969)
- July 19 – Al Haig, jazz pianist, best known as a pioneer of bebop (d. 1982)
- August 2 – Paul Laxalt, U.S. Senator from Nevada from 1974 to 1987
- December 24 – Ava Gardner, actress (d. 1990)
- October 30 – Marie Van Brittan Brown, inventor (d. 1999)
- December 28 – Stan Lee, comic-book writer, editor, publisher, media producer, television host, actor and former president and chairman of Marvel Comics

## Deaths

- June 22 – Newton C. Blanchard, United States Senator from Louisiana from 1904 to 1908 (b. 1849)
- August 1 – Francis S. White, United States Senator from Alabama from 1914 to 1915 (b. 1847)
- August 23 – Albert J. Hopkins, United States Senator from Illinois from 1903 to 1909 (b. 1846)
- November 6 – Morgan Bulkeley, United States Senator from Connecticut from 1905 to 1911 (b. 1837)


## See also

- [List of American films of 1922](#)

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