THE STOCK MARKET CRASH and the coming of the Great Depression

"Hoover blew the whistle, Mellon rang the bell, Wall Street gave the signal, the country went to hell."



FAST FACTS:

*****October 29, 1929 is known as "Black Tuesday".

*****\$14 billion was lost from the stock market that day(\$200 billion in current dollars).

*****\$30 billion was lost in a four-day crash that week.

The feverish, panicked wave of selling could not be stopped.

"Share prices on the New York Stock Exchange collapsed.

*****Confidence in the market and U.S. economy was shattered.

*****\$100 billion was wiped from the U.S. economy by mid-November.

This was the beginning of a vicious downward economic spiral that became the Great Depression.

