Reading Guide for Chapter 20

Political Realignments in the 1890s

1. What issues emerged as a result of the Depression of the 1890s? (584)
2. Who could vote in the 1890s? (584)
3. What states allowed women to vote before 1900? (584)
4. Describe the methods used to keep black males from voting. (584-85)
5. Describe the Democratic Party principles. (585)
6. How did the Republicans differ from this? (585)
7. Which area voted Democratic? Which area voted Republican? (585)
8. How did the impeachment of Andrew Johnson affect the power of the presidency? (586)
9. What was the decision in Munn v. Illinois (1877)? (586)
10. What was the decision in Wabash v. Illinois? (586)
11. What was the function of the Interstate Commerce Commission set up by the Interstate Commerce Act? ( 586)
12. What happened to President James A. Garfield? (586)
13. What was the purpose of the Pendleton Act (1883)?(587)
14. What caused the split between the Stalwarts and the Half-Breeds? (587)
15. List the provisions of the McKinley Tariff Act (1890). (588)
16. What was the significance of the Sherman Antitrust Act? (588)
17. What were the provisions of the Sherman Silver Purchas Act? (589)
18. What was the “Billion Dollar Congress”? (589)
19. What were the issues that troubled the farmers? (589)
20. List the Ocala Demands that were presented by an organization of farmers and ranchers. (592)
21. What new party grew out of these agricultural groups? (592)
22. What was the name of the economic crisis in 1893?(591)
23. What was Coxey’s Army and what did they do? (594)
24. Describe the events of the Great Pullman Strike. (595)
25. What did President Cleveland blame for the Panic of 1893? (587)
26. Who did the country blame for the economic downfall in 1893? (598)
27. Who had to go to work as a result of the men losing their jobs? (598)
28. Who was Horatio Alger? (599)
29. How did literature change during this period? (600)
30. What was the focus of the Election of 1896? (601)
31. Who were the “silverites”? (601)
32. Which party favored the Gold Standar4? (604)
33. Which party favored the Silverites? (604)
34. What was the “Cross of Gold” speech? (605)
35. Who were the parties and candidates in the Election of 1896? (605-606)
36. Who won the election? (606)
37. What happened to the Populist Party after the election? (606)
38. What kind of president was William McKinley? (607)
39. What happened to President McKinley? (607)