

HOOVER'S STAY IN SOUTH MAY BE PROLONGED

President-Elect Ponders
Problem of Remaining
Until Inauguration.

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LONG KEY, Fla., Feb. 1.—President-Elect Hoover is considering a suggestion of some advisers that he remain in Florida until just before his inauguration instead of returning to Washington two or three weeks beforehand as planned.

His presence in Washington during the closing weeks of President

Coolidge's administration, they say, would tend to move the limelight away from the reining President in his last few days in office and might be a source of embarrassment.

The President-Elect before leaving Washington signified his intention of returning shortly after the middle of February to attend to some matters incident to the opening of his administration, which could be attended to better there than here. He emphasized while there that his several conferences with Coolidge were for preserving continuity in the two administrations. Therefore, he saw no reason why he should not return to Washington in advance of his inauguration. His friends may dissuade him.

This and other political concerns were dismissed from the mind of the next President today, however, as he continued his fishing.

One sailfish, like other things, leads to another. So Hoover set out again early this morning from the yacht Saunterer on which he and Mrs. Hoover are living, to catch a bigger sailfish than the forty-pound

one he landed Thursday, or perhaps several bigger ones.

For he has a record among his own entourage to beat. While he was out Thursday with all the piscatorial trappings in what are the reputed best fishing waters in the world, his assistant, Lawrence Richey, and Chairman Work of the Republican national committee, went out in the home waters of Biscayne bay, near the Penney estate at Belle-Isle, and bagged five sailfish between them.

Richey got three, all larger than the one Mr. Hoover landed, varying from sixty to seventy-five pounds. Work, who says he does not like to fish, got two, while Mark Woods, capitalist, of Lincoln, Neb., got another.

Typewriter Inventor Dies

By United Press
SYRACUSE, N. Y., Feb. 1.—Alex F. Brown, 75, inventor of the first L. C. Smith typewriter, the L. C. Smith shotgun and numerous automobile and telephone devices, died Thursday night after a short illness.

TRADE PIGS FOR WIVES; NEVER SEE WHITE MEN

Explorers Describe Pacific
Tribe Visited for First
Time.

By United Press

LONDON, Feb. 1.—A description of tribes which have been visited by only one white man and of natives who buy wives in exchange for pigs, practice cannibalism, wear no clothes and are polygamous, has been given to the Royal Geographical Society by John R. Baker.

Baker and his wife gave details of their experiences in the unex-

plored sections of the northern New Hebrides, in the western Pacific ocean, 1,500 miles from Australia. The Baker expedition was assisted by the Percy Sladen memorial fund. Most of Baker's time was spent on the islands of Espiritu Santo and Gaua.

In Sakau, he said, there are only white persons—none of them in the interior. There are five ranks in Sakau society and a man may rise from one rank to the next by dancing all night and killing a stipulated number of pigs.

"Cannibalism still occurs, though rarely," Baker said. "Between my two visits a white man was killed in the southwest part of Espiritu Santo."

At a village called Tungwi, which had not been previously visited by a white man, Baker found what must be some of the smallest human habitants in the world. Except for one house, all of the buildings were about as high as his shoulder, he said.

Baker and his wife visited Gaua islands, there were no white men.

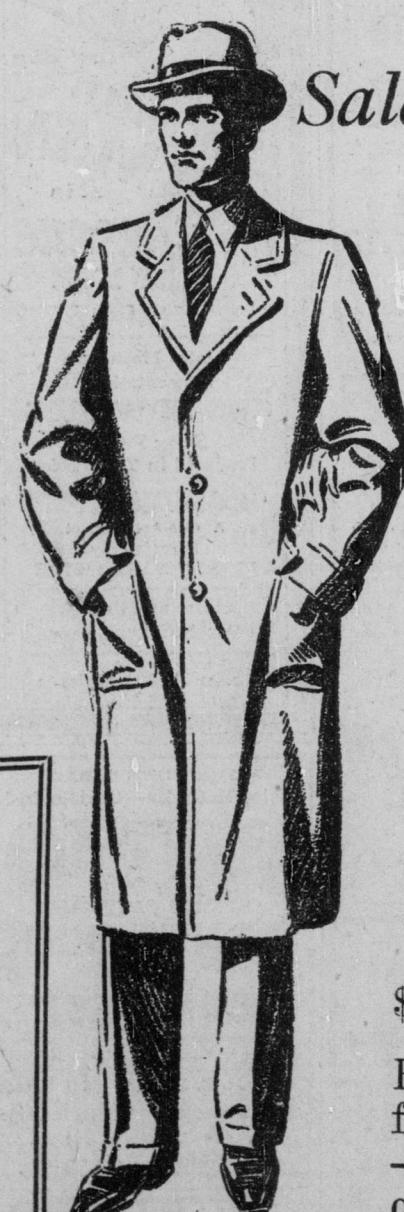
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