

Chapter 3 -- Colonial Life

IMMIGRANTS

- English
 - Jamestown (Anglican?) in south
 - Pilgrims/Puritans in north
- Scotch-Irish
 - Presbyterian Scots who had lived in Northern Ireland
 - 1/4 million-strong (*another "Great Migration"*)
 - settled into backwoods of VA and the Carolinas--Appalachia
 - filtered south through the "Great Wagon Road"
 - 17 Presidents
 - *Johnny Cash, Merle Haggard, Hank Williams, Tammy Wynette, Loretta Lynn, Alison Krause* (Celtic - Country connection)

The word "hillbilly" has often been applied disparagingly to the Scots-Irish. The word originated in Ireland, deriving from the conflict between the Protestant supporters of King William and Queen Mary and the Roman Catholic supporters of King James II of England. Supporters of King William were Billy's boys who fought, wearing red handkerchiefs around their necks to signify their Presbyterian faith. The names hillbilly and redneck stuck and are used to the present day.

- Pennsylvania Dutch - (German)

-- pluralism quote, p. 49

FAMILY LIFE:

- young brides
- + large families
- + plentiful food
- + low disease
- = population explosion

EDUCATION:

"It was the Protestant Reformation, and the Protestant insistence that every man have free access to the Word...that finally broke the (RC) Church's monopoly on literacy."

- Puritans arrive, 1630
- Harvard College started, 1636
- Ole Deluder Satan Act, 1647
 - all towns w/ 50 families will provide schooling
 - first act requiring education to be provided
- the "hornbook"
 - alphabet one side
 - the Lord's Prayer on reverse
- New England Primer
 - vocab & grammar
 - catechism
- "dame schools" - New England
- Libraries
 - Charleston SC - 1698
 - Ben Franklin -subscription library, 1731 (*borrow books*)

"only an educated people can be a free people"

New England was the center of education

- town life in north
- in middle and southern colonies, scattered farms = "scattered" education
- frontier - usually little

see John Adams quote, p. 61