AIM: HOW DOES THE NATION BEGIN TO EXPAND?

Do Now: “A high and honorable feeling generally prevails, and the people begin to assume, more and more, a national character; and to look at home for the only means, under divine goodness, of preserving their religion and liberty.”
-Hezekiah Niles, Niles’ Weekly Register, September 2, 1815
Italian explorer Christopher Columbus (1451–1506) sought a westerly route to Asia but landed in the Western Hemisphere in October 1492. The sovereigns of Spain, Ferdinand and Isabella, funded Columbus’s voyages in hopes of expanding Spanish trade routes to Asia. This excerpt from his journal is the first recorded contact between Europeans and native peoples.

They are very well made, with very handsome bodies, and very good countenances. Their hair is short and coarse, almost like hairs of a horse’s tail. They wear the hairs brought down to the eyebrows, except a few locks behind, which they wear long and never cut. They paint themselves black, and they are the colour of the Canarians, neither black nor white. Some paint themselves white, others red, and others of what colour they find. Some paint their faces, others the whole body, some only round the eyes, others only on the nose. They neither carry nor know anything of arms, for I showed them swords, and they took them by the blade and cut themselves through ignorance. They have no iron, their darts being wands without iron, some of them having a fish’s tooth at the end, and others being pointed in various ways. They are all of fair stature and size, with good faces, and well made. I saw some with marks of wounds on their bodies, and I made signs to ask what it was, and they gave me to understand that people from other adjacent islands came with the intention of seizing them, and that they defended themselves. I believed, and still believe, that they come here from the mainland to take them prisoners. They should be good servants and intelligent, for I observed that they quickly took in what was said to them, and I believe that they would easily be made Christians, as it appeared to me that they had no religion....

PRACTICING Historical Thinking

Identify: One way to determine significance is to look for patterns in reading. Patterns—or breaks in patterns—create emphasis. Identify three significant details that Columbus communicates about his first encounter with Native Americans. For example, take note of Columbus’s attention to colors.

Analyze: Making an inference is an important part of any historical analysis. When historians make an inference, they make an educated guess based on available evidence. From the three details identified above, what can we infer about Columbus's interests in this venture?

Evaluate: Based on your inference of Columbus’s interests in this venture, how might later Spanish settlements affect native populations?
Following the War of 1812 there was a huge increase in nationalism.

James Monroe elected in 1816
  - Period of only ONE political party, the Democratic-Republican party was known as “The Era of Good Feelings”

Not all good feelings
  - Growing sectionalism
  - Debate over the American system (tariff, BUS, etc.)
  - Slavery
  - Panic of 1819
    - Caused by over-speculation of frontier lands
BUILDING NATIONAL UNITY

• An Era of Good Feelings:
  - James Monroe is President (Republican)
  - The arguments between the Republicans and the Federalists began to go away. People of different parties were becoming nice to each other
POLITICAL GIANTS

• John C. Calhoun: (small government)
  - spoke for the South
  - did not want to make the central government too powerful
• Daniel Webster: (large government)
  - spoke for the North
• Henry Clay: (large government)
  - spoke for the West
THE AMERICAN SYSTEM

- **Henry Clay** instituted the "American System"
  - National Republicans adopt policies similar to the Federalist
- **Tariff of 1816**: 1st protective tariff
  - Designed to help American industry / manufacturing
- **2nd Bank of the United States**: help ensure financial stability and provide credit
- **Internal Improvements**: development of canals and roads to link the nation together
  - Madison and Monroe vetoed proposals to use federal funds on roads and canals
  - NY completed Erie Canal 1825
AMERICAN SYSTEM: HENRY CLAY

• Established a better national transportation system to aid trade and national defense.

• Protective Tariff ➔ Encourages American manufacturing

• Second national bank to promote the necessary financial support.
The charter for the first Bank of the United States expired in 1811. With no central bank the U.S. economy was unstable.

State banks issued paper money, which led to inflation. **Inflation is when the value of money goes down and prices go up.**

The Republican Party had opposed the first Bank, but now supported chartering a second National Bank in 1816. **The Bank helped stabilize the currency, although opposition grew to its power and influence.**
COMPETITION FROM ENGLAND

• In 1815, British goods began pouring into America.

• Sometimes, British manufactures would sell things in America for less than it cost to make. This practice is called **dumping**.

• **Dumping** is the practice of selling goods in another country for very low prices. British manufactures hoped to put American rivals out of business.
PROTECTIVE TARIFFS

- Protective Tariff is a tax meant to protect a country’s industries from foreign competition.
- America wanted to protect factory owners in the North from the British dumping.
- Southerners did not have many factories, they saw the protective tariff as a tax to help the north and to hurt the south.
MISSOURI COMPROMISE
1820
Expansion created both new free and slave states. It was commonly agreed it would be a good idea if new states did not upset the balance between existing free and slave states. The proposed admission of Missouri in 1819 as a slave state threatened to upset this balance. (from 11 slave and 11 free to 12 slave and 11 free)

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• Missouri petitions to enter the union as a slave state (part of the Louisiana territory)
  – This would upset the sectional balance between slave states and free states

• Tallmadge Amendment proposed:
  – Gradual emancipation of slaves in Missouri

• Missouri Compromise by Henry Clay in 1820:
  – Missouri enters as a slave state
  – Maine enters as a free state
  – Above 36°30’ slavery would be prohibited

• Missouri Compromise temporarily stemmed growing tensions
Northerners were opposed to Missouri's entry as a slave state. There was a storm of protest in the North. For a time Congress was deadlocked on Missouri's admission, but under the leadership of Henry Clay the Missouri Compromise was agreed upon. Under the Compromise, Missouri was admitted as a slave state and Maine came in as a free state. The Missouri Compromise contained a clause which *forever* prohibited slavery north of 36° 30' in all the territory acquired from France by the Louisiana Purchase. In addition, Congress banned slavery from the territory acquired by the Louisiana Purchase north of Missouri's southern boundary. At the time, this provision appeared to be a victory for the Southern states because it was thought unlikely this "Great American Desert" would ever be settled.

1. Admit Missouri as a slave state in accordance with the initial request for statehood.
2. Approve the application for statehood of Maine as a free state.
3. Define the territories in the Louisiana Purchase, which henceforth would be free and slave.
THE MISSOURI COMPROMISE, 1820–1821

- Slave States
- Free States

The map illustrates the territorial boundaries and the division between slave and free states during the Missouri Compromise period from 1820 to 1821.
FOREIGN POLICY DEVELOPMENTS

- The United States starts to have some stability in foreign affairs and diplomatic success
  - Hugely important is Secretary of State John Quincy Adams
- Anglo-American Convention 1818 between U.S. and England
  - Joint occupation of Oregon territory for 10 years
  - Set northern boundary of Louisiana Territory at 49th parallel
- Adams-Onis Treaty (1819) the U.S. acquired Florida
  - The U.S. agreed to give up claim to Texas
President Madison unsuccessfully tried to take over West Florida from Spain in 1810.

Many Southerners were angry that Spanish officials protected runaway slaves from coastal South Carolina and Georgia. Many ex-slaves were allowed to live and work with Seminole Indians in exchange for part of their crops.

In 1816, General Andrew Jackson invaded Florida and destroyed the “Negro fort” that protected Black Seminole settlements.

In 1818, Jackson again invaded Florida and claimed it for the U.S.

In 1819, Spain, involved with revolts throughout Latin America, sold Florida to the U.S. for $5 million ($80 million in 2005 dollars) under the Adams-Onis Treaty.
The Adams-Onís Treaty
showing area claimed by the US before the treaty, and results of the new agreement.
Serving under President Monroe, Adams was one of America's great Secretaries of State, arranging with England for the joint occupation of the Oregon country, obtaining from Spain the cession of the Florida's, and formulating with the president the Monroe Doctrine.
Once Latin America freed itself from Spanish rule, Americans worried other European nations might help Spain re-conquer her lost colonies.

Great Britain was also concerned and wanted to partner with the U.S. in issuing a joint document guaranteeing the freedom of the new nations.

President Monroe and his Secretary of State John Q. Adams decided to issue a statement from the U.S. alone, rejecting Britain’s offer. Britain backed up U.S. efforts with her fleet and army.

The U.S. wanted Latin America to remain free
The U.S. issued the Monroe Doctrine which stated:

- The United States would not get involved in European affairs.
- The United States would not interfere with existing European colonies in the Western Hemisphere.
- If a European nation tried to control or interfere with a nation in the Western Hemisphere, the United States would view it as a hostile act.
- No other nation could form a new colony in the Western Hemisphere. The peoples of the West “are henceforth not to be considered as subjects for future colonization by any European powers.”
SECOND GREAT AWAKENING

Reasons:

• Concern over lack of religious zeal

Wave of revivals spread across the country
  - Frontier “camp meetings"
  - Charles Finney- revival preacher who leads revivals in New York area in 1830s
    • Against slavery and alcohol
    • Numerous citizens converted
      • “Born again Christians”
      • Boosted church attendance
  
• New religious sects formed Methodists and Baptists huge increase in number

• Stressed personal conversion (not predestination)
  • Democratic control of church affairs
  • Emotionalism in worship
SECOND GREAT AWAKENING

• Increase in evangelicalism inspire reform efforts- Age of Reform
  • Prison Reform
  • Temperance
  • Women’s movement
  • Anti-slavery

• Key part of Second Great Awakening was the key role of women in religion
  • Majority of new church members
  • Women role of bringing family back to God
  • Inspired involvement in various other reform efforts
TEMPERANCE MOVEMENT

• Drinking Problems
  – Factory system needed efficient labor
  – Family life
  – Seen as immigrant issue (Irish and Germany drinking)

• American Temperance Society created in 1826
  – Urged members to stop drinking
  – Created propaganda to spread their “dry” message

• Move from temperance to legal prohibition

• Maine Law of 1851 ➔ Prohibited the manufacture and sale of liquor (Nationwide with 18th Amendment)
WOMEN RESIST

• Women were treated like second class citizens
  – Democratization did not apply to women
    • “Age of Common Man”

• “Cult of domesticity”
  – the home was a woman’s special sphere

• Idea of “republican motherhood”
  – Mothers should raise children to be good citizens
Vote in the U.S. House of Representatives on a Bill to Fund Internal Improvements, 1824

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Source: Jeffrey B. Morris and Richard B. Morris, editors. *Encyclopedia of American History*

7. Based on the voting patterns shown in the chart, support for federal funding for internal improvements was strongest in
   (A) agricultural regions
   (B) undeveloped regions
   (C) regions where slavery was strong
   (D) regions where the Federalist party had been strong

8. Support for the bill would have been consistent with support for which of the following?
   (A) American System
   (B) Cultural nationalism
   (C) Specialization
   (D) Factory system
Question 2. Answer a, b, and c.

a) Briefly explain ONE of the parts of Henry Clay’s proposed American System, a comprehensive plan to bring about economic improvement. Provide at least ONE piece of evidence to support your explanation.
   • protective tariffs
   • National Bank
   • internal improvements

b) Briefly explain a criticism of ONE of the parts of Clay’s plan cited above.

c) Identify and briefly explain the role played by ONE individual or group that was critical of one of the parts or the entire plan for an American System.