



The San Marcos Hotel opened for business with much fanfare and a grand opening celebration on November 22, 1913. Five hundred people attended the opening gala, including Vice President [Thomas Marshall](#), Arizona Governor [George W. P. Hunt](#), and Representative [Carl Hayden](#).

Prior to the [formal grand opening](#), Dr. Chandler invited the people of Chandler to [inspect the building](#). The *Chandler Arizonan* described the event in the November 21, 1913.

There was a formal [dance](#) to celebrate the occasion.

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