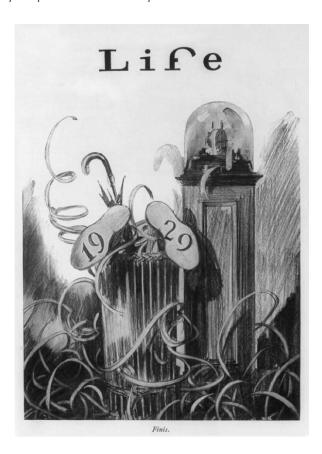
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The Stock Market Crash

On October 24, 1929, stock market prices plummeted. In the ensuing panic, investors on Wall Street attempted to stop any further losses by selling a record 12.9 million stocks in one day. The market continued to fall, however, ushering in the largest financial and unemployment crisis in U.S. history: the Great Depression. This cover of Life magazine depicts the stock market crash in 1929 (represented here by ticker tape (strings of papers printed with stock prices) and shoes labeled "1929" in a waste basket).



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