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Class 4 Review…

➢ 1928 – Herbert Hoover (R) defeats Al Smith (D) in the presidential election by a landslide.

➢ 1929 – The Stock Market Crash signals the start of the Great Depression.

➢ 1930-31 – Hoover’s failed attempts to fix the problem plus his desire to find a solution outside the federal government causes the Depression to worsen.
Follow-up – Smoot-Hawley Tariff

- Intended to help farmers and overproduction primarily caused by:
  - electrification
  - mechanization

- Hoover reluctantly signed the bill.
Follow-up – Lou Hoover vs Eleanor Roosevelt

Lou Hoover    Eleanor Roosevelt
The Bonus Army
From PBS Documentary "Landslide"
Other Happenings During Hoover’s Term…

- Nov. 1928 – Hoover tours Latin America to est. U.S. as a good neighbor
- June 1929 – Hoover calls special session of Congress to address farm crisis
- July 1930 – Hoover creates the Veterans Administration (VA)
- Sept. 1930 – Construction of the Hoover Dam begins
- Oct. 1930 – President’s Emergency Committee for Employment formed
- March 1931 – The Star Spangled Banner designated the National Anthem
- Aug. 1931 – President’s Organization on Unemployment Relief established
- Sept. 1931 – Japan invades Manchuria
- Jan. 1932 – Reconstruction Finance Corporation established
- Jan. 1932 – The Hoover-Stimson Doctrine announced American refusal to recognize any arrangement other than the Open Door Policy in China. It was hoped this would influence world public opinion on Japanese aggression.
The Real Herbert Hoover
Next Week

CLASS 6
Post Presidency

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