

EXPANSION AND THE MEXICAN AMERICAN WAR

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	What do we get?	From?	Significance?
Louisiana Purchase 1803	NEW ORLEANS ? 820,000 SQ. MILES	FRANCE	DOUBLED THE SIZE OF THE U.S. ; SECURED ACCESS TO NEW ORLEANS ? MISSISSIPPI RIVER FOR WESTERN FARMERS
Adams Onis Treaty 1819	FLORIDA	SPAIN	SPAIN GAVE UP ALL POSSESSION OF FLORIDA ? ITS CLAIMS TO OREGON TERRITORY ; SET BOUNDARY W/ TEXAS
Webster Ashburton Treaty 1842	SETTLE BOUNDARY BETWEEN MAINE / CANADA	ENGLAND / CANADA	RESOLVED "AROSTOOK WAR" ; SPLIT DISPUTED LAND BETWEEN MAINE ? CANADA ; ALSO SET BOUNDARY W/ MINNESOTA
Annexation of Texas 1846	TEXAS	REPUBLIC OF TEXAS	NEW SLAVE STATE ; U.S. INHERITED DISPUTED BOUNDARY W/ MEXICO (NUECES R. V.S. RIO GRANDE RIVER)
Oregon Territory	BOUNDARY SET AT 49 TH PARALLEL	BRITAIN	OREGON TREATY (1846) SET FINAL NORTHERN BORDER ? AVOIDED WAR W/ ENGLAND (END "FIFTY-FIVE FEET OR FIGHT! SLOGAN")
Mexican American War 1846-1848	MEXICAN CESSION	MEXICO	ACQUIRE CALIFORNIA ? NEW MEXICO, GAVE ACCESS TO PACIFIC, SET TEXAS BOUNDARY ; NORTHERN SUSPICION OF EXPANSION OF "SLAVE POWER"
Gadsden Purchase 1853	SET SOUTHERN U.S. BORDER (ARIZONA, NEW MEX.)	MEXICO	SET FINAL SOUTHERN BOUNDARY ; HAD BEEN INTENDED FOR THE CONSTRUCTION OF A RAILROAD (DID NOT HAPPEN)

* ORIGINAL PLAN TO ANNEX TEXAS WAS REJECTED

MOVING WEST

MOSTLY MIDDLE-CLASS MOVEMENT (TOO COSTLY)		Trails Avg. 15 MILES A DAY ; BEGAN IN INDEPENDENCE, MO.	
Oregon 1811-1840's	Santa Fe 1820-1880's	California 1849	Mormon (UTAH)
Who/Why? PROTESTANT MISSIONARIES ? FARMERS (\$5,000+) ↳ FERTILE LAND	Who/Why? MERCHANTS ? PROSPECTIVE MINERS ON WAY TO CALIFORNIA ? COLORADO	Who/Why? 100,000 MINERS MERCHANTS FLOCKED TO CAL. IN 1849 FOR GOLD (30,000 BY 1860)	Who/Why? JOSEPH SMITH BRINGHAM YOUNG ESCAPE PERSECUTION BACK EAST

EVENTS LEADING UP TO THE MEXICAN AMERICAN WAR

Mexican Independence 1823	What problem does this bring about? MEXICO HOPED TO ATTRACT SETTLERS TO FARMER ITS SPARSELY SETTLED NORTHERN FRONTIER (TEXAS) ↳ BY 1830, AMERICANS (WHITE FARMERS ? BLACK SLAVES) OUTNUMBERED MEXICANS
Opening of Mexican Borders	What laws did settlers have to follow? 1. OUTLAWED SLAVERY (1824) 2. MUST CONVERT TO CATHOLICISM 3. HIGH TAXES PLACED ON AMERICAN GOODS Who is Stephen Austin? BROUGHT 300 AMERICAN FAMILIES TO SETTLE TEXAS (BEGAN FLOW OF MIGRATION)
Mexico Seals Borders	Why? AMERICAN SETTLERS REFUSED TO OBEY MEXICAN LAWS ; LAND-HUNGRY AMERICANS IGNORED MEXICO'S ATTEMPT TO CLOSE BORDER (BY 1835, 35,000 LIVED IN TEXAS COMPARED TO < 3,000 IN 1820)
Alamo	What happens at the battle? MEX. DICTATOR GENERAL ANTONIO LOPEZ DE SANTA ANNA ORDERS THE EXECUTION OF THE CAPTURED TEXICANS (182-257) → "REMEMBER THE ALAMO!"
"Remember the Alamo"	What happens at the Battle of San Jacinto? TEXICANS SURPRISE ? CAPTURE SANTA ANNA ? FORCE HIM TO SIGN A TREATY UNDER THREAT OF DEATH (MEX LATER REFUSES TO RECOGNIZE ; SEES TEXAS AS A RENEGADE STATE) Treaty of Velasco - TEXAN INDEPENDENCE What year? 1836
Texas as the "Lone Star Republic"	Why do northerners not want to annex Texas? FEARED THE EXPANSION OF "SLAVE POWER" → TEXAS COULD ENTER AS MANY AS 5 NEW STATES How does the election of Polk impact this argument? POLK WAS PRO-ANNEXATION ? EXPANSION ; SETTLED OREGON BOUNDARY DISPUTE W/ ENGLAND TO FOCUS ON ANNEXATION OF TEXAS (NORTHERNERS FELT BETRAYED)

* PASS HOUSE 2x, FAILS IN SENATE

MEXICAN AMERICAN WAR * MANY NORTHERN WHITES SAW THE WAR AS AN ATTEMPT TO EXPAND SLAVERY*

Border Dispute	Aftermath - Treaty of Guadalupe Hidalgo 1848
Where does the U.S. believe the Texas boundary is? U.S. = RIO GRANDE RIVER (FARTHER SOUTH) MEX = NUECES RIVER (FARTHER NORTH) What does Polk do to "Protect" that boundary? 1. SENT A REPRESENTATIVE (SIDELL) TO MEXICO TO BUY CALIFORNIA / NEW MEXICO ? SETTLE TEXAS BORDER → REJECTED 2. SENT GENERAL ZACHARY TAYLOR INTO DISPUTED TERRITORY (OUTNUMBERED)	What do we get? 1. RIO GRANDE SOUTHERN BORDER OF TEXAS 2. CALIFORNIA ? NEW MEXICO PROVINCES (MEXICAN CESSION) Why is this important in 1849? CALIFORNIA GOLD RUSH CAUSES RAPID INCREASE IN POPULATION → CALIFORNIA APPLIES FOR STATEHOOD AS A "FREE" STATE (DISRUPTS BALANCE IN SENATE)

* WOULD PROVIDE = BAN SLAVERY IN NEW TERRITORIES

↳ MEXICO KILLED 11 ? CAPTURED PATROL
 ↳ POLK ASKED CONGRESS TO DECLARE WAR

↳ LEADS TO COMPROMISE OF 1850