THE ORGANIZED LABOR MOVEMENT (PAGES 450-457)

Answer the following questions based on the textbook.

WORKERS ENDURE HARDSHIPS:

1. Describe life in the factory during the Industrial Revolution.

2. How did women and children play a role in factory life?

3. What was a Company Town? Describe some of the aspects of life in these towns.

LABOR UNIONS FORM:

1. What was collective bargaining? Do you think it is effective? Why or why not?

2. Who founded the Knights of Labor? Who took over in 1881? What did this union attempt to do?

3. Who founded the AFL? How was this union different from the Knights of Labor?
Find the event, place, and year in your textbook that is described in each NUMBERED section.

STRIKES ROCK THE NATION:

1. ____________________________________________________________________________________

   - Thousands protested for an 8 hr workday.
   - One protestor threw a bomb that killed a policeman.
   - Dozens of policemen and protestors ended up dead.
   - This event gave the Knights of Labor a bad reputation, leading to a loss of membership, and general feelings of anxiety towards labor unions.

2. ____________________________________________________________________________________

   - Steelworkers wages got cut, and led to a worker’s strike.
   - A group called the Pinkertons were hired by Henry Clay Frick to violently break-up the strike.
   - A non-union member attempted to assassinate Frick but failed.
   - The union called off their strike after public opinion turned against them.

3. ____________________________________________________________________________________

   - Wages were cut for workers, but the standard of living in the company town stayed the same.
   - Workers attempted to negotiate with the owner, but 3 were instead fired.
   - A nationwide strike ensued, led by the American Railway Union and Eugene Debs.
   - Federal troops ended the strike based on it being a violation of the Anti Trust act and Debs was imprisoned.