

America's History (Henretta) Chapter 20, 21

republicans divide

During Taft's presidency the Republican Party becomes divided — Taft supports Payne-Aldrich

- Tariff (1909) which raised rates • Angered Progressives in the Republican party
- Pinchot-Ballinger Controversy: Taft fires Chief of the Forest Service Gifford Pinchot after he criticized Secretary of the Interior Ballinger
 - Ballinger opened public lands in Alaska for private development



ELECTION OF 1912 Taft wins the Republican nomination TR forms the Progressive ("Bull Moose" Party) - Program called "New Nationalism"

- active federal government pursuing a wide variety of reforms
 Democrats select Woodrow Wilson who ran on a progressive platform called "New Freedom"
- Tariff lowered, bank reform, antitrust laws

Socialist candidate Eugene Debs running

- Demonstrates growing frustration over slow pace of reform
 Called for more radical reforms
- than Progressive candidates
 Public ownership of major industry such as RR, steel, oil, etc.

Results: Divided Republicans help Wilson win the Presidency



Progressive Era Reform under Wilson					
Tariff Reform	Tariff Reform Trusts				
 Underwood Tariff (1913): lowered the rates of tariffs 1st major tariff reduction in 50 years 	 Federal Trade Commission (1914) presidential appointed commission that would investigate monopolies. Exempted labor unions from being prosecuted Clayton Anti-Trust Act (1914) increased the power of the Sherman Anti-Trust Act 	 Federal Reserve Act (1913) would be responsible for regulating money supply Previous economic panics (i.e. Panic of 1907) demonstrated problem of limited money supply 16th Amendment: graduated income tax established 			

FAILURE OF THE PROGRESSIVE MOVEMENT: AFRICAN AMERICAN CIVIL RIGHTS

- Most Progressive reformers <u>were not</u> interested in advancing the cause of social justice or extending democracy for African Americans.
- African Americans were ignored by most Progressive politicians
- Very little protests to the rise of lynching or the existence of Jim Crow laws (*REMEMBER Plessy v. Ferguson*)

AFRICAN AMERICAN CIVIL RIGHTS

Booker T. Washington

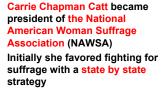
- Atlanta Exposition speech in 1895 outlined his position
- African Americans should acquire vocational skills to gain self-respect and economic security
- Established Tuskegee Institute
- Did not advocate for directly challenging white supremacy
- Accused of being a "accommodationist" by critics

W.E.B. DuBois • "Souls of Black Folk" (1903)

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 Rejected Booker's gradualism
- Demanded immediate political and social equality for black people
- Niagara Movement (1905) advocated for black rights
 Helped found the National Association for the
- Advancement of Colored People (NAACP) in 1909
- Ida B. Wells important in the anti-lynching campaign, woman's suffrage, and civil rights

WOMEN IN THE MOVEMENT





Alice Paul broke with NAWSA and formed the National Woman's Party in 1916

More militant, demanded a national amendment

Eventually 19th Amendment (1920)



During the Progressive Era Roosevelt, Taft, and Wilson all sought reform at the national level

WILSON'S FOREIGN POLICY

- The U.S. had pursued aggressive for Asia and Latin America
 - TR "Big Stick" policy
 - Taft "Dollar Diplomacy"



- Wilson shifts direction with a policy called **"Moral Diplomacy"**
- Pursue less imperialistic policies:
 - Improved relations with the Philippines and Panama

Wilson Intervenes in Mexico

- Mexican Revolution removes dictator Porfirio Diaz from power
- U.S. had large amount of
- investments in Mexico Rotating leadership in Mexico
- Huerta becomes leader of
- Mexico (military dictator) - Wilson refuses to recognize his
- government • Orders an arms embargo and gives aid to revolutionaries
- Fighting Huerta – American soldiers arrested by Mexican officials at Tampico
- U.S. Navy occupied Veracruz Pancho Villa led raids across the
- border, killing people in Texas & New Mexico 1916 Wilson sends General John J.
- 1916 Wilson sends General John J. Pershing & a expeditionary force to arrest him

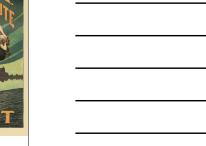


THE GREAT WAR

- Variety of factors contributed to the outbreak of World War I
 - Militarism
 - Alliances
 - Imperialism
 - Nationalism
- Assassination of Franz Ferdinand becomes the immediate cause of World War I (June 1914)
- Wilson advocates a policy of neutrality



 England used its superior navy to blockade any trade from entering Germany



THE STRUGGLE IS REAL: U.S. Neutrality



Germany resorts to unrestricted submarine warfare using U-boats - Lusitania (British passenger ship) sunk May 1915 killing

- 1,198 (including 128 Americans)
- Germany apologizes and pledges not to sink any more neutral ships
- Germany sinks other ships, including the Sussex (March 1916)
- Wilson threatens to cut off diplomatic relations with Germany (U.S. and Germany are very close to war)
 - Sussex Pledge: Germany wont sink anymore ships without warning

