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History

* Jefferson Davis
  + President of the Confederate States of America
* Abraham Lincoln
  + South upset that he wins the election without a single southern electoral vote, especially with a low popular percent
  + He could now use his presidential powers to hurt the south (appoint supreme court justices, appoint post master, appoint other government officials)
* Confederate Constitution
  + The states are the sovereign body
  + “invoking the favor of Almighty God”
    - The south has become heavily christianized, “bible belt”
    - They are the true christian nation
    - Providential nationalism
  + They carry the 3/5th clause forward
  + They explicitly mention slavery
    - Slavery is a part of their way of life
    - They are leaving to secure their right to keep their “way of life”
* Lincoln’s Inaugural Address
  + Slavery and its extension is the ultimate problem here
  + Republican nationalism
    - Halt the expansion of slavery, but leave it where it is
      * Southerners are not content with that
        + If there are more free than slave states, people will move against them
  + Wait and see
    - He won't attack unless attacked, but he will preserve integrity
* Fort Sumter
  + Surrounded by southern soldiers
  + April 12, 1861
    - Sends in provisions, but not troops
    - Surrender after a 33 hour bombardment
  + Leads both north and south to thinking they can win the war quick
* North (civil war)
  + 22 million People
  + Industrial and agricultural advantage
  + 97% of the manufacturing
  + 75% of the railroad
* South
  + 9 million people (4 million are slaves)
  + Better generals
    - Robert E Lee was the best general
* Battle of Bull Run
  + South stomps on the north
  + Wake up call
* Generals
  + George McClellan
    - Dislikes Lincoln
    - Doesn't think a war should be faught to stay in
    - Keeps loosing
    - Lincoln thinks he is too hesitant
  + Ulysses S. Grant
    - High risk, high casualty battle plans
      * Usually won the battle though
  + Fremont
    - Starts to emancipate the slaves in border states (simpthisers)
      * Lincoln doesn't like this so he reverses the stuff
      * Slaves begin emancipating themselves
        + Emancipation is necessary to win the south
* Problems of the War
  + The north blocks the south’s trade and collapes their economy
    - The south begins to print a lot paper money
    - Causes very high inflation
  + The south has to implement very high taxes to support the war
    - The slave owners didnt like taxes
  + The southerns need troops and imposes a draft
    - all white men between 18-35 have to sign up for 3 years
      * Exemptions for those who can pay $300
      * Exemptions for those who have 20 or more slaves
    - slave impressment
      * The south takes slaves from the owners and employ them for their needs
      * Across the south the slaves turn to very subtle sabotage
        + Doing stuff wrong, not growing food efficintly, passing messages to the wrong person
* Slaves
  + 180,000 slaves serve for the union army
* Emancipation Proclamation (January 1, 1863)
  + His own advisors tell him not to do this
  + Slavery is abolished, only in the confederacy, not in the union or union areas
    - Politics of keeping the border states in the Union
    - He worries about his legal role as commander in state
  + Northerners are ok to fight for the union, but not to free slaves
* Election of 1864
  + Lincoln (union nationalist)
    - Uses southern Andrew Johnson as his running mate
    - Wins with 55% of the popular vote
  + George McClellan (Democrat)
    - 45% of the popular vote
    - Ran on the platform of ending the war
* Lee’s Surrender
  + April 9, 1865
  + Surrender to Grant at Appomattox courthouse
* Lincoln Assassination
  + John Wilks Booth
  + Lincoln was the only target that night to die
  + Booth was thought to be a failure of an actor
* Gettysburg Address
  + “ALL MEN ARE CREATED EQUAL”
  + He links the idea of equality to a new birth of freedom
    - Links the Emancipation Procolmation to democracy
  + Will this become the legacy after the war?
    - With lincoln dead, will Johnson carry the legacy of freedom?
      * Former Southern Slave owner