HISTORY 118



World Trade Center towers on 9/11



Asch Building, Triangle Shirtwaist Factory, March 25, 1911



Spectators observing Triangle Factory Fire



Broken sidewalk light at Triangle Shirtwaist Factory



Local 25 Triangle Shirtwaist Protest



Triangle Shirtwaist Fire Mourners, April 5, 1911



Aftermath of Triangle Factory Fire

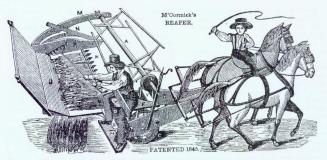
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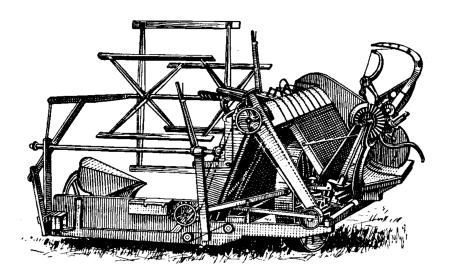








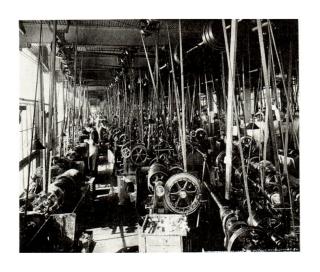
Cyrus McCormick's mechanical reaper, shown here in an 1846 advertisement from The Cultivator magazine, was one of the technological wonders of its time, permitting a single farmer to harvest as much grain as fourteen field hands could using conventional tools. State Historical Society of Wisconsin.







Factory with Machinists at Traditional Workbenches



Steam-Powered Machines in an Industrialized Factory

#### Industrialization means ....

centers

- Shift from manual labor to large-scale mechanical industry
- Shift from skilled artisans to unskilled labor
- Shift from dispersed rural population to urban population



Original Brooks Brothers Store







Samuel Gompers, Founder of American Federation of Labor (AFL)



Eight Hour Workday Poster



### McCormick Works Riot



Haymarket Square Riot

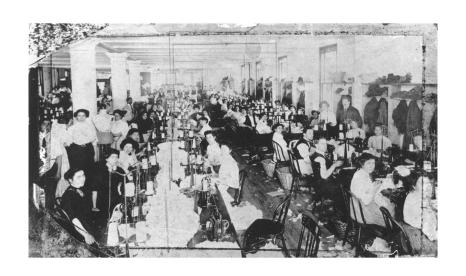


\* Includes immigrants from Great Britain, Ireland, Germany, and the Scandinavian countries.

# FIGURE 17.2 American Immigration, 1870-1914

This graph shows the surge of European immigration in the late nineteenth century. While northern Europe continued to send substantial numbers, it was overshadowed after 1895 by south-eastern Europeans pouring into America to work in mines and factories.

<sup>†</sup> Includes immigrants from Russia, Italy, Austria-Hungary, and other eastern European countries.



New York Garment Factory, circa 1900



International Workers of the World



Eugene V. Debs



Extended Family Labor, circa 1900

I confess, that I go to work with much pleasure.

Recent immigrant to the Jewish Daily Forward in 1906



Women in a Factory, circa 1900



Women in a Factory, circa 1900



Women in a Garment Factory



International Ladies Garment Workers Union strike

some occupations followed by women, though less arduous than those generally followed by men, may have such a tendency to injure their health, if unduly prolonged, that laws may be enacted restricting their time of labor . . . The application of these laws exclusively to women is justified on the ground that they are less robust in physical organization and structure than men, that they have the burden of child-bearing, and, consequently that the health and strength of posterity and of the public in general is presumed to be enhanced by preserving and protecting women from exertion which men might bear without detriment to the general welfare.

California Supreme Court in 1912

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