

**BIG BUSINESS AND LABOR**

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**A NEW INDUSTRIAL AGE**

# HOW DID THE WORKERS RESPOND TO BIG BUSINESS?

Guiding Question

## Big Business



Laissez-faire  
"hands off"

What did  
they want?

## Labor



Government  
regulation

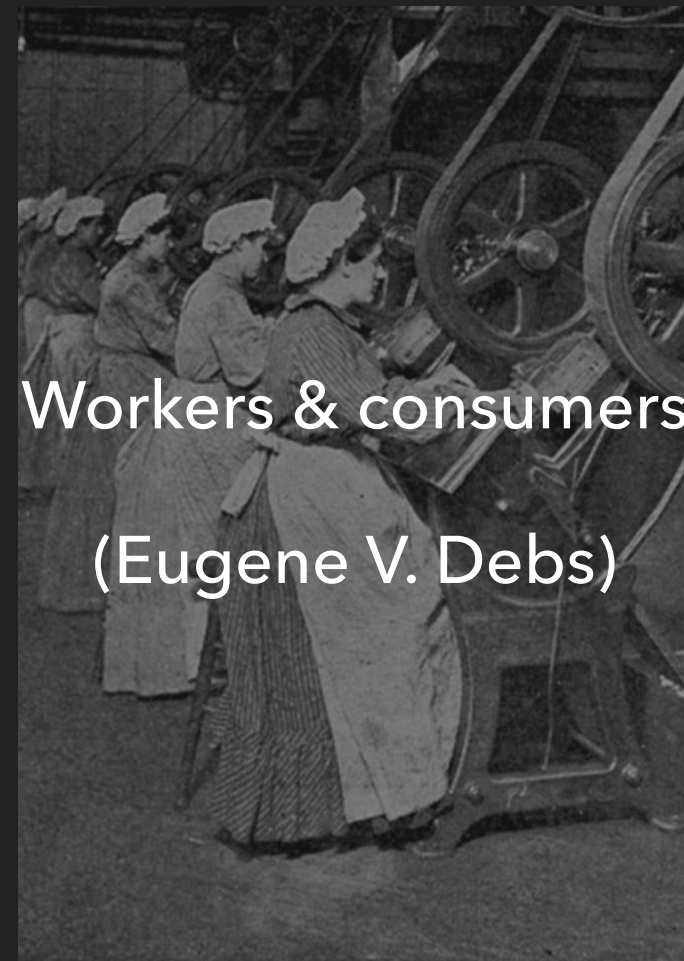
## Big Business



Big Business  
(Carnegie/Rockefeller)

Who  
wanted it?

## Labor



Workers & consumers  
(Eugene V. Debs)

## Big Business

### Capitalism

- individual profit
- private ownership
- competition
- uneven distribution of wealth



Why did  
they want it?

## Labor

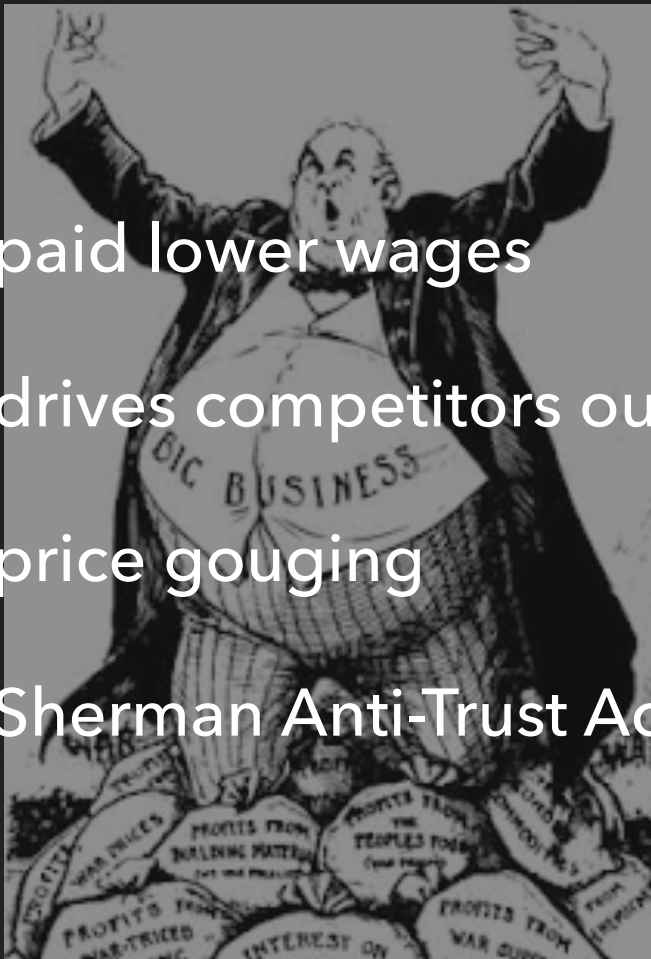
### Socialism

- group welfare
- government ownership
- cooperation
- equal distribution of wealth



## Big Business

- paid lower wages
- drives competitors out
- price gouging
- Sherman Anti-Trust Act



What was  
the  
outcome?

## Labor

- Industrial Workers of the World
- Triangle Shirtwaist Factory
- Mary Harris "Mother" Jones

