

1912

January 13th, 1912 low temperature fell to - 8 degrees and high-temperature recovered to +8 degrees Fahrenheit.

January 14th, 1912 low temperature plummeted to -13 degrees Fahrenheit. At College Park, Md. The temperature fell to an incredible low reading of 26 degrees below.

January 18, 1977 the minimum temperature was 2 degrees Fahrenheit and the maximum temperature was 18 degrees setting records for the the date in Washington.

In January 1977 the minimum temperature was below freezing every day of the month. This is only the second month on record that this happen in Washington. By January 20, Smith and Tangier Island in the lower Chesapeake Bay could no longer be reached by barge, and food and other key supplies had to be airlifted to residents. Ice covered on the Potomac River by this time was up to 11 in. thick.

January 1912 was the last month that double digit sub- zero temperatures were recorded in Washington.

The winner of 1917-1918 occurred during a long period of more than average temperatures in fact every month from September through February had temperatures that average below normal.

December 1917 is tied with 1989 as the second coldest December on record with an average temperature of 27.9 degrees Fahrenheit.