Bull Moose Campaign of 1912:

* Wilson was nominated on the forth-sixth ballot, aided by William jenning Bryan’s
* Strong progressive platform dubbed “New Freedom”
  + Stronger anti-trust legislation, banking reforms, and tariff reductions
* Roosevelt came to the front as a candidate for the third party
  + Progressive candidate too.
  + Jane Addams placed Roosevelt’s name in for the cause of social justice, underscoring rise of women in politics.
  + “We stand at Armageddon and we battle for the lord”
  + “Onward Christian Soldier” and “ Battle hymn of the Republic”
* Roosevelt boosted that he felt as strong as a bull moose.
* Two candidates were bound to slit each other’s political throats; however, the Republican division ensured the victory of Democrats
* New nationalism or New Freedom
  + Favored more active government role in economic and social affairs
  + Roosevelt: progressive thinker Herbert Croly’s book, labor unions, woman suffrage, social welfare, minimum wage, etc.
  + Wilson: Small enterprise, entrepreneurship, and free functioning of unregulated and the unmonopolized market. Shunned social-welfare proposals and pinned it on ‘man of the make’
    - Fragmentatino of big industrial combines, by vigorous enforcement of anti-trust laws.

Woodrow Wilson:

* Wilson won by 435 electoral votes and 6296547 polular votes
  + Roosevelt second, Taft third
* Wilson was clearly a minority president, his total was smaller than Bryan had ammsed in any of this three defeats
* Taft and Roosevelt garnered 1.25 million votes more than the Democrats
* Progressivism was the overall winner in this election
* Eugune V. Debs comes out as a technical winner too as his party got twice as many votes as before. They dreamed up of being in the White House within 8 years.
* Roosevelt had gone mad
  + Progressive Party had no future, elected few candidates, even socialists had more people elected. Death by slow starvation.

Wilson: The idealist in politics

* Ascetic intellectual
  + Born in south states
  + Sympathized with Confederacy’s gallant attempt to win its independence.
  + Jeffersonian democracy, faith in the masses- if they were informed
  + Reared in fervent piety. He was a moving orator and could rise on the wings of spiritual power to soaring eloquence.
  + “Phraseocrat” coined many noble epigrams. Born halfway with a bibile and a dictionary
  + Chief executive should play a dynamic role.
* He lacked the common touch and appeared to be cold
  + Academic scholar made him seem at home with scholars but intolerant of stupid senators and looked down on journalists
  + Sense of moral righteousness was often found compromise difficult

Wilson Tackles the Tariff:

* Calls for an all out assault on the “tripe wall of privledge”
  + The tariff, the banks and the trusts
* Tariff: Special Congressional Meeting. Did not send his presidential message to be read, he eppeared in person to present his apple
* Underwood Tariff Bill
  + Substantial Reduction of Rates
  + When lobbyists descended upon Senate to disembowel bill, issued a combative message to hold their reps in line.
* Under 16th amendment, impose an income tax on incomes over $300,000 ( considerably higher than the average income)

Wilson Battles the Bankers

* Nationa’s banking system was weak, and during 1907, was fixed of it’s ilasticity problem
* Aresene Pujo- Congressman who chaired the Democratic banking reformers
* Louis D. Brandies- Fanned the flames of reform by incendiary novel other people’s money and how bankers use it
* Endorsed Democratic Proposals for a decentralized bank in government hands
* Federal Reserve Act
  + Fed Board, appointed by President, oversaw a nationawide sytem of 12 regional districts, each with it’s own central bank
  + Although owned by financial institution, final authority of a fed board guaranteed a substantial measure of public control
* Federal Reserve act was a red-letter achievement

Wilson Tames the Trusts

* Pushed the last remaining ramprt in the triple wall of pricelege
* Federal Trade Comission Act
  + President could appoint commission to turn a searchlight on industries engaged in interstate commerce. Expected to crush monopolies at source
* Clayton-Anti Trust Act- Lengthened the shopworn sherman’s Act of business practice that were deemed objectionaible, including
  + Discrimination
  + Interlocking Directories
* Clayton also had beneftis for labor
  + Courts ruled that Unions fell under Sherman Act
  + Made labor and agriculture organizations exempt from anti trust act
  + “Magna Cart”- Legally lifted human labor out of the category of a “a commodity or article of commerce” ( Samuel Gompers)

Wilsonian Progressivism at High Tide:

* Federal Farm loan Act- Made credit available to farmers at low rates of interest
* Warehouse Act- Authorized loans on the security of staple crops
* High way construction and establishment of agricultural extension
* La Follete Seamen’s Act- Decent treatment and a living wage on American ships.
  + Crippling of American’s merchant marine as freight rates spiraled upward.
* Workingment’s Comp, granting assistance to federal civil-service employees during periods of disability
* Restricted child labor products from flowing into insterstate commerce
* Adamson Act- Eight hour work days for all employees on trains in interstate commerce, extra pay for over time
* Louis D. Brandeis- First Jew to reach the high bench
* Wilson was a racist
* Most support to cultivating progress support.

New Directionsin Foreign Policy

* Wilson recoiled from an aggressive foreign policy. He hated imperialism and ditn’ like the dollar diplomacy
* Government would no longer offer special support to American investors in Latin America and China
  + Pulled out of the Taft engineered six nation loan next day
* Canal Tolls Act- Exempted Americans coastwise shipping from tolls and thereby provoking sharp protests from Britain.
* Jones Act- Granted Phillipines the boon of a territorial status and soon independence
* California:
  + CA would not let Japanese own land, WJB pleads and tensions halt
* Haiti
  + Outraged populace tore apart their president
  + Dispatched marines to protect Americans lives and property
  + Concluded a treaty with Haiti that U.S. would protect them and supervise their finances and police htem
* Similar situations with D.R
* Purchases Virgin Islands

Moralistic Diplomacy in Mexico

* Victoriano Huerta appointed as president in an ugly revolution
* Cries for intervention, but W.W. stood firm against demands to step in. “Perilious” to enter.
* Although he refused to intervene, also refused to recognize the murderous government. He did say that “ Iam going to teach the South American republics to elect good men”
* His munitions were put when American arms into hands of Carranaza and Pancho Villa
* Tampico Incident
  + Small party of Americans sailors arrested. Mexico apologizes but doesn’t do the 21 one gun salute
* Wilson asks for power to go to war but turns out bypassing it
* ABC Powers- Argentina, Brazil, Chile. Huerta collapses. Doesn’t augur good relations between the U.S. and Mexico
* Pancho Villa kills 16 engineers and innocent men . Chasde by John J. Pershing

Thunder Across the Sea:

* Serbian patriot kills the heir to throne of Austria-Hungary
* Vienna government, backed by Germany, present an ultimatum to Serbia
* Serbia, backed by Rusia, mobilizes his war machine from east and France on west
* Germans strick France through unoffending Belgium, which makes G.B’s coast jepordized
  + Central Pwers: Germany and Austria-Hungary
    - Turkey,Bulgaria
  + Allies
    - France, Great Britain, Russia
      * Italy , Japan

Precarious neutrality

* President Wilson’s grieft at the outbreak of war was compounded by recent death of his wife
* Both sides woode the United States, the great neutral in West
* Britain- Boon of close cultural, linguistic and economic ties
* Anti-Germany sentiments
  + Kaiser Wilhelm seemed the embodimient by Germany ruthless strike at neutral Belgium.
  + Planned to destroy the U.S. economy by sabotaging it

Wilson Wins Reelection in 1916:

* Charles Evans Hugh, ran on the republican platform
  + Governor of nY, Supreme Court Justice. Assailde Wilson for not standing up to Kaiser in anti-german areas but not so much in other areas
* Wilson took the nomination and ignored Hughes on the theory that one should not try to murder a man who is committing suivide
  + “Kept us out of war”
* Hughes swept east and looked like a surefire winner. Went to bed preparing for defeat but the rest of the country turned the tide. Mid westerners and westeners were attracted by his progressive reforms and anti-war policies
* Received support from working class and renegade bull moosers who no longer had a party to go to.