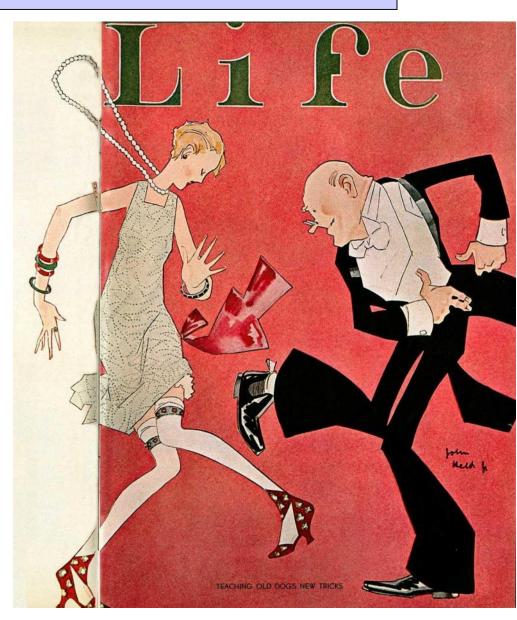


# The Roaring 20's

Participation in WWI transformed the United States in the 1920s:

The USA was the richest and most developed country in the world

Mass production, high wages, new consumer goods and forms of entertainment labeled the decade the "Roaring Twenties"



### In 1920, Americans elected Republican Warren Harding who promised a "return to normalcy"

"America's present need is not heroics, but healing; not nostrums, but normalcy; not revolution, but restoration"

—President Warren Harding

Quick Class Discussion: What would a "return to normalcy" mean for America after World War I?





What do these images reveal about America in the 1920s?

### In the 1920s, American foreign policy "returned to normal" by embracing isolationism

The U.S. rejected the Treaty of Versailles and never joined the League of Nations

Many citizens felt the U.S. was "duped" into joining WWI and became committed to neutrality



### However, U.S. isolationism was <u>selective</u> because the USA did play a role in world affairs

The U.S. hosted the Washington Naval Conference (1921-22) aimed to reduce the military strength of all nations

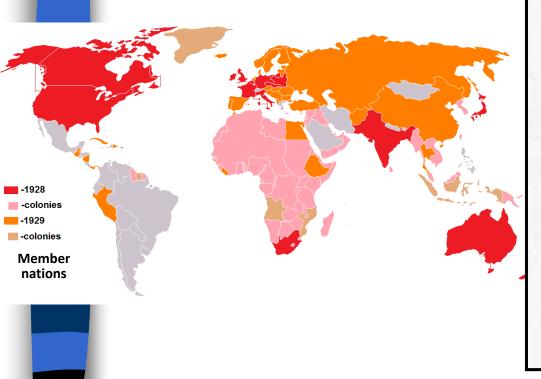


The USA loaned European nations billions of dollars to help rebuild after WWI



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The USA joined other world powers in a commitment to world peace by signing the Kellogg-Briand Pact



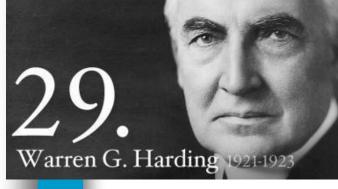
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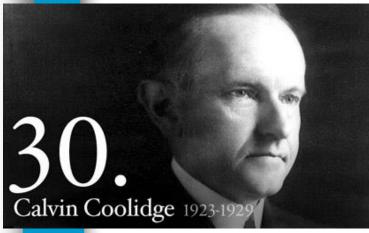
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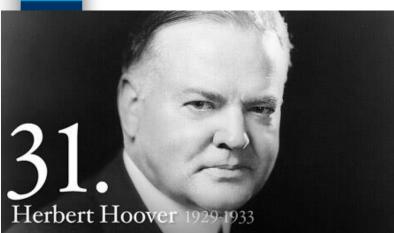
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In the 1920s, Republican presidents were elected (Harding, Coolidge, Hoover) who helped America "return to normalcy" by using pro-business policies

Republicans kept taxes low so Americans could spend their wages

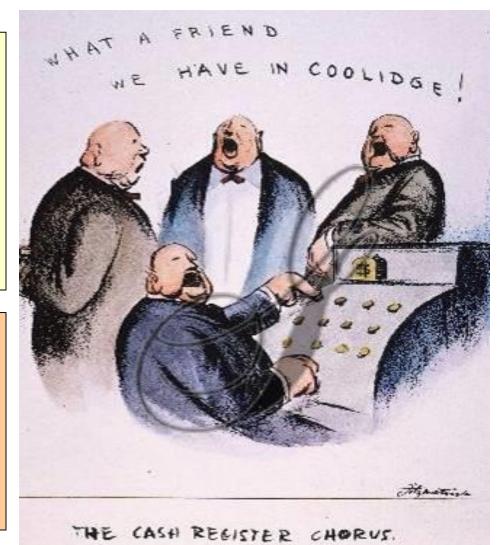


Republican presidents kept government interference in business to a minimum to allow private enterprise to flourish

#### Pro-business policies meant no new progressive reforms

Americans felt confident that reforms had limited the influence of monopolies, cleaned up cities, and regulated the economy

As workers' wages rose and their hours declined, Americans were happy to spend their money



# America in the 1920s:

Consumerism

### Consumerism

The 1920s saw a burst of personal prosperity & consumer spending

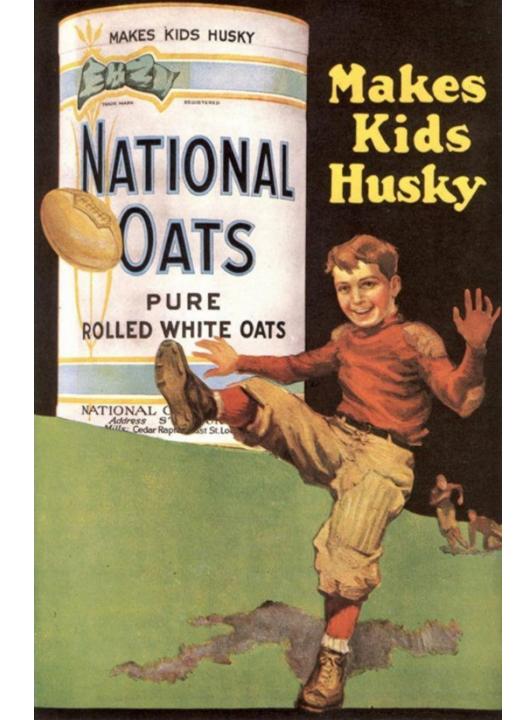
- Mass production led to a huge number of new products: Cars, electric appliances, new fashions
- –Advertising boomed to convince people to spend their money
- -Companies offered ways for consumers to buy on credit through monthly installment plans

#### Consumer Goods, Advertising, & Credit The Age of Credit Buying Begins in the 1920s Vacuum Cleaner \$28.95 Sofa \$74.50 \$5 down, \$8 a month \$2 down, \$4 a month Piano \$445.00 Refrigerator \$87.50 \$5 down, \$10 a month \$15 down, \$12 a month Phonograph \$43.50 Washing Machine \$97.50 \$5 down, \$5 a month \$5 down, \$8 a month Perf Bedroom Suite \$228.00 Large Rug \$148.50 \$10 down, \$15 a month \$15 down, \$15 a month Corner Cabinet \$37.95 Easy Chair \$38.50 \$5 down, \$5 a month \$5 down, \$5 a month



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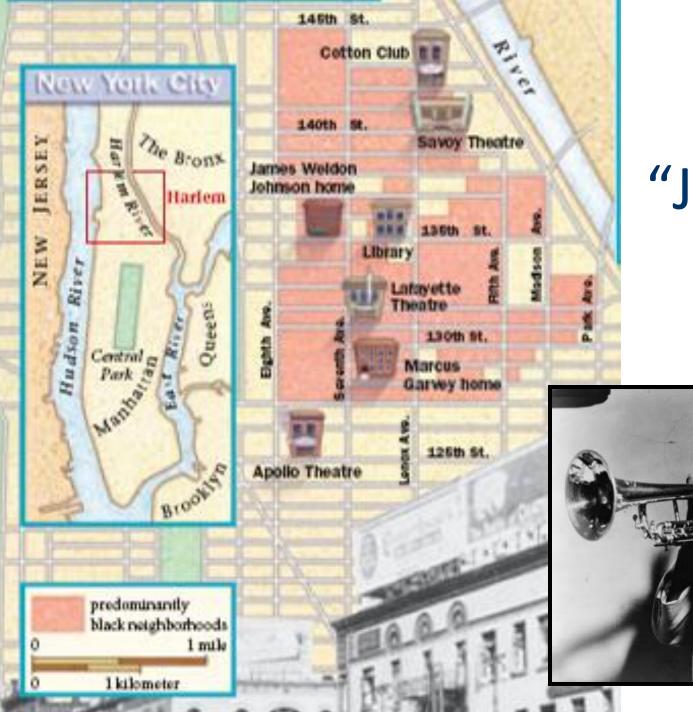
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# America in the 1920s: Harlem Renaissance

### Harlem Renaissance

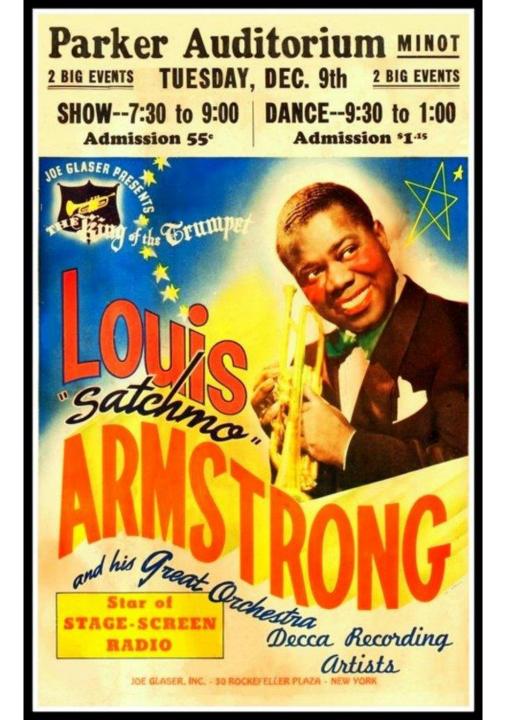
The Great Migration during WWI led to a concentration of African Americans in northern cities

- The Harlem Renaissance was the flourishing of black culture:
  - –Jazz blended African & European musical traditions into a distinctly "American" style of music
  - –Louis Armstrong & Duke Ellington were popular jazz musicians



# The "Jazz Age"







### Harlem Renaissance

-The most popular author was Langston Hughes, who wrote poems & novels about black pride Harlem represented the "New Negro": the idea that African Americans should freely express themselves, embrace their culture, & strive for racial equality

"Hold fast to dreams, for if dreams die, life is a broken winged bird that cannot fly."

-Langston Hughes

# <u>America in the 1920s</u>: The Changing Role of Women

# Changing Role of Women

- Women's roles changed in the 1920s
  - In 1920, the 19<sup>th</sup> Amendment
    granting women the right to vote
    (But, many women did not vote)
  - New fashion trends, voting rights,
    & more leisure time led to an increased sense of freedom
  - –Advertisers emphasized women's sexuality & appearance

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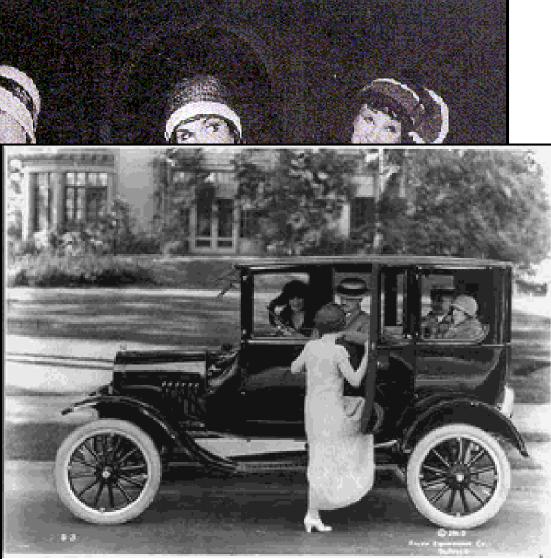


 Changing Role of Women
 Many young, unmarried women embraced their independence & sexuality as "flappers":

- -Fashions like shorter hemlines, "bobbed" hair, & hats
- -Smoked cigarettes, drank alcohol, danced at clubs, used makeup
- Many had sex outside of marriage
   & used cars to "park" with boys

These behaviors were shocking to traditional-minded women





The wide use of the automobile facilitated mixed-sex interaction, free from parental supervision.



# America in the 1920s:

# Literature

### Literature

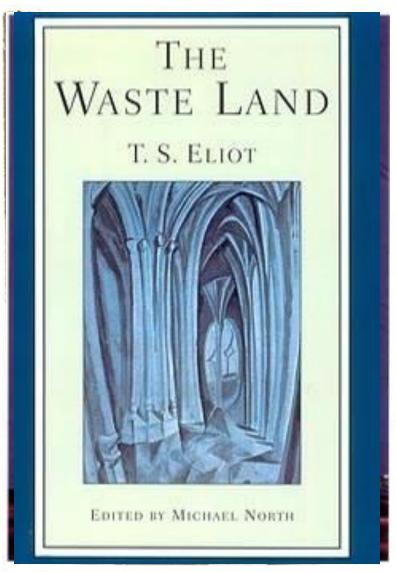
The 1920s produced some of America's most important literature

Authors F. Scott Fitzgerald &
 Sinclair Lewis were critical of
 1920s consumerism & conformity

–Some authors became part of a the "Lost Generation" who rejected war & were very critical of American society

### Significant Authors of the 1920s





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# <u>America in the 1920s</u>: Sports Mania

### Sports Mania

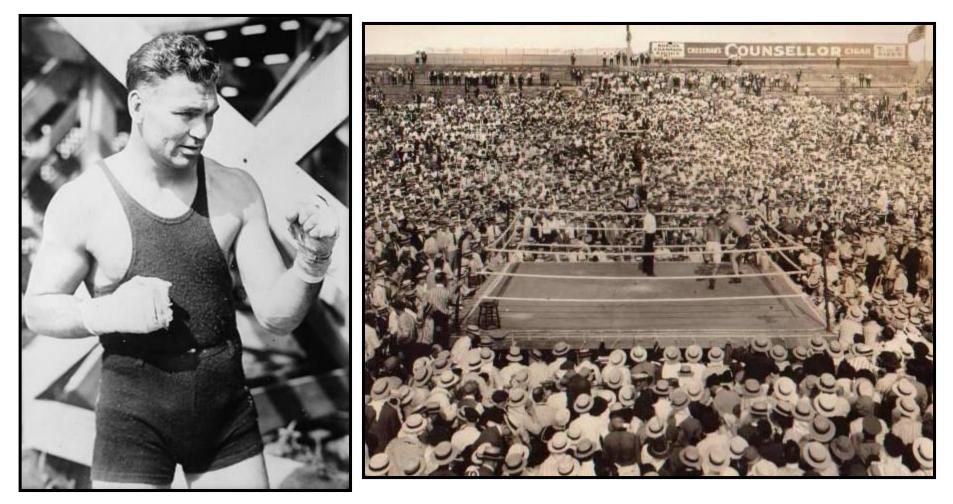
New forms of entertainment emerged in the 1920s as Americans gained more leisure time & personal income

- –Baseball, boxing, & football were popular sports
- Radio broadcasts brought sporting events to national audiences
- -Sports gave Americans a new generation of heroes

## Sports Heroes of the 1920s



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Heavyweight boxer Jack Dempsey was so popular, his prize fights set financial & attendance records throughout the 1920s

## Sports Heroes of the 1920s



Other sports heroes of the 1920s include: Red Grange, Gertrude Ederle, Bobby Jones

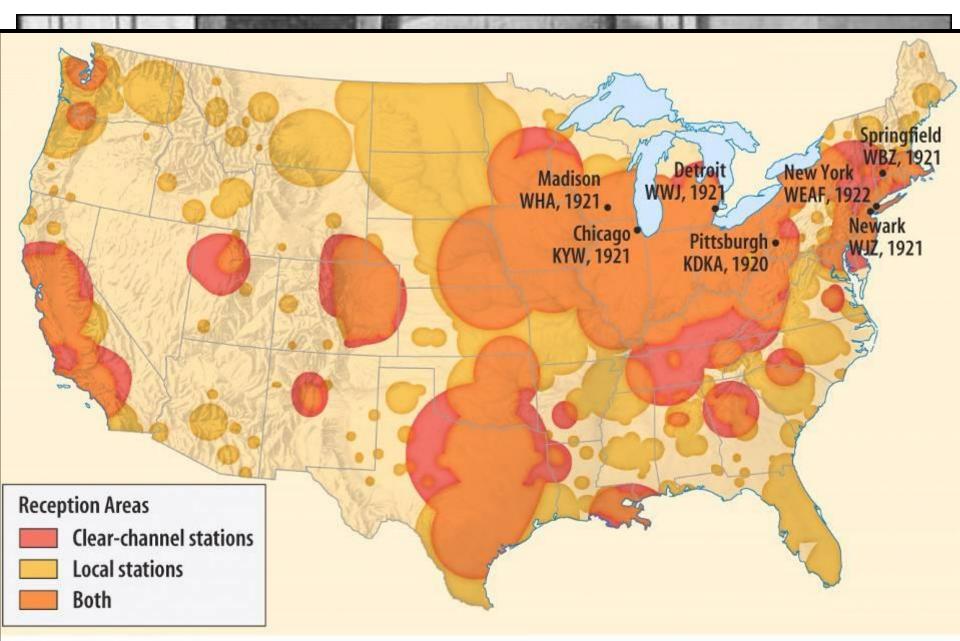
# <u>America in the 1920s</u>: Movies & Radio

## Popularity of Movies & Radio

Movies & radios became widely popular in the 1920s:

- Over 500 stations connected the nation by broadcasting music, sports, as well as news, religious, comedic, & dramatic programming
- –"Talking" movies helped grow Hollywood & celebrity movie stars
- -By 1929, over 100 million people went to movies each week

## Radio in the 1920s







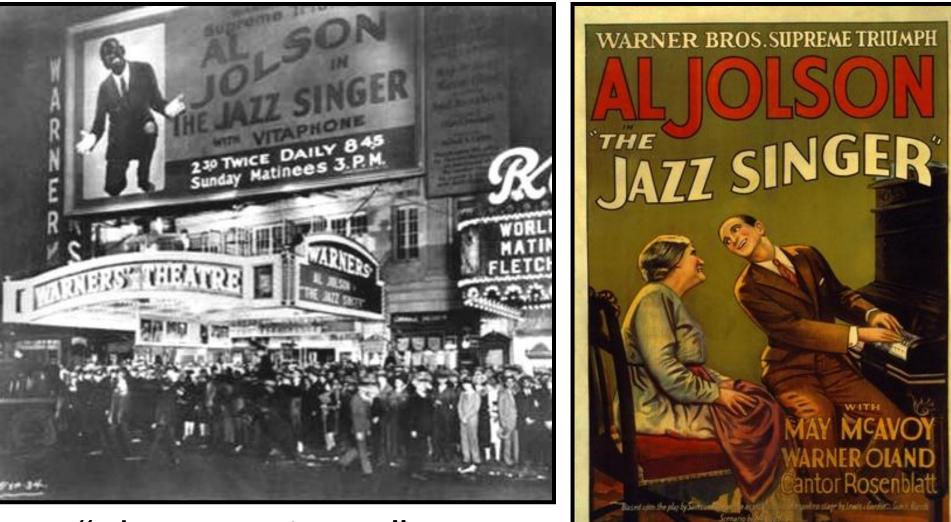
## Music of the 1920s





Tin Pan Alley produced 190% of the popular most popular of the music in the 1920s, ragtime composers focusing on ragtime, dance music, & jazz

### Movies in the 1920s



ALAN CROSLAND

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"The Jazz Singer" was the first "talking" picture





## America in the 1920s:

# Improved Transportation

Improved Transportation Automobiles transformed America: -Henry Ford's assembly line made cars affordable; By 1929, 1 of 5 Americans owned a car -Car manufacturing became the biggest industry in the nation & stimulated the U.S. economy -New roads, gas stations, & shopping centers were built -Cars gave people freedom & became a symbol of status





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 Airplanes captured the attention of Americans in the 1920s

-In 1927, Charles Lindbergh made

the 1<sup>st</sup> trans-Atlantic solo flight, becoming the biggest celebrity of the 1920s









