**Technology Changes and the Progressive Movement**

**Technology changes in the late 1800’s/early 1900’s**

**Technology extended progress into all**

**areas of American life, including neglected rural areas.**

**Results of improved transportation brought**

**about by affordable automobiles**

• Greater mobility

• Creation of jobs

• Growth of transportation-related industries

(road construction, oil, steel, automobile)

• Movement to suburban areas

**Invention of the airplane**

• The Wright brothers

**Use of the assembly line**

• Henry Ford, automobile

• Rise of mechanization

**Communication changes**

• Increased availability of telephones

• Development of the radio and broadcast industry

• Development of the movies

**Ways electrification changed**

**American life**

• Labor-saving products (e.g., washing machines, electric

stoves, water pumps)

• Electric lighting

• Entertainment (e.g., radio)

• Improved communications

**The Progressive Movement**

**\*\*\*The effects of industrialization led to the rise of organized labor and important workplace reforms\*\*\***

**Negative effects of industrialization**

• Child labor

• Low wages, long hours

• Unsafe working conditions

**Rise of organized labor**

• Formation of Labor Unions- fought for the rights of

employees (safety, wages, etc.)

• Strikes: Homestead Strike

• Triangle Waist Factory Fire led to workplace changes

**Progressive Movement workplace reforms**

• Improved safety conditions

• Reduced work hours

• Placed restrictions on child labor

**Women’s suffrage**

• Increased educational opportunities

• Attained voting rights

– Women gained the right to vote with passage of the 19th

Amendment to the Constitution of the United States

– Susan B. Anthony and Elizabeth Cady Stanton worked for

women’s suffrage.

**Temperance movement**

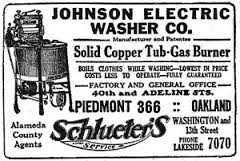
• Composed of groups opposed to the making and consuming

of alcohol

• Supported the 18th Amendment to the Constitution of the

United States, prohibiting the manufacture, sale, and

transport of alcoholic beverages

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