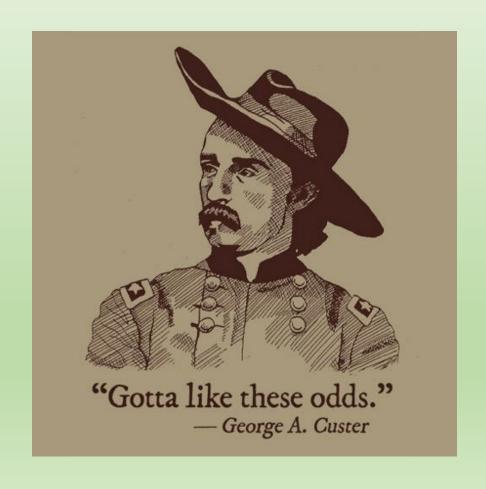
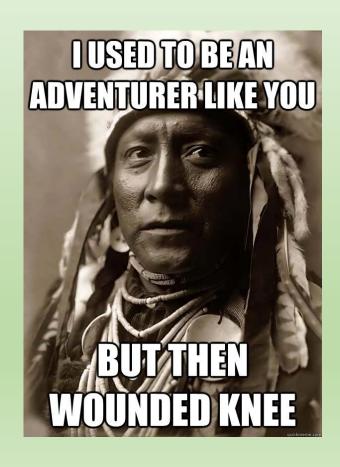
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Chapter 26: The Great West and

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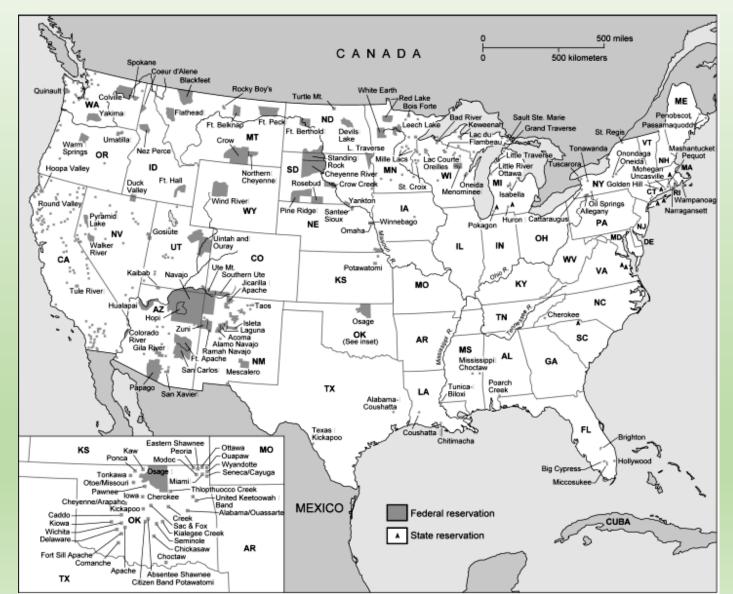
### The Clash of Cultures on the Plains

- Disease spread to western tribes.
- Treaties at Fort Laramie in 1851 and at Fort Atkinson in 1853.
  - Beginning of the **reservation system**.



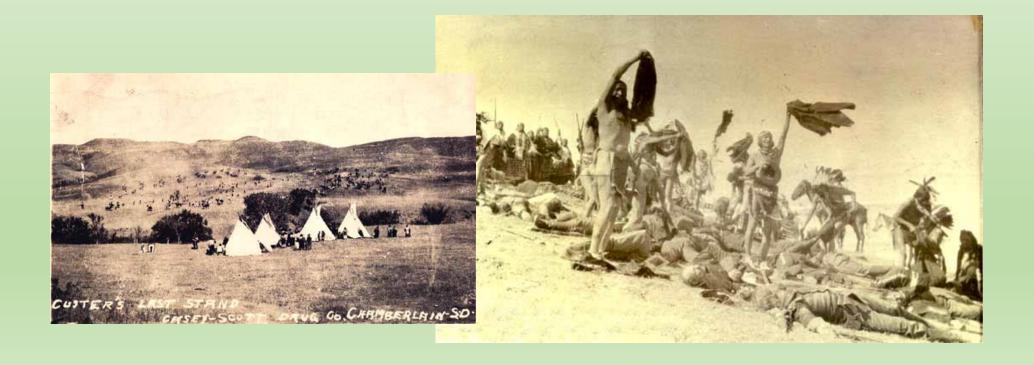


#### Modern Reservations



# Receding Native Population

- Sand Creek Massacre (1864)
- The Battle of the Little Bighorn rare Indian victory.
  - In 1876, Colonel George Armstrong Custer's Seventh Cavalry slaughtered
- The "taming" of Indians accelerated by the railroad, diseases, and alcohol.



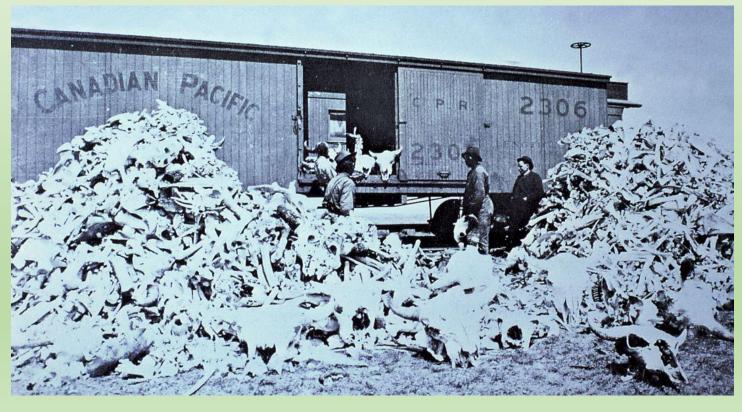
# Custer's Last Stand



# Bellowing Herds of Bison

• Bison went from 15 million to 1000 by 1885.





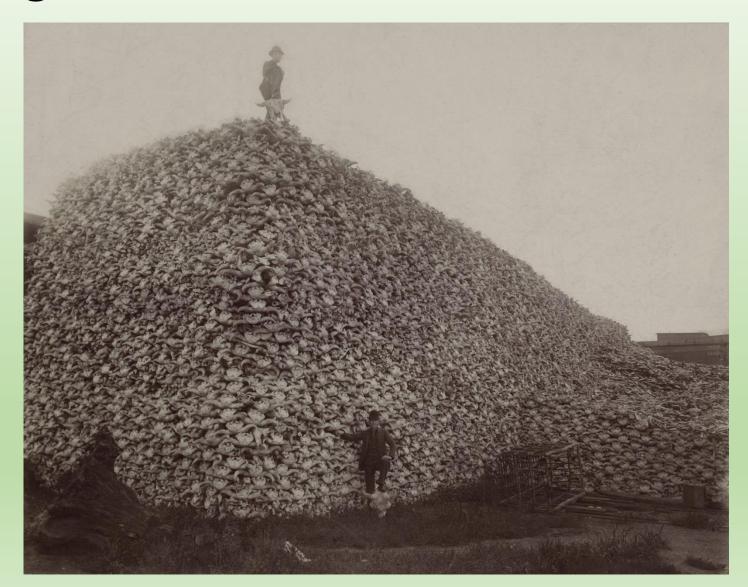
# Bison Hunting

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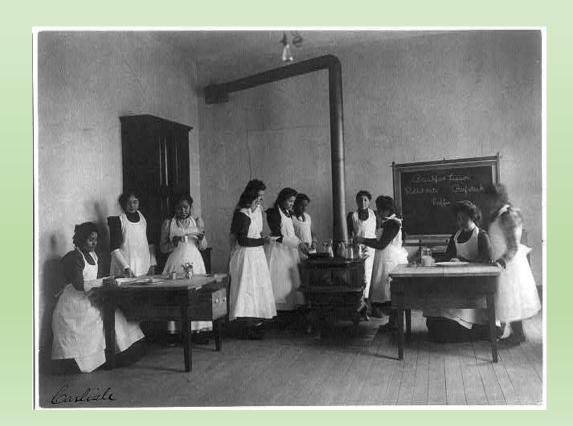
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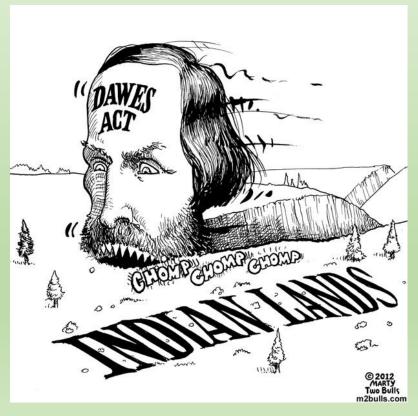


#### The End of the Trail



- The Dawes Act of 1887 assimilate Indians into "white" society.
  - The Dawes Act basis of the government's official Indian policy until the **Indian Reorganization Act of 1934**.





# Mining: From Dishpan to Ore Breaker

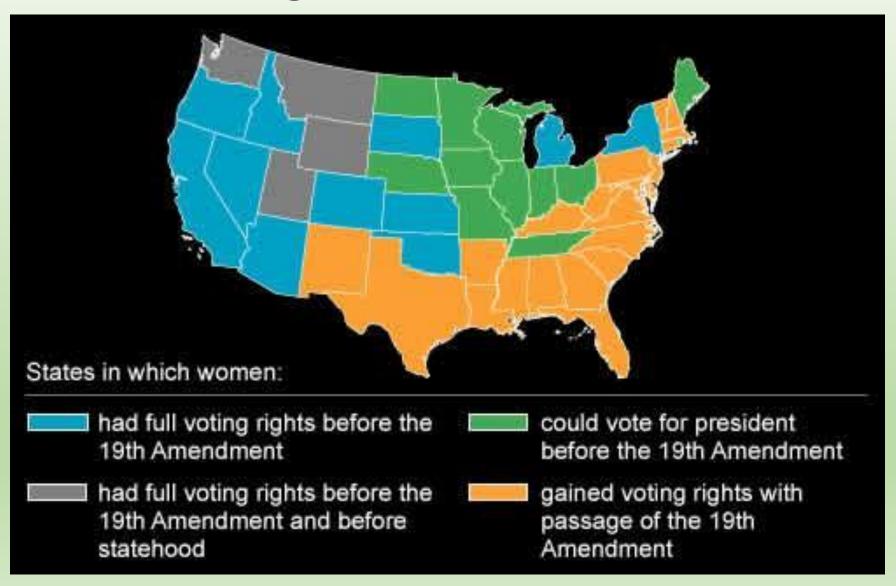
- **Gold** and **silver** discovered in the Rockies and Nevada.
- Mining brought more people West.
- Women gained the right to vote in western states before the eastern states.





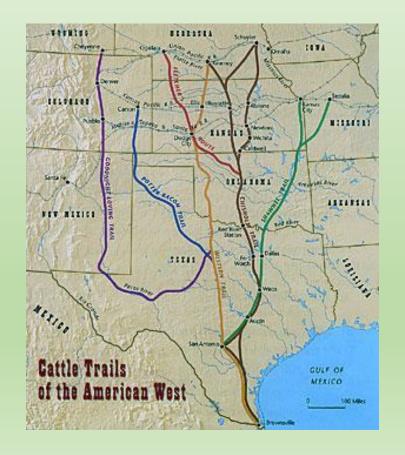


# Women's Suffrage



## Beef Bonanzas and the Long Drive

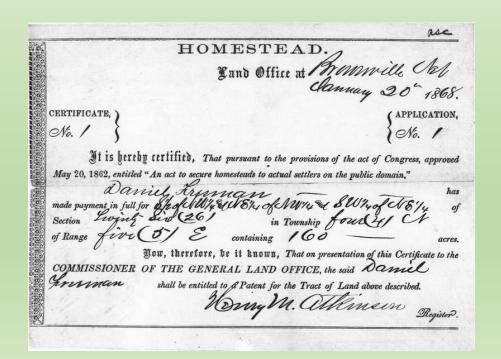
 Transcontinental railroads enabled live cattle to be transported to the East from Texas.

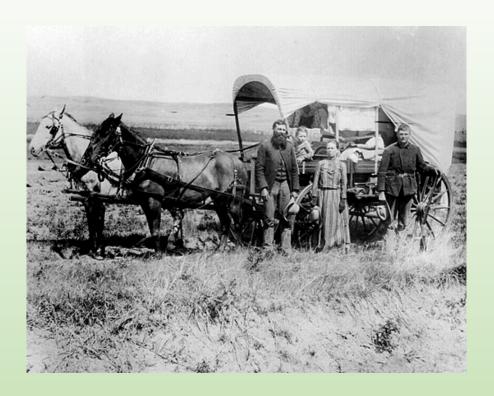




#### The Farmer's Frontier

- The **Homestead Act of 1862** 160 acres of land by living on it for 5 years, improving it, and paying a fee of about \$30.
- Tough strains of wheat flourished in the West.

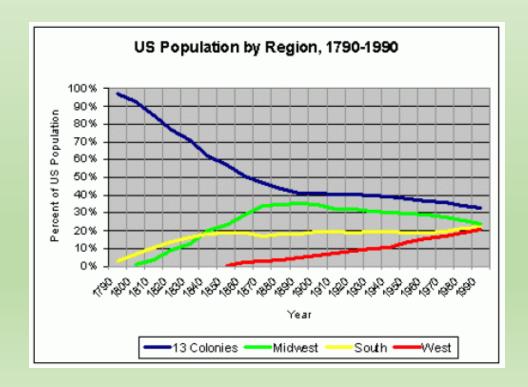


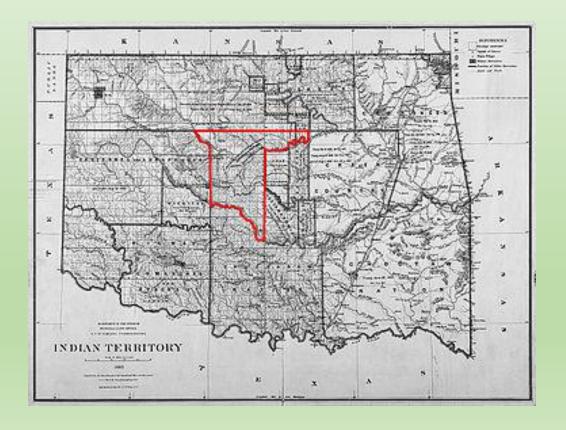




# The Far West Comes of Age

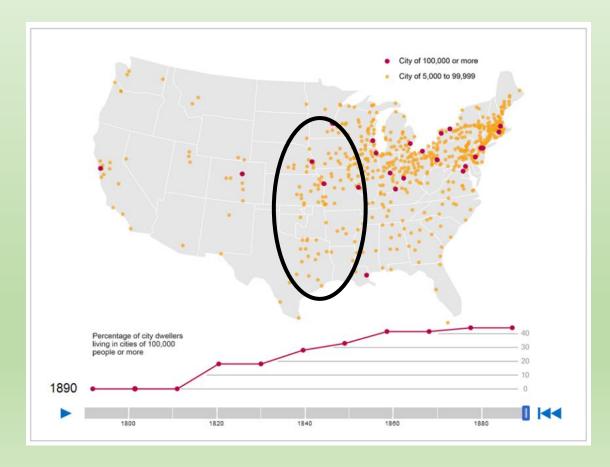
- Population growth in the West
- From 1889-1890, six new states: ND, SD, MT, WA, ID, and WY. Utah admitted (1896) after the Mormon Church banned polygamy.
- "Sooners" illegally enter Oklahoma.





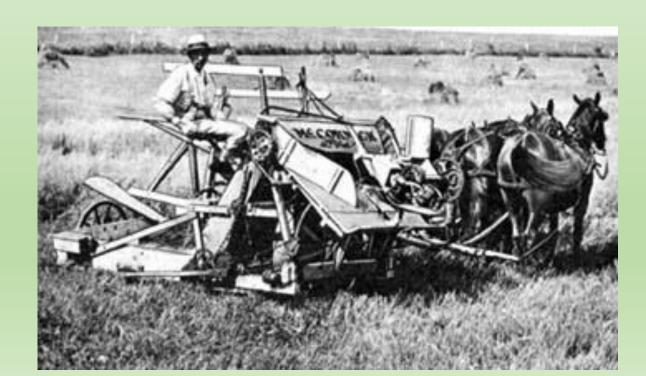
# The Fading Frontier

- In 1890, an American frontier line was no longer evident.
- Cities grew in the West as farms began failing.



# The Farm Becomes a Factory

- High prices → "cash" crops
  - Ex. Wheat or Corn
- Mechanization of farms







#### Deflation Dooms the Debtor

- Dependency on the price of one crop.
- Deflation caused the relative prices of crops to decrease.
  - Foreclosures and tenant farmers



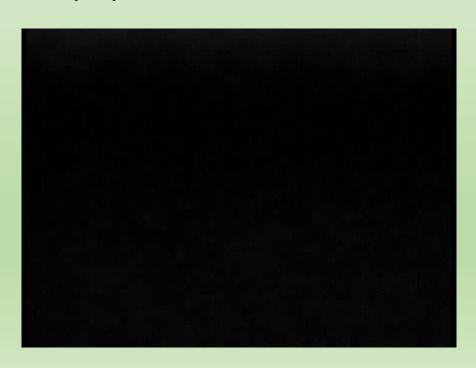


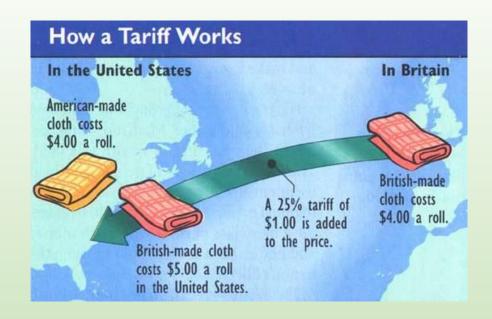




# **Unhappy Farmers**

- Poor soil and droughts cause farmers to leave farms.
- Unfair tariffs for farmers.
- Farmers made up half the population in 1890.



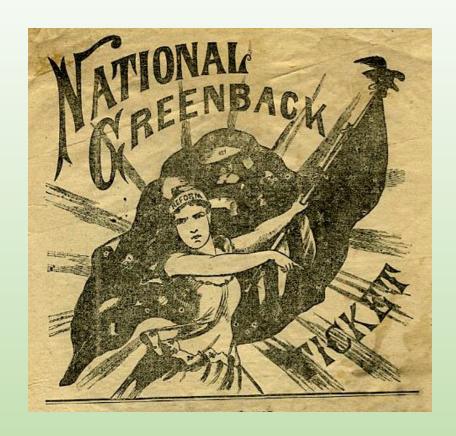




#### The Farmers Take Their Stand

- The National Grange of the Patrons of Husbandry (known as the Grange)
  - Improve farmers' troubles
- The Greenback Labor Party sought to improve the working conditions of laborers.







# Prelude to Populism

- Farmers' Alliance (1870s) and Colored Farmer's National Alliance.
- The **People's Party**, also known as the **Populists**, grew out of the Farmers' Alliance.
  - It called for nationalizing the railroads, telephones, and telegraph; instituting a **graduated** income tax. Also wanted free and unlimited coinage of silver.

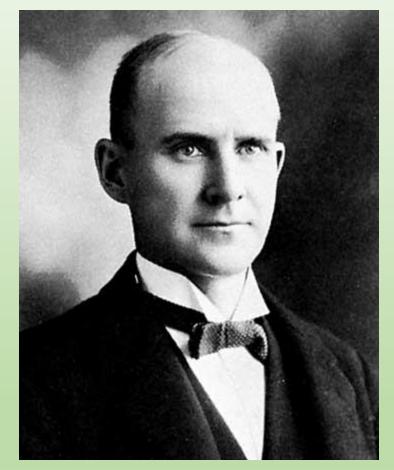




# Coxey's Army and the Pullman Strike

- The panic of 1893
- <u>Eugene V. Debs</u> helped to organize the **American Railway Union**.
- The Pullman strike of 1894 was started when the Pullman Palace Car Company cut wages.
  - Federal troops broke up the strike.



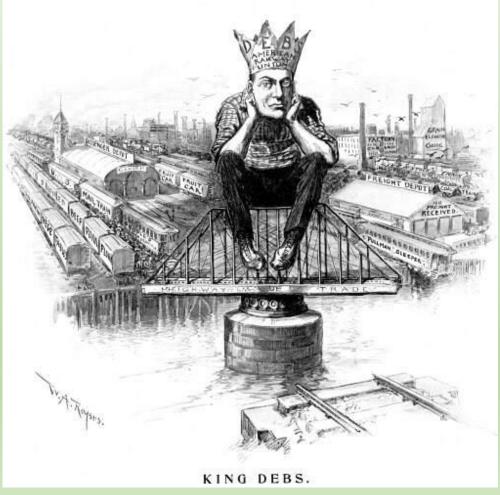


Eugene V. Debs

# Pullman Strike





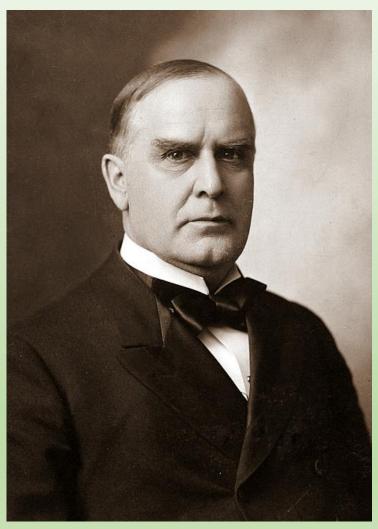


# Golden McKinley and Silver Bryan

- Republican candidate 1896 William
  McKinley. Supported the gold standard.
- The Democratic candidate, <u>William</u>
   <u>Jennings Bryan</u>, supported inflation
   through silver. Gains populist support.
  - Third parties are like bees sting then die.



William Jennings Bryan



William McKinley

# Populists and the Democrats

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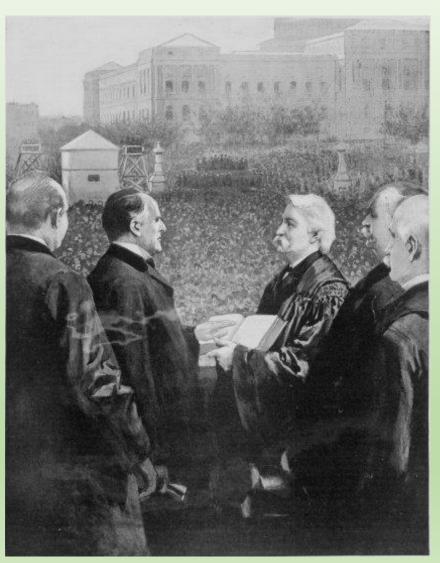
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# Class Conflict: Plowholders versus Bondholders

- William McKinley won the election of 1896.
- Last election that focused on support from farmers.





## Republican Stand-pattism Enthroned

- The Dingley Tariff Bill (1897)
- The GOP claimed credit for prosperity following the panic of 1893.
- The Gold Standard Act of 1900

