**Ch 14.4**

**Populism Activity**

Respond to the following:

1. Why did many farmers go into debt in the decades after the civil war?
2. In what ways were tariffs particularly harmful to farmers?
3. Explain the following terms AND why American farmers became particularly interested in their meaning: money supply, inflation, deflation, Monetary policy
4. What is the monetary policy argument of a “Gold bug” and a “Silverite”? Explain each.
5. What effect did the following have on the American money supply?
   1. Bland-Allison Act
   2. Sherman Silver Purchase Act
6. What was the purpose and goals of “the Grange” and the “Farmer’s Alliances”?
7. Explain two reasons why the Interstate Commerce Act was a benefit to American Farmers.
8. What did Populists believe in? WHY?