

## Chapter 5 Notes

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**Mother Jones** got children to march from **Kensington, Pa** to **Oyster Bay, NY**, to meet Roosevelt in his home  
**Tenements** – apartments where workers lived that were small, unsanitary, too full, trash between buildings.  
**Suburbs** – communities around, but not in, the city. **Urbanization** – the growth of cities. Factories used steam power, usually by coal, not near rivers. Immigrants from Russia, Greece, Italy, Russia poor, illiterate  
**Jacob Riis** – Danish Immigrant, journalist, photographer, identified city problems,  
**Congregationalist minister Strong** – believed cities were wicked places and posed threats to civilization  
Cities had too many people, crime, extortion, too low pay, not enough cops, fire, sanitation, services, housing  
Immigrants got the worst of the housing, living in tenements, but Blacks only in small area, so they were worse  
Politicians were corrupt, did favors for people to get elected. **“Fires were great vote getters”**  
**Machine** – political organization, controlled government– **Tammany Hall, Plunkitt**, gave fire victims shelter/food, attended funerals, paid rent for a poor family, found people jobs. Board told **Plunkitt** ahead of time that they’re buying a **park**. He bought land from unsuspecting owners, and then sold to city for a fortune  
**Trusts** – Super monopolies, reduced costs of goods, but concentrated wealth, every penny saves a lot  
Middle class grew, but trusts forced small business out of existence, crime high, middle class sparked reform  
**Ragtime** – named for the music of Scott Foplin, people had spare time, because industrialism. Camera invented

### Section 2

**Jane Addams** – **Saint Jane**, opened nursery for poor. Chicago, nursery in run down **Hull House**  
**Progressivism** – people who fought for reform to fix the problems created by urbanization and industrialization  
Feared the concentration of power in wealthy, trusts bought influence with lawmakers, wanted to protect public  
Relied on the advice of experts, praised businesses for running store or factory smoothly, lived in cities  
Shared hope that a well run government can protect people. New college graduates tried to use science ideas to explain economics, soc. Sci, sociology. **Beard** of **Columbia U** used **US history** to reform corrupt city govts.  
**Ward** – born in Midwest, 3 wounds in Civil War, job as clerk in US Treasury dep, US Geological Survey  
Knew 4 languages, wrote **Dynamic Sociology**, analyzed social concerns scientifically, challenged Social Darwinism, shaping of a society’s destiny was the government’s job. Became prof. At **Brown U**.  
**Muckrakers** – people who exposed the hideous injustices of large businesses. **Tarbell** – **Articles on the Rise of Standard Oil**, crushed her father, **Sinclair** – **The Jungle** (meat), asked by the paper **Appeal to Reason**  
**Social gospel movement** – Christians who emphasized improving life on Earth instead of going to heaven  
**Rauschenbusch** – minister in NYC, bordered **Hell’s Kitchen**, felt that social ills were caused by competition, and that Christians should improve economic/political conditions of the world.  
**Sinclair** ran for Congress 3 times, Gov of CA once, **Rauschenbusch** helped members cope with their problems  
Each group of people acted to solve their own problems. **Florence Kelley**, Child Labor – Dad member of House or Rep, **Cornell Grad**, worked at **Hull House**, wanted end to child labor, became sec of **National Consumers League**, organized boycotts of goods, supported **Settlement houses** – places that provided educational and social services to poor people. Fought for right to vote for women (Rauschenbusch disapprove)  
Blacks discriminated against, can’t find work, lived in confined areas, inferior, **lynching – murder by a mob**  
**Ida Wells** – led anti lynching movement, parents dead at 14, **train incident**, wrote ruthless articles against lynching in Memphis, full scale movement and moved to Chicago, triggered founding of NAACP  
**The National Women’s Trade Union League** – united workers/middle class reformers

### Section 3

**Wisconsin Gov Follette** fought to break grip of RR tycoons on state gov, “E” voted against RR to pay tax  
**Galveston, TX** hit with Hurricane. Bad administration, city officials couldn’t handle the job, reformers convinced state to make new, central gov in city, **5 commissioners**, 4/5 were business leaders, not politicians  
Was an example to hundreds of other towns, cut gov payrolls, stricter laws to reduce corruption. Candidates then represented themselves instead of political parties, tried to reduce powers of machines/ward bosses

La Follette – U of Wisconsin, anger in wealth distribution at school got him into politics, “**Fighting Bob**” won after 2 losses for Gov. **Wisconsin Idea** – each party chooses candidates through **Direct Primary**, an election open to all voters within the party. Bosses lost power to nominate their own candidates. Legislators felt more responsibility to please bosses than people, La Follette introduced **Initiative Process** – citizens to introduce a bill and require members to vote on it. **Referendum** – a procedure by which voters cast ballots for or against proposed laws, **Recall** – citizens chance to remove elected official from office. Other states then followed **Russell** – Muckraker the Senate “Only a chamber of butlers for industrialists and financiers”. When machine controlled state gov, took over senate seats. Progressives wanted **direct election** of senators, **17<sup>th</sup> amendment** **Seneca Fall, NY** – Women’s conference, Fought for Suffrage, **Wyoming/Utah** gave women full voting rights **National American Woman Suffrage Association** – pushed, passed 19<sup>th</sup> Amendment in 1920 **La Follette** established state RR commission in Wisconsin, regulated rates, stopped bribes, others followed **Workers Compensation** – injured workers were often fired, Maryland passed 1<sup>st</sup> state law for compensation Even **Tammany Hall** boss, **Tim Sullivan**, worried about his sister working long hours Oregon passed law limited Women to 10 hours a day, **Muller** broke it, challenged it. **Muller VS Oregon** case Oregon state court upheld fine of \$10, took it to Supreme Court, Goldmark of NCL got her Brother in Law, **Brandeis**, “**People’s Lawyer**”, to defend Oregon. **Muller Lost**, other state soon had similar laws Progressives wanted better education. **Dewey** criticized the overuse of memorizing, wanted people to “think” Birth Control – **Sanger, Comstock Act** – info describing birth control was obscene, Sanger Arrested **Women’s Christian Temperance Union** – wanted to restrict use of alcohol cuz men beat wives when (D)UI Willard led Union, attacked other issues, such as suffrage, promoted peace. “Do Everything”