

PROGRESSIVE PRESIDENTS

UNIT 5 PART 2.2



3RD PARTY--DEVELOPED IN 1901 DEDICATED TO WORKING CLASS.

Platform: more radical reforms than Progressives

- public ownership of RR, utilities, oil, steel

18 socialists elected city mayors in 1911

presidential candidate **Eugene Debs**

Peak in 1912 --900,000 votes (6% of total) for president

Most Americans feared socialism

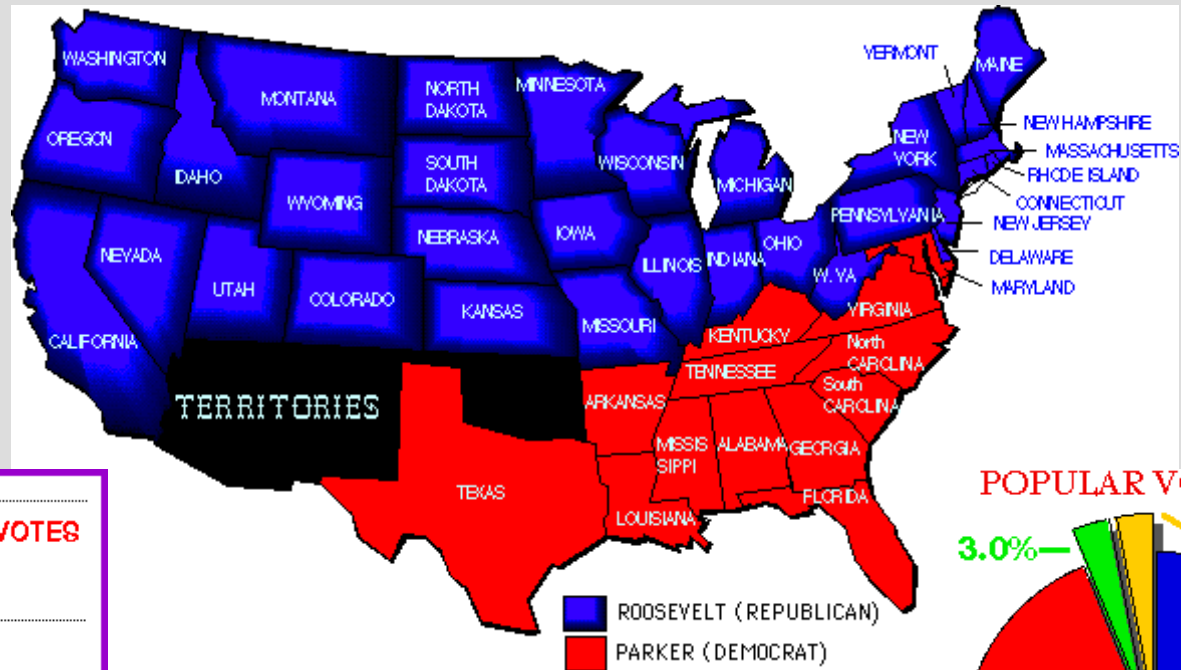
American workers satisfied with

pay and union progress

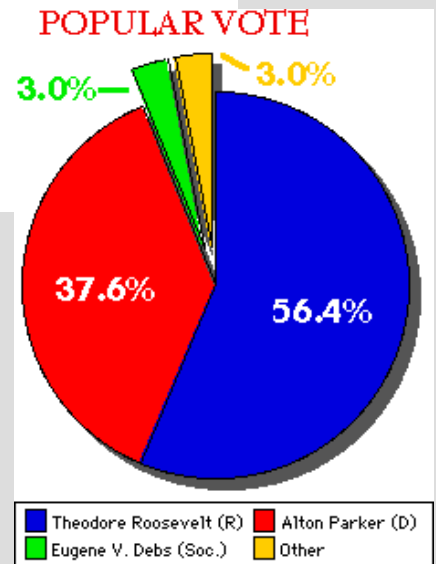
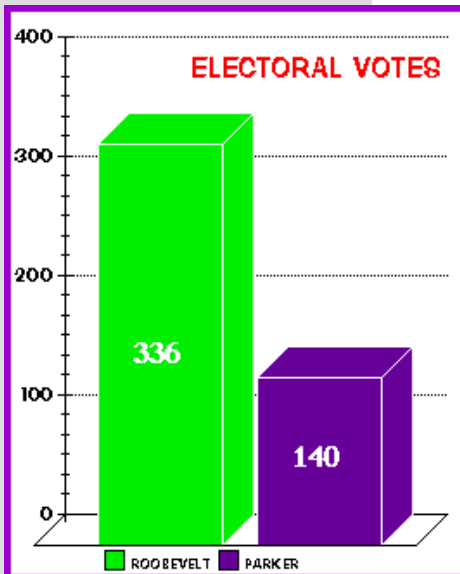


Rise of the Socialist Party

1904 ELECTION RESULTS



[Roosevelt VIDEO](#)



I. THEODORE ROOSEVELT (1901-1909) I. A.K.A. "THE TRUST BUSTER"

- good trusts = efficient, ↓ costs





- bad trusts = create monopoly to ↓ competition / ↑ prices
- T.R. broke up bad trusts

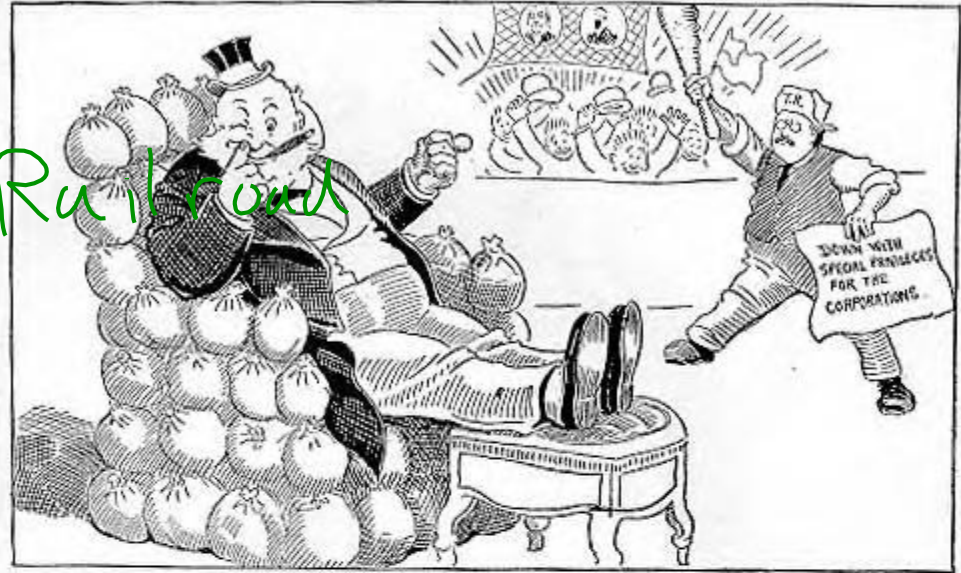
2. 1ST TRUST BUSTING CASE



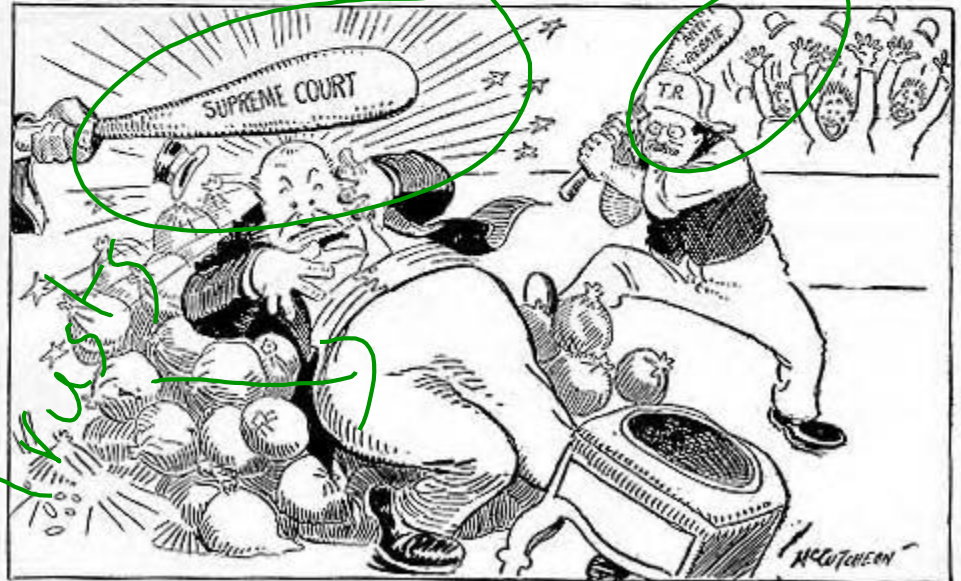
“JU-JITSU”
From the Post (Cincinnati)



THE ILLEGAL TRUST IS BEGINNING TO WAKE UP TO AN UNPLEASANT FACT



During the Presidential Campaign — "He's really friendly to me. All that talk is just for political effect."



At the Present Time — "Great guns, I believe he's really in earnest."

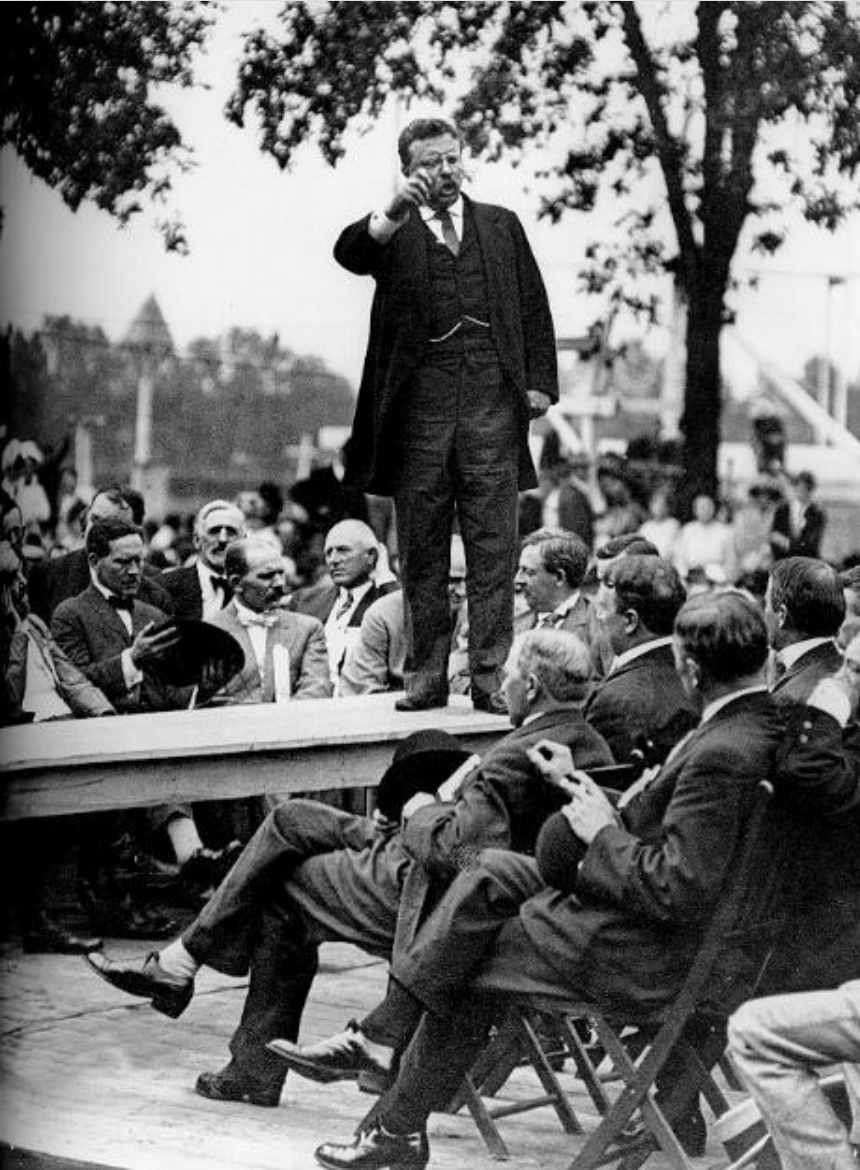
Monopoly

Railroad

Trusts

- Northern Securities vs. U.S.
- T.R. used Sherman Antitrust Act to break up trust and won

3. POLITICAL PLATFORM



- Square Deal
- do what's best for the people / do what's right & fair

4. EXPANDED INTERSTATE COMMERCE ACT 1887

- Elkins Act 1903 = RR's can't give refunds to preferred customers
- Hepburn Act 1906 =
government could cut RR rates
if too ↑↑

5. MEAT INSPECTION ACT 1906

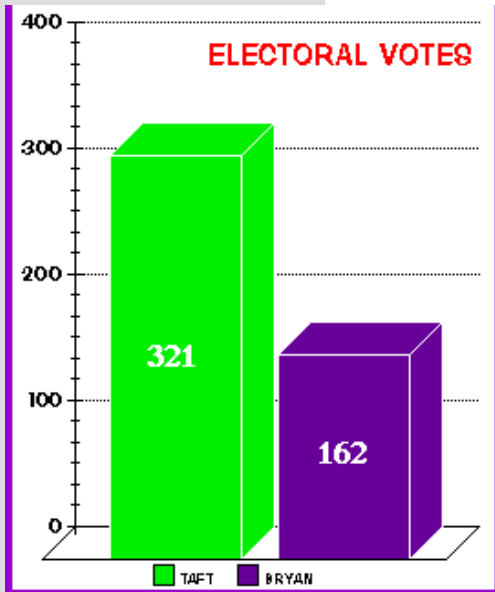
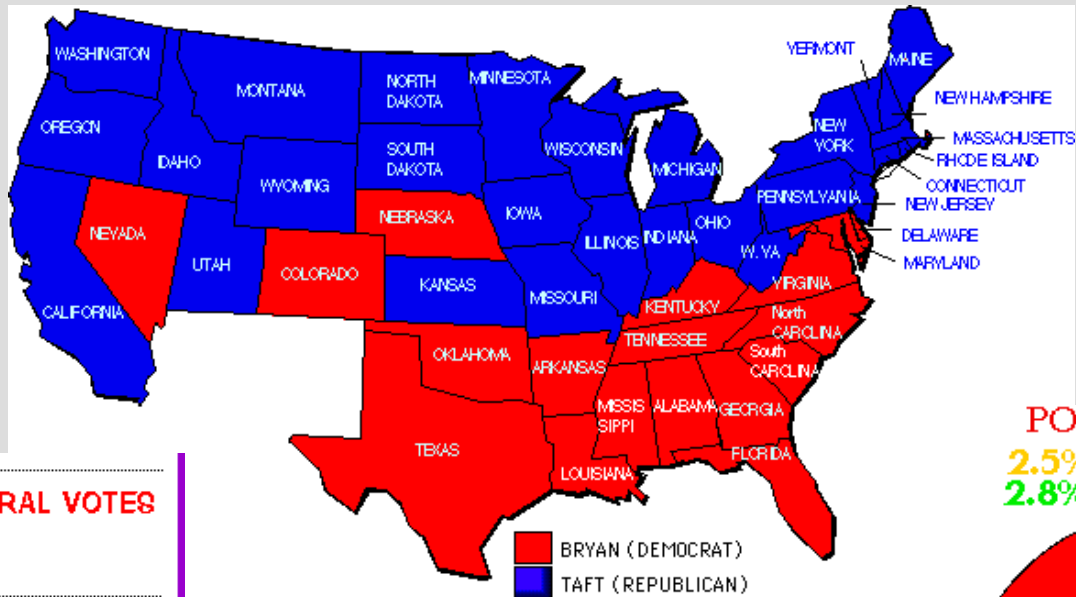
- influenced by Upton Sinclair's The Jungle
- government could inspect meat shipped across state lines



6. PURE FOOD & DRUG ACT 1906

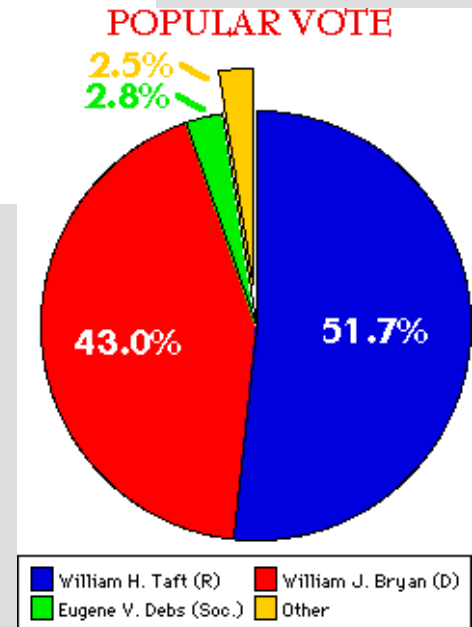
- government banned dangerous drugs and poorly prepared foods

1908 ELECTION RESULTS



Bryan

[Howard TAFT - Video](#)



II. WILLIAM TAFT

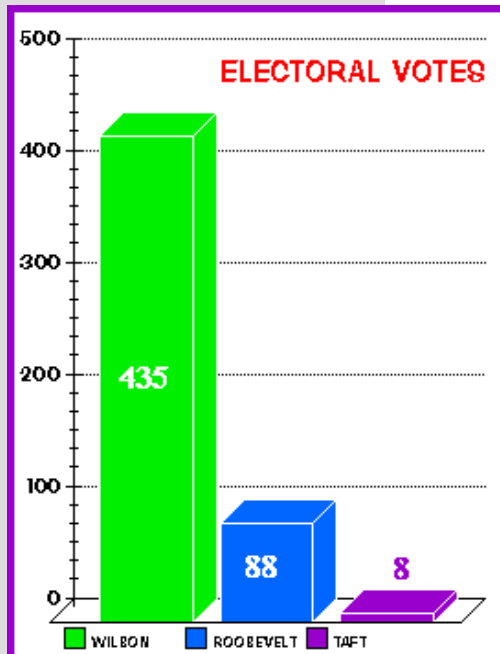
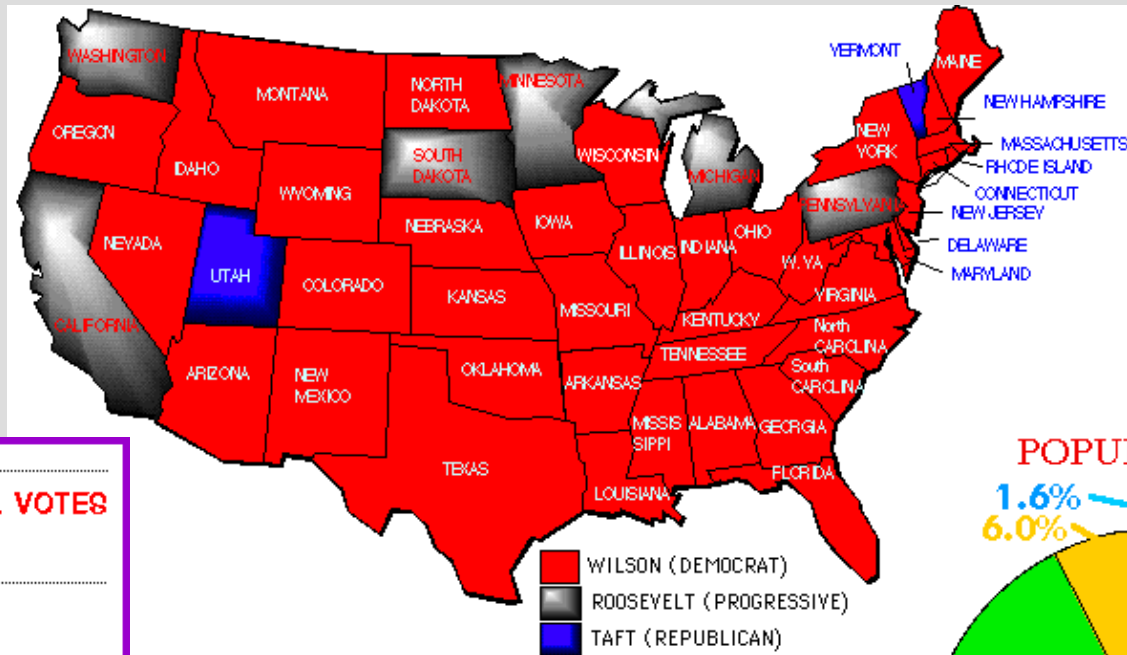
I. POOR POLITICIAN

- wanted to ↓ tariffs, but instead ↑ them
- Payne-Aldrich Act 1909

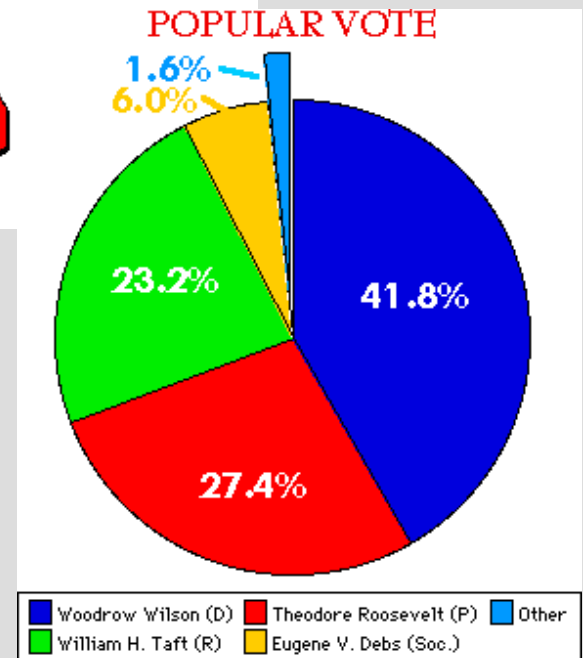
2. TAFT'S ACCOMPLISHMENTS

- a | 6th amendment was adopted to Constitution
- b Manns-Elkins Act 1910 = ICC could regulate telephone & telegraph companies
- c created Department of Labor = look after needs of workers
- d governmental employees = 8 hour work day

1912 ELECTION RESULTS

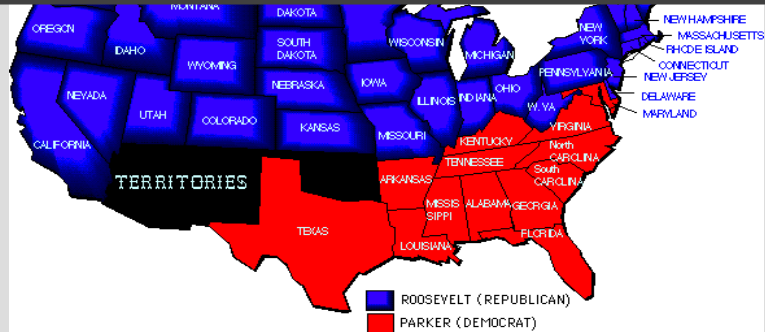


[Woodrow Wilson - Video](#)

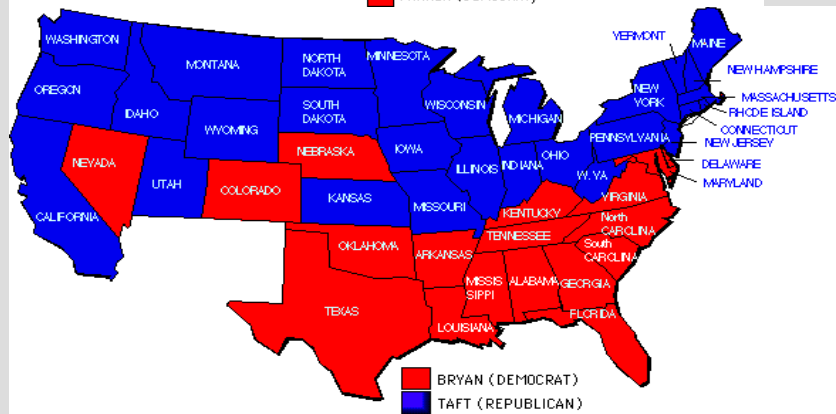


TR-TO-WILSON

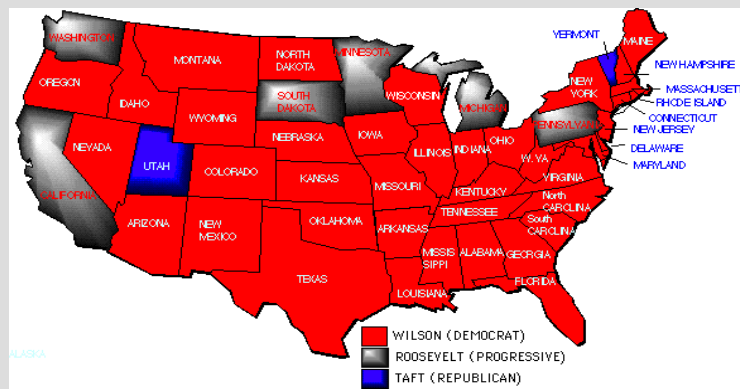
Election of 1904



Election of 1908



Election of 1912



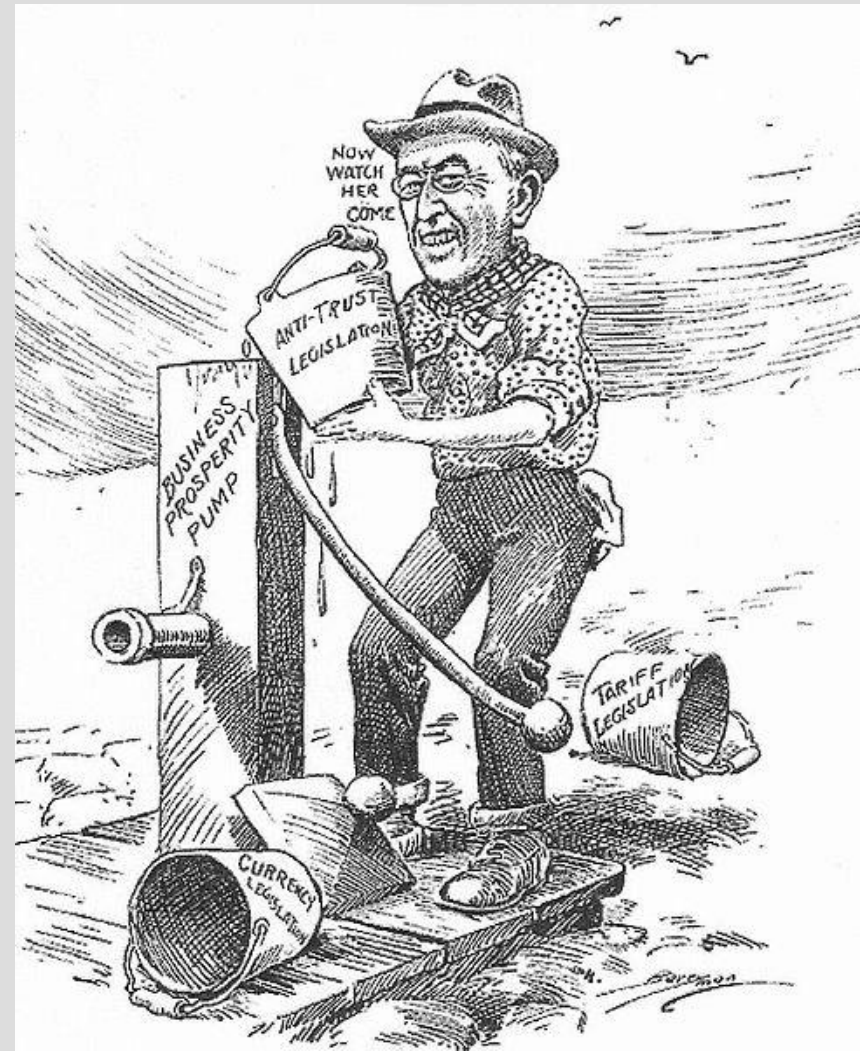
III. WOODROW WILSON (1913-1921)

- new freedom = protect small businesses from large companies



I. ACCOMPLISHMENTS

- a Underwood Tariff = ↓ tariff rates
- b Graduated Income Tax
- c Federal Reserve Act 1913 = created Federal Reserve Bank
 - issue currency
 - control money supply through interest rates
 - shift money as needed



Ask for
Justice

WE
Want to Go
to School

More
School
Less
Hospital

WE ARE
protected
by a tariff



3. FEDERAL TRADE COMMISSION ACT 1914

- prevent unfair competition
ex. false advertising & mislabeling

4. CLAYTON ANTITRUST ACT 1914

- ↑↑ power of the Federal Government to control business

5. 19th Amendment

IV. CONSERVATION

- | T.R. known as conservation president
 - placed national forests under Federal Government control
 - set aside landmarks as national monuments
- 2 Wilson's National Park Service Act 1916 = oversee national parks





RESULTS OF 1916 ELECTION

