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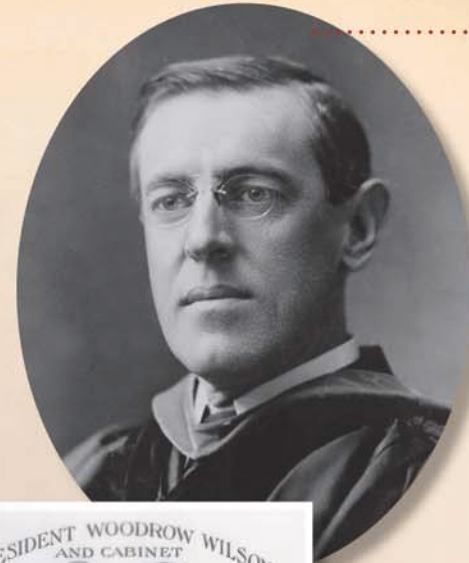
Follow the Leader

Very few people are true leaders. Not many people get the chance to be a **university** president. Even fewer citizens get to be governor of a state. And, what are the chances of becoming a United States president? A man named Woodrow Wilson did all these things and more.

Wilson served as president of Princeton University. He was then elected governor of New Jersey. In this role, he made many changes in the state. Then, he became the twenty-eighth president of the United States of America.

While president, Wilson changed the country. He created the Federal Reserve System. This system still exists today. He also set up the first **income tax**. These **economic** (eh-kuh-NAH-mik) systems still help the country today. Wilson also cared about the people. He helped to end child labor. He shortened the work day for laborers. And starting in January 1918, he publicly supported women's right to vote.

Play ball! President Wilson throws out the first pitch on opening day of the baseball season in 1916.



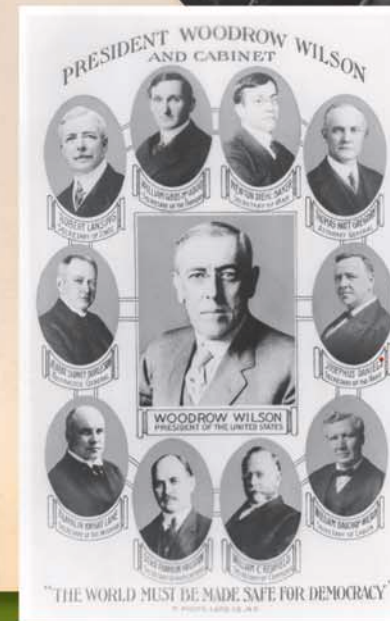
Woodrow Wilson was a professor at Princeton University. Students chose him as the most popular professor. He was the first president who had been a college professor.

The Suffragist Paul

Alice Paul was a firm believer in women's rights. She believed women should have the right to vote. She was a **suffragist** (SUHF-rih-jist). She organized a parade of over 5,000 women. They marched in front of the White House. Paul and her supporters also **picketed** the White House many times.

The League of Nations

Wilson helped form the League of Nations near the end of World War I. Leaders from different countries settled conflicts around the world. Wilson was not able to convince his own country to join the group.



Woodrow Wilson was elected president of the United States twice. He won in 1912 and was reelected in 1916.