

Pictures from all over the world draw an interesting contrast in the methods of celebrating the birth of a New Year. Philadelphia the Quaker City of the States held a Mummers' Parade in which 10,000 fantastic figures vied with each other for twelve thousand dollars in prizes. It wouldn't be complete without a battle. In the Sierra Mountains --- New Year, but not a celebration. Where Nature rules she takes no account of holidays or man-made festivals. Snow ploughs work day and night keeping open the roadways of Northern California- Here the plough drives through to keep open the road to Reno, capital of American divorce business. You wouldn't think on that road the snow would have a chance to settle.

A tournament of flowers at Pasadena. . . . blossoms of breath-taking loveliness --- a pageant of blooms and pretty girls -- of sun-clad beauty that defies description. Now Idaho --- They say Go West, young man, for mushing has become the pastime of the playboy, and the hard work has even been taken out of skiing. Sun Valley Lodge is now the playground of the movie stars. Lovely Claudette Colbert and Joan Bennett are here to show their skating skill. Lili Damita is snowed up --- but with husband Errol Flynn she doesn't mind. William Goetz is a film man well known behind the scenes --- and another expert who doesn't often get in front of a camera is George Cukor, the famous director. How did they celebrate New Year on board ship? Will Hay, the British Film Star, celebrated in the Arandora Star and a bowler hat. He was performing barberous feats at the Equator when Neptune came aboard for the ceremony of Crossing the Line. In wintry Britain with the flu hitting up new records, it's hard to imagine that the part they like best is when they fall in the water because it's so hot in the sunshine.