

[redacted] - Standard oil of Ohio. The richest of the rich with few exceptions.

Monopoly

Vertical and Horizontal trusts

[redacted] - an attempt by government to control the corporations. It is a start but without teeth.

Great Rockefeller quote " If you have to ask how much it costs, then you cant afford to buy it." What does this mean??????

[redacted] Homestead steel mill. Now this guy was rich. Once he sold to U.S. Steel, he was by far and away the most wealthy man in the world. His fortune then, would be comparable to 5 or 6 Gates fortunes today. By 1900 he owned 25% of the steel industry.

J.P. Morgan - Banker. Once offered to and did help bail out the U.S. Government.

Justification of wealth as a "Gospel of Wealth". Also the title of a book Written by Carnegie. Carnegie was a true philanthropist

Pinkerton - _____

Scabs - _____

Social Darwinism - _____

Sherman Anti-trust Act 1890 - _____

Social changes were also very great. Move of the population, factory work, company towns, labor laws which were non-existent.

Safety in the workplace - "The Jungle"....Immigration and Nativism

Political ideology changes - With the change in the work force came the rumblings of unionization (communist premise) and even anarchy.

The gap between the rich and the poor was getting wider and unrest louder.

 = very low poverty

 = very high chances of an realization of poverty. How can this be the case???????????

Let me back up and fill in some stuff - turn of the century:

1900 - Kodak Cameras - Sold for \$ 1.00

1901 - President McKinley Shot and killed by Leon Czolgosz The president dies on September 6, 1901.

Leon is Electrocuted in October 1901. Theodore Roosevelt is now president.

1902 - The Teddy Bear is introduced to America.

1903 - Kitty Hawk and the Wright Brothers. First global message is sent and received. First world series. First full movie, A silent film called "The Great Train Robbery"

1904 - Panama Canal ground breaking by the U.S.

[redacted] - An era of reformers comes to light. This is both political as well as social.

[redacted] - Journalists who expose and take on the Robber Barons and the captains of industry.

[redacted] - Women are now looking at their place in society. Issues most dear to the movement are Temperance, Child labor, Suffrage.

National Organization of Women - 1969

[redacted] - Direct primaries, Recall, Referendum, Secret ballot. At the heart of it all is the new 42 year old president. Teddy Roosevelt.

His mantra was the Square Deal for all. He was a trust buster and environmental champion. He gains the presidency by taking over for the fallen president McKinley. He will win the election of 1904 by the widest margin in history. He was a man for the times. He would not be electable by today's standards. Why would I say that?

 - Think of the Titanic and all it represented and you have a very good description of the Gilded Age.

The American Dream - _____

People at the top, _____ at the top.

People at the _____, stay at the bottom.

All that glitters is not gold. The corrupt underbelly of politics and industry.

Spoils system in politics -


1883 Based government jobs on the Merit of the worker. This is today, an exam.

What is a fair wage for a job that is done? This is a very deep if not unanswerable question. Let's see what you think????

Tariffs - low tariff good for High tariff good for the

What do you suppose a tariff is??????

Basic premise. I will pay you as little as you are likely to accept. You will want more than I am willing to pay. Is a minimum wage needed ?

When jobs are out numbered by workers, wages go down. This was the case in 1900. Not much for skilled positions.

It was a buyers market, like fast food or retail today. The lower you are on the food chain, the higher the chance you will get eaten.