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In 1926 crude oil sold for \$2.00 per barrel and lubricating oil was selling at 35 cents a quart. To-day crude oil is selling for 10 cents and lubricating oil at 35 cents a quart. It isn't the heat, but it may be the humidity in the air.—Tucumcari News.

### UNLUCKY THIRTEEN

According to an article in an exchange newspaper "The 13 jinx that has made several bad years including 1930 is now off and will be for a long time." This reminds us that 1903, 1912, 1921 and 1930 were all bad years which can be laid on the "13." Take the single figures in each of those years and add them together and they give you thirteen—for instance 1930, 1 plus 9 plus 3 plus 0. During the coming ninety-nine years figures in no year will equal 13. So better times have started let us hope.—Alamogordo Advertiser.

### OURS IS A TOUGH JOB

We often hear an individual bemoaning the fact that his neighbor has the easiest job and that his lot is the hardest. It is a common mistake to jump at the conclusion the other fellow's job is much softer, because most of us are inclined to look on the surface only; we don't see nor hear of the overtime perhaps the fellow has put in trying to make good.

A good many people spend their time bemoaning the fact they can't do this or that; or if perchance they get hold of a little means or money, they immediately launch into the so-called easy path to learn that it is not so easy after all. They are usually sadder and wiser, but may cling to the opinion that a fortune awaits them in some other line just around the corner.

You let a stranger light into the average small town and mention something about going into business and regardless of how overcrowded his particular line may be, you can always find someone who will give plenty of encouragement. The harder the times the more likely small business are likely to spring up to die after floundering around for a while; but notwithstanding previous experiences, there is someone who feels sure he can make good and sometimes does altho the odds are against him by a good majority. And if you don't believe that an occupation can be overcrowded just count the number of filling stations in the average town.

Another feature of competition ordinarily overlooked by those who are so eager to bring in new businesses is the fact that a business failure reflects on the community or town and hurts the town.

### SHALL WE CALL A MORATORIUM ON OIL IMPORTS?

With the nation's oil industry facing its greatest crisis, approximately 84,000,000 barrels of oil will be imported into the United States, at the present rate, according to figures recently released by Wirt Franklin, president of the Independent Petroleum Association. There has been a great deal of fuss made over President Hoover's moratorium plan, which directly affects the prosperity of a number of European nations, but little or nothing has been done to aid a stricken industry in our own land. In the face of the lowest crude oil price in the history of the mid-continent area; a price which is far below the cost of production, thousands of small wells have been shut in and hundreds of oil workers have been thrown out of employment. Just how far reaching the latest crude cut will be cannot be forecasted as this is written.

The fact that American oil producers have voluntarily cut down domestic production 66,000,000 barrels while three or four big producing companies have been allowed to import foreign oil at the rate of 84,000,000 barrels per year is not fair to the American labor and American industry. Sentiment is rapidly crystallizing that thru concerted action, producers should hold their crude off of the market until prices make profits possible. Such a move, however will not accomplish its fullest purpose unless the importing companies give assurance that the oil imports will be cut and this they have not yet agreed to do.

In commenting on the situation, Mr. Franklin says: The great crude oil purchasing companies are using to-day's flood from East Texas as an "alibi" for slashing mid-continent prices to the lowest levels in history—and in face of the fact that, compared with the output a year ago, the mid-continent is "absorbing" the flood of about 350,000 barrels a day from east Texas—and, as a whole, is producing less oil than a year ago.

Based on to-day's prices, the income from crude oil to Oklahoma producers alone has shrunk from \$760,000 a day, a year ago, to \$98,000 a day, to-day. For the entire mid-continent, the reduction is approximately \$1,750,000 a day. Franklin believes that to-day's prices of crude oil spell disaster to thousands of small producers in hundreds of oil fields of east Texas—and who had absolutely nothing to do with bringing about the present chaotic conditions that are rapidly putting them out of business.

The "paradox" seems to be that crude oil production, crude run to stills, crude in storage, and gasoline in storage are all substantially less than a year ago while gasoline consumed is practically the same—and yet, the price of Oklahoma crude is 18 cents a barrel to-day, compared with \$1.29 a year ago.

The facts seem to justify the conclusion that crude prices to-day are wholly artificial—are absolutely manipulated—that they have no relation whatever with the economics of the situation—that they have been arbitrarily set by certain big integrated companies with the definite purpose of buying to-day's flood of crude oil at prices that wring "the last drop of blood" from the little producers thruout the entire country—and not simply from east Texas.

## CAPITOL SNAPS

By Fred V. Holmes, Washington Correspondent of The Advocate

When President Hoover suddenly and without warning cast that moratorium bomb into the camp of world-wide business doldrums, there were those who conscientiously disapproved of his action; there were those whose disapproval was obviously based upon premises purely political; there were those who accepted the move hopefully altho with fear and trembling, and there were those who lauded it without qualification as the economic and diplomatic masterpiece of a century.

But there were no "those" who had the hardihood to question the political significance of the explosion. Republicans, regular and "progressive," and democrats, capitalist and labor, high and low tariff exponents, wets and dries, industrialists and agriculturists, pro and anti-administrationsists of every political complexion, unanimously concluded that the Hoover plan for war-debt and reparation suspension has radically changed the national political picture within the last three weeks.

Of course, "the proof of the pudding is in the eating thereof," and it remains to be seen whether or not our at least temporary sacrifice of \$260,000,000, on top of an appalling treasury deficit, and lesser but still consequential sacrifices by France and other governments, will suffice to entice old normalcy back into our midst, but there is no doubt that the political situation has been changed, or that the change has necessitated a general re-arrangement of the pre-convention campaign program of both parties and all factions.

There is no possible doubt that up to the time of President Hoover's announcement the politicians had agreed that so far as a second term was concerned, in the absence of the pulling of a democratic bone of colossal dimensions, he was doomed. No one questioned the apparent certainty of his re-nomination, but all chances were against his election. Now, not only has his re-nomination been practically assured but no one disputes that his chances of succeeding himself have been manifoldly increased.

It is no longer to be questioned, but casual observer, politician, partisan or fanatic, that the forthcoming campaign will be fought largely on economic issues, and the results depend almost wholly upon the "proof of the pudding"

—in other words, upon the degree to which there has been economic recovery.

Then, there's another angle. The moment one serious and vital question seems to be definitely settled, it appears to be inevitable that a dozen or more equally serious and vital new questions are presented. Stick old pater-familias under six feet of earth, if you will, but there is always some orphan who bobs up with "What are you going to do with me?"

President Hoover, even in the hour of his great triumph and well-earned satisfaction, knows as well as everyone else that the year of grace which he has secured for the world must be a year of intense activity. He referred at once to the still pressing issue of disarmament. He also spoke of the urgent need that all nations address themselves with intelligence and energy to the ways and means of bringing about economic recovery. Far above and beyond all of these matters, there lies the certainty that steps should be taken at the earliest possible moment to bring about an agreement as to what is to be done when the moratorium ends on June 30, 1932.

Still another angle: One this coming Saturday, the first republican to announce his candidacy for the 1932 presidential nomination, former Senator Joseph I. France of Maryland, will have launched his campaign. The Marylander is to hold a meeting at his own home, Mount Ararat Farms, near Fort Deposit, to make his first extended speech. In addition to Senator France, other speakers will be former Senator Jonathan Bourne of Oregon, Lyell Rader of New York and Jerome E. Brumfield, who will act as chairman of the meeting. It is to be an outdoor meeting and arrangements are underway to take care of a crowd of 2,000 or more persons.

Naturally, no one takes seriously Senator France's candidacy, but it may be remarked that straws indicate the general direction of the wind.

### WAGING WAR ON GAR

New Mexico's game and fish department is waging a merry war on undesirable fish in the warm waters of eastern New Mexico, preparatory to the fall planting of fish from the state hatchery. Electricity was successfully used to kill carp and buffalo, but was found to have no effect on gar. The latter species is now being trapped and netted. The department estimates that more than 20 tons of undesirable fish have been taken from the waters of Chaves and Eddy alone within the past few months.

## FILED FOR RECORD

July 3, 1931.  
Warranty Deeds:  
W. L. Card to E. L. Traylor Loving, Carl Smith to W. A. Moore \$100 L. 5-7, B. 35, Town of 28, west of railroad.  
In The District Court:  
No. 5241. In the matter of June Wentler, a dependent and neglected child.  
July 6, 1931.  
Warranty Deeds:  
E. G. Ashcraft to May Hardy \$10 Und. 1/2 Int. in W 1/2 NW 1/4 NE 1/4; E 1/2 NE 1/4 NW 1/4 27-22-27, W. R. J. R. Hodges to J. C. Crowder \$100.00 L. 6-10, B. 7, Morning Side Add. to Artesia.  
July 7, 1931.  
In The District Court:  
No. 8204 Transcript of judgment. M. K. Clark vs. R. W. Benson, et als \$2,357.29.  
July 8, 1931.  
Warranty Deeds:  
Augusta Gee et al to Mary E. Gee Courtney \$1.00, L. 13, B. 26, First Add. to Carlsbad.  
July 9, 1931.  
In The District Court:  
No. 5242. Suit on account. Poultry Dairy Publishing Co., vs. Pardue Rosson.  
July 10, 1931.  
Warranty Deeds:  
G. G. Snowden to United States Potash Co., \$10 S 1/2 SW 1/4 11; N 1/2 NW 1/4 14-23-28.

### POTASH SHIPMENTS

The season for potash shipments is opening slowly now and will reach around September 1 the beginning of largest output.

The United States Potash Company, operating east of Carlsbad made its first shipments in March this year, at the end of the last season.

In the present month the United States company will move about 3,000 tons to southwestern states for fertilizer, and in October, November and December will move about 10,000 tons a month.

It is expected that the total shipments for the season opening now and ending next March 1 will be around 75,000 tons.

Grading for the railroad from Loving to the site of the potash refinery began Friday and work on the railroad bridge over the Pecos also began Friday. Another step taken in connection with the railroad building was the signing of the last of the deeds for the right-of-way Friday.—Current-Argus.

Son: Pop I got in trouble today at school an' it's your fault.  
Pop: How's that son?  
Son: Remember I asked you how much \$1,000,000 was!

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