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## Final Examination Railroads and American Politics, Spring Semester 2017

- 1. In Colonial America, under an environment of almost unlimited resources, representative democracy evolved with .....
  - a. Capitalism
  - b. Communism
  - c. Conservativism
- 2. How are shocks in the form of new technologies in the economic system related to shocks in the political system?
  - a. Shocks in the economic system cause shocks in the political system.
  - b. Shocks in the political system cause shocks in the economic system.
  - c. The causal arrow goes both ways: Political shocks affect the economic system and economic shocks affect political system.
- 3. Opening 27 September 1825, the first true railroad was located where?
  - a. Scotland
  - b. South Carolina
  - c. England
- 4. In 1854, how many railroad lines served Chicago?
  - a. 1
  - b. 11
  - c. 21
- 5. By 1860, which states replaced Pennsylvania, New York and Ohio to become the leading wheat growing states?
  - a. Illinois, Indiana, and Wisconsin
  - b. Illinois, Indiana, and Missouri
  - c. Indiana, Michigan, and Wisconsin
- 6. Along with private property rights, which other unique characteristics of the United States led to tremendous rewards for creative entrepreneurs and inventors?
  - a. Government regulation and isolation from Europe
  - b. Limited government and isolation from Europe
  - c. Low interest loans and Limited government
- 7. What was required to run a mountain railroad, like the Pennsylvania Railroad?
  - a. Less trains
  - b. Andrew Carnegie

- c. Higher Operating Costs
- 8. After retirement, Andrew Carnegie devoted his life to
  - a. Family
  - b. Philanthropy
  - c. Minimizing the influence of Unions
- 9. In 1855, it cost \$.3 million to run New England textile mill complexes. By contrast, how much did it cost to run the Pennsylvania Railroad?
  - a. \$20 million
  - b. \$5 million
  - c. \$2 million
- 10. The Trunk Line Railroads were huge businesses which were notoriously complex to run. How did they overcome these difficulties?
  - a. The Railroad workers formed Unions
  - b. Complex organizational structures evolved to handle them
  - c. They bribed government officials for lower taxes.
- 11. The Railroads tended to set prices in relation to cost rather than demand because:
  - a. They were nefarious greedy capitalists.
  - b. They had high fixed costs.
  - c. Andrew Carnegie came up with the idea.
- 12. Value based Pricing is an example of:
  - a. Discrimination against types of traffic
  - b. Discrimination against Places
  - c. Discrimination against Persons
- 13. Henry Flagler was:
  - a. A famous baseball player in the 1880s.
  - b. John D. Rockefeller's partner
  - c. President of the Bank of California
- 14. Equity Receivership
  - a. Was used to reorganize bankrupt railroads
  - b. Was used to pay larger dividends on stock
  - c. Was a law passed in Congress in 1873
- 15. What people believe is true
  - a. Is true
  - b. Is repeated back to them by politicians
  - c. Is the basis of science