

# 40,000 APPLAUD WILSON AS HE PLEDGES ANEW TO UPHOLD NATION'S RIGHTS

**Patriotism Stirs the Throngs That Line Streets as President Passes Guarded By Soldiers and Secret Service Men.**

**Address at Capitol a Prayer for Peace and Warning of Possible War—Wife by Side Throughout Day's Ceremonies—Gale and Cold Fail to Dampen Enthusiasm of Throngs. District Troops March Like Veterans After Border Service—Brilliant Display of Fireworks Closes Day's Festivities.**

Confronted by an international situation which in seriousness finds no precedent in the nation's past, Woodrow Wilson was yesterday inducted into office to guide for another four years the governmental functions of the United States.

This seriousness of affairs of state reflected its influence throughout the spectacle that accompanied the formal ceremony of inauguration.

### Frivolity Gives Way to Patriotism.

The thousands assembled from the four corners of the country, fewer than have gathered to witness many other inaugurations, lacked the froth of frivolity that pervades a holiday-bent throng and shook off their serious demeanor for demonstrativeness only in response to features that appealed to their patriotism.

Not in many years has the inaugural ceremony been called to evoke other than the emotions suited to a gala occasion. This year it was different. There was an absence of the elation of a political party, which has been the dominant spirit of other inaugurations. The great crowds lining the Avenue were respectful, approving and patriotic. By one who walked from the White House to the Capitol through the throng, keeping pace with the President's carriage, it was said that the comment and the conversation rarely touched the international crisis, and this was if there was a common confidence that the peace and honor of the nation were in the hands of one zealous that they should remain unbesmirched.

### Rifles and Machine Guns Guard President.

The cloak of safeguards thrown about the President was much more elaborate than has been thought necessary at any inaugural since that which marked the entry of Lincoln upon his second term. To and from the Capitol the President and Mrs. Wilson, who made history by the prominent part which she took in the ceremony, drove between closely formed lines of soldiers armed with loaded guns; from the roofs of buildings along Pennsylvania avenue, the thoroughfare through which the President passed, more than 100 special detectives kept close scrutiny on the throngs that lined the sidewalks and filled the stands, and before the east portico of the Capitol, from which President Wilson delivered his inaugural address, and the stand from which he reviewed the parade, machine guns shooting 800 shots a minute had been placed in position.

### Prayer and Warning by Wilson.

That the air of portent which pervaded the day had justification was made clear by the President in his inaugural address. After having taken for the second time in two days the solemn oath to faithfully execute the office to which elected and to defend the Constitution, President Wilson breathed another prayer for peace, but coupled with it the warning that war may yet come to this country.

To the thousands congested in the Capitol plaza, he remarked: "We must stand firm in armed neutrality, since it seems that in no other way we can demonstrate what it is we insist upon and cannot forego. We may even be drawn on, by circumstances, not by our own purpose or desire, to a more active assertion of our rights as we see them and a more immediate association with the great struggle itself."

### New Citizens in Parade.

The quiet, determined patriotism that found expression at every hand was no more clearly voiced than by the country's adopted citizens. In the Americanization section of the pageant marched several thousand "new citizens" assembled from every one of the many nationalities that go to make the populace of the United States.

On the banners borne by these adopted sons one idea was set forth, "America First." Roumanians, Italians, Serbs and Poles professed their loyalty to the United States and willingness to take their stand for their new land if their services were needed.

President Wilson was touched and the throngs thrilled when several hundred veterans of the civil war passed, bearing a streamer inscribed, "G. A. R. Ready for Duty."

### Crowd Shivers in Gale.

The weather, while clear, was far from comfortable. The low rain clouds that swept over the sky in the early morning hour were dispelled shortly before noon, but the sunshine was accompanied by a 36-mile gale, and dropping temperatures carried the thermometer to and below freezing point.

By the time that the parade had got under way the wind had risen and temperature fallen to a point which made many of the occupants of stands so uncomfortable that they abandoned their positions, and either returned to their homes and hotels or joined the throngs along the roped sidewalks.

### Pageant One of Best Ever Held.

If the pageant arranged by the inaugural committee was in the opinion of persons familiar with such ceremonies, one of the best ever held. While the number in line, approximately 25,000, was smaller than four years ago this fact was attributed to the stricter regulations prescribed by the committee.

The most impressive feature of this phase of the ceremonies was the excellent showing of the militia organizations which have recently seen service on the Mexican border. These

troops that went forth last May with ragged lines and loose formations, yesterday swung past President Wilson with a precision of movement worthy of the veterans that they now are.

Their bronzed faces and improved physical appearance, as well as their more skillful execution of the manual of drill, spoke plainly the benefit of field experience, and the spectators accorded acknowledgment through the receptions that they extended these troopers as they passed in review.

### Fine Showing by New Yorkers.

New York won in the bid for plaudits with its greater numbers and more varied branches of the service. The Sixty-ninth and Twelfth New York infantry—the troops that formed the cordon through which the President passed to the Capitol—made excellent showings, and the armed motor cars and motorcycle machine-gun batteries from that State attracted general attention as one of the innovations in an inaugural pageant.

### District Troops March Well.

The District of Columbia national guard marched as well as any militia organization in the line, and Maryland guardsmen were loudly cheered. The nearest approach to an ovation given any military bodies were, as is customary, accorded the government's service schools, West Point and the Naval Academy.

Despite the threatening outlook during the early morning the crowds began assembling along the line of parade several hours before President Wilson was scheduled to leave the White House and when at 11 o'clock the carriage, drawn by four horses, in which he rode with Mrs. Wilson on his left, trotted down Pennsylvania avenue, every sidewalk and the majority of the stands along that thoroughfare were filled with cheering thousands.

### 40,000 at Capitol.

At the Capitol the President found more than 40,000 people waiting to receive him. When he came from the Senate chamber and stepped to the platform on which he was to subscribe to the oath of office and from which he was to speak, this mass of humanity jammed into the Capitol plaza and overflowing even to the Congressional Library grounds burst into prolonged cheers.

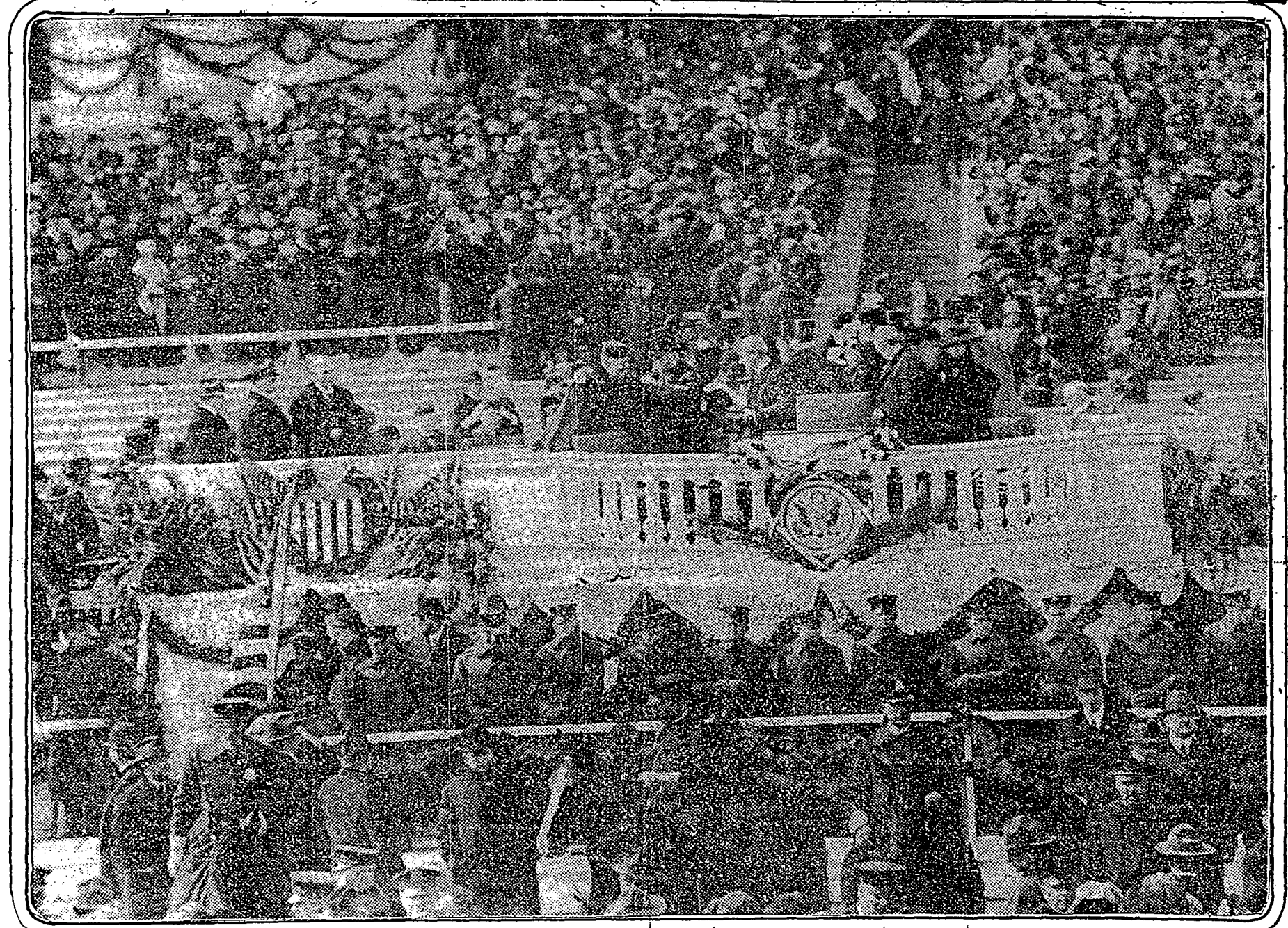
Standing before Chief Justice White, he again took, in the presence of the assembled thousands, the same oath to which he had subscribed the day before in his room in the Capitol. As he uttered the last word, the Chief Justice extended his congratulations, and the President turned and took the hand of his wife, who had stood at his right. Vice President Marshall and members of the House and Senate inaugural committees likewise extended their congratulations, while members of the foreign diplomatic corps, and other public officials seated nearby, evidenced their sincere approbation with handclapping and a greeting of smiles.

### Wind Makes Words Inaudible.

With the beginning of the address, however, the greater part of the crowd found that the strong wind, carrying the President's voice away from them, made his words inaudible and many left to seek places of vantage along the route of the parade.

The President's return to the White

## SCENES ATTENDING INAUGURATION OF WOODROW WILSON FOR SECOND TIME



Top, left—President Wilson, Mrs. Wilson and Inaugural Chairman Harper reviewing parade from the President's stand in the court of honor.

Top, right—President Wilson making his inaugural address.

Bottom—Scene at east portico of the Capitol as the President read his inaugural address.

House was more of an ovation than his trip to the Capitol. At every square he was greeted with cheers.

The President concluded his luncheon at 1:30 o'clock, and with Mrs. Wilson took his place in the reviewing stand in the Court of Honor. He remained standing practically throughout the two and a half hours that the parade was passing, and acknowledged each organization that passed and bared his head each time that the national colors were displayed by the marchers.

The bitter cold and sharp wind had driven many to shelter before the last of the civic organizations had passed, and stands that were crowded at the beginning of the parade were sparsely filled as the pageant concluded.

### Fireworks Close Day.

At 8 o'clock the crowds that had hurried off to obtain food and prepare themselves better to face the biting weather reassembled on the Monument grounds and witnessed the brilliant pyrotechnical display arranged by the inaugural committee. Both before and immediately after the fireworks spectators visited the Court of Honor, which had been lighted for the benefit of visitors.

President Wilson begins his new administration with the same official family. No cabinet changes were announced and none are expected immediately, at any rate.