

Western Frontier



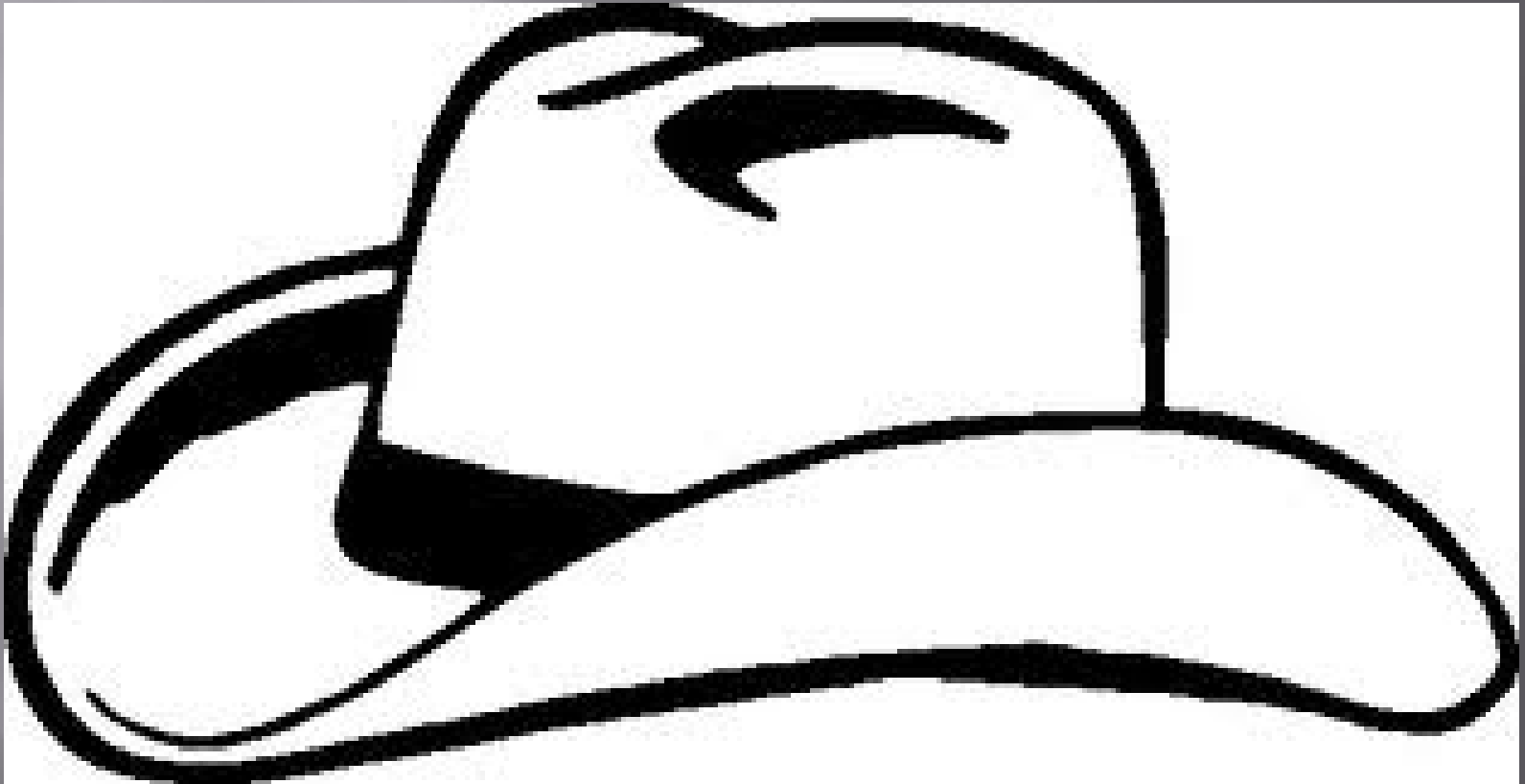
Cattle Ranching



The American Cowboy



The Cowboy Hat



Chisholm Trail



The End of the Wide-Open West

WHY?

Overgrazing the land

Extended bad weather

and...



Railroads Lead to Settlement in The West




Homestead Act (1862)

PRODUCTS WILL PAY FOR LAND AND IMPROVEMENTS!

MILLIONS OF ACRES

THE GREAT WESTERN LANDS AND GREAT IMPROVING VALUE AND ABUNDANCE OF THEM



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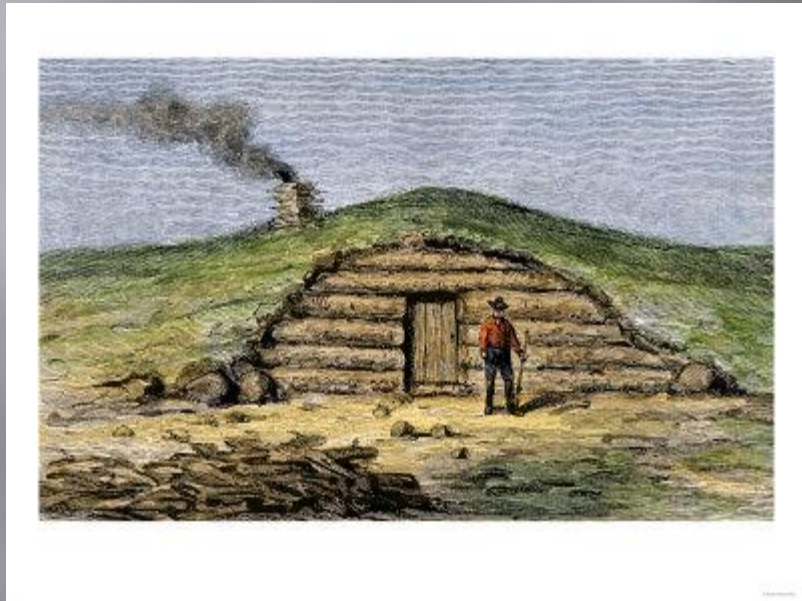


Challenges of the Plains

- ▣ Frontier settlers faced extreme hardships
 - Droughts
 - Floods
 - Fires
 - Blizzards
 - Locust plagues
 - Occasional raids by outlaws & Native Americans
 - Yet the population of the Plains cont'd to grow!

Dugouts & Soddis

DUGOUT



SODDY



Women's Role on the Plains

- ▣ Worked beside men in the fields
- ▣ Sheered sheep & used wool to make clothes
- ▣ Hauled H₂O from wells that helped to dig
- ▣ Made soap & candles from tallow
- ▣ Canned fruits & veggies
- ▣ Skilled in doctoring
- ▣ Sponsored schools & churches

The Birth of the Populist Party

- ▣ For what reasons did the Populist Party come about in the late 1800s?

William Jennings Bryan's "Cross of Gold" Speech

