#### GREAT DEPRESSION: OUTLINE

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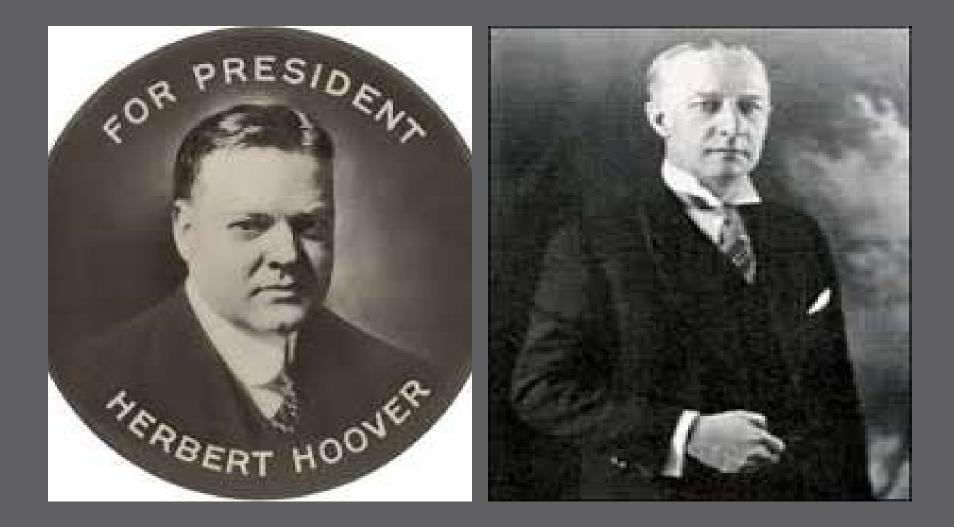
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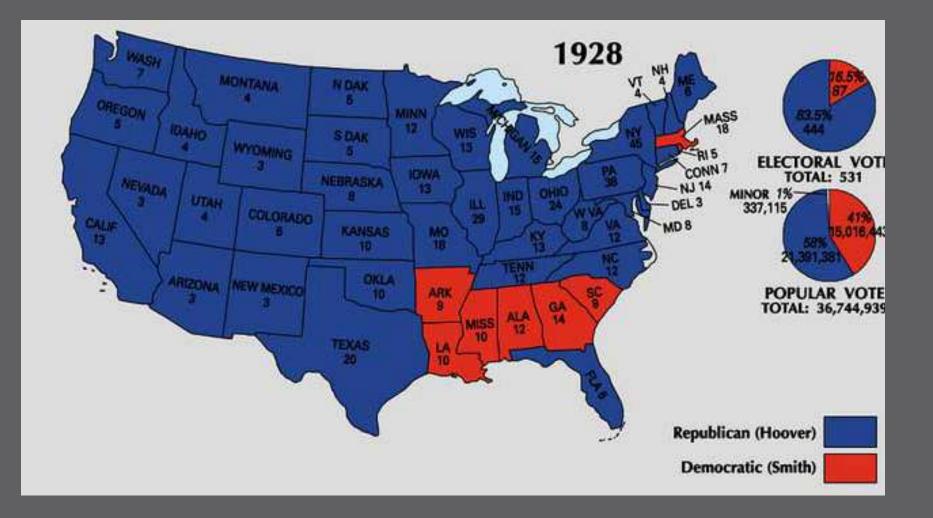
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# THE GREAT DEPRESSION

#### ELECTION OF 1928



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- 31<sup>st</sup> President - 1929-1933
- Political Party: Republican
- Vice President: Charles Curtis



#### HERBERT HOOVER

#### INDIVIDUALISM

• Laissez-faire

• Public Service

• "Associational Action"

# ECONOMICS

#### **OCTOBER 29, 1929**



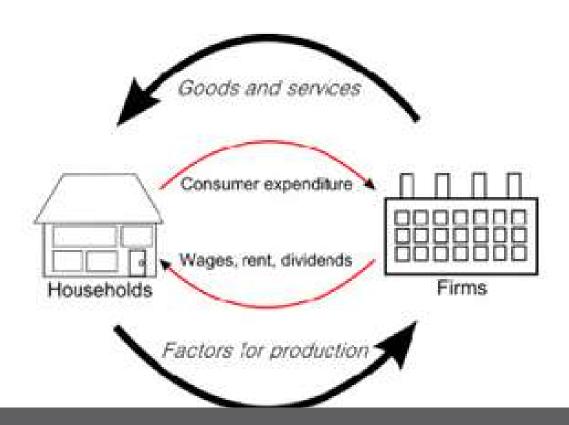
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#### STOCK SPECULATION

• Higher Risks, Higher Payoffs

# -IT WAS ALL A GAMBLE!

#### OVERPRODUCTION: ECONOMICS 101



#### AGRICULTURAL MECHANIZATION



#### INCOME INEQUALITY



#### CREDIT



A DEPRESSION, BUT NOT THE GREAT DEPRESSION

• Normal occurrences in a business cycle

• But this was the beginning of something much worse

• A depression, nonetheless, but not The Great Depression



#### PRESIDENT'S HOOVER QUOTE ON BANKS:

"Our banking system was the weakest link in our whole economic system, Hoover believed, "the element most sensitive to fear...the worst part of the dismal tragedy with which I had to deal."



## BANKS

• Solitary Institutions

• Bank Runs

• Failure of the Federal Reserve System

## GLOBAL ECONOMICS

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• Hawley – Smoot Tariff Act of 1930

• War Debts

• Great Britain's Bank

• GOLD

#### CAUSES THAT LED TO THE GREAT DEPRESSION

- Overproduction
- Income Inequality
- Agricultural Mechanization
- Stock Speculation
- Credit

#### MAIN TWO CAUSES THAT STARTED THE GREAT DEPRESSION

- Banks
- Gold Standard

# SOCIAL

• 25% of the labor force (11 million Americans) were unemployed







#### THE BONUS ARMY

- World War I Veterans
- Adjusted Compensation Act
- Gen. Douglas Macarthur

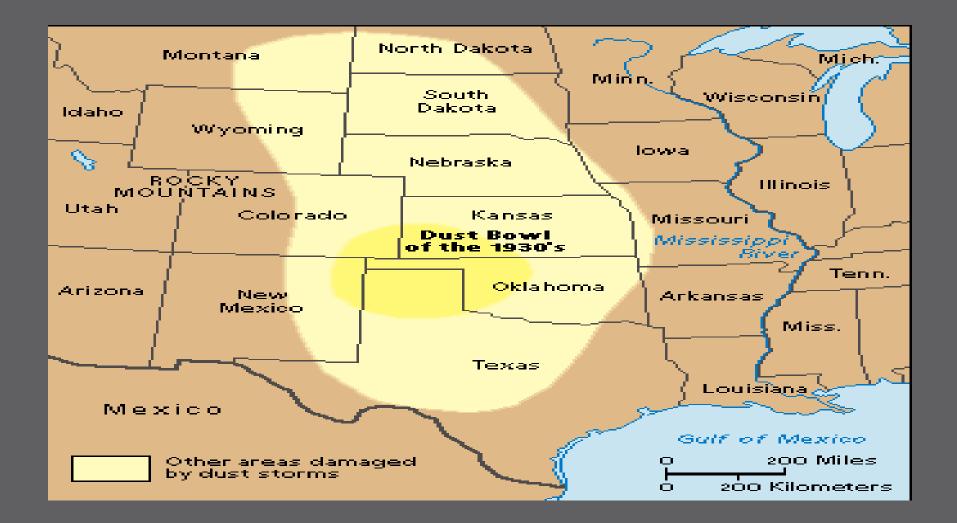


• Reverse Migration

• Birth Rates

• Family Life

#### THE DUST BOWL



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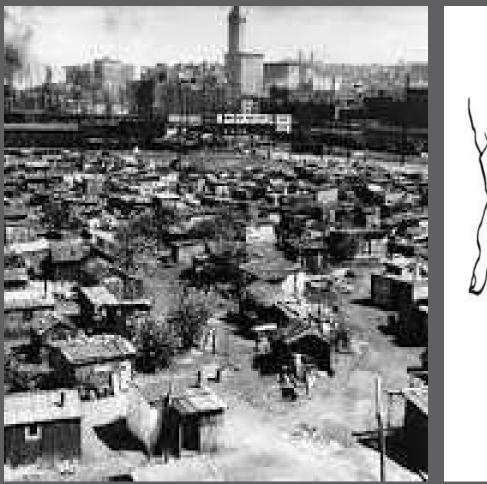
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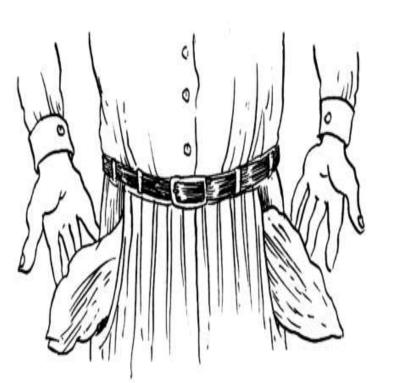


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#### HOOVERVILLE & HOOVER FLAGS





#### RECONSTRUCTION FINANCE CORPORATION

• January 32, 1932

• Railroads and Businesses

• Trickle-Down Economics

#### WAS PRESIDENT HOOVER ALSO TO BLAME?

#### ANNOUCEMENTS

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  - Section 4: 4FNHH-T89M5
- Mini- Test 11 JAN 2017 (Open Notes)
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- Kahoots?
- Unit Presentations (18 JAN 2017)

#### IMPACT ON MINORITIES

• Mexican – Americans



• African – Americans

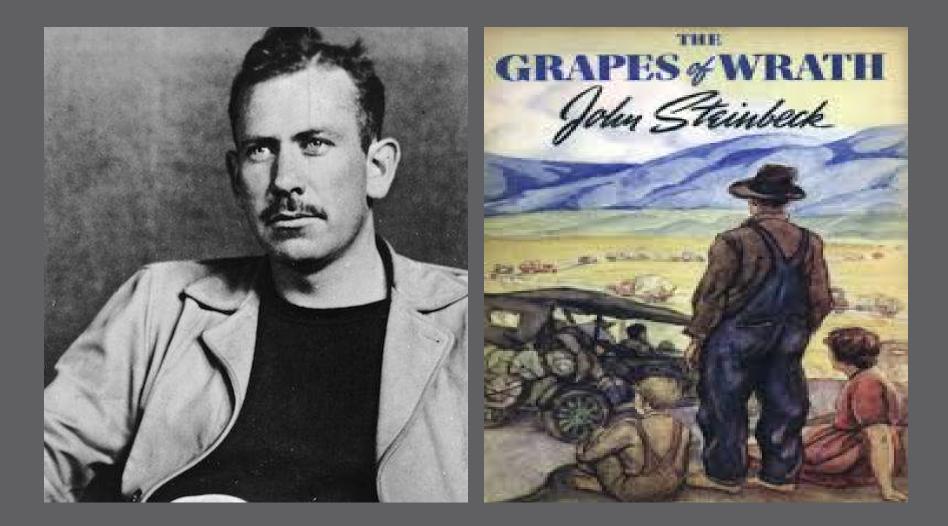


#### SCOTTSBORO BOYS

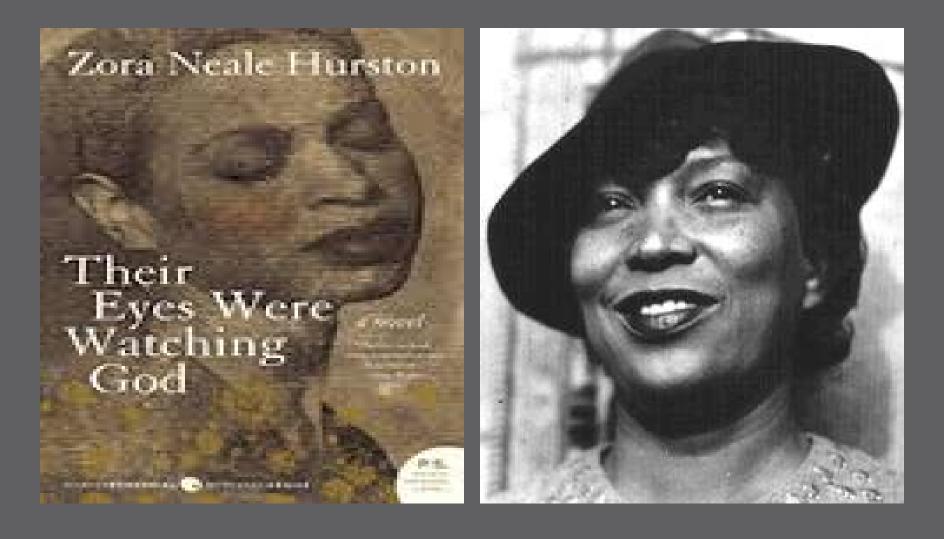


# CULTURE

#### The grapes of wrath



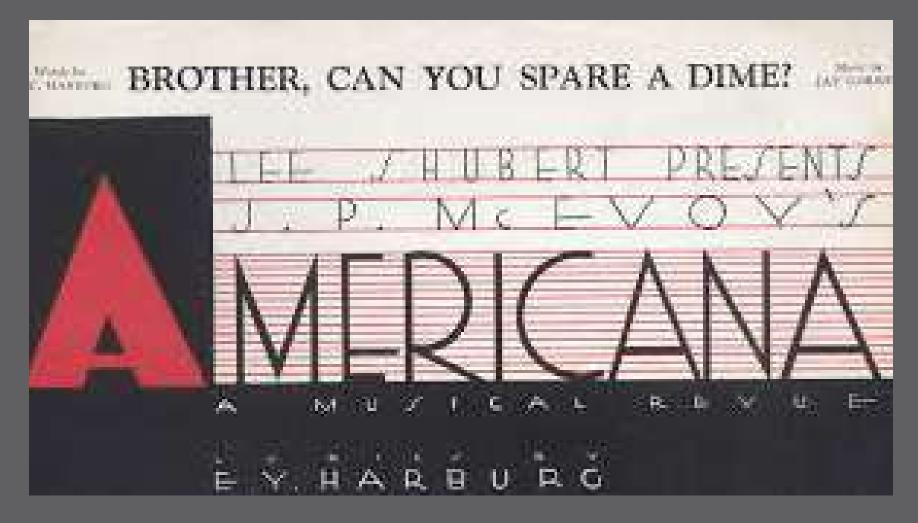
#### Their eyes were watching God



#### "MIGRANT MOTHER"



#### "BROTHER, CAN YOU SPARE A DIME?"



#### "STRANGE FRUIT"



#### Strange Fruit

Southern trees bear a strange fruit Blood on the leaves and blood at the root Black body swinging in the Southern breeze Strange fruit hanging from the poplar trees Pastoral scene of the gallant South The bulging eyes and the twisted mouth Scent of magnolia sweet and fresh and the sudden smell of burning flesh! Here is a fruit for the crows to pluck For the rain to gather, for the wind to suck For the sun to rot, for a tree to drop Here is a strange and bitter crop.

## REVIEW QUESTIONS

- What is individualism?
- How did the Hawley-Smoot Tariff Act affect the economy?
- What was the purpose of the Reconstruction Finance Corporation? How is this related to "trickle-down economics?"
- Name the causes that LED to The Great Depression.
- How were African Americans and Mexican-Americans treated during the Depression?