Chapter 9 - The Jeffersonian Era

Jefferson – a *Democrat-Republican* or

"Republican" for short

- not same as today's Republicans
- eventually became today's Democrats
- wanted weaker national gov't
- power to the states

(think states' rights, VA & KY Resolutions)

strict construction

THORN IN JEFFERSON'S SIDE -

- CHIEF JUSTICE JOHN MARSHALL

Marshall's most famous case: Marbury v. Madison

- Wm. Marbury a "midnight judge"
- a <u>Federalist</u>, appointed by Adams
- never received his commission from Jefferson via Madison (Sec'y of State)
- Marbury sues to get commission delivered
- Unexpectedly, Marshall ruled the Judiciary Act of 1789 was unconstitutional, setting the precedent of Judicial Review (the right of the S.C. to declare acts of Congress unconstitutional)
- Supreme Court gained IMMENSE power

Louisiana Purchase

- Spain secretly gives Louisiana to France (treaty)
- US alarmed access to New Orleans threatened
- Feared war w/ France, alliance w/ England
- Napoleon offers ALL Louisiana
- James Monroe & Livingston agree on \$15M price
- BUT...Jefferson must set aside his strict constructionist views!!!
- Federalists *objected*, Republicans *approved*--!!
- Lewis & Clark sent to explore in 1804 1806
 - Sacajawea
- Zebulon Pike (Pike's Peak) 1806 Southern parts

Burr Conspiracy

- *As VP*, ran for Gov. of NY (!??!?!?)
- Hamilton helped cause his defeat
- Burr kills Hamilton in duel --becomes pariah...
- began to raise army to conquer parts of US & Mexico, w/ New Orleans as capital
- brought to trial for treason, not convicted

Barbary Coast Pirates / Tripolitan War

- tribute paid to pirates (Mediterranean Sea)
- Jefferson refused Tripoli's increase
- war declared, US won
- showed US resolve, growing strength`

WAR OF 1812

England & France at war (1803 → 1815)

England: Orders in council

France: Berlin and Milan decrees

ALSO - England:

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- impressment of US seamen
- Chesapeake Affair (impressment from a Navy ship)

US Reactions:

- Embargo Act
 - prohibited exports
 - nearly ruined US economy
- Non-Intercourse Act, Macon Bill
- "War Hawks"
 - o Henry Clay
 - o John C. Calhoun

France (Napoleon):

- "His Majesty loves the United States"
- willing to repeal Berlin and Milan Decrees, if...

PLUS - Indian problems:

- Prophet & brother, Tecumseh (Indian confederacy)
- Wm. Henry Harrison defeats "the Prophet" @ Tippecanoe
- "Are the British behind this?"

WAR DECLARED!!!

- USS Constitution ("Old Ironsides")
- British attack Washington (burned public buildings)
- On to Baltimore Fort McHenry
 - o Francis Scott Key: *The Star-Spangled Banner*
- Jackson "Old Hickory," hero of New Orleans
- Hartford Convention (states' rights...in the NORTH?!?!?!)
- Treaty of Ghent (basically a cease-fire, no "winners" in this war)
- results for US:
 - o International respect
 - o growth of industry
 - spirit of nationalism
 - o Westward expansion (removal of Indian threat)