

1937 Chronology

April

LBJ (Lyndon Johnson) (recuperating in hospital; visitors include Governor James Allred, and C.N. Avery.

4/24 LBJ released from hospital; went to parents' home in Johnson City.

LBJ and **CTJ (Lady Bird Johnson)** have dinner with Allreds at Governor's Mansion.

4/27 Johnsons leave Austin; go to Karnack where LBJ will spend 10 days recuperating before going to Washington.

May

5/11 LBJ meets President Roosevelt in Galveston, rides on presidential train with FDR and his entourage.

5/13 LBJ sworn in, Washington.

CTJ goes to Alabama to visit Aunt Effie, ill in hospital.

June

CTJ arrives in Washington. Sherman Birdwell recalls that CTJ drove up to Washington with Mrs. Birdwell. Birdwells lived with Johnsons at Kennedy-Warren Apartments, #1127, until they found an apartment of their own.

July

Court-packing controversy.

7/17 House Naval Affairs and Appropriation Committee departed on destroyer Porter for Norfolk and inspection of the Fifth District.

LBJ secures \$5 million allotment to complete Marshall Ford Dam.

Bill Deason and Marion Fore visit Johnsons in Washington from about 7/21 or 7/22 – 7/28 or 7/29. CTJ goes with them to New York City for a visit.

LBJ votes to report minimum wage out of committee, but was defeated.

7/19 LBJ votes to override farm loan interest veto.

August

8/5 LBJ and other Southern congressmen meet with FDR to secure cotton subsidy.

LBJ meets with FDR to discuss fact that black farmers are deprived of AAA benefits.

8/9 Johnsons consider buying house in Austin.

Summer/Fall

LBJ works with Alvin Wirtz, George Brown, Tom Miller, and others on development of the Lower Colorado River.

October

10/23 LBJ's father dies.

December

LBJ secures new scenic park linking Longhorn Cavern State Park and LCRA.

LBJ supports popular referendum before declaration of war.

LBJ attacks concentration of wealth and monopolistic tendencies - Elgin Chamber of Commerce.

LBJ supports public housing authority to promote slum clearance.

Johnsons spend Christmas in Austin and Johnson City.