2006
AP US HISTORY
Study Kit
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### Least Likely Areas

- French and Indian War (2004 DBQ)
- Gilded Age National Politics: 1877-1890 (Mugwumps, Half-breeds, Stalwarts, etc.)
POSSIBLE DBQ TOPICS FOR 2006

- Collision of Worlds: Europeans, Indians and Africans
- Colonial Society in the 17th and 18th century (alone or in comparison)
- Factors Leading to Rebellion Against England (1763-1776)
- The Constitution: Compromises, Ratification, Impact
- Washington’s Presidency (The Federalist Era)
- War of 1812: Causes, Results, Impact on American society
- Re-emergence of the Two Party System (Democrats vs. Whigs)
- States Rights & Controversies in the Age of Jackson
- Economic Revolution during the Antebellum Age
- Mexican War and the Expansion of Slavery
- The New South: Politics, the Economy, “Colonial Status”
- Native Americans (some section of the Civil War-1970s)
- Wealth, Industry, Technology during the Gilded Age
- Urban Society (late 1800s-early 1900s)
- Intellectual and Cultural Movements (late 1800s-early 1900s)
- WWI vs. WWII: Motives, Impact (political, social, economic)
- Foreign Policy between the World Wars
- 1950s Culture, Economics, and Politics
- The 1960s: Vietnam, Assassinations, Civil Rights, Hippies
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HISTORICAL PERIODS TO MEMORIZE

Pre-colonial period (before 1492): Indians, Renaissance, Protestant Reformation

**Colonial Period: 1607-1776**
- 16th Century: geography, politics, economics, society (including religion)
- 17th Century: geography, politics, economics, society (including religion)

“Salutary Neglect”: 1713-1763

**French and Indian War**: 1756-1763

**Revolutionary War era**: 1763-1783; **Revolutionary War** (1775-1783)

“Critical Period” -- Articles of Confederation (1783-1789)

**Federalist Era** (1789-1801)
- Presidents Washington and Adams

**Jeffersonian Democracy** (1800-1824)
- Presidents Jefferson, Madison, and Monroe

**War of 1812**: (1812-1815) Madison
- “Era of Good Feelings”: 1816-1824; Monroe

**Jacksonian Democracy**: 1828-1848
- Presidents Jackson, Van Buren, (Tyler?) & Polk

**Manifest Destiny** (1840s): Presidents Tyler & Polk (Jackson & Indian removal in 1830s)

**Mexican War**: 1846-1848

American Society: 1790-1860
- Industrial Revolution: TRIC -- textiles, railroads, iron, coal
- Transportation Revolution: turnpikes, steamboats, canals, railroads
- 2nd Great Awakening (1820-1860): abolitionism, temperance, women's rights, etc.

Road to Civil War (1848-1860): Wilmot Proviso through election of 1860

**Civil War** (1861-1865)

**Reconstruction** (1865-1877)

**Gilded Age** (1865-1900)
- Politics: scandal, money issue (1870s & '90s), tariff (1880s), Panics of 1873 & 1893
- Second Industrial Revolution: ROSE -- railroads, oil, steel, electricity; Unionization
- Urbanization: “New Immigrants” (1880-1924), Social Gospel, political machines, nativists
- The Great West: Three frontiers -- 1) farming 2) mining 3) cattle
- Populism, election of 1896

**Imperialism** (1889-1914): Hawaii, Spanish-American War, Open Door, "Big Stick", "dollar diplomacy," "moral diplomacy"
Progressive Era (1901-1920): Presidents T. Roosevelt, Taft, and Wilson
World War I: 1914-1918; President Wilson; Treaty of Versailles (1919)
1920s: Presidents Harding, Coolidge & Hoover
   Conservative domestic policy; isolationist foreign policy (including 1930s)
   “Americanism”
   “Roaring 20s” and “Jazz Age” (+ “Lost Generation”)
The Great Depression 1929-1939; Hoover and FDR
   New Deal: 1933-1938
World War II: 1939-1945 (U.S. 1941-1945)
Cold War: 1946-1991
   Truman’s Presidency (1945-1953)
   Cold War
   domestic policy; “Fair Deal”
   “Red Scare” (second one): 1947-1954?
1950s: President Eisenhower (1953-1961)
   Foreign and domestic policy; Civil Rights era (1954-1965); consumerism; conformity
1960s: JFK & LBJ
   Cold War (including Vietnam)
   “New Frontier”
   “Great Society” (including Civil Rights)
   Women's rights
Vietnam War: 1964-1973
   Cold War (end of Vietnam) and détente
   Domestic issues (including Watergate); “New Federalism”; oil crisis;
   “stagflation”
   “Imperial Presidency”: WWII-1974
1980s: Reagan and Bush
   Conservative revolution: “Reaganomics”
   Cold War and other foreign policy issues
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Key Terms You Must Know

**Colonial Period -- 1789**

Native American civilizations in North America:
- Iroquois, Pueblo, Southeast (Creek, Cherokee), Great Plains (Sioux)
Most important Amerindian crops: corn (maize), beans, squash
Royal colonies, proprietary colonies, charter colonies
Chesapeake: Virginia and Maryland
Jamestown, Virginia Company
John Smith, Powhatans
John Rolfe, tobacco
House of Burgesses
indentured servitude
Bacon’s Rebellion
Anglican Church
Maryland (Catholic haven); Lord Baltimore
Maryland Act of Toleration, 1739
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- Wanted separation from autocratic SC
- British want Dutch out of N. America
- Grow food & supplies for Barbados
- “Holy Experiment”
- Haven for debtors

“Vegetables Never Matter Much Cuz Rice Never Never Never Satisfies Prairie Dogs, Golly!”

Major themes:
- 17th century: Three major regions of colonial America
  - New England: MA, CT, RI, NH
    - 1620, Plymouth Colony founded by Pilgrims; Puritans arrive in 1629
    - Ship building, fishing, shipping, fur, subsistence farming, dairy farming
    - Rocky soil: poor geography for cash crop agriculture
    - Dominated by Puritans (Congregational Church)
    - Close-knit communities; long life-expectancy
  - Middle: NY, PA, NJ, DE (New Sweden)
    - “Bread colonies” – wheat, oats, barley
    - Most diverse region: English, Germans, Swedes
    - Religious diversity: Quakers, Anglicans, Congregationalists, Catholics, Jews
    - Religious toleration in PA; NY is more autocratic
    - New York is Dutch until 1664
    - Communities more close-knit than in South; not as much as New England
    - Some education (more than South; less than New England)
  - Southern: MD, VA, NC, SC
    - Economy based on tobacco in Chesapeake; rice & indigo in Carolinas
    - Huge number of indentured servants from England
    - Anglican Church dominates; MD has more religious toleration (Catholic haven)
    - Significant increase in black slaves after 1676 (Bacon’s Rebellion)
    - Few women; low life-expectancy due to disease
    - Society was spread out; little to no education
• 17th Century major events and issues
  o Democratic trends
    ▪ House of Burgesses: first parliamentary gov’t in America
    ▪ Pilgrims: Mayflower Compact
    ▪ Puritans: townhall meetings, all male church members vote
    ▪ Rhode Island: Roger Williams – “liberty of conscience”
    ▪ Fundamental Orders, 1639: 1st written constitution in America
    ▪ Maryland Act of Toleration, 1649
    ▪ “Holy Experiment” in Pennsylvania (after 1681)
    ▪ Bacon’s Rebellion, 1675 (Virginia)
    ▪ Leisler’s Rebellion, 1691 (New York)
  o Trends toward colonial unity
    ▪ New England Confederation, 1643: defense against Indians (King Philip’s War)
    ▪ Cambridge Platform: New England colonies met to create guidelines for Congregational Church
    ▪ Defeat of the Dominion of New England, 1689: Andros removed

• 18th Century major events and issues
  o Three colonial regions similar in character to 17th century
  o How are 18th century colonies different?:
    ▪ Society is more hierarchical (remember the social triangle!)
    ▪ By 1775, 20% African (most were slaves); lower % of indentured servants
    ▪ Puritans no longer dominate New England (esp. after Salem Witch Trials); Congregational Church is open to almost everyone
    ▪ Scots-Irish inhabit frontier areas—battle Indians
    ▪ GA is a haven for debtors
    ▪ Much larger population (2.5 million by 1775)
  o Triangular Trade: colonists ignore Navigation Laws; massive smuggling
  o Great Awakening (1740s): 1st mass movement in colonies; “Old Lights” vs. “New Lights”
  o Democratic trends
    ▪ “Salutary Neglect”: 1713-1763
    ▪ Colonial assemblies (representative gov’t); governors paid by assemblies
    ▪ Zenger case, 1736
    ▪ Regulator Movement, 1739 (N. Carolina); Paxton Boys, 1764
    ▪ Enlightenment philosophy: natural rights – life, liberty, property
  o Trends toward colonial unity
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    ▪ Stamp Act Congress, 1765
    ▪ Massachusetts Circular Letter, 1767 (in response to Townshend Acts)
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    ▪ Covenant theology: “City on a Hill”; perfectibility of society through God’s laws
    ▪ John Cotton was major religious figure
    ▪ “Great Migration” in 1630s
    ▪ Townhall meetings: church members could vote
    ▪ Close knit communities; families are extension of authoritarian government
    ▪ Massachusetts School of Law: All towns with 50 families had to build a school to teach kids to read (the Bible)
    ▪ Harvard College, 1636: train clergy members (also Yale)
    ▪ Jeremiad: used to scold 2nd generation Puritans to be committed to their faith
    ▪ Half-Way Covenant (1662): Those with no religious conversion could attend church and their kids could be baptized.
    ▪ Salem With Trials, 1692: Hurts prestige of clergy (including Cotton Mather)
    ▪ Established in New England (all pay taxes to the church, even if they don’t belong)
  o Anglican Church (Southern Colonies and parts of Middle Colonies)
    ▪ Follow seven sacraments of the Church of England (similar to Catholic Church)
    ▪ Established (all persons pay tax even if they don’t belong)
  o Quakers (Pennsylvania, New Jersey, Delaware)
    ▪ Believe all people have an “inner light” (God)
    ▪ Pacifists (get along well with Indians)
    ▪ Do not believe in societal rank
    ▪ Do not take oaths
  o Great Awakening (1740s)
    ▪ “New Lights” wanted more emotion in religion; emphasized hell-fire and damnation
    ▪ Jonathan Edwards (began movement); George Whitfield (most important)
    ▪ Fractured American denominations along old light/new light lines.
    ▪ First mass movement among several colonies simultaneously
    ▪ “New Light” institutions: Princeton, Yale
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Impact of Contact on Native Americans and Europeans
Summary of relations:
- France: sought trade with Indians (fur); Jesuit missionaries sought to convert them
- Spain: sought to Christianize Indians; forced labor: encomienda system in towns; hacienda system in rural areas.
- England: sought to remove or exterminate Indians; English settlers ultimately successful

90% of Native Americans died between 1492 and 1600
Europeans introduced horses, guns, alcohol, Christianity
Indians introduced potatoes, corn, cocoa, coffee

Impact of “salutary neglect”
Increased power of colonial assemblies
Success of illegal triangular trade
American’s unwilling to later accept increased control by Britain
American religion free to pursue its own course.

First Great Awakening: (1740s)
- First mass social movement in American history
- Revitalizes Christianity
- Fracturing of denominations between “old light” and “new light” views.
  Jonathan Edwards and George Whitefield

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French and Indian War (Seven Years’ War) – 1756-1763

Cause: Washington’s Ohio Mission and subsequent dispute over Ohio Valley Region

Important Events:
- Albany Plan (Benjamin Franklin)
- Battle of Quebec (1760): Montcalm and Wolfe

Results: Treaty of Paris, 1763 -- France kicked out of North America
- End of “salutary neglect”: Proclamation of 1763 (response to Pontiac’s Rebellion)

American Revolution

Pretty  Proclamation of 1763
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Results: Treaty of Paris (1783) – U.S. gained all land east of Mississippi River (excluding Canada and Florida
Change in Society due to the American Revolution:
Many conservative Loyalists no longer in America; paved way for more democratic reforms in state governments
Rise of anti-slavery societies in all the northern states (including Virginia): Slavery eradicated in most northern states by 1800; slavery not allowed above Ohio River in the Northwest Ordinance of 1787, slave trade to be abolished in 1808.
By 1860, 250,000 free blacks lived in the North, but were disliked by many
Several states forbade entrance of blacks, most blacks denied right to vote, and some states barred blacks from public schools.
Thousands of slaves in the South were freed after the Revolution and became free blacks
(Washington and Jefferson freed some slaves)
Slavery remained strong in the South, especially after 1793 (cotton gin)
Stronger emphasis on equality: public hatred of Cincinnati Society
However, equality did not triumph until much later due to tenant farming, poor rights for women and children, slavery, and land requirements for voting and office holding (although reduced) were not eliminated.
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Separation of Church and State: Jefferson’s Virginia Statute on Religious Freedom, 1786
Anglican Church replaced by a disestablished Episcopal church in much of the South.
Congregational churches in New England slower to disestablish (CT in 1818, MA in 1833)
State governments: weak governors, strong legislatures, judicial branch
sovereignty of states, republicanism
Indians no longer enjoyed British protection and became subject to US westward expansion
Women did not enjoy increased rights
- *feme covert*: women could not own property in marriage or sue or be sued in court
- Ideal of “Republican Motherhood” took hold: women now seen as morally superior and should raise virtuous citizens for the republic.

ARTICLES OF CONFEDERATION (1781-1789)

A nnapolis Convention, 1786
R atification debate between Federalists and Antifederalists
T reaty of Paris, 1783
I nterstate Commerce problems (depression in 1780s)
C onstitutional Convention, 1787
L and legislation (Land Ordinance of 1785; NW Ordinance of 1787)
E ngland, France, Spain and Barbary Corsairs challenged U.S. in foreign affairs
S hays’ Rebellion
Domestic Challenges:

- Newburgh Conspiracy, 1783
- Gov’t run out of Philadelphia, 1783 (relocated to Princeton, New Jersey)
- Economic depression in 1780s
  - Ineffective regulation of interstate commerce
  - Annapolis Convention, 1785
- Tensions between states
  - Jay-Gardoqui Treaty (1785) (did not pass) Peace treaty would have secured trading rights w/ Spain while accepting Spain’s dominance of Mississippi River; southerners infuriated.
- Shays’s Rebellion, 1787
- Difficult to pass laws; nearly impossible to pass amendments

Foreign Challenges:

- Britain:
  - Froze U.S. out of trade with West Indies (Caribbean)
  - Did not leave its forts on U.S. soil
  - Helped Indians on U.S. frontier attack American settlements
  - Impressment of U.S. sailors
- Spain
  - Closed Mississippi River at New Orleans for much of 1780s
  - Conspired to tear southwest away from the U.S.
- France
  - Froze U.S. out of trade in West Indies
- Barbary Pirates (North Africa)
  - Captured U.S. ships and held sailors for ransom

Successes:

- Land Ordinance, 1785
- Northwest Ordinance, 1787

**CONSTITUTION**

Annapolis Convention, 1786: Purpose—resolve problem of interstate commerce; Significance: gained approval for a Constitutional Convention the following year

Constitutional Convention, 1787: Philadelphia (included Madison, Washington, Adams & Franklin)

“Great Compromise” (CT Compromise): Established bicameral legislature—Senate (2 per state) & House of Representatives (based on state populations)

“Three Fifths” Compromise: slaves in the South would count as 3/5 of a person for population when determining representation in the House of Representatives

North-South Compromise (Commerce Compromise): No taxes on exports; tariffs on imports

Checks and balances (separation of powers): Legislative, Executive and Judiciary branches

Presidential Powers: Commander-in-Chief, veto, appointments

Ratification debate (see page 27)

*Federalist Papers*: Hamilton, Madison, Jay
## STRENGTHENING OF THE FEDERAL GOVERNMENT

*Adapted from American Pageant, 8th edition, p.142*

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#### Ratification Positions:

1. **Articles of Confederation were a good plan.**

2. **Opposed strong central government.**
   - Opposed a standing army and a 10 square mile federal stronghold (later District of Columbia).

3. **Strong national government threatened state power.**

4. **Strong national government threatened rights of the common people.** Constitution was created by aristocratic elements. Suspected a sinister plot to suppress liberty of the masses.

5. **Constitution favored wealthy men and preserved their power.** Opposed the dropping of annual elections for representatives.

6. **Constitution lacked a bill of rights.** State governments already had bills of rights but they might be overridden by the Constitution.

7. **Argued against 2/3 ratification plan.** Articles of Confederation required unanimous consent.

8. **Opposed omitting any reference to God.**

#### Ratification Positions:

1. **Articles of Confederation were weak and ineffective.**

2. **National government needed to be strong in order to function.** Powers in foreign policy needed to be strengthened while excesses at home needed to be controlled.

3. **Strong national government needed to control uncooperative states.**

4. **Men of experience and talent should govern the nation.** "Mobocracy" threatened the security of life and property.

5. **National government would protect the rights of the people.**

6. **Constitution and state governments protected individual freedoms without bill of rights.** Since people could take back delegated power to the gov’t, there was no risk that the national gov’t would overreach.

7. **In favor of establishing the Constitution with almost any means possible.**

8. **More sympathetic to separation of church and state.**
FEDERALIST ERA (1789-1901)

- **Big Bill of Rights**
- **Jolly Judiciary Act of 1789**
- **Hamilton Hamilton’s Financial Plan, 1789-91 (BE FAT)**
- **Found French Revolution**
- **Nervous Neutrality Proclamation, 1793**
- **Jefferson Jay Treaty, 1795**
- **Entering Election of 1796 (2 parties: Federalists and Democratic-Republicans)**
- **X-rated XYZ Affair, 1797**
- **Quarters Quasi War (1798-1800)**
- **Angering Alien and Sedition Acts, 1798**
- **White Washington’s Legacy**
- **Republicans Revolution of 1800**

- Hamilton’s Financial Plan: **BE FAT**
  - Bank of the United States
  - Excise taxes on whiskey
  - Funding at Par
  - Assumption of State Debts
  - Tariffs

- Hamiltonians vs. Jeffersonians

- **Foreign Policy in the 1890s:**
  - **French Revolution:** Whom should we support?
    - Secretary of State Thomas Jefferson vs. Alexander Hamilton
    - Washington’s Neutrality Proclamation, 1793
    - **Jay Treaty, 1794**—averted war with Britain but angered Jeffersonians
      - Biggest cause for the creation of two party system: Federalists & Dem Republicans
    - Washington’s Farewell Address, 1979
  - **Pinckney Treaty, 1795**—U.S. gained right from Spain to use New Orleans
  - **Quasi-War with France** (1798-1800)
    - Causes:
      - XYZ Affair, 1798
      - French attacks on U.S. merchant vessels, 1898
      - U.S. refusal to honor Franco-American Alliance of 1778 [Washington’s Neutrality Proclamation (1793) and Farewell Address (1797)]
    - Results:
      - Convention of 1800 ended naval warfare and allowed U.S. to terminate Franco-American Alliance.
      - Alien and Sedition Acts rescinded by Jefferson in 1801
**JEFFERSONIAN DEMOCRACY ("G" I HATE LAMB)**

"G" allatin – secretary of the treasury who reduces the national debt

Impeachment of Samuel Chase, 1804

Hamilton’s plan kept by Jefferson (except excise taxes)

Agrarian empire (westward expansion)

Tripolitan War

Embargo Act, 1807

Louisiana Purchase, 1803

Army reduced in size (Federalists lose major center of power)

Marbury vs. Madison, 1803

Burr Conspiracies (1804 in New York and 1806 in the West)

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**War of 1812**

- Events leading up to war:
  - Impressment of U.S. sailors by British and incitement of Indians along the western frontier.
  - Orders-in-Council, 1807
  - **Embargo Act**, 1807: retaliation for British Orders-in-Council and French Berlin Decree
  - Chesapeake-Leopard incident, 1807
  - Napoleon’s Continental System
  - **Non-Intercourse Act**, 1809—U.S. would trade with any country except Britain & France.
  - **Macon’s Bill #2**, 1810—U.S. would trade with the country that first stopped attacking U.S. ships; Napoleon accepted though he didn’t intend to honor the agreement
  - **War Hawks**: Westerners sought to conquer Canada and remove the Indian threat in the West

- The War
  - Major Battles:
    - Great Lakes: Oliver Hazard Perry
    - Washington D.C. burned
    - **Battle of New Orleans**, 1815, Andrew Jackson
  - **Hartford Convention**, 1814: Federalists propose new amendments to the Constitution; a few urge secession; the Federalists are now seen as traitors and the party dies in 1816
  - **Treaty of Ghent**, 1815—Ends War of 1812; officially, status quo remains

- Post-War Diplomacy
  - Secretary of State John Quincy Adams
  - **Convention of 1818** – established U.S.-Canadian border along 49th parallel to Rocky Mts.
  - **Adams-Onis Treaty** (Florida Purchase Treaty), 1819
  - **Monroe Doctrine**, 1823

- Results of War of 1812:
  - Status quo with regard to territory; no mention of pre-war U.S. grievances
  - Increased nationalism in U.S., “Era of Good Feelings”
  - Rush Bagot Treaty of 1817 results in disarmament along U.S.-Canadian border
  - Beginning of industrial revolution--Embargo Act forced U.S. to produce own goods
ERA OF GOOD FEELINGS—1816-1824 (Presidency of James Monroe)

- Nationalism after War of 1812 (e.g. Battle of New Orleans)
- One-party rule by the Democratic-Republicans (Federalists died in 1816)
- Americans began looking westward now that the British and Indian threat was over
  - Rush-Bagot Treaty, 1817 – disarmament along U.S.-Canadian border
  - Florida Purchase Treaty, 1819
- Clay’s “American System”: BUS, tariffs, internal improvements (BIT)
- Monroe Doctrine, 1823
- Was the “Era of Good Feelings” an appropriate term?
  - Panic of 1819
  - Missouri Compromise
  - Divisions over the 1816 tariff
  - Divisions over internal improvements

Development of Democracy in Antebellum America

- Bill of Rights, 1791
- Jeffersonian Democracy: government for the people
  - Reduces size and influence of the army (a Federalist stronghold)
  - Eliminates excise tax on Whiskey (because it is tough on western farmers)
  - Seeks an agrarian empire of yeoman farmers
- "New Democracy" continues to emerge after Panic of 1819
  - New western states have few voting restrictions
  - Some Eastern states reduce voting requirements
  - Increase in voting among eligible voters: 25% in 1824; 50% in 1828; 78% in 1840!
  - Common folks want to end debtors’ prisons and increased gov’t control of the BUS
  - End of the caucus: states increasingly have voters elect electoral college members rather than state legislatures

Jacksonian Democracy: “gov’t by the people” (New KNICKS)

- New Democracy
  - K illing of the BUS
  - N ullification controversy
  - I ndian removal
  - C reation of 2-Party System
  - K itchen Cabinet (cabinet crisis; break with Jackson and Calhoun)
  - S poils system

- National nominating conventions in 1832: National Republicans (forerunner of Whigs); Anti-Masonic Party
- Two-party system: Democrats vs. Whigs
- President Van Buren: Independent Treasury System (“Divorce Bill”)
President Polk’s “Jacksonian” program
  o Independent Treasury System (revives Van Buren’s banking system)
  o Lower tariff (Walker Tariff, 1846)
Third parties: Anti-Masons, Liberty, Free Soil, Know Nothings
Development of workingmen's parties
  o Loco Focos
Women's suffrage movement: Seneca Falls in 1848
However, blacks are disenfranchised in North except in New England
Frederick Jackson Turner thesis: existence of cheap land in West results in a democratic frontier that eventually impacts the entire country
Growth of American Nationalism

- Louisiana Purchase, westward expansion
- **Battle of Tippecanoe**, 1811
- Rise of “War Hawks”
- **War of 1812**: “2nd War for Independence”
  - War heroes: Harrison wins Great Lakes; Jackson’s Battle of New Orleans; Stephen Decatur
  - Francis Scott Key’s “Star Spangled Banner”
- Election of 1816: last of Federalist candidates defeated
- **“Era of Good Feelings”** 1816-1824
  - One-party system – Republicans (formerly Democratic Republicans)
  - Few foreign threats after War of 1812
  - Monroe Doctrine, 1823
- Conflicts with Britain in 1830s & 1840s
  - *Caroline* Incident, 1837, *Creole* Incident, 1841, “Aroostook” War, 1838
  - Webster-Ashburton Treaty, 1842
- **Westward expansion** including “Manifest Destiny” (see below)
- "**Young America**" -- President Pierce
  - Commodore Matthew Perry in Japan, 1853
  - Ostend Manifesto: American designs on Cuba
- Marshall Supreme Court decisions that strengthen national gov’t: judicial nationalism
  - *Marbury v. Madison*, 1803, judicial review
  - *McCulloch v. Maryland*, 1819
  - *Cohens v. Virginia*,
  - *Gibbons v. Ogden*, 1824
  - *Fletcher v. Peck*, 1810
  - *Dartmouth v. Woodward*, 1819
- Daniel Webster
- Growing economy: Transportation revolution (see below), “Market Revolution” (see below)
- Davy Crockett as the first national popular culture hero
- Nationalist Culture:
  - Noah Webster's American English Dictionary
  - McGuffey Readers
  - Knickerbocker Group
    - Washington Irving: *Leatherstocking Tales*; Biography on George Washington
    - James Fenimore Cooper: *Last of the Mohicans; Legend of Sleepy Hollow*
    - William Cullen Bryant
  - Henry Wadsworth Longfellow: Paul Revere Poem
  - Stephen Foster: music
  - Art
    - John Trumble
    - Hudson River School
  - History
    - George Bancroft -- “Father of American History”
    - Francis Parkman
  - Transcendentalism: Ralph Waldo Emerson, Henry David Thoreau, Walt Whitman
- Frederick Jackson Turner’s thesis
Sectionalism: 1820-1860

- "Era of Good Feelings" is short lived: tariff, BUS and slavery issue become increasingly divisive
- Missouri Compromise of 1820
  - Tallmadge Amendment, 1819
    - Jefferson: "firebell in the night"
  - Southerners begin voting as a unified bloc to protect slavery
- Tariff issue
  - "Tariff of Abominations" of 1828 infuriates Southerners
  - John C. Calhoun: South Carolina Exposition advocates nullification
- Webster-Hayne Debate in 1830 presents northern unionist views vs. southern nullification views
  - Jefferson Day Toast, 1830:
    - Jackson: "The Union it must be preserved"
    - Calhoun: "The Union, next to our liberty, most dear!"
- Nullification Controversy of 1832
  - South Carolina ordinance of secession
  - Jackson threatens to use the army
  - Clay's compromise
- Jackson's cabinet crisis leads to Calhoun's resignation
  - Tariff issue most important
  - Peggy Eaton affair
  - Calhoun becomes leading southern sectionalist (had been a unionist before 1832)
- Texas issue: Whigs oppose annexation in 1836 -- don't want another slave state
- Regional Specialization as a result of Industrial Revolution and Transportation Revolution
  - East increasingly industrialized; sought higher tariffs
  - South opposed to higher tariffs and increasingly defensive about slavery
  - West increasingly tied to East
- Anti-Abolitionism
  - Gag rule: 1836
  - Southerners pass law in Congress to ban abolitionist literature in Southern mail system
  - Underground railroad infuriates southerners
  - Southerners hate northern "personal liberty laws"
  - Reaction against Harriet Beecher Stowe's Uncle Tom's Cabin
  - George Fitzhugh
- Mexican Cession (as a result of Treaty of Guadalupe Hidalgo)
  - Ralph Waldo Emerson: "Mexico will poison us"
  - Wilmot Proviso, 1848
    - California statehood raises secession threats among Southern "fire eaters"
    - Free Soil Party runs as third party in election of 1848
- Compromise of 1850: PopFACT
  - Fugitive Slave Law becomes biggest source of sectional tension between 1850 & 1854
  - Demise of the Whigs, 1852: two party system become sectional
• Kansas-Nebraska Act of 1854
  - Overturns sacred 36-30' line of Missouri Compromise of 1820
  - Birth of Republican Party
  - "Bleeding Kansas"
• Brooks canes Sumner, 1856
• Dred Scott case, 1857
• John Brown raid on Harper's Ferry, 1859
• Election of 1860

### Sectionalism and Causes of Civil War

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### Conflict Between State and Federal Sovereignty, 1810-1860

- **Federal gains in power**
  - Supremacy Clause in the Constitution: The Constitution is “the Supreme law of the land.”
  - John Marshall’s Supreme Court decisions:
    - *Marbury v. Madison, 1803* – Judicial Review (note: Not in time period but significant as a precedent)
    - *Fletcher v. Peck, 1810* – The Court invalidated a state law (Georgia’s Yazoo Land sale)
    - *Martin v. Hunter’s Lessee, 1816*: Supreme Court rejected “compact theory” and state claims that they were equally sovereign with the federal gov’t.
    - *Dartmouth v. Woodward, 1819*: Court ruled states could not invalidate charters issued during the colonial period. Helped safeguard businesses from state control.
    - *McCulloch v. Maryland, 1819*: Ruled BUS was constitutional; states could not tax the bank.
    - *Cohens v. Virginia, 1821* – Supreme Court had right to review decisions by state supreme courts.
    - *Gibbons v. Ogden, 1824* – Only Congress has the right to regulate interstate commerce
  - Daniel Webster: argued many cases before the Court favoring federal power and ghost wrote several of Marshall’s decisions.
- Henry Clay’s “American System”: protective tariff of 1816 and 2nd BUS
- **Nullification issue**
  - Calhoun: *South Carolina Exposition and Protest*
  - Webster-Hayne debate, 1830
  - Nullification Crisis of 1832: Jackson threatened South Carolina if it nullified the tariff.
• **States’ Rights**
  o **10th Amendment**: All powers not mentioned in the Constitution belong to the states.
  o Jeffersonian and Jacksonian views of states’ rights; Calhoun also
  o Madison, Monroe and Jackson veto federal funding of internal improvements
  o 1830s: Southern states pass ban on abolitionist literature in Southern mails.
  o Gag Rule, 1836-1844
  o Jackson kills the BUS; Independent Treasury System under Van Buren (“Divorce Bill”) & Polk
  o *Charles River Bridge* case, 1837: States given right to prevent monopolies for internal improvements
  o Defeat of Wilmot Proviso, 1848
  o Popular sovereignty in Mexican Cession and Kansas and Nebraska.
  o Calhoun’s “concurrent majority” idea
  o *Dred Scott* decision, 1857: slave owners could take slaves into the territories.

**AGE OF REFORM: Antebellum America**

• Democratic reform due to Jacksonian Democracy (see above)
  o “New Democracy”: lower voting requirements
  o National nominating conventions (end to caucus system)

• **Second Great Awakening** reforms inspired by "perfectionism" (Puritan ideal)
  o Abolitionism
  o Temperance
  o Women's suffrage
  o Education
  o Mental institutions
  o Prison reform
  o Debtor's prisons
  o War (pacifism, prevention)

• **Abolitionism**: most important & successful of the reform movements (see slavery section below)

• **Temperance**
  • America as an "alcoholic republic"
  • **American Temperance Society**
  • **Neal Dow: Maine Law, 1851**
  • T.S. Arthur’s *Ten Nights in a Barroom and What I Saw There* (1854)
  • Results:
    • Reduction in drinking among women
    • Less per capita consumption of alcohol
    • Several states passed prohibition laws but most laws were eventually overturned
Women's Rights
- Issues:
  - Women were legally subject to their husbands
  - Husbands could beat their wives.
  - Feme covert: women could not own property or sue or be sued in court
  - Lack of suffrage
- Traditional views of women's role: "Republican Motherhood"; "cult of domesticity": piety, purity and submissiveness; (Catharine Beecher), Godey's Lady's Book
- Seneca Falls Convention, 1848
  - Elizabeth Cady Stanton, Lucretia Mott
- Susan B. Anthony
- Lucy Stone
- Amelia Bloomer
- Sarah Grimke
- Overshadowed by slavery issue
- Results
  - Increase in women admitted to colleges
  - Some states began allowing women to own property after marriage (end to feme covert)
    - Mississippi was the first state to do so in 1839

Education
- Public education
  - Horace Mann
  - Tax-supported public education triumphed between 1825 and 1850
  - Workers increasingly demanded education for their children
  - Increased suffrage led to demands for improved education
  - Yet, by 1860, only about 100 secondary public schools; 1 million people illiterate
- Noah Webster; William McGuffey
- Lyceum movement (not really a reform movement)
- Higher education
  - Creation of many small, denominational, liberal arts colleges, mostly in South and West
  - Women's schools in secondary education gained some respectability in 1820s.
    - Emma Willard est. in 1821, the Troy (NY) Female Seminary.
    - Oberlin College opened its doors to both men and women in 1837; and blacks.
    - Mary Lyon est. Mt. Holyoke Seminary in South Hadley, Mass.
- Dorthea Dix: Fought for improvements in caring of mentally handicapped
  - 15 states created new hospitals and asylums as a result
  - Prison reform: rehabilitation instead of punishment
    - Men and women should be separated in prison; prisoners should not be denied religion
- American Peace Society: sought to end war; foreshadowed collective security ideas of 20th century
  - Crimean War in Europe and Civil War killed the movement
• **Change in religion**
  - Second Great Awakening a reaction to liberalism: deism, Unitarianism, Transcendentalism
  - Fundamentalism/ born-again Christianity
  - Circuit riders--Peter Cartwright; [Charles Grandison Finney](#) (most important)
    - Camp meetings
    - "Burned-over District" (upstate New York)
    - Mormons
    - Adventists (Millerites)
  - Northern and southern churches split over slavery issue: Baptists, Methodists & Presbyterians

**Wilderness Utopias:** sought to create perfect societies and escape from corruption of society
- Brook Farm
- Oneida Colony
- New Harmony
- Amana
- Mormons

**“Market Revolution”: 1790-1860**

• Demographics
  - Population doubled every 25 years: over 30 million people in U.S. by 1860
  - Growth due to natural population growth
  - Massive immigration of Irish and Germans in 1840s & 1850s (Irish provided cheap labor; Germans became successful farmers in the Midwest.)
  - Chinese immigration in the West provided labor for mining and railroad building.
  - By 1860, 43 cities had population over 20,000; only 2 cities had that many in 1790

• Economic nationalism: America seeks to create a powerful, self-contained economy
  - Henry Clay's *American System* (BIT)
    - 2nd Bank of the U.S. (BUS)
  - Tariffs:
    - Tariff of 1816, first protective tariff in U.S. history
    - 1828, “Tariff of Abominations”
    - Tariff of 1832 (nullification issue); Tariff of 1833 (Clay’s compromise)
  - Internal improvements funded by federal gov't (shot down by Presidents Madison, Monroe and Jackson)

• **Industrial Revolution** (TRIC -- textiles, railroads, iron and coal)
  - Samuel Slater: "father of the factory system"; early factories used spinning jenny to spin thread
  - Francis Cabot Lowell: built first self-contained textile factory in Waltham, Massachusetts
    - "King Cotton" fed New England textile factories as result of cotton gin (1793)
  - Lowell girls (farmers’ daughters) work textile factories (later replaced by Irish immigrants)
  - Sewing machine invented by Elias Howe in 1846 and developed further by Isaac Singer
  - Eli Whitney: *interchangeable parts* (important by 1850s)
  - Charles Goodyear: vulcanization of rubber
Significance:
- Work moved from home to the factory
- Growth of cities
  - Problems emerged as cities often unable to respond adequately to increased populations
  - Increased social stratification
  - Men and women increasingly in "separate spheres"
  - Women’s work often seen as superfluous and devalued
- Craft workers (skilled workers) impacted adversely as new factories utilized unskilled labor
  - 1820, 1/2 the nation's industrial workers were under the age of 10.
- Increase of labor unions
  - Workingmen's parties in 1840s: sought a 10-hour work day, higher wages, tolerable working conditions, public education for kids, and end to debtors' prisons.
  - Commonwealth v. Hunt, 1842: state of Massachusetts ruled that labor unions were not illegal conspiracies as long as they were peaceful

Transportation Revolution
- Desire of the East to tap the resources of the West
- Turnpikes and roads
  - First turnpike built in 1790 (Lancaster)
  - National Road connected east with west (west Maryland to western Illinois); built between 1811 and 1852
- Steamboat developed by Robert Fulton (1807) -- rivers now became two-way arteries
- Erie Canal built in 1825: connected west with east economically
  - Emerging cities along Great Lakes: Cleveland, Detroit, Chicago
  - Many other canals built in the Great Lakes region
- Railroad (most important transportation development)
  - B&O Railroad, 1828
  - All-terrain, all-weather transportation
  - By 1860, U.S. had 30,000 of railroad track laid; 3/4 in industrialized North

Significance:
- Creation of national market economy
- Regional specialization

Business
- Boston Associates: dominated textiles, railroad, insurance and banking industries in Massachusetts
- limited liability: personal assets protected even if a corporation goes bankrupt
- General incorporation laws: charters from states no longer needed; could be done by following legal guidelines
- Charles River Bridge decision, 1837: important step in helping states reduce monopoly
- Telegraph invented in 1844 by Samuel Morse: vastly improved communication
- Farming
  - **John Deere's steel plow**: cut matted soils in the West
  - **Mechanical mower-reaper** developed by Cyrus McCormick in 1830s (did work of 5 men)
  - Transportation revolution allowed farmers to tap market in the East
  - Significance: Farming changed from subsistence to large-scale, specialized, cash-crop agriculture
    - Overproduction often led to lower prices
- **Regional Specialization**
  - East: center of Industrial Revolution; shipping; majority of people still worked on farms
  - South: "King Cotton"
  - West: "breadbasket" -- grain, livestock
- Panic of 1819, Panic of 1837, Panic of 1857

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**Westward Expansion**

- Westward colonial expansion: Anglo-Powhatan War, Pequot War, King Philip’s War, etc.
- Washington’s Ohio Mission, 1754
- Treaty of Paris, 1783: U.S. gets land west to the Mississippi River
- Treaty of Greenville, 1795: Ohio Valley is cleared of Native Americans
- **Louisiana Purchase**, 1803: Jefferson’s desire for an agrarian empire
- **Battle of Tippecanoe**, 1811
  - Defeat of Shawnee Confederacy (led by Tecumseh and the Prophet)
    - Ohio Valley cleared of last of hostile Native Americans
  - War Hawks in west want more western lands (and Canada)
- Rush-Bagot Treaty, 1817: disarmament along the Great Lakes
- **Convention of 1818**: U.S.-Canadian border from Great Lakes to Lake of the Woods
- **Florida Purchase Treaty**, 1819 (Adams-Onis Treaty)
  - Andrew Jackson in Florida
  - First Seminole War
- **Missouri Compromise**, 1820: 3 provisions: Maine, Missouri, 36-30’
- Land Act of 1920 (and subsequent land acts) = smaller tracts of land available for cheaper price
- Black Hawk War, 1832 – Black Hawks removed in Illinois
- **Indian Removal Act**, 1830
  - *Cherokee Nation v. Georgia*, 1831
  - *Worcester v. Georgia*, 1832
  - “Trail of Tears”: Choctaw, Creek, Cherokee, Seminole
  - 2nd Seminole War
• “Manifest Destiny” (1840s) [TOM = Texas, Oregon, Mexican Cession]
  o Annexation of Texas by President Tyler, 1845
  o President Polk’s 4-Point Plan: COIL
    ▪ California
    ▪ Oregon
    ▪ Independent Treasury System
    ▪ Lower Tariff
  o Oregon
    ▪ Oregon Trail: Jedediah Smith
    ▪ Willamette Valley
    ▪ “54-40’ or Fight!”
    ▪ Oregon Treaty, 1846: 49th parallel
  o California
    ▪ U.S. desire for a gateway to Asia
    ▪ Slidell’s mission to Mexico City
  o Mexican War: 1846-1848
    ▪ Border dispute: Nueces River vs. Rio Grande River
    ▪ Polk angry that Santa Anna won’t sell California
    ▪ Polk asks Congress for declaration of war
    ▪ Zachary Taylor invades northern Mexico; wins Battle of Buena Vista
    ▪ Winfield Scott seizes Vera Cruz, takes Mexico City
    ▪ California taken by Generals Kearney, Fremont and Commodore Sloat
    ▪ Treaty of Guadalupe Hidalgo, 1848: Mexican Cession, California
  o Gadsden Purchase, 1853 (Southerners want transcontinental railroad in the South)
  o Alaska Purchase Treaty, 1867, William H. Seward

**Expansionism**
• Attacks on Indians throughout American history
• “War Hawk” designs on Canada, 1812
• Florida, 1819
• Mexican War, 1846-48
• Clayton Bulwer Treaty, 1850
• Pierce’s “Young America” plan: Ostend Manifesto
• Walker Expedition
• Spanish-American War
• Roosevelt Corollary to the Monroe Doctrine
SLAVERY ISSUE

- Cotton gin leads to "King Cotton" in the South
  - 57% of U.S. exports by 1860
  - 4 million slaves by 1860
- Southern society
  - 25% of white southerners owned slaves; 90% of slaveowners owned less than 20 slaves
    - Huge differences in wealth between planters and poor whites
  - Planter aristocrats dominated the South politically and economically
  - Mountain whites did not support slavery
  - About 250,000 free blacks (250k in North as well)
- The Three Souths
  - Border South: DE, KY, MD, MO; slaves = 17% of population
  - Middle South: VA, NC, TN, AK; slaves = 30% of population
  - Lower South: SC, FL, GA, AL, MI, LA, TX; slaves = 47% of population
- Missouri Compromise of 1820: "firebell in the night"
  - Tallmadge Amendment, 1819: proposal for gradual emancipation of slavery in Missouri
  - Provisions: Maine (free state), Missouri (slave state), no slavery north of 36-30’ line
- Slavery Revolts
  - Denmark Vesey, 1822
  - Nat Turner, 1831
- Abolitionism
  - Gradual emancipation? Jefferson: "We have a wolf by the ears"
  - American Colonization Society
  - William Lloyd Garrison, The Liberator, 1831
  - American Anti-Slavery Society
    - Theodore Weld: American Slavery As it Is
    - Wendell Phillips -- "Abolitionism's Golden Trumpet"
    - Angelina and Sarah Grimke
    - Arthur and Lewis Tappan -- financed abolitionists
  - Elijah Lovejoy
  - African American abolitionists
    - Sojourner Truth
    - Martin Delaney: back-to-Africa movement
    - Frederick Douglas: political means rather than radical means
  - Uncle Tom's Cabin by Harriet Beecher Stowe
  - Hinton Helper: The Impending Crisis of the South (economic reasons; not moral reasons)
  - Underground Railroad: Harriet Tubman
    - "Personal liberty laws" in Northern states: refused to help federal officials capture fugitive slaves.
    - Prigg vs. Pennsylvania, 1842: Court ruled states could not harbor fugitive slaves
  - Abolitionists ultimately successful
    - Confiscation Acts, 1862; Emancipation Proclamation; 13th Amendment
- Pro-slavery apologists: George Fitzhugh
• Gag Rule, 1836 (eventually removed in 1844)
• Banning of abolitionist literature in Southern mails (begins in 1830s)
• **Wilmot Proviso**, 1848
• Free Soil Party
• **Compromise of 1850** (PopFACT)
  o **Fugitive Slave Law; Ableman vs. Booth**, 1859
• Expansionism under President Pierce spurred by desire for new slave territories
  o **Ostend Manifesto:** Southerners desire Cuba
  o **Walker Expedition (1855-57):** American group briefly took over Nicaragua
• **Kansas-Nebraska Act**, 1854
  o Birth of the Republican Party
• "**Bleeding Kansas**"
• Brooks-Sumner Affair, 1856
• **Dred Scott case, 1857**
• Lincoln-Douglas debates, 1858
• **John Brown** attacks Harper's Ferry, 1859
• **Election of 1860**
• **Crittenden Amendment**
• South Carolina ordinance of secession

### Sectionalism and Causes of Civil War

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**Major Battles of the Civil War:**

- Anaconda Plan: Union blockade of South
- **1st Bull Run (1861)—1st land battle of Civil War**
- Shiloh—1st extremely bloody battle of the war; Grant wins
- Peninsula Campaign (1862): McClellan fails to take Richmond; Lee becomes commander
- Antietam (1862): Lee fails to successfully invade Maryland; Lincoln issues Emancipation Proclamation
- Gettysburg (1863): Military turning point of the war; Confederates never fully recover
- Vicksburg (1863): Union gains control of Mississippi River
- Grant’s Wilderness campaign and drive into Richmond: 1864-65
- Appomattox Court House: Lee surrenders to Grant
Diplomacy during Civil War

- Secretary of State William H. Seward
- **Trent Affair, 1862**—U.S. arrested two Confederate diplomats on a British ship.
- **Alabama issue and Laird Rams**—U.S. demanded British cooperation in not helping Rebs.
  - Charles Francis Adams—U.S. ambassador to Britain who helped keep her neutral.
- **Ultimatum to French in Mexico**, Maximilian—French forces left Mexico in 1867
- **Purchase of Alaska, 1867** ("Seward’s Folly")

**Impact of the Civil War on American Society:**

- **Social:**
  - Abolition of slavery **BUT**
  - Blacks disenfranchised and segregated throughout the 19th century (and beyond)
- **Economic foundation for late 19th century**
  - Pacific Railway Act, 1862 (transcontinental railroad)
  - National Banking Act, 1863
  - Morrill Tariff (increase)
  - Homestead Act, 1862
  - Morrill Land Grant Act
- **Constitutional:**
  - 13th, 14th and 15th Amendments
  - States could not leave the Union
- **Political:**
  - Republicans dominated the White House for the next 50 years.
  - “Solid South”: Southern “Redeemers” eventually regained control of the South

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**African Americans: Civil War to 1900**

Reconstruction (1865-1877): 13th, 14th, 15th Amendments

KKK terrorism
disenfranchisement: poll taxes, literacy tests, “grandfather clauses”

“Jim Crow”—segregation in public facilities (especially in 1890s)

lynchings in 1890s

THE GILDED AGE: 1865-1900

- Steel
- Railroads
- Electricity
- Labor
- Banking
- Oil
- Mechanization of Agriculture

Industrialism

Politics
- Reconstruction
- Political Machines
- Money Issue: 70s & 90s
- Tariffs: 1880s
- Populism
- Progressivism

Urbanization

- "New Immigrants"
- Job opportunities
- Social stratification
- Poverty and Crime
- Social Gospel
- Progressivism
THE GILDED AGE
Contrasts in America 1875-1925

Struggle characterized by democracy and equity vs. hierarchy and order
In times of labor upheaval, “Americaness” determined by class (middle & upper classes)
In times of war, “Americaness” determined by WASP loyalties.

1875
Largely rural
No electricity, telephones, etc.
Immigration largely German, Irish and English
Railroads dominated industry

Beginning of unionism
Little mass entertainment
Few suburbs: most people lived in cities
Nearly all educated professionals WASPs
 laissez faire beliefs
large number of black male voters
women did not vote
years of great unrest: 1877, 1886

1925
Largely urban
Electricity
“New Immigration” – E. & S. Europe
Finance capitalists dominated; automobiles
Wall Street dominated world banking
Large-scale unionism and political influence
Mass entertainment
Middle & Upper class lived in suburbs
More diversity among professionals
progressivism (esp. in city and state govt’s)
few black male voters
full suffrage
great unrest: 1919

Impact of the 2nd Industrial Revolution on Society (ROSE: Railroad, Oil, Steel, Electricity)
Urbanization – “New Immigrants” from southern and eastern Europe

Reaction of 1) political machines 2) Social Gospel and Settlement House movement 3) nativists
Corruption in politics (“Gilded Age”); machine politics; Boss Tweed—Tammany Hall, Grant’s presidency
Social Darwinism (“survival of the fittest”)
“Gospel of Wealth”: Andrew Carnegie
Social Gospel Movement: American Red Cross, Clara Barton; Settlement House Movement
Rise of union movement: Knights of Labor; American Federation of Labor
Increased popularity of socialism
Farmers rise against the perceived abuses of industrialism: Populist movement

Gilded Age Politics
Compromise of 1876 ends Reconstruction
Corruption:
Grant’s presidency: Whiskey Ring, Fiske & Gould corner gold market, Credit Mobilier, Secretary of War Belknap pocket’s funds illegally
Machine politics: Boss Tweed – Tammany Hall; “honest graft”
Reformers: Liberal Republican Party (1872), Thomas Nast
Major issues:
1870s: money issue (“Crime of 1783”); Greenback Labor Party, 1878
1880s: Tariff issue – major issue separating two parties (Cleveland tries to lower tariff in 1887 and it costs him the presidency in 1888)
1890s: money issue – silver vs. gold; Populist Party in 1892; William Jennings Bryan in 1896
Depressions: Panic of 1873; Panic of 1893
**Industrialization**

By 1890s, U.S. is most powerful economy in the world

2nd Industrialization characterized by: railroads, oil, steel, electricity, and banking (ROSE)

Railroad industry stimulates other industries: steel, coal, oil, finance, etc.

Transcontinental Railroad: Central Pacific and Union Pacific

Cornelius Vanderbilt

Creation of Trusts:
- John D. Rockefeller: horizontal integration in petroleum industry
- Andrew Carnegie: vertical integration in the steel industry
- J. P. Morgan: interlocking directorates
- Philip Armour in meat industry
- Duke family in tobacco industry

Gospel of Wealth: Carnegie

Herbert Spencer: Social Darwinism: “Survival of the Fittest”
- Charles Graham Sumner
  - Myth of the self-made man (most people did not rise from rags to riches)

Horatio Alger: children’s stories often preached “rags to riches.”

**Government Regulation**

*Wabash case* 1886: states cannot regulate interstate commerce, only Congress can

*Interstate Commerce Act (1887):* sought to regulate interstate commerce (but lacked teeth)

*Sherman Antitrust Act (1890):* sought to prevent consolidation of trusts (too vague and weak)

Corporations used this act to crack down on labor unions who “restrained trade”

**Culture in Industrial Age:**

- Literature: realism (e.g. Stephen Crane, Mark Twain)
- **Horatio Alger:** children’s stories; “rags to riches,” individualism and heroism; thrift and honesty
- Critics of society prior to 1900:
  - **Henry George, *Progress and Poverty***: advocated a 100% tax on wealth after a certain level (real estate values, for example)
  - **Henry Demarest Lloyd -- *Wealth against Commonwealth*** (1894): criticized Standard Oil
  - **Thorstein Veblen -- *The Theory of the Leisure Class*** (1899): criticized the nouveau riche
  - **Jacob A. Riis -- *How the Other Half Lives*** (1890): exposed the dirt, disease, vice, and misery of the rat-infested New York slums (heavily influenced TR)
  - **socialists:** criticized exploitation of workers by capitalists (e.g. factory owners)
- Journalism: yellow journalism (Pulitzer and Hearst); muckraking during Progressive Era
- Philosophy: pragmatism (William James); Gospel of Wealth; Social Darwinism; Social Gospel
- Victorian middle class values: “new morality”, Comstock Laws (1873)
Unionization
Civil War creates a shortage of workers, increased demand for labor, and a stimulus to increased unionization
National Labor Union, 1866: 1st major labor union in U.S. history (killed by Panic of 1873)
Great Railroad Strike, 1877: President Hayes sends troops to crush the strike
Knights of Labor, Terence Powderly: “One Big Union”; Haymarket Square Bombing (1886)
American Federation of Labor (AFL), Samuel Gompers: skilled workers; pro-capitalism
Homestead Steel Strike, 1890: Pennsylvania sends troops to crush the strike
Pullman Strike, 1894: President Cleveland sends troops to crush the strike
Lochner v. New York, 1905: Court overturned law limiting bakers in New York to 60-hours per week.
Muller v. Oregon, 1908: Court upheld law limiting women to 60 hours per week. Brandeis used social studies evidence (“Brandeis Brief”) to show adverse impact of long work hours for women
Danbury Hatters case: Court ruled hat union violated Sherman Anti-Trust Act by restraining trade
Clayton Anti-Trust Act, 1913: recognized union right to bargain collectively
Increased popularity of socialism among unskilled workers
1912: high point of socialist movement (6% of total vote)
International Workers of the World, “Wobblies”: radical socialist workers who hurt union cause
1919: Seattle General Strike; Boston Police Strike; John L. Lewis’s United Mine Workers (UMW)
– resulted in anti-union sentiment and Palmer Raids,
By early 1920s, the union movement was significantly weakened

Urbanization
Between 1875 and 1920 America changed from a rural nation to an urban one
Urbanization stimulated by large number of industrial jobs (and white collar jobs) available
New occupations for women: clerks, typists, telephone operators
Department stores forced many smaller stores out of business
“New Immigration” contributed dramatically to urbanization
Urban revivalism: Dwight Moody (seeks to restore Protestantism in the face of growing Catholicism and Modernism (belief in reconciling Bible and Darwin)
Social Gospel Movement: led by Walter Raschenbusch and Washington Gladden
American Red Cross, Clara Barton (Salvation Army)
Settlement House Movement: Jane Addams and Lillian Wald (& Florence Kelley)
skyscrapers: John L. Sullivan; Brooklyn Bridge, John Roebling

Impact of the “New Immigration”
Political machines worked to support and quickly naturalize immigrants to gain loyalty.
Salvation Army, Red Cross (Clara Barton)
Settlement House Movement: Jane Addams; Lillian Wald
Nativists sought to restrict New Immigration:
American Protective Association: anti-Catholic
Chinese Exclusion Act of 1882
20th century: KKK; Immigration Act of 1921, National Origins Act of 1924
Supplied workers to work in factories during the 2nd Industrial Revolution
Mexican immigration after Mexican Revolution in 1910
The Great West
Impact of the transcontinental railroad on American society: Indian Wars, Indian wars against Plains Indians, Nez Perce and Apache; reservations
1890, Superintendent of the Census declares there is no longer a discernable frontier line
Three western frontiers:
- Farming: Homestead Act, land sales from railroads
- Mining: Nevada, Colorado
- Cattle Ranching: “long drive,” cowboys, barbed wire
The farm as a factory: new machinery, tenant farming (sharecropping)
Plight of the farmer leads to increased political activity: Farmers’ Alliances and Populist Party
Farmers gouged by discriminatory railroad practices: long haul, short haul; pools
Sought inflationary measures to lower value of their loans and increase prices for their goods

Populism:
The “Grange”:
- Primary objective was to stimulate minds of farmers by social, educational, and fraternal activities such as picnics, music, and lectures
- Later developed cooperatives for agricultural producers and consumers
- *Munn vs. Illinois* (1877): Supreme Court ruled a “granger law” that private property becomes subject to regulation by gov’t when the property is devoted to the public interest.
- *Wabash case* (1886) effectively overturned *Munn* decision
Greenback Labor Party (1878): Combined inflationary appeal of the earlier Greenbackers with a program for improving conditions for laborers
Farmer’s Alliances: In north and south began organizing in 1880s, increasingly voicing discontent (Three “Alliances”: Northwestern, Southern, & Colored)
- Like Grangers, sponsored social events, active politically, organized cooperatives, sought heavy regulation of railroads and manufacturers.
- Demanded subtreasury plan; when that failed it led to formation of Populist Party

Populist Party (People’s Party)
Important leaders: James B. Weaver, Mary K. Lease, Ignatius Donnelly, “Sockless” Jerry Simpson
Omaha Platform, 1892: “Fried Green Gummy-bears Invade Really Really Silly People”
- Free Silver at 16:1: Does not succeed
- Graduated income tax: Becomes realized in the Underwood Tariff Bill of 1913
- Gov’t ownership of railroads: eventually gov’t regulates railroads (Hepburn Act of 1906)
- Initiative, Referendum & Recall: become part of La Follette’s “Wisconsin Experiment”
- Subtreasury system realized during Wilson’s presidency, 1916
- Postal savings banks: becomes realized in 1915
- Extension of credit to farmers: realized in future gov’t programs to loan $ to farmers.
Election of 1892: Populists gain a million votes for candidate James B. Weaver
Segregation and disenfranchisement of African Americans in the 1890s due to fears by white southern Democrats of African American participation in Populist politics.
Election of 1896: Populists absorbed into Democratic party led by William Jennings Bryan
Democrats want unlimited coinage of silver; Republicans seek gold standard (some silver)
Defeat of Democrats spells end of Populist movement and farmer withdrawal from political process
**Progressive Movement:**

- Silly: Socialism (anti)
- Purple: Political machines (anti)
- Turkeys: Trusts (anti)
- Can’t: Child Labor (anti)
- Chase: Conservation
- Very: Voting reform
- Hite: Working/living conditions
- Chickens: Consumer protection
- While: Women’s suffrage
- Fighting: Federal Reserve System
- Ink: Prohibition of Alcohol
- Guanas: Income Tax (progressive/graduated)

- Similarities and differences compared to Populists
  - Populists are rural (often poor); Progressives are middle to upper-middle class
  - Populists desire gov’t ownership of railroads and banks; Progressives see this as “socialist”
  - Populists desire inflationary money policies; Progressives see this as irresponsible
  - Many Populist programs do carry forward and ultimately embraced by Progressives: railroad legislation (1903 & 1906), income-tax (1912), expanded currency and credit structure (1913 & 1916), direct election of Senators (1913), initiative, referendum and recall, postal savings banks (1916), subtreasury plan (1916)
  - Progressives are predominantly middle class to lower-upper-class WASPs
  - Progressives sought to restore America to earlier period of less monopoly, increase efficiency of gov’t, and stem the tide of socialism
  - Progressive social activists sought eliminate child labor, improve working conditions for women and men, gain female suffrage
  - Jane Addams and Lillian Wald: Settlement House Movement
  - Florence Kelley: campaigned against child labor, female exploitation, and consumer protection
  - Progressive analysts in universities believed society can be improved scientifically: Lester Ward, Richard Ely, Charles Beard, John Dewey
  - Socialists were reformers but not progressives
  - Eugene Debs led Socialist party; gained 6% of popular vote in 1912
  - Some labor unions representing unskilled workers looked for socialist solutions: gov’t control of railroads and banks
  - Radical socialists like IWW (“Wobblies”) used violence and sabotage; eventually targeted by gov’t during WWI under Espionage Act; many arrested, some deported;
    - Compromised integrity of more moderate socialist movement
  - Palmer Raids in 1919-20 cracked down on communists, socialists and anarchists
  - Muckrakers after 1900
  - Magazines: McClure’s, Cosmopolitan, Collier’s, Everybody’s
  - Lincoln Steffens **Shame of the Cities** (1902): detailed corrupt alliance between big business and municipal gov’t
• Ida M. Tarbell -- published devastating expose on Standard Oil Co.
  • Detailed Rockefeller’s ruthless tactics to crush competition (including her own father)
  • Standard Oil trust was broken up as result in 1911
• Upton Sinclair -- *The Jungle* (1906): graphic depictions of the unsanitary conditions in the packing plant sparked a reaction to the meat industry and led to eventual regulation under TR.
• David G. Phillips -- “The Treason of the State”; Charged that 75 of 90 senators did not represent the people but rather the trusts and the railroads. Caused TR to label him and others “muckrakers”
• John Spargo -- *The Bitter Cry of the Children* (1906): Exposed the abuses of child labor
• Ray Stannard Baker -- *Following the Color Line* (1908): Attacked the subjugation of America’s 9 million blacks, & their illiteracy
• Frank Norris -- *The Octopus* (1901) and *The Pit* (1903): Saga of the stranglehold of the railroad and corrupt politicians on California wheat ranchers.
• Theodore Dreisler: *The Financier* (1912) and *The Titan* (1914): Pessimistic novels focused on the economic hardships faced by the poorest and most exploited Americans.

**Progressive Movement:** predominantly middle to lower-upper-class WASPs

Progressive analysts believe society can be improved scientifically: Lester Ward, Richard Ely, Charles Beard. John Dewey
anti-Political machines:
Galveston, TX—commission system & city manager system; Australian ballot;
LaFollette’s “Wisconsin Experiment”: initiative, referendum, recall direct election of senators (17th Amendment); direct primary
anti-Trusts: Anthracite Coal Strike, 1902; Bureau of Labor and Commerce, Northern Securities case, 1902; Standard Oil case, Hepburn Act (1906); Clayton Anti-Trust Act (1914); Underwood Tariff Bill (1913), Federal Trade Commission (1914)
Living conditions: Settlement Houses (Jane Addams, Lillian Wald);
Women’s suffrage: 19th Amendment; Carrie Chapman Catt, Alice Paul; Jeannette Rankin
Prohibition of Alcohol: Women’s Christian Temperance Union, Francis Willard; Anti-Saloon League; WWI; 18th Amendment; Volstead Act (1920)

Labor reform: *Muller v. Oregon*, 1908; child labor laws in states were Progressive’s greatest triumph; Workingmen’s Compensation Act (1916); Adamson Act (1916)
Consumer protection: Meat Inspection Act, 1906; Pure Food and Drug Act, 1906
Conservation: Newlands Reclamation Act, 1902; national parks; Bureau of Mines
Economic Reform: Federal Reserve Act (1913); Federal Highway Act (1916)
Education: John Dewey, “Learning by doing”
Health: Rockefeller Foundation eradicates ringworm

**Robert La Follette’s “Wisconsin Experiment”** -- “DIG CID”
Direct election of Senators; Initiative, referendum, recall; Gov’t regulation of public utilities;
Civil service reform; Income tax; Direct primary

**Theodore Roosevelt: 3 “Cs”** –
Control of Corporations: Anthracite Coal Strike (1902), Northern Securities Co. (1902)
Dept. of Commerce and Labor; Bureau of Corporations
Consumer Protection: Meat Inspection Act, 1906; Pure Food and Drug Act, 1906
Conservation: Newlands Reclamation Act, 1902; national parks
Woodrow Wilson: 3 “Ts” – anti Tariffs, T bank monopoly, and Trusts

AMERICA AS A WORLD POWER (INCLUDES IMPERIALISM)

Secretary of State James G. Blaine
“Pan-Americanism” – Opened door for future improved relations with Latin America.

Samoan Crisis, 1889 – U.S. and Germany quarreled over territory; U.S. gained Pago Pago.

Venezuela Boundary Dispute, 1895-96 – U.S. demanded Britain accept new border or face war.
-- Boost to Monroe Doctrine

Hawaii, Queen Lilioukalani—Overthrown by white planters; Cleveland refused to annex Hawaii.

Spanish American War, 1898 (“Splendid Little War”): US gets Hawaii, Philippines, Puerto Rico, Guam

“Yellow Journalism”: Hearst & Pulitzer

Sinking of the Maine

Platt Amendment – Guaranteed Cuba would be dominated by U.S.

Philippine insurrection after the war, Emilio Aguinaldo

Anti-Imperialist League: opposed conquest of the Philippines

Open Door Policy (1899): Sought to give U.S. and other western countries access to China.

Secretary of State John Hay (McKinley)

Boxer Rebellion, 1900: U.S. helped defeat Chinese anti-foreigner “Boxers.”

Roosevelt Corollary to the Monroe Doctrine (“Big Stick Policy”)

- Venezuela Crisis, 1902 – TR issued Corollary & U.S. became “Policeman” of Western Hemisphere; aimed to keep Europeans out of Latin America.
- Caribbean: U.S. troops sent to Dominican Republic (1905) and Cuba (1906)
- Panama
  - Hay-Pauncefote Treaty, 1901 – Britain agreed to let U.S. fortify isthmian canal; reversed Clayton-Bulwer Treaty of 1850.
  - Hay-Bunau-Varilla Treaty, 1903 – U.S. gained right from Panama to build canal.
  - “Gunboat Diplomacy” – U.S. tore Panama away from Colombia to build canal; U.S. then dominated Panama.

Treaty of Portsmouth (1905) ends Russo-Japanese War; TR gets Nobel Prize

- Under Taft, U.S. troops sent to Cuba, Honduras, Dominican Republic and Nicaragua (1912)

Wilson: “Moral Diplomacy”
- U.S. troops sent to Haiti in 1915 – Despite Wilson’s anti-imperialism rhetoric
- Jones Act of 1916 – Philippines became a territory
- Jones Act of 1917 – Puerto Ricans became citizens
- U.S. intervention in Mexico: Vera Cruz, Huerta, Pancho Villa

Japan
“Gentleman’s Agreement” – S.F. School Board agrees to teach Japanese children; Japan agrees to reduce Japanese immigration to U.S.

“Great White Fleet”, 1907

Root-Takahira Agreement (1908) – U.S. & Japan agreed to uphold Open Door in China

Lansing Ishii Agreement (1917) – U.S. & Japan again reiterated Open Door; aimed at keeping Germans from dominating region during WWI.
WWI

- American neutrality at the beginning of the war
- Causes of American entry into the war:
  - German attacks on neutral or civilian shipping:
    - *Lusitania* (1915), Sussex ultimatum (1916)
  - Zimmerman Note
  - Unrestricted submarine warfare (1917): most important reason for U.S. entry into war
- Wilsonian idealism to sell the war
  - Aims: “make the world safe for democracy”; “a war to end all wars”
  - Creel Committee: propaganda organization to sell the war to Americans
- 14 Points: plan to end WWI – very idealistic and progressive
- Mobilization
  - War Industries Board (led by Bernard Baruch): coordinate use of natural resources with military
  - Conscription:
  - Bond drives
  - Hoover and voluntary compliance:
- Dissent
  - Many strikes due to high inflation during the war
  - Espionage Act (1918) and Sedition Act used to crack down on opposition to war
    - IWW “Wobblies” were major target of gov’t
    - *Schenck v. U.S.*: upheld Espionage Act
  - WWI represented largest attack on civil liberties in U.S. history
- Versailles Treaty (1919) failed to include most of Wilson’s 14 Points; Senate doesn’t ratify League of Nations (Wilson’s biggest failure)

**WWI’s Impact on American Society**

- Women earn right to vote (played a major role in the war effort)
- Prohibition (sacrifice during war made drinking alcohol unpatriotic)
- “Great Migration”: millions of African Americans migrate to north out of the south.
- Inflation during war triggers huge strikes after war: Seattle, Boston Police, steel industry
- “Red Scare” as a result of Bolshevik Revolution of 1917 and radicalism in U.S. (fear of communism, anarchy, radical labor unions, etc.) – Palmer Raids
- “Red Summer”: race riots occur when returning white veterans compete with blacks for jobs.
- Increased nativism (results in immigration acts of 1921 and 1924); much anti-German sentiment during the war
- Farmers experience prosperity during war; when Europe recovers, farmers suffer depression
- U.S. emerges as world’s #1 creditor nation; growth leads way to economy of “Roaring 20s”
- Democrats and Wilson suffer major defeat in 1920 (Harding talks of “normalcy”)
  - Americans are tired of Progressivism and are sick of sacrifice.
  - 1920s emerge as most conservative political era of the 20th century
1920s

• “Americanism”: White Anglo-Saxon Protestant (WASP) values
  o “Red Scare”: 1919-1920 – Palmer Raids against Russians and suspected communists
    ▪ Strong anti-union sentiment
  o Anti-immigration/anti-foreignism
    ▪ Immigration Act of 1921: Reduces E. European immigration
    ▪ National Origins Act of 1924: Significantly reduces E. European immigration; bans Asians
    ▪ Sacco and Vanzetti
    ▪ KKK
  o Anti-modernism
    ▪ Creationism vs. evolution (Scopes Trial)
    ▪ Popular evangelism: Billy Sunday, Aimee Semple McPherson
  o Prohibition (anti-wet)

• “Roaring 20s” Economic Boom
  o Business seen almost like a religion (Bruce Barton: The Man Nobody Knows)
  o Henry Ford: assembly line (adopts ideas of Fredrick W. Taylor)
  o Buying on credit
  o Chain stores
  o New industries: movies, radio, automobile, airplane, synthetics, electric appliances, sports
  o White collar jobs: sales, advertising, management
  o “Welfare Capitalism”: If businesses take better care of their workers, unions will no longer be necessary

• Sexual revolution
  o Sigmund Freud
  o Margaret Sanger: birth control
  o Flappers
  o Women in speakeasies
  o Increase of women in workplace
  o Liberalized divorce laws for women

• Culture
  o The “Jazz Age”: Louis Armstrong, Duke Ellington
  o Harlem Renaissance: Langston Hughes, Claude McKay, Marcus Garvey
  o “Lost Generation”: criticized materialism of 1920s – F. Scott Fitzgerald, Ernest Hemingway, H. L., Mencken, Sinclair Lewis, William Faulkner, Gertrude Stein
  o Icons: Charles Lindbergh, Babe Ruth

• Conservative politics under Harding, Coolidge and Hoover: 1920-1932
  o Harding’s conservative agenda (continued by Coolidge)
    ▪ Belief that purpose of gov’t is to make business more profitable
    ▪ Conservative “Old Guard” idea of laissez faire
    ▪ Tax cuts for wealthy, “trickle down” theory (Andrew Mellon)
    ▪ Anti-trust laws not enforced
    ▪ Prominent businessmen occupy top cabinet positions
    ▪ Federal gov’t not responsible for helping ordinary citizens (state and local gov’t responsibility)
    ▪ Rejected programs to help farmers
• Rejected public control of electricity (Muscle Shoals)
  • Exception: Hoover was a progressive; head of Dept. of Commerce
    o Harding scandals: Teapot Dome, etc.

The Great Depression
• Long-term causes
  o Weak industries: farming, railroads, cotton
  o Overproduction/underconsumption
  o Unstable banking system
  o Uneven distribution of income
  o Weak international economy: high tariffs, debt problems from WWI
• Short-term cause: Stock Market Crash of 1929 (?)
• Results
  o 25% unemployment (33% including farmers); as high as 50% in Chicago
    ▪ Blacks, blue collar workers most affected
    ▪ “Hoovervilles”, hoboes, families broke up; marriages were delayed
  o 25% of banks failed
  o Thousands of businesses failed
  o 25% of farms went under
    ▪ “Dust Bowl” esp. in Oklahoma and Arkansas
  o Hoover’s response
    ▪ Agriculture Marketing Act
    ▪ Volunteerism and charity
    ▪ Reconstruction Finance Corporation (RFC)
    ▪ Moratorium on international debts
  o New Deal: “3 R’s” – Relief, Recovery and Reform
    ▪ Franklin Roosevelt and the “brain trust” (incl. Eleanor Roosevelt)
    ▪ New Democratic coalition: working class, blacks, intellectuals
    ▪ End to prohibition
    ▪ First New Deal (1933-35): more aimed at relief and recovery
    ▪ Second New Deal (1935-38): aimed at reform
    ▪ Relief: FERA, CCC, PWA, WPA, NYA
    ▪ Recovery: NRA, AAA, Emergency Banking Relief Act; end of Gold Standard
    ▪ Reform: TVA, Social Security, Wagner Act, FHA, FDIC, Securities and Exchange
      Commission (SEC), Rural Electrification Act, Fair Labor Standards Act, welfare: Aid to Families with Dependent Children (AFDC)
• Challenges to New Deal
  • American Liberty League (conservatives)
  • Father Charles Coughlin
  • Huey Long (socialist ideas; “Share Our Wealth”)
  • Dr. Francis Townsend (old age pension plan)
  • Schechter vs. U.S. (kills NRA)
  • Butler vs. U.S. (kills AAA)
  • Roosevelt “court packing” scheme
• Recession of 1937-38: results in permanent Keynesian deficit spending
End of New Deal: larger numbers of Republicans in Congress + conservative southern Democrats oppose any more New Deal Programs

New Deal evaluated

- WWII ended the depression: 16% unemployment was the best New Deal did
- New Deal reforms significantly increased the role of the federal gov’t in the economy and in society

**New Deal Reforms:** Gov’t now permanently more involved in the economy; preserved capitalism

- FDIC
- Securities and Exchange Commission
- Tennessee Valley Authority
- Social Security Act
- Wagner Act: collective bargaining
- Fair Labor Standards Act: minimum wages, maximum hours
- FHA

**1920s Diplomacy**

**Washington Disarmament Conference, 1922**

- **Five Power Treaty:** 5-5-3
- **Four Power Treaty:** U.S, Britain, and France would not reinforce Pacific bases
- **Nine Power Treaty:** Respect Open Door in China

**Dawes Act, 1924**—U.S. loans to Germany are used to repay reparations to Britain & France

**Kellogg-Briand Pact, 1928**—“War is illegal”

**Clark Memorandum, 1928**—renounces intervention of U.S. in foreign countries; lays foundation for Good Neighbor Policy of the 1930s.

**Hoover-Stimson Doctrine, 1932**—U.S. would not recognize any territory seized by force; response to Japan’s invasion of Manchuria in 1931.

**Road to WORLD WAR II: From isolationism to internationalism (1920-1945)**

- Isolationism after World War I
  - Americans seek “normalcy” under Harding
  - Refuse to sign Versailles Treaty and join the League of Nations
  - U.S. signs “paper agreements” that look good in theory but do little to ensure peace
    - Kellogg-Briand Pact, 1928
  - Economic isolationism
    - Fordney-McCumber Tariff of 1922
    - Great Depression: Smoot-Hawley Tariff of 1930
    - Refuse to forgive European debts (although Dawes Plan does help until 1929)
    - FDR kills London Economic Conference, 1933
• Political isolationism in 1930s
  o Hoover-Stimson Doctrine: Does not recognize Japanese conquest of Manchuria
  o Nye Committee, 1934
  o Neutrality Acts of 1935, 1936, and 1937 (FDR unable to aggressively oppose dictators)
    ▪ Meanwhile: Italy invades Ethiopia, Spanish Civil War, Germany remilitarizes
  o Americans react negatively to FDRs “Quarantine Speech” of 1937
  o Americans want U.S. out of China after Panay incident
  o U.S. remains neutral after Germany invades Poland in Sept. 1939
  o America First Committee (incl. Charles Lindbergh) urges U.S. neutrality

• Good Neighbor Policy (with Latin America) Withdrawal from Nicaragua and Haiti
  o Montevideo Conference: no nation has right to interfere in internal affairs of others
  o Buenos Aires Conference: conflicts between nations would be settled by international arbitration
  o Declaration of Lima: Monroe Doctrine is now multilateral

• End of Neutrality
  o 1939 Neutrality Act: Democracies can buy weapons from U.S. on “cash and carry” basis
  o Committee to Defend America by Aiding the Allies
  o 1940 (Sept.), Destroyer-Bases Deal
  o “Arsenal of Democracy Speech,” Dec. 1940: U.S. should be “great warehouse” of democracy
  o Four Freedoms Speech: FDR convinces Congress to support Lend Lease, Jan. 1941
  o Lend Lease results in an “unofficial” economic declaration of war against Axis Powers, April 1941
  o Atlantic Charter (in response to German invasion of USSR), Aug. 1941
  o Official neutrality ends when Japan attacks Pearl Harbor

• Major Battles:
  o Midway, 1942
  o “Operation Torch” in North Africa, 1943
  o Stalingrad, 1942-43:
  o D-Day (invasion of Normandy), 1944
  o Battle of the Bulge, 1944
  o Iwo Jima, Okinawa, 1945
  o A-bomb: Hiroshima and Nagasaki, Aug. 1945

• Wartime Diplomacy
  o Tehran Conference, 1943—U.S. pledges to open a second front; Stalin pledges to enter war against Japan 3 months after war in Europe is over.
  o Yalta Conference, 1945—Stalin pledges free elections in E. Europe; FDR gives major concessions to Stalin in East Asia, agreement for a united nations org., division of Germany
  o Potsdam, Conference, 1945—Japan is given warning to surrender; Truman decides to use A-bomb; U.S. and USSR disagree on most issues.
Impact of World War II on US society

- **During WWII**
  - Ends the Great Depression (New Deal still had 16% unemployment, even in best of times)
  - Massive mobilization: Selective Service System, OWM, OPA
  - Women join Armed Forces (WACs, WAVES, WAFs) and industry (“Rosie the Riveter”)
  - African Americans: A. Philip Randolph, March on Washington Movement, FEPC
  - Mexican immigration through Bracero Program
  - Japanese Internment
  - Race riots against blacks in northern cities; Zoot Suit Riots in L.A.
  - Union issues: War Labor Board; John L. Lewis; Smith-Connolly Act
  - Movement from the Northeast into the Sunbelt (South and Southwest)
  - 405,000 Americans dead; minimal damage to U.S. property (unlike devastated Europe & Japan)

- **After WWII**
  - U.S. produces ½ of world’s goods; leads to the “Affluent Society”; G.I. Bill of Rights
  - U.S. emerges as leader of the free world and as world’s only atomic power (until 1949)
  - International financial structure: United Nations, IMF, World Bank
  - Smith Act of 1940 (leads to persecution of communists after the war)
  - Union strikes in 1946 leads to Taft-Hartley Act of 1947

**Post-World War II: continues U.S. transition to globalism**

Bretton Woods Conference, 1944, creation of IMF (International Monetary Fund)
San Francisco Conference, 1945—creation of United Nations Charter

**THE COLD WAR: 1945-1975**

- **Overview**
  - U.S. fights in two major wars:
    - Korea (1950-1953): successful containment of communism south of 38th parallel; 54k dead
  - Two major crisis nearly lead to World War III
    - Berlin Crisis, 1948-49; Berlin Airlift
    - Cuban Missile Crisis, 1962
To what extent was U.S. successful in containing communism”?

- Europe: successful in preventing Soviets from expanding beyond where it already existed at the end of World War II; NATO vs. Warsaw Pact
- Asia:
  - China: unsuccessful (Mao Zedong wins communist revolution in 1949)
  - Korea: successful containment of communism
  - Taiwan: successful (U.S. demonstrates commitment to prevent Red China invasion)
  - Vietnam: unsuccessful
- Latin America
  - Cuba: unsuccessful (Cuba under Castro becomes strong ally of Soviet Union)
  - Guatemala, 1954: CIA overthrows communist-leaning leader
  - Organization of American States, 1946: anti-communism collective security (success?)
  - Lyndon Johnson invades Dominican Republic, 1965
- Middle East
  - U.S. overthrows Moussadegh in Iran, 1953
  - 1956 Suez crisis: success (U.S. & Soviets work together against Britain, France & Israel)
  - U.S. invades Lebanon, 1958
  - Soviets invade Afghanistan, 1979

“Roots of the Cold War”

- U.S. had tried to defeat Bolshevik revolution by invading Russia at Archangel in 1918.
- Communist and democratic/capitalistic ideology non-compatible
- Failure of Allies to open 2nd front against Germany in 1943 angers Stalin
- U.S. failure to inform Stalin of A-Bomb until July, 1945 angers Stalin
- U.S. termination of Lend-Lease to Soviets (while Britain continued to receive aid) angers Stalin
- Stalin promises free elections for E. Europe at Yalta. 1945
- Stalin refuses free elections for E. Europe at Potsdam, 1945 (angers Allies)
- Stalin refuses to give E. Germany back (angers Allies)
- Churchill’s “Iron Curtain” speech (1946): wake up call to Americans vis-à-vis Soviet threat

Cold War -- Truman

- **Truman Doctrine, 1947**—U.S. pledges to help oppressed people’s fight communism; Greece and Turkey are given money and both countries become democracies.
- **Marshall Plan, 1947**—Sought to create European economic recovery to prevent communism from taking hold in Europe.
- **Berlin Airlift, 1948-49**—U.S. thwarted Soviet blockade of Berlin
- **NATO, 1949**—Collective security organization to protect Europe of Soviet threat.
- **Fall of China, 1949**—Mao Zedong defeats Chang Kai-shek who flees to Taiwan.
- **Soviets detonate A-Bomb, 1949**
- **Korean War, 1950-53**—UN forces led by U.S. prevent communist takeover of South Korea.
Cold War--Eisenhower's policies

- Secretary of State John Foster Dulles: “Massive Retaliation”; brinksmanship
  - Soviet expansion would be met with U.S. nuclear strike on USSR.
  - Soviets develop Hydrogen Bomb in 1953 (U.S. in 1952) – End to “massive retaliation?”
  - Mutual Assured Destruction (MAD)
  - Eisenhower’s “New Look Military”
- CIA overthrows Moussadegh in Iran, 1953; returns Shah to power (friendly to U.S.)
- CIA overthrows leftist leader in Guatemala, 1954
- Vietnam
  - “Domino theory”: provides aid to France in Vietnam (later to South Vietnam)
  - Dien Bien Phu, 1954
  - Geneva Conference, 1954: Vietnam temporarily divided into North and South
  - Dulles forms SEATO (South East Asia Treaty Organization); only a few countries join
  - Ho Chi Minh (leader of Vietminh) vs. Ngo Dinh Diem (leader of S. Vietnam)
    - Vietminh in N. Vietnam support Viet Cong in S. Vietnam
  - “Peaceful Coexistence” with Soviets (Khrushchev); Geneva Summit, 1955
- U.S. does not intervene during Hungarian uprising, 1956 (end of massive retaliation?)
- Cold War in Middle East
  - U.S intervenes in Suez Crisis, 1956 (along with Soviets)
  - U.S. troops sent to Lebanon, 1958
  - Sputnik
    - National Education Act (in response to Sputnik)
    - Space race begins
    - NASA (in response to Sputnik) increased arms race
- U-2 incident: U.S. spy plane shot down over USSR; Paris Summit breaks down.
- Plans to overthrow Castro

Cold War – Kennedy

- Secretary of State Robert McNamara
- Flexible Response
- Bay of Pigs, 1961—CIA-sponsored invasion by Cuban exiles fails
- Cuban Missile Crisis, 1962—Krushchev agrees to remove missiles; U.S. agrees not to invade Cuba and to remove its missiles in Turkey.
- Nuclear Test Ban Treaty, 1963
- Kennedy increases military advisors in S. Vietnam: 1961-1963
- Kennedy tacitly approves assassination of Ngo Dinh Diem, 1963
Cold War—Johnson: Vietnam War

- Gulf of Tonkin Resolution, 1964—Congress allows LBJ to widen the war in Vietnam.
- "Operation Rolling Thunder"
  - Escalation under Johnson: 1965-1968; 500,000 men in Vietnam by 1968
  - U.S. Army led by William Westmoreland; “body counts”; “search and destroy” missions; napalm
  - Tet Offensive, 1968: Americans believe war can’t be won (begins the end of U.S. involvement)

Cold War -- Nixon

- Secretary of State Henry Kissinger
- Vietnam War:
  - 1969, Nixon announces secret plan to end the war but it continues 4 more years.
  - “Vietnamization”
  - 1969, Nixon begins secret bombing in Cambodia, Laos, & N. Vietnam (Ho Chi Minh Trail)
  - 1970, Nixon announces invasion of Cambodia; mass protests result: Kent State, Jackson State
  - 1972, Paris Peace Accords result in agreement for ending the war (not accepted until 1973)
    - Vietcong retained large areas it gained in South Vietnam; U.S. POWs to be returned in 60 days.
    - Nixon visits China, 1972: Opens new era of improved relations with China.
    - Nixon visits Moscow, 1972: Plays the “China card” and gets USSR to help convince North Vietnam and Vietcong to negotiate.
  - 1973, U.S. pulls out of S. Vietnam
  - 1975, communists overrun Saigon and unify Vietnam under communism

- Détente: Nixon (and Ford and Carter)
  - Kissinger used realpolitik in dealing with Soviets; replaced ideology with practical politics.
  - Nixon visits China, 1972: Opens new era of improved relations with China.
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  - ABM Treaty limited U.S. & USSR to only a few anti-ballistic missiles,
  - SALT I, 1972: U.S. and USSR agreed to stop making nuclear ballistic missiles and to reduce the number of antiballistic missiles to 200 for each power.
  - Helsinki Conference, 1975: Ended WWII and recognized USSR borders in E. Europe; USSR pledged to improve human rights & increase communication between East & West.
  - Détente ends with Soviet invasion of Afghanistan in 1979 (during Carter’s presidency)
    - U.S. boycotts Olympic Games in Moscow, 1980
    - Soviets boycott Olympic Games in Los Angeles, 1984
Cold War: 1980s – Reagan (and Bush)

- Reagan begins massive arms build-up
- **Economic sanctions on Poland**, 1981—In response to communist crackdown on Polish Solidarity movement.
- “Star Wars”, SDI, 1983: Reagan announced plan to build an anti-missile defense system;
  - Soviets became concerned they could not keep up with the arms race
- “Evil Empire” speech, 1983: -- Justified his military build-up as necessary to thwart aggressive Soviets.
- U.S. aid to Nicaraguan Contras: Sought to overthrow Sandinistas (communists)
- U.S. troops sent to Grenada, 1983: Small Marxist gov’t removed by U.S. forces.
- Geneva Summit, 1985—Reagan & Gorbachev meet for first time and lay foundation for future talks.
- **INF Treaty, 1987**: Banned all intermediate-range missiles from Europe.
- Fall of communism in 1989 in Eastern Europe
- Fall of Soviet Union, 1991

1945-1960: Politics, Economics, Society

- Truman’s Domestic Policy
  - Unable to advance further New Deal programs due to conservative coalition in Congress (Republicans and Southern Democrats)
  - Civil Rights
    - *To Secure These Rights*
    - Desegregation of Armed Forces, 1947
  - Election of 1948: Truman (D), Thomas Dewey (R), Strom Thurmond (“Dixiecrats”), Henry Wallace (Progressive)
  - The “Fair Deal”
  - The “Vital Center”
- Eisenhower’s "dynamic conservatism"
  - Maintains (but doesn’t expand) New Deal programs: Department of Health and Welfare
  - National Highway Act; St. Lawrence Waterway
  - Seeks to balance the budget
  - “New Look” military – emphasis on nuclear forces; “more bang for your buck”
  - Federal gov’t should not get involved in social issues; states should be responsible
Civil Rights Movement

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- Early 20th Century
  - Plessy v. Ferguson, 1896
  - W. E. B. Du Bois, Niagara Movement: immediate rights for African Americans
  - Migration northward during and after WWI: Race riots (Red Summer, 1919)
  - NAACP founded in 1908

- African American Civil Rights – 1940s and 1950s
  - A. Philip Randolph during WWII: March on Washington Movement, FEPC
  - Truman: To Secure These Rights desegregation of Armed Forces (1948)
  - Jackie Robinson, Brooklyn Dodgers
  - Montgomery Bus Boycott, 1955-56
  - Martin Luther King, Jr., Southern Christian Leadership Council (SCLC)
  - Little Rock, Arkansas, 1957
  - Civil Rights Acts of 1957 and 1960 (deals with voting rights)
  - Greensboro sit-in, 1960

- African American Civil Rights – 1960s
  - Freedom Riders, CORE (Congress on Racial Equality)
  - James Meredith, Ole’ Miss, 1962
  - University of Alabama, 1962 (George Wallace stands in school house door)
  - Birmingham march, 1963
  - March on Washington, 1963: “I Have a Dream” speech
  - Civil Rights Act of 1964
  - Voting Rights Act of 1965
  - Affirmative Action
  - Malcolm X, Nation of Islam
  - Black Power, Stokely Carmichael
  - 1968 Assassination of MLK
  - Forced busing
AMERICAN SOCIETY: 1945-1970

  - World War II: high employment, savings, moderate increase in standard of living
  - National income nearly doubles in 1950s; almost doubles again in 1960s
  - Suburbia (beginning with Leavittown)
    - National Highway Act
  - Consumerism: homes, TVs, cars, appliances, vacations, etc.
  - High defense spending accounts for 50% of federal budget; stimulates economic growth
  - Impact of television on society: advertising, “idealized family,” standardization of culture
- Cult of Domesticity (conformity?)
  - Baby boom
  - Dr. Spock:
    - Middle-class men make enough $ so women don’t have to work (not true in working class families)
  - Impact of TV, movies, magazines, etc.

- Labor Unions
  - Weak in 1920s (during conservative administrations of Harding, Coolidge & Hoover)
    - Numbers decreased due to “Welfare Capitalism” and anti-union sentiment
  - Significant increase in power after Wagner Act of 1935 (National Labor Relations Act)
  - John L. Lewis: strikes during World War II
  - Smith-Connolly Act of 1943
  - Taft-Hartley Act (1947): no more “closed shop”
  - “Right to Work” laws: some states outlawed “union shop”
  - Merger of AFL and CIO in 1955
  - Corruption under Jimmy Hoffa and Teamsters
  - Landrum-Griffin Act: Ike and Congress seek to reduce unions’ political influence
  - Union membership peaks by 1970; steady decline to the present

- Conformity in 1950s
  - Cult of Domesticity
  - Patriotism (anti-Communism)/ “Red Scare”/McCarthyism
  - Religious revival (if you don’t go to church, you might be an “atheist commie”)
  - Suburban lifestyle
  - Television: portrayal of “idealized society”
  - Lowest percentage of foreign-born Americans in U.S. history

- Challenges to conformity
  - Emerging youth culture: Rock n’ Roll, Elvis; movies – Marlon Brando, James Dean
  - Beat generation: Jack Kerouac, Allen Ginsburg
  - Civil Rights (challenges White-dominated society)
  - Betty Friedan, The Feminine Mystique, 1963
• "Red Scare": 1946-196?
  • Smith Act, 1940
  • House Un-American Activities Committee (HUAC)
    • Alger Hiss Case; Richard Nixon
  • Truman’s Loyalty Program, 1947
  • 1949: China becomes communist; Soviets detonate A-bomb
  • McCarthyism, 1950-1954
  • Rosenbergs, 1950
  • McCarran Act, 1950
  • John Birch Society, 1958; “impeach Earl Warren”
  • Sputnik, 1957
  • Building of bomb shelters in back yards, late 50s-early 60s

• To what extent was there cultural consensus in the 1950s?
  • Political: “Vital Center” – belief in 1) economic growth solving all social problems (while maintaining safety net of the New Deal); 2) pluralism – fair competition among competing political and economic interests; 3) anti-communism
  • Presidents Truman, Eisenhower, Kennedy & Johnson play to the “Vital Center”
  • Why does “Vital Center” shatter in 1968?
    • Economic growth does not mean end to poverty in the inner cities
    • How can there be equal competition if blacks and women are not equal?
    • Blind anti-communist ideology leads to the failure of U.S. in Vietnam
  • Dominance of middle class values in suburbia, TV, movies, etc.
  • Religion: everyone expected to go to church; Eisenhower inserts “under God” in Pledge of Allegiance
  • Family was the center of social life

• To what extent was there a lack of cultural consensus in the 1950s?
  • Emerging youth culture
  • Not all groups agree with white-dominated middle-class values: blacks, working women, working class

• How did the Cold War affect America at home?
  • “Red Scare” – 1947-196?
  • Increased military spending spurs the “Affluent Society”
  • “Vital Center” emerges: anti-communism
  • Korean War makes Truman unpopular; he doesn’t run again in 1948
  • Space Race begins after Sputnik, 1957
  • Kennedy assassinated by Lee Harvey Oswald, who hates Kennedy for his anti-Cuban policies
  • Vietnam tears American society apart: Hawks vs. Doves; youths vs. authority; “Vital Center” shattered; new political backlash of “silent majority” (white middle-class)
    • Counterculture emerges
    • “New Left”, women, civil rights advocates oppose the war.
  • Culture war bet. conservatives and liberals begins in 1968; continues to the present.
  • Vietnam destroys Johnson’s “Great Society” and eventually destroys his presidency
• The war helps Nixon get elected and begins a new conservative era in American politics
• The war triggers inflation that plagues the U.S. economy in the 1970s

• Vietnam at home
  • Vietnam does not become priority for U.S. public opinion until Gulf of Tonkin Incident, 1964
  • Escalation in 1965 results in the draft
  • The “New Left” led by Students for a Democratic Society (SDS) spur youth public opinion concerning anti-draft and anti-war sentiment.
    • The “Counterculture” emerges, largely inspired by anti-war feelings
    • Burning of draft cards; massive protests at university campuses across the country
  • Hawks (pro-war) vs. Doves (anti-war) in Congress
  • Women, civil rights advocates, and liberals join the anti-war movement
  • Congressional investigation led by Senator Fulbright shows that the gov’t has mislead the public concerning the war.
  • Tet Offensive in 1968 results in massive protests at home to end the war
  • Johnson decides not to seek re-election (Vietnam has claimed a presidency!)
  • Riot outside 1968 Democratic Party Convention in Chicago between anti-war protesters & police
  • Nixon wins election in 1968 on platform to bring the war to an end but to have “peace with honor”
    • The “Vital” Center is shattered
    • Republicans control the White House for 20 of the next 24 years.
  • Mylai Massacre (revealed to U.S. public in 1969)
  • Nixon’s “Silent Majority” speech, 1969
  • 1971, Pentagon Papers
    • 26th Amendment, 1971
  • 1972, Nixon thinks anti-war sentiment will cost him election; seeks to discredit Democrats (results in Watergate)

• 1960s Society: Far less consensus and conformity than 1950s
  • Civil Rights Movement (see above)
  • Impact of Vietnam War (see above)
  • “New Left” – Students for a Democratic Society (SDS); Tom Hayden
  • “Counterculture”: Sex, drugs and Rock n’ Roll (e.g. Bob Dylan, Jimi Hendrix)
  • Women’s Rights
    • Betty Friedan, *The Feminine Mystique*, 1963
    • National Organization for Women (NOW): equal pay; abortion, divorce laws, ERA
  • Cesar Chavez, United Farm Workers
    • American Indian Movement founded, 1968
  • “Long Hot Summers” 1965-1968: inner city riots in black communities
    • Watts Riots, 1965
    • Kerner Commission
  • Assassination of Martin Luther King, Jr.
**1960s: Politics**

- **John F. Kennedy: The New Frontier**
  - Election of 1960: Kennedy vs. Nixon; importance of TV debates
  - JFK, like Truman, is unable to get major initiatives passed due to conservative coalition in Congress
  - Tax cut issued to further stimulate economy
  - Forces steel industry not to raise prices
  - Initially ignores civil rights movement; finally gives support after Birmingham march in 1963
    - Sends Civil Rights Bill to Congress (does not get passed until Johnson is president)
  - Space Race: goal of putting man on the moon (achieved in 1969)

- **Lyndon B. Johnson: The “Great Society”**
  - Election of 1964: Johnson v. Barry Goldwater
  - “War on Poverty” (influence of Michael Harrington’s *The Other America*)
  - Civil Rights Act of 1964
  - Voting Rights Act of 1965
  - Medicare Act of 1965
  - Head Start; federal funding for troubled schools
  - Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD): Robert C. Weaver (1st black cabinet member)
  - Affirmative Action
  - Immigration Act of 1965: end to quota system
  - National Endowment for the Humanities (NEH); National Endowment for the Arts (NEA)
  - Public television (PBS)
  - Selects Thurgood Marshall as first African American to Supreme Court

- **Warren Court:** (most significant court of the 20th century?) – Chief Justice Earl Warren
  - *Wesberry v. Sanders*, 1964: “one person; one vote”
  - Rights of the accused
    - *Gideon v. Wainwright*, 1963: right to a lawyer, even if one can’t afford it
    - *Escobedo v. Illinois*, 1964: right to a lawyer from the time of arrest
    - *Miranda v. Arizona*, 1964: rights of defendant must be read at time of arrest
Women’s Rights:

18th century: Abigail Adams and Mercy Otis Warren

Mid-19th century:

- Seneca Falls Convention: Elizabeth Cady Stanton, Lucretia Mott, Susan B. Anthony, et. al.

Late 19th century

- National Women’s Suffrage Association: Stanton and Anthony (no men)
- American Women’s Suffrage Association: Lucy Stone (allowed men)
- Merger of two organizations = National American Women’s Suffrage Association
- Women’s Christian Temperance Union (WCTU) led by Francis Willard was most important

20th century

- Carrie Chapman Catt’s “Winning Plan”
- Alice Paul – militant tactics – ERA
- 19th Amendment (1920) – impact of WWI
- Margaret Sanger, birth control
- Betty Friedan: The Feminine Mystique, 1963
- National Organization for Women, 1966
- Equal Rights Amendment (ERA)
- Title IX
- Increased access to job opportunities and the military
  Roe v. Wade, 1973

Changes for women in the workplace:

Throughout 19th century and first half of 20th century, work was considered inappropriate for middle-class women.

Exceptions: Women worked in WWI; “Rosie the Riveter” in WWII – 258,000 served in military

After WWII: women expected to go back home – many stayed in the workplace

Reemergence of cult of domesticity in the 1950s—some women began demanding for opportunities in the workplace.

Women’s Rights Movement exploded in 1960s: Betty Friedan – The Feminine Mystique

ERA passed in early 1970s but not ratified ¾ of states by 1982.

Percentage of women in the workplace continues to rise until the present

Sexuality

“Republican Motherhood”

“Cult of Domesticity” or “Cult of True Womanhood”

Comstock Law, 1873 – the “New Morality”

Automobile

1920s -- Flappers

1910s & 1920s: Birth control, Margaret Sanger

1960s: the “pill” starts sexual revolution

AIDS in the 1980s and 1990s
Conservative Backlash ("Silent Majority")
- Southern opposition to Civil Rights Act of 1964 (& Voting Rights Act of 1965)
- Forced busing became a major issue among the white middle-class in the early ’70s.
- Desire for law and order due to Vietnam protests and inner-city rioting
- George Wallace’s presidential campaign in 1968 appealed to many conservatives
- Nixon’s “Southern Strategy” in 1968 election gave the Republicans the White House
- Nixon’s “Silent Majority” speech symbolized polarization between conservatism and liberalism in the U.S.
- Many Southern Democrats become Republicans
- Increased white male opposition to Affirmative Action by the late-70s.
- “Moral Majority” taps into conservative frustrations in late-70s.
- Ronald Reagan wins overwhelmingly in 1980 & 1984
- Republicans take control of Congress in 1994 ("Contract with America")
- After 2000, Republicans control all three branches of government

Native Americans
“Contact” starting with Columbus revolutionized life for Native Americans
- 90% died by 1600, mostly due to disease
- Some groups were forced into slave labor (Spanish mission system)
- Some were sold into slavery (Carolinas)
Summary of relations between Europeans and Indians”
- Spain: Indians in West and Mexico forced into slave labor (Spanish mission system)
  - Encomienda and hacienda systems
- France: Indians of the eastern woodlands got along well with the French; fur trade and Jesuit missionaries.
- England: British American colonists pushed Indians further and further west; extermination
Colonial Indian wars: Pequot War (1636); King Philip’s War (1675)
Treaty of Grenville (1795) – Indians removed from Ohio Valley
Battle of Tippecanoe (1811) – Shawnee defeated (Tecumseh) and removed from Ohio Valley
Trail of Tears (1830s and 40s): “Five Civilized Tribes” of southeast ultimately forced to relocate to
  Oklahoma: Cherokee, Creek, Choctaw, Seminole, (Chickasaw left voluntarily)
Some Oklahoma tribes fought for the Confederacy during Civil War
Transcontinental Railroad ushered in American movement into “Great West” resulting in war with
  Plains Indians and others (incl Sioux, Apache, Nez Perce)
1890 Census: no longer a discernable frontier line
By 1890 nearly all Native Americans on reservations
Helen Hunt Jackson: A Century of Dishonor (1887) stimulated drive to protect Indians but also
  Christianize and Americanize them
Dawes Severalty Act of 1887: allotment policy for heads of Indian households; destroyed tribal land
  ownership
Indian Reorganization Act (1934) during New Deal: overturned Dawes Act and restored tribal lands
American Indian Movement (AIM) protested poor reservation conditions for Indians and loss of
  Indian land in late 1960s and early 1970s
Wounded Knee 1973, Sioux blockaded roads and demanded compensation for lost fishing rights and
  lost lands; gained some rights as a result
**Mexican-American Issues:**
- Immigration after 1910 due to Mexican Revolution
- Deportation during Great Depression
- Allowed to enter U.S. during WWII: Bracero Program
- Zoot Suit Riots during WWII
- Caesar Chavez: United Farm Workers, 1960s and 70s

**Immigration:**
- Africans beginning in 1619
- Colonial immigration: 2/3 from England; many in South came as indentured servants
- Irish and German immigration peaks in 1840s
- Chinese Immigration: California Gold Rush; railroad construction (1840s-1870s)
- “New Immigration” (1880-1920): eastern & southern Europe (almost 30 million; 1/3 went back)
- Mexicans beginning in 1910; deportations during New Deal; Bracero program during WWII; 1970-1990s
- Immigration Act of 1965: eliminates national origins system
  - Heavy influx of Latin Americans (esp. Mexico) and Asians between 1970 and 2000
- Proposition 187 in California, 1984

**Labor**
*Commonwealth v. Hunt*, 1830
- Workingmen’s parties, 1830s
- National Labor Union, 1866 – William Sylvis
- Great Railroad Strike, 1877
- Knights of Labor, Terence Powderly: “One Big Union”; Haymarket Square Bombing (1886)
- American Federation of Labor (AFL), Samuel Gompers: skilled workers
- Homestead Steel Strike, 1890
- Pullman Strike, 1894
- Clayton Anti-Trust Act, 1913
- John L. Lewis, United Mine Workers (UMW)
- International Workers of the World, “Wobblies”
- 1919: Seattle General Strike, Boston Police Strike
- Wagner Act, National Labor Relations Board: Replaced section 7a of NRA
- Fair Labor Standards Act
- Congress of Industrial Organizations (CIO), John L. Lewis
- sit-down strikes
- Taft-Hartley Act, 1947
- AFL-CIO unites in 1955
- Jimmy Hoffa, Teamsters
- Landrum-Griffin Act, 1959

Peak of union membership: 35% by 1970; currently only about 14% (due to shift to service economy) Union membership has continued to fall gradually since the 1970s
Economic Issues in U.S. History

Colonial Period:
Economies of each of three colonial regions: New England, middle colonies, South
Mercantilism: Navigation Acts
Triangular Trade

Important Positive Economic Events:
1st Industrial Revolution during War of 1812: textiles, inventions
Transportation Revolution beginning in 1820s with canals and later, railroads
Resulted in regional specialization and a national market economy.
“King Cotton” in the South from 1800-1865.
2nd Industrial Revolution (Industrialism) after the Civil War: Carnegie, Rockefeller, Morgan, etc.
Three frontiers of the West: mining, cattle, and farming
Roaring 20s – hitherto, most prosperous decade in U.S. history; automobile, electricity, entertainment
WWII pulled the U.S. out of the Great Depression
1983-1991: May have been result of Reagan’s supply-side policies
1993-2000: Strongest economy of the century?

Tariffs:
1791 – Hamilton’s financial plan; purpose was revenue raising
1816 – first protective tariff in U.S. history
1828 – “Tariff of Abominations” – pushed through by Jacksonians to put President J.Q. Adams in a
no-win situation.
1832 – Although it reduced tariffs, South Carolinians believed it did not go far enough and nullified
the tariff.
1833 – Settled Nullification Controversy; lowered tariffs 10% over 8 years
1846 – Walker Tariff; one of Polk’s four points; lowered tariff
1862 – Morrill Tariff; purpose was to raise revenue for the Civil War
Tariff issue became the leading issue separating Democrats and Republicans during the Gilded Age
1887—Cleveland came out against a higher tariff and lost the election of 1888.
1890 – McKinley Tariff – Republicans gained the highest peacetime tariff in history in return for
supporting Sherman Silver Purchase Act; raised rates to 48%.
1897 – Dingley Tariff -- Rate raised to 46.5% up from 41.3% since Wilson-Gorman Bill of 1894
(with its income-tax provision) was not raising enough.
1909 – Payne-Aldrich Tariff – one of causes of split in Republican party between Taft and TR.
Tariffs raised to almost 40%.
1913 – Underwood Tariff – One of Wilson’s major accomplishments; besides lowering the tariff, the
bill provided for the first federal income tax of the 20th century; the 16th Amendment allowed
for an income tax. Income tax replaced tariffs as the largest source of gov’t revenue.
1922 – Fordney-McCumber Tariff – increased tariffs from 27% to avg. of 38.5%; reflected
conservative politics of the 1920s with a pro-business presidential administration.
1930 – Hawley-Smoot Tariff – Congress wanted to protect U.S. industries during the Great
Depression but it only resulted in retaliatory measures by 23 other countries and further
worsened the economic crisis.
Panics, Depressions, and Recessions

1780s – depression resulted from downturn after the Revolution
1807-1815 – resulted from Jefferson’s Embargo Act and the subsequent War of 1812.
Panic of 1819 – major cause was overspeculation on land; resulted in new land legislation.
Panic of 1837 – resulted largely from Jackson’s killing of the BUS and the demise of “wildcat” banks and state banks.
Panic of 1857 – Not as bad as Panic of 1837 but probably the worst psychologically in 19th c.
Influx of California gold into economy inflated currency, Crimean War overstimulated growing of grain, speculation in land and railroads backfired.
Panic of 1873—Caused by overproduction of railroads, mines, factories and farm products; depreciated Greenbacks
Panic of 1893 – worst depression of the 19th century
Panic of 1907 – showed the need for more elastic money supply; Federal Reserve Act passed 6 years later.
Post-WWI recession resulted from inflation and reduced foreign demand for U.S. goods
Crash of 1929 and the Great Depression: caused by 1) overspeculation on stocks, 2) overproduction/underconsumption, 3) sick industries (cotton, railroads, farming), 4) uneven distribution of income, 5) vulnerable banking system, 6) weak international economy.
Recession of 1937-38 – Resulted from FDR pulling the plug on public works programs; resulted in deficit spending (Keynesian economics)
Recession following World War II – caused by impact of demobilization from a war economy.
Stagflation in the 1970s – Inflation resulted from increasing energy costs caused by the Arab Oil Embargo as well as increased gov’t spending during the Vietnam War. Unemployment remained a problem throughout the 1970s.
1982 (“Reagan Recession”) -- Due to Federal Reserve’s “tight money” policy (high interest rates)
10% unemployment; budget deficit of $59 billion in 1980 reached $159 billion by 1983 due to tax cuts and increased defense spending.
1991-92: Deep recession resulted in the defeat of President George H. W. Bush by Bill Clinton in the 1992 election
Landmark Economic Legislation: (excluding tariffs, see above)

Navigation Laws (beginning in 1651): Enforced Britain’s mercantilist system

Land Ordinance of 1785—Proceeds from sale of land in Old Northwest would pay national debt; townships split in to 6 square miles (grids)

Northwest Ordinance, 1787—No slavery north of Ohio River; 60,000 people required for statehood

Constitution: Commerce compromise, Congress regulates interstate commerce,

Hamilton’s Financial plan—tariffs, Nat’l Bank, funding at par, assumption of state debts, excise tax

Embargo Act, 1807: U.S. banned trade with all foreign countries; economy was devastated

Henry Clay’s American System: 2nd National Bank; 1816 tariff—1st protective tariff in U.S. history

McCullough v. Maryland, 1819: BUS is constitutional

Dartmouth College v. Woodward, 1819--States could not violate charters; protected corps from states

Commonwealth v. Hunt, 1842: Mass. Supreme Court ruled unions were not illegal as long as they were peaceful; other states followed suit.

Jackson kills the BUS, “pet bank” scheme

Charles River Bridge case, 1837: Prevented corporations from using charters to the detriment of economic competition.

limited liability laws: Business owners would not lose personal property if their business went bankrupt.

incorporation laws: Prevented individuals from being sued if they owned a corporation; only the corporation would be sued.

Independent Treasury System—(Van Buren & Polk) Federal gov’t deposited $ in private banks.

Treaty of Guadalupe Hidalgo—U.S. purchased (conquered) Mexican Cession for $15 million

During Civil War:

Greenbacks: About $450 million issued at face value to replace gold.

National Banking Act (1862)—Established a national banking system that lasted until 1913.

Homestead Act (1862)—Gov’t provided free land in west to settlers willing to settle there.

Morrill Land Grant Act (1862)—Land grants given to states to build state colleges.

Pacific Railway Act (1863)—Provided for the building of a Transcontinental Railroad (completed in 1869)

Slaughterhouse Cases, 1873: Court ruled the 14th amendment only protected federal rights, not states’ rights. It also ruled that the 13th, 14th and 15th amendments only applied to slaves.

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Wabash v. Illinois, 1886: Only the federal gov’t could regulate interstate commerce, so railroads could not be regulated by states; weakened the Munn v. Illinois decision.

Bland Allison Act (1875)—Makes “Crime of 1873” complete; only minimum amounts of silver purchased by gov’t.

Interstate Commerce Commission (1877)—1st gov’t agency in US history to regulate business.

Sherman Anti-Trust Act(1890)—Sought to prevent trusts from consolidating and restricting trade.
**Lochner v. New York**, 1905: Court ruled the 14th amendment protected individuals against unreasonable and unnecessary interference to their personal liberty. This case expanded the use of “due process,” but sided with the baker by not placing a limit on work hours.

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**Underwood Tariff Bill** (1913)—1st federal income tax in U.S. history; (see 16th Amendment)

**Clayton Anti-Trust Act** (1913)—Labor no longer subject to anti-trust legislation

**Federal Reserve Act** (1913)—established current national banking system.

**Sec. of Treasury Andrew Mellon’s “Trickle Down” tax policies during 1920s.**

**Reconstruction Finance Corporation**, 1832—Set the precedent for relief during the New Deal

**New Deal:** Relief: FERA, CCC, WPA, Recovery: NRA, AAA, Emergency Banking Relief Act

Reform: FDIC, TVA, Social Security Act, FHA, Wagner Act (NLRB), Fair Labor Standards Act; U.S. off gold standard (Americans could not cash $ in for gold)

**Lend-Lease Act**, 1941: --Provided funds to Allies during WWII to defeat Hitler.

**G.I. Bill**, 1944—Provided & to veterans for college, technical schools, or capital to start businesses.

**Taft-Hartley Act**, 1947—Forbade the “closed shop”

**Marshall Plan**, 1947: Provided billions of $ to European countries for economic recovery; purpose was to prevent communism from spreading in Europe.

**Federal Highway Act**, 1956: Established nation’s freeway system

**Landrum-Griffin Act**, 1959: Ike’s response to Jimmy Hoffa; clamped down on illegal union financial activities and strong-arm political tactics.

**Johnson’s “Great Society”—“War on Poverty”**

“**Equal Opportunity Act**” (Office of Economic Opportunity): Provided funds for impoverished areas.

**HUD**—**Dept. of Housing and Urban Development**: Provided & for inner-city development.

**Medicare Act**: Provided medical care to the elderly if they could not afford to pay.

**Head Start**: Provided funds for disadvantaged pre-schoolers.

**Affirmative Action** (executive order): Gave preferences for women and minorities in college admissions and in the workplace.

**Nixon takes U.S. off international gold standard**: U.S. no longer traded internationally w/ gold.

**“Reaganomics” or “Supply Side Economics” or “Trickle Down Economics”**

Economic Recovery Tax Act, 1981: Reduced taxes 25% over three years.

Budget Reconciliation Act, 1891: Reduced social spending while increasing defense spending

**NAFTA (North American Free Trade Agreement)**, 1994: U.S., Canada & Mexico agree to eliminate tariffs among the three nations thus creating a free-trade zone
SUPREME COURT DECISIONS

Marbury v. Madison, 1803: judicial review
Fletcher v. Peck, 1810: States could not void contracts
Martin v. Hunter’s Lessee, 1816: Supreme Court rejected “compact theory” and state claims that they were equally sovereign with the federal gov’t.
Dartmouth College v. Woodward, 1819: Contracts made by private corporations are protected by the Constitution and a state may not alter them.
McCulloch v. Maryland, 1819: States cannot tax the federal gov’t; BUS is constitutional
Cohens v. Virginia, 1821: Supreme Court has power to review state decisions and citizens can appeal to the Supreme Court.
Gibbons v. Ogden, 1821 (“Steamboat Case”): Only the federal gov’t has the right to regulate interstate commerce.
Cherokee Nation v. Georgia, 1831: Court ruled that while it could not stop Georgia from making Cherokee laws void, the Cherokees were a “domestic nation” and possessed some sovereignty; shattered Cherokee sovereignty regarding its relation with U.S.
Worcester v. Georgia, 1832: Marshall ruled Georgia had no control over the Cherokee Nation and the land holdings, and that Georgia could not relocate the Cherokees.
Charles River Bridge v. Warren Bridge, 1837: Taney ruled no charter given to a private company had the right to harm the public interest. Rights of a community supersede rights of a private corporation; Jacksonian idea.
Commonwealth v. Hunt, 1842: Supreme Court of Massachusetts ruled trade union organization and striking tactics were legal as long as their methods were honorable and peaceful.
Prigg v. Pennsylvania, 1842: Court ruled return of fugitive slaves was a federal power, thus making unconstitutional Pennsylvania’s law prohibiting the capture and return of fugitive slaves.
Dred Scott v. Sandford, 1857: African Americans not citizens; slaves were property and could not be taken away from owners w/o due process of law; Missouri Compromise unconstitutional.
Ableman v. Booth, 1859: Upheld the fugitive slave law included in the Compromise of 1850.
Ex Parte Merryman, 1861: In response to Lincoln’s suspension of habeas corpus, Taney issued a writ for Merryman’s release (he had been arrested in a mob attack on Union soldiers). Lincoln ignored it.
Ex Parte Milligan, 1866: Military tribunals could not try civilians in areas where civil courts were functioning.
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Plessy v. Ferguson, 1896: “Separate but equal”; Court ruled 14th amendment only ensured political equality and that segregation did not mean inferiority.
**Insular Cases**, 1901-1904: Court ruled that the Constitution does not follow American conquests but that some rights are fundamental; Congress determines these rights.

**Northern Securities Case**, 1904: Supreme Court supported President Theodore Roosevelt by ruling that the Northern Securities Company was a trust because it owned stock in competing railroads, thus violating the Sherman Antitrust Act.

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**Schenck v. U.S.,** 1919: the Court ruled First Amendment freedom of speech did not apply in this case because the U.S. was at war; speech posing a “clear and present danger” is illegal. The case did protect all other speech, even that which might be considered offensive to some—“freedom for the thought we hate.”

**Schecter Poultry Corp v. U.S.,** 1935 (“sick chicken” case): Ruled the National Recovery Administration (NRA) unconstitutional because Congress had exceeded its power by granting the Executive Branch too much power to regulate interstate commerce.

**U.S. v. Butler,** 1936: Court ruled the Agricultural Adjustment Act (AAA) unconstitutional because it invaded state jurisdiction by using federal taxation as a means of regulating production; ruled it unfair to tax one group specifically to favor another group.

**Korematsu v. U.S.,** 1944: Court ruled that internment of Japanese-Americans was legal because the Supreme Court could not second guess military decisions during wartime. However, once a person’s loyalty had been established, they could no longer be interned.

**Brown v. Board of Education of Topeka, Kansas,** 1954: Ended the “separate but equal” school system in America—“separate is inherently, unequal.” The Court unanimously ruled that schools should be integrated but left lower courts to carry out the decision.

**Engel v. Vitale,** 1962: Court ruled against mandatory school prayer in public schools.

**Baker v. Carr,** 1962: Over-represented rural voting districts eliminated; “one person, one vote.”

**Gideon v. Wainwright,** 1963: Legal counsel must be given to anyone charged with a felony. This decision later extended in 1972 to include anyone charged with a misdemeanor.

**Escobedo v. Illinois,** 1964: The police must not use extortion or coercion to gain a confession from a suspected criminal. The police must also honor a suspect’s request to have a lawyer present during police interrogations.

**Miranda v. Arizona,** 1966: A suspected criminal has the right to be read his rights (right to remain silent, the right to an attorney and the right to one telephone call).

**Roe v. Wade,** 1973: Court ruled that abortion was legal during a woman’s first trimester. States could not infringe on a woman’s right to an abortion.

**Bakke v. Board of Regents U.C.,** 1978: Court upheld minority affirmative action quotas in universities but stated that race alone could not be used as the sole means for college admission; it could, however, be used as a “plus” factor.
**IMPORTANT WRITINGS IN U.S. HISTORY**

John Winthrop, *Model of Christian Charity*: “we shall build a city upon a hill”
Benjamin Franklin, *Sir Richard’s Almanack*: compendium of best colonial era writings
Thomas Paine, *Common Sense* (1776): convinces Congress to declare independence
Alexis de Toqueville, *Democracy in America* (1835) – French observer travels America and writes of American s’ individualism and equality
Henry David Thoreau, *On Civil Disobedience* – people must not obey unjust laws
Ralph Waldo Emerson, *Self-Reliance*: champions the American virtue of individualism
Walt Whitman, *Leaves of Grass* – America’s poet writes best poetry of 19th century
William Lloyd Garrison, *The Liberator* (newspaper) – 1st abolitionist newspaper
Harriet Beecher Stowe, *Uncle Tom’s Cabin* (1852) – best selling novel about evils of slavery
Frederick Douglass, *The Autobiography of Frederick Douglass* – details his early life as a slave
Hinton Helper, *The Impending Crisis of the South* (1857): slavery is bad for poor whites in the South
George Fitzhugh, *The Sociology of the South*: defends slavery as preferable to “northern wage slaves”
Helen Hunt Jackson, *Century of Dishonor* (1886) – details plight of Indians in 19th century
Horatio Alger – wrote “rags to riches” stories for children; heroism, individualism, honesty & thrift
Andrew Carnegie, “Gospel of Wealth” – wealthy people should give most of their $ to community
Henry George, *Progress and Poverty* – 100% land tax should be placed on property of wealthy people after a certain value has been exceeded
Ralph Bellamy, *Looking Backwards*
William Randolph Hearst & Joseph Pulitzer – yellow journalists (own newspaper chains)
Booker T. Washington, *Atlanta Compromise*, (1895) – blacks should worry about economic self-sufficiency first before political equality
Muckrakers: progressive writers who do exposés on corruption, poverty, trusts, etc.
Jacob Riis, *How the Other Half Lives* (1890) – progressive photographer/writer details poverty in cities
Lincoln Steffens, *Shame of the Cities* – details municipal corruption of political machines and big business
Ida Tarbell—details ruthless tactics of John D. Rockefeller and Standard Oil
Upton Sinclair, *The Jungle* (1906) – details horrible conditions in Chicago meatpacking plants
D.W. Griffith, *The Birth of a Nation* (1915) – movie that glorifies the KKK during reconstruction
Bruce Barton, *The Man Nobody Knows* (1924) – Jesus was the world’s first great advertising man
“The Lost Generation”: F. Scott Fitzgerald, Ernest Hemingway, e.e. cummings, Sinclair Lewis
“Harlem Renaissance”: Langston Hughes, Claude McKay
“The Jazz Singer” – first motion picture with sound (“talkie”)
John Steinbeck, *The Grapes of Wrath* – novel about the Joad family (Okies) during the depression.
Dorothea Lange, photographs of the great depression
Rachel Carson, *Silent Spring*, 1962 – seminal work on the environmental movement in America
Martin Luther King, Jr., *Letter from a Birmingham Jail*
**IMPORTANT PRESIDENTIAL ELECTIONS**

1796 – 1st election with two political parties: Federalists (Adams) vs. Democratic-Republicans (Jefferson)

1800 – “Revolution of 1800”: 1st peaceful transfer of power between political parties; Jefferson; “We are all Republicans, we are all Federalists”; Aaron Burr ties Jefferson – leads to 12th Amendment

1816 – last election for Federalists who die afterward. Ushers in “Era of Good Feelings” with only one political party (Democratic-Republicans)

1824 – “The Corrupt Bargain”: Jackson has largest vote but loses election in House of Representatives when J.Q. Adams gets support from Henry Clay (who is appointed Secretary of State three days later)

1828 – Jackson is the first president from the West; Democratic-Republicans are renamed “Democrats”

1832 – Anti-Masonic Party is 1st third party in U.S. history

1836 – Whigs emerge from National Republican faction to form second major party

1840 – 1st election with mass political participation; “Log Cabin and Hard Cider”; “Tippecanoe and Tyler Too”

1860 – Republican Lincoln wins with a minority of the popular vote; Democrats are split; South Carolina secedes in December

1864 – Union Party wins election—coalition of Republicans and War Democrats

1876 – “Compromise of 1877” ensues when Republicans get Hayes elected in return for Union troop removal from South – ends Reconstruction

1892 – Populists wage impressive 3rd party campaign

1896 – McKinley defeats Bryan, thus ending Populist hopes of reforms; decline in farmer voting afterwards

1912—Democrat Wilson wins after Republican Party is split between Taft and Roosevelt; Roosevelt forms the “Bull Moose” Party and comes in second

1920 – Republicans win on Harding’s platform of “Normalcy”

1928 – Democrat Al Smith is first Irish-American nominated for president; he loses to Hoover

1932 – Franklin Roosevelt defeats Herbert Hoover promising a “New Deal”

1948 – Truman wins surprising victory over Thomas Dewey; “Fair Deal”

1960 – 1st time TV plays major role in election in debate between Kennedy and Nixon; JFK is first Catholic elected president

1964 – Democrat Johnson defeats Goldwater and launches “The Great Society”

1968 – Nixon defeats democrats and ushers in a conservative era in American politics; the “Vital Center” is shattered and politics becomes ever more divisive


1992 – Democrat Bill Clinton defeats George Bush when Ross Perot gets 19% of the vote and splits the Republican party

2000 – George W. Bush defeats Al Gore by 1 electoral vote. Supreme Court steps in during the recounting process and orders no further recounting of ballots in Florida.
United States History Time Line

33,000 B.C.   First Native Americans arrive in North America

1492   Columbus arrives in the New World

1517   Reformation begins in Germany led by Martin Luther; beginning of Protestant Reformation
1588   English Navy defeats Spanish Armada in the English Channel; now able to colonize

1607   Jamestown founded by Virginia company
1612   Tobacco made a profitable crop by John Rolfe
1619   First group of blacks brought to Virginia
        First legislative assembly, the House of Burgesses, meets in Virginia
1620   First Pilgrims arrive in Plymouth Bay
1629   Great Puritan migration to Massachusetts Bay
1636   Harvard College founded (to train ministers)
        Pequot War
        Rhode Island founded by Roger Williams (“liberty of conscience”)
1639   Fundamental Orders in CT (1st written constitution in American history)
        Maryland Act of Toleration
1642-49   English Civil War
1643   New England Confederation formed (collective security against Amerindians)
1648   Cambridge Platform
1651   First of Navigation Laws passed
1660   Restoration (Charles II)
1662   Half-way Covenant
1664   British kick out Dutch from New Netherlands; rename region New York
1675   King Philip’s War
1676   Bacon’s Rebellion
1681   Pennsylvania founded (“Holy Experiment”)
1686   Creation of Dominion of New England (under Sir Edmund Andros)
1688   “Glorious Revolution” in England
1689   Overthrow of Dominion of New England (“First American Revolution”)
1691   Leisler’s Rebellion
1692   Salem Witch Trials

18th Century
1713   “Salutary Neglect” ushered in by Treaty of Utrecht (War of Spanish Succession)
1733   Georgia founded by James Oglethorpe (haven for debtors and buffer state against Spanish)
1736   Zenger Case (greater freedom of the press)
1739-1744   Great Awakening (Edwards, Whitfield)
1739   Carolina Regulator movement
        Stono Rebellion (slaves)
1756-1763   French and Indian War
1763   Proclamation of 1763
1763   Pontiac's Rebellion
1764  Sugar Act, Currency Act, Quartering Act
1765  Stamp Act
1766  Paxton Boys
1766  Declaratory Act
1767  Townshend Act, New York Assembly suspended
1770  Boston Massacre
1772  Committees of Correspondence formed
1773  Boston Tea Party
1774  Coercive Acts (“Intolerable” Acts), First Continental Congress convenes
1775  Revolution begins with fighting at Lexington and Concord
        Second Continental Congress
1776  Declaration of Independence
1777  British defeated at Saratoga (most important battle of the revolution)
1778  French join the war against the British (Franco-American Alliance)
1781  Battle of Yorktown (last major battle of the revolution)
        Articles of Confederation ratified
1783  Treaty of Paris
1783-1789 “Critical Period”; Articles of Confederation
1785  Land Ordinance
1786  Annapolis Convention
1787  Northwest Ordinance
1787  Shays' Rebellion
        Constitutional Convention
1788  Federalist Papers written
        Constitution ratified
1789  George Washington inaugurated as President of the United States
        French Revolution begins
1789-91  Hamilton's financial plan
1793  Washington’s Neutrality Proclamation
        Citizen Genet
1794  Whiskey Rebellion
        Indians defeated at Fallen Timbers, sign Treaty of Grenville
1795  Jay Treaty, Pinckney Treaty
1796  Adams defeats Jefferson in first partisan election in U.S. history
1798  Undeclared war with France (“Quasi War”)
        Alien and Sedition Acts
        Kentucky and Virginia Resolutions

19th Century
1800  Jefferson elected
        Gabriel Prosser’s slave rebellion
1803  Louisiana Purchase
        Marbury v. Madison
1804  Hamilton-Burr Duel (Essex Junto conspiracy)
1806  Burr Conspiracy
1807  Embargo Act
1808 Slave trade ended
1809 Non-intercourse Act
1810 Macon’s Bill #10
1811 Battle of Tippecanoe, Shawnee defeated
1812 War of 1812 begins with England
1814 Treaty of Ghent
1815 Battle of New Orleans
1816 Federalists lose to James Monroe ending Federalist party
  Henry Clay’s “American System” begins with tariff and BUS
1817 Rush-Bagot Treaty, limited armaments along Great Lakes
1818 Convention of 1818, U.S.-Canadian border established
1819 Adams-Onis Treaty (Florida Purchase Treaty)
  Panic of 1819
  McCullough v. Maryland
1820 Missouri Compromise
1820s First labor unions formed
1823 Monroe Doctrine
1824 J.Q. Adams defeats Jackson (“Corrupt Bargain”)
  Gibbons v. Ogden
1825 Erie Canal completed
1828 Andrew Jackson elected
1830s Railroad era begins
1830 Webster-Hayne debate
1831 Nat Turner’s rebellion
  Liberator founded by William Lloyd Garrison
1832 Nullification crisis
  BUS veto
1834 Whig party formed
1836 Texas Revolution ends; Republic of Texas established
1830s “Trail of Tears (1838 for Cherokee)
1837 Charles River Bridge case
  Panic of 1837
1840s Manifest Destiny
  Telegraph and railroads create a communications revolution
1846 Mexican War begins
1848 Treaty of Guadeloupe Hidalgo
  Wilmot Proviso
1849 Gold Rush in California
1850 Compromise of 1850
  Clayton-Bulwer Treaty
1852 Uncle Tom’s Cabin, Harriet Beecher Stowe
1853 Gadsden Purchase
  Commodore Matthew Perry forces Japan to open commerce
1854 Kansas-Nebraska Act
  Republican Party formed
  Ostend Manifesto
1856 “Bloody Kansas”
   Senator Sumner attacked in the Senate
1857 Dred Scott case
1858 Lincoln-Douglas Debates
1859 John Brown's raid on Harper's Ferry
1860 Democratic Party splits apart
   Abraham Lincoln elected 16th President of the United States
   Lower South secedes
1861 Civil War begins at Ft. Sumter
1862 Battle of Antietam
   Morrill Tariff, Homestead Act, National Banking Act, Pacific Railway Act
   Emancipation Proclamation issued (effective January 1, 1863)
1863 Battle of Gettysburg; Vicksburg
1864 Grant's wilderness campaign
   Sherman takes Atlanta and begins “March to the Sea”
1865 Lee surrenders at Appomattox Court House
   Lincoln assassinated
   Thirteenth Amendment abolishes slavery
   KKK formed in Tennessee
1866 Congress launches Radical Reconstruction
   Alaska purchased
1867 Fourteenth Amendment guarantees Civil Rights
   Johnson impeached
1870 Fifteenth Amendment forbids denial of vote on racial grounds
1870s Terrorism against blacks in South, flourishing of Darwinism and ideas of racial
   inferiority
1873 Panic of 1873
1876 End of Reconstruction
   Battle of Little Big Horn
1877 Munn v. Illinois: Court rules states may regulate warehouse rates
1878 Greenback Labor Party
1879 Standard Oil Trust formed
1880s Big Business emerge
1880-1920 Fifteen million "new" immigrants
1883 Pendleton Civil Service Act
1886 Haymarket Square bombing
1887 Interstate Commerce Commission
   Dawes Severalty Act
1890 Sherman Anti-Trust Act
   Massacre at Wounded Knee
   Sherman Silver Purchase Act
   End of the Frontier
   Homestead Steel strike
1892 Populist movement creates 3rd party
1893 Panic of 1893
   Repeal of Sherman Silver Purchase Act
1894 Pullman strike
1895 *Pollock v Farmers*: Supreme Court strikes down income tax
    Morgan bond transaction
1896 McKinley defeats Bryan
1898 Spanish American War
1899 Peace with Spain, U. S. receives Philippines, Guam, and Puerto Rico
    Open Door Note

20th Century
1901 McKinley assassinated; Theodore Roosevelt becomes President
1902 Northern Securities Co. prosecuted
    Anthracite Coal strike
1904 Roosevelt Corollary to Monroe Doctrine (begins over Dominican Republic)
1904-1914 Panama Canal built
1905 *Lochner v. U.S.*
1906 Hepburn Act, Pure Food and Drug Act, Meat Inspection Act
1907 Panic of 1907
1908 San Francisco School Board Incident
    *Muller v. Oregon*
1912 Election of Woodrow Wilson; defeats Taft and Roosevelt’s “Bull Moose” party
1913 16th Amendment: national income tax
    17th Amendment: direct election of Senators
    Underwood Tariff Bill (lowers tariff; establishes income tax)
    Federal Reserve System begun
    Wilson broadens segregation in civil service
1914 World War I begins
    U. S. troops occupy Vera Cruz
    Clayton Antitrust Act
    Federal Trade Commission created
1915 U. S. troops sent to Haiti
    *Lusitania* sunk
    KKK revived by *Birth of a Nation*
1916 Germany issues Sussex pledge
1917 Russian Revolution
    U. S. enters WWI in light of unrestricted submarine warfare by Germany
1918 WWI ends
    *Schenck v. U.S.*
1919 Treaty of Versailles
    18th Amendment prohibits alcoholic beverages
    “Red Scare” and “Red Summer”
1920 19th Amendment gives women the right to vote
    Harding wins election; vows “normalcy
    First radio station KDKA in Pittsburgh
1921 Washington Naval (Disarmament) Conference
1922 Sacco and Vanzetti convicted (executed in 1927)
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Scopes trial  
National Origins Act |
| 1927 | Lindbergh crosses the Atlantic |
| 1929 | Stock market crashes |
| 1932 | Franklin Roosevelt elected |
| 1933 | “Bank holiday,” “Hundred Days”: NRA, AAA, FDIC, TVA, FERA, CCC  
21st Amendment: prohibition repealed  
London Economic Conference (undermined by FDR)  
Hitler comes to power in Germany |
| 1934 | Gold standard terminated |
| 1935 | SEC  
“Second New Deal”: Social Security Act, WPA, NLRA (Wagner Act)  
CIO formed  
First of the Neutrality Laws  
*Butler v. U.S.*; *Schechter v. U.S.* |
| 1936 | FDR re-elected  
Spanish Civil War |
| 1937 | FDR attempts to pack Supreme Court with liberal judges  
Japan invades China; FDR’s “Quarantine” speech  
Fair labor Standards Act (end of New Deal)  
Hitler takes Austria, Munich Agreement |
| 1938 | World War II begins |
| 1940 | “Destroyers-for-Bases” deal with the British  
Fall of France  
First peacetime draft |
| 1941 | “Four Freedoms” speech  
Lend-Lease, Battle of Britain, Hitler attacks USSR  
Atlantic Charter  
Japan attacks Pearl Harbor |
| 1942 | Japanese-Americans forced into internment camps  
U. S. halts Japanese at Coral Sea and Midway |
| 1943 | North Africa campaign (El Alamein); invasion of Italy  
Battle of Stalingrad  
A. Philip Randolph, March on Washington Movement |
| 1944 | D-Day: France invaded |
| 1945 | Yalta Conference  
FDR dies  
Germany surrenders  
Potsdam Conference  
Atom bombs end WWII  
San Francisco Conference, United Nations  
Bretton Woods Conference: International Monetary Fund (IMF), World Bank |
| 1946 | “Iron Curtain” speech  
Nuremberg Trials |
1947  Truman Doctrine
Marshall Plan
Containment
Taft-Hartley Act
Truman desegregates the armed forces

1948-49  Berlin Airlift

1949  Communist revolution in China (Mao Zedong)
NATO formed
Soviet Union explodes Atomic Bomb

1950  Korean War begins
McCarthy witch hunts begin

1951  22nd Amendment: two-term presidency

1952  Dwight Eisenhower elected President
U.S. detonates Hydrogen bomb

1953  CIA overthrows Iranian leader and replaces him with the Shah
Industries agree on guaranteed annual wage
Stalin dies; Khrushchev wins power struggle and seeks “peaceful coexistence
Soviets detonate Hydrogen bomb

1954  Brown v. Board of Education
Dien Bien Phu; Vietnam divided
CIA overthrows Guatemala government

1955  Montgomery Bus Boycott, emergence of Martin Luther King, Jr.

1956  Hungarian uprising

1957  Little Rock crisis
Sputnik
Eisenhower Doctrine
Little rock Crisis
Civil Rights Act

1958  NASA
U.S. occupies Lebanon

1960  U-2 spy plane shot down over Russia
John F. Kennedy elected President
Greensboro sit-in

1961  Freedom rides (Congress of Racial Equality – CORE)
Berlin crisis; Berlin Wall
Peace Corps
Bay of Pigs invasion

1962  University of Mississippi integrated (James Meredith)
Cuban Missile Crisis
Rachel Carson, Silent Spring
Michael Harrington, The Other Side of America

1963  March in Birmingham; Civil Rights march on Washington
JFK assassinated
Betty Friedan: Feminine Mystique
1964  Free speech movement at Berkeley, “New Left”, Students for a Democratic Society
    Twenty-fourth Amendment outlaws the poll tax
    Civil Rights Act of 1964
    Gulf of Tonkin Resolution
1965  The “Great Society”
    Voting Rights Act of 1965, March from Selma to Montgomery
    Operation Rolling Thunder in Vietnam
    Watts riots
    Malcolm X assassinated
1966  Black Power
    NOW formed
1967  Detroit Riot (and other cities)
    Peace movement in the U.S. (“doves”)
1968  “The Year of Shocks”
    Tet Offensive, Johnson won't seek re-election
    Robert Kennedy and Martin Luther King murdered
    Riot at Democratic National Convention in Chicago
    Richard Nixon elected President
    Black Panthers
1969  Vietnamization
    First man on the moon
    Nixon proposes “New Federalism”
1970  Secret bombing of Cambodia; Cambodian invasion announced
    Massacre at Kent State and Jackson State
    Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) established
1971  Wage-price controls
    My Lai massacre revealed
    Pentagon Papers published
1972  détente: Nixon visits China and Soviet Union, SALT I
    Intensive bombing of North Vietnam
    Watergate burglary
    Nixon re-elected
1973  U. S. forces withdraw from Vietnam
    Arab oil crisis (OPEC)
    Vice President Spiro Agnew resigns
    Equal Rights Amendment (ERA) passed by Congress
    Roe v. Wade
1974  Watergate tapes
    Nixon resigns, Ford's pardon
    Serious inflation and recession
1975  Vietnam falls
    “stagflation”
    Mayaguez incident
    Helsinki Conference
1976  Jimmy Carter elected President
1977  Humanitarian diplomacy
1978    Camp David Accords
       Panama Canal treaties ratified
       Bakke case
1979    U. S. recognizes china
       Iran Hostage Crisis
       USSR invades Afghanistan
1980    U. S. boycotts Olympics, withdraws from SALT II
       Reagan elected President
1981    “Reaganomics”: reduced taxes (“trickle down”), increased defense spending
1983    “Star Wars” – Strategic Defense Initiative (SDI)
       Prosperity returns: low inflation, lower interest rates, higher employment
1985    Gorbachev and Reagan begin arms limitation talks
1987    Iran-Contra Scandal
1988    George H.W. Bush elected president
1989    Fall of communism in eastern Europe
1991    Fall of the Soviet Union
       Gulf War (“Operation Desert Storm”)
1992    Bill Clinton elected president
1994    NAFTA passed
       Republicans win control of Congress for first time in 40 years
1995    Welfare Reform Bill
1997    Clinton impeached
1999    U.S.-led NATO forces bomb Serbia to protect ethnic Albanians in Kosovo
2000    Bush defeats Gore in perhaps closest electoral vote in U.S. History
2001    September 11 terrorist attacks on World Trade Center
2002    U.S. invades Afghanistan to remove Taliban and Al Qaeda
2003    U.S. invades Iraq; removes Saddam Hussein from power
PRESIDENTS STUDY GUIDE

Federalist Era (1789-1801)

1. George Washington (1789-1797)
   V.P. - John Adams
   Secretary of State- Thomas Jefferson
   Secretary of Treasury- Alexander Hamilton
   **Major Items:** Judiciary Act (1789)
   **Bill of Rights,** 1791
   Hamilton’s Financial Plan: 1) Tariffs
   2) Funding at Par
   “BE FAT” 3) Excise Taxes (Whisky)
   4) Assumption of State Debts
   5) National Bank

   Whiskey Rebellion (1794)
   French Revolution [(citizen genet) (1793)]
   **Jay Treaty with England (1795)**
   Battle of Fallen Timbers/Treaty of Greenville (1895)
   Pinckney Treaty w/ Spain
   Farewell Address (1796)

2. John Adams (1797- 1801)
   Federalist
   VP - Thomas Jefferson
   **Major items:** X, Y, Z, Affair (1797)
   “Quasi-War” (1798-1800)
   **Alien Act: Sedition Act (1798)**
   Kentucky and Virginia Resolutions (1798)
   Convention of 1800
   “Midnight Judges” (1801)
Jeffersonian Democracy

3. Thomas Jefferson (1801-1809)
   Republican
   V.P.- Aaron Burr
   Secretary of State- James Madison
   **Major Items:** *Marbury vs. Madison* (1803)
   **Louisiana Purchase (1803)**
   Lewis and Clark Expedition (1804-05)
   Impeachment of Samuel Chase
   12th Amendment (1804)
   Burr Conspiracies, 1804 & 1806
   Chesapeake-Leopard Affair, 1807
   **Embargo Act (1807)**
   Non- Intercourse Act (1809)

4. James Madison (1809-1817)
   Republican
   **Major Items:** Macon’s Bill #2 (1810)
   “War Hawks” (1811-12)
   **War of 1812**
   Hartford Convention (1814)
   Clay’s American System: 1) 1st Protective Tariff
   2) 2nd BUS
   “BIT” 3) Internal Improvements (Madison
   Vetoes internal improvements)

“Era of Good Feelings”

5. James Monroe (1817-1825)
   Republican
   Secretary of State- John Quincy Adams
   **Major Items:** Marshall’s Decisions: *Fletcher v. Peck* (1810)
   *Martin v. Hunter’s Lessee* (1816)
   *McCulloch v. Maryland* (1819)
   *Dartmouth College Case* (1819)
   *Cohens v. Virginia* (1821)
   *Gibbons v. Ogden* (1824)
   **Florida Purchase Treaty/Adams-Onis Treaty** (1819)
   **Missouri Compromise** (1820)
   **Panic of 1819**
   Monroe Doctrine, 1823
AGE OF JACKSON: 1828-1848

6. John Quincy Adams (1825-1829)
   National Republican
   VP- John C. Calhoun
   Secretary of State- Henry Clay
   **Major Items:** “Corrupt Bargain”, 1824
   - New York’s Erie Canal (1825)
   - **Tariff of Abominations** (1828)
   - Calhoun’s Exposition and Protest (1828)

7. Andrew Jackson (1825-1837)
   Democrat
   VP- John C. Calhoun, Martin Van Buren
   **Major Items:** “New Democracy”
   - Cabinet crisis
   - spoils system
   - **Nullification Controversy of 1832**
   - **Jackson kills the Bus, 1832**
   - Formation of the Whig Party (1832) (Supports Clay’s American System)
   - “Trail of Tears”

8. Martin Van Buren (1837-1841)
   Democrat
   **Major Items:** Panic of 1837
   - Caroline incident, 1837
   - Independent treasury System (1840)

9. William Henry Harrison (1841)
   Whig
   **Major items:** Election of 1840 (1st modern election—mass politics

10. John Tyler (1841-1845)
    Anti- Jackson Democrat ran as VP on Whig Ticket
    Secretary of State- Daniel Webster
    **Major items:** Webster- Ashburton Treaty (1842)
    - Vetoes Clay’s Bill of 3rd B.U.S.
    - **Annexation of Texas (1845)**
Manifest Destiny – 1840s

11. James K. Polk (1845-1849)
   Democrat
   Major Items: Manifest Destiny: TOM (Texas, Oregon, Mexico)
   Texas becomes a state (1845)
   Oregon Treaty (1846)
   Mexican War (1846-1848)
   Guadalupe-Hidalgo Treaty (1848)
   COIL = 4 Point Plan: CA, OR, Independent Treasury System, Lower Tariff
   Wilmot Proviso

1850’s- Road to Civil War

12. Zachary Taylor (1849-1850)
   Whig
   VP- Millard Filmore
   Major Items: Blocks Compromise of 1850

13. Millard Filmore (1850-1853)
   Whig
   Secretary of State- Daniel Webster
   Major Items: Compromise of 1850
   Clayton Bulwer Treaty (1850)
   Uncle Tom’s Cabin (1852)

14. Franklin Pierce
   Democrat
   VP- King
   Major Items: Kansas-Nebraska Act (1854)
   “Bleeding Kansas”
   “Young America”
   Japan opened to world trade (1853) – Commodore Perry
   Ostend Manifesto (1854)- desire for Cuba
   Underground Railroad: Harriet Tubman

15. James Buchanan (1857-1861)
   Democrat
   Major Items: Taney’s Dred Scott Decision (1857)
   Lincoln- Douglas Debates (1858)
   Secession (did nothing to prevent it)
Civil War Era (1861-1865)

16. Abraham Lincoln (1861-1865)
   Republican
   VP- Andrew Johnson
   **Major Items: Civil War (1861-1865)**
   Emancipation Acts (1862); **Emancipation Proclamation (1863)**
   Homestead Act (1862)
   Morill Tariff (1862)
   Pacific Railway Act (1863)
   National Banking Act (1862)
   Morill Land Grant Act: created agricultural colleges
   **Lincoln’s Assassination,** John Wilkes Booth

Reconstruction (1865-1877)/Gilded Age

17. Andrew Johnson (1865-1869)
   Republican
   Secretary of State- W.H. Seward
   **Major Items:**
   13th Amendment (1865)
   14th Amendment (1868)
   Freedman’s Bureau
   Black Codes
   Reconstruction Act (1867)
   Impeachment Trial (1868)
   KKK

18. Ulysses S. Grant (1869-1877)
   Republican
   Secretary of State- Hamilton Fish – Treaty of Washington (1871)
   **Major items:**
   1st Transcontinental Railroad (1869)
   15th Amendment t (1870)
   Panic of 1873
   Corruption- Tweed Ring
   Credit Moblier
   Whiskey Ring
   Fiske & Gould attempt to corner gold market
Gilded Age (1865-1900)

19. Rutherford B. Hayes (1877-1881)
   Republican
   Major Items: Compromise of 1876 – troops withdrawn from South (1877)
   Great Railroad Strike, 1877

20. James A. Garfield (1881)
   Republican
   Half-breeds vs. Stalwarts
   Major Items: Garfield’s Assassination

21. Chester A. Arthur (1881-1885)
   Republican
   Major Items: Pendleton Act (1883), Civil Service Commission set up

22. Grover Cleveland (1885-1889)
   Democrat
   Major Items: Knights of Labor; Haymarket Square Bombing (1886)
   Wabash vs. Illinois (1886)
   Interstate Commerce Act (1887)
   1887 Annual Address: seeks to lower tariff
   Dawes Severalty Act, 1887

23. Benjamin Harrison (1889-1893)
   Republican
   Major Items: Pan-Americanism, James G. Blaine
   Sherman Anti-Trust Act (1890)
   McKinley Tariff (1890)
   Sherman Anti-Trust Act (1890)
   Homestead Steel Strike, 1892
   Populist Party Platform of 1892 (Omaha Platform)

24. Grover Cleveland (1893-1897)
   Second Administration
   Democrat
   Major Items: Panic of 1893- Morgan Band Transaction
   Hawaiian Incident (1893)
   Venezuelan Boundary Dispute (1895)
   Pullman Strike (1894)
   Coxey’s Army
   American Federation of Labor
   Wilson-Gorman Tariff
25. William McKinley (1897-1901)
   - Election of 1896 - Wizard of Oz
   - Republican
   - VP - Theodore Roosevelt
   - Secretary of State - John Hay
   - Major Items: New Imperialism
     - Spanish American War (April 1898- Feb. 1899)
     - Open Door Policy (1899)
     - Boxer Rebellion (1900)
     - McKinley’s Assassination/ Leon Czolgosz (1901)

26. Theodore Roosevelt (1901-1909)
   - Republican
   - Secretary of State - John Hay, Elihu Root
   - Major items: Panama Canal (1903-1914) - “Gunboat Diplomacy”
     - Corollary to the Monroe Doctrine (1904)
     - Venezuelan Debt Controversy (1902)
     - Dominican Republic crisis (1902-05)
     - Portsmouth Treaty (1905) -- Nobel Peace Prize
     - Gentleman’s Agreement with Japan (1908)
     - Political Reforms of the Roosevelt Era
     - Muckrakers
     - 3 C’s: Consumer Protection,
       - Pure Food and Drug Act, Meat Inspection Act
       - Control of Corporations
         - Anthracite Coal Strike, 1902
         - trustbusting: Northern Securities Co. law suit, 1902
         - Hepburn Act (1906)
     - Conservation
       - Newlands Reclamation Act, Nat’l Parks

27. William H. Taft (1909-1913)
   - Republican
   - Major Items: Paine- Aldrich Tariff (1909)
     - Pinchot-Ballinger Controversy
     - Trustbusting - Standard Oil
     - “Dollar Diplomacy”
     - Split in Republican Party - Bull Moose Party
28. Woodrow Wilson (1913-1921)
   Democrat
   Major Items: “New Freedom”: anti-triple wall of privilege: Tariffs, Trusts
   Underwood Tariff (1913)
   Federal Reserve System (1913)
   Federal Trade Commission (1914)
   Clayton Anti-Trust Act (1914)
   Troops to Mexico, Nicaragua, Dominican Republic, Haiti, Virgin Islands
   16th, 17th, 18th and 19th Amendments

   WWI
   Lusitania (May, 1915)
   “Fourteen Points” (Jan., 1917)
   Treaty of Versailles (1919-1920)
   League of Nations, Lodge Reservations
   “Red Scare”
   Palmer Raids (1919-1920)
   “Red Summer”, 1919 – race riots

Roaring Twenties (1920-1929)

Conservative Presidents (1920-1932)

29. Warren G. Harding (1921-1923)
   Republican
   Major Items: Conservative Agenda
   Teapot Dome Scandal
   Washington Disarmament Conference (1921- 1922)
   Fordney-McCumber Tariff (1922)
   “Americanism”- WASP Values

30. Calvin Coolidge (1923-1929)
   Republican
   Major Items: Continuation of Harding’s conservative policies
   National Origins Act (1924)
   Scopes “Monkey” Trial (1925)
   Sacco Vanzetti Trial
demise of KKK
   Dawes Plan (1924)
   Kellogg-Briand Pact (1928)
   Clark Memorandum (1928)
31. Herbert Hoover (1929-1933)
   Republican
   **Major Items:**
   - Stock Market Crash (1929)
   - Great Depression
     - Agricultural Marketing Act, 1929
     - Hawley- Smoot Tariff (1930)
     - **Reconstruction Finance Corporation (RFC)**
   - Bonus Army
   - Hoover-Stimson Doctrine, 1931

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### The New Deal/WWII (1933-1945)

32. Franklin D. Roosevelt (1933-1945)
   Democrat
   - Eleanor Roosevelt: African- Americans, children, women
   **Major Items:**
   - **New Deal:** Relief, Recovery, Reform
   - Isolationism: Neutrality Laws
   - WWII
   - Labor- CIO (John L. Lewis)

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### The Cold War

33. Harry S. Truman (1945-1953)
   Democrat
   **Major Items:**
   - WWII Ends- Atomic Bomb
     - Taft-Hartley Act (1947)
     - Truman’s Loyalty Program
     - Desegregation of Armed Forces, 1948
   - Cold War
     - Truman Doctrine (1947)
     - Marshall Plan (1947)
     - Berlin Crisis, 1948-49
     - North Atlantic Treaty Organization (NATO) (1949)
     - Korean War (1950-1953)
34. Dwight D. Eisenhower (1953-1961)
   Republican
   VP- Nixon
   Secretary of State- John Foster Dulles
   **Major Items: Cold War**
     - "Massive Retaliation"
     - H- Bomb
     - 22nd Amendment
     - Southeast Asia Treaty Organization (S.E.A.T.O.)
     - Domino theory, Vietnam
     - "Peaceful Coexistence"
     - Suez Crisis (1956)
     - **Sputnik (1957)**
     - Eisenhower Doctrine (1958)
     - U-2 Incident, 1960
   **Civil Rights**
     - *Brown vs. Board of Education Topeka, Kansas* (1954)
     - Montgomery Bus Boycott, 1955-56, Martin Luther King
     - Crisis in Little Rock, 1957
     - Greensboro Sit-in, 1960
   **Affluent Society:** Baby Boom, suburbs, consumerism, TV
   Federal Highway Act (1955)
   Alaska and Hawaii become states (1959)

   Democrat
   VP- Lyndon B. Johnson
   **Major Items: “The New Frontier”**
   - Alliance for Progress
   - The Peace Corps
   - **Cuba**
     - *Bay of Pigs* (1961)
     - *Cuban Missile Crisis* (1962)
     - Nuclear Test- Ban Treaty (1963)
     - Kennedy assassinated (Nov. 22, 1963), Lee Harvey Oswald
   Democrat
   **Major Items:** The “Cold War”
   - Vietnam, escalation
   - “The Great Society”
     - Anti-poverty Act (1964)
     - Elementary and Secondary Education
     - Medicare
     - Affirmative Action
   - Income Tax Cut
   - Civil Rights Act (1964)
   - Voting Rights Act (1965)
   - Warren Court (Rights of the Accused)
   - “Long Hot Summers”: Watts and Detroit riots
   - Thurgood Marshall
   - 1968: “Year of Shocks” – Tet, MLK assassinated, Black Power, Nixon wins

   Detente/ Rapprochement (1968- 1980)

   Republican
   VP- Spiro Agnew, Gerald Ford
   **Major Items:** “Imperial Presidency”
   - Vietnam War, Vietnamization, Cambodia
   - Landing on the Moon (July, 1969)
   - Warren Burger- Chief Justice (1969)
   - Roe v. Wade (1973)
   - Woodstock (Aug., 1969)
   - E.P.A. established (1970)
   - Philadelphia Plan: affirmative action
   - 26th Amendment (1971)
   - “Silent Majority”
   - Détente
     - Visit to China (Feb, 1972)
     - Visit to Russia (May, 1972)
     - Salt I (1972)
   - Energy Crisis, OPEC
   - Wounded Knee, SD (1973)
   - Agnew resigns (1973)
   - Nixon Resigns (Aug. 9, 1974)- Watergate
   Republican
   First Appointed President
   **Major Items:** Pardons Nixon
   Mayaguez Incident (1975)
   Stagflation
   Helsinki Conference, 1975

   Democrat
   **Major Items:** Panama Canal Treaty signed (*Sept, 1977*)
   “Humanitarian Diplomacy”
   Diplomatic relation with communist China; ended recognition of Taiwan
   3 Mile Island Incident (PA), 1979
   Camp David Accords: Egypt and Israel Peace Treaty
   *Iran Hostage Crisis (1979)*
   - Rescue attempt- 8 killed (*April, 1980*)
   Soviet invasion of Afghanistan Soviets (1979)
   “Stagflation”
   Boycott of Olympics in Moscow to protest Afghanistan (1980)

1980s, 1990s

   Republican
   VP- Bush
   **Major Items:** “Reaganomics-Supply-Side-Economics”
   Massive Military Buildup, “Star Wars” (SDI)
   Culture war: “Religious Right”
   1500 Marines sent to Beirut (1983); withdrawn 1984
   Sandra Day O’ Conner appointed to the Supreme Court (First Woman)
   **INF Treaty** with Soviet Union (Gorbachev), 1987
   **Iran Contra Hearings:** Oliver North (1987)
   Republican
   VP - Quayle
   **Major Items:** Savings and Loan Scandal (1990)
   - Fall of Berlin Wall, 1989; Revolutions of 1989 in Europe
   - Invasion of Panama (1990), Manuel Noriega
   - Gulf War I: Operation Desert Storm, 1991
   - Fall of Soviet Union (1991)
   - Recession 1992-93

42. Bill Clinton (1993-2001)
   Democrat
   VP - Al Gore
   **Major Items:** NAFTA
   - Republicans take Congress for 1st time in over 40 years
     -- “Contract with America”
   - Welfare Reform
   - Monica Lewinski Scandal, impeachment
   - War in Kosovo
   - Chaffey Academic Decathlon Team wins 3rd Place in County, 2000

43. George W. Bush (2001 - )
   Republican
   VP – Dick Cheney
   **Major Items:** Disputed election of 2000, Florida
   - Major tax cuts
   - 9/11 terrorist attacks, Osama Bin Laden
   - War in Afghanistan
   - Iraq War
   - Chaffey Academic Decathlon Team wins 2nd Place in County, 2005