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1967 –

*Service to shut-ins began.*

1975 –

*The Ray Memorial Building was named part of the Dean Historical District and put on the National Register of Historical Places.*

1982 –

*The Franklin Public Library became a department of the town for the first time.*

