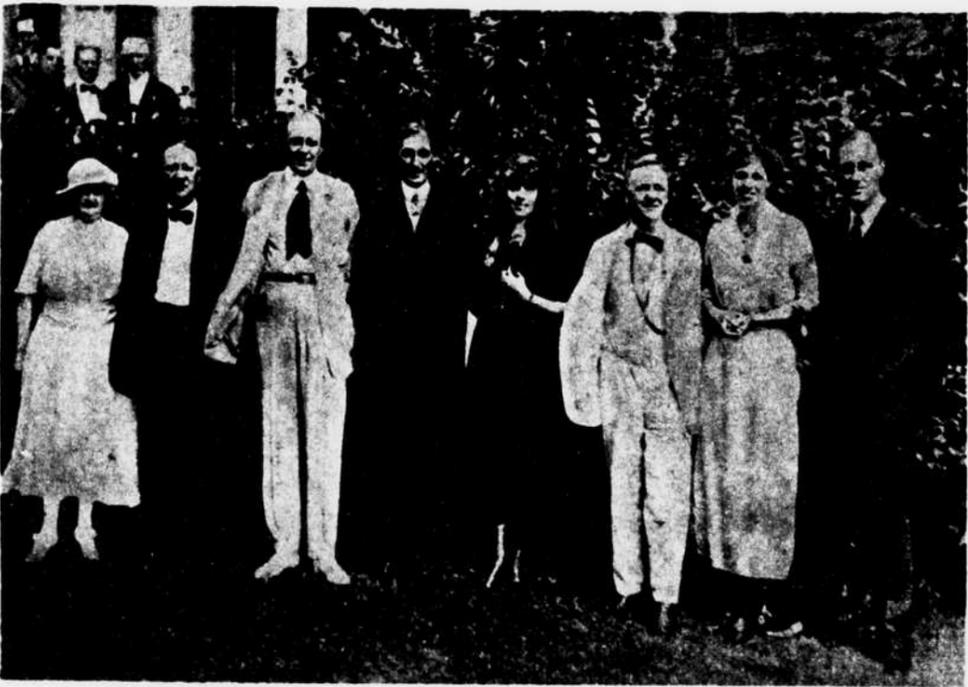


Started in Georgia in 1915, the Ku Klux Klan spread widely and was, variously, anti-Negro, anti-Catholic and anti-Jewish. Above: Members initiated under the flaming cross near Brunswick, Md.



Actresses joined in the 1919 strike wave in an action which closed nearly a dozen New York theaters.



A group of prominent Democrats of the time. Left to right: Mrs. Alfred E. Smith and her husband, then New York's Governor; Homer S. Cummings, later Attorney General; William Gibbs McAdoo, Secretary of the Treasury, and Mrs. McAdoo; Josephus Daniels, Secretary of the Navy; Mrs. Eleanor Roosevelt and Franklin D. Roosevelt, defeated candidate for Vice President in 1920.



The successful vice presidential candidate, Calvin Coolidge (center) with his wife, sons and father, Col. John Coolidge, who administered the oath when Mr. Coolidge succeeded to the presidency.



An ugly series of race riots marred 1919. One of these occurred in Chicago when a 17-year-old colored youth drowned in Lake Michigan and many thought he had been stoned by white persons while in the water. Here, a mixed crowd is shown leaving the beach as the fighting got under way.

There was moaning and groaning over Czechoslovakia's fate then, just as there has been in the last two or three years.

Strikes, prejudices, cockeyed philosophies, uprisings, tensions, strained relations, threats, high rents—all have a familiar ring; in fact, are almost exact echoes of the post-1918 era.

The voters in the 1920 elec-

tion had to weather the same long-winded political oratory as the voters of 1948. And, as always, many of the promises were forgotten as soon as the balloting was over.

Even the constabulary of staid old Boston kicked up a fuss in September, 1919, and walked out on strike. And what happened? We got Calvin Coolidge as President.

On September 16, 1920, just

when Wall Street was sweating out its mere seventh million for the day, some culprit set off an explosion. It killed 30 people and injured hundreds. The anarchists were blamed, whoever they were. Somebody had to be blamed, even though the mystery of the blast was never solved. The House of Morgan is still pock-marked with scars of the flying fragments.

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