Course: Econ 1740 U.S. Economic History

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Reflective assignment

Internal Improvements: Nineteenth Century Economic Aids of Settler Societies

In this class, I learn so much about the economic history of America. Before taking this class, I thought it would be a very boring class; however, it was not bad. It is quite interesting and the teacher is very nice. I am so glad to take this class!

As the population increased and settlement expanded westward in   
nineteenth-century America, the need for internal improvements became more   
apparent. Although internal improvements played a part in the discussion of   
national development in the early Republic, the stress of increasing populations in   
the federal territories brought the issue onto the national stage. While some   
individuals claimed the need for more comprehensive and reliable infrastructural   
developments, others fought against them. Despite the growing population and   
expanding nation, internal improvements became a contentious topic in American   
politics.

With no doubt, a better and more advanced technology is needed for sure in nowadays--the 21st century, I cannot believe that there would be somebody fought against it. Why do they want to stay at the same stage and do not want to step forward? I cannot understand that.

But now, most industries are using technology to enhance their productivity. Technology is a vital part of our society and our life! We cannot live without it. Agricultural, educational, manufactures and so on, all are using technology to make their business more effectively and efficiently. I believe there would be nobody against improving our technology and thus make our society better and better.