• The Wingerath Lumber Company, located opposite Swan Lake, also became a fire loss on January 3, 1946.

• The Adirondak Log Cabin Company, a subsidiary of the US. Pre–Fab Company, started building pre-fab Cape Cod homes in the former Bailey Mill.

• Saturday, July 19, 1947, was the day of the grand opening of the Mt. Carmel Beach on the east side of the West Lake.

• The *Advance* reports the largest ever tournament sponsored by the Patchogue Fire Department. The event, around the Fourth of July holiday in 1947, lasted three days.

• The Plymouth Mill reported a work slow- down due to a decreased demand for the mills products. 450 workers were idle by November 1948.

• A large fire on January 6,1949, destroyed the Connelly Ship Yard on the Patchogue River.

• A crowd of over 3,000 people attended the groundbreaking ceremony and the following parade of the new Seton Hall High School on Roe Boulevard on May 8, 1949.

• In July, 1949, the 11 acre site of the former Clifton Hotel at the foot of Bay Avenue was divided into 50 home sites.

• The Maple Avenue School was demolished in 1949 and the site was sold for \$10,000. A \$1 million apartment complex would be erected on the property in the future.

• On December 8, 1949 the cornerstone was laid for the new Lutheran Church of Our Savior on 231 Jayne Avenue. The dedication ceremony was held on October 5, 1950.

## 1950 - 1960

• The new Veterans Highway opened to the public January 26, 1950.

• In July 1950 the American Legion held a two- day convention in Patchogue. Approximately 2,000 marchers participated in the parade and the convention.

• A fire destroyed an old Patchogue landmark, the Old Oak Hotel, located on East Main Street, on September 24, 1950.

• A strong hurricane passed over the Long Island area November 25, 1950. Damage in Patchogue was mostly to trees, but Toad Conklin's boat yard lost two buildings. The Brookhaven Airport and Davis Field in Bayport lost several planes.

• The Hempat Manufacturing Company, working in the former Roller Skating Rink on Railroad Avenue, received an Army contract for 16,000 trench coats on February 8, 1951. The same company, now under the name RBFD, received an additional order for 60,000 trench coats on March 29, 1951.