Industrialization after the Civil War

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**Part 1**

**Thesis Statement**

The civil war had numerous effects in industrialization in the US. Industrialization brought about general societal, political and economic changes that were both negative and positive.

**Justification of Thesis Statement**

Industrialization in the US has been attributed to the rise of the civil war. While industrialization is expected to have had numerous positive benefits, it is worth noting that it also had many negative effects on economy, politics and the society at large. The political class of the time seemed to control industrialization and it is then that capitalism was introduced. With industrialization, members of the society who were low income earners were able to earn a living by working in the numerous industries. The economy had been damaged after the civil war due to destruction of property. Industrialization however helped in rebuilding the economy and this eventually ensured that the US regained its glory and became a super power.

**Part 2**

1. **Introduction**
2. There are several aspects that characterized industrialization.
3. The rise of many factories was typical of industrialization after the civil war. These factories worked to ensure that the needs of the citizens were taken care of and that the resources in the economy were utilized.
4. With industrialization also came urbanization. This is because people moved from their rural areas to their urban areas in search of jobs and to better their living.
5. Industrialization led to the growth of a political class. This group became strong as it controlled the factors of production. This group also had the ability make policies regarding industrialization.
6. **Specific groups that were affected by industrialization**
7. Natives
8. Low-income earners
9. Immigrants
10. African Americans
11. Business people
12. These groups were affected by the industrial revolution process for various reasons including race and ethnicity.
13. The African Americans were considered inferior and were subjected to forced labor in factories and industries.
14. The low income earners were also subjected to poor working conditions and pay as the economy was mainly controlled by the elite in the society.
15. **Ways in which industrialization affected the lives of average working Americans**
16. The lives of the average working Americans were greatly affected by the industrial revolution.
17. In the first instance, average Americans were displaced from their land to allow for the growth of industries.
18. These Americans were also subjected to hard working conditions.
19. With industrialization, an average working American was also able open up businesses and become economically independent due to the platforms that industrialization created.
20. The development of road networks also helped Americans in going about their daily activities.
21. **Conclusion**
22. The effects of industrialization have been felt up to this day
23. The negative and positive effects of industrialization played a major role in the development of the economy, the society as well as the political class

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