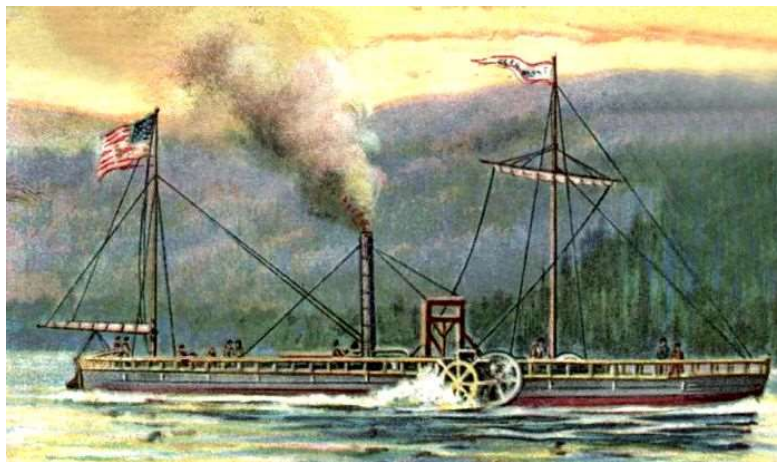


WHAT WERE THE EFFECTS OF THE INDUSTRIAL REVOLUTION?

What effects did the Industrial Revolution leave behind and how did it change the lives of the people living in the United States? Changes that took effect transformed the United States in fundamental ways. There was the creation of a new social class, production of goods, transportation, communication, and farming.

One of the most significant effects of the Industrial Revolution was the emergence of the middle class. Goods became cheaper because of more efficient production.

Transportation of goods no longer took weeks or months and could now be completed in days thanks to steamboats, roads, canals, and railroads.



Communication could now be sent back and forth almost immediately with the invention of the telegraph. Technology even impacted food production. Farmers could now yield more crops leading to a surplus of food. People in the United States began living longer and the population grew as the number of deaths decreased.