

# Beginning a New Nation - 1787-1800

## Reforming the Government (ARTICLES DIDN'T WORK!)

Alexander Hamilton	Constitutional Convention
ANNAPOLIS CONVENTION (1786) → CONVINCED OTHERS TO HOLD CONV. IN PHILADELPHIA TO REVISE A.O.C. SHAYS' REBELLION → NEED A STRONG CENTRAL GOV'T!	• MAY 1787 - SEPT. 1787 • CLOSED DOOR ("SECRET") • AVG. AGE = 44; ELITE/WEALTHY • LED BY GEORGE WASHINGTON • "FATHER" OF CONST. = JAMES MADISON • 12/13 STATES (NOT R.I.)

## Federalists vs. Anti-Federalists (NOT POLITICAL PARTIES)

Federalists	Anti-Federalists
• WASHINGTON, FRANKLIN, ADAMS, HAMILTON, MADISON • PRO-STRONG CENTRAL GOV'T (CONSTITUTION) • FED. PAPERS (85 ESSAYS TO PERSUADE)	• GEORGE MASON, PATRICK HENRY • FEARED: TOO POWERFUL OF A CENTRAL GOV'T; CONST. WOULDN'T PROTECT PEOPLE'S OR STATE RIGHTS • WANTED A BILL OF RIGHTS (WON'T SIGN W/O)

## Issue of Representation (COMPROMISES)

Virginia	New Jersey	The Great Compromise	3/5ths Compromise
• JAMES MADISON • STATE REP. BASED ON POPULATION ↳ FAVORED "BIG"	• WILLIAM PATTERSON • EQUAL REP. ↳ FAVORED "SMALL"	• ROGER SHERMAN • BICAMERAL LEGISLATURE ↳ HOUSE OF REP. → POP. ↳ SENATE → EQUAL (2) • HOUSE CHOSEN BY POPULAR VOTE • SENATE CHOSEN BY STATE LEG.	• 3/5 SLAVES COUNT TOWARD A STATE'S POP. FOR REP. & TAXATION

## Basics of the Constitution

Federalism	Separations of power	Popular Sovereignty	Bill of Rights	Supreme Court	"CABINET" Executive Departments
Division of power between STATE and FEDERAL GOV'T	3 branches 1. LEGISLATIVE 2. EXECUTIVE 3. JUDICIAL CHECKS and BALANCES each other	Who does power go through? THE PEOPLE ↳ POWER MUST BE REGULATED	What group of people demanded that the B.O.R be included? ANTI-FEDERALISTS B.O.R. = 1 <sup>st</sup> 10 AMEND.	Does the Const. set up the S.C.? YES; YAGVE Judiciary Act of 1789... SET # OF JUDGES AT 6 EST. LOWER DISTRICTS & APPEALS COURTS	War: HENRY KNOX State: THOMAS JEFFERSON Treasury: ALEXANDER HAMILTON

## America's First Two-Party System (WASHINGTON SAID NO!)

Characteristics	Republicans (Dem-Rep) (FRONTIER/SOUTH)	Federalists (CITIES, NORTH EAST)
Leadership	THOMAS JEFFERSON, JAMES MADISON	ALEXANDER HAMILTON, JOHN ADAMS
Economic Beliefs	FAVORED AGRICULTURE (YEOMAN); NO FED. BANK NO TARIFFS	NATIONAL BANK, TARIFFS   PRO-BUSINESS, EXCISE TAXES
Role of Fed. Gov't?	LIMITED CENTRAL GOV'T; STATES RIGHTS	STRONG CENTRAL GOV'T
Interpretation of Const.	STRICT INTERPRETATION PRO-FRANCE	LOOSE INTERPRETATION ("NECESSARY & PROPER") PRO-BRITAIN

## Hamilton's Economic Plan (NATIONAL BANK)

Primary goal?	CONSOLIDATE & PAY OFF STATE/NATIONAL DEBT (IT IS OKAY TO HAVE SOME DEBT → CREDIT!)		
1. PAY BACK RICH INVESTORS W/ BONDS ("PAY ON PAY")	2. ASSUME NATIONAL DEBT (CONSOLIDATE)	3. RAISE REVENUE ↳ EXCISE TAX ON WHISKEY	4. EST. NATIONAL BANK ↳ GIVE LOANS (STIM. BUSINESS) ↳ PRINT CURRENCY
What did the Northerners have to do to convince Southerners to accept?	MOVE CAPITAL SOUTH (WASHINGTON D.C.)		

## Whiskey Rebellion (FEDERAL POWER)

How is this similar to Shay's Rebellion?	How is it Different?
FARMERS IN WESTERN PA. UPSET ABOUT TAXES & REFUSE TO PAY (HARASSED TAX COLLECTORS)	WASHINGTON & HAMILTON ORG. 15,000 MILITIA TO ENFORCE THE TAX → FED. GOV'T CAN ENFORCE LAWS! ↳ RESISTED BY COMMON FARMER (JEFFERSON'S POP. RISES...)

## French Revolution (WHO TO SIDE WITH?)

Why would we help Brits?	...French?
FEDERALISTS ARGUE: TRADE STABILITY; HORRIFIED BY MASS EXECUTIONS/RADICALISM IN FRANCE	DEM.-REP. ARGUE: HONOR TREATY OF 1778, OVERTHROW OF MONARCHY, BRITAIN HAD SEIZED AMERICAN SHIPS

REMEMBER: BANK OF U.S. EXCISE TAXES FUNDING AT PHIL A SUMPTION OF DEBT TARIFFS

Proclamation of Neutrality 1793: What are the negative effects of this? **BOTH BEGIN POLICY OF SEIZING AMER. SHIPS BOUND FOR ENGL. TERRITORY? IMPRESSING SAILORS**

JEFFERSON RESIGNED SECRETARY OF STATE IN PROTEST

Treaties

	Goal?	What actually happens?	Effects?
Jay's Treaty 1794	<p>END BRITISH IMPRESSMENT POLICY</p> <p>RE-OPEN TRADE W/ AMERICA</p> <p>AVOID WAR REMOVE BRITISH FORCES IN U.S. LANDS (NW)</p>	<p>RE-OPENED TRADE</p> <p>↳ U.S. "FAVORABLE NATION" STATUS</p> <p>KEPT U.S. OUT OF WAR</p>	<p>ANSWERED DEM.-REP.</p> <p>ANSWERED FRENCH</p> <p>↳ BEGAN IMPRESSMENT POLICY</p>
Pinckney's Treaty 1795	<p>FEARED THAT U.S. WAS GETTING TOO CLOSE W/ ENGLAND</p> <p>↳ U.S. MIGHT MOVE INTO FLORIDA OR WEST</p>	<p>PROMISED ACCESS TO NEW ORLEANS / MISSISSIPPI RIVER W/O HAVING TO PAY TAXES</p>	<p>EST. 31<sup>ST</sup> PARALLEL AS THE GEORGIA-FLORIDA BOUNDARY</p>
	Why does Spain do it?	What do we get?	What does Spain Get

EFFECT!

Washington's Farewell

Key Points	1. AVOID POLITICAL PARTIES	2. AVOID PERMANENT ALLIANCES (ESP. W/ EUROPE)
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Election of 1796 → FIRST CONTESTED ELECTION! (71-68 ELECTORAL VOTES)

Democratic Republican Candidates		Federalists Candidates	
* THOMAS JEFFERSON / AARON BULL		* JOHN ADAMS / PINCKNEY	
Who won?	ADAMS	Who became the VP?	JEFFERSON

NO TICKET YET

XYZ Affair (FRANCE)

Goal?	What Actually Happens?	Effect in America?
<p>END FRENCH SEIZURE OF U.S. MERCHANT SHIPS (IMPRESSMENT)</p> <p>PEACEFULLY → SEND DELEGATES</p>	<p>3 FRENCH MINISTERS KNOWN AS "X, Y, Z" REQUESTED BRIBES PRIOR TO NEGOTIATION</p> <p>↳ AMERICAN PUBLIC OUTRAGED! OPINION</p>	<p>ADAMS PREPS FOR WAR</p> <p>↳ "MILLIONS FOR DEFENSE, BUT NOT ONE CENT FOR TRIBUTE"</p>

EFFECT!

Alien & Sedition Acts (CONTROVERSY)

Alien	Sedition	Effect of Laws?
<p>14 YEARS TO BECOME U.S. CITIZEN</p> <p>PRESIDENT COULD DEPORT ANY ALIENS CONSIDERED DANGEROUS; ARREST ALIENS IN TIMES OF WAR → MOST IMMIGRANTS VOTED DEM.-REP.</p>	<p>ILLEGAL FOR NEWSPAPERS TO CRITICIZE PRESIDENT / CONGRESS</p> <p>↳ FINES / IMPRISONMENT</p>	<p>ADAMS LOOKS BAD</p> <p>↳ MAJOR HIT TO FED. POPULARITY</p> <p>↳ VIOLATED 1<sup>ST</sup> AMENDMENT / CONST.</p>

EFFECT!

Virginia & Kentucky Resolutions (NULLIFICATION)

Who proposed the resolutions?	Define Nullification:
THOMAS JEFFERSON & JAMES MADISON	STATES HAVE THE POWER TO DECLARE AN ACT OF CONGRESS AS UNCONSTITUTIONAL

Election of 1800 (FIRST TRANSITION OF POWER) DEM.-REP. BASE MORE REFLECTIVE OF AMER. PEOPLE

Democratic Republican Candidate		Federalist Candidate	
THOMAS JEFFERSON / AARON BULL		JOHN ADAMS	
Who won?	JEFFERSON (TIE BETWEEN JEFF. & BULL) ↳ CONGRESS PICKED JEFF. 1800?	Why is it called the Revolution of 1800?	PEACEFUL PASSING OF POLITICAL POWER (PRES, HOUSE, & SENATE) TO ANOTHER PARTY FOR THE FIRST TIME
What Amendment was passed to prevent future electoral disputes?		12 <sup>TH</sup> AMENDMENT (PARTY "TICKET")	

EFFECT!

Federalist's Last Act (MIDNIGHT JUDGES)

What have Federalists lost?	Goal of the Judiciary Act of 1801	What does this lead to?
PRESIDENCY / CONTROL OF CONGRESS	<p>MAINTAIN FED. CONTROL OF JUDICIAL BRANCH → LIMIT S.C. TO 5 JUDGES</p> <p>↳ PACK FED. COURTS W/ FEDERALISTS BY ADDING MORE POSITIONS</p> <p>↳ "MIDNIGHT JUDGES" → RIGHT BEFORE TRANSITION OF POWER</p>	<p>MARBLEY VS. MADISON</p> <p>↳ JUDICIAL REVIEW / CONSTITUTIONAL</p>

LESSER OF TWO EVILS / LESSER OF TWO EVILS / MOST FEDERALISTS LIVED BULL, BUT HAMILTON PUNCHED FOR JEFFERSON