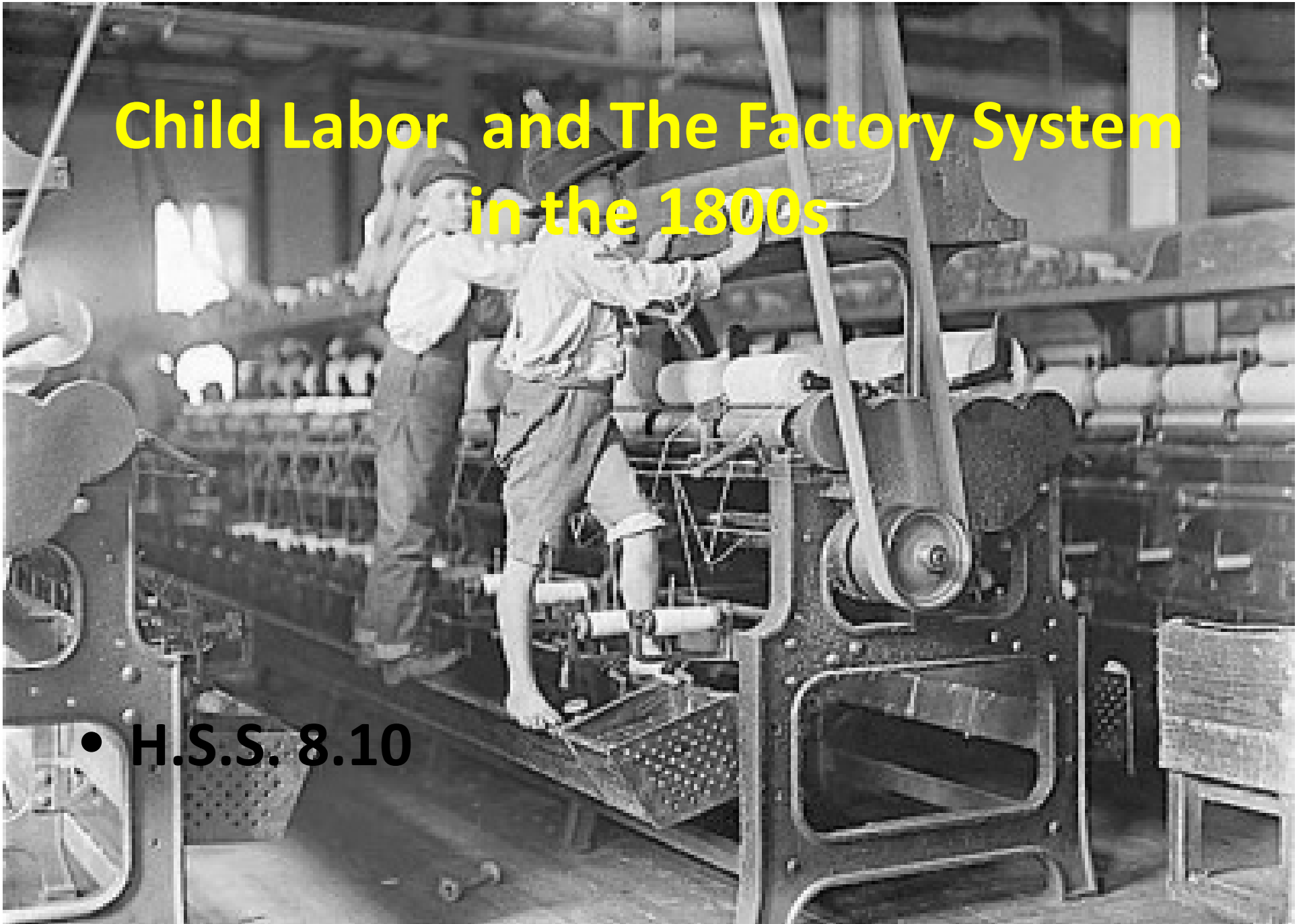


Child Labor and The Factory System in the 1800s

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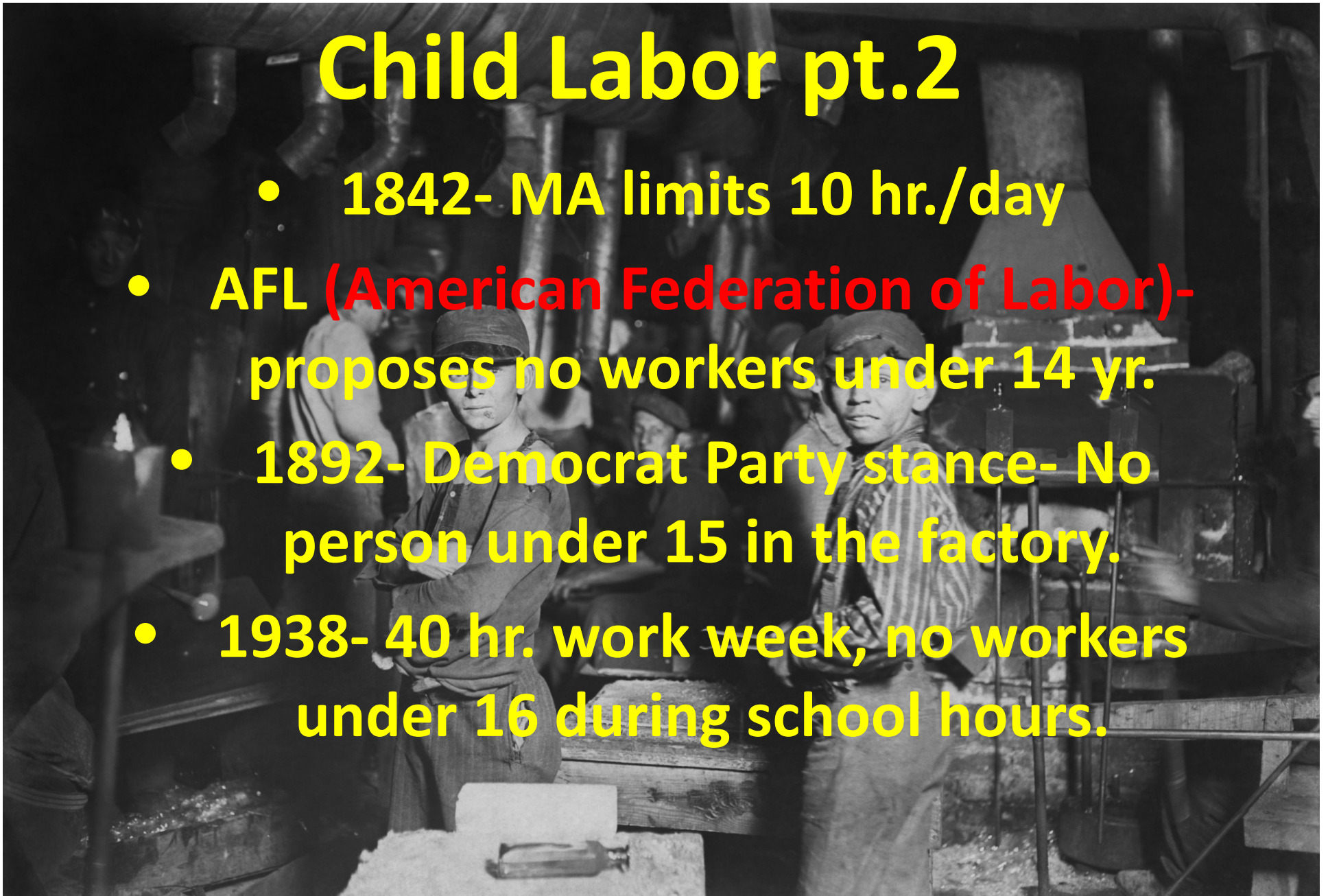
Child Labor

- Kids- 7 yrs old worked.
- 18% of workers in the 1900 were children.
- 25% of mill workers were children under 15 years old.



Child Labor pt.2

- 1842- MA limits 10 hr./day
- AFL (American Federation of Labor)- proposes no workers under 14 yr.
- 1892- Democrat Party stance- No person under 15 in the factory.
- 1938- 40 hr. work week, no workers under 16 during school hours.





FACTORIES

- S. Slater-R.I. System
- 1793-1st mill
- 1835- owned/partner of 13 mills.
- Hired families
- As young as 7-12 yrs. old worked
 - Carding machines
 - Water frames
 - Roving machine



Slaterville (Mill town)

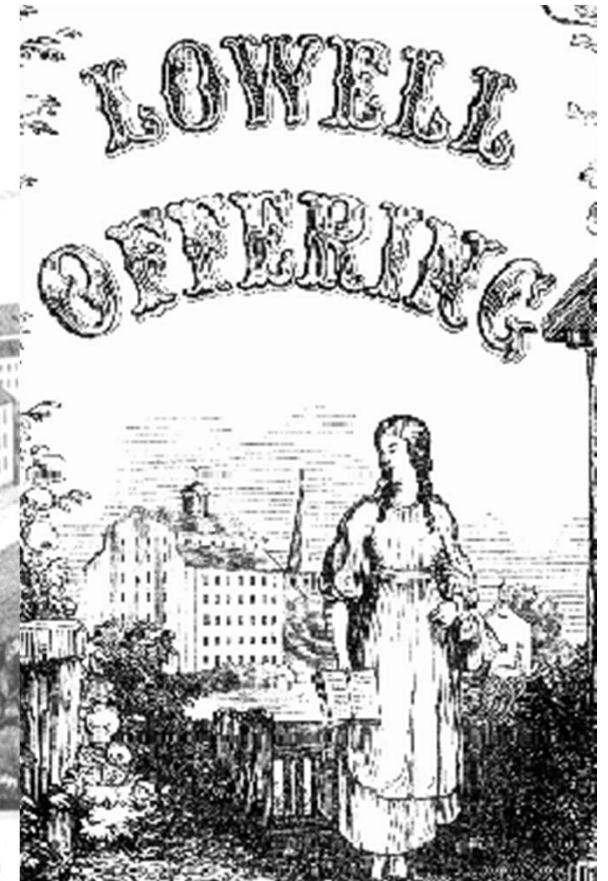


- Built by Samuel & brother John
- Town layout:
- 2 Multilevel houses for workers
- Owner's house
- Company store
- Workers paid with company credit
- Mill
- Other- tailor, dressmakers
butchers, etc.



Lowell

- Lowell system-water powered mill
- 1814- MA:1st mill
- 1st in MA- to use the Arkwright System
- Workers-young, unmarried women from farms ages 15-30 yr. old
- Over 8,000 workers



Lowell (mill town)

- Boarding houses for workers (6-8 per rm.)
- Pay-\$2-4 wk., 12-14 hr, 6 day/wk.
- Room and Board-\$1.25 wk.
- Bell-breakfast/dinner
- Encouraged women to take classes/form clubs
- *Lowell Offering*-magazine

TIME TABLE
1874.

OF THE LOWELL MILLS,
Arranged to make the working time 60 hours per week.
The STANDARD TIME will be marked at noon, by the BELL of the MERRIMACK MANUFACTURING COMPANY.

Breakfast, - - - - -	at - - - - -	- 6.15 A. M.
Commence Work, - - - - -	" - - - - -	- 6.45 A. M.
Dinner, - - - - -	" - - - - -	- 12 M.
Commence Work, after Dinner, at - - - - -	- - - - -	- 1 P. M.
Stop Work, except on Saturday evenings, at - - - - -	- - - - -	- 6 P. M.

BELLS.

Morning Bells.		Dinner Bells.	
First Bell, - - - - -	4.45 A. M.	Ring Out, - - - - -	12 M.
Second Bell, - - - - -	5.45 A. M.	Ring In, - - - - -	12.50 P. M.
Third Bell, - - - - -	6.35 A. M.		

Evening Bells.
Ring Out, - - - - - 6 P. M. - Except on Saturday Evenings.
SATURDAY EVENING BELL, 4.30 P. M.

YARD GATES will be opened at the first stroke of the Bells, for entering or leaving the Mills.

Speed Gates Commence hoisting, five minutes before commencing work.