

1936 GREETED WITH HILARITY IN CITY DEBUT

Joyous Welcome Is Given New Year: \$10,000,000 Spent in U. S.

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Knights of Columbus Auditorium, the Travertine Room of the Lincoln by the Shriners, the Severin by the Fifty Club and in other downtown places.

Theaters Are Jammed

The majority of the completely sober persons downtown last night were police, taxi drivers and other persons who had to work.

"It's a great night for it," confided one taxi driver to another. "The tips are so good it looks like I'm going to salt as much dough as I have to turn in."

"Yeah, man," said the other.

Theaters played to large audiences at midnight shows.

Perhaps the most enjoyed and varying New Year's observances were held in private homes. In many the celebration was just as riotous as in the downtown night spots.

Churches Hold Services

In others, and in churches, the observance was sober in thought as well as in deed. Many citizens thoughtfully considered the improved status or the more hopeful future facing them at the dawn of 1936 and gave silent thanks perhaps more heartfelt than those supposed to be expressed on Thanksgiving Day.

But the keynote of Indianapolis' greeting to young 1936 and farewell to old 1935 was one of revelry and if you and you and you have a galloping hangover today, you may take what satisfaction it gives you in the knowledge that you are one of the many—the "degree team that initiated young 1936 into the Twentieth Century Lodge."

\$10,000,000 'Headache'

By United Press

The nation awoke today to 1936 with the bitter-sweet memories of a \$10,000,000 greeting to the new year—the costliest one-night splurge since the depression clamped down in 1929.

Returning prosperity was the blaring keynote of the wildest, wettest, noisiest celebration in years. Restaurants, hotels, night clubs and bars were jammed. Theaters and liques likewise reaped a rich harvest.

In New York alone more than \$2,000,000 changed hands and on this basis clinking cash registers tallied America's bill at conservatively \$10,000,000—and probably more.

Revelry Reigns Unconfined

The temper of the millions who snaked their ear-splitting way through the streets of the larger cities of the land was lighter this year than for some time in the past. There was little violence and police let revelry reign unconfined, restricting their activities to protecting the lawbreakers themselves.

There was a cheerful disregard for expense in evidence despite boom prices ranging up to \$25 a person in some hotels and restaurants. In most cities with the notable exception of Washington—the curfew hours of liquor were suspended and in New York alone almost 1200 establishments obtained permits to keep open all night.

New York's celebration was the largest, most extravagant and spectacular in the land as befit its number one city. More than 200,000 persons took virtually every available reservation at night spots and more than 300,000 others crushed into Times Square for the annual mass reception to Jan. 1.

\$1,000,000 for Liquor

There were thousands of private parties as attested by jubilant liquor salesmen who reported a take of almost \$1,000,000.

Bartenders reported the demand for hard liquor greater than for any New Year's Eve within memory. Dance halls said they were swamped with more customers than had showered down in the last generation. The New York, New Haven & Hartford Railroad announced that at least 6000 New Englanders had poured into town for New Year's Eve, approximately three times the number that used the road last year.

Capitol Hilarious

In Washington there was less drunkenness than in the past few years although the celebration was the most hilarious since 1929. In accordance with a district law liquor ceased to flow in night spots at 2 a.m.

Cleveland had the gayest New Year since 1929. Traffic in the downtown district was at a standstill as crowds flowed into the city's night clubs. Hotels were jammed to the doors, theaters were sold out.

The crowd converged on the downtown section early in the evening and remained until 1936 was several hours old. Night club and hotel managers agreed that, if holiday spending was a criterion, the depression is over.

OFFICIAL WEATHER

United States Weather Bureau

TEMPERATURE

Jan. 1, 1936

7 a. m. 11 1 p. m. 17

—Today—

8 a. m. 22 9 a. m. 26

8 a. m. 23 11 a. m. 29

8 a. m. 30 11 a. m. 31

BAROMETER

7 a. m. 30.39

Precipitation 24 hrs. ending 7 a. m. .00

Total precipitation .00

Deficiency .12

OTHER CITIES AT 1 A. M.

Station Weather Bar. Temp.

Amarillo, Tex. Cloudy 29.80 38

Baltimore, Md. Cloudy 30.46 22

Boston, Mass. Cloudy 30.46 22

Chicago, Ill. Cloudy 30.32 22

Cincinnati, O. Cloudy 30.36 30

Denver, Colo. Cloudy 30.00 30

Dodge City, Kas. Rain 29.98 34

Fort Worth, Tex. Rain 30.12 34

Jacksonville, Fla. Cloudy 30.34 46

Kansas City, Mo. Rain 30.10 36

Little Rock, Ark. Rain 30.12 36

Los Angeles, Cal. Clear 30.18 52

Minneapolis, Minn. Cloudy 30.22 70

Mobile, Ala. Cloudy 30.14 46

New Orleans, La. Rain 30.06 32

New York, N. Y. Rain 30.06 25

Okla. City, Okla. Rain 30.02 38

Pittsburgh, Pa. Cloudy 30.06 54

Portland, Ore. Cloudy 30.08 48

Railroad, Tex. Rain 30.06 48

San Francisco, Cal. Cloudy 30.24 48

St. Louis, Mo. Cloudy 30.26 32

Tampa, Fla. Cloudy 30.26 50

Washington, D. C. Cloudy 30.50 26

LEAP YEAR O. K. BY THEM, SAY CITY GIRLS

(Q) Are women's chances for marriage increased or decreased during leap year?
 (A) Yes, it gives the woman a bit more self assurance. That is, women in general.
 (Q) Have your own matrimonial chances changed because of the arrival of the leap year?
 (A) No, I still feel the same.
 (Q) Would you say that love is concerned?
 (A) To a large extent, so far.
 (Q) Have you any special plans for the leap year?
 (A) I am not sure about that.

Olive Walker
1716 North Meridian

Age 26

Leap Year was invented by the people who thought up the calendar we go by because they couldn't make things come out even. It figures out that every four years there is a 24-hour loss, so they added a day in February. This year, 1936, is one for catching up and, oddly enough, by popular decree a year in which young women are entitled to propose marriage to young men, instead of vice versa.

Miss Olive Walker, 26, of 1716 North Meridian-st, a stenographer, shown above at her typewriter, was one of the girls The Times asked about this circumstance.

Miss Walker typed her answers, but due to the exigency of getting Miss Walker's picture in, the typed answers are fragmentary.

She believes, she typed, that women in general take advantage of leap years, and that it raises the hopes of many. She does not let it enter into her personal plans, but feels that it's all right if others do.

Miss Hazel Washburn, 21, of 259 Parkview-av, a blonde, said she believes in leap year as an institution; thinks many other girls do, and as for herself, she has "plenty of prospects."

In fact, Miss Washburn says, this is her favorite calendar, and her favorite year. Boys are a little shy during leap years, she says, but there are 366 days and that ought to be enough for any gal.

ROOSEVELT BIRTHDAY FETE TO BE PLANNED

First Meeting to Be Held in Columbia Club Tomorrow.

Preliminary plans for a series of Indianapolis parties celebrating the birthday Jan. 30 of President Franklin D. Roosevelt as a benefit for the Warm Springs Foundation are to be made at a meeting tomorrow noon in the Columbia Club, former Mayor Reginald H. Sullivan, arrangements chairman, has announced. Mr. Sullivan appointed Wallace O. Lee, executive committee chairman, and W. S. Akin, secretary.

PARIS, LONDON BAR NAZI PACTS

Heal Breach Caused by British Agreement on German Navy.

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the end of the year and will have 1,000,000 pilots, 500,000 observers and 500,000 glider fliers by the end of 1937.

France and Britain also have agreed, it was learned, to consult soon on a plan to invite Germany back into an arms limitation conference.

Bombing Angers Sweden

By United Press

STOCKHOLM, Jan. 1.—Anticipating Italian feeling mounted today among incensed citizens who abandoned New Year's celebrations after they learned of the bombing of a Swedish Red Cross unit in southern Ethiopia. Fear of grave international consequences was expressed.

Extra guards were placed at the Italian legation. Strong protests were expected to be made at Rome and Geneva.

Word of the bombing at Dolo in which nine Swedes and 24 Ethiopians were killed paralyzed the entire nation.

The Norwegian and Finnish premiers issued statements sympathizing with Sweden and forecasting serious international repercussions.

NIGHT ADDRESS PLAN OF F. D. R. STIRS CAPITAL

Republicans See Politics in Decision Which Shatters All Precedent.

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to Congress, a "fireside chat" and the opening gun of the 1936 presidential campaign.

Mr. Snell and Senate Republican Leader Charles L. McNary agreed to make no objection, but said they could not speak for the entire Republican membership.

McNARY SEES NO DIFFICULTY

"I think the Speaker will be able to work something out," Mr. Snell said. Senator McNary said he thought there would be "no difficulty" in the Senate.

Both Democratic and Republican leaders appeared taken completely by surprise. An inquiry by a radio broadcasting company official is said to have aroused their curiosity.

Finally, an inquiry was made at the White House. Later Marvin McIntyre, secretary to the President, called the Capitol to advise leaders of the President's plans. The conference of leaders was then called.

COAST-TO-COAST HOOKUP

The address will be broadcast on Coast-to-Coast chains of radio stations. It may be heard by the largest audience ever to listen to an opening address to Congress.

The President is expected to review accomplishments of the New Deal, debate his critics and discuss spending issues raised in preliminary Republican campaign speeches. He may discuss the nation's growing public debt.

Congressional speculation has been the only indication of what the President may choose to discuss. He is not expected to go into detail as to legislative plans. His practice has been to offer legislative proposals separately from time to time.

NEUTRALITY ACTION CERTAIN

Observers look for a rather full discussion of neutrality. Mr. Roosevelt is reported as determined to take the lead in presenting a revised neutrality program. He expects, it is said, to have an Administration bill ready within a few days.

The present neutrality law expires Feb. 29. Congressmen supporting neutrality legislation, including Senator Gerald P. Nye (R., N. D.), are urging a mandatory law to compel presidential embargo on all credits and war materials to belligerents.

The Administration desires a more flexible program, one which might be used to meet unforeseen situations as they arise and one which might be wielded toward maintaining world peace. The State Department favored such a bill last session.

The Administration's position was made known after the President conferred late yesterday with State Department officials and congressional leaders.

Mr. Roosevelt has indicated he

YOU'RE TELLING US!



KAGAWA GUEST AT OPEN HOUSE

Noted Japanese Liberal to Be Honored in Reception at Y. M. C. A.

Reception honoring Dr. Toyohiko Kagawa, noted Japanese liberal, is to be a feature of the annual New Year's open house to be held from 2 to 10 today at the Y. M. C. A. Dr. Kagawa is taking part in programs of the Student Volunteer movement convention.

Dr. Kagawa is to present a letter from the Tokyo Y. M. C. A. to Indianapolis association officers.

Musical part of the program is to be provided by the Y. M. C. A. Community orchestra and a string trio from the Jordan Conservatory, composed of Misses Lois DeSaulnier, Lillian and Helen Starlost.

Afternoon events are to include a

handball tournament, gymnasium demonstration and a contest among junior swimmers to catch more than 100 gold fish released in the 60,000-gallon pool.

Night program is to include music and motion pictures, volleyball game between the Y varsity and Eli Lilly teams and an archery club shoot.

NEGRO'S BURNS TREATED

Woman in City Hospital Injured When Stove Exploded.

Mrs. Florence Norman, Negro, 49, of 958 W. Pearl-st, today in City Hospital being treated for burns suffered Dec. 20, when a stove exploded. Police had no record of the fire and are holding her husband, Ed Norman, while they make an investigation.

Mrs. Norman was burned badly on the back and arms.

Poison Kills City Woman

Mrs. Madeline Sallee, 1230 N. Illinois-st, died yesterday in City Hospital of poison taken Dec. 22.

CHURCH GROUP TO CONCLUDE PARLEY HERE

Volunteers to Enjoy Music Program