Name: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ APUSH Review: The People’s (Populist) Party

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| Big IdeaQuestions | Guided Notes | Areas of Concern |
| What does laissez-­‐faire mean? | **The New Curriculum*** Key Concept 6.1, III, C
	+ “Economic instability inspired agrarian activists to create the People’s (Populist) Party, which called for a stronger governmental role in regulating the American economic system.” -­‐ page 62.
* Since it’s mentioned, anything about the party is fair game for the test
* Focus on it being an movement (and other groups) and advocating for government

**What Is The Populist Party?*** Political party from the late 19th century, made up of mostly
* They sought increased government involvement in the economy:
	+ , banks, and government reform
* Critical of the economic system ( )
* Originated in !

**What Groups of People Supported the Populist Party?*** Farmers!
	+ The Grange -­‐ sought to connect farmers and share techniques
		- Hoped to elect state

that supported their programs* + Farmers’ Alliances -­‐ mainly local organizations -­‐ established
* Industrial Workers
	+ Knights of Labor -­‐ Labor union of

 workers* +
* Economic reformers

**What Led to the Creation of the Populist Party?*** Economic Issues:
	+ Growth of corporate power:
		- RRs -­‐ shipping rates hurt farmers
		- RRs often owned

and charged high rates to store goods* + Panics of 1873 and 1893:
		- Significantly hurt farmers -­‐ crop prices plummeted
* Emerged from previous agrarian groups:
	+ Grange
	+ Farmers’ Alliances
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| William JJennings Bryan ran for president 3 times and lost all 3 times. Who does this sound like? | **Goals of the Populist Party*** Sought economic relief, as well as government intervention:
	+ Omaha Platform:
		- Direct election of
		- income tax
		- Australian (secret) ballot
		- Government control of railroads, telegraphs, and telephones
		- Free Coinage of Silver at a ratio of with gold ( )
			* 16 ounces of silver would equal 1 ounce of goal
			* Would money supply -­‐> farmers to pay off their debts more easily
			* Supported by farmers and debtors, opposed by Industrialists and lenders
	+ Civil Service Reform
	+ -­‐hour workday

**Election of 1892*** Grover Cleveland (Democrat) vs. Benjamin Harrison (Republican) vs. James Weaver (Populist)
* Weaver campaigned on the Platform
	+ He received 22 electoral votes, and 8.5% of the popular vote

**Election of 1896*** William Jennings Bryan (Democrat AND Populist) vs. William McKinley (Republican)
* The Populist Party supported Bryan due to his support for Free Silver
* \*\*\*“ ” Speech\*\*\*

**Impact of the Populists*** Many of the ideas and goals of the Populist Party later came to fruition
	+ 16th amendment -­‐ income
	+ amendment -­‐ direct election of senators
	+ Secret ballots
	+ All during the Era -­‐ Connection to another time period!

**Test Tips*** Multiple-­‐Choice and Short Answer Questions:
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* Essay Questions:
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