

## GUIDED READING

### A Place Called Mississippi

#### Chapter 8: Revolt of the Rednecks, 1900 - 1932

##### Section 1

##### The New Mississippi

##### Directions:

Use the information from pages 214 - 218 to complete the following.

1. The first \_\_\_\_\_ of the new \_\_\_\_\_ (1900) represented a major turning point in Mississippi history.
2. Andrew H. \_\_\_\_\_ was the first governor \_\_\_\_\_ after the Civil War who was \_\_\_\_\_ a \_\_\_\_\_ veteran.
3. He was the \_\_\_\_\_ governor to be \_\_\_\_\_ by the ruling elite that dominated the state \_\_\_\_\_ Party.
4. In his [Longino] \_\_\_\_\_ address (the speech made by a governor or a president at the beginning of his or her term), he warned the people to brace themselves for \_\_\_\_\_.
5. Governor Longino believed that Mississippi's future economic prosperity depended on \_\_\_\_\_.
6. He encouraged the \_\_\_\_\_ to offer \_\_\_\_\_ to \_\_\_\_\_ industries locating in Mississippi.
7. On the basis of the number of charters \_\_\_\_\_ during his administration, Governor Longino was highly \_\_\_\_\_ in \_\_\_\_\_ new \_\_\_\_\_ to our state.
8. A \_\_\_\_\_ is the document that creates a new corporation or a new city or educational institution.

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9. In addition to encouraging industrial expansion, Governor Longino recommended the \_\_\_\_\_ of a new state \_\_\_\_\_.
10. Two years after his [Longino's inauguration}, on June 3, 1903, the \_\_\_\_\_ (the name that our statehouse is still called) was officially dedicated.
11. The most sweeping change the new century brought to Mississippi was a new system of \_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_ public \_\_\_\_\_.
12. By 1900, the \_\_\_\_\_ for a new system of nominating candidates had wide popular support among \_\_\_\_\_ and among a large segment of the state press.
13. In response to the demand of white citizens, the \_\_\_\_\_ passed a direct primary \_\_\_\_\_ on March 4, 1902, and Governor Longino \_\_\_\_\_ the \_\_\_\_\_ into law.
14. A \_\_\_\_\_ is a \_\_\_\_\_ election in which all the party's members — not just those attending a nominating convention — \_\_\_\_\_ for the \_\_\_\_\_ of their \_\_\_\_\_.
15. The direct primary, which soon became known as the \_\_\_\_\_, or popular primary, \_\_\_\_\_ blacks from \_\_\_\_\_ because the Democratic Party was the only \_\_\_\_\_ (capable of succeeding) party in the state.
16. This new method of nominating candidates \_\_\_\_\_ Mississippi \_\_\_\_\_.

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17. No longer could a \_\_\_\_\_ men handpick the candidates for public office, because \_\_\_\_\_ nominated the candidates in a popular election.
18. The primary system produced a new breed of \_\_\_\_\_ (showy, colorful) politicians who used \_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_ to gain the approval of voters.

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##### James K. Vardaman, "The White Chief"

##### Directions:

Use the information from pages 220 - 225 to complete the following.

1. James K. Vardaman was the \_\_\_\_\_ (best example, most representative) \_\_\_\_\_ politician.
2. For his \_\_\_\_\_ rhetoric, he was known fondly among his supporters as "The \_\_\_\_\_."
3. In his inaugural address, \_\_\_\_\_ outlined the aims of his administration and promised \_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_, at least for \_\_\_\_\_ Mississippians.
4. \_\_\_\_\_ did \_\_\_\_\_ as much as might have been expected in view of Vardaman's \_\_\_\_\_ theories.
5. First, Vardaman led the fight to \_\_\_\_\_ the convict lease system, which was still \_\_\_\_\_ in various forms even though it had been \_\_\_\_\_ under the Constitution of 1890.
6. During his administration, several \_\_\_\_\_ owned and \_\_\_\_\_ by the \_\_\_\_\_ were established.
7. Under the supervision of state officials, \_\_\_\_\_ received \_\_\_\_\_ than under private control.
8. The second important way Vardaman \_\_\_\_\_ blacks was in his fight against "white capping."

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9. In southwest Mississippi, \_\_\_\_\_ landowners aroused the anger of \_\_\_\_\_ farmers who were in \_\_\_\_\_ with them for the \_\_\_\_\_ of farm \_\_\_\_\_.
10. In an effort to \_\_\_\_\_ the competition, white farmers tried to \_\_\_\_\_ black landowners \_\_\_\_\_ their land.
11. These white farmers were known as \_\_\_\_\_, because they wore white \_\_\_\_\_ similar to the old Ku Klux Klan.
12. The \_\_\_\_\_ warned local officials that, if they did not stop the terrorists from attacking the black farmers, he would order the attorney general to press \_\_\_\_\_ against the white cappers.
13. Vardaman's \_\_\_\_\_ were different from his rhetoric. As governor he said he would do everything within his power to prevent a \_\_\_\_\_ (murder by a mob, usually by hanging).
14. Most of Vardaman's administration was devoted to \_\_\_\_\_ the economic conditions of \_\_\_\_\_ white farmers and workers.
15. One of the most important \_\_\_\_\_ Vardaman supported was a \_\_\_\_\_.
16. Among the major reforms \_\_\_\_\_ during Vardaman's administration were a \_\_\_\_\_ commission, separate \_\_\_\_\_ school districts, and a 30 percent \_\_\_\_\_ pay \_\_\_\_\_.
17. During Vardaman's four years in office, there were no \_\_\_\_\_ of corruption or graft made \_\_\_\_\_ personally or his major \_\_\_\_\_.

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18. James K. Vardaman and LeRoy Percy were the \_\_\_\_\_ candidates for the \_\_\_\_\_ primary election in August 1911.
19. The winner of the primary would fill the United States \_\_\_\_\_ term beginning in 1913.
20. Theodore G. \_\_\_\_\_, a rising young star in Mississippi politics, \_\_\_\_\_ Vardaman in this election.
21. The 1911 election had the \_\_\_\_\_ voter turnout of any primary election up to that time.
22. Vardaman \_\_\_\_\_ Percy and Theodore G. Bilbo was elected \_\_\_\_\_ governor, and Vardaman supporters won a \_\_\_\_\_ in the state legislature.
23. For the next several years, Vardaman's \_\_\_\_\_ (a highly organized political group) \_\_\_\_\_ Mississippi \_\_\_\_\_.
24. In 1917, Mississippi was preparing to celebrate its \_\_\_\_\_ (100-year anniversary) of statehood, but \_\_\_\_\_ entry into \_\_\_\_\_ caused the cancellation of that celebration.
25. Although several \_\_\_\_\_ installations were established in Mississippi, and approximately 56,770 Mississippians \_\_\_\_\_ in the \_\_\_\_\_ forces, World War I had only a \_\_\_\_\_ impact on the state's economy.
26. Most of the new \_\_\_\_\_ available to Mississippians during the war were \_\_\_\_\_ after the armistice was signed on November 11, 1918.
27. (An \_\_\_\_\_ is an agreement to stop fighting while coming to terms for a peace treaty.)

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28. Perhaps the most direct \_\_\_\_\_ the \_\_\_\_\_ had on Mississippi \_\_\_\_\_ was the \_\_\_\_\_ of Senator Vardaman.
29. Most Mississippians \_\_\_\_\_ America's \_\_\_\_\_ in the war that President Woodrow \_\_\_\_\_ called the "war to end all wars."
30. James K. Vardaman was one of six U.S. senators to \_\_\_\_\_ the declaration of war on April 6, 1917.
31. Although America was one of the world's great \_\_\_\_\_, the U.S. Constitution did \_\_\_\_\_ to \_\_\_\_\_ or \_\_\_\_\_ public office until 1920.
32. Strong public support for \_\_\_\_\_ (women's right to vote) began with the 1848 Seneca Falls, New York, Convention.
33. One of the most important and enduring changes in American history came in 1920 with the passage of the \_\_\_\_\_ Amendment extending the \_\_\_\_\_ (right to vote) to \_\_\_\_\_.

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##### Section 3

##### "The Man" Bilbo

##### Directions:

Use the information from pages 226 - 233 to complete the following.

1. Bilbo, who was often referred to as " \_\_\_\_\_ " by friends and foes alike, was one of Mississippi's most \_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_ politicians.
2. His first political \_\_\_\_\_ was in 1903, when he ran for \_\_\_\_\_ of Pearl River County against a one-armed Confederate veteran.
3. In 1907, \_\_\_\_\_ returned to Poplarville to run for the Mississippi \_\_\_\_\_.
4. After \_\_\_\_\_ that election, Bilbo took the bar \_\_\_\_\_ and was admitted to the \_\_\_\_\_ of \_\_\_\_\_.
5. During a special session of the Mississippi Senate to fill a \_\_\_\_\_, Bilbo became as \_\_\_\_\_ as the two men seeking the senate seat.
6. Bilbo \_\_\_\_\_ the \_\_\_\_\_ of LeRoy Percy of \_\_\_\_\_ him a \$645 bribe to \_\_\_\_\_ Percy.
7. A \_\_\_\_\_ is money or a favor given or promised in order to influence a person in a position of trust.
8. Instead of bringing \_\_\_\_\_ against Percy and his supporters for offering the bribe, the \_\_\_\_\_ formally charged \_\_\_\_\_ with \_\_\_\_\_ a bribe.



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9. After the Mississippi Senate reprimanded him, Bilbo \_\_\_\_\_ the \_\_\_\_\_ for \_\_\_\_\_ in 1911.
10. The 1911 campaign was one of the most \_\_\_\_\_ contests in Mississippi's stormy \_\_\_\_\_ history.
11. On some occasions, the \_\_\_\_\_ struggle actually became a \_\_\_\_\_ struggle [Bilbo attacked his opponents].
12. When the election finally took place, \_\_\_\_\_ by 23,000 votes.
13. Lee Russell, a Bilbo \_\_\_\_\_ (a person being trained by a more experienced person), was elected \_\_\_\_\_ governor and \_\_\_\_\_ Bilbo to the governorship in 1920. [When Bilbo became governor in 1917.]
14. Governor Bilbo \_\_\_\_\_ a \$1 million \_\_\_\_\_.
15. To pay off the state \_\_\_\_\_, Bilbo recommended an \_\_\_\_\_ of \_\_\_\_\_.
16. A \_\_\_\_\_ assessment is an official \_\_\_\_\_ of property for \_\_\_\_\_ purposes.
17. Bilbo recommended that all \_\_\_\_\_ be \_\_\_\_\_ at its \_\_\_\_\_.
18. He wanted the \_\_\_\_\_ property owners to pay \_\_\_\_\_ taxes and the \_\_\_\_\_ to pay \_\_\_\_\_ taxes.
19. This new tax plan was enacted by the legislature and allowed the \_\_\_\_\_ to \_\_\_\_\_ its \_\_\_\_\_ for the first time in many years.

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20. \_\_\_\_\_ reforms would naturally be of interest to an ex-teacher [Bilbo].
21. Additional \_\_\_\_\_ accomplished during Bilbo's first term included a board of \_\_\_\_\_, a state \_\_\_\_\_ department, an expanded public health program, and a livestock dipping law.
22. \_\_\_\_\_ is immersing animals in a solution to eradicate \_\_\_\_\_ by killing bacteria or parasites.
23. In 1923, \_\_\_\_\_ in Mississippi \_\_\_\_\_ in a \_\_\_\_\_ (pertaining to the governor) \_\_\_\_\_ for the first time.
24. \_\_\_\_\_ [women] vote undoubtedly gave Henry L. \_\_\_\_\_, the former president of Mississippi State College for Women, his narrow margin of \_\_\_\_\_ over Theodore \_\_\_\_\_.
25. After taking office, Governor Whitfield embraced a broad agenda that included better \_\_\_\_\_ care, expansion of \_\_\_\_\_ training, attracting industry to Mississippi, and \_\_\_\_\_ in the \_\_\_\_\_ of \_\_\_\_\_ for \_\_\_\_\_.
26. In the 1920s, farm tenancy and rural \_\_\_\_\_ were on the rise, and \_\_\_\_\_ showed a corresponding increase.
27. The old Ku Klux Klan was revived, and public \_\_\_\_\_ became a national disgrace.

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28. After World War I, Mississippi's black \_\_\_\_\_ began a long period of dramatic \_\_\_\_\_ that historians call the \_\_\_\_\_.
29. White officials and businessmen, especially Delta planters, \_\_\_\_\_ the \_\_\_\_\_ because it created a labor \_\_\_\_\_.
30. They [whites] often took drastic measures to \_\_\_\_\_ blacks in the \_\_\_\_\_, in the fields, and in virtual \_\_\_\_\_.
31. In some rare cases, \_\_\_\_\_ leaders used the \_\_\_\_\_ of migration to \_\_\_\_\_ their [blacks] \_\_\_\_\_ conditions.
32. In spite of all that black leaders and a few friendly whites could do, the \_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_ of black Mississippians \_\_\_\_\_ improve, and the Great Migration continued and even \_\_\_\_\_ after World War II.
33. In 1927, \_\_\_\_\_ made his third race for \_\_\_\_\_.
34. Bilbo's campaign, and those of all other politicians, were \_\_\_\_\_ by the \_\_\_\_\_ caused by the Great \_\_\_\_\_ of 1927.
35. Bilbo and most politicians promised, if elected, to improve the \_\_\_\_\_ system and prevent similar catastrophes in the future.
36. Governor Bilbo's second administration commenced just as the \_\_\_\_\_ was beginning.
37. In 1934, Bilbo ran for the U.S. \_\_\_\_\_ and was \_\_\_\_\_.
38. Most of his energy in the Senate was expended in \_\_\_\_\_ civil rights bills, anti-lynching laws, and the Fair Employment Practices Commission.