

# 'First Time' Dance At Inaugural Ball

WASHINGTON — (UPI) — President Nixon, in high spirits after his inauguration for a second term, danced into the morning hours today with his wife Pat and female guests at a round of inaugural balls in his honor.

It was the first time he had taken the dance floor at one of these quadrennial affairs, the President confided as he socialized with many of the people who helped him win one of the biggest landslides in history in November.

Accompanied by their two daughters and son-in-law Edward Cox, the Nixons went first to an affair at the Kennedy Center for the Performing Arts, then to a gala at a historic federal building a few blocks away.

Next it was on to the three

other events—one a rock dance for the under-30 contingent of Nixon supporters, where Nixon invited the young women to cut in and have a dance.

Ten of them did as it turned out five were only 17 and too young to have voted for him. Nixon said it showed his party was looking to the future "and building well."

Nixon, exhibiting an expansiveness rarely if ever seen in public, signed autographs, chatted with guests and seemed to take pride in describing the inaugural ball as the largest ever, with 30,000 guests.

It was an unusual performance for the President, and marked only the second time he has danced in public

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**PRESIDENT NIXON AT SWEARING-IN**  
"... protect and defend the Constitution"

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since entering the White House.

### Peace Vigil

At the second ball, in the old Federal Pension Building at 3rd and G Streets N.W., about 500 orderly peace demonstrators gathered outside with lighted candles in advance of the President's arrival. But the visit went without incident.

Earlier, Nixon and the rest of the first family shared the platform with comedian Bob Hope, entertainer Art Linkletter and band leader Lionel Hampton.

Among the important governmental figures making

appearances at one or more of the balls were National Security Adviser Henry Kissinger, Secretary of State William Rogers, outgoing Transportation Secretary John Volpe and newly designated Defense Secretary Elliot Richardson.

Former Attorney General John Mitchell and his wife, Martha, arrived at the Museum of History and Technology a few minutes before midnight. Mrs. Mitchell was greeted with shouts of "Right on, Martha."

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