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* Other Muckrakers
  + Ray Stannard Baker
  + John Spargo
  + Henry Demarest Lloyd
  + Thorstein Veblen
  + Many more...
* Political Progressivism

1. Use state to curb trusts
2. Stem the socialist threat by improving the common man’s position in life.

* Examples of political progressivism forms:
  1. Direct election of senators- 11th amendment
  2. Direct primary elections
  3. Initiative, referendum, and recall
  4. Campaign contribution limits
  5. Women’s suffrage 19th amendment
* Important points
  1. Progressives were mostly male citizens who felt squeezed both the big trusts above and the restless immigrant hands working for cheap labor that came from below.
  2. Progressivism knew no party lines (both parties aggressive)
  3. Majority movement
* Progressivism in cities
  1. Major goal- get rid of bosses
  2. Staffed commissions to manage urban affairs or the city manager system
  3. Galveston, TX
     + Prostitution
     + Juvenile Delinquency
     + Slumlords
  4. Progressivism in states
     + leading state was wisconsin
     + Governor- fighting bob
     + Other states soon followed and attacked trusts:
       - Oregon
       - California
       - New York
* Battling social ills:
  1. Minimum wage
  2. Working conditions
  3. Prohibition
  4. Child Labor
  5. Workmen's compensation
  6. Slums
     + eliminate completely