- Essential Question:
 - –How did the changes of the "Roaring 20s" clash with traditional American values?

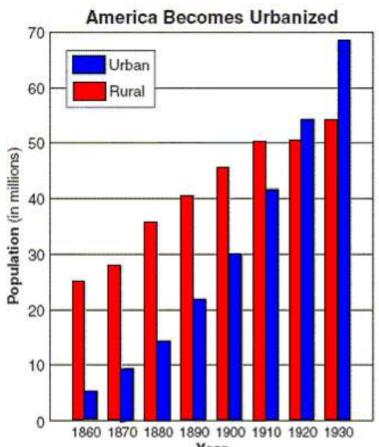
- CPUSH Agenda for Unit 10.3:
 - Clicker Questions
 - —"Conflict in the 1920s"
 - -Today's HW: **21.2 & 21.3**
 - -Unit 10 Test: Monday, February 4

The 1920s was a decade of change

Americans experienced increased wealth, consumerism, leisure time, and new forms of entertainment led to a "Jazz Age"

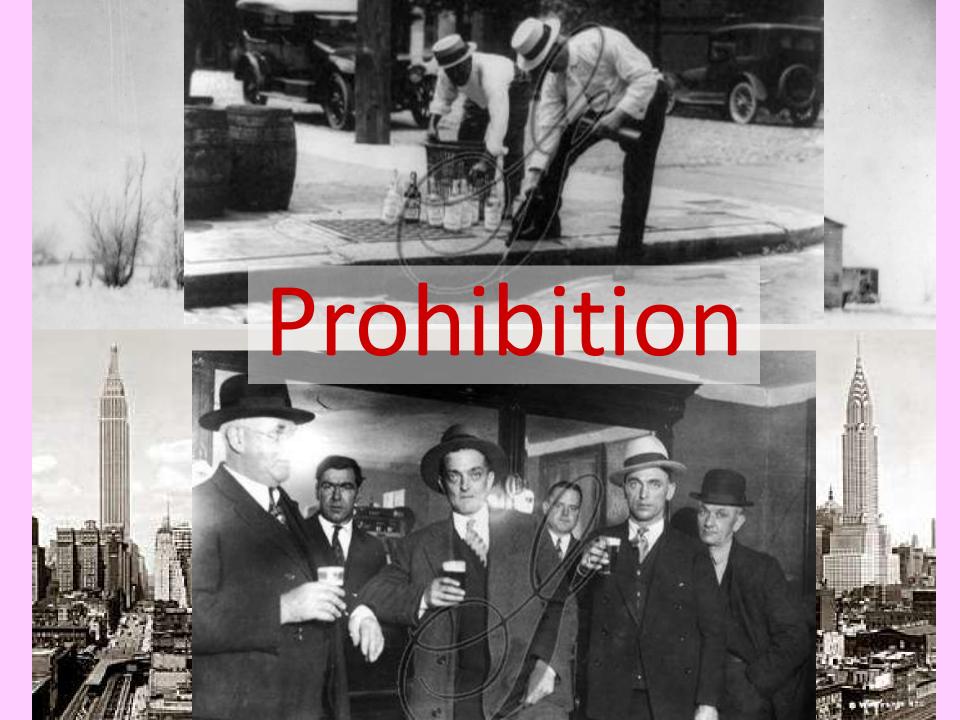
By 1920, more Americans lived in cities than in rural areas





Rural Americans reacted to these changes by attacking behaviors they viewed as "un-American"





In 1920, the 18th Amendment was ratified and the Prohibition era began

Rural Americans supported this "noble experiment" because they believed drinking led to crime and other social problems The Volstead Act outlawed the sale and manufacture of alcohol

Prohibition, 1920–1933

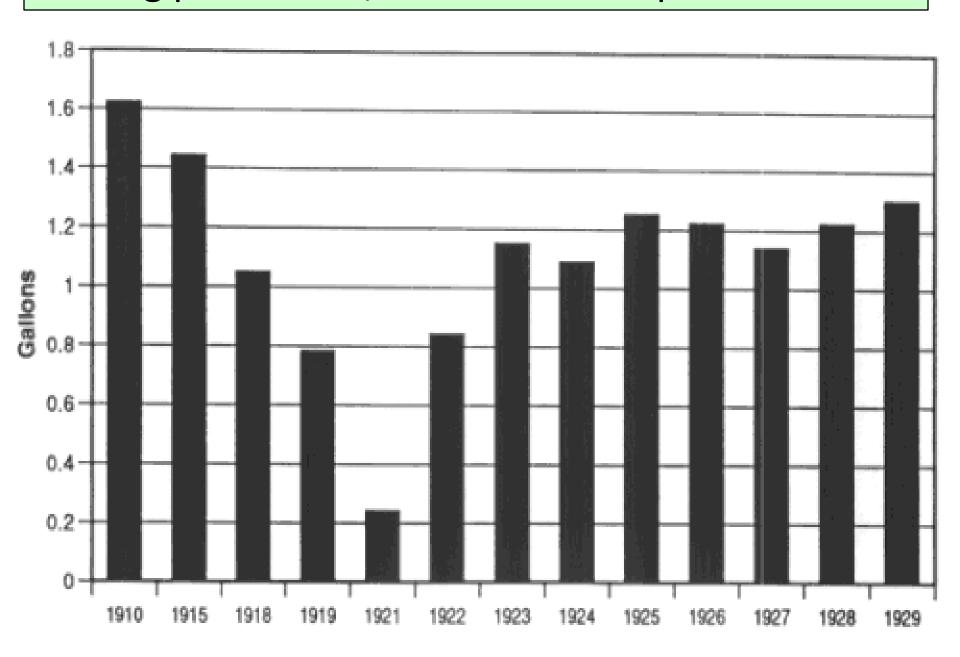
Causes

- Various religious groups thought drinking alcohol was sinful.
- Reformers believed that the government should protect the public's health.
- Reformers believed that alcohol led to crime, wife and child abuse, and accidents on the job.
- During World War I, native-born Americans developed a hostility to German-American brewers and toward other immigrant groups that used alcohol.





During prohibition, alcohol consumption declined



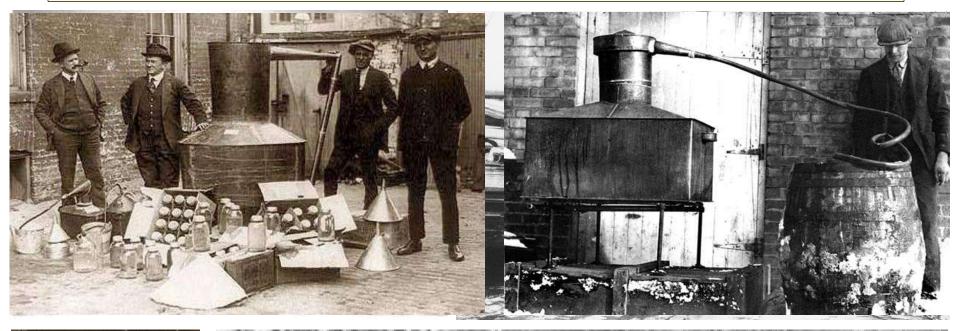
Many urban Americans resisted prohibition

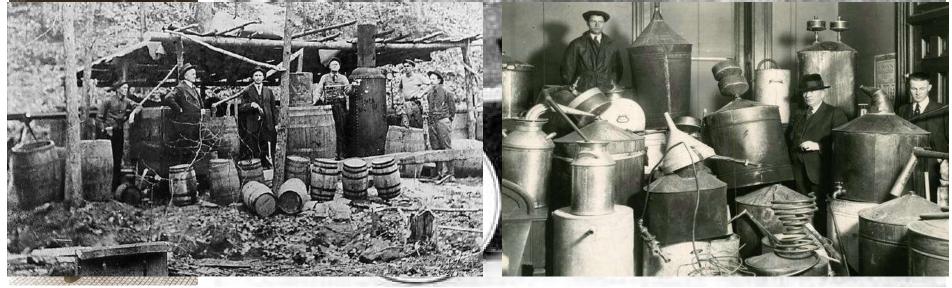
Drinking was a cultural norm for many immigrants

Many urban Americans wanted to enjoy themselves in illegal bars called speakeasies



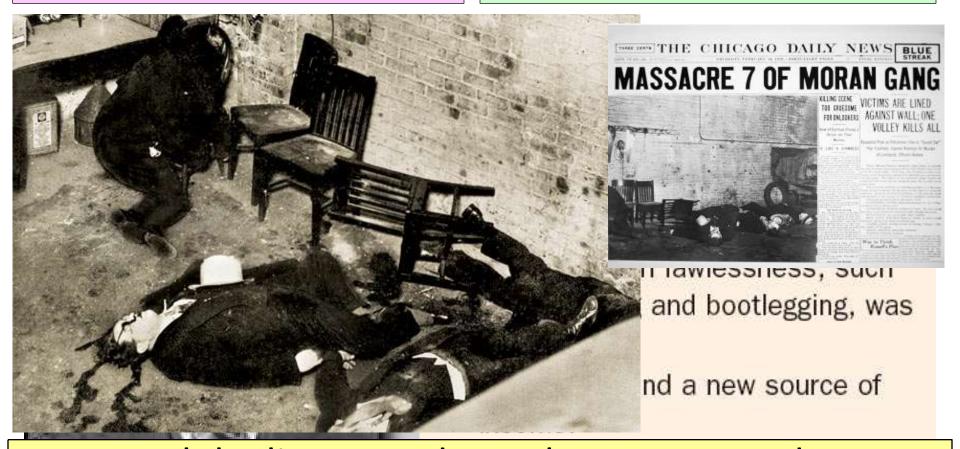
Demand for illegal alcohol led to a rise in smuggling ("bootlegging"), moonshining, crime





Organized crime emerged in America as the mafia took control of the illegal alcohol trade

The most notorious mobster was Al Capone who controlled the alcohol trade in Chicago



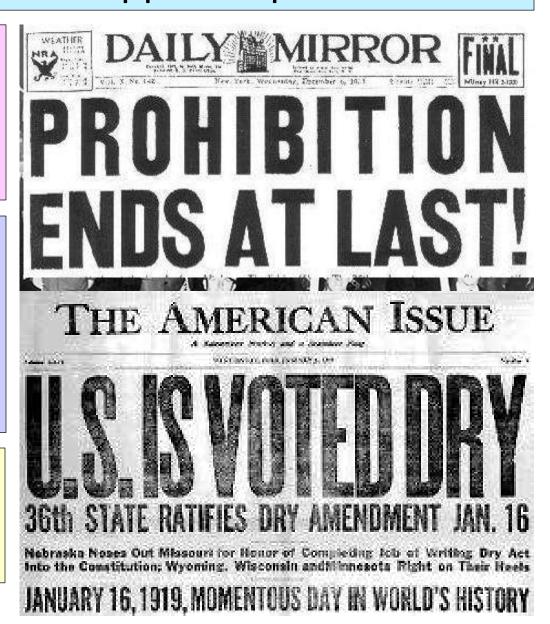
To control the liquor trade, mobsters resorted to gang killings like the St. Valentines Day Massacre in 1929

By the end of the 1920s, only 19% of Americans supported prohibition

The strongest defenders of prohibition were rural Americans...

...But, most Americans believed that prohibition caused more problems than it solved

The 21st Amendment was ratified in 1933 to repeal prohibition

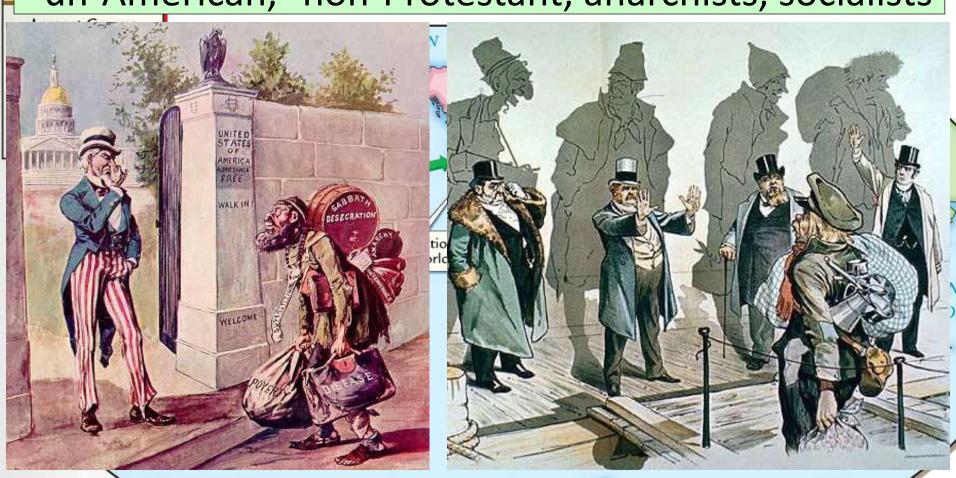




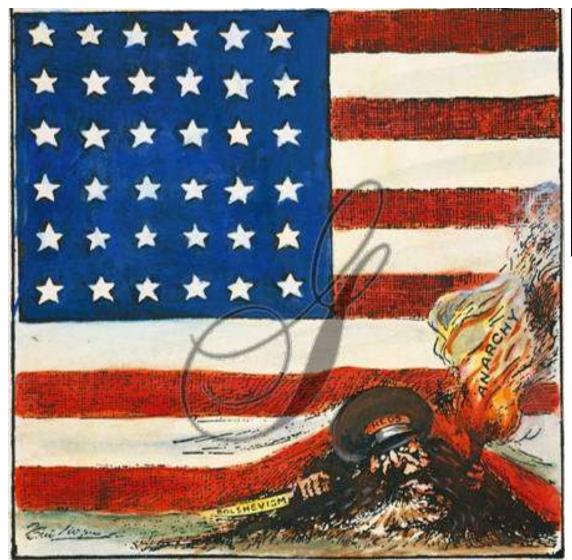
America experienced a new wave of nativism

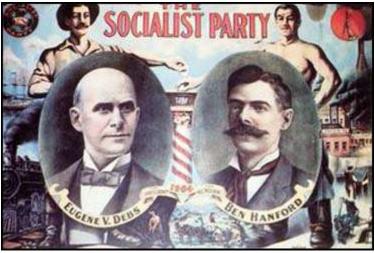
800,000 Southern and Eastern European immigrants arrived each year in the early 1920s

Rural Americans thought of immigrants as "un-American," non-Protestant, anarchists, socialists



The Red Scare, union strikes, and growth of Eugene Deb's Socialist Party spread fears of a Russian-style socialist revolution







During the Red Scare, immigrants were under attack

In 1920, Nicola Sacco and Bartolomeo Vanzetti were arrested and charged with robbery and murder

Sacco and Vanzetti were Italian immigrants and anarchists

With only circumstantial evidence, they were found guilty and executed

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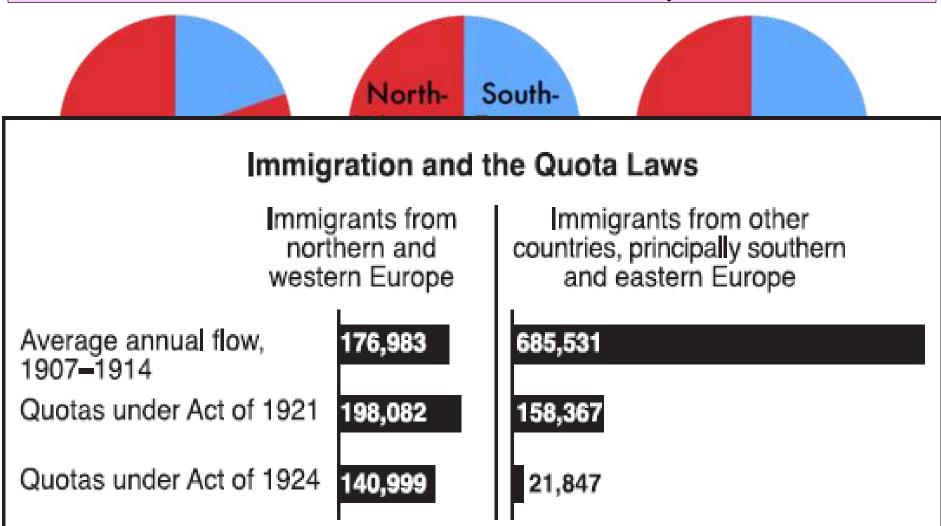
In response to nativism, Congress passed new immigration restrictions in 1921 and 1924



These laws created quotas that placed a maximum number of how many immigrants could enter the U.S. each year



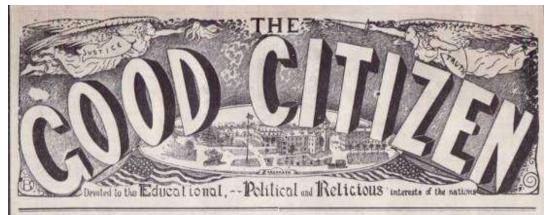




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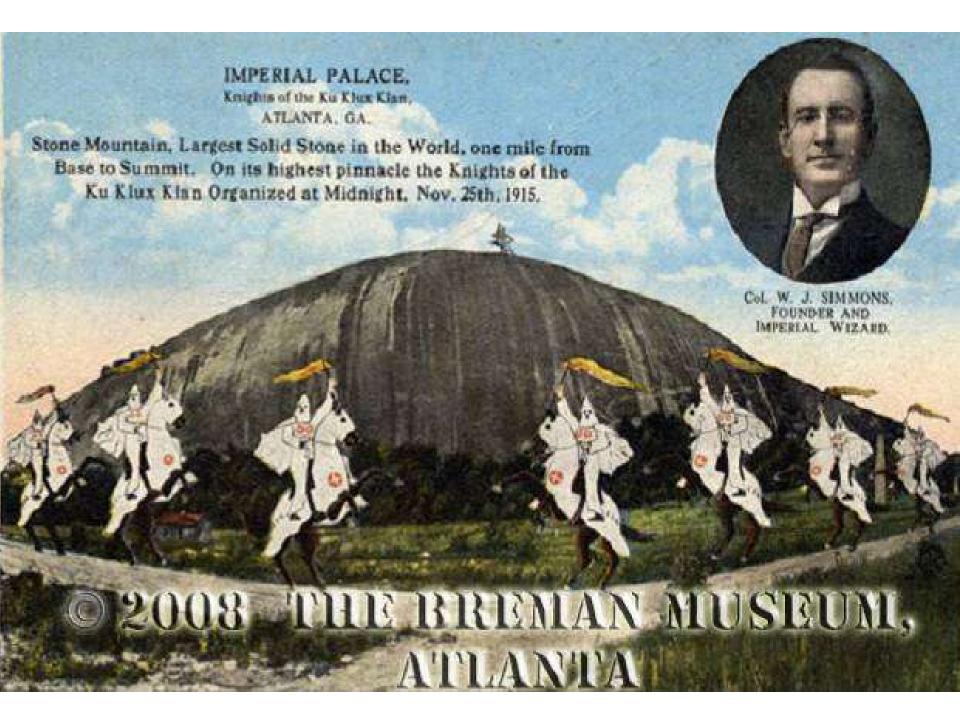
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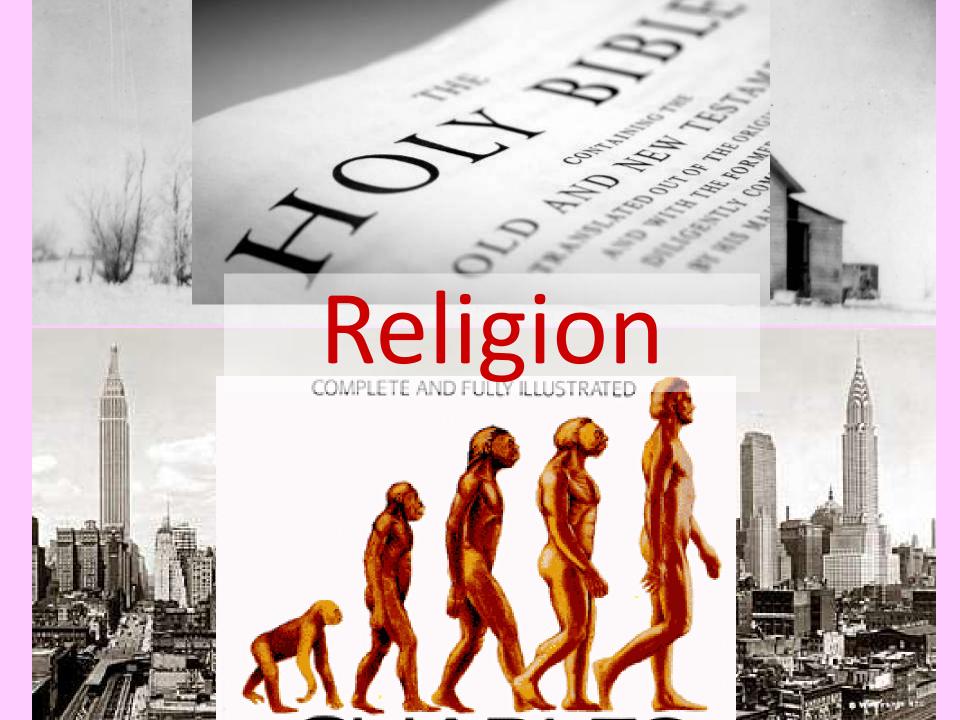
The 1920s saw an increase in membership in the Ku Klux Klan

The KKK promoted traditional "American" values and used violence and fear to attack immigrants, African Americans, Catholics, Jews, socialists



By 1924, the KKK had 4.5 million members and elected politicians to power in several states





Rural Americans found comfort in religious fundamentalism (a literal interpretation of the Bible)

Rural folks rejected the urban values, especially immigrants and flappers

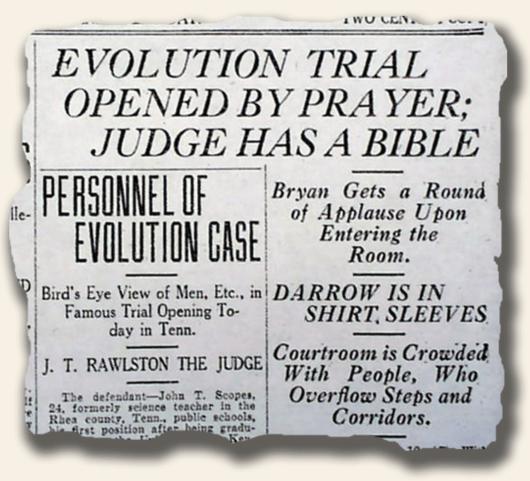
Evangelists used the radio to broadcast Christian messages



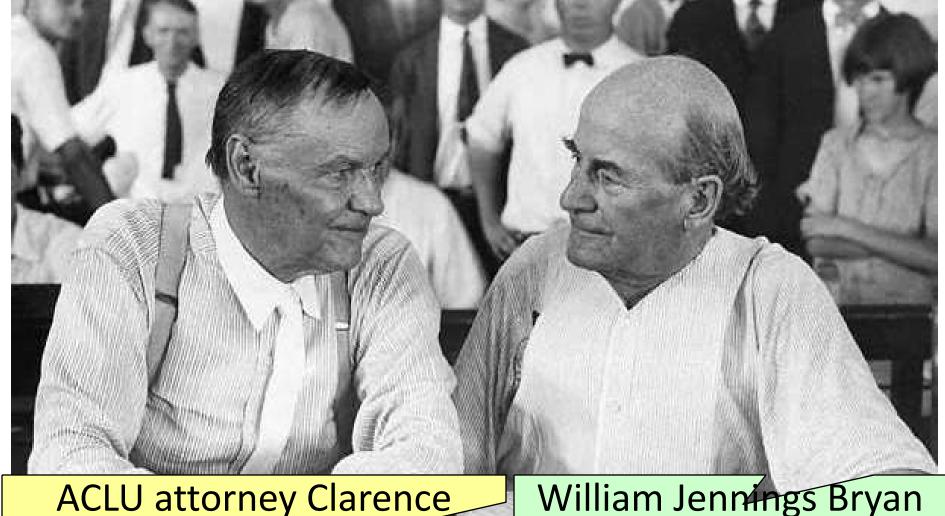
Many rural Christians rejected ideas that contradicted the Bible and outlawed the teaching of evolution in schools

Teacher John Scopes
was arrested in
Dayton, Tennessee
for teaching evolution
in his biology class





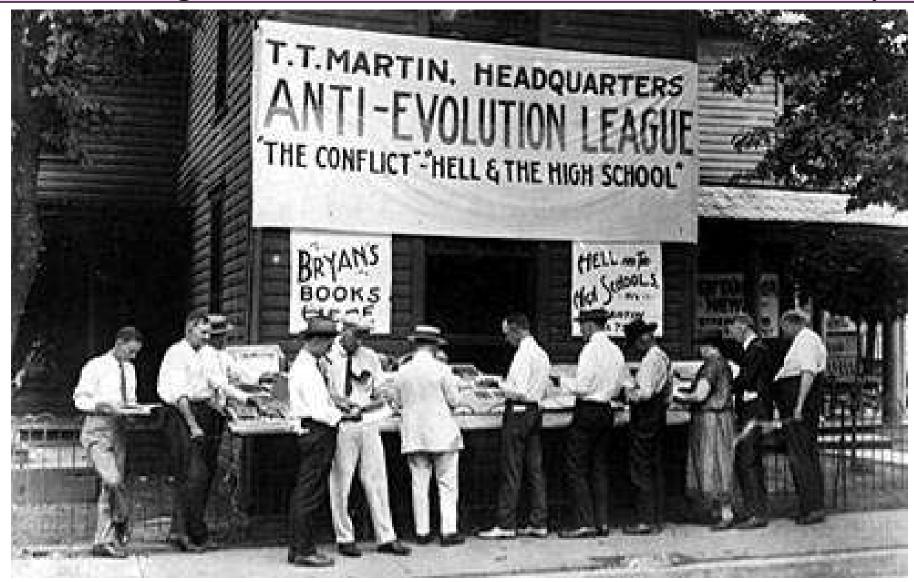
The Scopes "Monkey Trial" was a national sensation



Darrow defended Scopes,
Represented urban America,
science and modernity

William Jennings Bryan served as prosecutor; Represented Christianity and rural values

Scopes was found guilty, but evolutionists believed they won because Darrow got Bryan to admit that the world might not have been made in six 24 hour days



America in the 1920s experienced a decade of change

ECONOMIC

There was an increase in consumerism...



Government policies favored business and isolationism

LIFE IN POSTWAR AMERICA

SOCIETAL/SOCIAL

Women and
African Americans
experienced new
freedoms while
immigrants came
under attack

TECHNOLOGY/INDUSTRY

...cars, radios, entertainment