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TITLE OF PAPER : HISTORY OF THE UNITED STATES: 1865-1920

COURSE CODE : H422/IDE H422

TIME ALLOWED : TWO (2) HOURS

- INSTRUCTIONS :**
- 1. ANSWER ANY TWO (2) QUESTIONS**
 - 2. ALL QUESTIONS CARRY EQUAL MARKS**

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Question 1

Discuss the arguments raised by both the Northern States and the Southern states to either condemn or defend the continued existence of slavery in the United States. In your view, why was the North able to win the American Civil War? [25 marks]

Question 2

Discuss the causes that prompted the rapid industrialization of the United States after the American Civil War. [25 marks]

Question 3

Describe the economic, philosophical, religious and intellectual factors that helped create a new nationalistic mood more receptive to American overseas expansion in the late nineteenth century. [25 marks]

Question 4

What were the causes and results of America's involvement in Cuban affairs in the 1890s? Why was the Spanish-American War called a "splendid little war?" [25 marks]

Question 5

What were the factors that led to the "great fight for the League of Nations" between President Woodrow Wilson and the Senate at the end of World War I? [25 marks]