

Immigration During the Industrial Era



German immigrants boarding a ship for America in the late 19th century.

“ _____ ”

1830-1880
 many _____ (potato famine),
 Germans, and _____
 they were resented more than colonial immigrants



Italian family arriving in New York in 1905.

“ _____ ”

1880-1910
 came from southern and eastern Europe
 _____, Russia, Poland
 very poor people from eastern Europe
 many Jews escaping persecution in their homelands
 _____ (organized massacres)
 flocked to cities
 lived in homogenous ethnic neighborhoods
 “ _____ ”
 natives disliked them because they did not fully _____

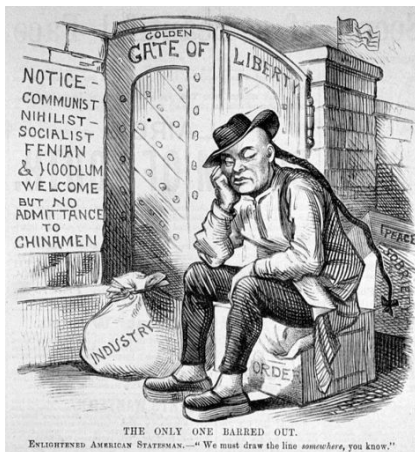
Organized Opposition to Immigration



 Senator from MA
 in 1896 he proposed requiring
 prospective immigrants to be able to



_____ protested Catholic immigration

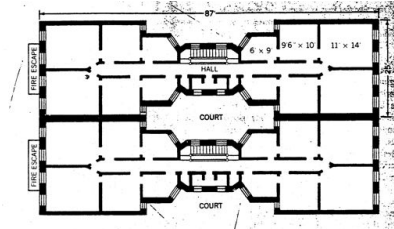


 1882
 Chinese immigrants worked for lower wages than
 white workers
 caused resentment
 this act prohibited all immigration of Chinese
 laborers
 initially intended to last for 10 years, but not
 repealed until 1943

Urbanization



urban areas grew twice as fast as the population
 people came to the cities for many reasons
 more exciting, public systems (plumbing,
 libraries, transportation, etc.), employment



Sometimes a whole family was crowded into a single room.

poorly constructed and cramped
 five- or six-story buildings
 many had _____; dark,
 narrow, airless
 there was a horrible lack of

 in cities
 police, firefighters, water systems, garbage collection,
 parks, playgrounds
 rise in crime



Unfair Conditions of Employment

low pay, health and safety hazards, job insecurity



Child Labor

Fish cutters at a Canning Co in Maine. Ages range from 7 to 12. They live near the factory. The 7 year old boy in front, Byron Hamilton, has a badly cut finger but helps his brother regularly. Behind him is his brother George, age 11, who cut his finger half off while working. Ralph, on the left, displays his knife and also a badly cut finger. They and many youngsters said they were always cutting themselves. George earns a \$1 some days usually 75 cents. Some of the others say they earn a \$1 when they work all day. At times they start at 7 a.m. and work all day until midnight



Some boys and girls were so small they had to climb up on to the spinning frame to mend broken threads and to put back the empty bobbins.
 Bibb Mill No. 1. Macon, Ga



Rose Bido, 10 years old, Philadelphia, Sept. 28, 1910. Working 3 summers. Minds baby and carries berries, two pecks at a time. This is the fourth week of school and the people here expect to remain two weeks more.

Photo by Lewis W. Hine

Child laborer, Newberry, South Carolina, 1908



A _____ job was to separate impurities from coal by hand in a coal breaker.



Breaker boys at the Eagle Hill colliery near Pottsville, Pennsylvania, 1884.

Breaker boys sort coal in an anthracite coal breaker near South Pittston, Pennsylvania, 1911.



March 25, 1911



one of the deadliest industrial disasters in the history of NYC
resulted in the fourth highest loss of life from an industrial accident in US history
146 garment workers died (123 women and 23 men)
most of the victims were recent Jewish and Italian immigrant women aged 16-23

the owners had _____ the doors to the stairwells and exit to prevent _____ and
unauthorized _____
many of the workers who could not escape the burning building jumped from the eighth, ninth, and tenth floors to
the streets below
the fire led to legislation requiring improved factory safety standards

The Company Town



all real estate, utilities, hospitals, stores, and other necessities or luxuries were

_____ company could place enormous markups on goods in

_____ issued to workers as their pay
employees could exchange scrip for cash, but rarely at face value

