

Roaring 20's and Great Depression

Post-war Issues and Return to Normalcy

- I. Post War Issues
 - A. Following the Progressive Era and The Great War – many Americans exhausted with _____ and disorder
 - B. Some crave return to simpler times
 - C. Wave of nativism and isolationism sweeps the country
 - D. Events of the War lead to new issues that must be addressed:
 1. Fear of _____
 2. _____ Questions
 3. Labor _____
- II. Fear of Communism
 - A. _____ is seen as a growing threat to America
 - B. Communism – Political / economic system in which the government controls all means of production. Private property is eliminated.
 - C. _____ – Panic over communism that swept America following the Russian Revolution
- III. Fear of Communism
 - A. Communist Party forms in US
 - B. Joined by thousands of _____ workers
 - C. Protested US involvement in _____
 - D. _____ – FBI raids on suspected communists, violated civil liberties
 - E. _____ – Two Italian anarchists immigrants, executed for murder on flimsy evidence (later evidence shows they were probably guilty)
- IV. Immigration Questions
 - A. Along with fear of Communism, _____ over immigration
 - B. US wants to remain _____; suspicious of foreign influence
 - C. Re-emergence of _____ as anti-immigrant
 - D. _____ limits immigrants from certain countries
- V. Labor Unrest
 - A. During war, government had ended labor strikes
 - B. 1919, 3,000 strikes nationwide as cost of living rises, but not wages
 - C. Communist fears and accusations:
 1. _____
 2. _____
 3. _____
 - D. Unions lose some power as they are associated by public with Communism
 - E. Open shop system
- VI. Gastonia, 1929
 - A. Workers at _____ facing shrinking wages, longer hours
 - B. Textile Union with communist backing steps in; calls for strike
 - C. Strike turns violent as _____ is called in
 - D. Gastonia's Chief of Police is shot in struggle, strikers murdered in the aftermath
 - E. Nationwide attention to trial

F. "Crack in armor" of historically anti-union South

VII. Harding Presidency

A. Warren Harding, OH Republican elected in 1920

B. Campaign slogan, "_____"

C. Plans for Peace:

1. _____, 1921. Proposes disarmament, followed by

2. _____, 1929. Renounces war as national policy...signed by 64 nations. Great in theory

VIII. Isolationism Through Tariff

A. 1922, Harding Administration adopts _____ Tariff

B. Highest ever at _____% on imported goods

C. Makes repayment of WW1 to Britain and France difficult

IX. Scandals Plague Harding

A. Harding's cabinet, "_____" proves corrupt

B. Harding did not understand many issues – friends in Cabinet took advantage

C. _____ – Sec. of Interior leases oil rich public lands to oil companies – pockets profits.

D. First cabinet member convicted of a felony in office

E. Harding dies in August, '23, succeeded by _____

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