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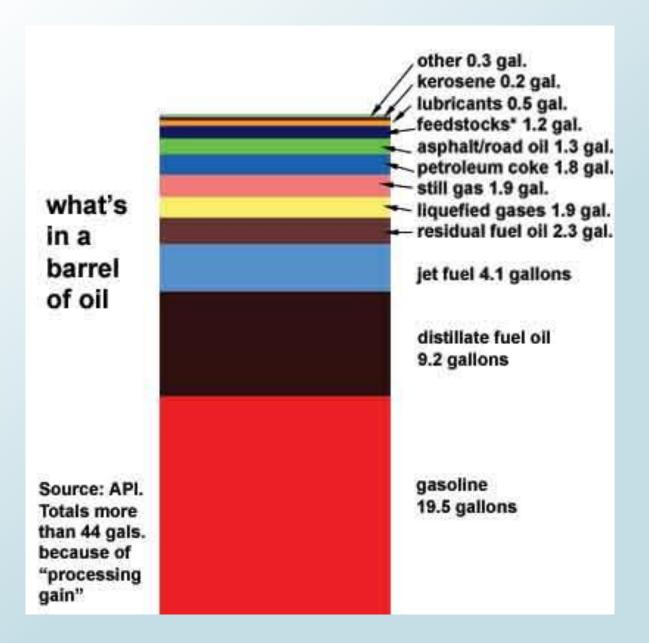
The Growth of Industry

- By 1920s, U.S. is world's leading industrial power, due to:
 - wealth of natural resources
 - government support for business
 - growing urban population

Black Gold

 1859, Edwin L. Drake successfully uses steam engine to drill for oil







Bessemer Steel Process

Bessemer process puts air into iron to remove carbon to make steel

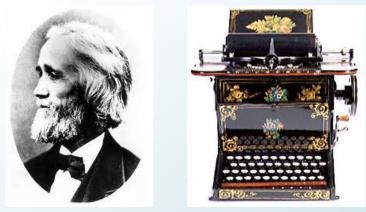
New Uses for Steel

- Steel used in railroads, barbed wire, farm machines
- Changes construction: Brooklyn Bridge; steel-framed skyscrapers



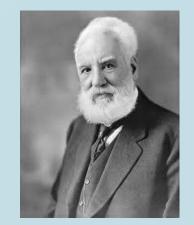


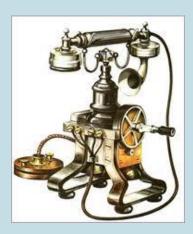
Inventions Change Lifestyles



Christopher Sholes - Typewriter

Alexander Graham Bell - Telephone







An Age of Inventions

 Numerous new inventions change the landscape, life, work

The Power of Electricity

- 1876, Thomas Alva Edison establishes first research laboratory
- Allows manufacturers to locate plants anyplace; industry grows



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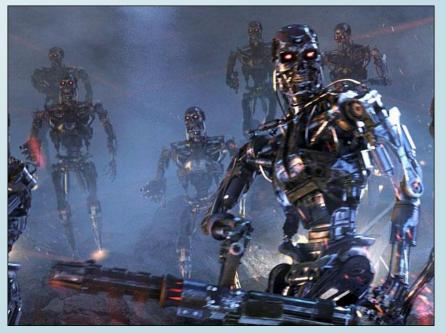






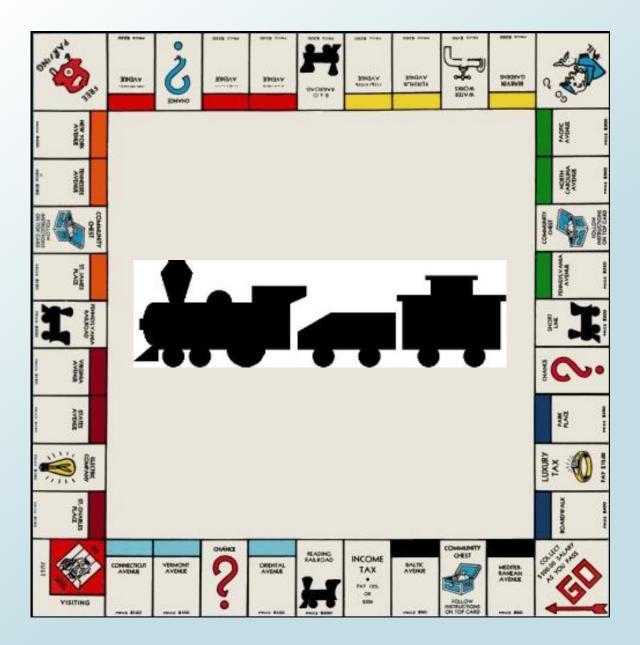
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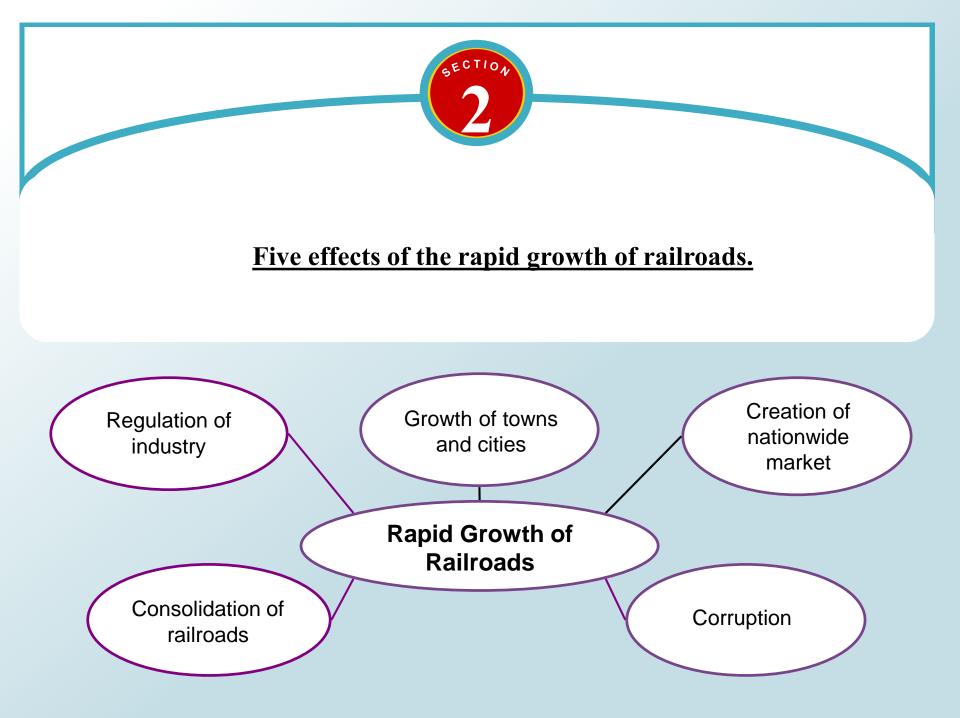
- Office work changes; by 1910, women are 40% of clerical workers
- Industrialization makes jobs easier; improves standard of living
 - by 1890, average workweek 10 hours shorter
 - Some laborers think mechanization reduces value of human worker



Section 2 The Age of the Railroads

The growth and consolidation of railroads benefits the nation but also leads to corruption and required government regulation.





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2 The Age of the Railroads

Railroads Span Time and Space

Railroads Encourage Growth

- Rails make local transit reliable, westward expansion possible
- Government makes land grants, loans to railroads
 - to help settle West
 - to develop country



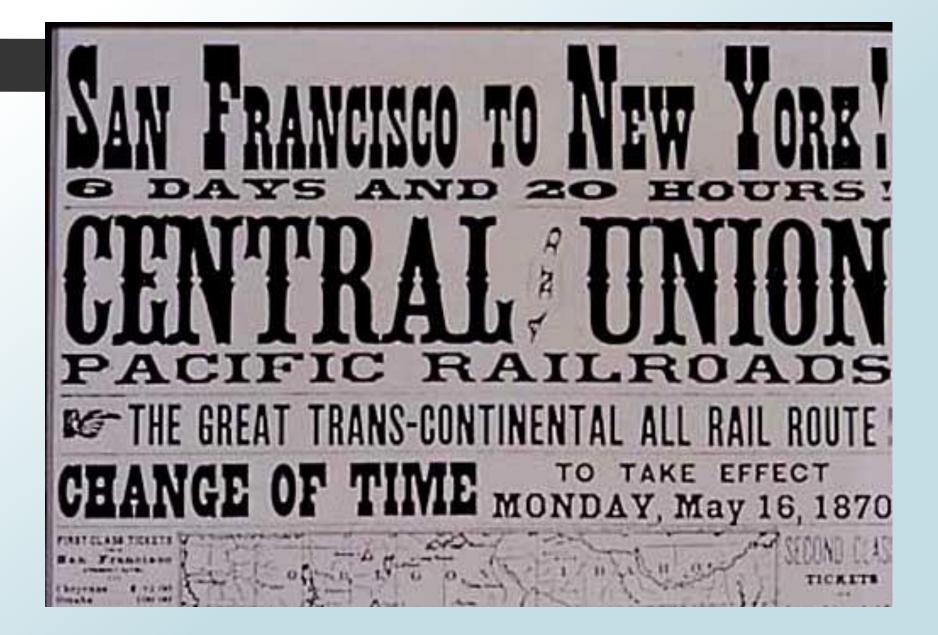
A National Network

 1869, first transcontinental railroad completed, spans the nation



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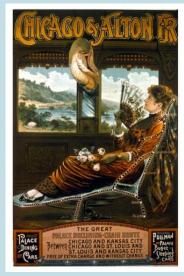
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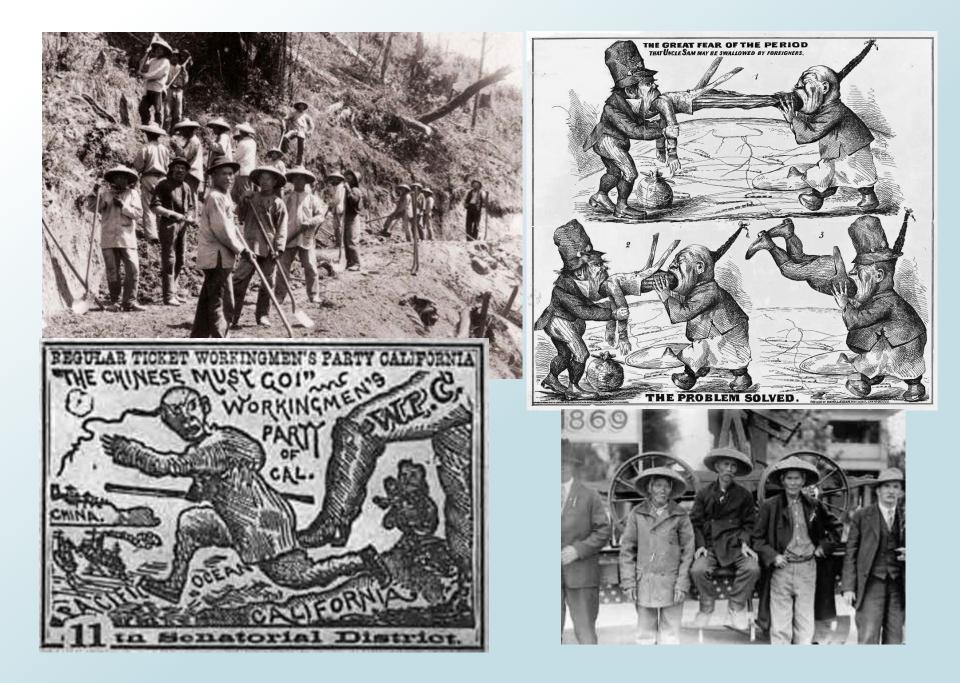
Romance and Reality

- Railroads offer land, adventure, fresh start to many
- People of diverse backgrounds build railroad under harsh conditions:
 - Central Pacific hires Chinese immigrants
 - Union Pacific, Irish immigrants, Civil War vets

Railroad Time

- 1869, C. F. Dowd proposes dividing earth's surface into 24 time zones
- 1883, U.S. railroads, towns adopt time zones
- 1884, international conference sets world zones, uses railroad time
 - Congress adopts in 1918





Opportunities and Opportunists

New Towns and Markets

- Railroads require great supply of materials, parts
- Iron, coal, steel, lumber, glass industries grow to meet demand
- Railroads link isolated towns, promote trade, interdependence
- Nationwide network of suppliers, markets develops
- Towns specialize, sell large quantities of their product nationally
- New towns grow along railroad lines

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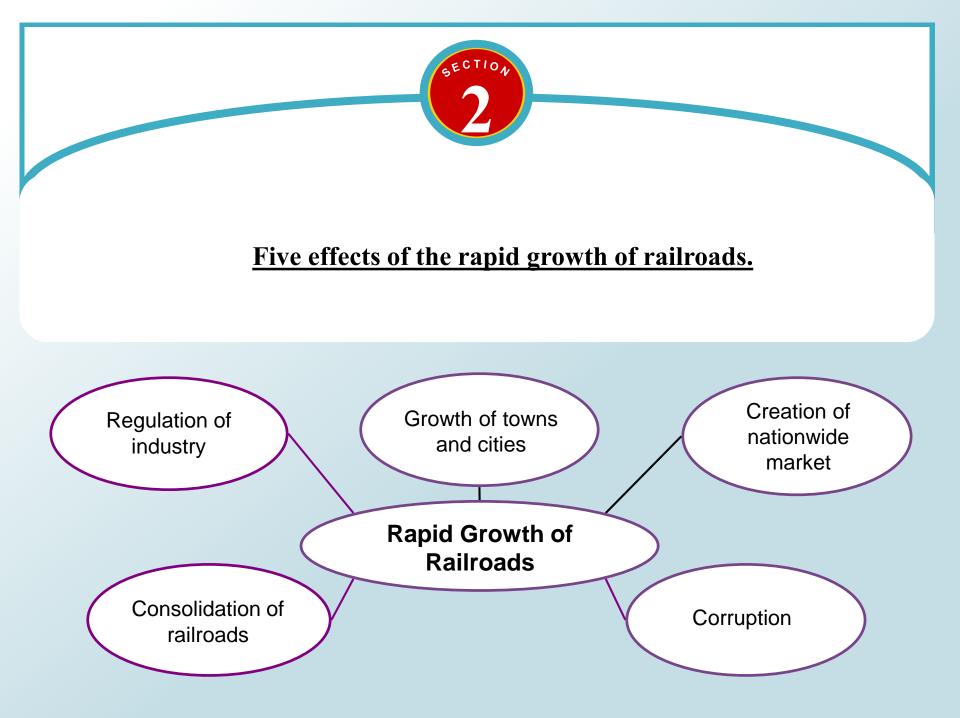
Railroad Abuses

- Farmers angry over perceived railroad corruption
 railroads sell government lands to businesses, not settlers
 - fix prices, keep farmers in debt
 - charge different customers different rates



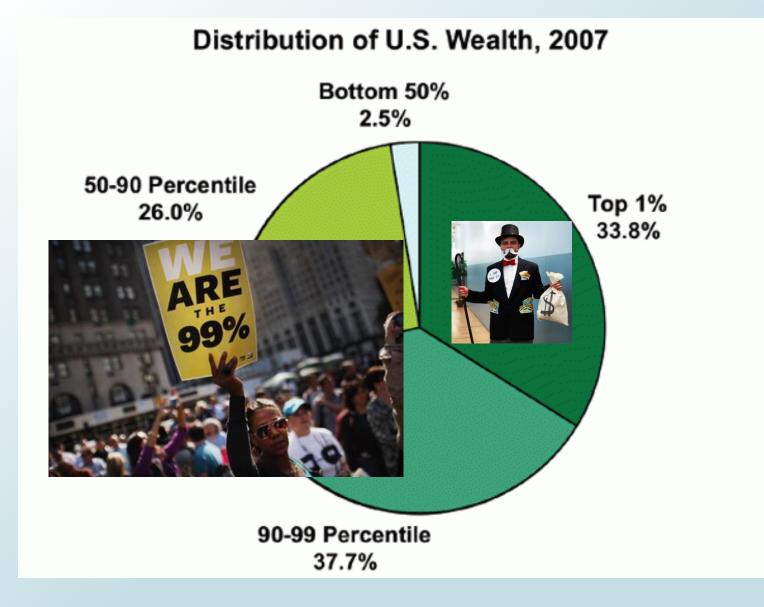
Interstate Commerce Act

- 1886, Supreme Court: states cannot set rates on interstate commerce
- Public outrage leads to Interstate Commerce Act of 1887
 - federal government can supervise railroads
 - establishes Interstate Commerce Commission (ICC)
- Legal battle with railroads; difficult for ICC to take action



Section 3 Big Business and Labor

The expansion of industry results in the growth of big business and prompts laborers to form unions to better their lives.





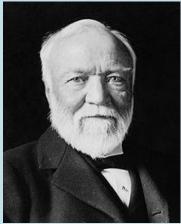
Carnegie's Innovations

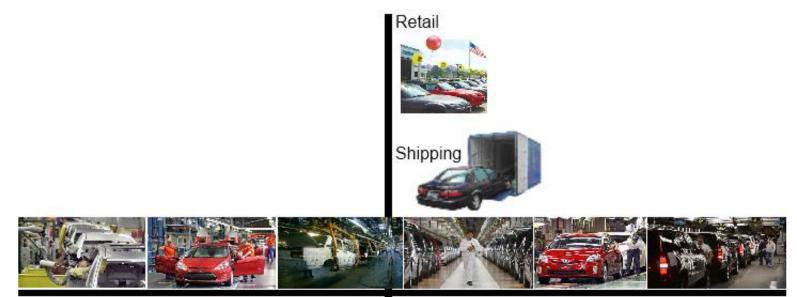
Carnegie Makes a Fortune

Andrew Carnegie one of first moguls to make
 own fortune

New Business Strategies

- Hires talented staff; offers company stock; promotes competition
- Uses vertical integration—buys out suppliers to control materials
- Through horizontal integration merges with competing companies





Manufacture Manufacture



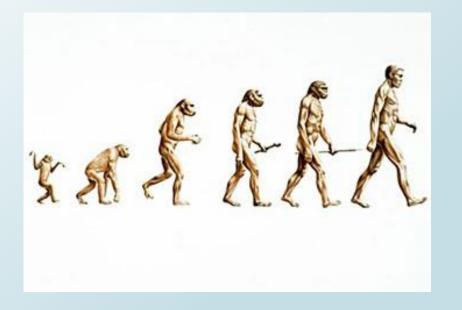
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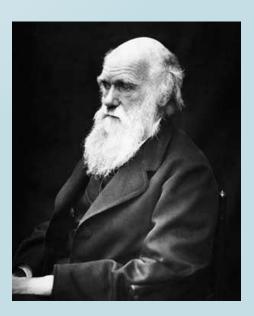
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Social Darwinism and Business

Principles of Social Darwinism

- Darwin's theory of biological evolution: the bestadapted survive
- **Social Darwinism**, or social evolution, based on Darwin's theory
- Economists use Social Darwinism to justify doctrine of laissez faire







Fewer Control More

Growth and Consolidation

- Businesses try to control industry with mergers buy out competitors
- Buy all others to form monopolies—control production, wages, prices
- John D. Rockefeller founds Standard Oil Company, forms trust
 - trustees run separate companies as if one







Rockefeller and the "Robber Barons"

- Rockefeller profits by paying low wages, underselling others
 - when controls market, raises prices

Sherman Antitrust Act

- Government thinks expanding corporations stifle free competition
- Sherman Antitrust Act: trust illegal if interferes with free trade



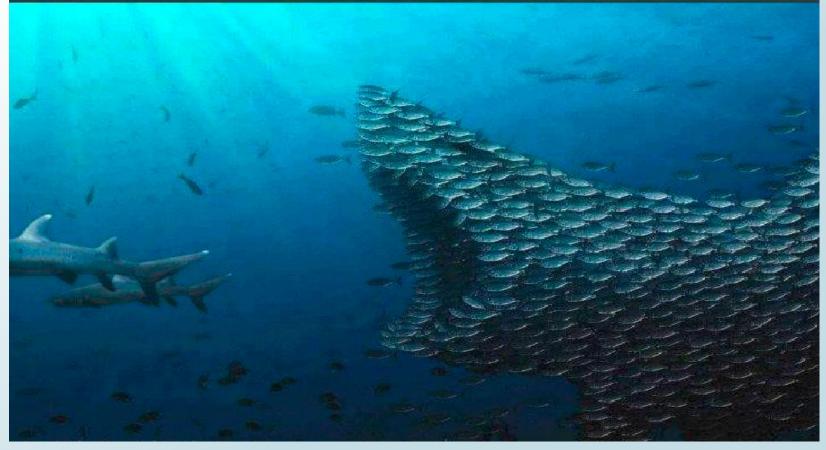
Labor Unions Emerge

Long Hours and Danger

- Exploitation, unsafe conditions unite workers across regions
- Most workers have 12 hour days, 6 day workweeks
 - perform repetitive, mind-dulling tasks
 - no vacation, sick leave, injury compensation
- To survive, families need all members to work, including children
- Sweatshops, tenement workshops often only jobs for women, children



DON'T PANIC, ORGANIZE!



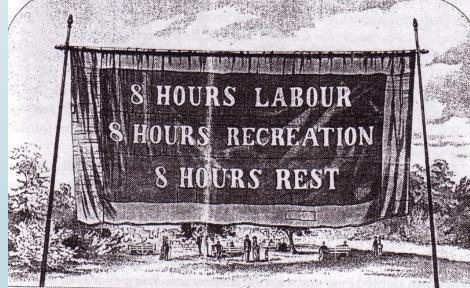




Early Labor Organizing

- National Labor Union—first large-scale national organization
- 1868, NLU gets Congress to give 8-hour day to civil servants







Craft Unionism

- Craft unions include skilled workers from one or more trades
- Samuel Gompers helps found American Federation of Labor (AFL)
- AFL uses collective bargaining for better wages, hours, conditions
- AFL strikes successfully, wins higher pay, shorter workweek

Industrial Unionism

- Industrial unions include skilled, unskilled workers in an industry
- Eugene V. Debs forms American Railway Union; uses strikes





Women Organize

- Mary Harris Jones most prominent organizer in women's labor
 - works for United Mine Workers
 - leads children's march
- 1911 Triangle Shirtwaist factory fire results in public outrage





Socialism

- Under Socialism the government owns the means of production and operates them for the benefits of all, rich or poor.
 - Wanted to do away with profit motive and competition.
 - Everyone had the right to share in the profits.

