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activities--changes in the economic structure which facilitated greater productivity. It is unique in its focus on a single town
