

AP United States History

Election of 1860

- Who's Running
 - Democrats Splintered (Douglas, Popular Sovereignty) and Breckinridge (Federal Slave Code, Southern Candidate)
 - Douglas was seen as not favorable enough on slavery
 - Constitutional Party (Bell, Border States)
 - Republicans (Lincoln, Northern States)
- Republican Platform
 - Non-extension of slavery, Protective tariffs, Pacific railroad, Internal improvements, Free homesteads for the public domain
 - No abridgment of rights for immigrants (rip know-nothings)
- Succession Crisis
 - Many in the south believed John Locke's Social Contract had been broken since the government ceased to protect liberties
 - Deep south secedes first, then others secede, then others were taken over
 - Lincoln claims union is perpetual and disagreed with these acts
 - Battle of Fort Sumter — The South captures a fort the union refuses to evacuate