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- sense of mission
- self-determination
- self-reliance
- religion, freedom of
- reinventing oneself
- pursuit of happiness
- Puritans and Puritanism
- progress
- pluralism
- optimism
- mobility in the labour market
- mistrust of government
- melting pot
- low taxes
- individual choice
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