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 What is the most important invention of the last 1,000 years?

·Aim #14 •HELLO Business and Industry!

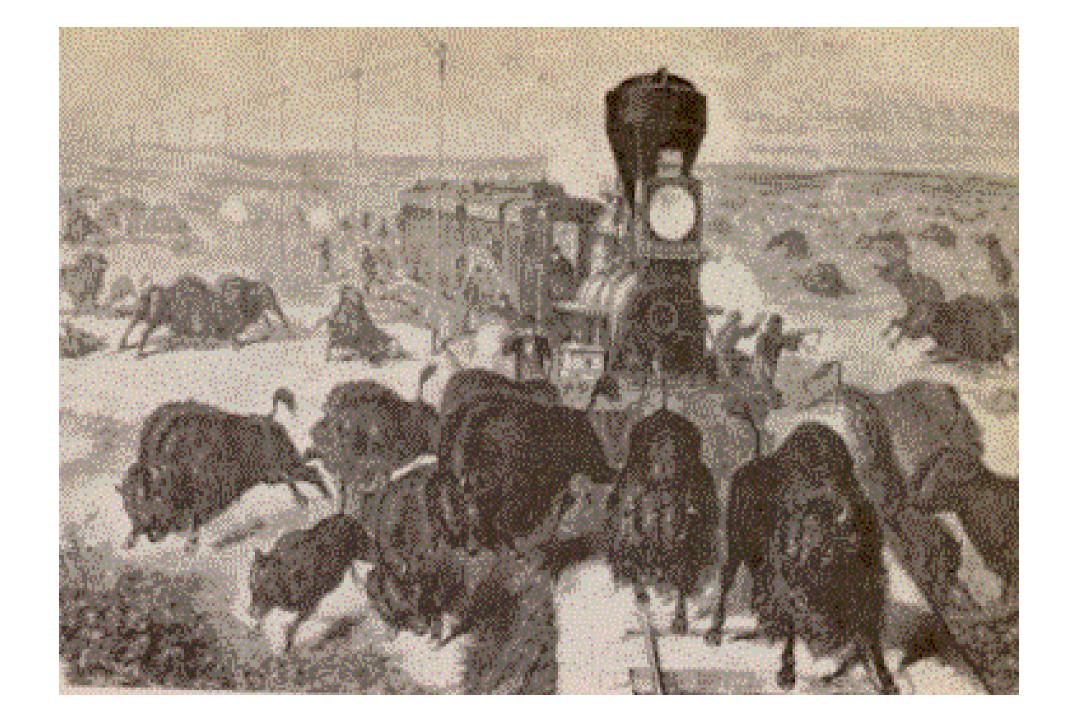
·1877-1914

- We forget just how painfully dim the world was before electricity. A candle, a good candle, provides barely a hundredth of the illumination of a single 100 watt light bulb.
- Bill Bryson

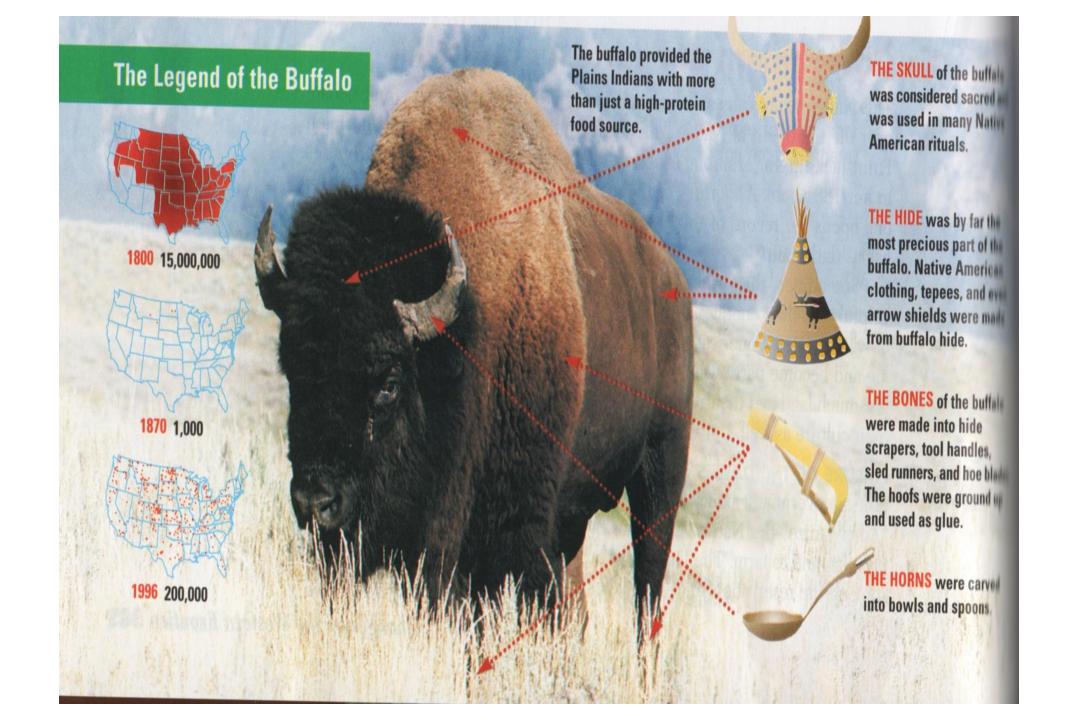
- I. Railroads
 By 1860 the U.S. has
 35,000 miles of track,
 mostly up north.
- ·Railroads help new industries grow.
- ·Steel, oil, lumber.

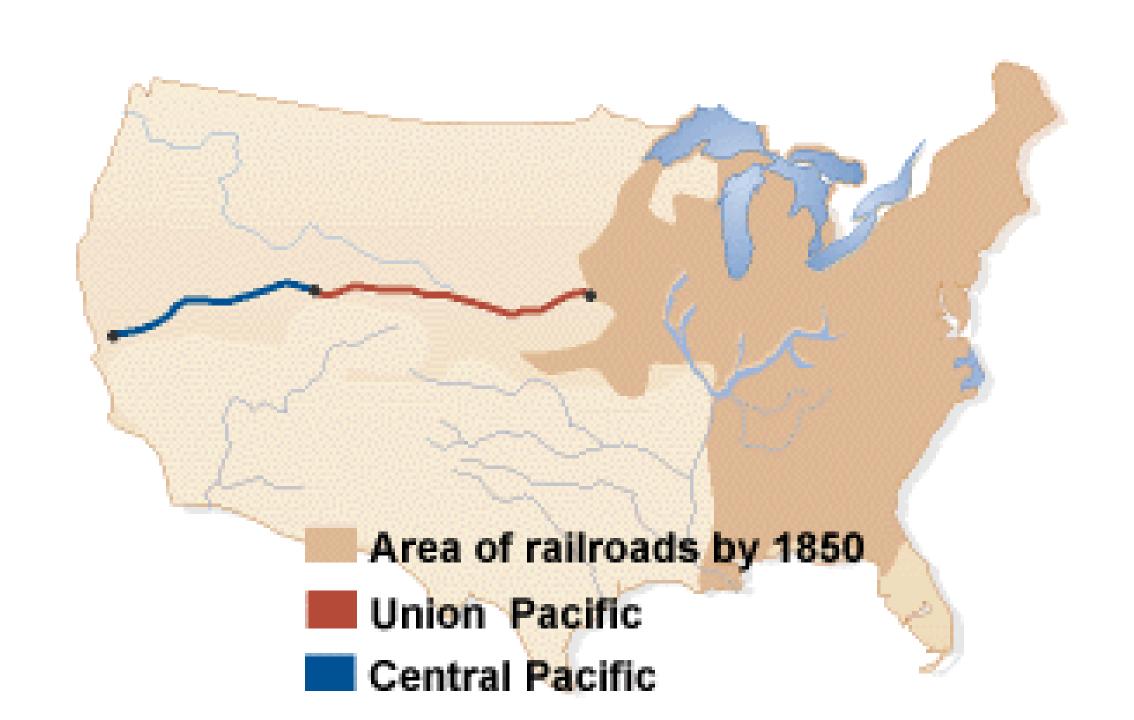
- •Completed by the Union Pacific and the Central Pacific.
- ·Built mostly by Irish and Chinese immigrants (as well as Freedmen)

- •Improve the shipment of goods.
- ·Create new jobs.
- ·Help cities to GROW. (Chicago.)
- •Impact on Native Americans?
- Communications













The railroad was crucial to westward expansion.



Working conditions were often harsh for laborers.





