- Each state had a ratification convention.
- · Antifederalists vs federalists
 - Afraid of a too powerful federal gov
 - Concerned about Bill of Rights
- Federalists are pro-constitution
 - Federalists Papers are a set of papers arguing for constitution
 - * Best current insight into the intentions of those writing the constitution
- · New government
 - George Washington sets precedent by suppressing rebellions with force
 - Steps down after 2 terms
 - * Nasty press, tired
 - 6 member supreme court
 - First cabinet appointed
 - * Hamilton in treasury
 - * Jefferson for secretary of state
 - * Henry Knox for defense
 - * as attorney-general
 - Hamilton's programs
 - * No federal debt
 - * First National Bank
 - * Agrarianism vs industrialism
- · French & Haitan Revolutions
 - French revolution creates more division
 - * Buildup to two parties
 - * Hamilton and federalists reject French radicals arguing they destroy institutions
 - * Jefferson and antifederalists support French because of concept of liberty
 - Haitian revolution creates more fear of slave revolts
- · Rise of poltical parties.
 - Federalists
 - * Strong centralization
 - * Loose interpretation of constitution
 - * Pro-wealthy
 - * Pro-navy
 - Republicans
 - * Less centralization
 - * State banks
 - * Pro ordinary people
 - * Minimal navy
- · Mudraking and very nasty
- John Adams

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- Immigrants vote for republicans
- Invokes an act that says you cannot vote unless you have lived for 15 years
 - * Limits voting base of opposing party
- Sedition act
 - * You get expelled from the country if you write "slanderous" things about US
- · Jefferson wins next election
 - Small government
 - Funds Lewis and Clark expedition
 - * Not new land, just run by the French, Spanish, and Native Americans
 - * Spanish tried to arrest for trespassing but he can't find them.
 - Napoleon fails to create empire in America, goes into debt
 - * Sells it to the US for 15 million
 - More pressure on Indian lands
 - Embargo Act
 - * Sick of English incursion on American sailors
 - * Tries to put embargo on Britain
 - * America didn't matter enough so it just hurt America
- · James Madison
 - Good thinker, bad president
 - Embargo repealed
 - War of 1812
 - * US underfunded
 - * Narrow battles
 - Federalist party splinters over war tactics
- James Munroe
 - Era of Good Feelings lack of partisanship
 - Monroe Doctrine
 - * Less European intervention in American hemisphere
 - · Prevent European involvement in Latin America
 - General Jackson takes Florida without consideration from anyone
 - Missouri Compromise

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