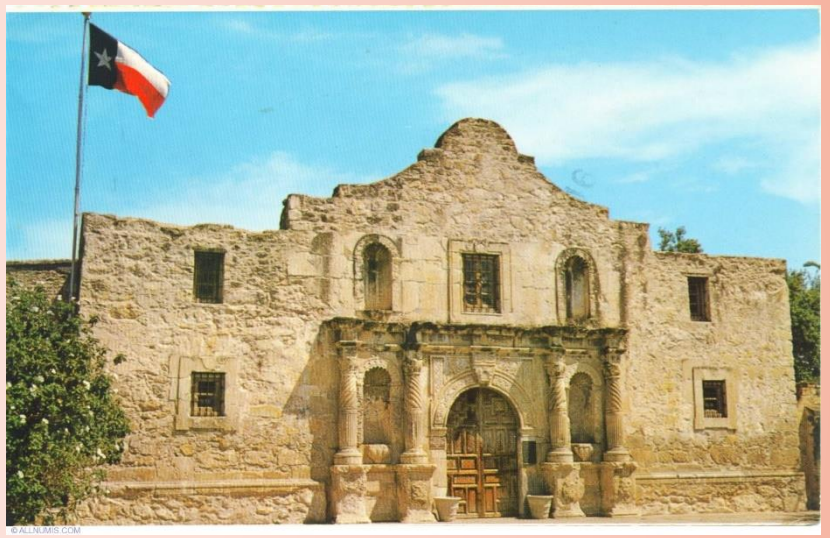
MANIFEST DESTINY

OUR FATE TO SPREAD "FROM SEA TO SHINING SEA"

OVERVIEW

- TRAILS WEST
- TEXAS RISES UP
- MEXICAN-AMERICAN WAR
- GOLD RUSH: THE 49ers



MOVING WEST

Oregon Territory
Snake
Rocky Mountains
Unorganized
Missouri
Iowa
Illinois
Mississippi
Great Salt Lake
Great Salt Lake Desert
Fort Bridger
Platte
Territory
Utah Territory
Sacramento
Fort Ross
Sonoma
San Francisco
Sutter's Fort
Sierra Nevada
Westport
Missouri
Colorado
Arkansas
Mission San José
Monterey
Alta California
Santa Barbara
Mission San Fernando Rey
Mission San Gabriel
Los Angeles
Battle of San Pasqual 1846
San Diego
New Mexico Territory
Rio Grande
PACIFIC OCEAN
MEXICO
Trails West
circa 1853
California
Oregon trail
California trail
Route of Jedediah Smith
Route of Donner Party
Town
Mission
Fort
miles
0
150
300
Boundaries shown are from 1853

MOUNTAIN MEN LEAD THE WAY

- ESTABLISHED THE FIRST TRAILS AND PATHS THROUGH THE ROCKY MOUNTAINS
  - FUR TRAPPING
  - CONNECTED TO BUSINESSMEN IN THE EAST
- WHO WERE THEY?
  - JEDEDIAH SMITH
    - FOUND THE FIRST TRAIL THROUGH THE ROCKIES
    - SOUTH PASS (WYOMING) WIDE ENOUGH FOR WAGONS
  - JIM BECKWOURTH
    - BORN INTO SLAVERY
    - SET FREE AT 25
    - DISCOVERED MOUNTAIN PASS INTO NORTHERN CALIFORNIA
  - JIM BRIDGER
    - FIRST WHITE MAN TO DISCOVER THE GREAT SALT LAKE
    - ESTABLISHED THE ROUTE FOR THE UNION PACIFIC RAILROAD
- OTHERS IN THE MIX
  - LAND SPECULATORS
    - BOUGHT LARGE TRACTS OF LAND IN HOPES OF SELLING FOR A PROFIT
  - MANUFACTURERS AND MERCHANTS
    - SELL TO FARMERS
  - PEOPLE LOOKING FOR WORK
  - PEOPLE RUNNING AWAY FROM THEIR DEBTS

HUGH GLASS

MAJOR TRAILS

SANTA FE TRAIL

- MEXICO GAINS INDEPENDENCE IN 1821
  - OPENS UP FOR TRADE WITH UNITED STATES

- WILLIAM BECKNELL
  - MISSOURI TRADER
  - SETS OUT FOR SANTA FE WITH GOODS TO SELL
  - MAKES HUGE PROFIT WITH NEW MEXICANS
  - RETURNS TO MISSOURI WITH SACKS FULL OF GOLD AND SILVER
  - LEADS WAGON TRAINS BACK
    - USE DESERT ROUTE
      - LOSE SOME FOLKS
      - SURVIVE ON ANIMAL BLOOD
  - MAKES ANOTHER HUGE PROFIT
  - TRAIL BECOMES WELL-USED
    - (800 MILES) BETWEEN MISSOURI AND NEW MEXICO

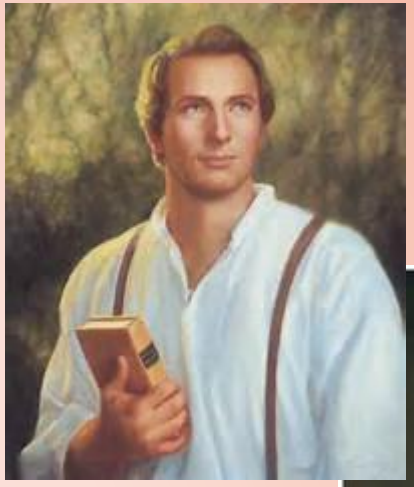
MAJOR TRAILS (CONT'D)

OREGON TRAIL

- FIRST TO CROSS CONTINENT
  - MISSIONAIRIES
    - MARCUS AND NARCISSA WHITMAN
    - NO CONVERTS
    - REPORTED THAT THE LAND WAS FERTILE
      - SETTLERS REACTED TO THAT!

- OREGON FEVER
  - CRAZY STORIES FUELED A RUN ON THE TERRITORY
    - SUN ALWAYS SHONE
    - WHEAT AS TALL AS A MAN
    - PIGS RUNNING AROUND "…ROUND AND FAT, AND ALREADY COOKED, WITH KNIVES AND FORKS STICKING IN THEM SO YOU CAN CUT OFF A SLICE WHENEVER YOU ARE HUNGRY."
  - THOUSANDS MADE THE JOURNEY FROM MISSOURI
    - 2000 MILES

THE MORMON TRAIL

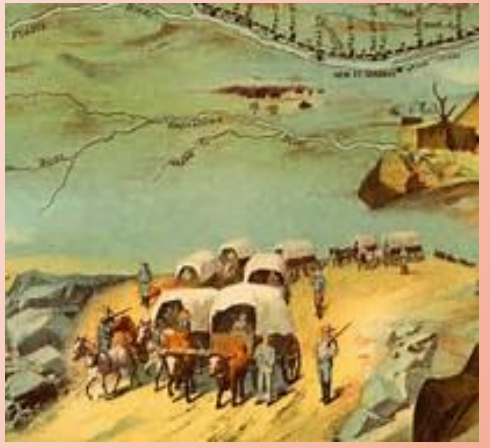


GROUP MOVED WEST FOR RELIGIOUS REASONS

- CHURCH OF LATTER-DAY SAINTS
  - FOUNDED BY JOSEPH SMITH
  - UPSTATE NEW YORK 1830

- MADE ENEMIES
  - PEOPLE DID NOT LIKE THEIR TEACHINGS
  - POLYGAMY WAS IMMORAL (MAN WITH MORE THAN ONE WIFE)
  - OBJECTED TO COMMUNITY OWNERSHIP
  - SMITH KILLED IN ILLINOIS 1844

- BRIGHAM YOUNG (NEW LEADER) DECIDED TO LEAVE THE UNITED STATES
    - SET OUT FOR UTAH (PART OF MEXICO)
    - BUILT SETTLEMENT ON GREAT SALT LAKE
    - BUILT DAMS AND CANALS TO CAPTURE WATER
      - TURNED A DESERT INTO A BOOMING COMMUNITY



TEXAS RISES

SPANISH LAND: TEJAS

- **BORDERED LOUISIANA TERRITORY**
- **RICH LAND**
  - **FORESTS**
  - **GOOD SOIL**
  - **GRASSY PLAINS**
  - **RIVERS**
  - **HOME TO NATIVE AMERICAN TRIBES**
  - **FEW SPANISH SETTLERS**

- **AMERICANS TRY TO CLAIM THE LANDS AS PART OF LOUISIANA**
  - **SPANISH DRIVE THEM OUT**
- **NATIVE TRIBES FOUGHT OFF SPANISH SETTLERS**

- **SPANISH WANTED TO GET MORE SETTLERS INTO TEJAS TO PUSH OUT NATIVE AMERICAN TRIBES AND AMERICAN SETTLERS**
  - **NO TAKERS**
  - **MOSES AUSTIN GAINS PERMISSION TO START A COLONY**
    - **JUST FOLLOW SPANISH LAW**

SPAIN LOSES MEXICO 1821 AND THINGS CHANGE FOR TEXAS

MEXICO GAINS INDEPENDENCE

- **TEJAS CONSIDERED PART OF MEXICO**
- **AUSTIN'S LAND GRANT FROM SPAIN IS WORTHLESS.**

STEPHEN AUSTIN (MOSES' SON) ASKS TO START A COLONY BASED ON EARLIER LAND GRANT

- **MEXICO'S CONDITIONS (AFTER ONE YEAR OF HAGGLING)**
  - **BECOME MEXICAN CITIZENS**
  - **CONVERT TO ROMAN CATHOLICISM**

- **"OLD THREE HUNDRED"**
  - **FIRST 297 FAMILIES THAT AGREE TO SETTLE**
    - **INTERESTING REQUIREMENTS TO BE ACCEPTED**
      - **MORAL**
      - **WORK HARD**
      - **DID NOT DRINK**

"YOU WILL BE ASTONISHED TO SEE ALL OUR HOMES WITH NO OTHER FASTENING THAN A WOODEN PIN ON A DOOR LATCH."

1821-1830 IN TEXAS

POPULATION SWELLS TO 30,000

- **AMERICANS OUTNUMBER TEJANOS 6:1**

TENSIONS INCREASE BETWEEN THE FACTIONS

- **AMERICANS RESENT MEXICAN LAWS**
- **AMERICANS DID NOT SPEAK SPANISH AND ALL OFFICIAL DOCUMENTS WERE IN SPANISH!**
- **SLAVERY OUTLAWED IN 1829**
  - **SLAVE OWNERS UPSET**
  - **AUSTIN GAINS RIGHT TO KEEP SLAVES**
- **TEJANOS RESENT AMERICANS**
  - **AMERICANS THOUGHT THEY WERE SUPERIOR**
  - **AMERICANS WOULD NOT FOLLOW MEXICAN LAW**

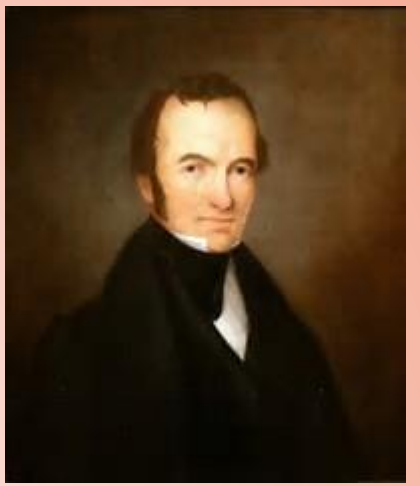
MEXICO INVESTIGATES THE TENSION

- **OFFICIAL INDICATES THAT TEXAS IS READY TO EXPLODE AND IT WILL TAKE MEXICO WITH IT.**

MEXICO CRACKS DOWN: CLOSED OFF AMERICAN IMMIGRATION

- **DEMANDED TEXAS PAY TAXES**
- **SENDS TROOPS TO TEXAS TO ENFORCE LAWS.**

TEXAS REVOLTS



STEPHEN AUSTIN

- **REMAINED LOYAL TO MEXICO**
- **WANTED TO MAKE TEXAS A SELF-GOVERNING STATE WITHIN MEXICO**

GENERAL ANTONIO LOPEZ de SANTA ANA (PRESIDENT)

- **AT FIRST AGREED TO CONDITIONS, BUT THEN!!!!**
  - **HEARD ABOUT AUSTIN'S LETTER TO BREAK AWAY IF CHANGES WERE NOT ACCEPTED.**

- **REBELLION !!!! THROWS AUSTIN INTO PRISON FOR A YEAR.**
  - **TEXANS READY TO REBEL**
  - **SANTA ANA SENDS MORE TROOPS TO TEXAS**

1835 GONZALES: "COME AND TAKE IT"

- **TRIED TO TAKE A CANNON**
- **MEXICANS FAILED**

AMERICANS DROVE MEXICANS OUT OF THE ALAMO IN SAN ANTONIO.
SANTA ANA SENDS 6,000 TROOPS TO GET IT BACK

“REMEMBER THE ALAMO”

- MARCH 1836: WHAT TO DO ABOUT SANTA ANA?
  - WASHINGTON-ON-THE-BRAZOS
  - DECLARED INDEPENDENCE

- SAM HOUSTON SELECTED TO LEAD THE TEXAS ARMY

(ONLY GUY THERE WITH ANY MILITARY EXPERIENCE!)

  - THREE SMALL FORCES AVAILABLE TO FIGHT 6000 MEXICAN SOLDIERS
    - JAMES FANNIN (GOLIAD) 420 MEN
    - WILLIAM TRAVIS (ALAMO) 183 VOLUNTEERS FROM AROUND THE UNITED STATES
      - DAVY CROCKETT
      - JIM BOWIE
      - RICHARD STOCKTON (ONLY ONE FROM NJ)
    - JUAN SEGUIN WITH 25 *TEJANOS* VOLUNTEERS

- SANTA ANA DECIDES TO CONCENTRATE ON THE ALAMO

WILLIAM TRAVIS REPORTS

"THE ENEMY HAS DEMANDED SURRENDER…. I HAVE ANSWERED THE DEMAND WITH A CANNON SHOT. AND OUR FLAG STILL WAVES PROUDLY FROM THE WALLS. I SHALL NEVER SURRENDER OR RETREAT"

- **SEGUIN SENDS OUT THE CALL FOR HELP TO OTHER TEXAS UNITS**
  - **RETURNS TO AN ALAMO IN FLAMES**
- **TRAVIS DEFENDS FOR 12 DAYS**
- **SANTA ANA ATTACKS WITH 1800 ON DAY 13**
  - **TEXANS RUN OUT OF AMMUNITION**
- **ALL BUT FIVE TEXANS ARE KILLED**
  - **DAVY CROCKETT**
  - **WILLIAM TRAVIS**
  - **RICHARD STOCKTON**

KILLED IN THE ASSAULT

AFTER THE BATTLE

- **SANTA ANA ORDERS WOUNDED TO BE EXECUTED**
- **BODIES PILED IN HEAP**
  - **DESECRATED (TREATED WITH DISHONOR)**
  - **BURNED**
- **SUSANNA DICKINSON ORDERED TO TELL THE STORY**
  - **HOPED TO DISCOURAGE FURTHER REBELLION**
- **GOLIAD**
  - **300 TEXANS EXECUTED**
  - **NOW SANTA ANA HAS A PROBLEM!**

VICTORY AT SAN JACINTO

- SAM HOUSTON'S ARMY AFTER THE ALAMO AND GOLIAD
  - 800 ANGRY GUYS!!!!
    - TEJANOS
    - AMERICAN SETTLERS
    - FREE AFRICAN AMERICANS
    - ESCAPED SLAVES

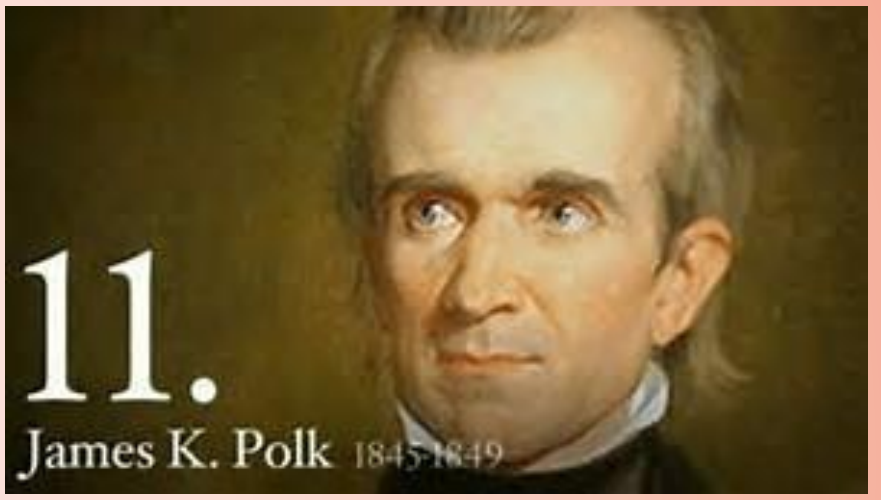
- APRIL 21, 1836 "REMEMBER THE ALAMO" "REMEMBER GOLIAD"
  - HOUSTON ATTACKS SANTA ANA'S CAMP
  - 18 MINUTES: ALL OVER
    - SANTA ANA CAPTURED
      - FORCED TO SIGN TREATY GIVING TEXAS INDEPENDENCE

LONE STAR REPUBLIC

- **SAM HOUSTON ELECTED PRESIDENT**
- **TEXANS WERE MOSTLY AMERICAN SETTLERS**
  - **WANTED TO JOIN THE UNITED STATES**
- **TEXAS ASKS CONGRESS TO ANNEX THEM**
- **NORTHERN STATES OBJECTED**
  - **TEXAS WOULD BE A SLAVE STATE**
  - **DID NOT WANT A WAR WITH MEXICO**
- **CONGRESS DENIES ANNEXATION**
  - **FINALLY ADMITS TEXAS IN 1846**
  - **OOPS!!**

1844 AMERICANS VOTE
HENRY CLAY V. JAMES POLK

- HENRY CLAY THINKS HE HAS IT IN THE BAG
  - GREAT COMPROMISER
  - MISSOURI COMPROMISE
  - WELL-KNOWN
  - THINKS IT IS A JOKE TO NOMINATE POLK
    - SO DO THE NEWSPAPERS
    - SO DO THE PEOPLE



- JAMES K. POLK (DARK HORSE) WINS PRESIDENCY
  - GOVERNOR OF TENNESSEE
  - 7 TERM CONGRESSMAN
  - WANTS TO EXPAND THE COUNTRY
    - VOWS TO ANNEX TEXAS
    - WANTS TO TAKE OVER OREGON

JOHN O'SULLIVAN (SETS POLK'S POLICY)

"OUR MANIFEST DESTINY IS TO OVERSPREAD AND POSSESS THE WHOLE OF THE CONTINENT WHICH PROVIDENCE (GOD) HAS GIVEN US FOR THE DEVELOPMENT OF THE GREAT EXPERIMENT OF LIBERTY AND … SELF-GOVERNMENT"

MANIFEST= CLEAR **DESTINY= SURE TO HAPPEN**

- **AMERICANS VIEWED THE WEST AS UNPOPULATED**
  - **MEXICO OCCUPIED THE SOUTHWEST LANDS**
  - **NATIVE AMERICANS WERE LIVING ACROSS THE ENTIRE WEST**
  - **BRITAIN SHARED THE OREGON TERRITORY WITH THE U.S.**

IF MEXICANS AND NATIVE AMERICANS ARE IN THE WAY THEY HAVE TO GO!

“FIFTY-FOUR FORTY OR FIGHT”

- POLK CAMPAIGN SLOGAN
  - WANTED ALL OF OREGON
    - SETTLED FOR HALF
    - DIVIDED THE TERRITORY AT THE 49TH PARALLEL
  - EXTENDED THE 1818 LINE
  - STILL THE BOUNDARY TODAY
  - BUT!!!! IT ISN’T OREGON
  - IT IS WASHINGTON STATE
  - SETTLE WITH GREAT BRITAIN
  - LARGER ISSUES WITH MEXICO
    - TEXAS ADMITTED AS SLAVE STATE 1845
    - MEXICO CLAIMED TEXAS AS ITS OWN
    - VIEWED ANNEXATION AS AN ACT OF WAR
    - TEXAS AND MEXICO HAD A BORDER DISPUTE
      - TEXAS: RIO GRANDE RIVER
      - MEXICO: NUCCES RIVER

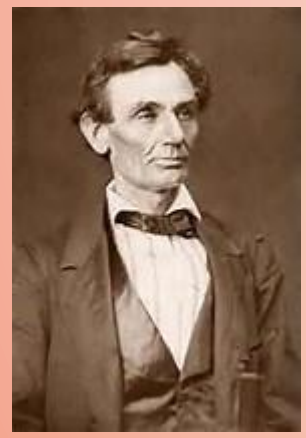
100 MILES DIFFERENCE!

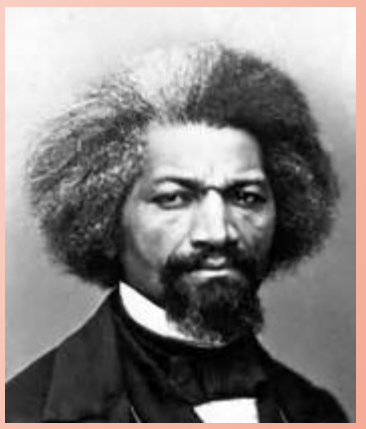
THE POT BOILS OVER

- PRESIDENT POLK LOOKING FOR A PEACEFUL SETTLEMENT
  - JOHN SLIDELL SENT TO NEGOTIATE A DEAL
    - OFFERS $25 MILLION
      - TEXAS
      - CALIFORNIA
      - NEW MEXICO
    - NO GO
  - PUSHES THE ENVELOPE
    - ORDERS ZACHARY TAYLOR TO THE NORTHERN BANK OF THE RIO GRANDE
    - MEXICO OCCUPIES SOUTHERN BANK
      - CONSIDERED MOVEMENT OF AMERICANS AN ACT OF WAR
      - CROSS RIO GRANDE APRIL 25, 1846
        - KILL 16 AMERICANS
  - POLK DECLARES THAT MEXICO KILLED AMERICANS ON AMERICAN SOIL
  - CONGRESS DECLARES WAR

MIXED FEELINGS ABOUT THIS WAR

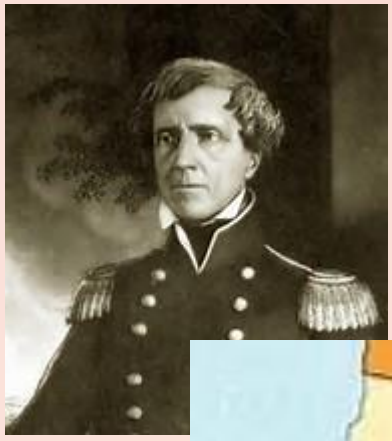
- VOLUNTEERS RUSH TO HELP FROM WESTERN STATES
- ABRAHAM LINCOLN QUESTIONED THE PRESIDENT'S TRUTHFULNESS
- NORTHERN STATES QUESTIONED DYING FOR THIS
- SLAVERY TOOK CENTER STAGE AS AN ISSUE OF THE WAR
  - SOUTHERNERS SAW AN OPPORTUNITY TO EXPAND SLAVERY
  - ANTI-SLAVERY REPRESENTATIVES COUNTER THE SOUTH'S POSITION
    - BILL INTRODUCED TO PREVENT SLAVERY IN ANY LANDS TAKEN FROM MEXICO
    - FREDERICK DOUGLASS
      - SLAVEHOLDING PRESIDENT DETERMINED TO GO TO WAR
      - THIS WAR IS GOING TO HAPPEN BECAUSE NO ONE IS WILLING TO STOP IT.





NEW MEXICO AND CALIFORNIA

- GEN. KEARNY LEAVES FORT LEAVENWORTH
  - OCCUPIES NEW MEXICO
  - USES PERSUASION
    - TELLS MEXICAN FORCES HE WILL WITHDRAW
    - TAKES NEW MEXICO WITHOUT FIRING A SHOT!
  - MOVES ON TO CALIFORNIA WITH SMALL FORCE
    - 8-12000 MEXICAN RESIDENTS
  - JOHN C. FREMONT IN CALIFORNIA
    - LEADS “BEAR FLAG REVOLT” AGAINST MEXICAN ARMY
    - ARRESTED MEXICAN COMMANDER
    - DECLARED CALIFORNIA A FREE REPUBLIC
  - AMERICAN ARMY JOINS FORCES WITH REBELS
    - CONTROLS CALIFORNIA IN A FEW WEEKS



INVASION OF MEXICO

WAR IN NORTHERN MEXICO

- BATTLE OF BUENA VISTA
  - UNITED STATES
    - GEN. ZACHARY TAYLOR
      - 4800 TROOPS
  - MEXICO
    - SANTA ANA
      - 15,000 TROOPS
- DAY ONE
  - SANTA ANA OFFERS TAYLOR A CHANCE TO SURRENDER
  - GEN. TAYLOR REFUSES
- DAY TWO
  - SANTA ANA BELIEVES BOTH FORCES HAVE BEEN “CUT TO PIECES”
    - RETREATS
- **AMERICA VICTORIOUS IN NORTHERN MEXICO**

INVASION OF MEXICO (CONT'D)

- SOUTHERN MEXICO
  - GEN. WINFRED SCOTT
    - LANDED AT VERA CRUZ
    - BATTLES TO MEXICO CITY
      - CASTLE OF CHAPUTEPEC
        - DEFENDED BY 1000 SOLDIERS AND 100 CADETS
      - MEXICO CITY FALLS SEPTEMBER 1847

"GOD IS A YANKEE"

--- MEXICAN OFFICER UPON SURRENDER

MEXICAN CESSION (REFERS TO THE LANDS LOST)

- TREATY OF GUADALUPE HIDALGO
  - MEXICO AGREES
    - TEXAS IS PART OF THE UNITED STATES
    - RIO GRANDE RIVER IS THE BORDER
    - GAVE UP A VAST REGION (MEXICAN CESSION) INCLUDED PRESENT-DAY STATES
      - CALIFORNIA
      - NEVADA
      - UTAH
      - MOST OF ARIZONA
      - PARTS OF
        - NEW MEXICO
        - COLORADO
        - WYOMING

ONE-HALF OF MEXICO LOST TO THE UNITED STATES

    - UNITED STATES AGREES
      - PAY MEXICO $15 MILLION
      - PAY $3.25 MILLION IN CLAIMS BY U.S. CITIZENS AGAINST MEXICO
      - PROTECT 80,000 MEXICANS LIVING IN THE REGIONS OF TEXAS AND THE MEXICAN CESSION.
    - THE PEOPLE LEFT BEHIND
      - SUDDENLY THE MINORITY
        - LANGUAGE
        - CULTURE
        - LEGAL SYSTEM

A NEW CULTURE COMBINING THE TWO EMERGES IN THE REGION

THE FINAL PIECE OF THE DREAM

- **GADSDEN PURCHASE 1853**
  - **STRIP OF LAND IN SOUTHERN NEW MEXICO AND ARIZONA**
  - **NEEDED FOR A SOUTHERN TRANSCONTINENTAL RAILROAD**
  - **PURCHASED FOR $10 MILLION.**

- **UNITED STATES STRETCHED FROM "SEA TO SHINING SEA"**

GOLD DISCOVERED IN CALIFORNIA IN 1848!!!!!!!

THE CALIFORNIA GOLD RUSH
"49ers"

- FORTY-NINERS
  - LEFT FAMILIES AND HOMES BEHIND TO FIND GOLD
  - FEW WOMEN JOINED THEIR HUSBANDS
    - HOMEMAKING SKILLS RARE
    - COOKING SIMPLE ITEMS LIKE BISCUITS WORTH TRADING FOR GOLD!
    - LUZENA WILSON
      - SAW THE OPPORTUNITY
      - OPENED A HOTEL
  - POPULATION EXPLODED!

BEFORE THE RUSH: CALIFORNIA

- **150,000 NATIVE AMERICANS**
- **8-12,000 *CALIFORNIOS***
  - **SPANISH AND MEXICAN SETTLERS**
  - **LARGE CATTLE RANCHES**
  - **LAND GRAB FROM MISSIONS AND SOLD BY MEXICAN GOVERNMENT**

- **MEXICO FEARED AMERICAN IMMIGRATION**
  - **JOHN SUTTER SWISS IMMIGRANT GRANTED AN EXCEPTION**
    - **50,000 ACRES IN SACRAMENTO AREA**
    - **BUILT A FORT AND DREAMED OF AN EMPIRE OF HIS OWN.**
    - **SENT JAMES MARSHALL TO BUILD A SAWMILLS ON THE RIVER**
      - **AMERICAN RIVER**
      - **FOUND GOLD IN THE CANAL BRINGING WATER TO THE MILL.**

THE RUSH IS ON!

- PEOPLE FLOODED TO THE AMERICAN RIVER: CALIFORNIA GOLD RUSH
- FOLLOW-ON DISCOVERIES
  - SIERRA NEVADA MOUNTAIN STREAMS
- COL R.B. MASON FUELED THE FIRE
  - ESTIMATED ENOUGH GOLD TO "PAY THE COST OF THE WAR WITH MEXICO A HUNDRED TIMES OVER."
  - SENT A BOX OF GOLD DUST TO WASHINGTON D.C.
- THE RUSH CONTINUED AS THOUSANDS FROM THE EAST USE ONE OF THREE ROUTES TO GET THERE
  - 18,000 MILES AROUND SOUTH AMERICA
  - GO OVERLAND AT THE ISTHMUS OF PANAMA (RISK YELLOW FEVER) THEN BY SEA.
  - TRAVEL ACROSS THE LAND USING THE WESTERN TRAILS.

WHO WERE THESE FOLKS AND HOW DID THEY LIVE?

- YOUNG MEN
  - "A GRAY BEARD IS AS RARE AS A PETTICOAT."
- VERY FEW WOMEN
- MINING CAMPS DEVELOP OVER TIME
  - COLORFUL NAMES
    - MAD MULE GULCH
    - HANGTOWN
    - COYOTE DIGGINGS
  - VIOLENT PLACES: FIGHT OVER EVERYTHING
  - TOUGH WORK FINDING GOLD
    - SPEND DAYS IN ICY STREAMS
    - SIFT THROUGH TONS OF MUD AND MUCK
    - HEALTH SUFFERS
    - EXHAUSTION
    - POOR FOOD
    - DISEASE
  - PAID HIGH PRICES FOR SUPPLIES
  - GAMBLERS AND CON ARTISTS SHOW UP TO SWINDLE MINERS OF THEIR MONEY
  - FEW MINERS GOT RICH

THEY CAME FROM EVERYWHERE

- MOST WERE AMERICANS (2/3)
- MOST WERE WHITE MEN
- MANY FROM NEW ENGLAND
- NATIVE AMERICANS
- FREE BLACKS
- ENSLAVED AFRICAN AMERICANS
- MEXICANS
- EUROPEANS
- SOUTH AMERICANS
- AUSTRALIANS
- CHINA (OFTEN CHASED AWAY FROM MINES).
  - PEASANT FARMERS ESCAPING CROP FAILURES
  - BY 1851, ONE IN TEN IMMIGRANTS WAS CHINESE
  - TOOK OVER ABANDONED MINES
  - AS THEIR NUMBERS GREW, ANGER TOWARDS THEM MOUNTED

CONFLICTS AND IMPACT

- GREED, ANGER, AND PREJUDICE
  - CHEAT EACH OTHER
  - SLAVES GIVEN FREEDOM ON PAPER, THEN PAPER DISAPPEARED SO BACK TO SLAVERY
- ONCE EASY GOLD WAS GONE
  - AMERICAN MINERS FORCED OTHERS OUT TO REDUCE COMPETITION
    - NATIVE AMERICANS
    - MEXICANS
    - CHINESE
    - STATEHOOD IN 1850 INCREASED PRESSURE TO PUSH OTHERS OUT.
      - FOREIGN MINERS TAX
        - $20 PER MONTH ON ALL FOREIGN MINERS
        - TAX COLLECTORS ARRIVE, FOREIGNERS DEPART
  - CHINESE FORCED OUT OF MINES
    - OPENED SHOPS
    - RESTAURANTS
    - LAUNDRIES
    - “CHINATOWN” EMERGES IN SAN FRANCISCO

THE FINAL TALLY

- OVER BY 1852
- POPULATION GREW
  - 250,000 IMMIGRATED
  - ECONOMIC GROWTH AS A RESULT
- SAN FRANCISCO BECAME THE HUB
  - BANKING
  - MANUFACTURING
  - SHIPPING
  - TRADE
- SACRAMENTO
  - PRODUCTIVE FARMING REGION
- CALIFORNIOS SUFFERED
  - NO ONE RESPECTED THEM
  - AMERICANS TOOK THEIR PROPERTY
- NATIVE AMERICANS HIT HARD
  - THOUSANDS DIED FROM DISEASE
  - MINERS KILLED THOUSANDS
    - THEY WERE IN THE WAY OF PROGRESS

- POPULATION GROWTH MEANT CALIFORNIA COULD APPLY FOR STATEHOOD.
  - FREE STATE
  - DID NOT GRANT AFRICAN AMERICANS THE VOTE
- SLAVES DID GAIN FREEDOM
- STATEHOOD UPSET THE BALANCE
  - SOUTH CONCERNED
  - NORTH USE CALIFORNIA TO ABOLISH SLAVERY

SURVIVAL OF THE UNION IN GREATER PERIL!

THERE YOU GO

ANY QUESTIONS?