

HOOVER ENTERS 1930 FACED BY GRAVE WORRIES

Obstreperous Congress Is
Chief Thorn in Side
of President.

BY RAYMOND CLAPPER,
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WASHINGTON, Dec. 31.—The
new year will bring new worries to
President Hoover.

He has only ten months of his
term behind him. But it has been
enough to reveal that he has a
fractious congress on his hands. And
next spring and summer the con-
gressional elections will be held with
every indication that an even more
obstreperous congress will be
chosen.

Congress has been the source of
most of the worries which Pres-
ident Hoover has struggled with in
his first year. Succumbing to the
wiles of Senator Borah in a per-
suasive moment, Mr. Hoover, while
still a presidential candidate
promised, if elected, to call an
extra session of congress to deal
with farm relief.

Difficulties Began

The session met the second month
Mr. Hoover was President, and from
that time his major difficulties be-
gan. Industrial interests demand-
ed some tariff increases inasmuch as
agriculture was to be helped at the
special session. Mr. Hoover agreed
that some industries in special need
of additional tariff protection should
be helped. But he did not specify
details. The house ways and means
committee drafted a tariff revision
bill which granted hundreds of in-
creases and provoked strong dis-
sent from the farm belt Republi-
cans.

Farm Relief Victory

Meantime congress had been
working on the farm relief bill. The
Senate, over the President's protest,
added the farm debenture plan of
relief to the administration bill. The
house refused to accept it, enabling
Mr. Hoover to come out victorious
after much grumbling in the senate.

Scale Down Items

As the year closed the senate
still was wrestling with the bill,
scaling it down on various items
through the coalition of Democrats
and Republican insurgents. The
flexible tariff provision which Mr.
Hoover specially wanted to retain,
was stricken out by the senate.

The President has grappled with
executive political problems. He
replaced Huber as chairman of the
Republican national committee with
Claudius Huston. He is trying to reorganize the Republican
party in the south.

In foreign affairs Mr. Hoover has
been extremely active. He has re-
vived the effort for further naval
limitation which resulted in the
visit to the United States of Prime
Minister MacDonald and the calling
of the London arms conference for
next month. This achievement, if
carried through to a successful con-
clusion, will end one expensive and
potentially dangerous kind of naval
competition and remove the danger
of serious disagreements with Eng-
land for years to come probably.

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By United Press
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national bank today reduced its rate 1
per cent to 3½ per cent.

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1929 WAS BANNER YEAR AT BUTLER

Stays at Post



Sterling R. Holt

Mayor-Elect Reginald H. Sullivan today announced that City Con-
troller Sterling R. Holt, prominent
Democrat, appointed to the city
post at the beginning of the Slack
administration, will be retained as
head of the city finances.

Holt intended to remain in office for
a time to bridge over the
change in administrations, Sullivan
said.

During the last two years, Holt
has administered the city's finances
in a business-like manner, inaugu-
rating many systems and eco-
nomic measures. He is regarded highly
as a citizen and party leader.

Home Town Honors Native

By Times Special
SOUTH BEND, Ind., Dec. 31.—
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LESLIE ENTERS NEW YEAR WITH HARD PROGRAM

State School Aid Chief
Problem Confronting
Indiana Governor.

BY DANIEL M. KIDNEY

Governor Harry G. Leslie enters the new year with many major administrative problems remaining unsolved and with the prospect of no legislative help unless he decides to call a special session.

Outstanding among the problems awaiting solution is the state aid for schools to which the Governor already has assigned a fact-finding commission.

Others are the continued unemployment in the coal fields with armed truce between union and non-union miners, new taxation schemes and increased cost of government, crime and the penal problems of parole, traffic and construction problems on state roads, particularly in regard to policy of maintenance.

Not Good Feeling

Governor Leslie took over the administration on Jan. 14, 1929, succeeding former Governor Ed Jackson. It was far from an "era of good feeling" in state politics.

He entered a statehouse where major departments and department heads had furnished him absolutely no support in the primary campaign and, previous to his election, were stating openly their discontent with his being head of the ticket.

The legislature was in session. In this quarter the new Governor was assured of considerable support, particularly in the house of representatives. Having served twice as speaker, Leslie was looked upon as "one of ours" by his former colleagues. He had demonstrated the possibilities in landing as chief executive from the Speaker's chair and caused hopes to rise in other hearts.

Leslie had won by a very slight plurality, furnished largely by Lake county, despite the huge vote cast for President Hoover. The campaign had been intense and many things had been promised.

Certain of these the Governor incorporated into his message to the legislature.

Jackson, in his farewell address to the legislature, talked opposition to his party's plan to repeal the primary law. Leslie cited it as part of the G. O. P. pledges and urged that it be done. It was.

The new Governor also urged drastic action against crime. This portion of his message resulted in legislation making more drastic the criminal laws and earned for the Governor the appellation "hard-boiled."

Parole Became Order

Lawmakers scarcely had closed the session, however, when the Governor formulated a new policy in regard to executive clemency. He announced his favored giving prisoners a chance, particularly first offenders. Paroles and paroles became the order of the day.

Acting upon the advice of friends he picked several of the wrong people for paroles, later events disclosed. On this list was Gene Alger, who already had had the court clemency of being let off on a manslaughter charge after killing an Indianapolis policeman.

Paroled, he started robbing banks, and has since been given fifteen years behind the bars.

Other cases were not so flagrant. The Governor stood firm, however, in refusing clemency to a 16-year-old girl guilty of a 40-cent fraudulency and for which she was sentenced to two years.

There were plenty of paroles who made good, but the bad advertising of the failures has soured the Governor on the movement.

With numerous appointments to be made, the Governor let the dates pass and kept department heads in office as holdovers. This policy still

prevails in many instances, particularly in the case of Alfred E. Hoggan, state fire marshal, and Otto Lee, secretary of the state printing board.

Leslie did take action against John D. Williams, director of the state highway department. Upon Leslie's orders, Williams was ousted and John J. Brown, then secretary to the Governor and former head of the state tax commission, was assigned the directorship.

Brown and Henry W. Marshall of Lafayette have been credited with being Leslie's closest advisers.

At one time he called in all department heads and told them no body could speak for him in seeking places and that he had no further political ambitions.

This was taken to have been aimed particularly at Bert Fuller and Bert Morgan. Fuller then was active in getting favorites placed in departments.

The legislature provided for numerous commissions to be appointed by the Governor. Action on this was delayed until December. With the hue and cry for state school aid, he appointed the commission provided by the 1929 law.

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tained a guard of the L. & N. rail-
way, it was believed the two had escaped the section and probably made their way back to Indiana.

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reptiles never before have been found except in so-called jurassic
lands, never in Europe or Africa.

HUNT BANDITRY SUSPECTS HERE

Search for Grayson's Pals
Fruitless Thus Far.

Bowling Green (Ky.) detectives continued their search in Indiana today for Richard McNeese and Ben Orville, both of Indianapolis, wanted for bank banditry and alleged murder in Kentucky.

The two are charged with being companions of Elmer Grayson of Indianapolis in robbery of the Oakland (Ky.) bank, and are accused of killing J. Robert Kirby, Smith Grove (Ky.) banker, when Kirby, member of a posse, opened fire on the escaping bandits at Hays, Ky.

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The skeleton, which is thirty-
three feet long and seven feet high,
was found in a previously known
grotto, exposed when recent heavy
rains washed away the surrounding
earth.

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traces of the two. Grayson is in
jail at Louisville for safe keeping,
mob violence being feared at Bow-
ling Green.

LABOR BUREAU REPORTS GAIN

City Employment Agency
Shows Big Increase.

Officials today announced that the Indianapolis Employment Bureau, operated by the Indianapolis Foundation, made 1,116 placements during the fiscal year ending Aug. 31. The total placements is an increase of 20 per cent over the previous year's record. There were 3,603 new applicants and 2,703 received information.

When it began to function the bureau served all classes of people looking for employment, but since June, 1926, has been handling only a part of the men—office, sales and technical; beginning boys, and all white women, ranging from domestic, factory, and hotel workers to office women and saleswomen.

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