II. Rebirth of Resistance (Depression to 1950s)

A. Great Depression

B. Resistance

C. San Francisco General Strike 1934

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=dku-MFnIxaU>

D. Republic Steel 1937

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=-Q3RUGLfFv0>

E. GM Sit In

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=mZ7v1FQJTiQ>

F. Great Depression: victories

1. Wagner Act: collective bargaining, NLRB

2. Fair Labor Standards Act: wage and hour laws, no child labor

3. Social Security Act: social security, unemployment insurance, social security

disability.

FDR: “The people that I have called the ‘money changers in the temple/ . . . are still in control. It will take many years and possibly several revolutions to eliminate them.”

G. WWII Labor

H. Defeat: 1950s

1. Cold War

a. unionism is communism

b. purging unions: Taft-Hartley

2. de-radicalization of labor

a. no strike clauses in contracts

b. sympathy strikes illegal

c. unions as partners

d. new social contract

e. wages and benefits

f. corporate welfare

3. No class conflict: What's Good For GM is good for America

I. Phase III: Consumerism and New “American Dream”

Fifties: Selling the American Way

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=85uQFdq4u-U>