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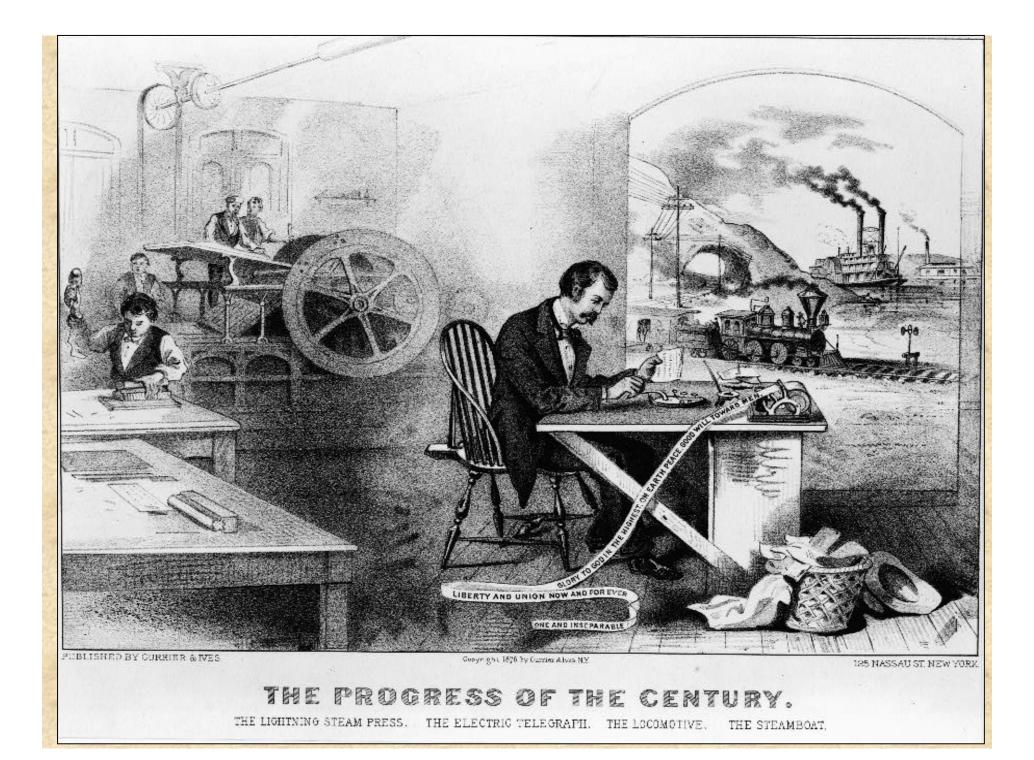
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National History Standards addressed

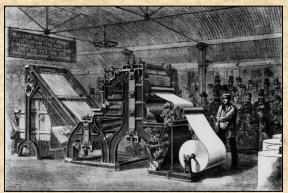
Era 6 The Development of the Industrial United States (1870-1900)
Standard 1A
The student understands the connections among industrialization, the advent of the
modern corporation, and material well-being. Grade Level
Therefore, the student is able to 5-12
Explain how organized industrial research produced technological breakthroughs, especially the Bessemer steel process, conversion to electrical power, and telephonic communication, and how these innovations transformed the economy, work processes,
and domestic life.
[Utilize quantitative data]
9-12
Compare various types of business organizations in production and marketing. [Compare and contrast differing sets of ideas]
5-12 Evaluate the careers of prominent industrial and financial leaders. [Assess the importance
of the individual in history] 7-12
Explain how business leaders sought to limit competition and maximize profits in the late 19th century. [Examine the influence of ideas] 9-12
Examine how industrialization made consumer goods more available, increased the
standard of living for most Americans, and redistributed wealth. [Utilize quantitative data]
9-12
Compare the ascent of new industries today with those of a century ago. [Hypothesize the influence of the past]

Examples of Pre-Civil War technolo of Steam and Iron 1790-1860 *Major inventions from the First Industrial Revolution *****John Stevens, the father of American railroads **Cyrus McCormick, mechanical mower reaper 1831** Samuel B. Morse telegraph 1838 ***John Deere, steel plow 1840s ***Richard Hoe, rotary printing press 1840s *Elias Howe & Isaac Singer and the sewing machine 1846 **Cyrus Field and the Transatlantic Cable** 5

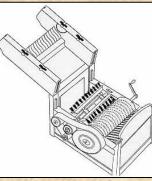


First Industrial Revolution:

Late 18th century to 1860



Rotary press



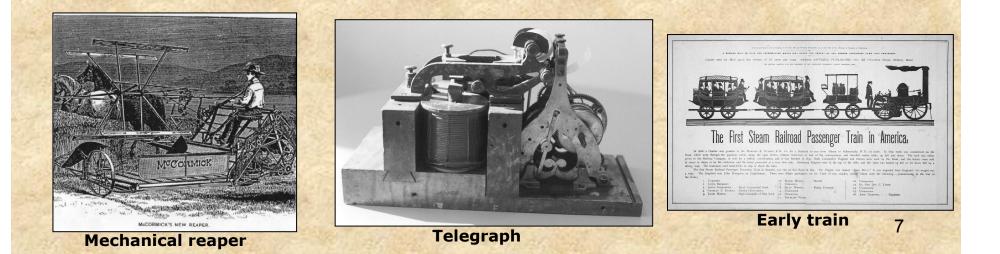
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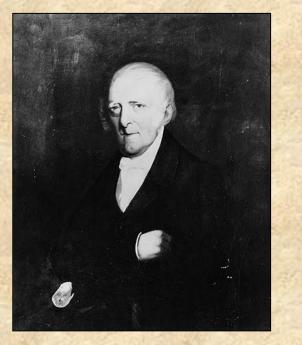
Steel plow



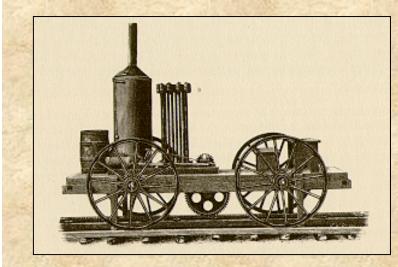
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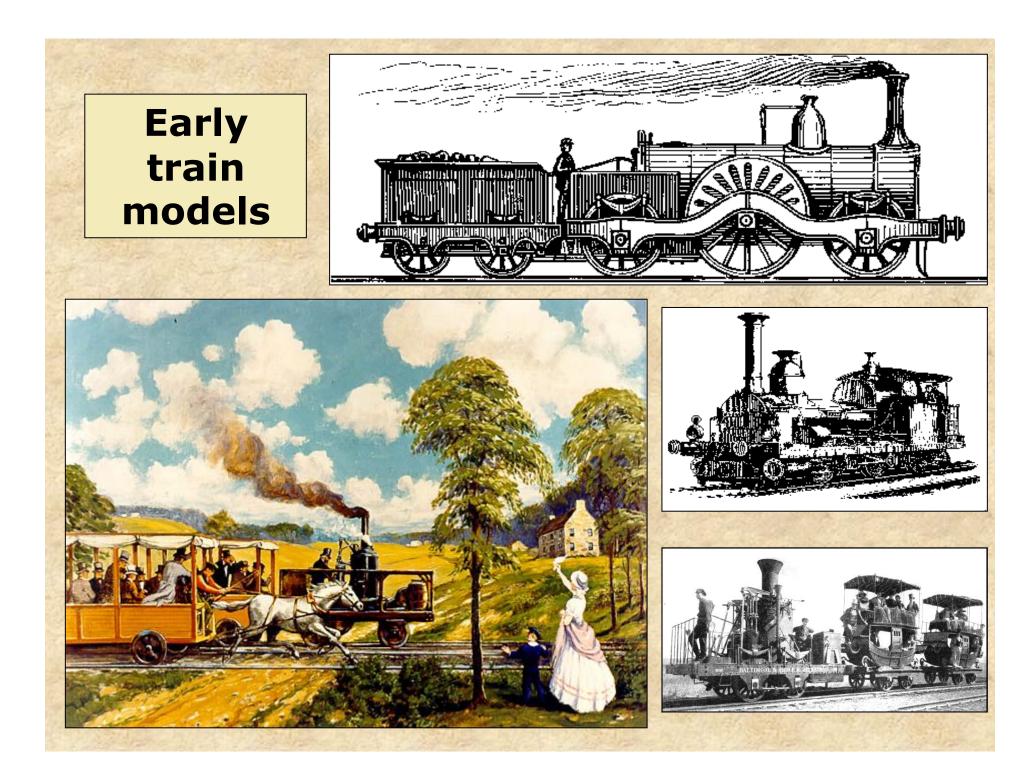
John Stevens



John Stevens became interested in steam locomotion in the 1780's. He established the world's first steam ferry, and later built the first operating steam locomotive in the United States.

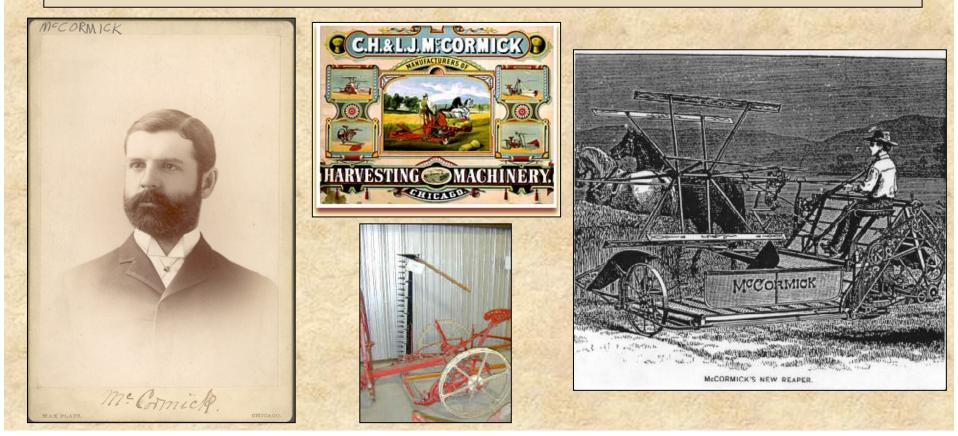




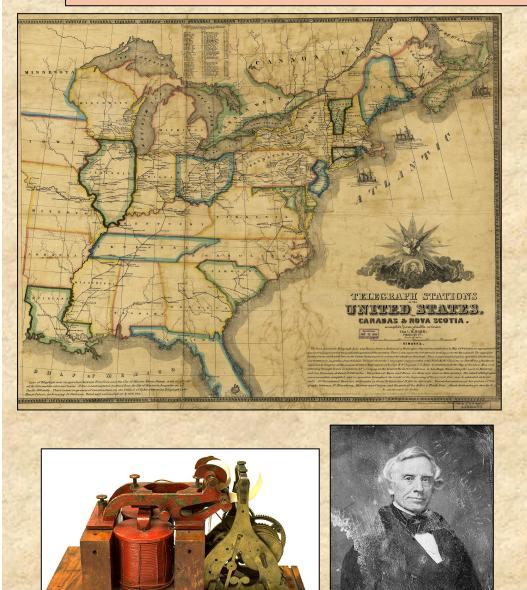


Cyrus McCormick

At the age of 22, McCormick invented the first successful mechanical reaper in 1831, which later led to the harvesting machine industry. McCormick ushered in a new era of agriculture mechanization. In this new era fewer farmers could feed more non farmers. This made it possible for millions of people to leave farms for jobs and careers in the new cities and factories.

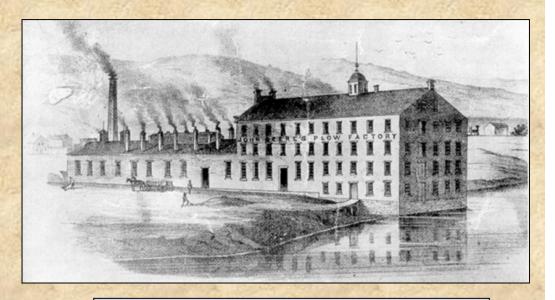


Samuel Morse

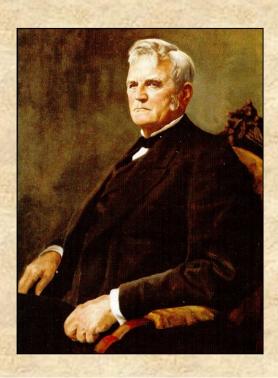


In 1835, Samuel Morse proved that signals could be transmitted by wire. He invented the Morse Code which used dots and dashes to transmit messages. In **1838 Congress funded** construction of an experimental telegraph line from Washington to Baltimore, a distance of 40 miles. The first official message "What hath God wrought?" opened the completed line on May 24, 1844.

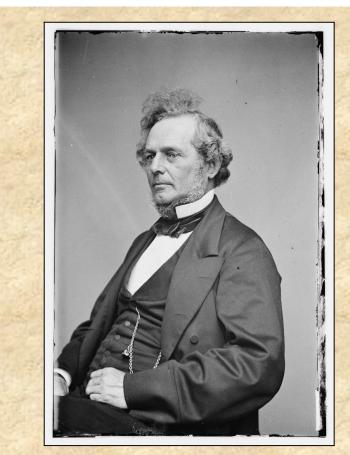
Morse Code John Deere invented a steel plow that could cut through land that in the past could not be cultivated with iron plows. He went on to build a large agricultural implement business.



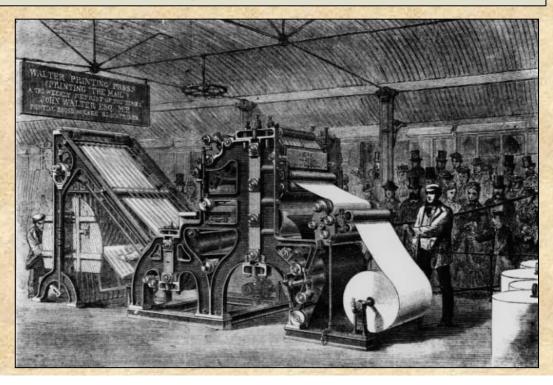
John Deere 1859 factory



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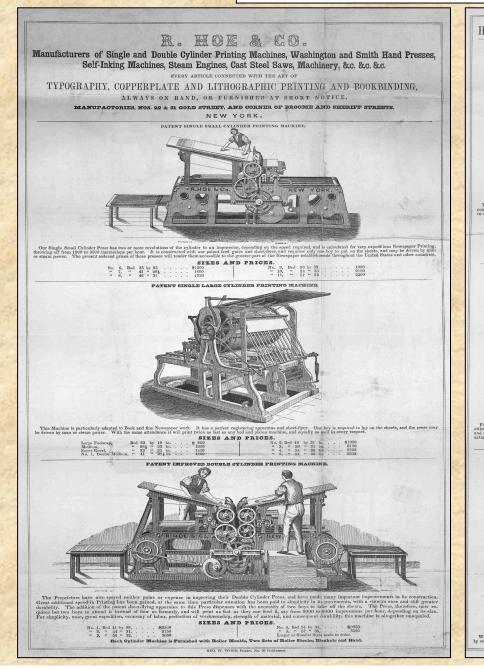


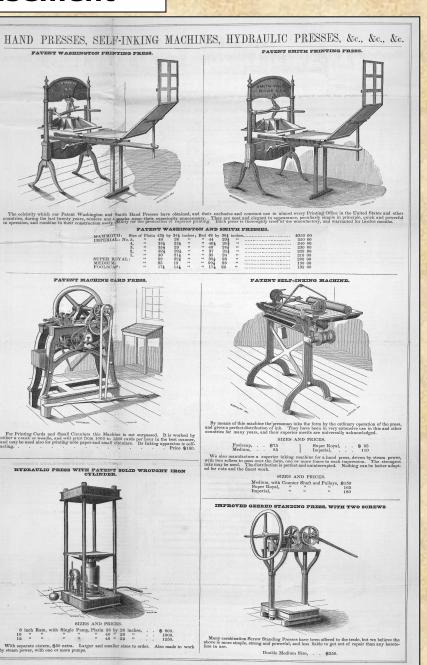
In 1843, Richard Hoe invented the rotary printing press, a design that allowed much faster printing than the old style of printing press. With Hoe's design more cylinders could be placed around the main cylinder, moving much faster in one direction. Some versions of the press were able to create up to 20,000 impressions per hour.



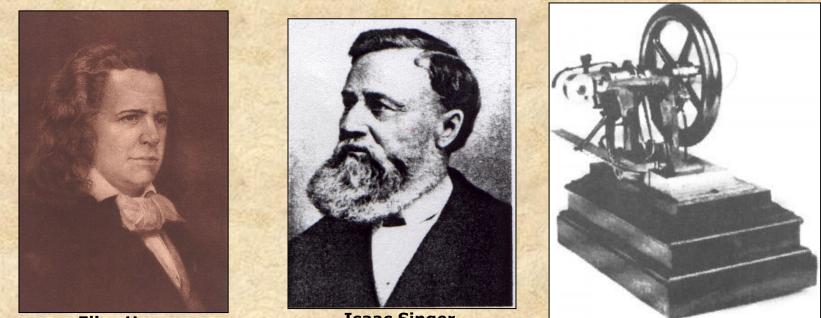


1846 Advertisement





Elias Howe & Isaac Singer and the sewing machine



Elias Howe

Isaac Singer

Elias Howe invented the first practical sewing machine in 1845, but was unable to successfully market the product in the U.S. or abroad. Upon his return from Europe many designers modified his machine, the most successful of which was Issac Singer, who was able to sell them commercially on a large scale.





"Now I can sew my clothes in half the time." 1853 Singer advertisement



The Scientific American, Nov. 5th, 1850, says: "The machines man effectured by line Grover and Baker Sewing Machine Company are too well known by the public at large to need any recommendations at our hands, and we will simply ndd that we have had one of these in use is our family for some time past, and it is considered the mast useful article is the known, such soft craffic, and no less indipensable than that."

Zion's Herald, Nov. 10th, 1859, says: "We would recommend b families and to those about to organize a homestead, to be sure and have Family Bible, and also one of Grover & Baku's SEWING MACHINES.

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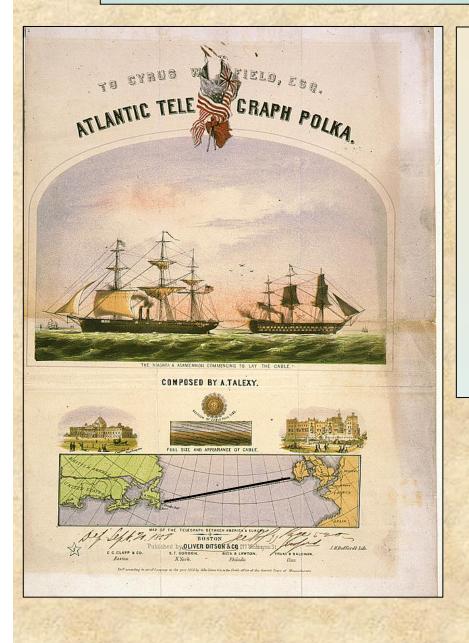
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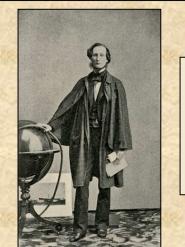
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Transatlantic Cable Telegraph



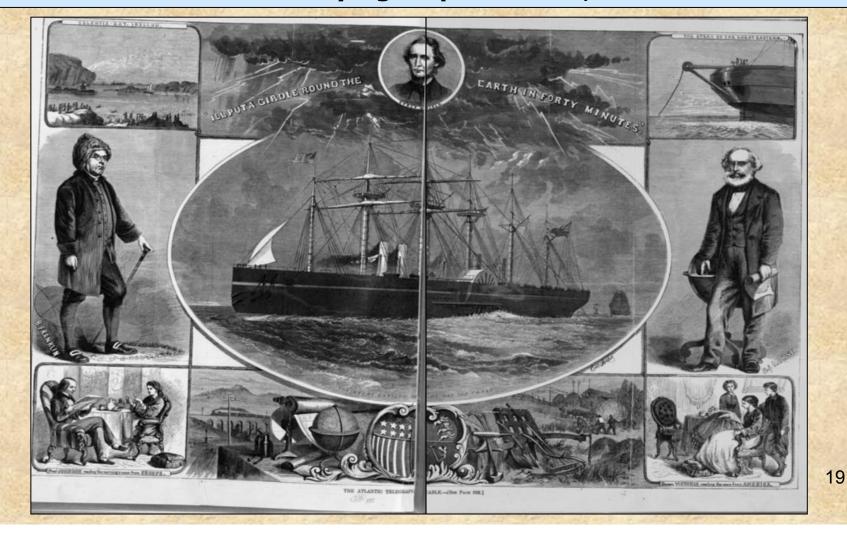
The first cable crossed the Atlantic Ocean from Valentia Island, in western Ireland to Newfoundland. The Transatlantic cable connected North America with Europe, making communication possible in minutes rather than the usual days by ship. A stable connection was established in 1866 and more cables were laid down until the turn of the century.



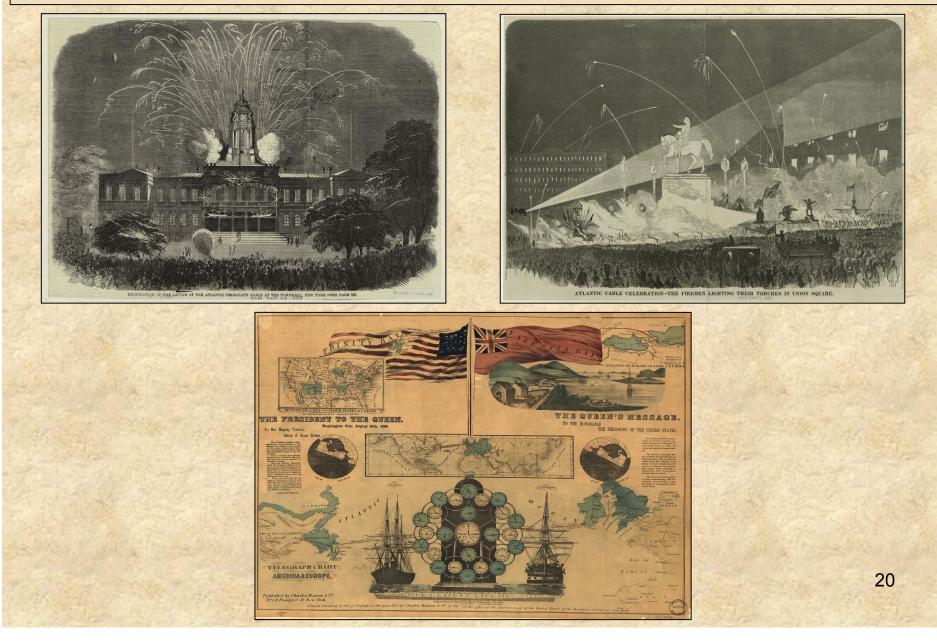
Cyrus W. Field played a crucial role in coordinating the transatlantic cable telegraph



This engraving includes scenes and people related to the laying of the Atlantic telegraph cable and the invention of the telegraph including Benjamin Franklin, Cyrus W. Field & Samuel Morse. President Johnson is shown reading the morning news from Europe, and Queen Victoria reading the news from America with the cable-laying ship at center, 1865.



The completion of the transatlantic cable was celebrated as one of the great events of history



Railroad expansion was the key to the 2nd Industrial Revolution ***Importance of the railroad *Early railroads *Innovations improved rail transportation** *Transcontinental railroad Native Americans Chinese laborers ***Impact of the transcontinental railroad** *Key dates in railroad development Recent railroad track map 21

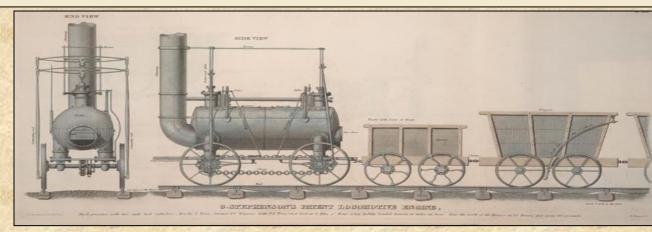
Why were railroads so important for the industrial growth of the United States?

Prior to the railroad it was difficult for companies to move products to distant locations.

A transportation system was needed to efficiently and cheaply move both raw materials to the factories and the finished goods to the consumers.

River and canal transportation were limited to areas near water routes. In addition, frozen water prevented their use during the winter.

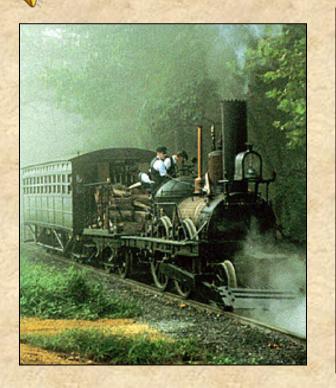
Railroads solved the problems and within a few decades of development, railroads became the most important method of moving goods and people.

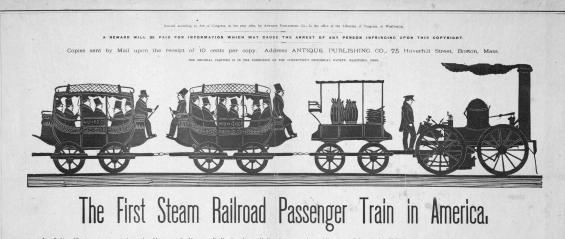


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Early American trains



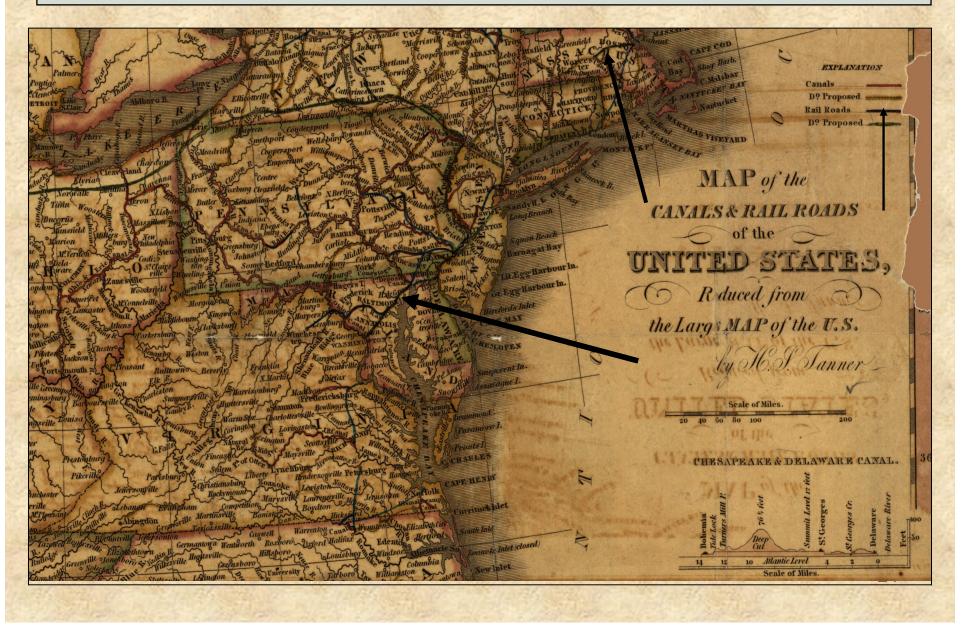


In 1866 a Charter vias granted to the Mouxaw & Humson R.R. Co. for a Railroad to run from Albany to Schenectady, N.Y.; 16 miles. In 1830 work was commenced on the Road, which went through the populous towns along the open streets, without restriction or fear of the consequences, and travelled across fields, up hill and down. The land was either given to the Railway Company, or sold for a triffing consideration, and it was finished in 1832. Both Locomotive Engines and Horses were used on the Road, and the trains proceeded at avery slow rate. Stationary Engines were at the top of the hills, and the train was hauled up hill or let down hill by a strong rope. The brakemen used hand-leviers to stop or check the train.

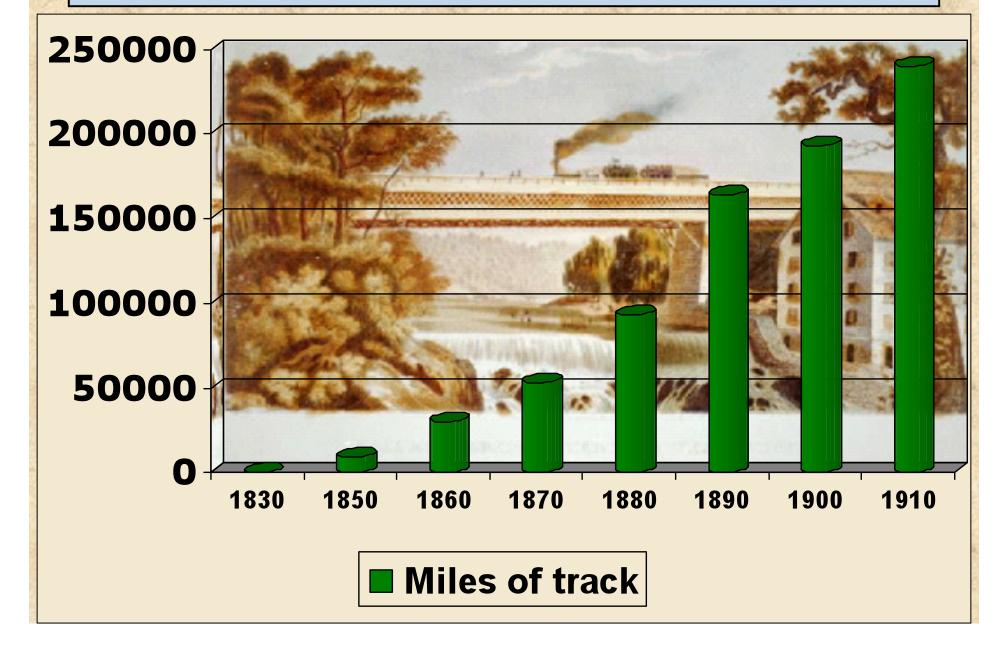
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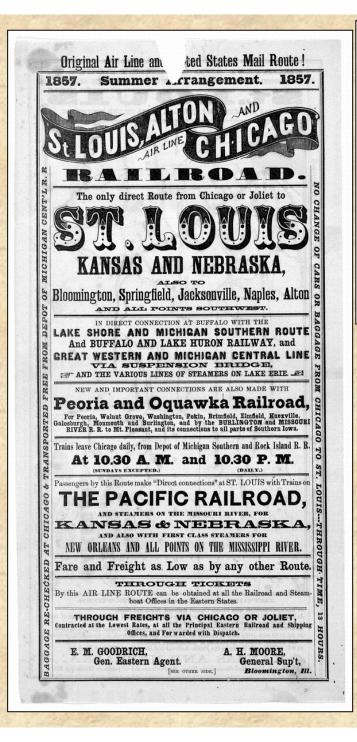
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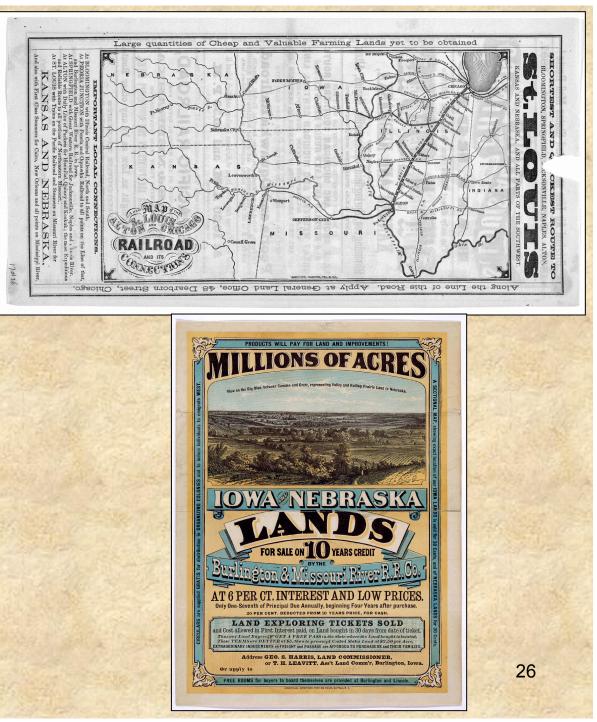
1835 map showing railroads, canals and roads



Railroad track mileage increased at a rapid pace from 1830 to 1910







Innovations led to the creation of an efficient rail network in the United States





Four standardized time zones were created for the entire nation in 1883. This made it possible to create train arrival and departure times across the country.



Steel rails replaced iron rails, which could carry heavier loads.

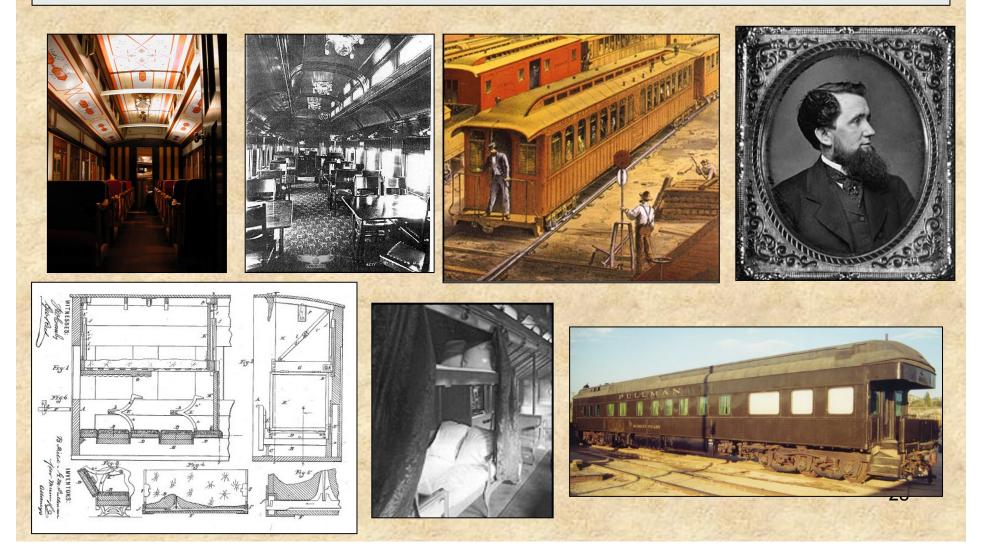


The state and federal governments gave railroads huge grants of land amounting to over 180 million acres. This provided an incentive to build more lines and encouraged settlement.



George Westinghouse patented the first automatic air brake, which made train travel much safer.

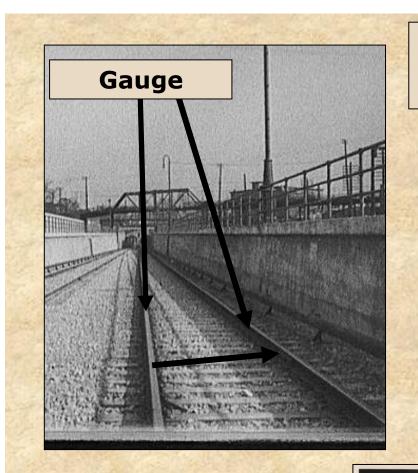
George Pullman designed a sleeping car including the services of supplying the linens, housekeeping, and attendants for the sleeping cars, making train travel much more comfortable. Pullman's car gained much attention after it housed President's Lincoln's body through 8 states during the funeral procession.



Westinghouse Air Brake Co. Westinghouse Co. Works (Casting Scene)

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Fast Mail, Northern Pacific R.R. ©December 6, 1897 Thomas A. Edison



Four standardized time zones replaced the original 100 on November 18, 1883, which made scheduling much easier

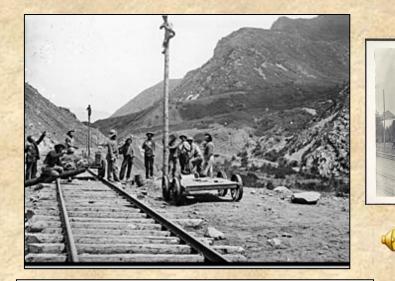


George Westinghouse created a better braking system based on compressed air which revolutionized the train industry

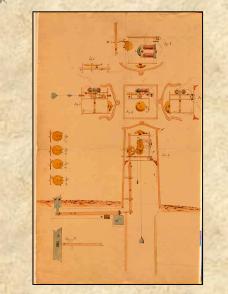




Operation of railroads depended on the use of the telegraph to communicate location and prevent collisions









Transcontinental Railroad

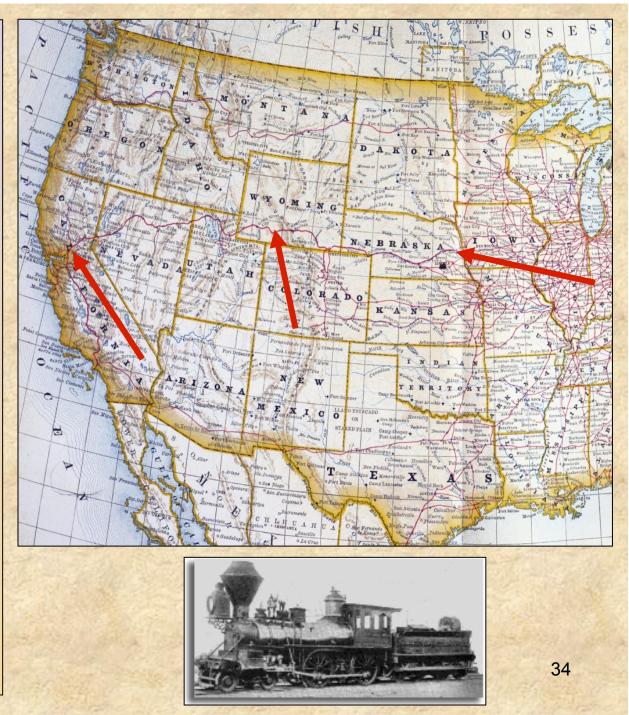
The goal of building a transcontinental railroad was addressed by the antebellum Congress beginning in 1838.

Various plans and routes were proposed because the North and the South each wanted the route to start in their own section.



1855 map showing a proposed Pacific Railroad route commissioned by then Secretary of War Jefferson Davis

The secession of the southern states in 1861 cleared the way for construction to begin in the North. **During the Civil** War Congress approved a northern route that would connect Omaha, Nebraska with Sacramento, California. The lines were to be built by the Central **Pacific in California** and the Union **Pacific from the Missouri River** west.



Pacific Railway Acts

In 1862 and 1864 the federal government passed the Pacific Railway Acts.

These two acts permitted the government to make grants of public land to private corporations for the construction of a transcontinental railroad. The grants stipulated that for every mile of track laid, the government would grant to private railroad corporations 20 sections of public land (12,800 acres). In addition to the land grants the government guaranteed a payment of \$48,000 for every mile of track built in mountainous terrain and promised low interest loans.

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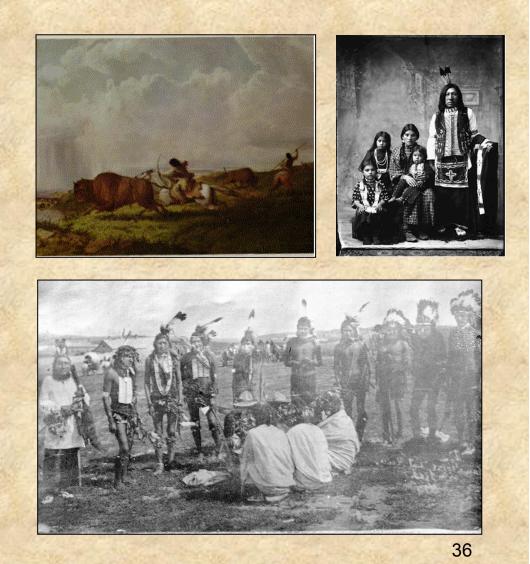
Native Americans and the railroad

The land granted to the railroad companies was often times occupied by Native Americans.

Indian raiding parties would attack construction workers, pull up rails, and other forms of sabotage.

Native Americans were upset by the hunting of buffalo and occupation of their land.

Ultimately this struggle was won by the railroad companies.

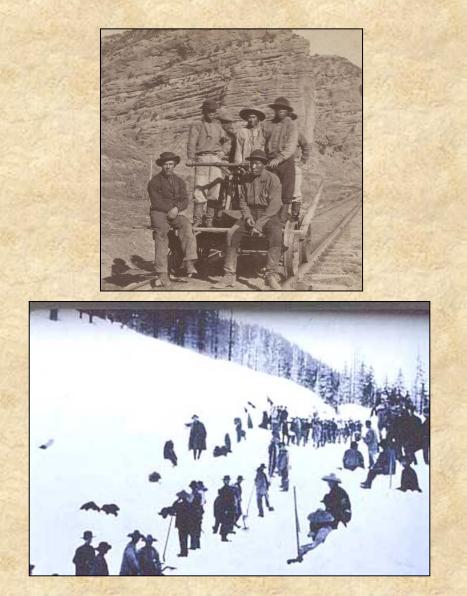


Chinese workers played an essential role in the completion of the railroad

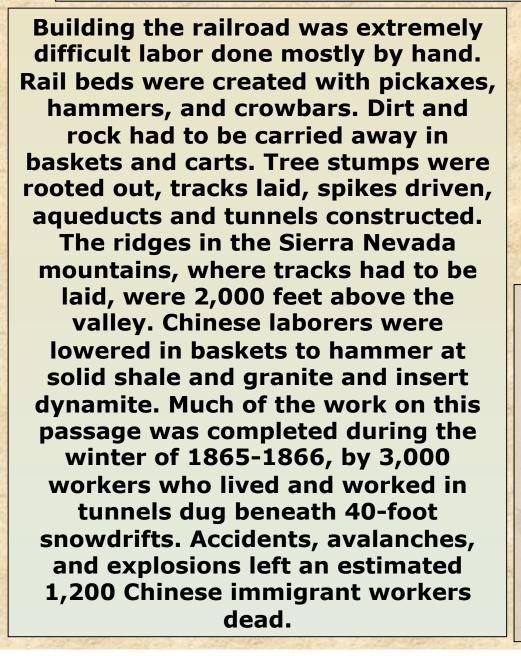
A few factors led to the need for more labor on the Central Pacific line.

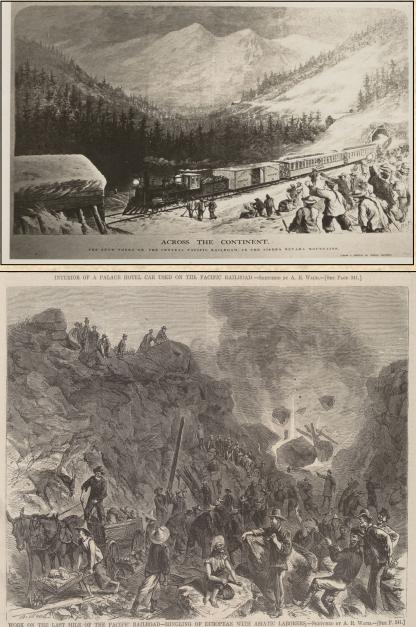
First, a silver rush in Nevada drew away many workers. Second, the white workers often went on strike for higher wages. Third, the completion deadline was rapidly approaching.

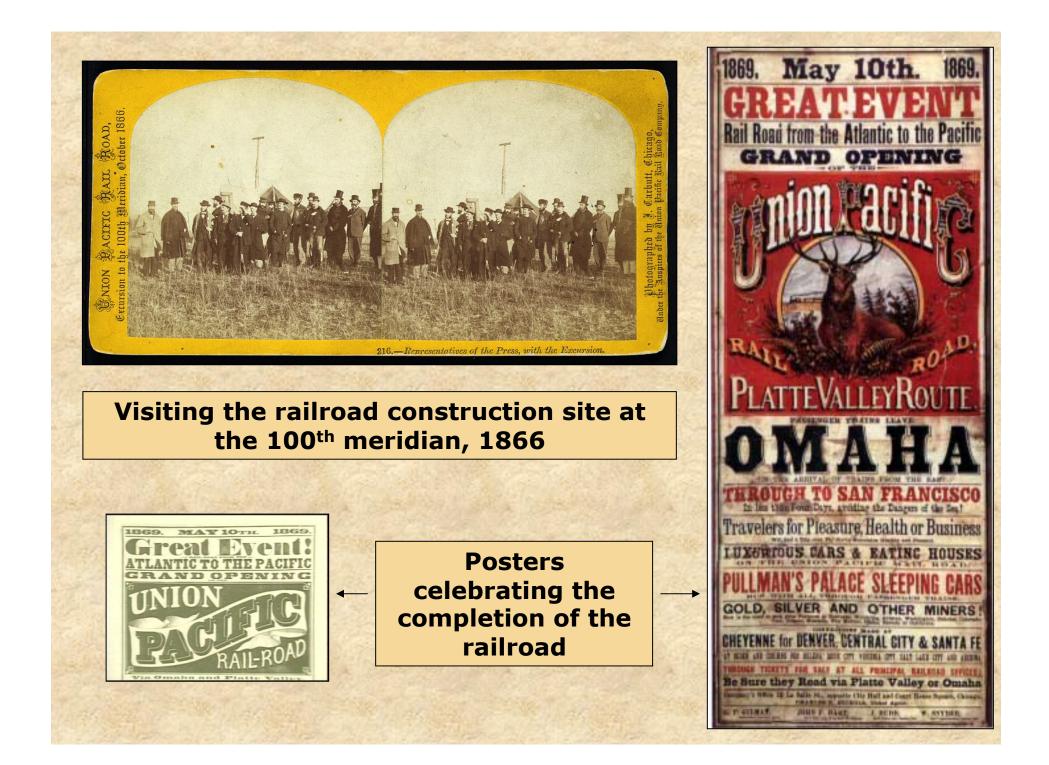
Charles Crocker convinced his partners to hire the Chinese, many of whom had emigrated during the Gold Rush in the 1840s.



Chinese laborers







Meeting of the Union Pacific and Central Pacific at Promontory Mountain in southern Utah in 1869



After much hardship the transcontinental railroad was completed in **1869, several** years ahead of schedule. **Because the** railroad was built so fast and with inferior materials, the whole route had to be replaced fifteen years later.



1877 transcontinental map of the Pacific R.R. and routes of overland travel to Colorado, Nebraska, the Black Hills, Utah, Idaho, Nevada, Montana, California and the Pacific Coast



Impact of the transcontinental railroad

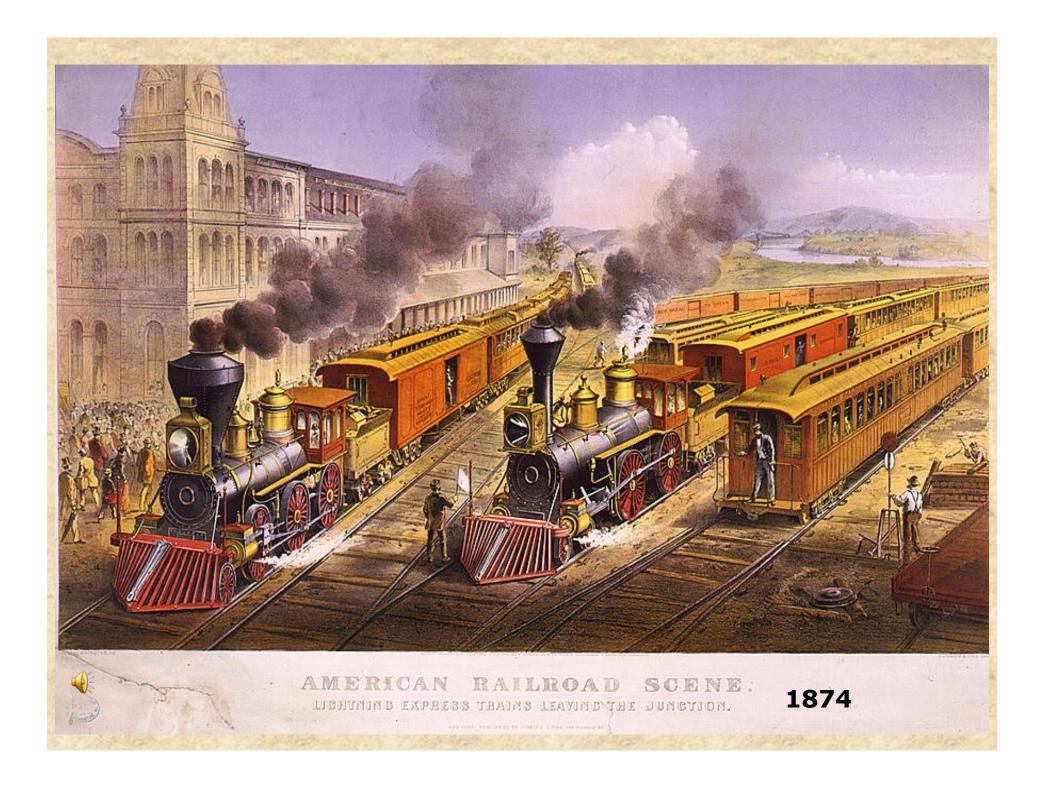
The completion of the transcontinental railroad changed the nation. The East and West were now united.

The nationwide railroad allowed for delivery in a much shorter time period. Items that had taken months to move could be sent in a matter of days at a fraction of the cost.

Western products like agriculture, coal, and other minerals could be moved easily to the east coast. Passengers and freight from the east coast could reach the west coast in a matter of days instead of months at cheap prices.

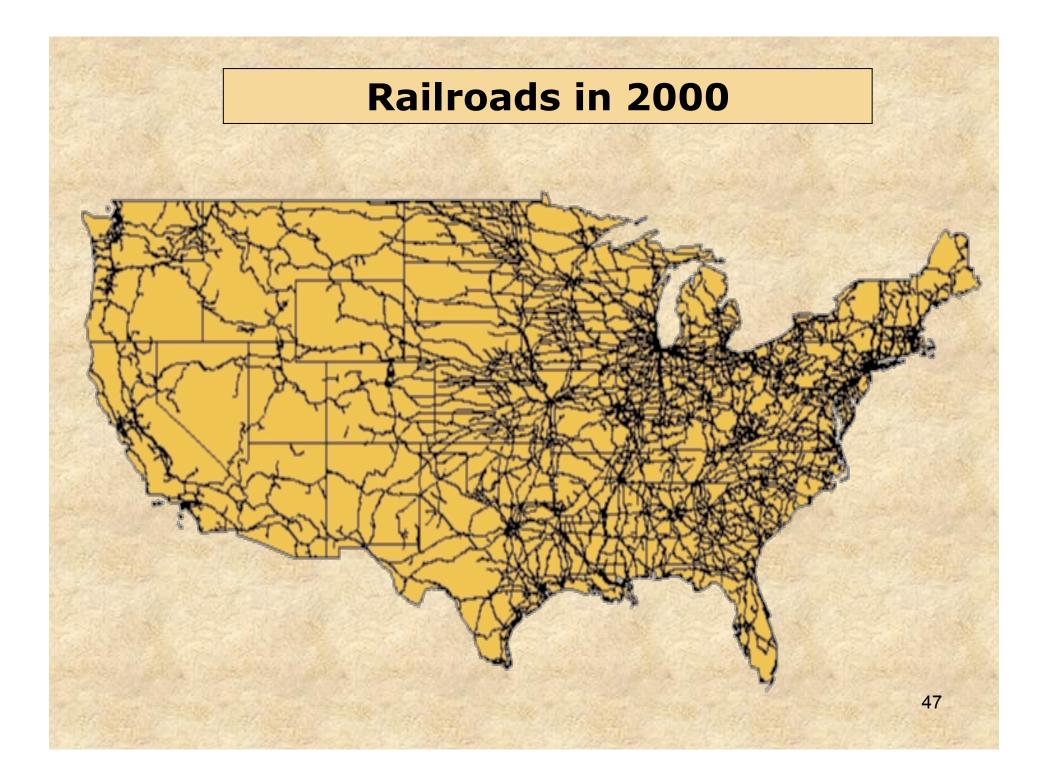
Many people began settling in western areas. The 1890 Census showed new migration patterns and settlement. Many historians cite the transcontinental railroad as a major factor in the closing of the western frontier.





KEY DATES IN THE HISTORY OF THE RAILROADS IN THE U.S.

- **1804** Oliver Evans, builds the first American locomotive.
- 1830 First steam locomotive, The Best Friend of Charleston, put into service on the South Carolina Railroad.
- 1830 First common-carrier railroad on the Baltimore & Ohio.
- 1831 First mail carried on railroad in South Carolina.
- **1851 First train reaches Lake Erie.**
- 1852 First train reaches Chicago from the East.
- 1858 First Pullman sleeping car goes into operation.
- 1863 First successful rail labor union, Brotherhood of the Footboard.
- 1869 First transcontinental railway completed.
- 1869 Westinghouse patents air brake.
- 1870 First train traveled coast to coast, Boston-San Francisco.
- **1875 First parlor car by Pullman.**
- 1883 Standard time zones adopted.
- 1885 Janney automatic coupler approved.
- 1893 Federal law requires air brakes and automatic couplers.



Mechanization of Agriculture

*Major causes of mechanization of agriculture ***Westward expansion** Major inventions ***Increased farm productivity *Scientific research *Farmers affected by new** technologies

Between 1860 and 1890, the U.S. changed dramatically in many ways. The population more than doubled and agricultural output far exceeded any earlier period.

The American farmer was able to produce enough agricultural products not only for the increased demand but also enough surpluses for export in wheat, corn, cotton, beef, pork, and wool for these reasons:

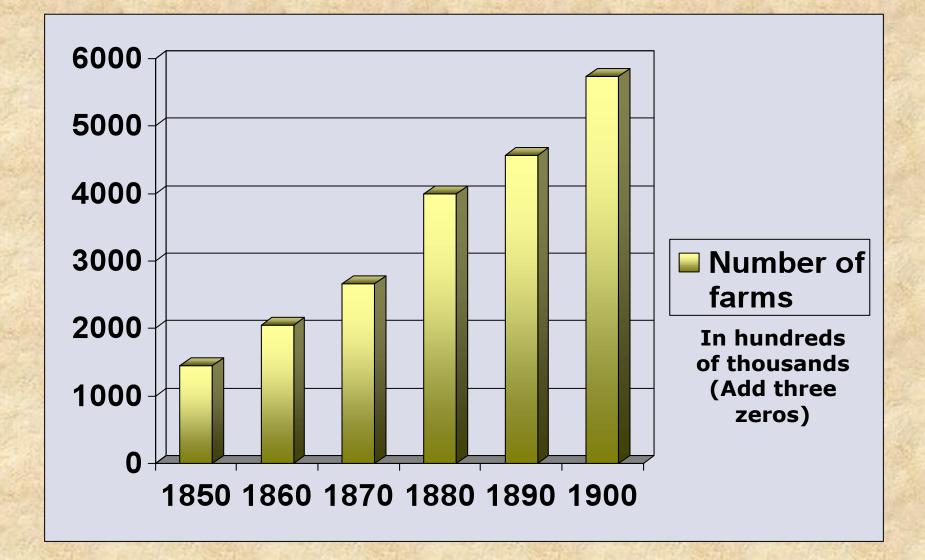
- 1. Westward expansion increased the amount of farmland
- 2. New farming machinery
- **3. Scientific research at land grant colleges** led to agricultural advancements

This poster illustrates the movement of farmers into the west

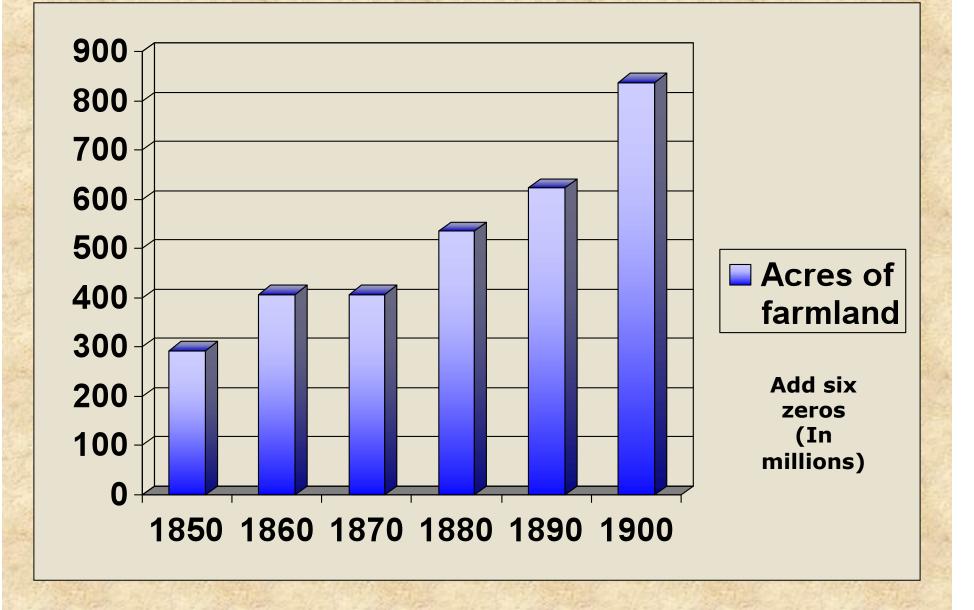


What was only a few years ago the grazing ground of the buffalo's is now the home of the McCormick.

Growth in the number of farms in the U.S.



Growth of farm acreage in millions



New inventions led to the mechanization of agriculture

There were hundreds of inventions that increased output for farmers beginning in the 1840s. Major new machinery included:

Reapers Automatic wire binder

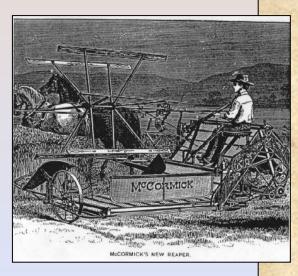
warded the first premium at the Ronnoke and Tar River Agricultural Fair, Nov., 1883, it abelied over three barrels of Corn, (ears) without leaving a grain on a cob. We use er balance whetel than that shown in ect, which, together with the fact that all the boxes ared out smooth and true, makes it the LIGHEST RUNNING OF ALL.

WHITE'S NEW DOUBLE SPOUT SHELLER.

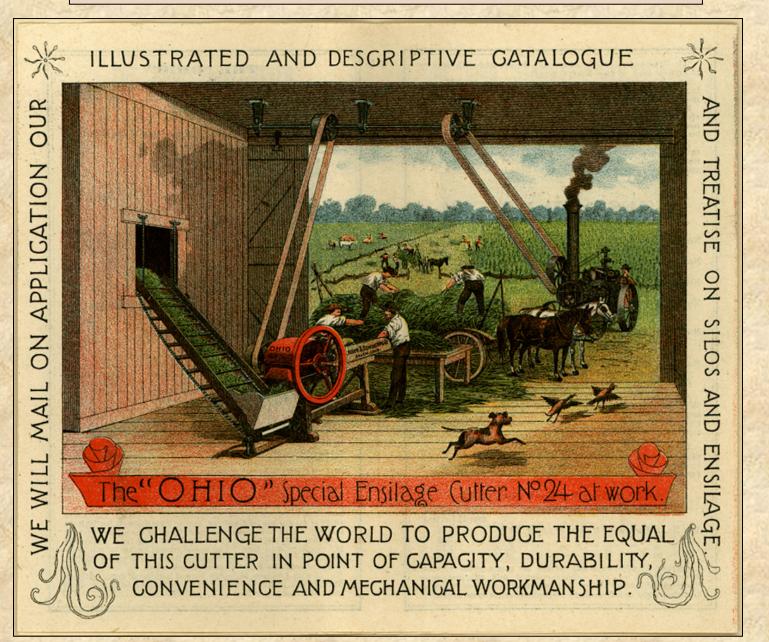
We have just completed a new set of patterns for any Double Spoal Sheller, and offer it as the moscomplete, effective and durable of any on the market is ta hum. It is scientifically gavered and arranged in al to parts, which, together with its heavy balance whee effert an twenty-five per cent. Eighter than other simula shellers. As shown in cent it is provided with a Segaror Attachment for taking out small imperfect grain and discharging the cobe at outer and of Segarator. This Sheller has durable the strongmath and the strongtom of a prover. It is strongtom and substantially made, and the hafts are turned and the wheel hored the sume size in all so that if you have the stronground the strong-the strongtom the sume size in all so that if you have a strongtom the sume size in all so that if you have the strongtom the strong and the wheel hored the sume size in all so that if you have the strongtom the strong strong strongtom the strong strong strong strongtom the strong s



WHITE'S SUPERIOR SINGLE SPOUT SHELLER. Standing of the second state of the second sta Threshing machine Mechanical planter Mechanical cutter Huskers and shellers Cream separators Manure spreaders Potato planters Hay driers Poultry incubators

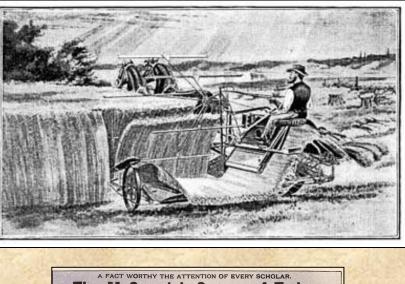


Mechanical Cutter

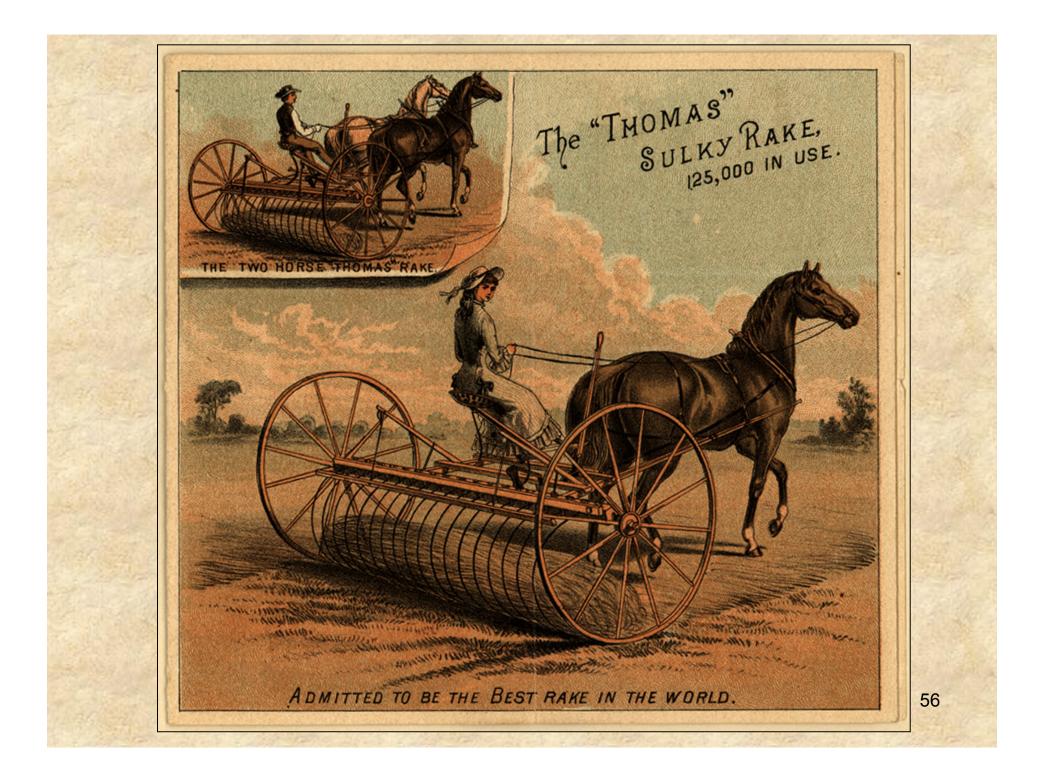


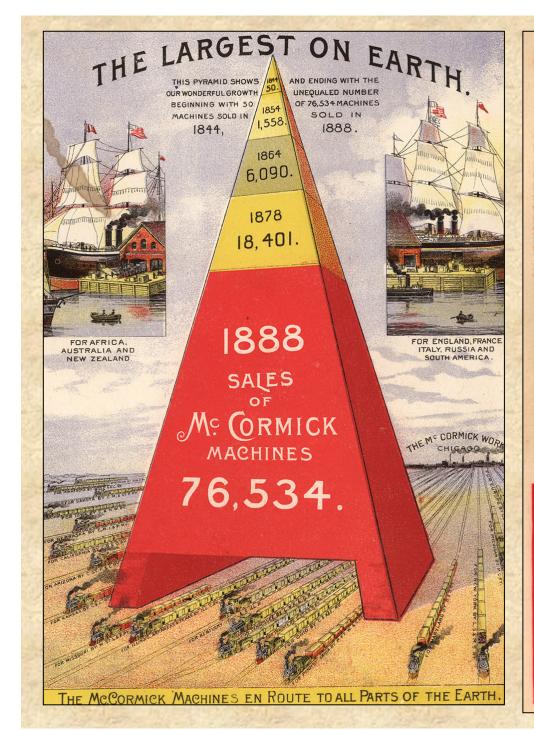
The binder or reaper-binder, improved upon the reaper. Not only were grains cut, they were also tied into bundles, and stacked to dry.

Early binders used wire but there were too many problems and eventually twine was used for the bundling.









AMAZING INCREASE.

The diagram below shows better than words can express, the wonderful increase in the manufacture and sale of the McCormick Machines during the past fifty years, the sales every tenth year only being given.

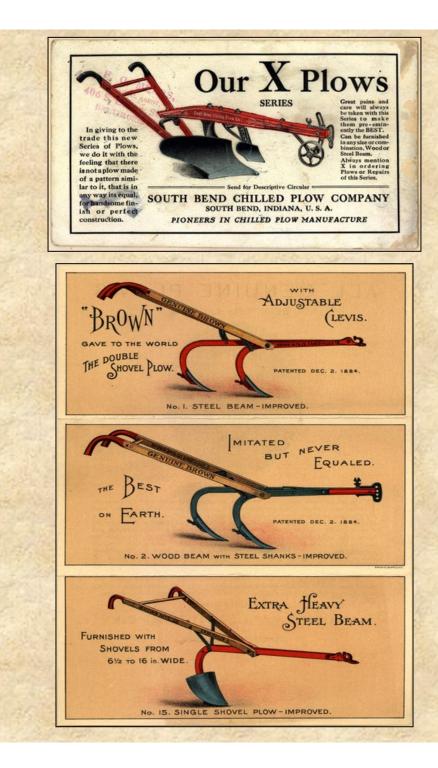
The Reaping Machine was invented and first tested in 1831, by the late Cyrus Hall McCormick. Sales began in 1841 with two machines, and have increased to 54,841 in 1884.

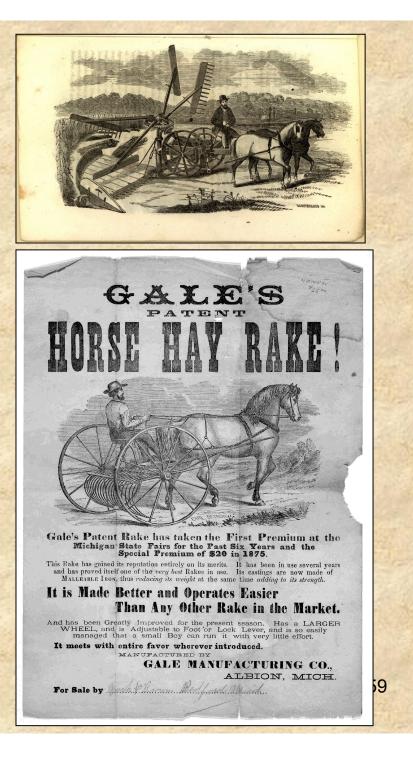
This increase establishes two facts-the great progress the world has made in agriculture since the invention of the reaper, and the amazing and constantly increasing popularity of the McCormick Machines.



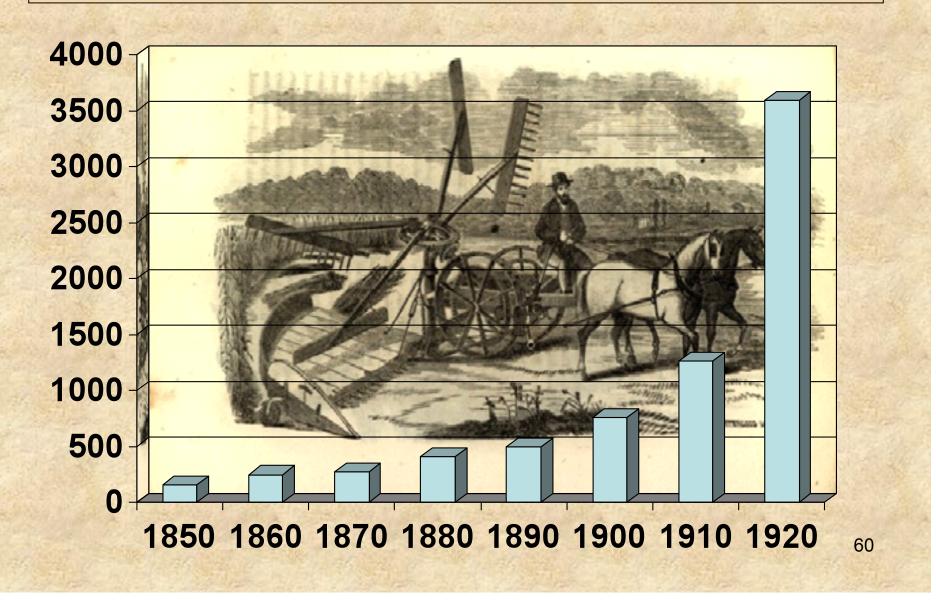
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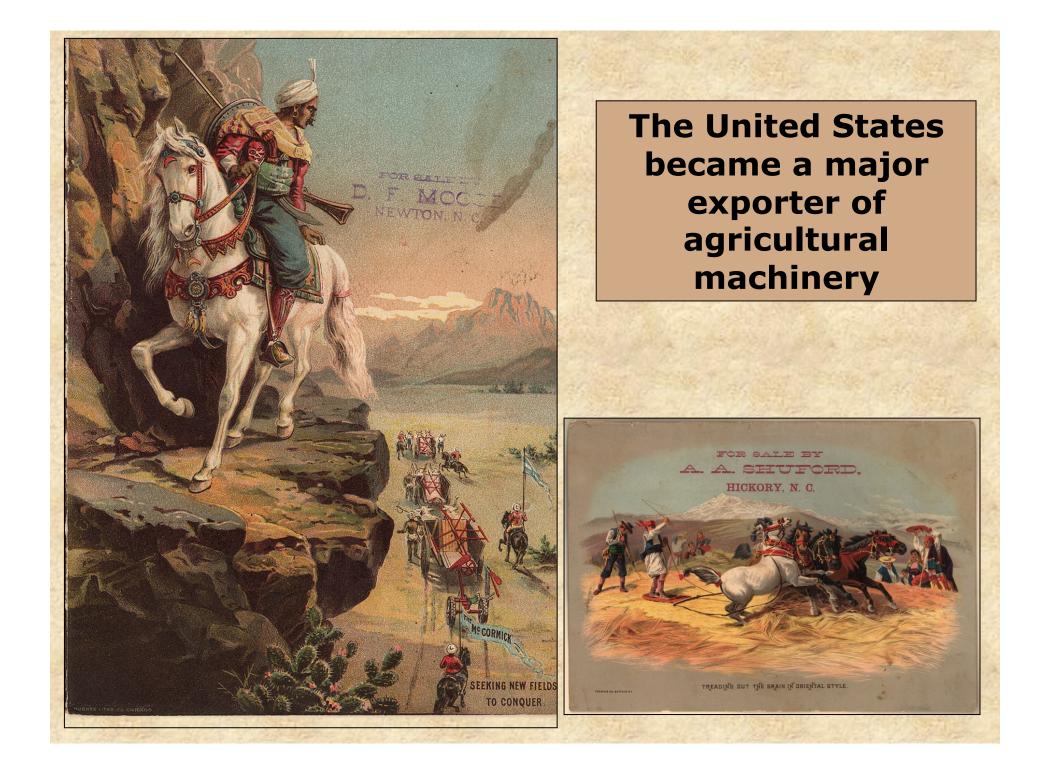




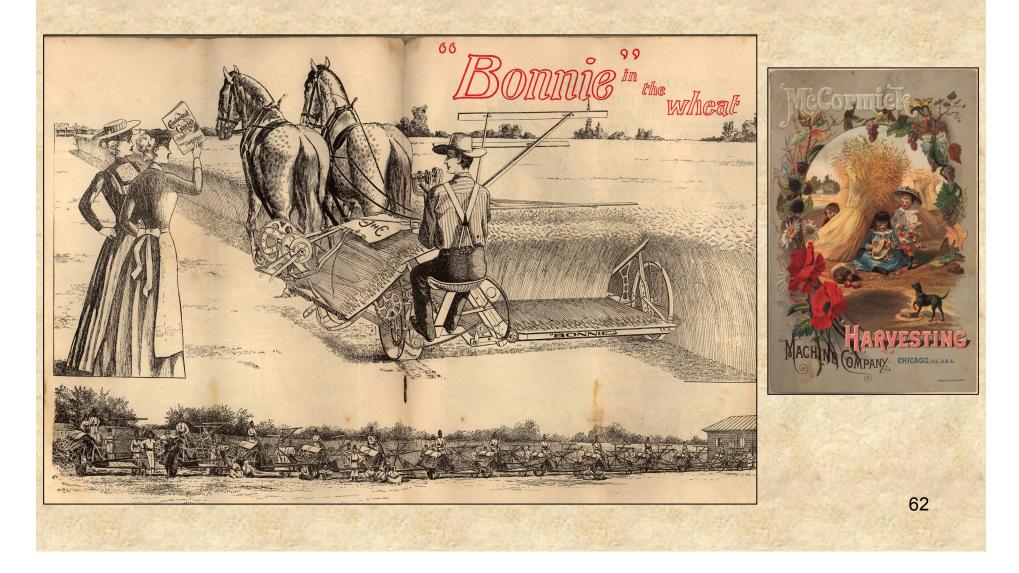


Value of farm machinery and implements in millions of dollars

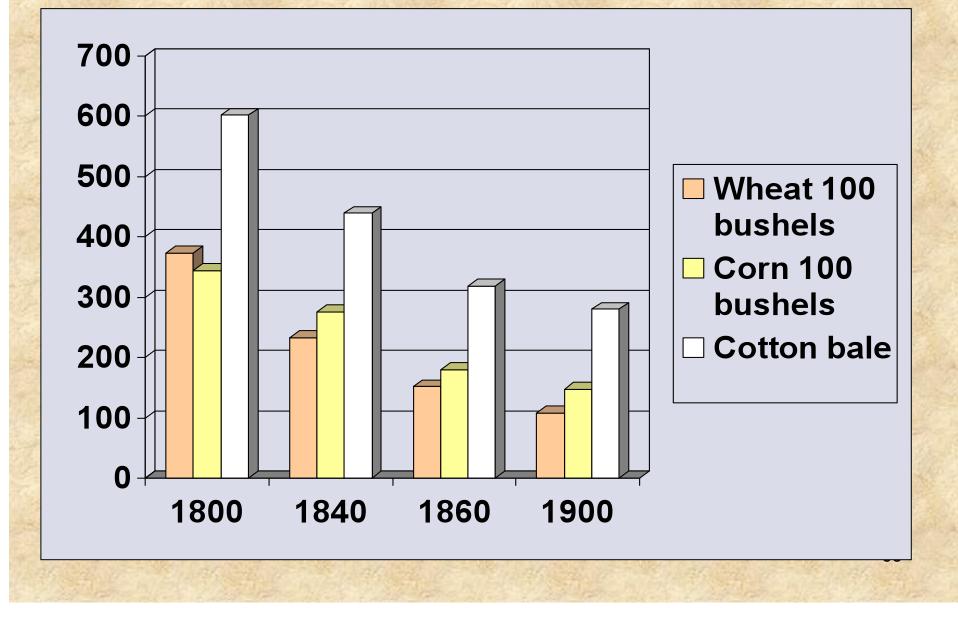




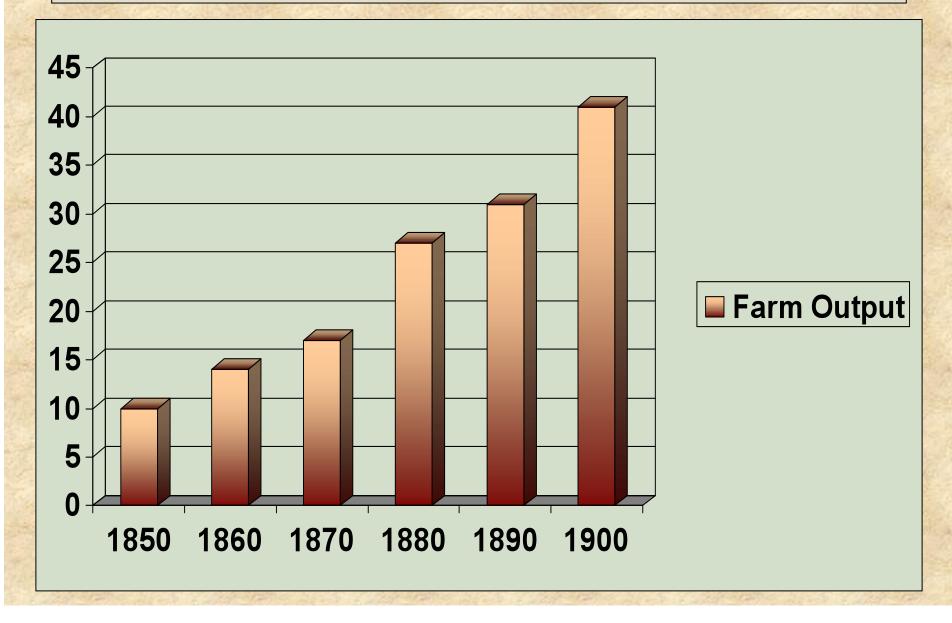
One effect of the new technologies was that less labor time was needed to produce the same number of products



Number of man-hours to produce crop



Increase in amount of agricultural products produced on farms, 1850-1900



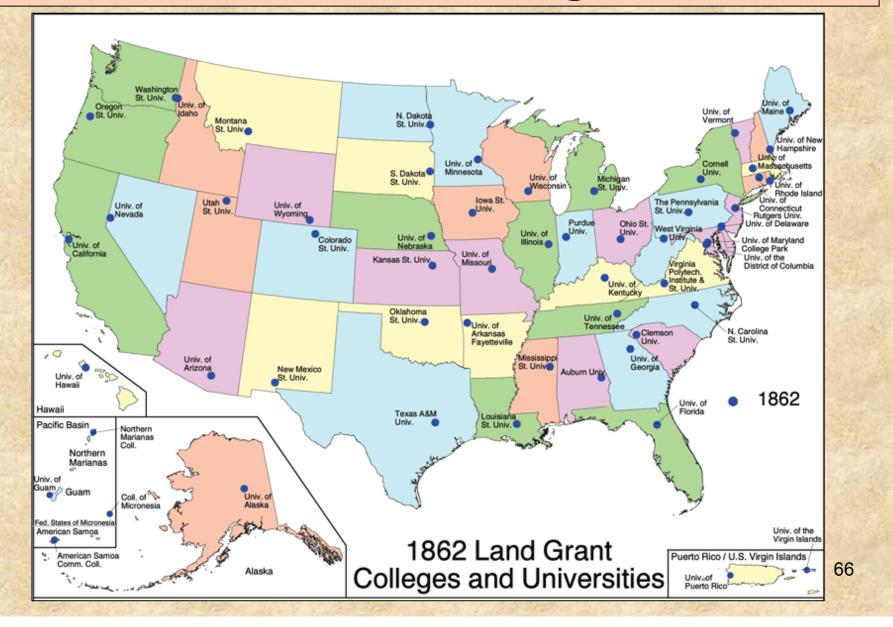
Scientific innovations

There were many scientific discoveries funded by the government that were made during this era including:

- a. Scientists were sent around the globe to find superior agricultural products including rust- and drought-resistant winter wheat from Russia, kaffir corn was imported from North Africa, and yellowflowering alfalfa was brought to the U.S. from Turkistan
- **b.** Hog cholera was conquered
- c. Some botanists also were able to produce new fruits and vegetables like Luther Burbank
- d. It was determined how to measure the butterfat content of milk
- e. At the Tuskegee Institute in Alabama, George Washington Carver found hundreds of new uses for the peanut, sweet potato and soybean



Land grant colleges were centers of research in scientific farming

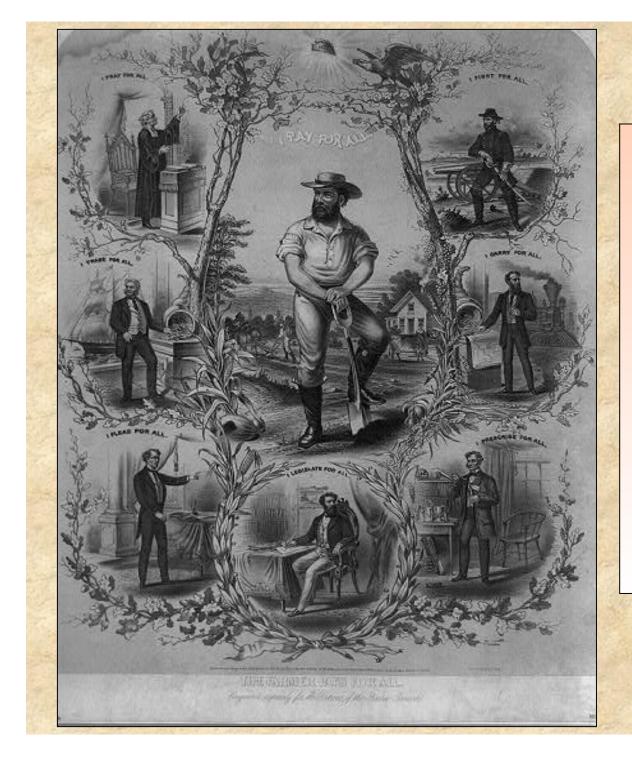


Farmers were affected by innovations

One of the unintended consequences of the agricultural research funded by the government was lower prices on food. Farmers were able to increase the amount of crops produced which drove market prices down, which ultimately hurt farmers. In others words, scientific innovations in the agricultural field led to the industry becoming less profitable and much discontent in the era by farmers, unlike other industries that profited from new technology.



The farmer is shown as poor and begging from the wealthy industrialists and government officials



"When the banker says he's broke And the merchants up in smoke, They forget that it's farmer who feeds them all. It would put them to the test If the farmer took a rest; Then they'd know that it's the farmer feeds them all."

Written by a farmer in the late 1890's

The Second Industrial Revolution

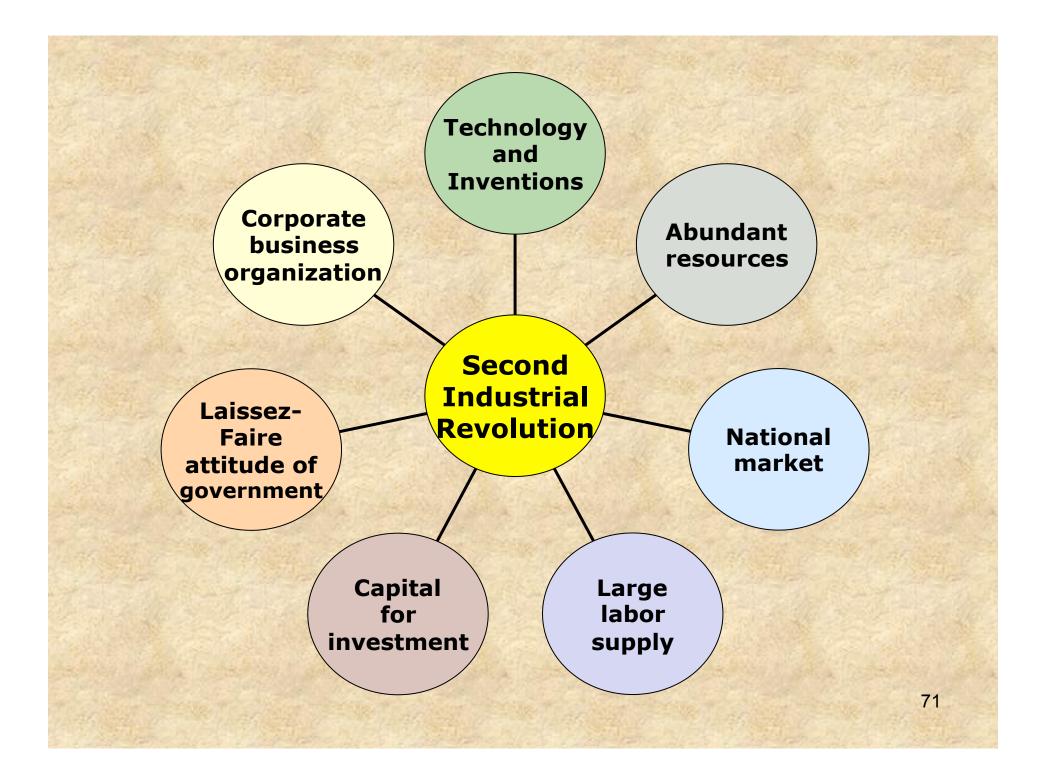
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U.S. became an industrial giant
Transition from a rural to urban nation
Natural resources
Immigrants

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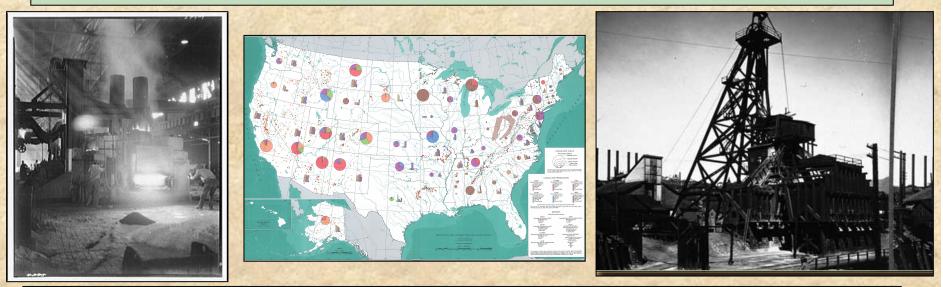
Although this movement is termed the "second industrial revolution" there is no clear separation between this period and the first industrial revolution.

The factors that created this second industrial revolution include:

 Abundance of natural resources
 Large pool of workers from domestic and immigration sources
 Large amounts of capital (money) available for investment in new industries and processes
 Many new inventions and innovations



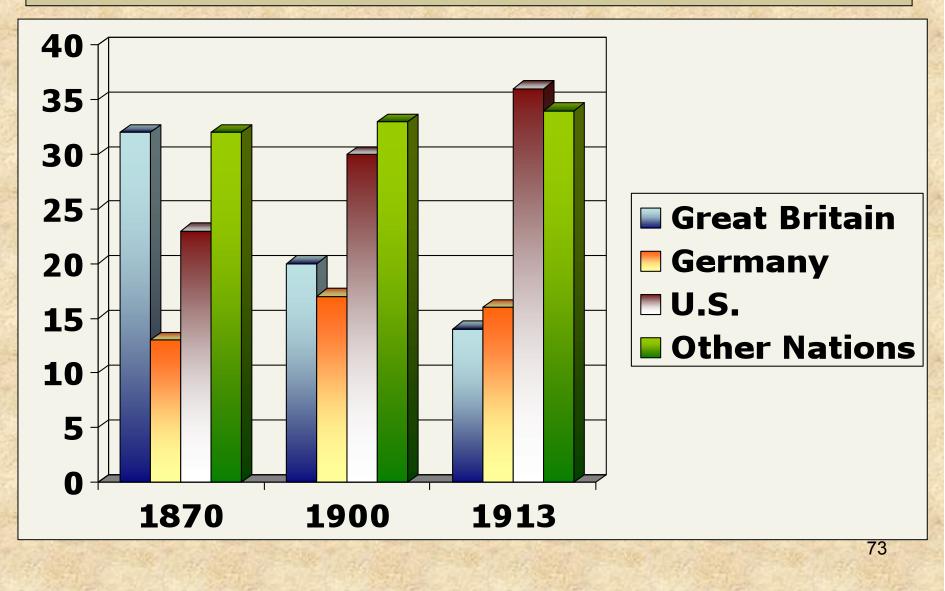
United States emerged as an industrial giant



Before and after the Civil War expansion of railroads and steam ships helped the U.S. economy grow. New industries such as petroleum refining, steel manufacturing, and electrical power also contributed to growth in the U.S. economy.

The Second Industrial Revolution saw many new inventions in machine tools, factory equipment, rubber and steel products, and communications devices. The total number of patents grew tremendously during the period.

% of world manufacturing by nations 1870-1913. "Other Nations" means every other country in the world combined.



Industrialization changed the U.S.

From the 1860s to the 1910s the U.S. transformed from a rural to an urban nation.

The west was settled, closing the frontier.

Large factories, steel mills, transcontinental railroad lines, flourishing cities and vast agricultural holdings covered the nation.

Along with this economic growth and affluence came problems. Nationwide, business dominated whole industries, either independently or in combination with others. Working conditions were often unsafe and unregulated. Cities grew so quickly they could not properly house or govern their growing populations.

Abundance of natural resources

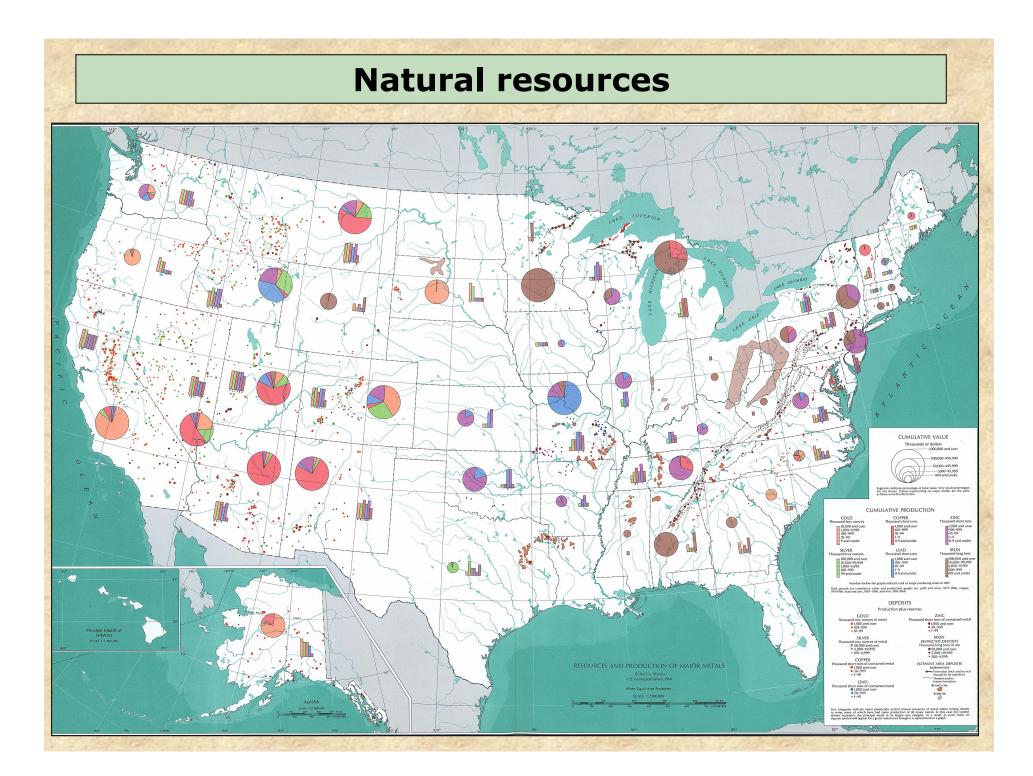
The U.S. was rich with raw materials such as iron, copper, lead, coal, iron ore, timber and petroleum



Many navigable rivers for low cost transportation

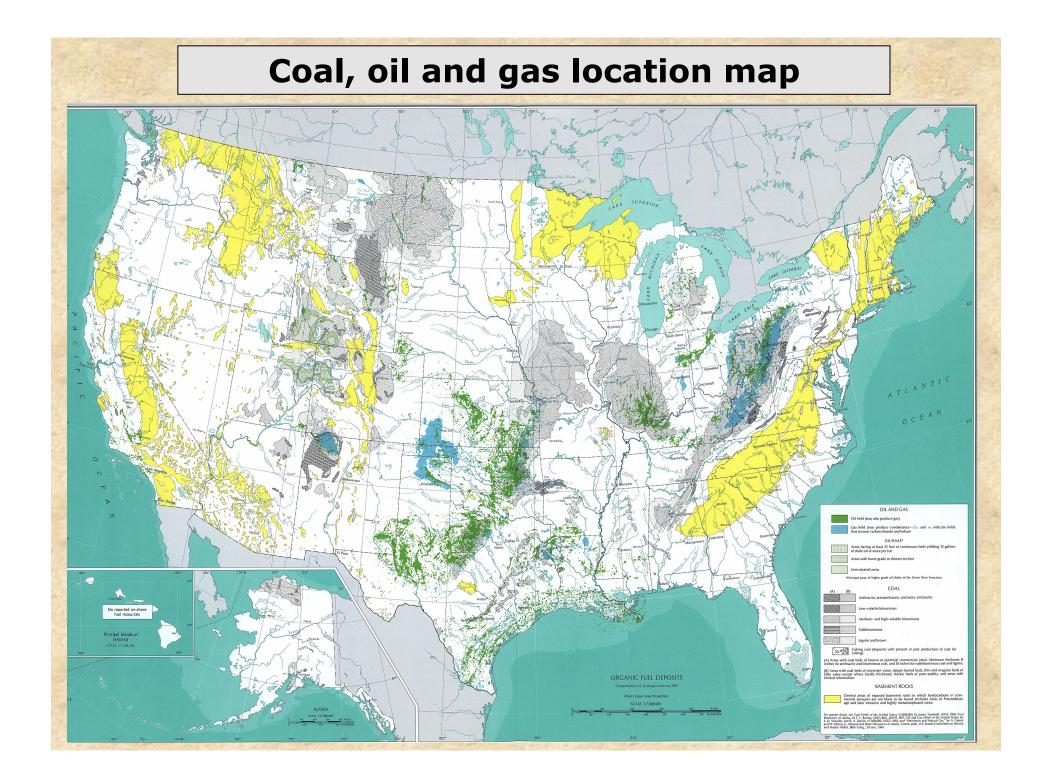
Rivers and streams provided water power for pre-steam engine factories and mills

Vast arable land allowed the U.S. to not only grow enough food for its own population but export huge amounts of agricultural crops for cash from foreign nations

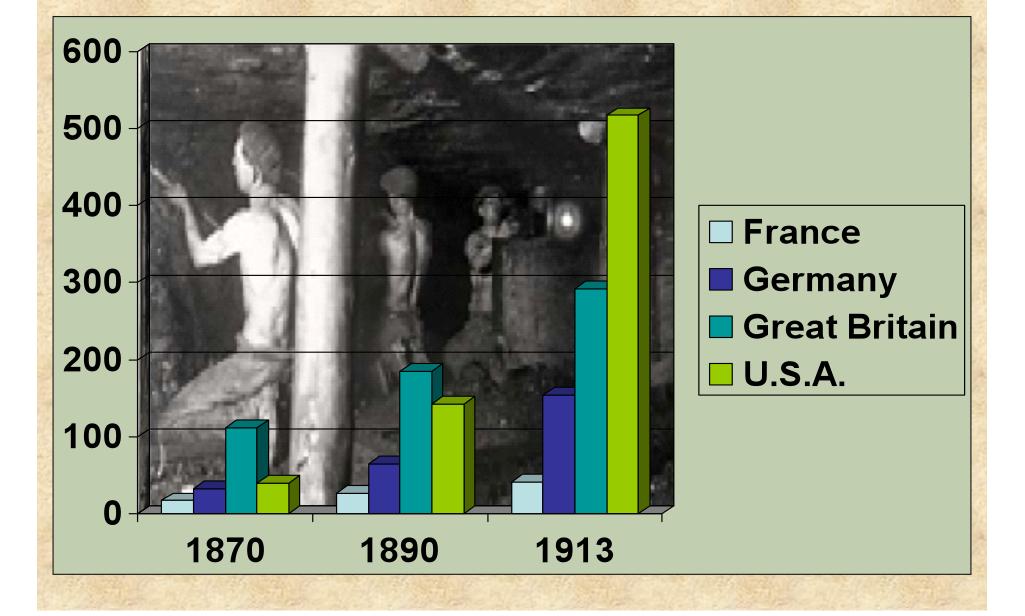


Major U.S. rivers and lakes





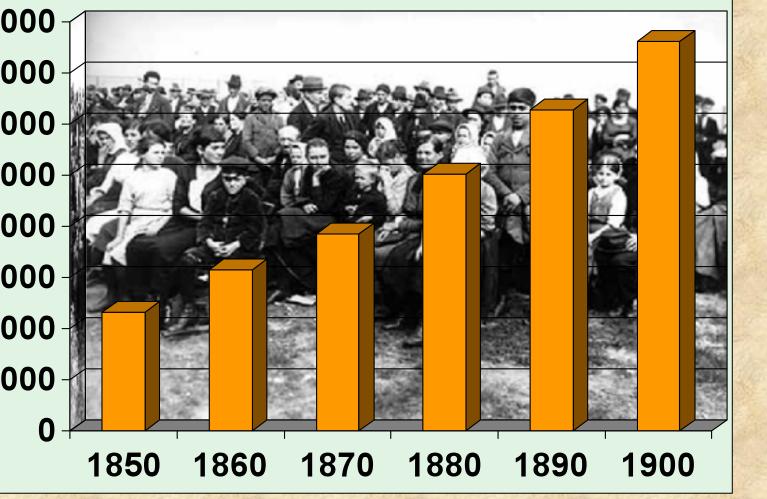
Coal production in millions of tons



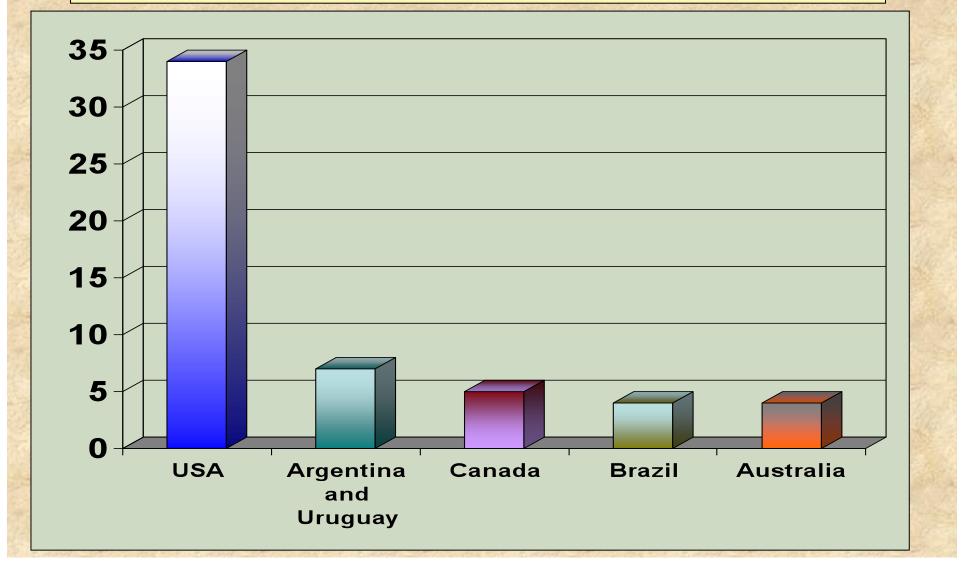
U.S. population increase: 1850 to 1900

Most of this increase can be attributed to the large number of immigrants who arrived in the U.S. during the second and third waves of immigration from Europe

80,000,000 70,000,000 60,000,000 50,000,000 40,000,000 30,000,000 20,000,000 10,000,000



% of European immigrants each nation received from the mid 19th century to the early 1930's



Philosophies that facilitated industrialization

*Laissez-faire *Social Darwinism

Individualism

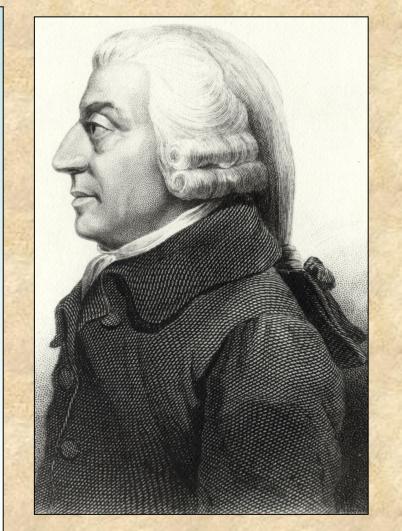
Laissez faire

Term originated in France during the Enlightenment

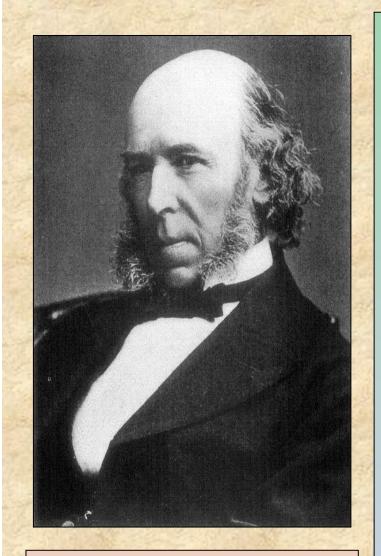
Based on the idea that the government should not intervene in business or the economy; instead natural law or market forces would regulate

■Adam Smith popularized the term and concept in his book <u>Wealth of Nations</u> in 1776

This approach was embraced by industrialists during this era who did not want the government to regulate them in any way



Herbert Spencer



"Each individual should be allowed to do as he or she wills as long as it doesn't infringe on the rights of another person." "Social Darwinism"

Spencer, an Englishman, was a philosopher who is best remembered for his ideas that have become known as "Social Darwinism".

Social Darwinism advocated laissez-faire capitalism, an economic system that allows businesses to operate with little government interference. Spencer believed that competition was "the law of life" and resulted in the "survival of the fittest", a phrase he used years before Darwin. Spencer argued in his various writings that society is best served when its fittest members operate without opposition.

Unlike Darwin, Spencer also believed that individuals genetically pass on their learned characteristics to their children. This meant the fittest persons inherited positive qualities such as intelligence, the desire to own property, and the ability to accumulate wealth. On the other hand, the unfit inherited laziness, stupidity, and immorality.

Spencer argued that the number of unfit would eventually disappear because of their inability to effectively compete with the fit. He was against any government aid to the poor because it interrupted the correct evolution of civilization.

Spencer's Social Darwinism



Opposed government aid to the poor because he believed it bred immorality

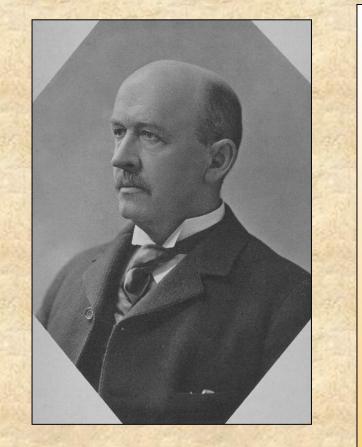
Against a public school system since it forced taxpayers to pay for the education of other people's children Opposed laws regulating housing, sanitation, and health conditions because they interfered with the rights of property owners

Disease was punishment for the ignorant and should not be tampered with

Against most taxation because it interfered with the natural evolution of society

Advocated a laissez-faire system in which there was no government regulation of private enterprise

Spencer was against any legislation that regulated working conditions, maximum hours, and minimum wages because they interfered with the property rights of employers. He believed labor unions took away the freedom of individual workers to negotiate with employers American scholars like sociologist William Graham Sumner were also advocates of Social Darwinism. He praised the new class of industrial millionaires. Sumner argued that social progress depended on the fittest families passing their wealth to the next generation.



Sumner was a strong believer in an extreme laissez-faire philosophy. He argued that government had no role in the economy. Instead the economy was guided by natural laws. Regulation of any sort, including tariffs, hindered the natural development and evolution of civilization. Sumner believed that humans were born with different capacities and the weaker would be eliminated naturally. Interference by reform groups or the government would hinder the natural selection (similar to plants and animals) of society.

Individualism

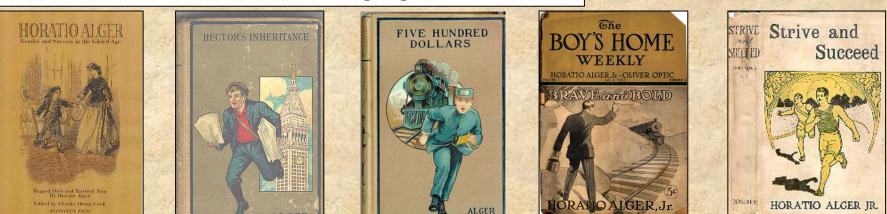
The idea that a person should not rely upon others for success

This philosophy was evident from the beginning of United States history

♦ Author Horatio Alger made this concept the theme of his books in which a poor young man is able to create wealth and success through his hard work

Horatio Alger

Later the term "rugged individualism" becomes popular



Major innovators and inventions *Patents

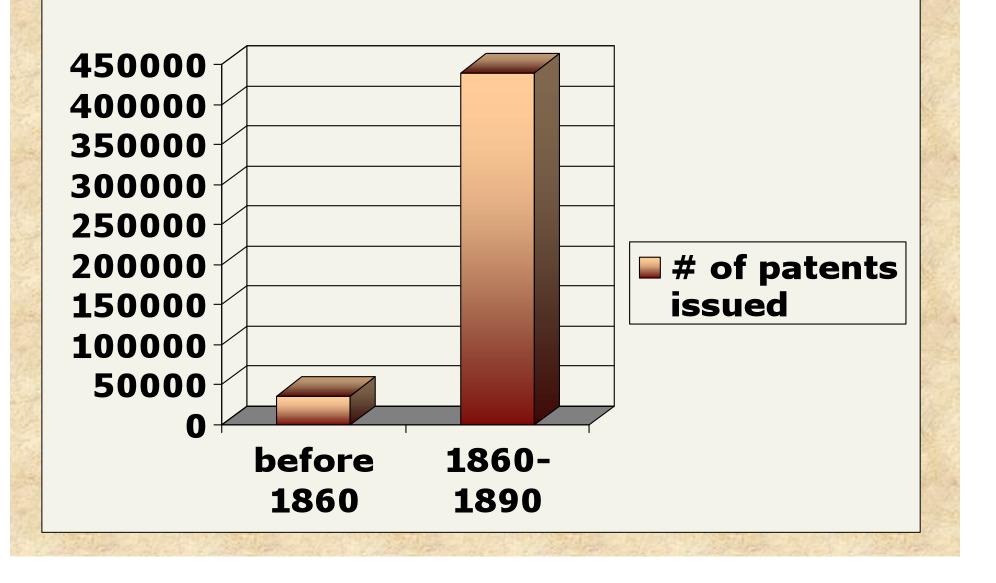
***Alexander Graham Bell and the telephone**

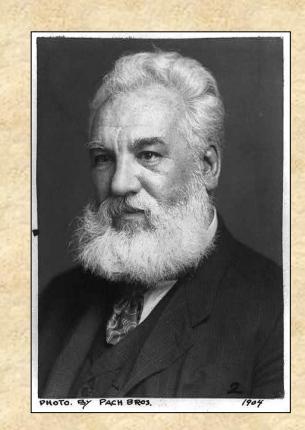
***Typewriter and new job opportunities for women**

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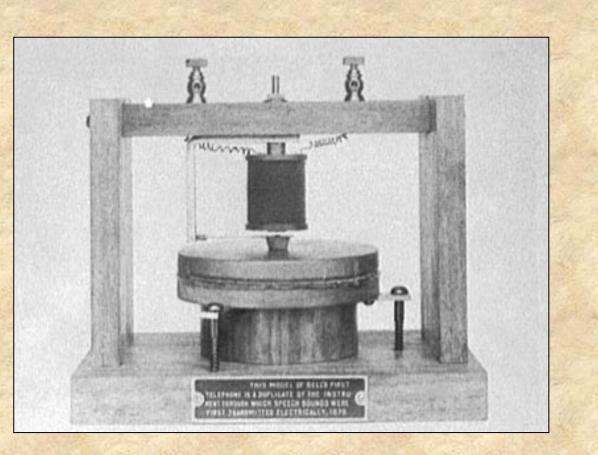
Comparison between 1st and 2nd Industrial Revolution patents

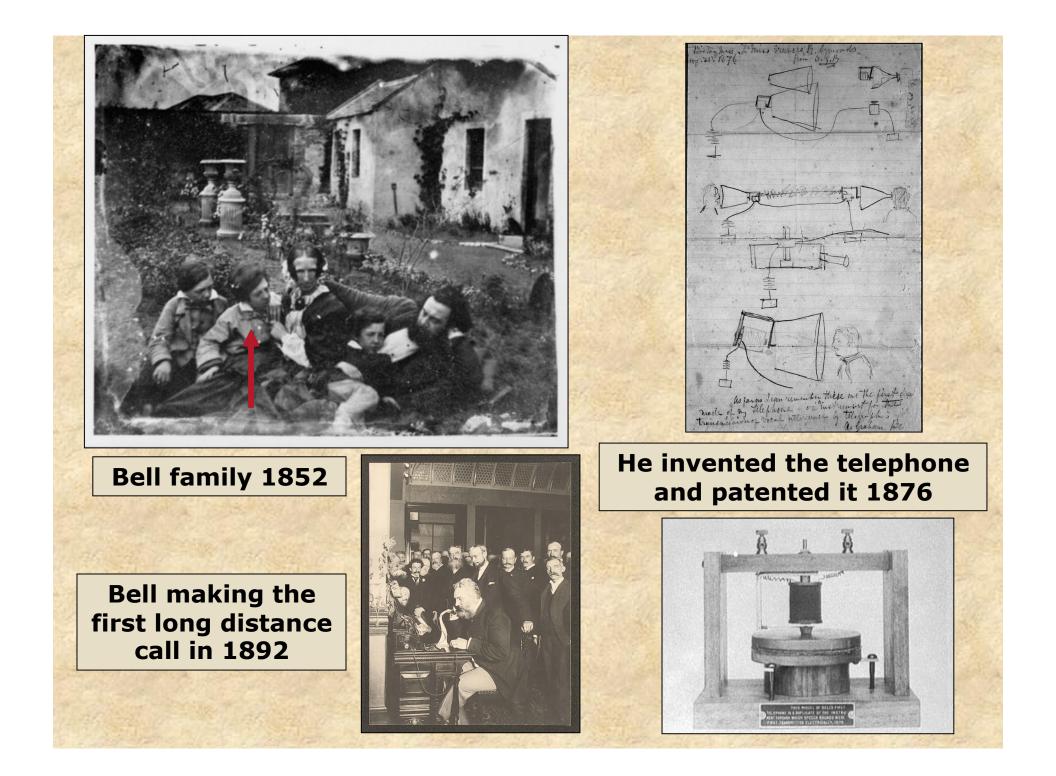




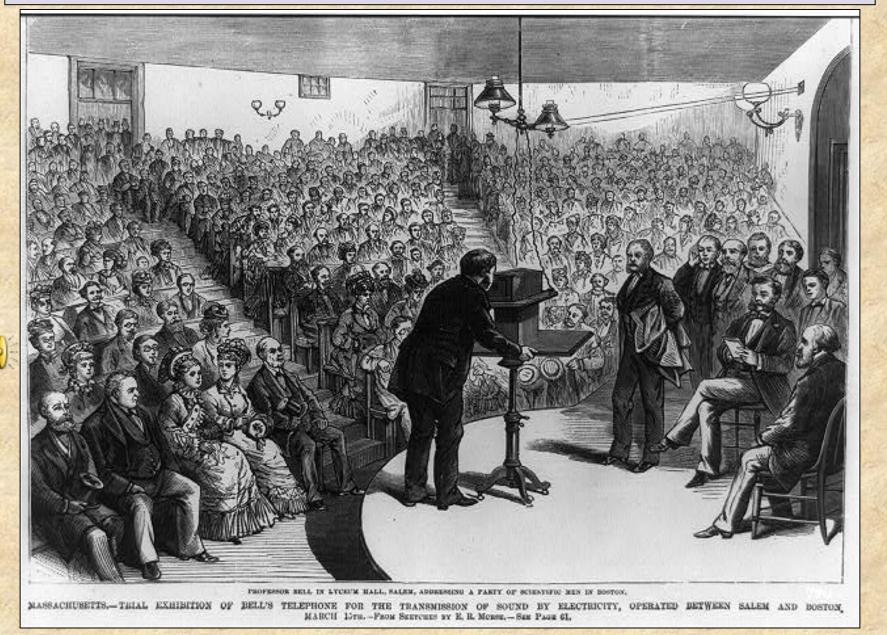
The birth of the telephone Spoken by: Thomas A. Watson, assistant to Alexander Graham Bell Recording date: c. 1914 Location: Edison motion picture film studio, Bronx, NY

Alexander Graham Bell and the telephone

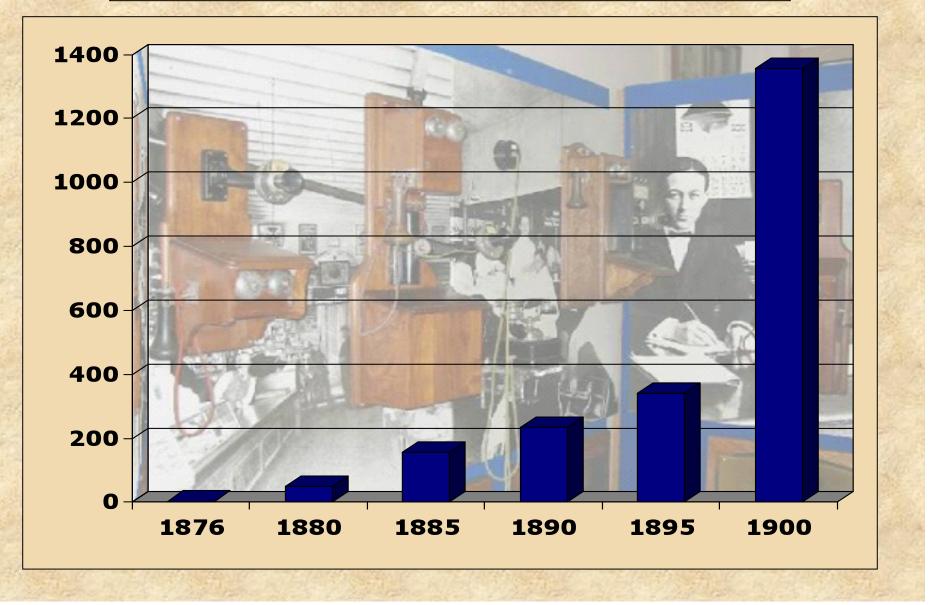




Demonstration of Bell's telephone between Salem and Boston, Massachusetts



Growth in telephones 1876-1900 (in thousands)



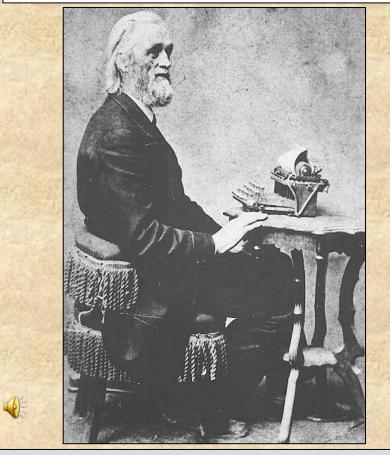
Part I: Alexander Bell







Christopher Latham Sholes, an engineer, invented the modern typewriter in 1867 and secured the patent in 1868. Sholes sold the rights to the Densmore brothers because he did not want to market the new product. The Densmores went to rifle manufacturer Philo Remington to help sell the device.



"Whatever I may have felt in the early days of the value of the typewriter, it is obviously a blessing to mankind, and especially to womankind. I am glad I had something to do with it. I builded wiser than I knew, and the world has the benefit of it." -Sholes

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The first "Sholes & Glidden Typewriter" went on the market in 1874 with lukewarm results. Remington engineers made improvements a few years later and sales skyrocketed.

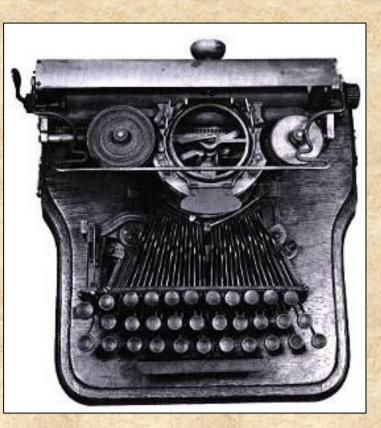




Twain showing his daughter one of his early typewriters.

"I will now claim--until dispossessed--that I was the first person in the world to apply the typewriter to literature...The early machine was full of caprices, full of defects--devilish ones. It had as many immoralities as the machine of today has virtues. After a year or two I found that it was degrading my character, so I thought I would give it to Howells...He took it home to Boston, and my morals began to improve, but his have never recovered."

- The First Writing Machines , Mark Twain



Mark Twain's 1880 typewriter. He was one of the first authors to use the machine.