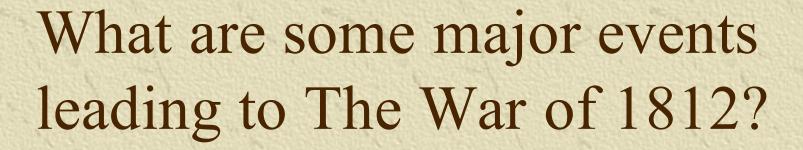


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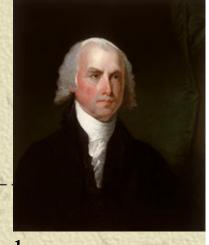
- ***** US shipping was being harassed, and cargo was seized.
 - Britain required licenses for ships bound for Europe
 - France confiscated cargo from licensed ships
- * Impressment of American sailors
 - Many British sailors became naturalized US citizens and deserted British vessels and joined American crews.
 - British Navy kidnapped these sailors off American ships and had them rejoin the British Navy

What are some major events leading to The War of 1812?

- Economic DiplomacyFails
 - Embargo Act of 1807
 halted all trade with Europe
 - Embargo is a government ban on trade with other countries
 - Embargo was unpopular in port cities, especially in the North



Jefferson Farewell Enter James Madison



- # Jefferson did not want to run for a 3rd term
- * Madison was Jefferson's Secretary of State
- ** Madison was an author of 30 of the 81 the Federalist Papers (including No. 10 and No. 51)
- Considered the most important contributor to the Constitution
- * Also the shortest President

What were some of the benefits of going to war with Britain?

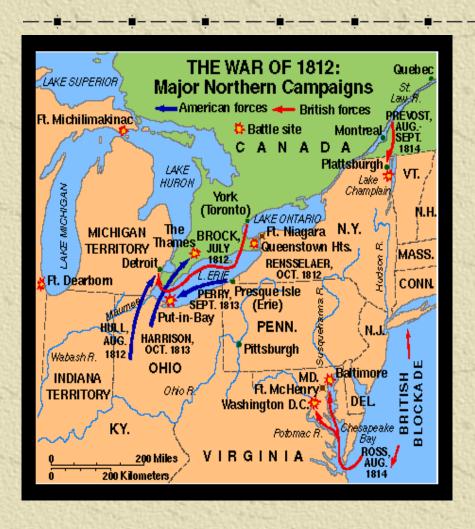
- * To allow reopening of trade
- * National Pride
- * To stop the impressment of sailors
- ****** CANADA!!!



What were some drawbacks to going to war?

- * Not everyone in the US wanted to go to war
- * Military was small
 - Standing Army was small
 - Militia comprised most of our forces, and they did not like to fight outside of their state borders
 - Navy was quite small only 22 ships
- * Britain was a great Superpower and could crush us like a bug and we could lose territory that was gained in the Treaty of Paris or the Louisiana Purchase

Declaration of War



- June of 1812 Madison asked Congress for declaration of war
- Vote was split along regional lines
- War started with Invasion of Canada

Key Battles

- *** US Burns York (now Toronto)**
 - US figured the Canadians would welcome the Americans and quickly join the US to expel Britain from North America...this did not happen
- * Perry Defeated the British on Lake Erie
 - This gave the US control of Lake Erie
- * Britain Blockades the Eastern Seaboard
 - This prevented shipping from leaving, and made the war more unpopular in the Northeast

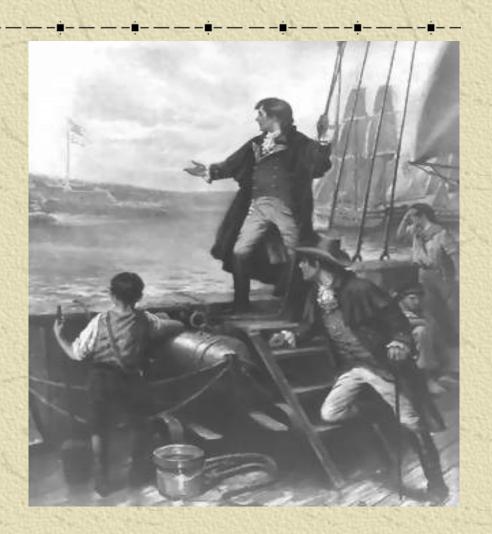
The Roof is on Fire...

- ** In August 1814,
 British Forces Sailed
 into Chesapeake Bay
 and capture
 Washington D.C.
- * They burn the White House and the Capitol
- Madison and Congress Barely escape



Oh Say Can You See...

- Unlike D.C., Baltimore was Ready for the British
- * The City militia inflicted heavy casualties on the British
- After bombarding Fort
 McHenry on September 13,
 1814 The British abandon the
 attack
- * Francis Scott Key witnessed the bombardment and penned a poem which becomes the National Anthem.



Treaty of Ghent



- * Treaty was Negotiated in Europe and was signed on Dec. 24, 1814 ending the war of 1812
- * The War ended in a stalemate, where no party gained or lost any territory.
- * The issue of impressment was not addressed, but faded on its own.

Battle of New Orleans



* Fought after the treaty was signed (but not ratified)

Why was New Orleans important?

Pirates and Frontiersman fought alongside US troops

Made Andrew Jackson a National hero and household name

Ensured treaty ratification

If The War of 1812 ended in a tie, why was it important?

- ****** Gave the United States a National Identity
 - We were able to hold our own against the British
 - Started us thinking about continuing westward expansion
 - Ended bad feelings toward the British
- ** Creates a hero in Andrew Jackson and the Western Frontiersmen