

- In 1924, all Indians become citizens
 - Not until the New Deal do the Indian tribes get recognized as governing bodies
- 1886-1887 Great freeze on the plains - Open range cattle farming dies
- Labor unions
 - As machinery becomes complex, the workload becomes more complex, and a higher percentage of people are working as skilled laborers
 - Pinkertons
 - Strikes
 - * First big strike - Great Railroad Strike of 1877
 - Railroads cutting pay to workers in response to crash of 1873
 - Strike lights spontaneously, then spreads quickly
 - Takes about three weeks to shut down
 - No effective union at this time
 - * General Strike - May 1886
 - In Chicago it's the Knights of Labor who call for a demonstration in Haymarket square
 - Allows for anarchists to call for a follow on protest to demonstrate their support for families and against police who shot the demonstrators
 - * Silver mining field strikes in the west - 1892
 - Put down by local authorities
 - Jacob Coxey (1854-1951)
 - * Establishes "The Army"
 - Case involving upholding of the injunction
 - * In Re Debs - maintains that regulation of interstate commerce is indeed part of the federal government's jobs
- Social Darwinism
 - Herbert Spencer, William Graham Sumner
- Popularization of individualism
 - Popular literature by Horatio Alger
- Idea from Carnegie - justify wealth as a religious commitment
 - Wealth allows you to do good
 - Carnegie gives away 90% of his wealth to improve society

- Gospel of Wealth
- Laws preventing companies from interfering with commerce
 - Very narrow definition of “commerce”
- Urbanization
 - Lots of poverty
 - Ethnic neighborhoods
 - 1870 - 1900: farms still 70
 - Clash in values between rural and urban America
 - Flat rate for transportation
 - Internal migration facilitated by new transportation
- Immigration continues heavily until 1914
 - Mainly from western Russian empire
 - Reasons to leave homeland, reasons to come to America
- 1882 - First federal immigration act passed
 - Castle Island closed and switched to Ellis Island for Immigration
- Balloon frame dumbbell tenements
 - Complete failure
- Jacob Riis’ New York of 1890
 - How the Other Half Lives
 - * Addressed the worst abuses of the poor immigrants
- Systemic disease ravages the ethnic neighborhoods
- Sterilization of mentally deficient people
- Boss Tweed
 - Makes a lot of money from cheating people
 - Eventually gets jailed
 - Runs to Spain, gets caught by Immigration and sent back