

1920s IN COLUMBUS

1919	Prohibition in Columbus begins on May 27 Making the city dry
1920-1932	James J. Thomas is mayor of Columbus
1920	Columbus population is 237,031
1921	Broad Street Bridge reopens over the Scioto River after the 1913 great flood
1922	Ohio Stadium opens
1922	Clickenger Air Field opens
1922	April 24 was the on-air debut of regular programming on the Ohio State Radio Station WEAO, which became WOSU
1922, 1923	Mary Katherine Campbell, the only 2-time Miss America
1923	Norton Air Field opens
1923	National revival of the KKK with a reunion at Buckeye Lake
1924	New high schools built; North, South, East, West, Central
1924	Kroger opens in Columbus
1925	Neil House Hotel opened August 24 at 41 High Street South
1926	Butter Cow finds permanent home in Ohio State Fair Dairy Products Building which was built in 1926
1926	Pythian Theatre (now King Center) opens 863 Mt. Vernon Ave. on May 1
1926	Doughboy Statue and 4 Bronze Panels dedicated, on April 6, at Sullivant Hall, then home to the Ohio Historical Society
1926	Columbus Civic Center dedicated on October 29
1926	The Apollo Theatre was opened November 25
1926	Smith Brothers Hardware Building at N.4th Street
1926	Nationwide Insurance originally Farm Bureau Mutual Automobile Insurance Co. opens
1926	U. S. Open golf championship held at Scioto Country Club; Bobby Jones was the winner
1927	American Insurance Union Citadel (now LeVeque Tower) completed
1927	Columbus Zoo opens
1928	Ohio, Palace and Ogden theatres open
1928	New City Hall dedicated after fire destroyed original in 1921
1928	Columbus Airport (later Sullivant Avenue Airport)
1929	Port Columbus opens
1929	Battelle Memorial Institute founded
1929	The first 'talkie' was in April with John Barrymore in "The Tempest" at The Loews Ohio Theatre
1929	White Castle opens first Columbus restaurant on June 3