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PREDICT NEW DEMOCRACY IS FACING U. S.

Modified Form Is Necessary
to Survive, Says Hoover
Social Probe Group.

REVOLT NOT UNLIKELY

Government to Extend Grip
on Business, Forecast
of Committee.

BY RUTH FINNEY
Times Staff Writer

WASHINGTON, Jan. 2.—If democracy survives the present period of severe social stress, it will survive in a modified form dominated by different attitudes toward property and toward human beings.

This is the conclusion of President Hoover's research committee on social trends made public today after four years of study of the whole sweep of modern life in the twentieth century.

The committee's survey of fundamental dangers and problems in our economic, political and social development leads it to conclude that there is no assurance that violent revolution, "dark periods of serious repression of libertarian and democratic forms," can be averted unless there can be a more impressive integration of social skills and fusing of social purposes than is revealed by recent trends.

But, it adds, "in considering the movement of American democracy and its collective competence, it is important not to lose sight of specific and basic tendencies revealed in this report and bearing directly on the future of our institutions."

Stress Large Scale Work

"One of these is the habituation of the American people to large scale organization and planning in industry, keenly appreciated by the Soviets; another is the American tendency to make relatively prompt use of the latest fashions in science and technology; the lack of sharply defined and permanent classes or castes obstructing either economic or governmental change, and finally, the wide prevalence of democratic attitudes and practices in social life."

The committee adds: "An interpretation which seems to have a margin of advantage is that of the prospect of a continuance of the democratic regime, with higher standards of achievement, with a more highly unified and stronger government, with sounder types of civic training, with a broader social program, and a sharper edged purpose to diffuse more promptly and more widely the gains of our civilization, with control over social and economic forces better adapted to the special social tensions of the time, with less lag between social changes and governmental adaptation and with more provision and contriving spirit."

Government in Industry

Specifically the committee foresees a strong possibility that the government will undertake extensive economic planning, giving scientists and technologists a much larger part than ever before in its work, that it will greatly extend its control over industry of all kinds, and (Turn to Page Nine)

New York Racket King Slain in Own Night Club by Doorman

By United Press

NEW YORK, Jan. 2.—Police sought an obscure night club doorman today as the slayer of Larry Fay, notorious racketeer and New York's public enemy No. 3, shot down in his own night club during an argument over a few dollars in wages.

Fay's death had not been ordered by rival racketeers, police learned, but resulted with delicate irony from his so-called humanitarian desire to relieve the depression by forcing his employees to "share the work."

Until last week, Edward Maloney was both day and night doorman and received \$100 a week. Fay shortened his hours, reduced his pay, and hired another doorman to share the work.

Sunday night Maloney arrived at the night club. Witnesses said he was intoxicated.

He found Fay in the ornate foyer. Police said Maloney fired five shots, four of which found their target.

Maloney then fled along with some 100 guests, who stampeded through the foyer, over Fay's body, into the street.

FLOOD WATERS IN STATE DROP

Southern Indiana Highways
Still Blocked; Save Six
From Death.

High water that threatened several sections of Indiana with floods over the weekend was receding today, although roads, principally in the southern section of the state, still are blocked to traffic.

Weather reports showed that White river was falling in and north of Indianapolis. At Seymour, where rise of water was rapid, the river had dropped.

The east and west branches of White river still were rising in the southern part of the state.

With no rain in prospect for the next twenty-four hours, high waters probably will subside speedily in all parts of Indiana.

Parents and their four children were rescued from an island at the northeast edge of Connersville Saturday when the Whitewater river went over its banks.

Residents of the town came to the rescue of Mr. and Mrs. Grover Williams and the children after the six had spent the night on an island, suffering from the rain and snow. Only a few bed clothes protected them.

The family had been living in a shack on the river bank, but were forced to flee when the waters spread. During the rescue, Mrs. Williams fell against the side of the boat, causing it to upset. The young boy twice had disappeared under the water before he was saved.

REALTORS PLAN TO
BOLSTER \$1.50 LAW

Heads List of Five Major
Objectives of Board.

Retention and strengthening of the \$1.50 maximum real estate levy will head the list of five major objectives of the Indianapolis Real Estate Board in the legislative session.

The program was adopted by directors of the board on recommendation of the legislation and taxation committee, headed by Albert E. Uhl. Other members are Dan W. Legore, retiring president; Frank F. Woolling, Gavin L. Payne, Paul L. McCord, Lafayette Perkins and M. L. Hall.

Other objectives in the program include:

Consolidation of townships, particularly in Marion county.

Perpetual assessment bureau to replace the present system of quadrennial assessment of property for taxation.

Creation of excise taxes solely to relieve the property tax. Income and sales taxes, or a combination of both, are favored, as well as other practical taxes, so long as they are imposed in addition to existing property taxes.

BLOWS OWN HEAD OFF

Despondent Farmer Commits Suicide
With Dynamite.

By United Press

LANCASTER, Pa., Jan. 2.—Despondent, William Kulp, 71, retired farmer, placed a stick of dynamite in his mouth Sunday, lit the fuse and blew his head off.

Technocracy Stimulating
Doctrine, Says Couzens

BY THOMAS L. STOKES
United Press Staff Correspondent

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WASHINGTON, Jan. 2.—Technocracy, the machine age, is viewed by the richest United States senator, James Couzens (Rep., Mich.), as a stimulating doctrine that should stir up the American people to do something about their economic plight.

The multimillionaire senator sees in the new energy approach to the problems of the machine age some valuable suggestions which may lead to solutions.

The technocrats are due particu-

lar thanks, he thinks, for their emphasis on the necessity of action to repair a machine that has produced millions of unemployed, he said.

"If the technocrats do no more than start people to thinking they will perform a great service. It's just too bad to have some elements starting a campaign of ridicule," he stated.

"We all hope the discovery of chemists and technologists will go still further and make work. Some of those plans I read take the time element into consideration.

"What consolation is it to mil-

lions of workers who have had no regular employment for the last four or five years to be told that some time in the future the technologists will find new things in the production of which people may be employed?"

They are due thanks for their

Fair tonight and Tuesday, not much change in temperature; lowest tonight about 30.

CHINESE BATTLE JAPANESE FOR GATEWAY CITY

Heavy Fighting Reported Along Border
Between Manchuria and China Proper;
Nipponese Officer and Men Slain.

TOKIO RUSHES PLANES TO SCENE

Marshal Chang Concentrates Six Brigades
Along Frontier, Fearing General
Invasion of Jehol Province.

By United Press

TOKIO, Jan. 2.—General fighting between Chinese and Japanese troops developed today at Shantung, a border city between Manchuria and China proper, after a Japanese lieutenant and three Japanese soldiers were reported killed.

Japanese headquarters at Tientsin confirmed the report of heavy fighting near Shantung.

Japanese air corps forces at Mukden had been dispatched to the scene, it was announced.

The Chinese, the report said, had dynamited a railroad bridge three kilometers west of Shantung.

The Japanese occupied the main gate of the ancient walled city, which is the gateway into China.

Shortly thereafter there was heavy hand-to-hand street fighting, the reports said. It continued during the night.

The Japanese claimed that Chinese had violated the neutrality agreed on after the Japanese occupation of Chinchow, and subsequent operations.

It was reported that Marshal Chang Hsueh Liang had concentrated six brigades of troops on the Jehol border, fearing Japanese occupation of Jehol. Such occupation was believed possible, with Japanese in control of Shantung, a coast railroad city.

Japanese concentrations near that city were unknown. They were believed to be heavy, because of reported Chinese concentrations there. Japanese armored trains have been active in the vicinity within the last fortnight.

Bomb Railway Station

By United Press

SHANGHAI, Jan. 2.—Japanese sources here reported today that troops of Marshal Chang Hsueh Liang's forces, en route to Jehol, had entered Shantung and bombed the railway station and several Japanese buildings. No one was reported killed.

BANK BANDITRY STILL
FLOURISHING INDUSTRY

State Criminal Bureau's Fiscal Year
Ends With 36 Robberies.

Bank banditry continued to flourish in Indiana during the fiscal year ending Oct. 1, 1932; it was revealed today in the annual report of E. L. Osborne, chief of the state bureau of criminal identification.

During that period, there were thirty-six robberies, sixteen of which were solved. Investigation of the remaining twenty cases is being continued with a view toward solving them within the next few months.

The report made no mention of the loot obtained, but the average amount was believed in the neighborhood of \$3,000.

Since Oct. 1, there have been at least ten banks robbed, the last of which occurred Dec. 29, at Wanatah when five bandits obtained approximately \$3,000.

The year also was marked by the breaking up of two gangs which were responsible for several of the holdups.

Sheriff Ira Barton of Hartford City was involved in one of the rings and was sentenced to state prison. Several of his accomplices also were given long terms.

AIR EXPRESS STARTED

Service Inaugurated Between Co-

lumbia and United States.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 2.—Air express service has been inaugurated between the United States and Colombia, which later is expected to be extended to other countries in both North and South America.

Merchandise, transported entirely by air, reached its destination not more than six days from dispatch.

Wishing Every One

A Happy and Pros-
perous New Year

As we stand today on the threshold of a new year, we extend our profoundest thanks to the many friends of the Indianapolis Times.

As the year begins, we are faced with many problems, but we are determined to meet them with courage and determination.

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