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Chinese - Now & Then

by Joe Escobar - Friday, March 2, 2018, 11:21 PM

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America's relationship with China then & now

by Mackenzi Knoll - Monday, March 5, 2018, 3:30 PM

In many of these cartoons and life in general, we see Chinese being treated as less than Americans. We see that they are working hard and at younger ages in order to earn a much smaller amount of money than working Americans do. Although the Chinese are not treated as well as American citizens, they do have a lot of control over our economy. The trade, tax, debt and partnership between the United States and China is something that is so complex yet and beyond our knowledge. Cartoon #6 is one that stands out to me most. It looks to me as if the cartoonist is comparing China's labor issue with a concentration camp in the Hitler era. We see

that in China, children and even adults are exhausted from working hard and long hours, just so that Americans can work peacefully. This is so disappointing to see that the people of China are being worked to death, almost literally. I believe the cartoonist is comparing America's relationship with China to Nazi's and Jews. In cartoon #9, we see with the words shown many of the problems that China is facing. Although this cartoon was made to show the problems in history, these exact same issues ring true today. In cartoon #8, we see Americans hanging a Chinese man, with the phrase "No Chinese need apply" on a sign in the background. This shows the racism between American and Chinese. Although some Americans have little to no respect for the Chinese, the U.S. would not be functioning well without the many things that they provide to us. After looking through all of the cartoons and watching the video, we can see that there are many similarities between the relationship of the U.S. and China then and now. History sure does continue to repeat itself!!

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Cartoon #1 & #2 Fear of competition

by Abigail Gierut - Monday, March 5, 2018, 6:31 PM

Watching this commercial and having read chapter 18 in the textbook it's obvious that Americans were fearful of the competition of Chinese immigrants at the time and still to this day are afraid of China practically owning us in the future. In the 19th century, along with the railroad, came many Chinese migrating to the U.S. (primarily California) looking for temporary work and an opportunity to bring back money to their family. "Chinese immigrants intended to be sojourners, not permanent settlers: They planned to take their hard earned savings home to the wives and families they had left behind" (Textbook, Pg 596).

This alone may have made Americans a little nervous, but the fact that they were willing to work for lower wages and in harsher conditions caused employers to take advantage of these chinese laborers and not hire as many white laborers terrified the white nativists. The central pacific railroad for example "employed a workforce that was by 1867 almost 90 percent Chinese" (Textbook, Pg 596). As we know fear of different cultures and people also fuels discrimination and prejudice like we saw with the hatred for Irish immigrants at the time as well. This prejudice at the time was mainly based around the idea that the Chinese were taking jobs from white Americans. An example of this fear of Chinese laborers taking over most of the work at the time is cartoon #1, a Chinese man doing multiple labor jobs while jobless white men stand outside waiting around for work.

In the minds of scared anglo-Americans, the Chinese would not stop there and would eventually devour the country. The quite literal message in cartoon #2 shows these fears as Chinese immigrants, with the help of already American hated Irish immigrants are physically consuming uncle sam from each side of the country. With the majority of the workforce for the Union Pacific being Irish and the Central pacific being Chinese, this was a realistic concern to people at the the time and they had examples to support their fears of the future.

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Re: Cartoon #1 & #2 Fear of competition

by Elliot Rooy - Friday, March 9, 2018, 6:49 PM

I agree with what you're saying and your summary of what was happening on the West coast with Chinese railroad workers was a very big part of this. The massive power grabs by big industry in the late 1800's was fueled by an underpaid workforce of minorities and white citizens felt the pressure when they now had to compete with people who were working hard and for less money than they had been accustomed to earning. I think this concept is nicely illustrated in cartoon number 6 which shows a member of the Working Men's Procession walking into Chinatown and socking an Asian national in the face. Of course, the discrimination didn't simply stop at blows but accelerated into an all out massacre at Rock Springs, Colorado. Current day feelings of xenophobia are very apparent in today's hostile and polar political climate and the Citizens Against Government Waste video clip is an unabashed attempt at supporting this mind set.

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China rising

by Lloyd Higgins - Monday, March 5, 2018, 7:21 PM

Upon examining some of the cartoons in the forum topic on China, and watching the commercial about Chinese takeover of American debt, it is clear that there is still a slightly antagonistic attitude of Americans vs. the Chinese. With that said, I feel as though the attitudes have definitely shifted in 100 years, and in some cases have completely reversed. In cartoon number 1 it is clear that the cartoon is depicting a 'theft' of labor by the Chinese from American born workers. While it would be easy to blame Chinese immigration at this time without much critical thought, one could further examine the reason why Chinese labor was so abundant during this period of American history, especially among the railroad workers. Chinese labor was hired in the United States because it was cheap and economic. The railroad barons at the time weren't trying to fill any sort of diversity quota. The same can be said for Irish workers coming from the East Coast. Despite the fact that the general public (read: Americans born here) were hostile towards these 'foreign invaders' was because they perceived them to be competing with Americans for jobs. Little did they know it was the fault of the railroad barons themselves for refusing to increase cost of labor, thus hiring migrant workers.

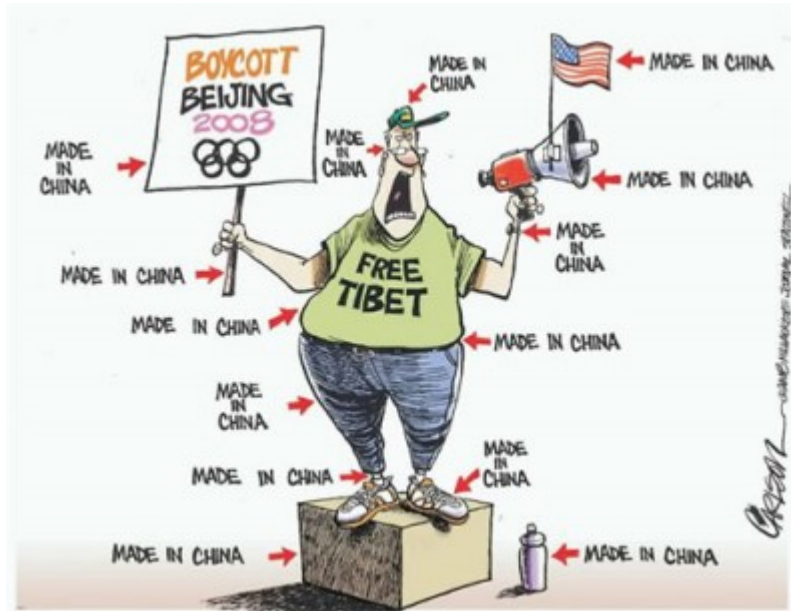
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With examination of the video to cross-reference against the cartoon. I found the video to be startlingly accurate. In fact I would say that the video is likely predicting the future. For the simple reason that corporate investors in our country absolutely refuse to pull their labor out of China. Can we really blame them? The cost of labor is massively cheaper than it would be to have the same level of manufacturing stateside paying the wages we do. The reason for this is the same reason the railroad barons lowballed the cost of labor to the Chinese, it was economically advantageous compared to hiring Americans. It always has been cheaper to outsource labor and it always will be that way. Even now, most of the products we take for granted (Nike, Coca Cola, Apple, Ford) are all made in China. This is the same reason China owns nearly a third of our debt as well. If current trends continue (which they likely will, I don't see anyone throwing their macbook out or refusing to buy Nike brand clothing anytime soon) then our country will likely fall far behind the rise of Chinese economic, cultural, and eventually military power. It would be unfortunate to see my own country lose on so many fronts so badly, however, history has proven to us that the country with the most money almost always wins.

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Re: China rising

by Daniel Vuong - Saturday, March 10, 2018, 11:42 PM

Although you do make some great and valid points in your post here, I think you are overlooking the fact that the video is more than trying to 'prove' a point by making a very hypothetical situation. There are much better ways to make these points, and although I find you very correct about the reason why we outsource labor as Americans, I think the American government and its infrastructure is more at fault here. Furthermore, I believe that the video does not prove the point even more so, not "predicting the future", because they do so in a very ironic way. By having the group of Chinese people laugh and chuckle when the professor said, "So now they work for us", the creators are clearly trying to point at history, as if it is okay to work for anyone in this kind of manner. The video makes great points, as you stated on the infrastructure, and where we spend our money, but I believe it fails to consider how else they could have pointed this out without possibly offending anyone based on America's unjust discrimination and treatment of foreign workers.

In order to make complete changes, more than just progress, I believe we as Americans, have to destroy racial stigmas, and recognize our past, history, and the burden that we must carry in order to make these just changes. The video, I believe, does not do this in any way, even playing into this mindset that "we own" our country, and that if any other race were to involve themselves in our society, that it would be seen as a very negative way.

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Unmistakable parallels between historic and current day racism.

by Elliot Rooy - Monday, March 5, 2018, 11:23 PM

There certainly are parallels between the cartoons of the 1900s and the current day video clip. The cartoons depict many of the things that were happening with the Central Pacific Railroad and Chinese immigration at the time. Americans were fearful of the new foreign culture and its threat to the traditional American values that had become commonly accepted. The long braid hairstyle, the hard work ethic, the compact living conditions, and opium use were some characteristics that were highlighted among the anti immigrant cartoons like #8 that specifically named "opium", "immorality", and "cheap labor" as being part of this encroaching sub culture. Cartoons 7 and 9 made explicit use of the braid that Asian men wore at this time. As was stated on page 597, some local ordinances even mandated hair length so that this hairstyle would no longer appear in public. Number 2 appears to be inciting fear in the public by depicting Uncle Sam being swallowed up by both an Irish and a Chinese immigrant. This is similar to the scare tactics that I observed in the current day video that showed a large group of Chinese discussing how they had overtaken the American economy and gotten US citizens to work for them. It took place in an ominous looking dimly lit auditorium and was all spoken in Chinese with subtitles to invoke some of the same culture shock that was being pushed in the 1900s cartoons. I believe that the video is evidence of the same type of anti alien rhetoric that is being used to this day.

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American Behaviors Towards Chinese

by David Garvin - Monday, March 5, 2018, 11:44 PM

The cartoons that I felt had a good connection to the commercial we're cartoons #3 & #9. These cartoons depict Chinese in a negative way by assuming that their intentions is to control or destroy America and the American way of life. The third cartoon states "That Uncle Sam may be swallowed by foreigners." This states a fear that the Chinese will take over the United States and control us. This related to the commercial because they state that America now works for them due to our debt with them. The ninth cartoon shows a Chinese man as an octopus with each different tenticle representing a stereotype that Americans were worried about with the Chinese. It relates to the commercial by showing Americans gripped by the Chinese in their control.

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cartoon # 4 and how it relates

by Jordan Lopez - Monday, March 5, 2018, 11:48 PM

Reading this chapter I learned that blacks and Indians weren't the only people affected by western expansion. looking at cartoon number 4 and how it relates to the Chinese Exclusion Act that was passed by the federal Government in 1882. This act suspended Chinese Immigration for 10 years, however it did allow certain people in certain job categories, pretty much anyone who benefited the United States. On page 597 the statistics says that " The population of the Chinese declined from 105,465 in 1880 to 89,863 in 1900". The U.S came a long way from such harsh time periods. China exports the most to us and has helped us financially during economic down falls. The video shows Chinese students learning the mistakes of fallen empires such as the British Empire and the Roman Empire. The whole class laughs when the instructor says that they work for us now. This brings me back to the textbook. In the beginning of the chapter it mentions the two main Railroad companies. The

Central and the Pacific Railroad. It states that the Central Railroad had 90% of Chinese working for them. It also brings up how a massacre in Rocks Springs, Colorado led to 28 deaths of Chinese men after whites had killed them since the Union Pacific Railroad company decided to hire them. The Chinese received less pay then white men and endured violence through out the west. California had many laws that prohibited the Chinese from man rights. The book states on page 606 that Chinese women in America never reached over 5,000 in the 19th century and that Chinese Women were kidnapped and purchased and sold into slavery and prostitution. Comparing to today, how we rely on them is a huge turn-over. We import a lot of technological devices from China, employing millions of Chinese laborers. we accept there cultural and even visit places like Chinatown, San Francisco. The very place where the National Great Railroad Strike in 1877 happen.

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Re: cartoon # 4 and how it relates

by Elliot Rooy - Friday, March 9, 2018, 6:28 PM

I agree with your stance on the subject and I like that you included your interpretation of cartoon number 4 on the Chinese exclusion act. It was in effect for 10 years and then reinstated for another 10 before being implemented permanently which lasted until the mid 1940's as we learned in class! Its pretty strange to realize that these types of laws existed so recently in our country and it helps to explain why the feelings that were express in the modern day video clip are still lingering in our society. I don't think that modern discrimination against Asian demographics exists to the extent that it did in the late 19th century because the cartoons that we were analyzing could not be published in our modern society, but the Citizens Against Government Waste video clip certainly affirms its current existence even in its watered down form.

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Reverse the Roles

by Chelsea Sheltman - Wednesday, March 7, 2018, 9:14 PM

The commercial seems to demonstrate a reversal of roles. In the chapter we are reading, the Chinese immigrants were driven to the Unites States in hopes of being able to find jobs and send money back home to their wives. This was largely due to Britain taking over in China after the Opium War. In the commercial, the audience of Chinese students laughs when the speaker states that Americans work for them. This also demonstrates the reversal of the time period we are currently studying. In the mid to late 1800's, Chinese immigrants became a significant part of the labor force. Leland Stanford used them in his building of the Central Pacific Railroad. This flood of immigrants threatened the jobs of Irish men and other Americans seeking fair wages and working conditions. When workers would strike, employers could threaten them with the fear of replacement by an immigrant who was willing to work for less and in worse conditions as seen in picture 5. This lead to outrage by the working class displayed in many of the images. For example, in image 10 one can view a Chinese man sitting on the floor while around the corner a mob of white men have angry faces and are holding guns. On the walls are words such as "barbarian", "rat-eater", and "heathen" demonstrating the hate they felt for

the Chinese. As Mr. Escobar said in class, history does not repeat itself. The events that drove China into its economic state in the late 1800's are not similar to the events that have occurred in recent time.

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Paybacks is a B#&*^

by Brogan Cornish - Wednesday, March 7, 2018, 9:48 PM

In this commercial to me the best representation of the attitudes being the same in both was **cartoon #2**. So in the video they talk about how tax money was spent to get the economy out of the toilet and how we as the U.S. The cartoon represents the cartoon is about how uncle Sam is being swallowed by both ends from and Irish worker and a Chinese worker. These two different sources relate in attitudes about how we used the pretty much as slaves and about how they're going to do the same thing with our people. As it says in our book, "at the same time, immigrants from China, Mexico, and other countries were drawn to the economic opportunities in the west." (ch.18 pg 593) While these people moved over to America with no jobs, no homes, and no food. The U.S. had them trapped so they offered them the jobs to work on the railroads to cut costs. "Labor contractors in China actively recruited young men to come to America to build the transcontinental railroad, as well as to work as agricultural laborers..." (ch.18 pg 597) We brought immigrant workers to replace our workforce for a cheaper cost. The Chinese couldn't do much to change their wages because they were only given few job opportunities, and they need money to survive. As we took advantage of the Chinese in this time period this commercial talks about how they will take advantage of us because of our debt to them. As we they Chinese attitudes were that they had no choice, we have no choice when having to pay back our debt. As they said in the video, "Of course, we owned most of their debt. So now they work for us." As our debt is growing it was at, "**\$1.102 trillion**, as of May 2017." If we have no choice they can work us for whatever wages they like. Just like how we worked them for a dollar a day on the transcontinental railroad.

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Re: Paybacks is a B#&*^

by Elliot Rooy - Wednesday, March 7, 2018, 10:45 PM

Our debt to China is actually shrinking, not growing. National debt isn't bad, it's good and it binds our economies for a more functional global market. It would be more accurate to look at it as being China owning stock in America than to see it as America being forced to borrow from China. For example, when China wants to reduce our debt to them, other countries simply buy it from China because American debt is a valuable asset on the global market. Additionally, I can't imagine what circumstances it would take, short of an invasion by China, for them to determine our salary. I'm not saying this just to prove you wrong but to point out the misleading message of the video clip. The clip absolutely wasn't based on anything concrete, and misrepresented the nature of international economics. It was designed as propaganda and was meant to influence people's view of China in the same way that several of the cartoons reflected strong bias against Chinese at the end of the 19th century. In the clip, they mention that America failed "because they turned their backs

on the principals that made them great.” Which is an appeal to tradition and a common fallacy that appears throughout various forms of media including the historical cartoons that we were shown.

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Chinese Racism Still Prevalent Today

by Rachel Gragg - Thursday, March 8, 2018, 4:12 PM

The United States' history of white supremacy is truly outstanding. We have gone through so many issues involving white people believing they are superior to other races and that they deserve this land more than others and it is absurd. We've explored the obvious issues of slavery, the taking of land from Native Americans, and now issues with the Chinese. It's an unfortunate part of history, but is not something that should be erased or ignored because it still occurs today. Racism is all around us. These cartoons about the Chinese and our history with the Chinese are incredibly disheartening.

Our textbook states that the, "Chinese Exclusion Act suspended Chinese immigration for over 10 years... [Chinese Laborers] were said to endanger 'the good order of certain localities'" (*Liberty, Equality and Power* Pg 597). I feel like all of these cartoons embody the Chinese Exclusion Act, but the ones that are the most appalling to me are #2, #3, and #7. These ones are explicitly denying Chinese immigrants from working and treating them as though they are inferior to white people because of the color of their skin. The textbook says on page 597 that this was the "first discriminatory law targeting a specific immigrant group" that the federal government weighed in on and it is so unfortunate that this is a genuine standpoint that not only the American people believed in, but that government officials believed in it as well. We still have a lot of racism to battle today and these things have by no means completely gone away. I did some research and according to NBC News, "one in four Asian Americans reported personally being discriminated against because they're Asian when applying for jobs and trying to rent or buy housing" (nbcnews.com). This is a sad reality that our generation has to combat and I sincerely hope this racism does not continue to reign much longer.

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Racism against Chinese in America then and now

by Mackenzi Knoll - Friday, March 9, 2018, 3:02 PM

Very detailed response, Rachel!!! It is astonishing to me as well how the issue of racism in America began so long ago yet still the same relating issues occur today. The fact that Americans were so angry with the Chinese and wanted to ban them from further coming into the United States during this time period purely because of jealousy and worry of someone able to do better than they can is extremely disappointing to learn about. I think as Americans we sometimes focus on one or two groups of people when speaking of race, but it's so important to not forget all people of color, because there is not just one problem going on, there are tons of people being discriminated against. I agree with you here!

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Re: Chinese Racism Still Prevalent Today

by Jordan Lopez - Saturday, March 10, 2018, 10:06 PM

Chinese racism does indeed exist today just as every ethnicity deals with. You bring up cartoon #7 and how it shows whites being superior. If you look closely there are Chinese in the window looking angry at what is happening but doing nothing. One is holding a gun as well but isn't fighting back, probably cause of how outnumbered they were and powerless at the time. In our textbook on page 597 it mentions "Western labor leaders, particularly Dennis Kearney of the Workingman's party of California, inflamed nativist crowds of white workers with anti-chinese rhetoric". In the cartoon the white guy holding the sign is wearing an apron which to me signifies he has a trade skill and the sign the guy in the back behind him almost looks like a foot kicking the Chinese out of town. So you bringing up your research you found on NBC shows me there are similar events taking place just in a different way. We all have heard Asian American jokes as well like the Chinese barely can see or about their height. It's sad to see.

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Discrimination in the workplace

by Justin Oljace - Saturday, March 10, 2018, 12:33 PM

In the 1850s thousands of Chinese immigrants came to the United States searching for employment opportunities. Many went to California where they worked panning for gold. In the 1860s Chinese labor built most of the Central Pacific Railroad. In the textbook it says, "Some 12,000 Chinese laborers ultimately built the Central Pacific Railroad, often under exceptionally harsh conditions, and with substantially less pay than white laborers" (597). Life for the Chinese only proceeded to get worse in the United States. "Violence against Chinese workers occurred in numerous places in the West during the 1870s and 1880s, including a massacre in Rock Springs, Colorado, after the Union Pacific Railroad decided to hire Chinese workers"(597). In 1882 the federal government made the Chinese Exclusion Act. It suspended the immigration of Chinese to the United States and it lasted 61 years. It's sad to read about how these people were discriminated against.

The cartoons that really stood out to me at first glance were seven and ten. In cartoon number seven four men are hanging a Chinese man. In the background there is a sign that says "No Chinese need apply". This reminds me of the discrimination in the workplace that the Irish got with the "No Irish need apply" earlier in the 19th century. In cartoon number ten they depict a defeated looking Chinese man. It shows angry looking white men in the background with weapons. On the wall it says "Importation of Chinese Barbarians". These cartoons do a good job showing the severe struggle and discrimination the Chinese went through.

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Cartoons #4, #8 prostitution

by Abigail Gierut - Saturday, March 10, 2018, 6:20 PM

While Americans were afraid of the competition of Chinese immigrants in the workforce, Americans were also afraid of the influence and corruption that Chinese immigration may have on the U.S. Cartoon #8 depicts the Chinese with its tentacles of sin and corruption with each tentacle naming one of the many fears or suspicions Americans had of these immigrants; some of these being immorality, bribery, opium use, using cheap labor to take over the workforce and I believe the bottom tentacle says smallpox. These were the fears of what white Americans thought that Chinese immigrants were bringing with them and they actually believed that the Chinese were inherently evil and corrupt. This opinion is shown in modern day in the commercial where the Chinese were depicted as malicious as they laugh about their success in taking over America.

The main point I think much of this view derives from is the tentacle of immorality. The textbook talks about how since the majority of Chinese immigrants were men and that they did not bring their wives and families with them, there was a huge problem with prostitution in places like mining towns where a huge majority of people living there were men. "During the gold rush, California was up to 93 percent male"(pg 606). This male population would naturally attract a large amount of prostitution because it seemed to be a perfect place to find work as a prostitute in towns almost entirely made up of lonely working men. "Prostitutes from all over the world were drawn to mining towns throughout the late 19th century, but nowhere except San Francisco were women systematically forced into sexual slavery. There, the situation of Chinese laborers encouraged an exploitative world of trade in women. The absence of Chinese women encouraged brutal international trade in prostitution"(pg 606).

Now while it was not only Chinese men partaking in the use of these prostitutes, Americans saw it as another chance to point the finger towards Chinese immigration to be at fault. We see this portrayal of Chinese to being sexually deviant again in cartoon #4, as a Chinese man is standing above a woman with a knife in his mouth and a gun in his hand.

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Commercial- past and present

by Justin Oljace - Saturday, March 10, 2018, 8:13 PM

In the commercial they talk about how in the future the United States will fall from being a once great nation. According to the video debt will be what destroys the United States. He says, "Of course, we owned most of their debt. So now they will work for us". He's suggesting that the roles that were present in the 19th century will be changed in the future. In the 19th century Chinese came to America looking for work. They worked for low amounts of money while they were treated poorly. The video suggests many Americans will be working in China someday. When he says "So now they will work for us" at the end of the video all of the Chinese students start laughing. I think this video is pointing out there could be some kind of revenge in the future because of what happened in the past, and how this country's tremendous debts will be its downfall.

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Re: Chinese - Now & Then, Desensitizing Behaviors

by Daniel Vuong - Saturday, March 10, 2018, 9:18 PM

In relation to the commercial and the history of American treatment to Chinese people, I think the commercial really desensitizes the overall behavior and attitudes that were forced upon Chinese people. The commercial plays along with the fact that a world, or even a part of the United States, ran by Chinese people, is seen as something degrading and not okay. The qualities of foreigners, being able to work hard for a low wage and doing whatever it takes in order to get by, were looked down on. This is specifically seen in cartoons 1 and 2. In cartoon 1, it displayed a Chinese man working all types of profession in order to get by, and a side by side comparison of another image of a group of Americans that seem to be relaxing and loathing around with the question "What shall we do with our boys?" This question very well was meant to go against the hard working Chinese man, that was also displayed as successful, with a bag of money in one of his hands, because a successful foreigner is threatening to these Americans with nothing to do. Because of this, there was also a discrimination to foreigners overall that because of the work and labor they provide, they would "take over", also displayed in the commercial. Moreover, seen in cartoon 2, this idea is seen as an Irish and Chinese man are swallowing Uncle Sam, with a quote that says, "The Great Fear of the Period, That Uncle Sam May Be Swallowed By Foreigners". I think the commercial and the first and second cartoons display very similar unjust discriminations against Chinese people, and foreigners in general. It could be seen as "history repeating itself" because a commercial so recent, is still scared of a world in which immigrants can live side by side with Americans. It plays along with the idea that Americans and foreigners cannot be seen to live together in harmony, rather, the world/US, should be ran by Americans.

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Fear of Chinese Takeover

by Jacob Spriggs - Saturday, March 10, 2018, 10:32 PM

The obvious connection I see between the cartoons and the commercial are that there was a fear of the Chinese taking over the United States that began in the late 1940s and is still relevant for some today. In the mid to late 19th century, this fear came from the Chinese immigrants working almost any labor intensive jobs for very cheap, resulting in many Americans being unemployed, as depicted in cartoon #1. The reason the Chinese were content with working for cheap and willing to do almost any job, was because they "intend to be sojourners, not permanent settlers" (textbook pg. 596, Chinese Laborers and the Railroads). Some of the other cartoons show how the Chinese were discriminated against and how the Americans were cruel to them because of this fear.

The commercial is fairly recent and is obviously from America, but also shows that some still fear a Chinese takeover. The year in the commercial is 2030, and the United States now works for the Chinese because we accumulated too much debt and the Chinese owned most of it. The point of this commercial was to spread the fear of the Chinese taking over America to other citizens, just like some of the artists of the cartoons were attempting to do.

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Woah Now and Then



by Tessa Holstein - Saturday, March 10, 2018, 11:50 PM

The Chinese are treat better but are still the butt of racist jokes. People don't even go down and have hunts for the Chinese. I think it's good that the Chinese are treated better than before. It's better That America is not treating the Chinese a lot better.

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