

AMERICA'S 10 BIG PROBLEMS — WHAT ARE THEY?

Hoover Research Chief Lists Gravest Issues

What are the 10 biggest problems facing America today? Where should we begin in considering a national "plan"?

The big problems are not all apparent to most of us. Many of the gravest questions lie in the future, their beginnings now visible only to the trained eyes of statisticians, sociologists, and economists.

William Fielding Ogburn, research director of President Hoover's research committee on recent social trends, has outlined for the Associated Press what he considers the 10 biggest problems this nation faces, among the hundreds revealed in the report of the president's committee.

Professor Ogburn's research work for President Hoover's committee touched every phase of America's communal life. He is professor of sociology at the University of Chicago, former president of the American Sociological society and of the American Statistical association, vice-president of the American Association for the Advancement of Science.

Professor Ogburn will outline America's biggest problems as he sees them in a series of 10 articles in this newspaper, each article dealing with a separate question that America soon must face. The first article appears below and others will follow daily.

By WILLIAM FIELDING OGBURN
Research Director, President's Research Committee on Recent Social Trends
I have been asked by The Associated Press to select the ten most important problems before the American people.

From the hundreds set forth by the report of the president's committee on social trends, the result of three years of intensive study of our social life, and from a lifetime of study and observation, I have picked these ten.

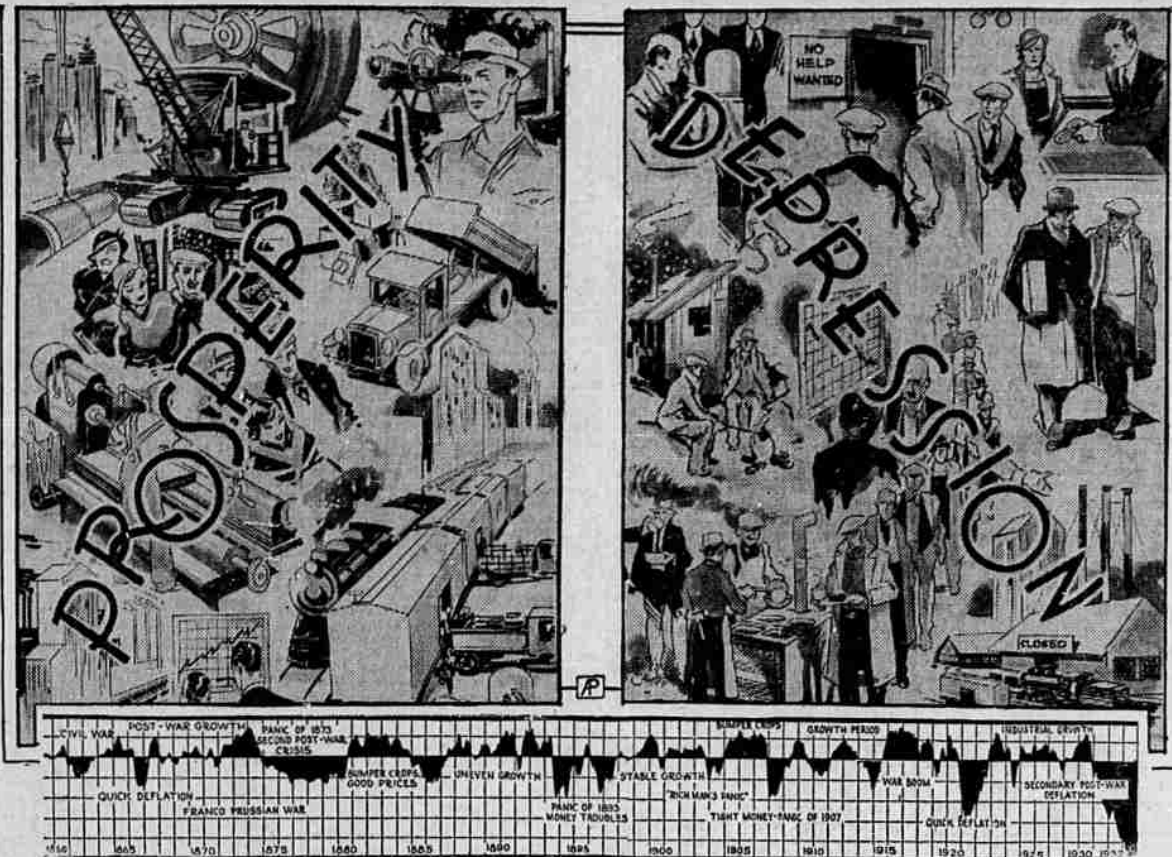
If I had been allowed to choose a dozen or a score the list would have included some which the reader may note as conspicuous by their absence. I have tried to be guided by a sense of what is practicable for the near future.

These will, I hope, serve to direct the attention of the manifold agencies which determine our public policies toward the most severe stresses of the future as well as toward the opportunities for directing our steps forward.

1. How To End Depressions
Our present economic distress with its millions of unemployed and its tens of thousands of bankruptcies and its tens of millions of lowered incomes is not a collapse of civilization. It is merely the downward trend of the business cycle.

The trend has been so severe that the farmer was justified in remarking that "it was too bad hard times had to come along with the business depression," and many of us are warranted in thinking it the beginning of the end.

But good times will return. But what a wreckage will be left in the wake of the depression!



What causes depressions? These economic cataclysms which almost overnight can prostrate prosperous nations come and go with seeming relentlessness, as the chartline at bottom, prepared by Col. Leonard P. Ayres, illustrates. Solution of their causes is the first big problem facing America, says Prof. William F. Ogburn of the University of Chicago in his series on "America's 10 Biggest Problems."

These influences spread far and wide. They lower the standard of living, decrease the number of marriages, increase the suicide rate, cut down the budgets for education, spread the terror of unemployment into millions of homes, reduce incomes, ruin businesses, and increase crimes.

Farmers Hard Hit
The farmer does not cut down his production as does the factory owner; hence the prices of what he sells fall more than the prices of what he buys. His income falls more than his costs.

The farm, however, breaks the shock for the worker more than the city, because there is more food and shelter, and greater aid because of family ties.

CHRISTIAN EDLER IS FOUND DEAD IN MOUNTAIN CABIN

Christian Edler, 55, was found dead yesterday afternoon in his cabin four miles above McLeod by T. M. Train, from whom he was renting the land, where he made his home. Coroner Frank Perl who was called to the mountain residence, returned late last night to Medford with the body and went back to McLeod this morning to make a more thorough investigation of the case. No foul play, however, is suspected.

The man, who has many relatives in various parts of the country, had been living alone in the cabin on the Train ranch a short distance from the Train home. He attended a meeting in Medford Monday evening with a group of neighbors and returned to his cabin about 1 o'clock Tuesday morning.

Yesterday afternoon Mr. Train went to the cabin to call and found the man dead in his bed. The lamp on the table was empty of oil, indicating that it had been left burning for some time.

Relatives state that Mr. Edler had complained of severe pains in his abdomen for some time and had been taking medicine to counteract attacks of indigestion. He had, however, not mentioned being ill Monday.

He is survived by five brothers and three sisters: August Edler and Charles Edler of Lake Creek; Frederick, William and Andrew Edler of Beagle, and Mrs. Elizabeth Blischoff of Bagie, Mrs. Flora Frey of Lake Creek and Mrs. Louisa Belts of Medford.

Relatives had also gone to the cabin home today to investigate the situation with Coroner Perl.

Cardinal Dies
ROME, Feb. 9.—(AP)—The Austrian cardinal of the Curia, Andrew Frühwirth, chancellor of the Roman Catholic church, died today at the age of 87. He was a Dominican and had been a cardinal seventeen years.

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- Friday
- 8:00—Breakfast News, Mail Tribune.
- 8:05—Musical Clock.
- 8:15—The Peerless Programs.
- 8:30—Shopping Guide.
- 9:00—Friendship Circle Hour.
- 9:30—Today.
- 9:45—Morning Melody.
- 10:00—U. S. Weather Forecast.
- 10:00—Meeting of the Martha Meade Society.
- 10:15—Mormonakers Bureau.
- 10:30—Morning Comments.
- 10:45—Shoppers Digest.
- 11:00—Radio School of Cookery.
- 11:15—Traumerei.
- 11:30—Song and Comedy.
- 12:00—Mid-day Review.
- 12:15—Populartia.
- 12:30—News Flashes, Mail Tribune.
- 12:30—Squire Wiggleby.
- 12:45—Popular Vocalists.
- 1:00—Varieties.
- 2:00—Dance Matinee.
- 3:00—Songs for Everyday.
- 3:30—KMED Program Review.
- 3:35—Music from Yesterday.
- 4:30—Across the Seas to Hawaii.
- 4:30—Masterworks.
- 5:00—Popular Parade.
- 5:45—News Flashes, Mail Tribune.
- 6:00—Medford Theatre Guide.
- 6:05—Dinner Dance Music.
- 6:30—Vignettes.
- 6:45—Chandu the Magician.
- 7:00—Eventide.
- 7:30—Modernistics.
- 8:30—Rogue River Cowboys.
- 8:30 to 8:55—Cross Cuts from Log o' Day.

Phoenix

PHOENIX, Feb. 9.—(Special)—Services for next Sunday morning at the Presbyterian church are Sunday school at 10 o'clock and preaching services at 11. The sermon will be "Two Errors." The Christian Endeavor groups will meet at 6:30. Mrs. Laura Polling will lead the adult group. Miss Winifred Inman will lead the senior intermediate group. Evening church services at 7:30. The con-

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Ending of Depressions Put First by Scientist

the dead wood, and eliminate the accumulated wastes of more prosperous times. There is better church attendance and greater use of libraries. But the evils far, far outweigh the good.

Smoothing Business Cycles
A major problem of our economic organization is to lessen the intensity of these economic depressions, which means more stability in business and a reduction of boom times as well as hard times. To smooth out the business cycle is greatly to be desired.

Apparently we don't know enough about them to control them. There is, however, for the near future, a modest hope that the swing of these business fluctuations may be lessened somewhat though not eradicated.

We do not see clearly enough to forecast what the more distant future may yield. Apparently a major difficulty is the unequal flow of credit and production, and it appears that in most cycles an important factor is the fluctuation in our money and credit system. The barometer is the price level.

Sweden has been able to maintain a stable price level for a number of months, largely through the control of interest rates.

Certainly a closer control over our money and credit must be in any economic program of the future.

Balanced Output and Demand
Another source of difficulty not unrelated to the foregoing is the fact that production tends to increase faster than the capacity to purchase.

Equalizing the flows of consumption and production undoubtedly calls for a closer control over production and a more careful study of the changes in consumption. Our economic system stimulates production more readily than consumption. But whatever plans are laid for such a program, there is little doubt

that international co-operation will be needed.

Our nation is linked too closely with the other nations, no matter what our wishes, to go it alone.

This point was never so forcibly impressed upon us as by the present depression, which was largely caused by international credit difficulties and by the sudden withdrawal of the artificial stimulation to business in foreign countries beginning in 1914 and ending in the late 1920's.

If the way out cannot be clearly seen, it may be permissible to remind the reader that the purpose here is to point out the problem and not to give the solution.

But there is no reason we should be denied the hope that human intelligence may in time meet with some success in lessening the ravages of business depressions.

Tomorrow: "Keeping Pace With the Machine." Technology, invention and applied science to go forward much faster than our social organizations, ideologies, laws, customs and habits. Machines killed millions before accident prevention and workmen's compensation. The family has not yet adapted itself to factory and city. Most of our social problems are due to these lags, and the promise of the future lies in the speeding up of social invention. Dr. Ogburn asserts in his next article.

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FIRE OF HITLER TO BURN LOWER AS CHANCELLOR

Everybody knows how the house Republicans thrust that unwelcome issue on the Democrats. Rainey has been trying to figure out a quiet way of killing or delaying it before the house vote, February 13. "This week he hit on the idea of calling a caucus. He so announced. Some hours later a check disclosed the improbability of getting the necessary two-thirds to oppose the issue in a caucus. Thereupon he called the caucus off.

He has been caught so often in varying announcements that his friends tell the story that Mrs. Rainey once said to him: "Henry, I see four statements by you in the morning papers and they are all different, which one is right?"

They swear this one is true about Huey Long calling up Mr. Roosevelt from the Capitol in Washington. He got the butter on the telephone.

"This is the Kingfish," said Huey. "Sorry, but we are not needing any fish today," the butter—believe it or not—replied, and hung up.

Huey raised his own particular brand of Hades until he finally succeeded in getting Mr. Roosevelt.

AUTO SUSPECT IN TRIAL BY JUDGE

Arthur Rod, indicted for taking an auto belonging to another, through his attorney, Newton Chaney, waived the right of jury trial, and in a petition requested the right to be tried by "the judge alone." The petition was granted, and this morning Circuit Judge H. D. Norton commenced hearing testimony in the case. Six or seven witnesses were scheduled to take the stand. A decision will be rendered by the court from the bench. It is unusual in court procedure for a defendant to relinquish voluntarily the right of trial by jury.

Rod was indicted by the grand jury for the alleged taking of an auto belonging to Sanford Richardson of Central Point, from its parking place on South Central avenue last December. His companions were Otto Butzer, on parole from the court, and two girls. Rod and Butzer were arrested by the state police after a wild chase over country roads.

Rutger entered a plea of guilty when arraigned and sentence was deferred until after the conclusion of the Rod case.

Meteorological Report

Forecasts.
Medford and vicinity: Fair tonight and Friday. Slowly rising temperature.

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Local Data.
Lowest temperature this morning, 30 degrees.

Temperature a year ago today: Highest, 44; lowest, 25.

Total precipitation since September 1, 1932, 10.86 inches.

Relative humidity at 5 p. m. yesterday, 86%; 5 a. m. today, 86%.

Sunset today, 5:36 p. m.
Sunrise tomorrow, 7:14 a. m.
Sunset tomorrow, 5:37 p. m.

Observations Taken at 5 a. m., 120 Meridian Time.

City	High	Low	Wind	Clouds	Weather
Boston	66	10	44	Clear	
Cheyenne	—	—	—	10	Snow
Chicago	5	—	15	Clear	
Eureka	48	40	—	—	P. Cdy.
Helena	—	—	—	—	T. Clear
Los Angeles	58	42	—	—	Clear
MEDFORD	39	27	20	—	Clear
New Orleans	38	20	—	—	T. Clear
New York	—	—	—	—	10
Omaha	—	—	—	—	Clear
Phoenix	—	—	—	—	P. Cdy.
Portland	34	12	—	—	Clear
Reno	42	30	—	—	T. Cloudy
Roseburg	37	22	—	—	Cloudy
Salt Lake	24	4	—	—	Cloudy
San Francisco	56	48	—	—	P. Cdy.
Seattle	30	16	—	—	Clear
Spokane	4	—	—	—	Clear
Walla Walla	30	—	—	—	Clear
Washington, D.C.	68	14	—	—	Clear

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Women Golfers Plan Season Tournaments

Women of the Rogue Valley Golf association are making plans for an active season of golf, and many tournaments and golfing parties are in the offing.

The tournament and handicap committee, composed of Mrs. B. B. Smith, chairman, Mrs. J. C. Thompson and Mrs. Grover Tyler, will meet at the home of Mrs. Smith tomorrow morning to make plans for tournaments, and to set handicaps for the year.



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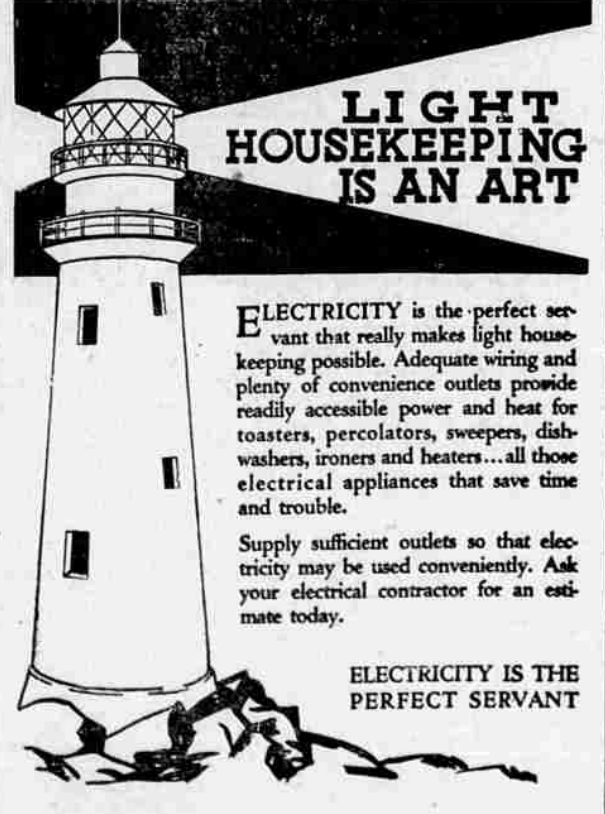
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