



American History



Module 4: The vacillating Giant

Talk	Title	Time Period	Date of Talk
23	USA and the 20 th Century	1898-1900	September 2nd
24	The Progressive era	1900-1916	September 16th
25	USA and world War One	1914-1920	October 21st
26	The retreat to “normalcy”	1919-1921	November 4th
26	The Roaring Twenties	1921-1929	November 18th
27	Great Depression and New Deal	1929-1941	December 2nd
29	Isolationism interrupted	1932-1941	December 16th



American History

Talk 24: The Progressive Era



Talk 24: The Progressives

- Presidential Election of 1900
- The Republican Progressives (1901-1912)
- Panic of 1907
- Taft Transition & election of 1912
- Woodrow Wilson and “Scientific Government (1912-1916)
- Suffragettes: rise of the women



US election of 1900

US Political situation 1900

- Economy recovering...Silver issue irrelevant, farms prosperous
- Surge in patriotism: triumphant in war with Spain
- Reconstruction dead. White Supremacy and Democrats rule South
- Public anger at monopolies, power of trusts, inequality...yellow press
- Rising levels of revulsion about war in Philippines

Democrats

➤ Origins

- Founded 1830's by Andrew Jackson as "Party of Common (White) Man"

➤ Splits 1850's

- Southern Democrats: White supremacy, end reconstruction, lower tariff

- Northern Democrats: Big Cities, Irish & German immigrants

➤ By 1900

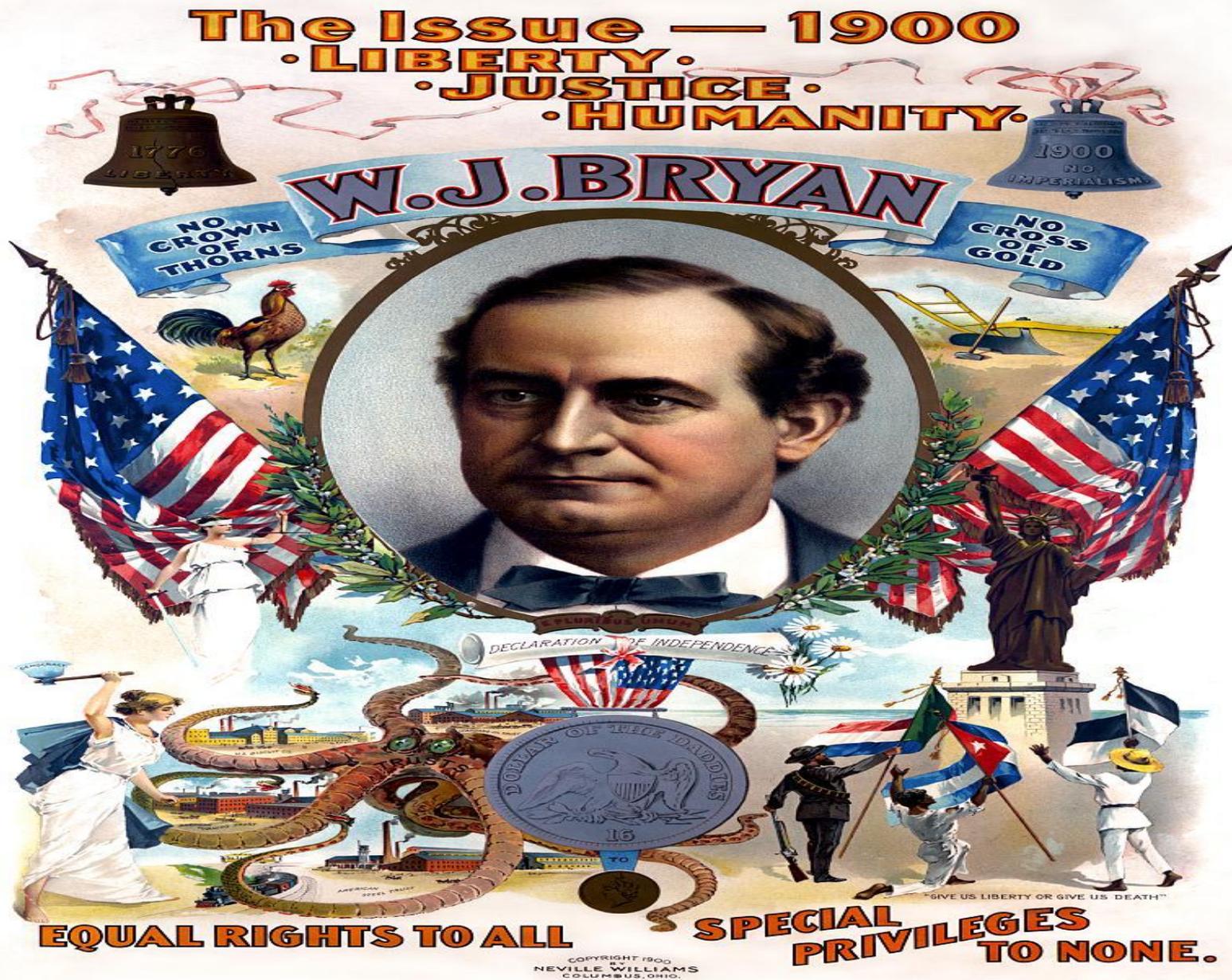
- Small government...unions threat to American values

- Sustain White Supremacy/ restrict immigration to Whites only

- Anti imperialism, pro isolationism

- Georgism economics

The Democrat Challenge



William Jennings Bryan
Democrat Nominee
.....(Cross of Gold"
.....brilliant orator

Absorbs Populists
Platform...and "Georgism"
anti monopoly "Rights for all"
(White only)..tours country,

Appalled by Philippine War
US Empire....markets for
Trust only...

The Republicans

➤ Origins

- Founded as “radical” anti slavery party 1856..part of Lincoln
- ‘Radicals and Conservative wings
 - Radicals ...Reconstruct South, reform government
 - Conservatives....Ignore South, Big Business, High tariffs

➤ By 1898

- Reconstruction abandoned
- Pro Mass immigration ...reduce labour costs
- Party of Trusts/ Monopolies
- Pro Imperialism. New Markets in Latin America & Far East

The Republican Dilemma

President Mckinley



McKinley the businessman's friend

... "Manifest Destiny"

... pro Empire, US expansion

... pro high tariffs to protect US industrialists

Sees "Progressives" as anti American

.... solid, earnest man

.... considers Bryan a fanatic

Preferred VP dies before nomination

Republican leadership concerned:

... need a "hero" to balance ticket

... Teddy nominated for Vice President

... VP ... no power, invisible, harmless

Teddy Roosevelt



Wealthy family....protected child (asthma)
...notoriously active, overcomes asthma
...keen hunter, naturalist, historian
....believes “born to rule”

State Assemblyman: a “Bully of bullies”
...2 years Cattle Rancher Dakotas 1882-1884
...Returns to NY after “white out”
... Police Commissioner New York
... campaigns for McKinley
....Undersecretary Navy

Self publiciser, fearless
....forms regiment of cowboys, Indians
for war in Cuba...made “Colonel”
.....wants glory, risks life
...as long as photographed doing so

The official (Roosevelt) image: Teddy



The reality... "battle of San Juan Hill" : 8,000 US troops vs 500 Cubans
Teddy's horse snagged on barbed wire... Teddy climbed up hill following soldiers.
....leads charge up second hill....but reprimanded and told to wait for regular army

Teddy and the “Rough Riders”

After battle of San Juan Hill
(staged days after battle)



Leaves army runs ...writes story to
...national hero

Runs for and wins Governor of NY

Attacks corruption in NY,
Plans to clear slums, sewage
Sees Trusts as “bullies”....and
Targets them for regulation

Gives two press conferences each day
....never done before
....national “celebrity”

Mc Kinley offers VP role to shut him up
....TR thinks role will diminish him
...duty to accept

The Republican Campaign

THE ADMINISTRATION'S PROMISES HAVE BEEN KEPT

1896 **1900.**

Gone Democratic.

Gone Republican.

run on the Bank

Arise to the Bank

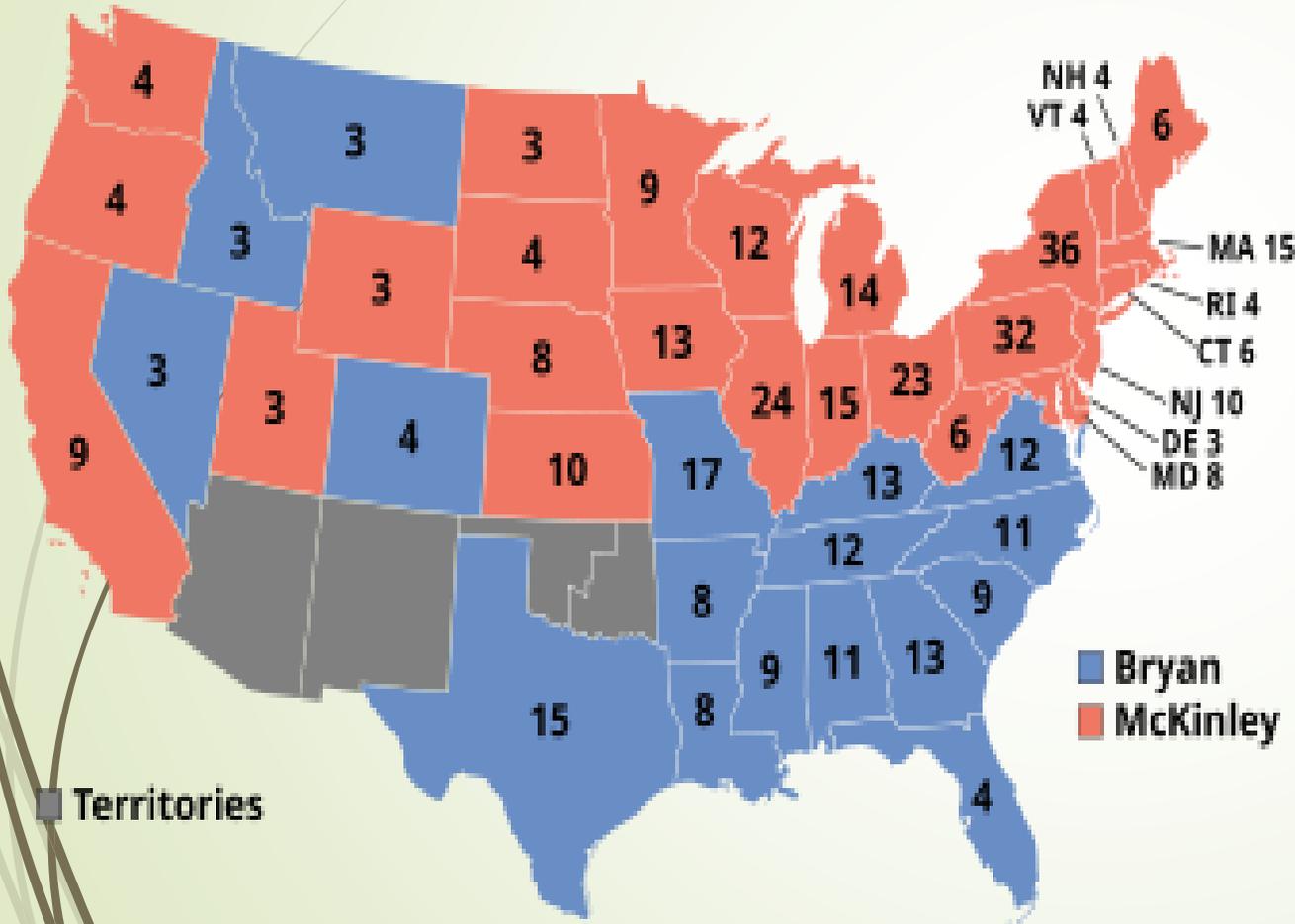
Spanish Rule in Cuba.

American Rule in Cuba.

THE AMERICAN FLAG HAS NOT BEEN PLANTED IN FOREIGN SOIL TO ACQUIRE MORE TERRITORY BUT FOR HUMANITY'S SAKE

(MCKINLEY, JULY 12, 1900.)

The Result: Republican Triumph



Republicans 50% of vote
292 electoral college...control both
Senate & House

Democrats 46% vote ..155 electoral
...Roosevelt brings in the West

Socialists impact minimal
(Social Democratic...0.5%vote !)

Forces of Business & Empire
Appear set for control

Assassination of President McKinley (Sept 1901)

McKinley set for four years in office
..represents Business elite
..dominates party

McKinley increases tariff, attends
Trade Exhibitions....disdains protection

Stalked and killed by Leon
Czolgosz..Polish immigrant Anarchist

Theodore Roosevelt....on holiday camping
and sworn in as President

Conservatives appalled





Presidency of Theodore Roosevelt

Theodore Roosevelt (1858-1919)



A new type of President, youngest ever (44),
Vigorous, Ambitious...confidence born to rule
....beholden to no-one...voracious reader

Deeply respected Henry George....single tax
Too radical...but determined to use government
to improve life of working people

“Behind the ostensible government sits enthroned
an invisible government owing no allegiance and
acknowledging no responsibility to the people. To
destroy this invisible government, to befoul the
unholy alliance between corrupt business and
corrupt politics is the first task of the statesmanship
of today.”

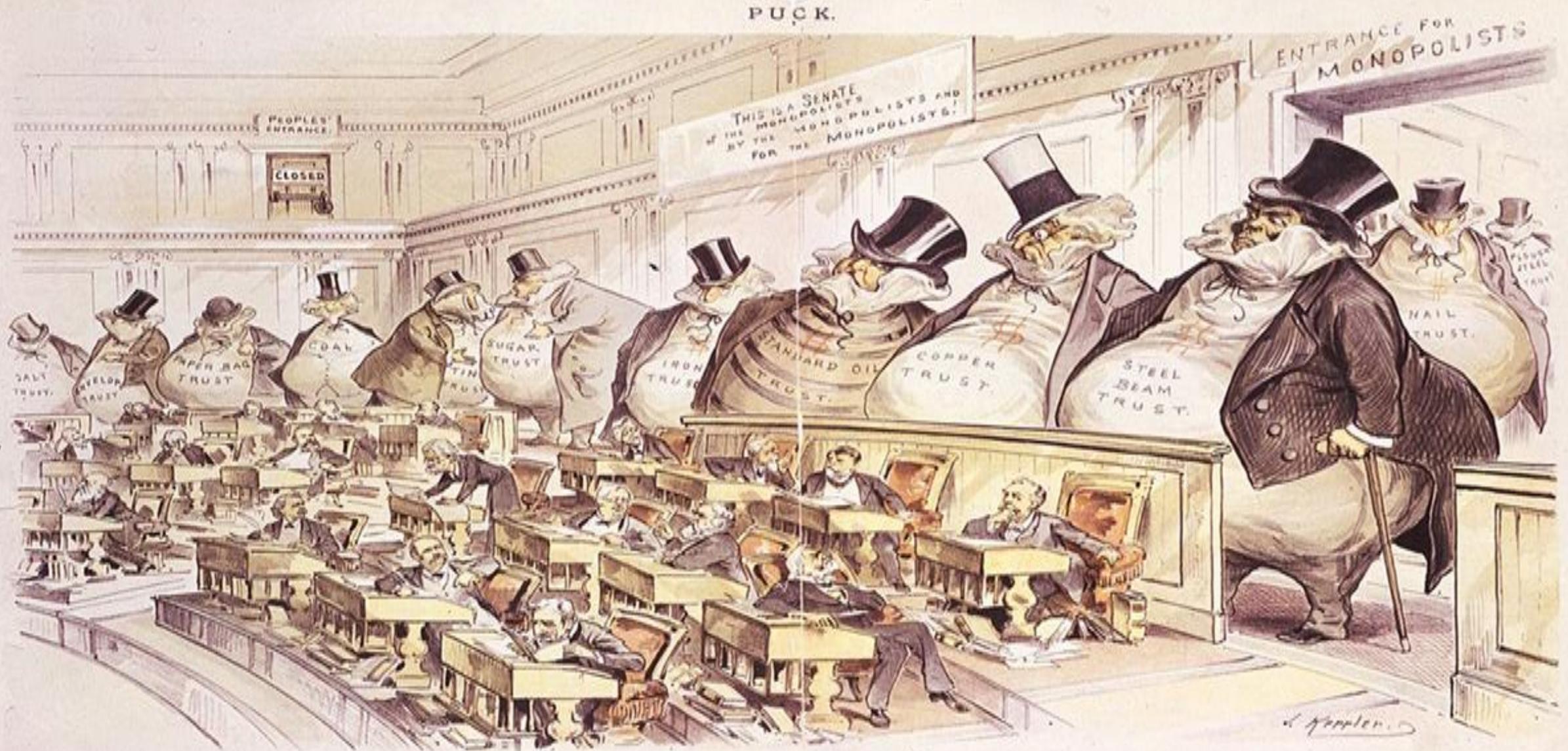
“The Square Deal”: equal playing field
.....except blacks, Indians, women



Domestic Reforms



US politics 1898: The power of the Trusts



THE BOSSES OF THE SENATE.

“Roosevelt attacks Monopolies”

- ▶ About Trusts & Teddy
 - ▶ ‘Good Trusts: Monopolies that work in public interest....lower prices, better service, “fair profit”
 - ▶ ‘Bad Trusts’: Monopolies that work in business interest only..higher prices
- ▶ Drives to approval through Congress and courts 44 law suites to break up Trusts:
 - ▶ Meat packing
 - ▶ Railroads...Interstate Commerce Commission to regulate prices & competition
 - ▶ Standard Oil
 - ▶ Sugar Refining
 - ▶ Coal

Shapes himself as neutral: “Square Deal” good for everyone
....reminds Business alternative Socialism

Other Reforms

➤ Pure food and Drug Act...mislabeled drugs

➤ Meat Inspection Act 1906 ...(Upton Sinclair "the Jungle" ...contaminated foods

➤ Anti corruption drives....Post Office, Indian lands,

➤ Simplified spelling initiative, standardise rules of football,

"That fellow at the other end of the avenue wants everything from the birth of Christ to the death of the devil."

"Even his friends occasionally wondered whether there wasn't any custom or practice too minor for him to try to regulate, update or otherwise improve."

Labour Reforms: Anthracite Coal Strike 1902



THE WASHINGTON SCHOOLMASTER
From the *Chronicle* (Chicago)

Strikes late 90's....mining concessions

Surplus coal....miners demand 8 hour day

Day off, right to union

... Operators close mines

...threat of winter

Teddy threatens troops to force mines to
reopened & owners to negotiate

...sets up commission to investigate

“Settlement a “Square Deal”

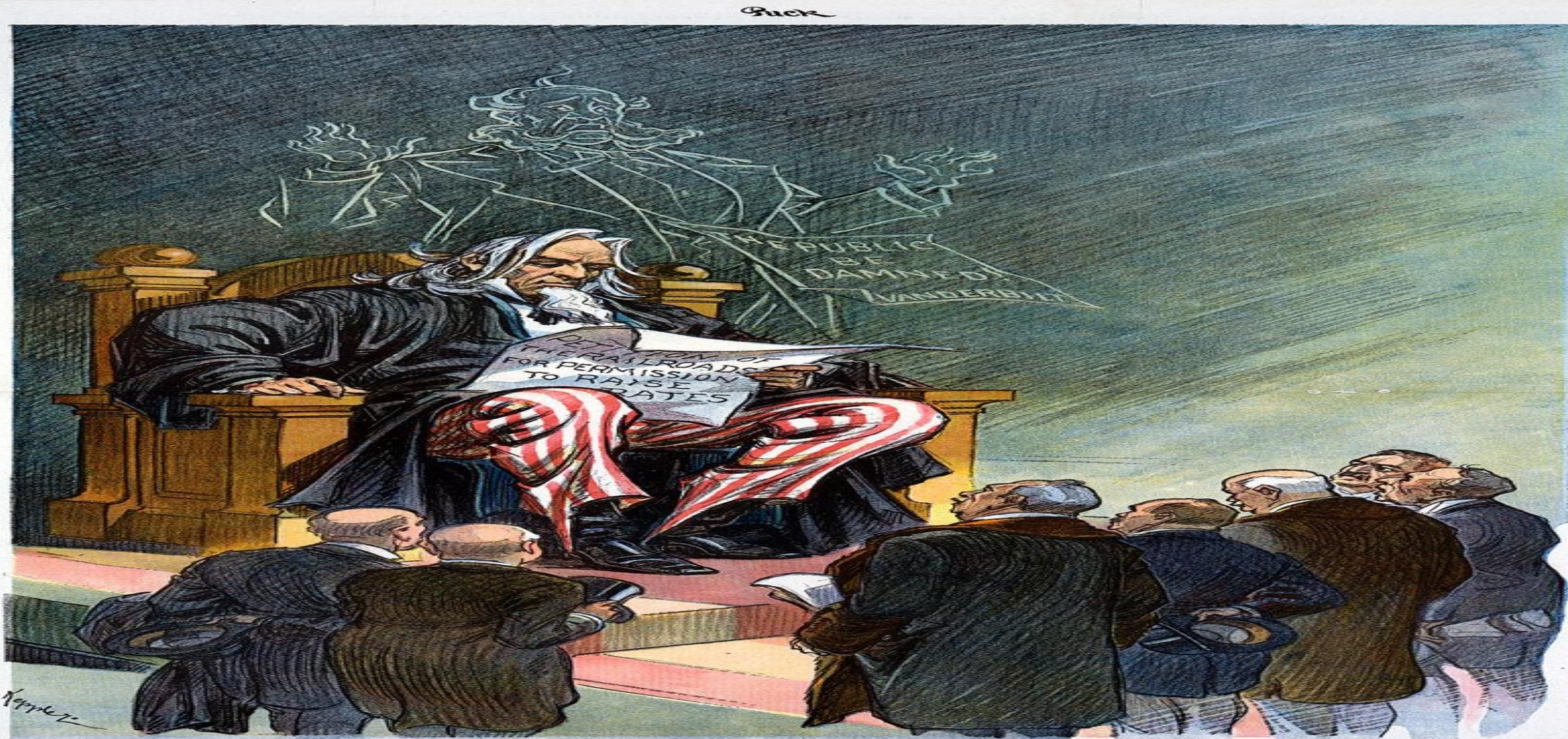
....no union

....9 hour day, wage increase

...1/2 day off Saturday

First intervention made by President in
public interest not owners

Anti Roosevelt cartoon: Government the overseer of business



HOW TIMES HAVE CHANGED!

Teddy Bear

Theodore & bear



The first "Teddy Bear"



Voracious hunter, bears,
Deer, buffalo, Rhino, elephant
....anything

Also insist on sustainable hunting
Passionate naturalist

Hunting trip story
...bear tied to tree for TR to shoot
...refuses
..unsportsmanlike

“Conservationism” & “Reclamation”

TR at Yosemite, California



President Roosevelt's choicest recreation—amid Nature's rugged grandeur on Glacier Point, Yosemite. Copyright 1963 by Underwood & Underwood. 640491107

Appalled by uncontrolled development
Of West...years as cowboy in Dakotas
..lifetime camping,

Speech 1908 “the time has come to inquire seriously what will happen when our forests are gone, when the coal, the iron, the oil, and the gas are exhausted, when the soils shall have been still further impoverished and washed into the streams, polluting the rivers, denuding the fields, and obstructing navigation.”

Uses “Executive Orders” to protect wilderness
230 million acres protected, national monuments
5 national parks...creates US National Forest S

Divides “West” in two categories

... Conservationprotect

...”Reclamation” ...put to use of nation
and in the westWATER

The solution: abundant rivers

....use dams and canals to move water from where it flows to where it will be most useful by dams and canals:

Major River Systems



Land “Reclamation” Act 1902

Theodore Roosevelt Dam 1911...largest dam built at the time



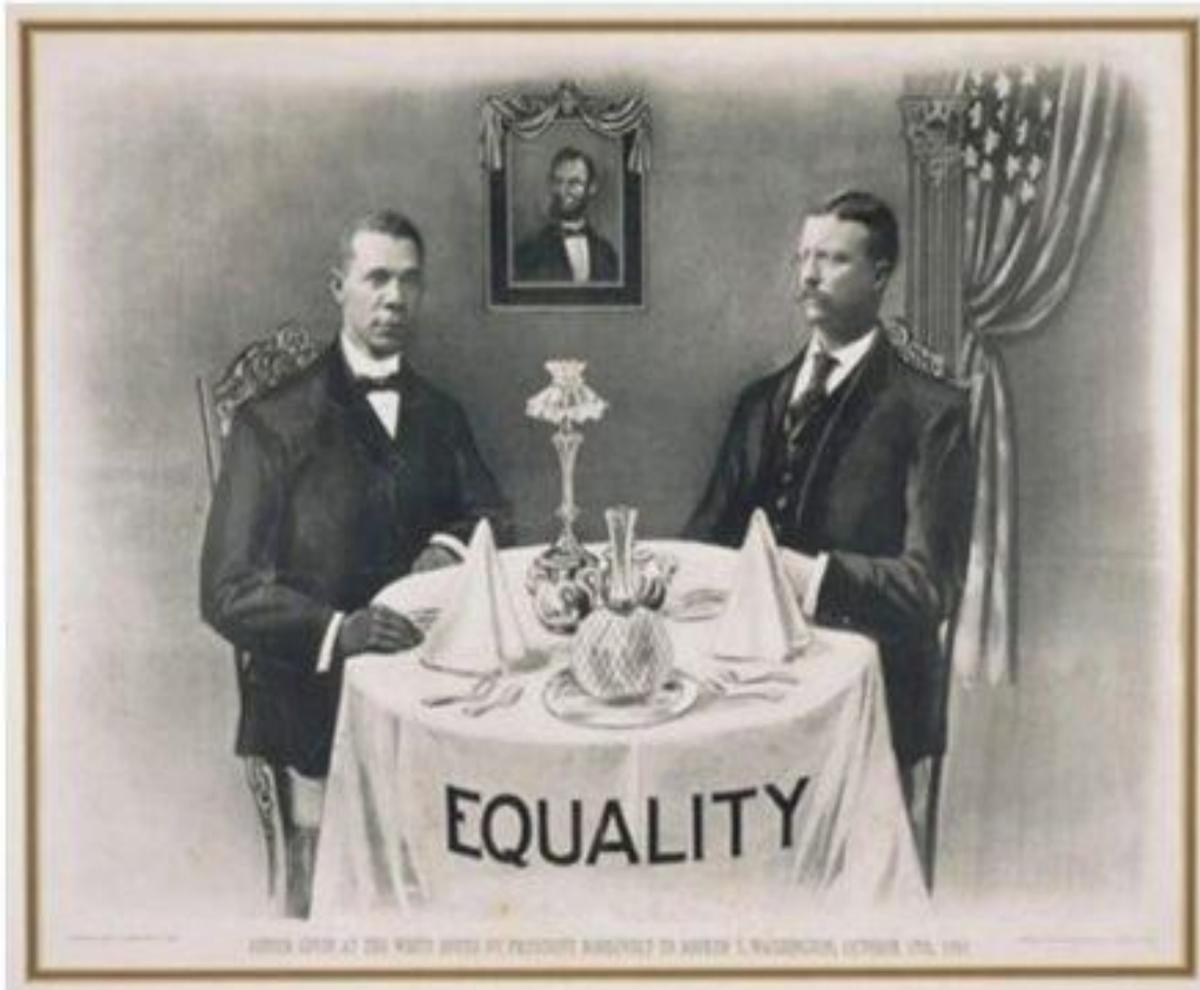
TR Authorises construction
of dams & Irrigation systems
To “transform” West

Indians removed to
“reduced” reservations

“Frontier” to be either
Preserved or made “useful”
... farms
....recreation
...great cities (Phoenix,
, Los Angeles emerge)

Roosevelt and Race

Booker T Washington & TR (1901)



Roosevelt: s “White Race” superiority & destiny of Anglo Saxons to run world
..supports “eugenics...breeding of the best”

Believes blacks can “rise”
...seeks black votes in North
...Invites Booker T to dinner with family

S Carolina Senator Tillman: “Now that Roosevelt has eaten with that nigger Washington, we shall have to kill a thousand niggers to get them back at their places.”

TR: does not repeat dinner invitation
...breakfast meetings instead
....does approve promotion of blacks



“Reforming the world”

Big Stick Diplomacy: Caribbean/Central America ... "belongs to USA



THE BIG STICK IN THE CARIBBEAN SEA

“Roosevelt corollary” 1904
..US has right/duty to intervene
...“civilisation” threatened
...Europeans to stay out

US control varied by country
...40% land of Honduras
...75% Cuban sugar plantation
...80% Dominican Sugar
Single cash crop economies
linking local elites to US business

TR expands navy to 3rd largest
(after Britain and Germany
...uses marines and bombardment
to enforce will.....no occupy

US & Cuba

Occupation 1898-1903 (“Teller Amendment” guarantees Cuba independence)

- ▶ “Platt Amendment 1901
 - ▶ Free trade Sugar imports (US own Sugar companies)
 - ▶ US “right to intervene” if elections rigged, foreign interest emerge, US investment th
 - ▶ Guantanamo Bay “perpetual lease” to US as naval base
- ▶ Reoccupation 1906-1909
 - ▶ Widespread fraud 1905 election
 - ▶ Unrest...threats to US sugar plantations
 - ▶ US marines land and seize government
 - ▶ Enforce “fair elections” 1908 and withdraw
- ▶ Civil wars and Dictatorship follow

US “Big Stick” Diplomacy: US occupations



Cuba 1898-1902, 2905-1909

Dominican Republic
Protect sugar interests : 1916-1924

Haiti collect debts, prevent
Foreign influence occupied
1915-1934

Honduras 1903-1907 ...Banana
Industry protection

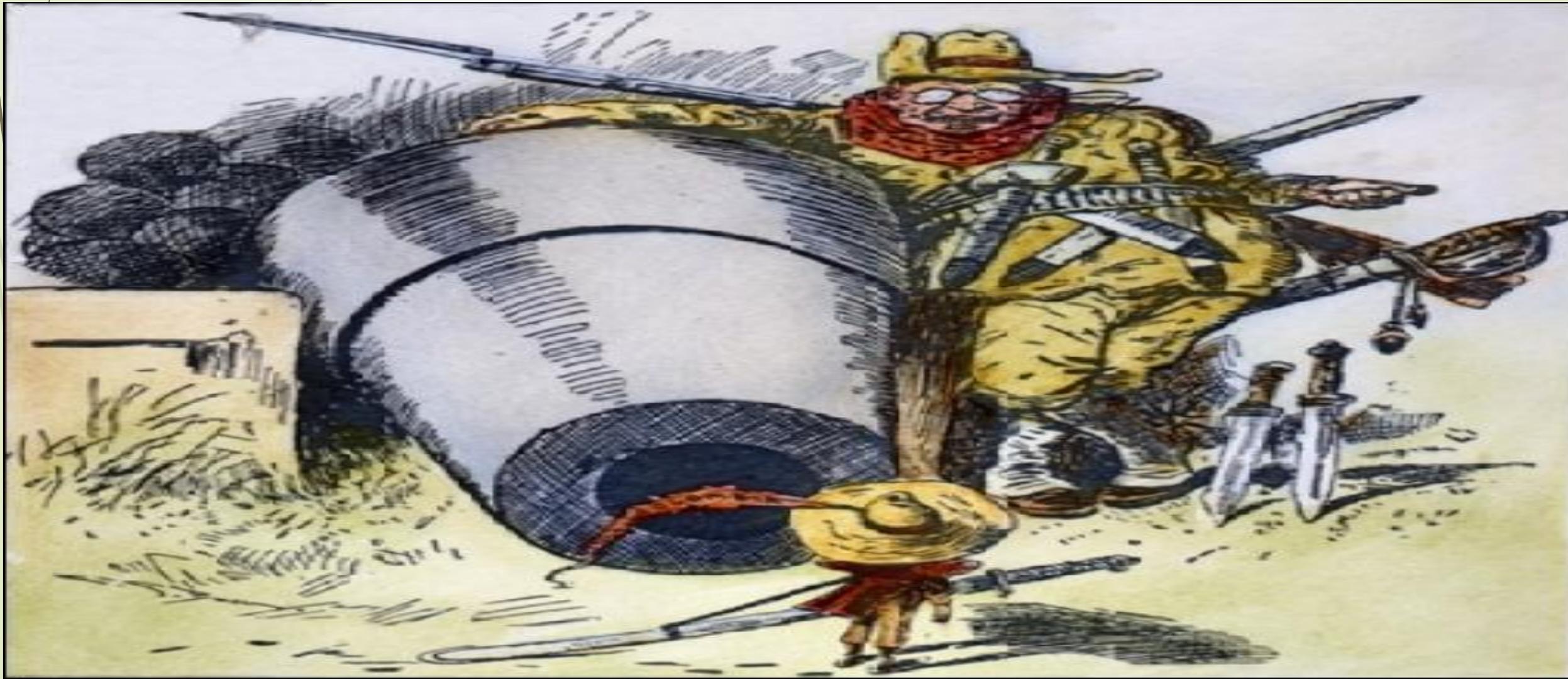
Nicaragua 1909-1933...protect
US mining & agriculture ..prevent
New canal

Mexico dominated by pro US
Dictator Porfirio and calm..for now

Costa Rica...stable, low US presence
...never occupied

Panama....different....not so much
Occupied as created by USA

Big Stick and Central America
...a history forgotten in US, not in Central America



Panama Canal

Reduces mileage from New York to San Francisco from 13,000 to 5,000 miles..

Canal area within border of Columbia

French complete Suez Canal 1881

.....contract with Columbians

.....spend £200m, 20,000 lives lost

.... Abandon work 1889

Teddy Roosevelt wants 2 ocean navy

...threat from Japan,,,,,victory over Chinese

Negotiates rental agreement with Columbia

...rejected by Columbian Senate

.. Rebels in "Panama" offer zone to USA

Columbia sends army and navy to crush



Panama Canal



US sends and marines
...Columbia backs down
....accepts Panama independence

US secures: "indefinite lease" with
Panamarights to operate Canal
+occupy and control bordering district
....Restarts construction 1903

"I took the Isthmus, started the canal and
then left Congress not to debate the canal
but to debate me."

Canal opens 1914

...50 locks, one new lake, 5,000 lives lost by US
(10,000 by French cost \$500 million, (£12Bn today))



Great White Fleet 1907/1909

Great White Fleet round the world tour



1905 Japan victory over Russia
...US intermediary for peace
...First US world intervention
....TR Nobel Prize

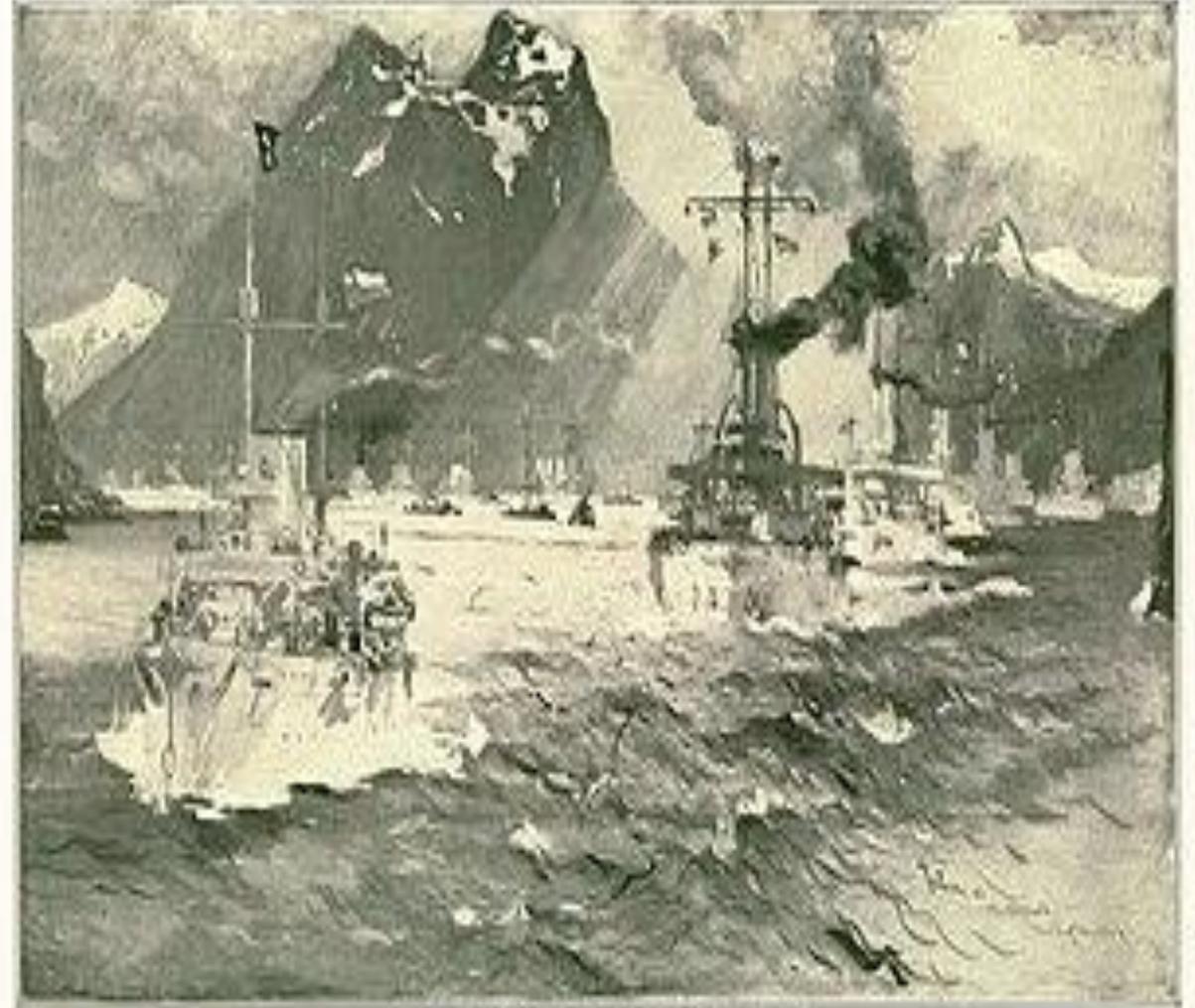
Japan the rising power...challenge

TR wants show off US to world
....and intimidate Japanese

Fleet of 16 battleships, 10
cruisers world tour

Friendly visits : message delivered
.....US has arrived
.....“Stick” is very powerful

The Great White Fleet: US world naval power, 3rd strongest: ultimate “big stick”



The Fleet Passing Through Nagaiwa Straits
1904-1905



US Destiny about to be challenged
...from an unexpected place
....fragility of financial system



American History

Talk 24 “The Progressives Part Two”



Panic of 1907

Panic of 1907: State of US Banking

- National Bank abolished by Andrew Jackson 1836
- “Independent Treasury System” established 1840;s
 - Adjust reserves of 1000’s independent banks by regulating stocks of gold
 - Control bank behaviour by controlling supply of gold
 - No mechanism to adjust money supply rapidly: Panics 1857, 1873, 1893
- US financial system increasingly unstable
 - Trusts broken up, reduced profits...but many remain and interlinked
 - Exports rising, imports protected...too much Gold to US
 - British raise interest rates to retain gold

Vulnerable to shocks: (1) Earthquake and (2) Stock manipulation

San Francisco Earthquake 1906



3,000 killed, 300,000 out of 400,000 homeless...\$29 Billion (2024) damage...surge in demand for gold creates liquidity crisis ...British interest rate rises



The first “Big Short” Corner” Copper Market in 1907

- Short selling
 - Borrow stock for X limited at £100 a share from Broker
 - Sell X limited shares at £100 and buy option to buy same shares in 3 months for £10
 - Price of X shares falls to £10
 - Buy shares at X limited at £10 and returns shares to Broker
 - Takes profit of £90
- Dangers of Short Selling if price of X limited stock rises
 - Stock of x company rises to £200
 - Short seller must buy stock at new price
 - Potential unlimited loss.....Broker can demand loan repayment

Stock Price Manipulation...and its effects

➤ The attempted “Corner”

- Copper Magnate August Heinz moves into banking business
- Brother Otto wants to take over firm....believes other stock holders shorting stock
- Uses dodgy bankers to mass purchase stocks to raise price and “Squeeze” short sellers and force stock transfer...borrows millions
- Price rises from \$39 to \$62 per share in one day

➤ The disaster

- The “Squeeze” fails ...short sellers few and secure financing, stock repurchased
- Market realize stock price increase due to Otto’s purchase
- Price of United copper collapses to \$10...Otto ruined
- Panic spreads across banking system.....suspicion stock values.. N
- NY City set to default

Panic of 1907...impact



Enter PK Morgan Bank
..support from Rothschild in UK
...gold transfer from UK to US

Real market effects:

-Multiple bank failures
-Production falls 11%..3 yrs to recover
-Unemployment rises from 3% to 8%

Political effects:

-Morgan demands freedom buy Carnegie Steel & create US Steel
- ...new "Trust"
- ...Teddy Roosevelt blackmailed but has to relent to protect economy

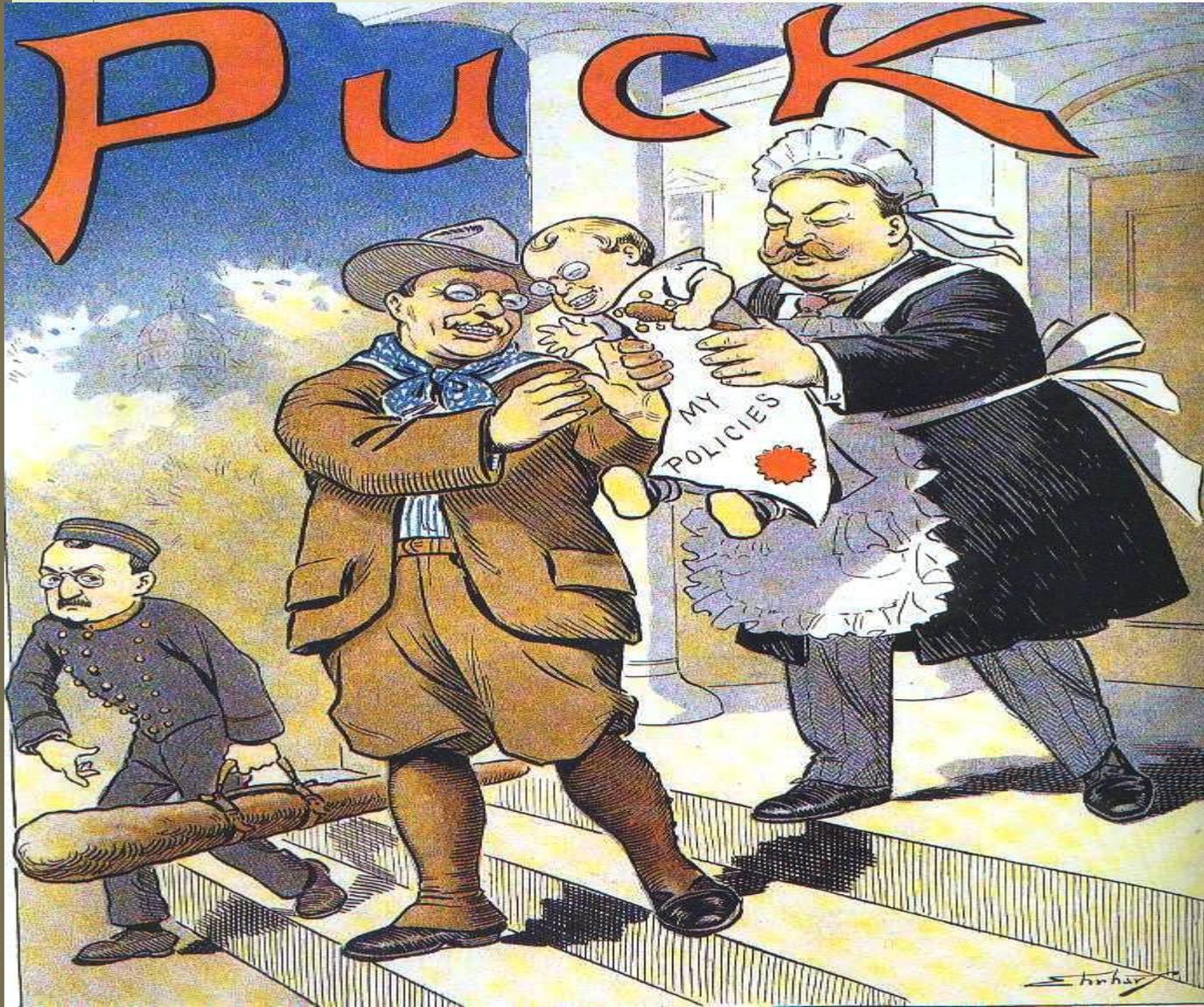
US destiny ...to be defined by Morgan?



Transition to Taft



Transition to Taft & Bull Moose election 1912



Teddy promised to avoid 3rd term
....considers it undemocratic
...major reforms and policies in place
...wants adventure

Convinces Republicans to choose
Reluctant friend Howard Taft to run
....and do what he says

Republicans win 1908 election
51% of vote...

Roosevelt to Africa for 2 years
... big game hunting...nature
...supports British efforts to create
protected game reserves

Howard Taft Presidency 1908-1912

Howard Taft 1858-1930



Wealthy family. Friend of Theodore Roosevelt, wants to Be judge...legal scholar
..never elected to office

...dominated by ambitious wife
.. Governor of Philippines & Cuba
....peace and calm

Nicest man to be President
.....Rooms full of enemies made friends

Huge. Subject to ridicule...
...gave seat on tram, 3 ladies accepted
..out riding “how is your horse?” asks aide
... Taft...no response...just smile

Objective in office: tranquillity
...wife has stroke...dedicates himself to her

1912 Election

Friendship Broken

Theodore Roosevelt & Taft fall out
... Taft seeks to break up US Steel
... believes TR blackmailed in 1907
... slows down creation of National Parks
... abandons labour reform, child labour

TR claims real Republicans betrayed
... "New Nationalism" ... social reform

Republican Party Splits

... Roosevelt supports walk out of Conve
... TR Creates Progressive or "Bull Moos

Democrat Convention selects "Progress
Governor of New Jersey & Professor of
Woodrow Wilson



FOR AULD LANG SYNE.

UNCLE SAM (philosophically watching the Taft-Roosevelt scrap). "WAL! I GUESS OLD FRIENDS ARE THE BEST!"

Fight of the “Progressives”

- Progressives (Bull Moose): Big Government, social reform, high tariffs
 - Tours country, Shot while speaking...continues talking.. recovers,
- Republicans: Howard Taft: Gradual reform, continue break up of monopolies, does not campaign...not interested in winning
- Democrats: Wilson: “New Freedom” platform
 - Small Government, Break up monopolies, reform banks, reduce tariff, White Supremacy
- Socialist: Eugene Debs: All above servants of Business,
 - Workers rights, unions, end child labour, equal rights for blacks & women

1912 Election Results

1912 Election

First election all 48 states
Women voting in most western states

Democratic electoral landslide
435 electoral votes...40% vote
...Progressives 88 electoral, 27% vote
...Taft 8 electoral, 23% vote
...Debs 0 electoral but 6% popular vote
...highest for Socialist Party

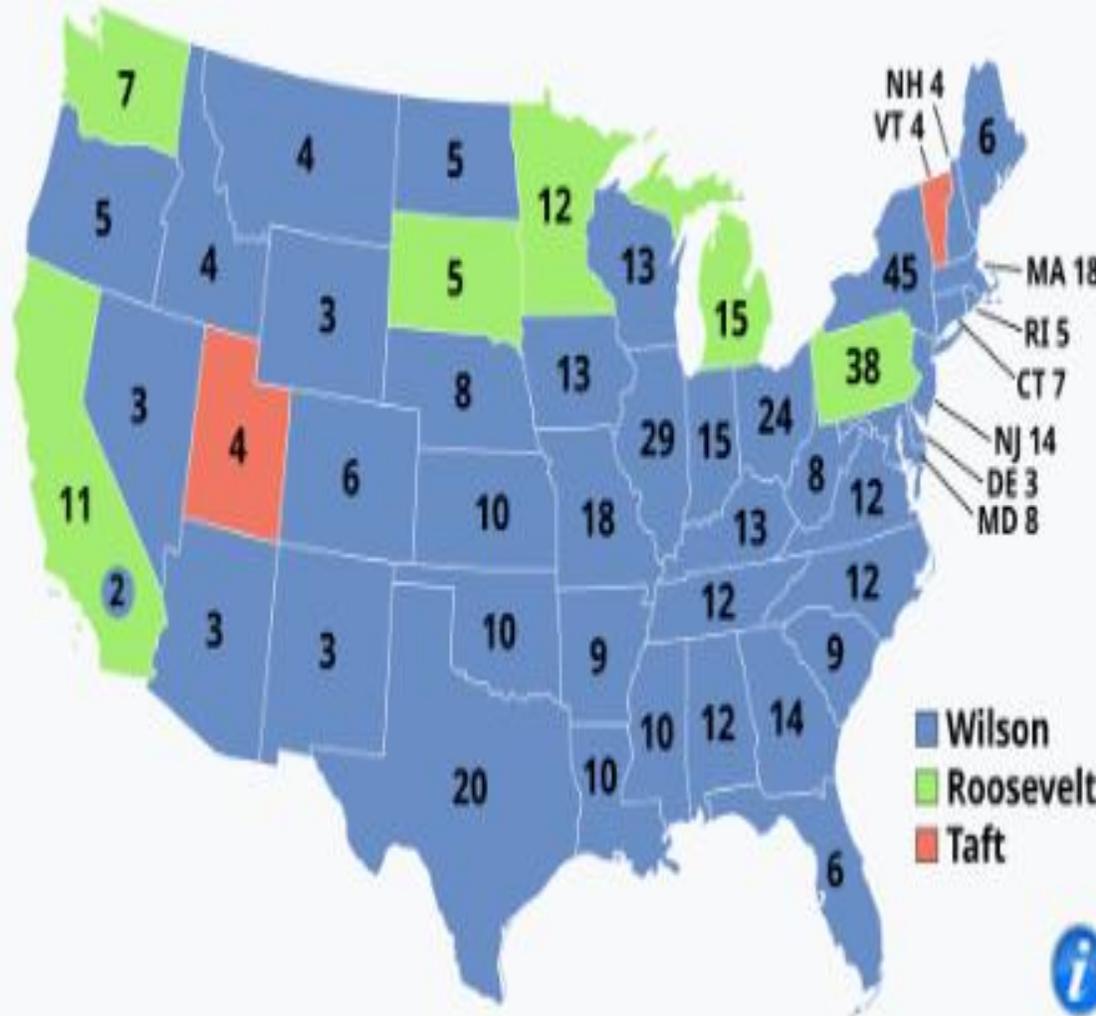
Wilson first Southerner to White House since Civil War

Democrats control Senate and House

Last election “appointed” Senators

...17 Amendment passed 1913

... elected directly by people from 1914



Woodrow Wilson

Woodrow Wilson 1856-1924



Born Virginia...father Minister founded
Southern Presbyterian Church

..intellectual without friends but admired
..not as admired as he was by himself

Only US President with PhD (History)
....author US history text books

President of Princeton...Anglophile
....replicates Oxford. Introduces “rigour”
.... exclude blacks from education

Elected Governor of New Jersey
... Progressive & not controversial

Convinced chosen by Divine intervention
Determined to apply “Science” to business of
government...and only **he** understood how

'Scientific' Government at work

- ▶ Federal Reserve Act 1913 : Creates National Bank
 - ▶ Lender of Last resort, issue national currency, set interest rates
 - ▶ Board appointed by President, 12
- ▶ Revenue Act 1913: US government funded more by taxes than excise duty
 - ▶ Income tax on highest earners 1% on top 3% of population
 - ▶ Reduced tariffs from 50% to 20%
- ▶ Trade & Industry Reforms 1914
 - ▶ Creates Federal Trade Commission to outlaw “anti competitive practices”
 - ▶ Child Labour Act 1916 : approved law but rejected by Supreme Court
- ▶ Philippines to be given independence after “trial period”...no more empires



Dark side of “Progressivism”

“Scientific Racism”

Humans divided into “taxa”

Pre Darwin....racism justified by “biblical teaching”and economics

Darwin: Origin of Species posed question ...but “no racial distinctions that would indicate that human races are discrete species”

19th/ Century “pseudo scientists”
British professor Dalton: race hierarchy
....Blacks....lowest form
...Europeans “Aryan” non Aryan...non
...Aryan/“Nordic”..Iberian, *Italians*
...Slavs...Jewish “race”

Wilson combined “biblical teaching” with “Scientific proof” of White superiority



The Iberians are believed to have been originally an African race, who thousands of years ago spread themselves through Spain over Western Europe. Their remains are found in the barrows, or burying places, in sundry parts of these countries. The skulls are of low, prognathous type. They came to Ireland, and mixed with the natives of the South and West, who themselves are supposed to have been of low type and descendants of savages of the Stone Age, who, in consequence of isolation from the rest of the world, had never been out-competed in the healthy struggle of life, and thus made way, according to the laws of nature, for superior races.

Scientific Racism impact

First Hollywood 1916 “Blockbuster “

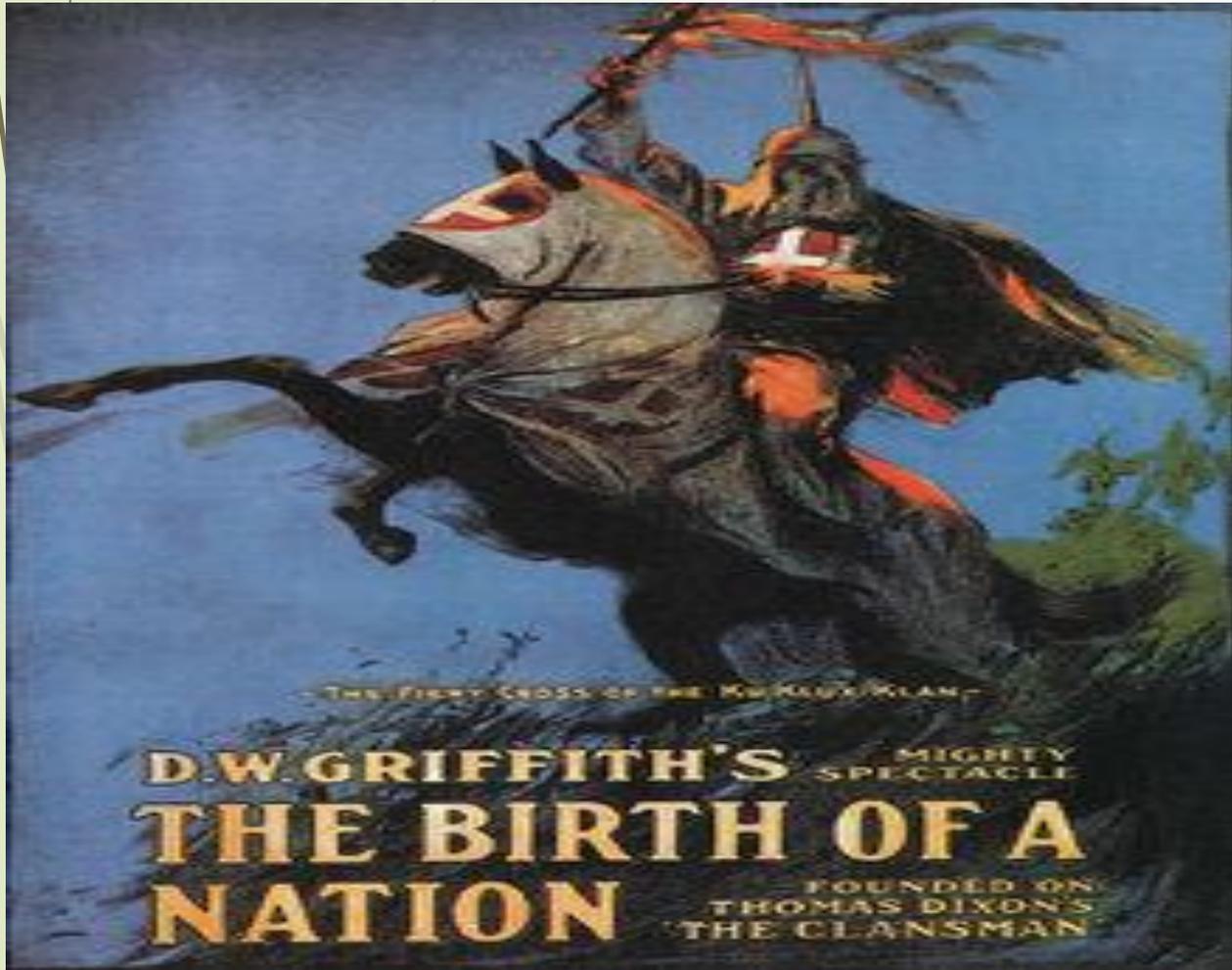
Wilson orders Federal Government
To segregate blacks in government

Fires 15 out 17 black managers

Enforces segregation throughout US
Government & US army: black officers
fired...including black soldiers in
Spanish war

Promotes first Hollywood blockbuster
... “Birth of a Nation”
...revives “Old South” myth & “Lost Cause”

Shapes legislation and immigration policy
Post 1910...re-emergence of KKK



“Eugenics Movement”



Improve the “race” by
‘selective breeding’

Positive “eugenics”...promote
...American Breeders Association
...Better Baby contests...white only

Negative “eugenics”

....sterilisation programmes
of disabled, convicts
... (Buck vs Bell) court support
...60,000 sterilisations 1910-1960
...principally black women in

Shapes immigration and social
Policies through 1960’s



Social Change: Women's right to vote

US Suffragette Movement 1900-1913

- 1900-1913
 - Reject “Woman’s Bible
 - Discard “Abolitionists” roots practice segregation & encourage support in white South
 - Leadership white upper and middle class women....link with “Temperance”
- Comparisons to British
 - American reject militant tactics of British
 - Message “good behaviour & Temperance: “White women model”
 - Less violent response by US legislators
 - Evidence of progress....state by state

Carrie Chapman Catt (1859-1947)

Carrie 1901



Modest Iowa family...works way through college
...Agriculture College...demands right to speak
...Superintendent of Schools
...marries wealthy industrialists

Attends International Conference 1902

..co writes resolution:

“That men and women are born equally free and independent members of the human race; equally endowed with talents and intelligence, and equally entitled to the free exercise of their individual rights and liberty.”

Leads US Woman's suffrage movement 1895-1900 & 1915-1920...focus on organisation & discipline,
.....avoids public confrontation
.....accommodates White Supremacy
....segregates blacks...to win South

Alice Paul (1885-1972)

Alice in 1918



Born New Jersey...Quaker family
....descendent of William Penn
...joins mother at suffragette meetings
...goes to college, degree in Biology
...then to England

Studies at Birmingham University & Quaker
College, Selly Oak. 1907-1910

....meets Emily Pankhurst/ Webbs/ Socialist
...joins militant protest..arrested ...hunger strike

Returns toJoins NWSA

....Catt & committee disagree

....rejects conservative state by state approach

...organises "Suffrage Procession of 1913

1913 Women's Suffrage Procession



First ever march by women
To fight for rights

Alice organises to take place
Alongside Wilson's inauguration

Plan: maximise publicity and
present orderliness

...8,000 women, all nations

... 500,000 spectators

...led by Inez Mulholland
, lawyer...on white horse

Women's Suffrage Procession 1913



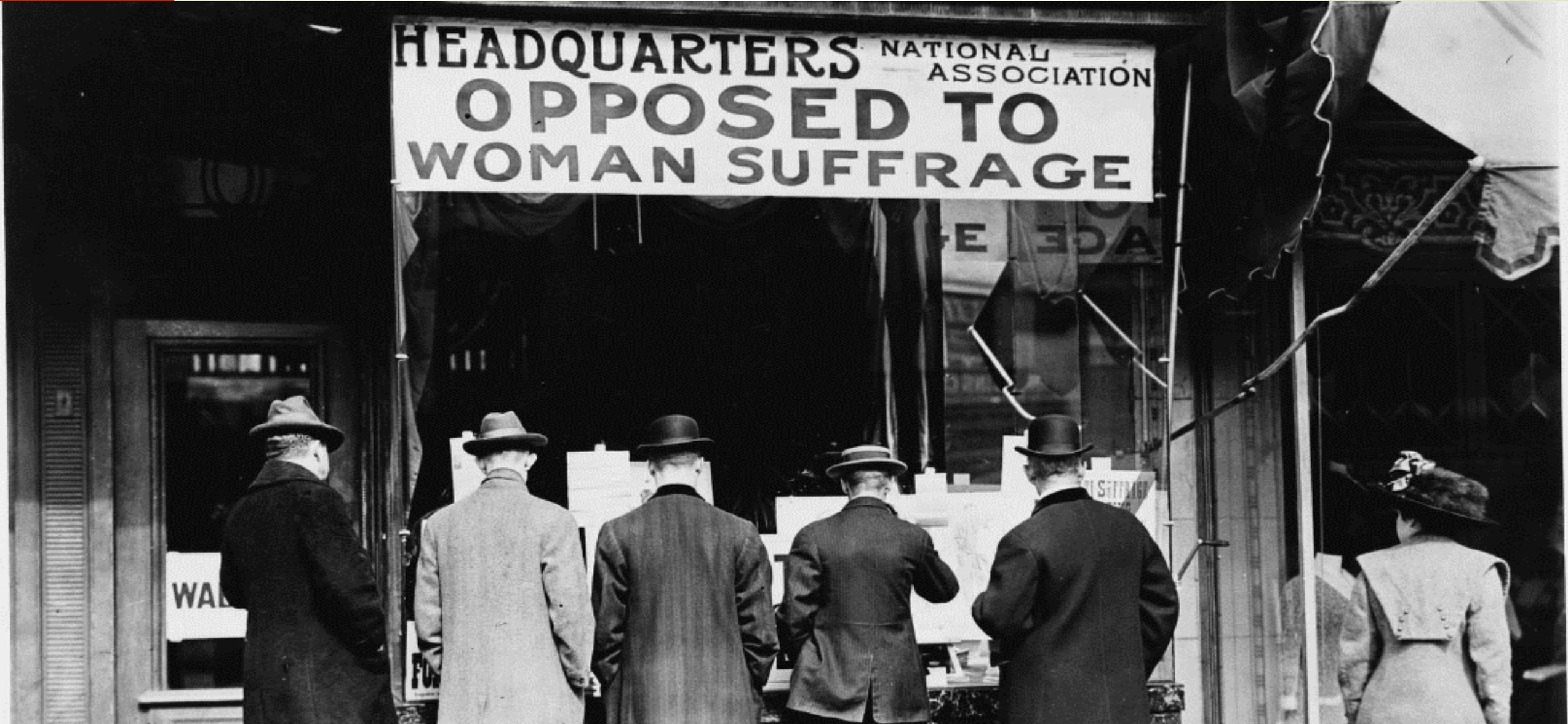
The head of the Procession



Suffragettes 1913-1919

- Procession blocked by violent male demonstrations
 - 100 women injured
 - Widespread publicity...
- Post Procession strategy: a two pronged attack
 - NWSA (Catt) lobby congress...publications
 - NA (Alice Paul) demonstrations, publicity
 - Vigils outside White House...arrested, return, arrested, return
- 19th Amendment issued to Congress
 - Rejected by Wilson....State responsibility
 - Efforts to secure vote intensify

Opposition: Religious Fundamentalists, Conservatives,,
New Immigrant patriarchal families



Suffragettes march 1916



Marches continue: New York 1916



gettyimages®
Credit: FPG

Happy Marchers 1916

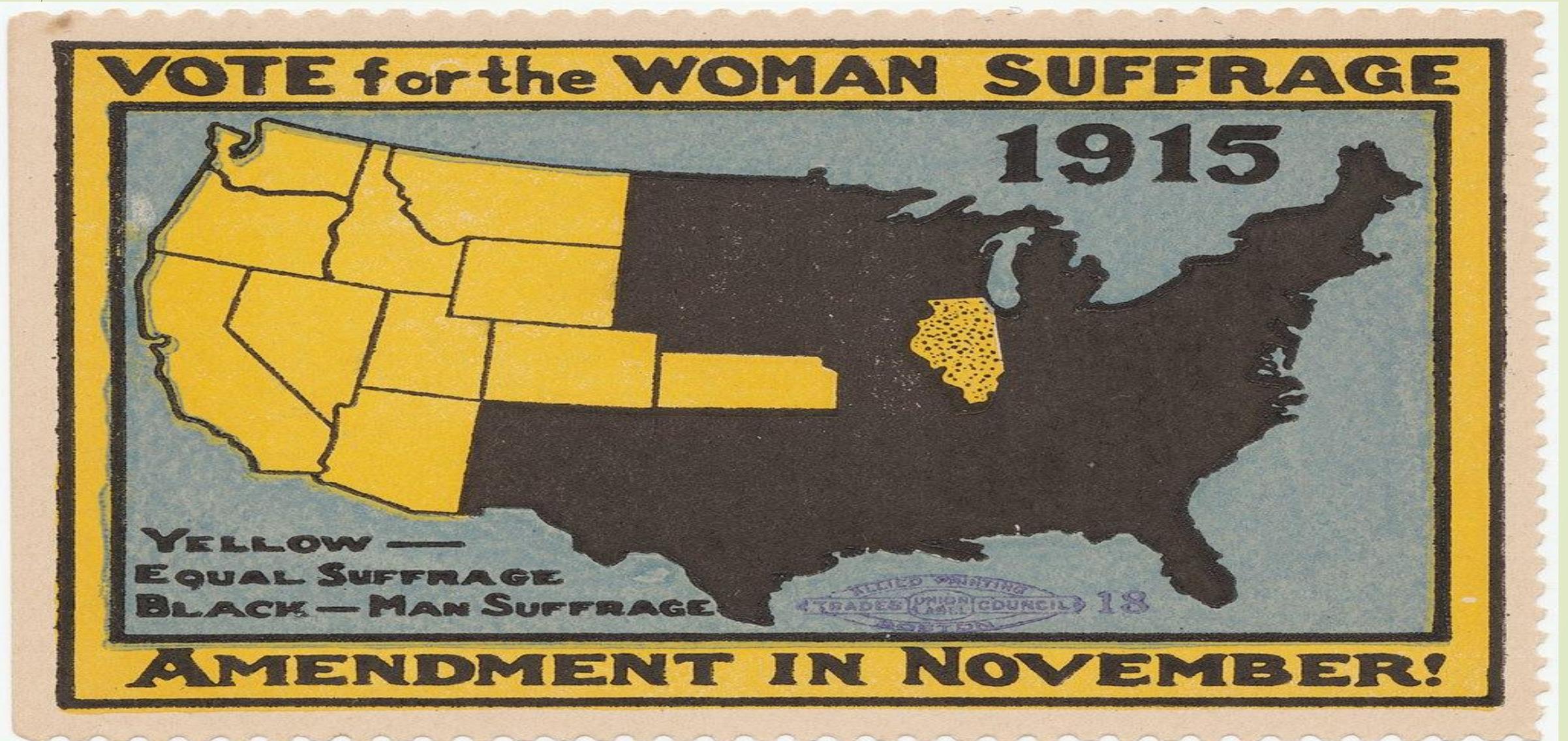
....males cease obstructing marches

....more states give women vote



Women's Suffrage 1915

....votes in West...shortage/power of women



Alice Paul strategy: shame East & South & North to pass Amendment

THE AWAKENING



Look forward, women, always; utterly cast away
The memory of hate and struggle and bitterness;
Bonds may endure for a night, but freedom comes with the day,
And the free must remember nothing less.

Forget the strife; remember those who strove—
The first defeated women, gallant and few,
Who gave us hope, as a mother gives us love,
Forget them not, and this remember, too:

How at the later call to come forth and unite,
Women untaught, uncounselled, alone and apart,
Rank upon rank came forth in unguessed might,
Each one answering the call of her own wise heart

They came from toil and want, from leisure and ease,
Those who knew only life, and learned women of fame,
Girls and the mothers of girls, and the mothers of these,
No one knew whence or how, but they came, they came.

The faces of some were stern, and some were gay,
And some were pale with the terror of unreal dangers;
But their hearts knew this: that hereafter come what may,
Women to women would never again be strangers.



USA 1914: a hyper confident nation immersed into itself, the outside world a distraction, at most a source for profit

All that is about to change as Mexico dissolves into chaos and the Great Empires of the world self destruct.....and go mad

Talk 15: The USA and a world at war