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PRESIDENTIAL INAUGURATIONS IN THE U.S.

From the days of horse-drawn carriages to the motor caivalades of today, Presidential inaugurations have provided some of the most colorful pageants on the American political scene. The inauguration of Presidents and Vice Presidents now takes place on January 20th of every year following a national election. For this occasion a platform is erected over the great steps on the east front of the Capitol. The oath of office is administered by the Chief Justice of the U.S. Supreme Court.

9-12 Stylish splendor marked the inaugural ball of President William McKinley in the Mason Office building in Washington in 1901. (49-665)



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