Herbert Hoover, & The Dust Bowl Notes #2

Causes of the Dust Bowl



- ______ & overproduction
- Sustained drought (_____)
- ullet Land dried up \Rightarrow _____

Impact of the Dust Bowl



- Farmers lost land (_____)
- Forced migrants called "______" to leave
 the Great Plains → moved west to California, Oregon, and Washington

Dorothea Lange



- Lange's childhood difficulties seemed to give her a deep sense of other people's sufferings
- _____ through Dust Bowl states
 - Hired by the government to photograph the effects of the Great
 Depression
- "Migrant _____" = extremely famous image of the 1930s & Great Depression

Short Term Effects of Great Depression



- Lost their _____ (bank failures)
 - The Federal Reserve:
 - The Federal Reserve ______ the amount of money in ______, making it harder to get loans
 - Even those who were wise with their money lost their savings
- Lost their homes (Hoovervilles/Oakies)

	Struggled to(br	eadlines, money, etc.)
Hoover's Response PROSPERITY IS JUST AROUND THE CORNER	Rejected the idea that the government to help Problem: did not high unemployment rates Believed that a "government that governs the governs the least"	t should get p the economy enough jobs to offset
Hoover Dam	 Begins public work	
Mexican Repatriation Act MEXICANS KEEP GOING WE CAN'T TAKE CARE OF DUR OWN CHAMBER OF COMMENT	 Unemployed whites wanted jobs held by Americans Law authorized the of the United States Split up many families 	
Reconstruction Finance Corporation	Hoover gave believing that money would	·



economic growth, but it was a little too late

The People's Responses



• Hunger Marches (1932):

- 1,200 hunger marchers assembled at the nation's capital & chanted "Feed the hungry, tax the rich!"
- Denied food, water, & medical treatment
- Penny Auctions (Farmers):
 - Neighboring farmers would bid tiny amounts for the farm & then give the land back to the original owner
- Farmers destroy product:
 - Overproduction; farmers destroyed their crops to raise prices, reducing the supply

1932 Bonus Army March



- World War I ______ were **promised a \$1,000**
 - **bonus** to be distributed in 1945
 - 20,000 veterans "bonus Army" marched to Washington, to
 demand economic relief by receiving their pension early

Hoover's Response to Bonus Army



- President Hoover demanded the area cleared
 - Ordered army to remove them peacefully
 - General MacArthur disobeyed orders and attacked the camps
 - o Believed Communists were behind it
- Hundreds of people were arrested

1932 Election



- Hoover becomes even less popular going into the 1932 election
- Who is going to win the election?