



# The Progressive Era

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- **Goals of Progressives:**
    - **Religious morality**
    - **Political honesty**
    - **Social stability**
    - **Economic opportunity**

# SETTLEMENT HOUSES

- Settlement Houses
- Hull-House – Jane Addams



Jane Addams (1905)



Hull-House Complex in 1906

# STATE SOCIAL REFORMS

- workplace & labor reforms
  - eight-hour work day
  - improved safety in factories
  - workers compensation laws
  - minimum wage laws
  - child labor laws



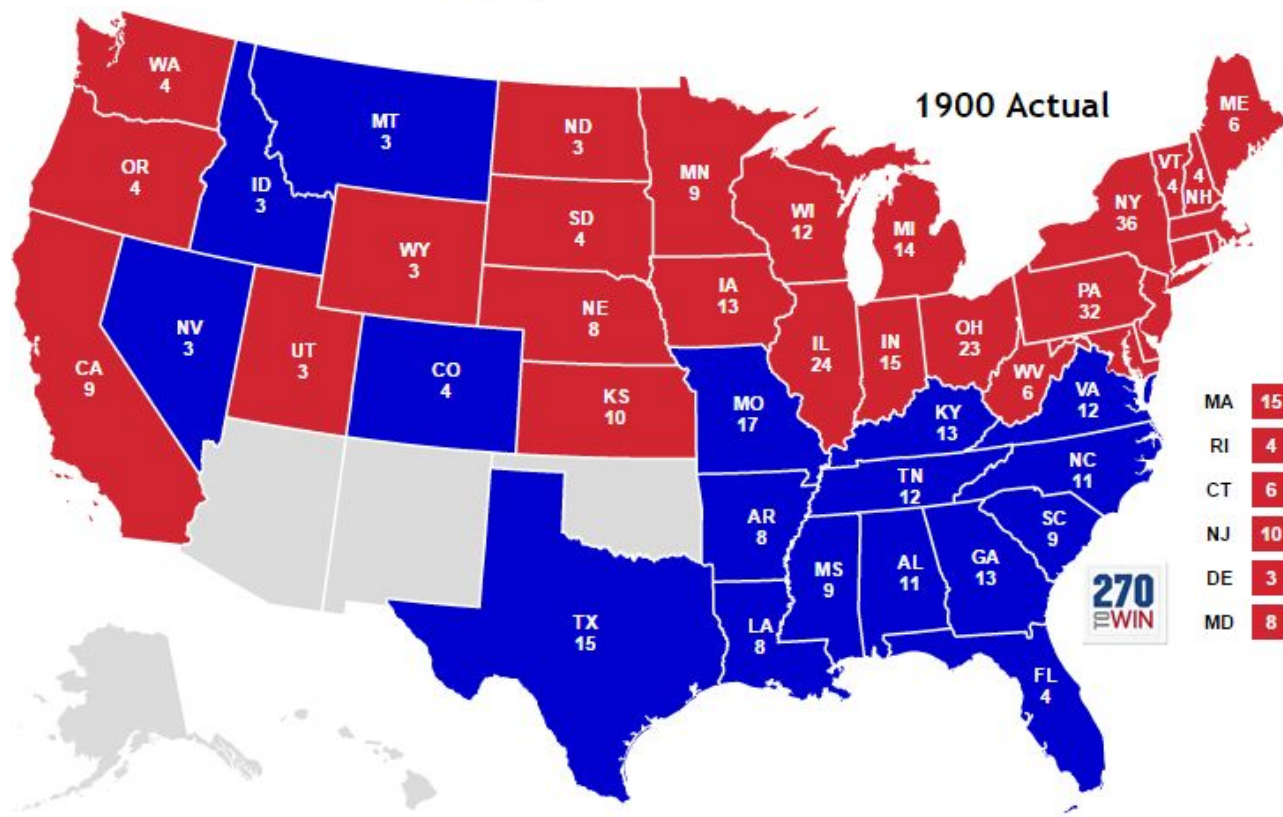
Triangle Shirtwaist  
Factory Fire, 1913

# State Political Reforms

- Initiative - right of citizens to organize legislation
- Referendum - law put on the ballot for the people to approve
- Recall - to remove an elected official from office
- Direct Primary - people select candidate for each party not political machine

# 1900 Election Results

	Candidate	Party	Electoral Votes	Popular Votes
✓	William McKinley (I)	Republican	292	7,207,923
	William J. Bryan	Democratic-Populist	155	6,358,133





# THEODORE ROOSEVELT: THE "ACCIDENTAL PRESIDENT" REPUBLICAN (1901-1909)

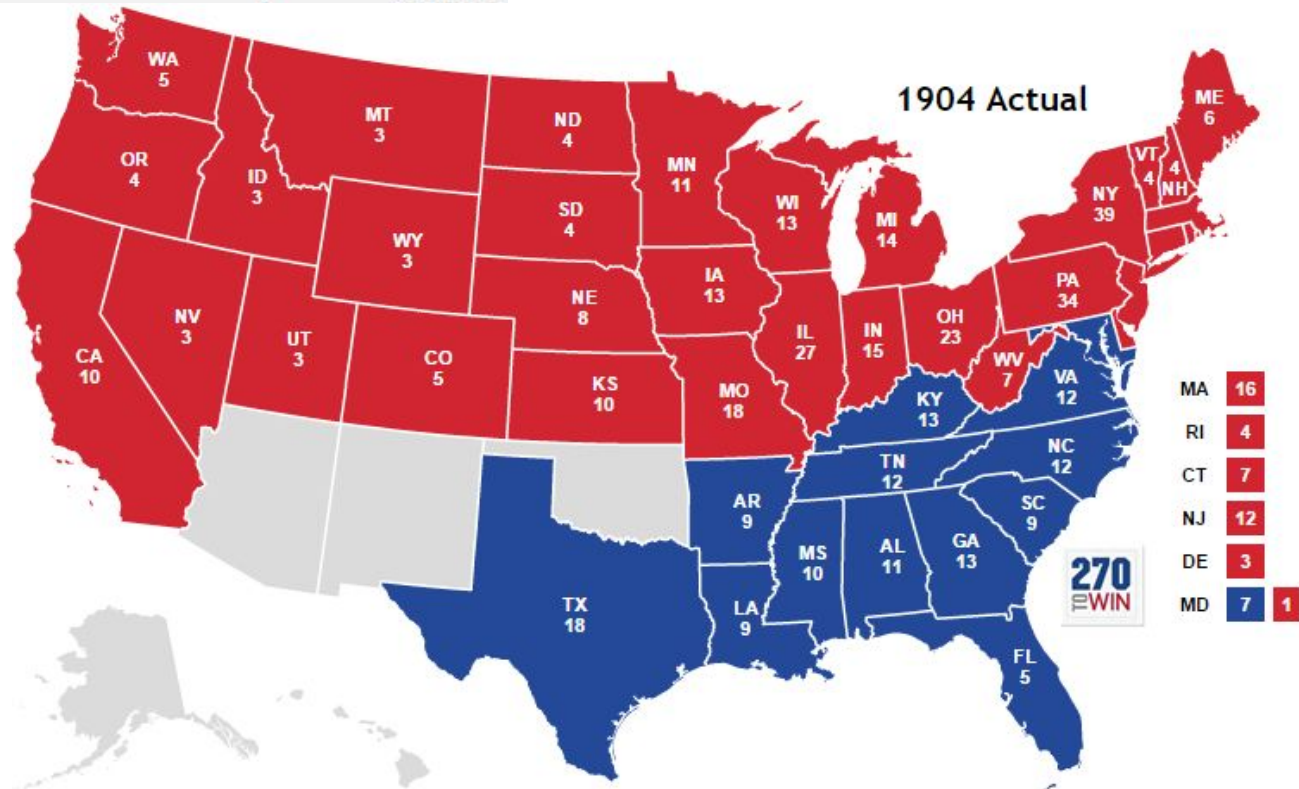


(The New-York Historical Society)



# 1904 Election Results

	Candidate	Party	Electoral Votes	Popular Votes
✓	Theodore Roosevelt (I)	Republican	336	7,623,486
	Alton B. Parker	Democratic	140	5,077,911
	Eugene Debs	Socialist	0	402,895

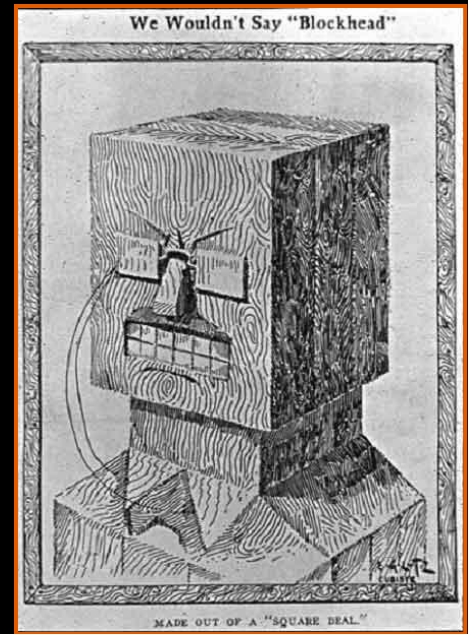


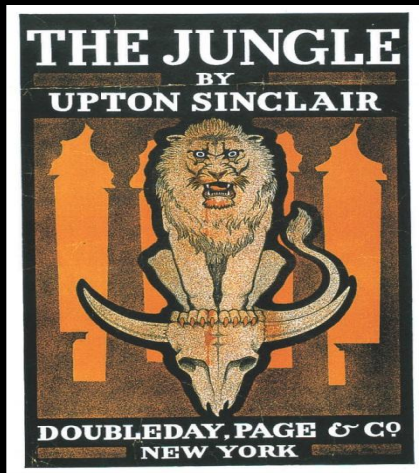
# ROOSEVELT'S "SQUARE DEAL"

- Enforcement of antitrust laws
- Presidential power should benefit all Americans

# ROOSEVELT THE "TRUST-BUSTER"

- Gave more power to railroad regulations





# CONSUMER PROTECTION

- Upton Sinclair's *The Jungle*
- Pure Food and Drug Act (1906)
- Meat Inspection Act (1906)



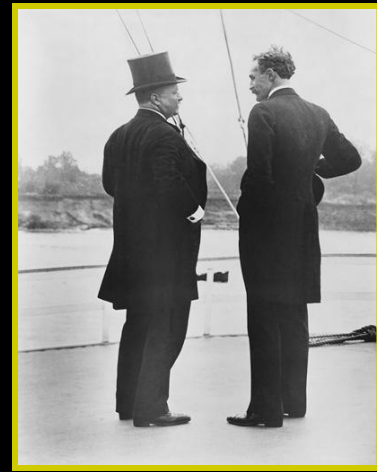
Chicago Meatpacking Workers, 1905



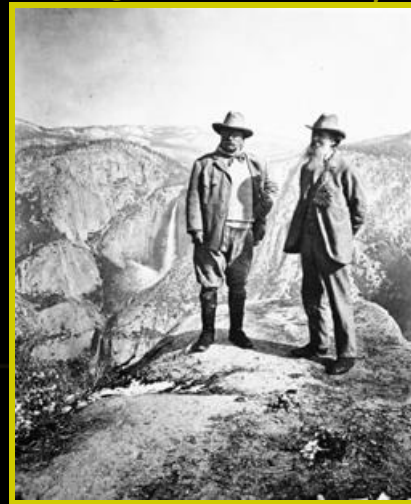
"A nauseating job, but it must be done"

# ROOSEVELT & CONSERVATION

- Used the Forest Reserve Act of 1891
- U.S. Forest Service (1906)
- Gifford Pinchot
- White House conference on conservation -1908
- John Muir

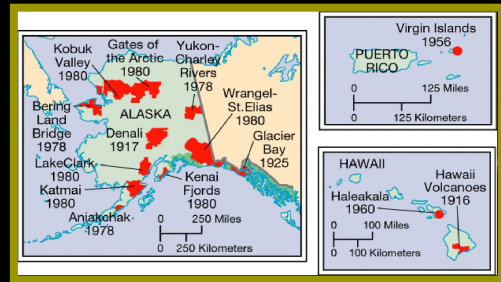


Theodore Roosevelt and  
Gifford Pinchot, 1907



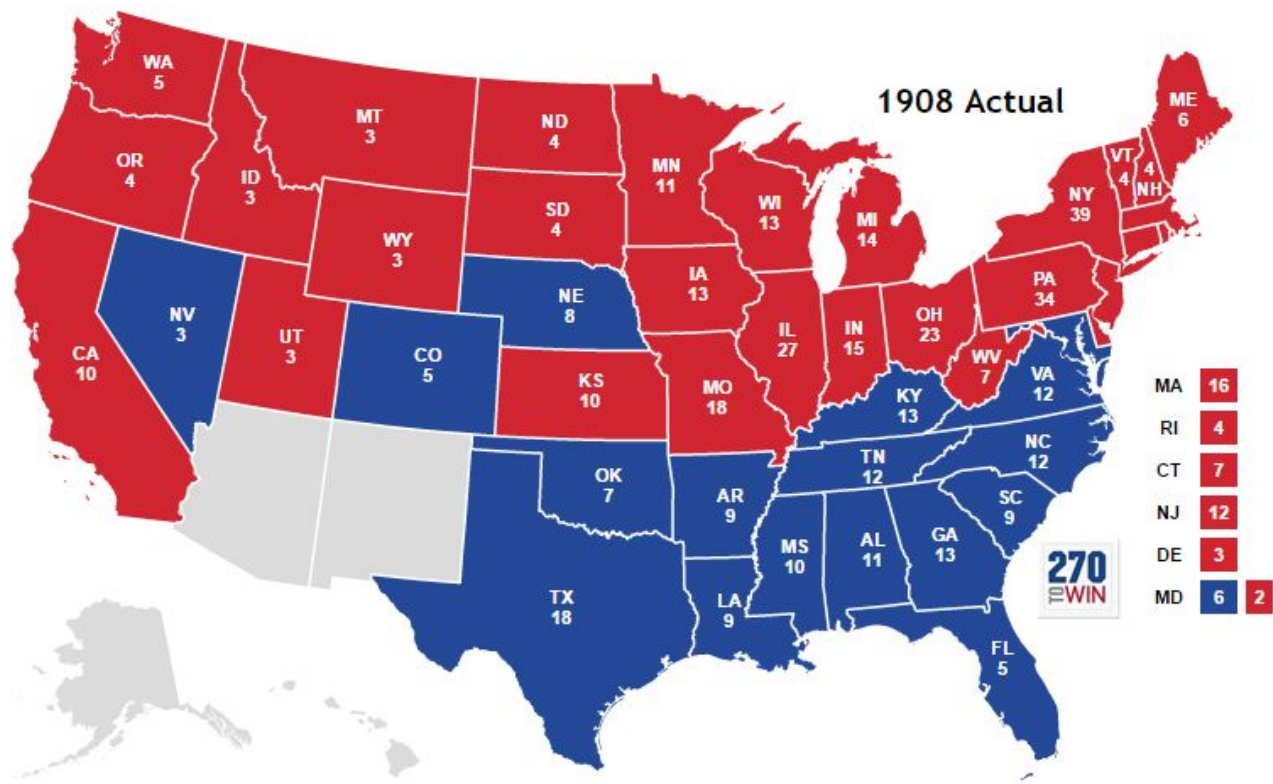
Theodore  
Roosevelt &  
John Muir at  
Yosemite

# CONSERVATION: NATIONAL PARKS AND FORESTS

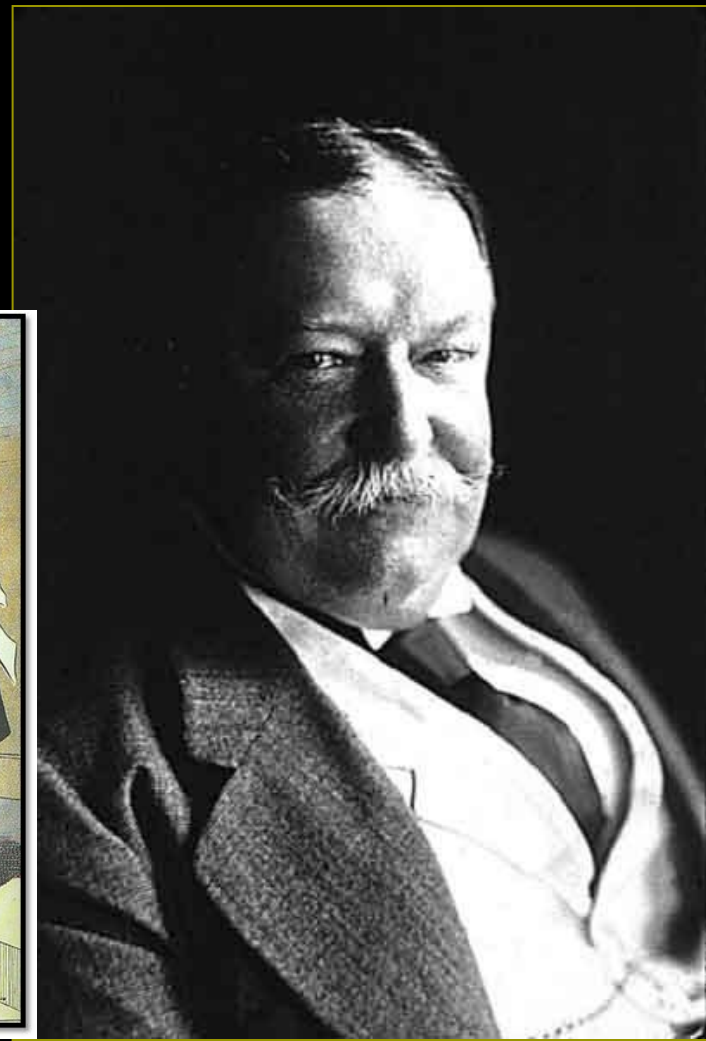
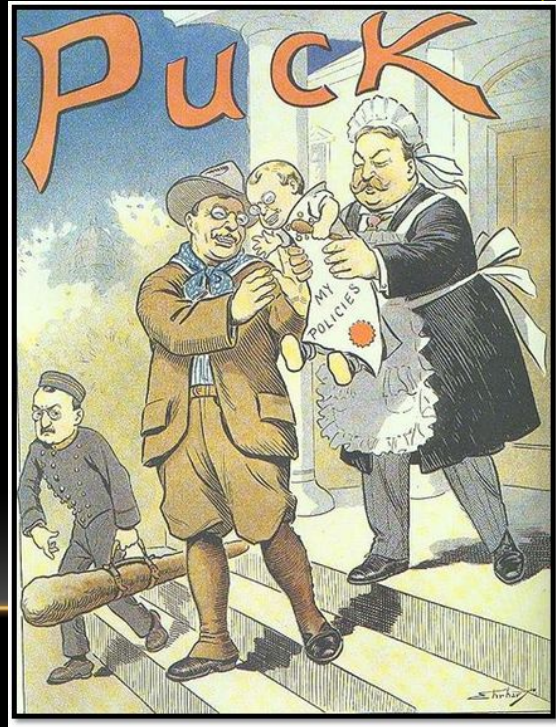


# 1908 Election Results

	Candidate	Party	Electoral Votes	Popular Votes
✓	William H. Taft	Republican	321	7,678,908
	William J. Bryan	Democratic	162	6,409,104



WILLIAM HOWARD  
TAFT  
PRESIDENT 1909-13  
REPUBLICAN



# TAFT'S PROGRESSIVE ACCOMPLISHMENTS

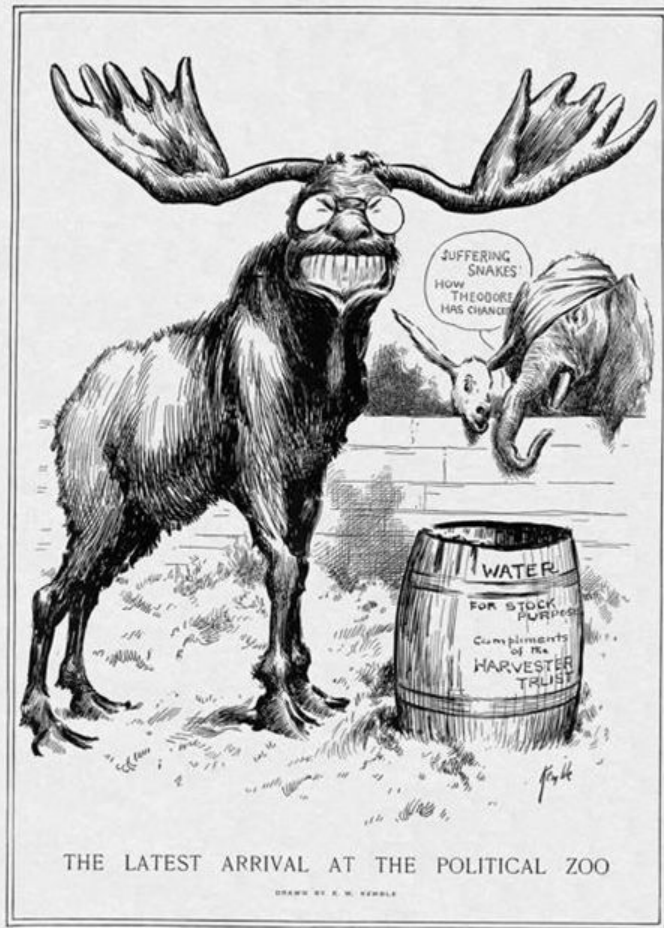
- trust-busting
- forest and oil reserves
- BUT: Caused split in Republican Party
  - Payne-Aldrich Tariff (1909)
  - Pinchot-Ballinger Controversy

(Taft has) “...completely twisted around the policies I advocated and acted upon.”

*-Theodore Roosevelt*

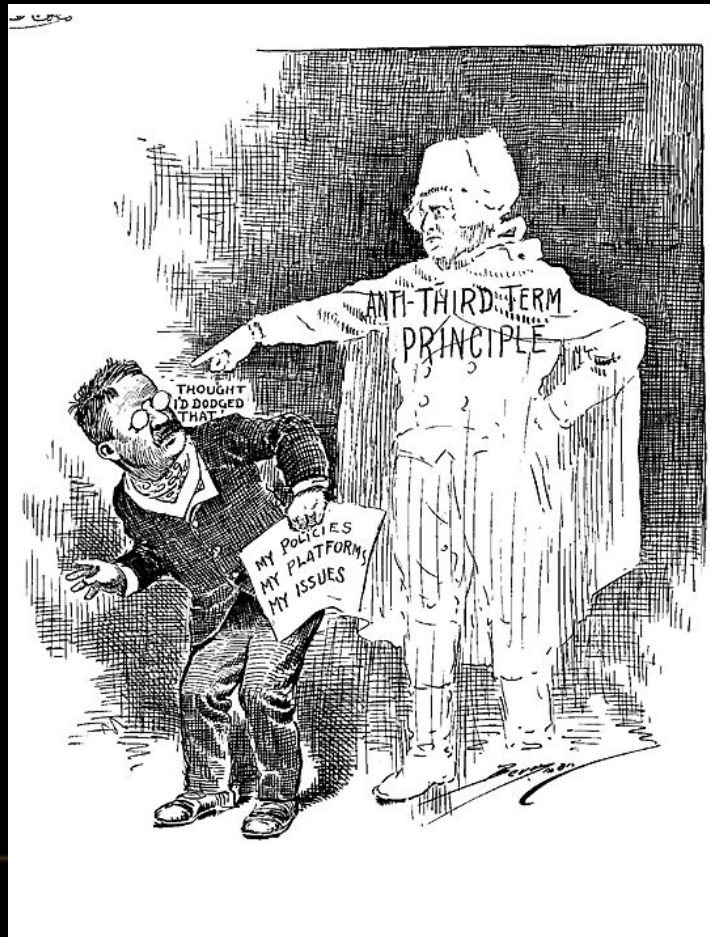






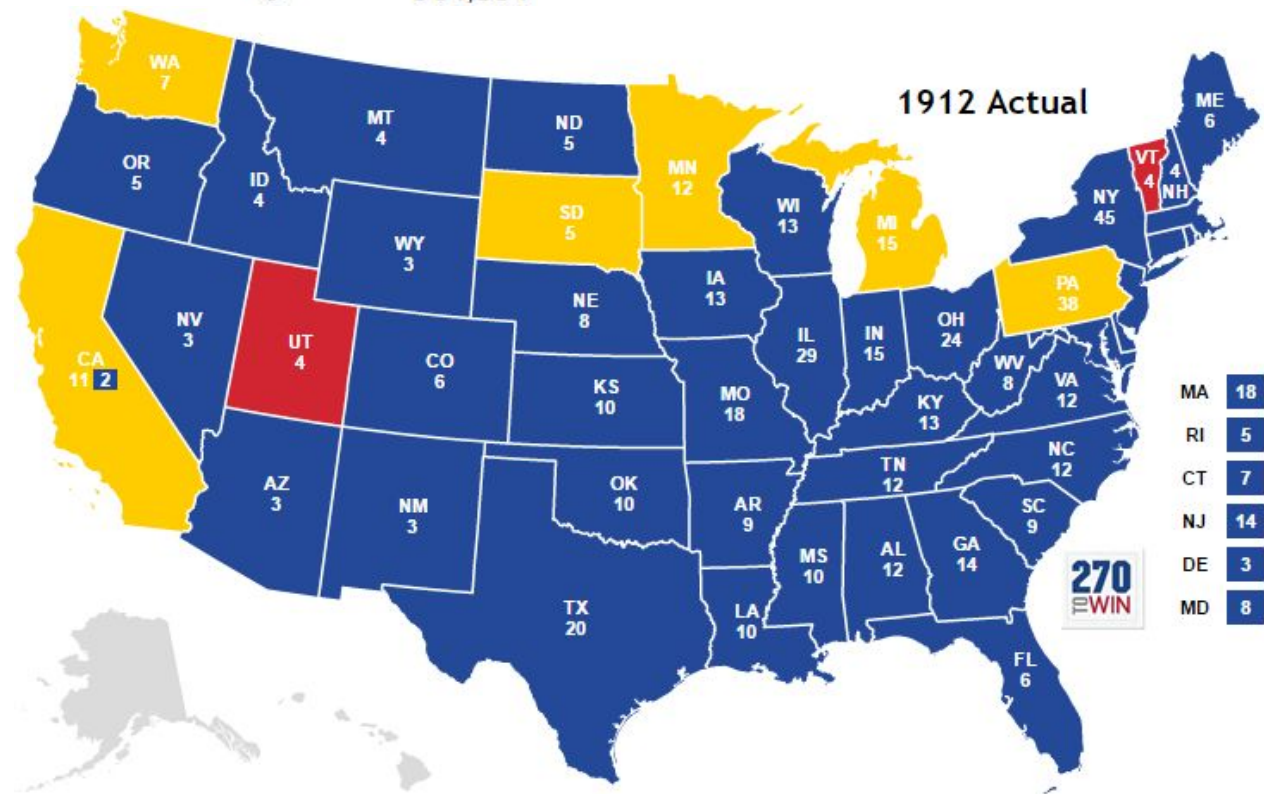
THE LATEST ARRIVAL AT THE POLITICAL ZOO

DRAWN BY F. H. H.



# 1912 Election Results

	Candidate	Party	Electoral Votes	Popular Votes
✓	Woodrow Wilson	Democratic	435	6,293,454
	Theodore Roosevelt	Progressive	88	4,119,207
	William H. Taft (I)	Republican	8	3,483,922
	Eugene Debs	Socialist	0	901,551



# Woodrow Wilson

- “New Freedom”
- Federal Reserve Act (1913)
- Federal Trade Commission Act (1914)
- Clayton Antitrust Act (1914)
- Keating-Owen Act (1916)



Wilson at the peak of his power

## Sixteenth Amendment

The Congress shall have power to lay and collect taxes on incomes, from whatever source derived, without apportionment among several States, and without regard to any census or enumeration

# Seventeenth Amendment

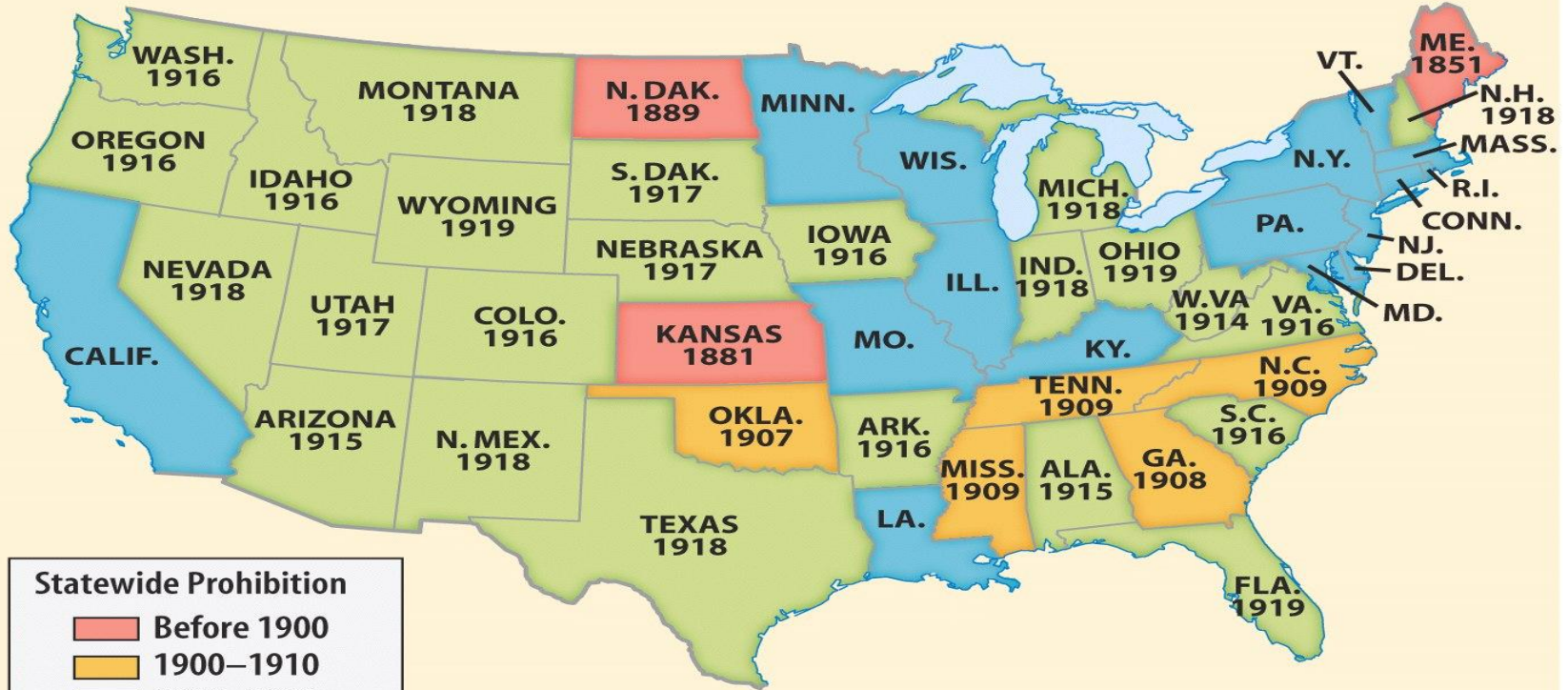
The Senate of the United States shall be composed of two Senators from each State, elected by the people thereof, for six years

# Eighteenth Amendment

After one year from the ratification of this article the manufacture, sale or transportation of intoxicating liquors within, the importation thereof into, or the exportation thereof from the United States and all territories subject to the jurisdiction thereof beverage purposes is hereby prohibited.

# TEMPERANCE & PROHIBITION

- Eighteenth Amendment

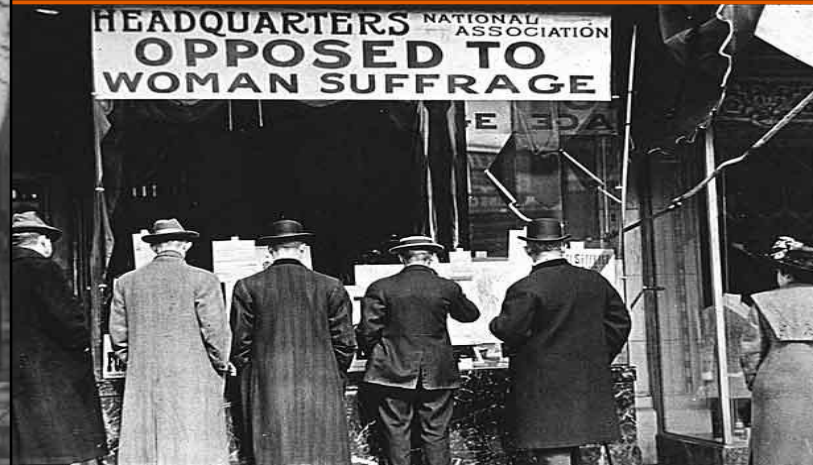


Prohibition on the Eve of the 18th Amendment, 1919



# WOMEN'S SUFFRAGE

- National American Woman Suffrage Association (NAWSA)
- National Woman's Party



# Nineteenth Amendment

The right of citizens of the United States to vote shall not be denied or abridged by the United States or by any State on account of sex.

# WOMAN SUFFRAGE BEFORE 1920

