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- Powerful Republicans wanted to protect the high tariff and pushed the Payne-Aldrich Tariff which hardly cut any tariffs and raised some. Taft didn't fight it and that angered most Progressives.
- Taft appointed Richard Ballinger as Sec. of Interior, who then tried to take a million acres of public forests and mineral reserves available for private development. Gifford Pinchot (Chief Forrester) accused him of wrong doing, leaked story to press, got fired for insubordination.
- The tariff and forest controversy led to Taft losing support of Progressive Republicans.
- Taft was successful in some areas. 2x more anti-trust cases as TR, established Children's Bureau in investigate child labor problems, Mann-Elkins Act increased power of ICC. He was a dedicated conservationist. Established Bureau of Mines to investigate coalmining industry
- Teddy Roosevelt felt Taft betrayed progressivism. Progressives encouraged Roosevelt to run again for Pres. He tries to replace Taft as the Republican nominee.

Section 4—Wilson Years

- Election 1912 was a 3 man race. Conservative Republicans—Taft, Progressive Party (Bull Moose Party)—T. Roosevelt, and Democrats—Woodrow Wilson
- Election basically between Progressives TR and Democrats Wilson. TR felt gov't could control and regulate certain monopolies. Wilson believed monopolies were to be destroyed.
- Wilson wins
- Wilson Reforms (1)Underwood Tariff reduced the average tariff by 50% (2) Federal Reserve System created for banks (3)Federal Trade Commission to monitor business (4) 1st federal law regulating child labor (Supreme Court overturns it)
- Wilson expanded the role of the federal government
- Progressivism changed Americans view of the federal gov't They expected gov't to take a more active role in regulating the economy and solving social problems. They expanded democracy and improved quality of life for Americans
- Progressives did not address any African American issues
- 1909 WEB DuBois founded the NAACP (National Association for the Advancement of Colored People) to help with African American issues