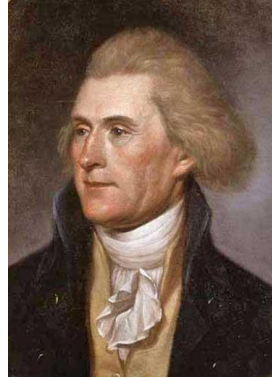
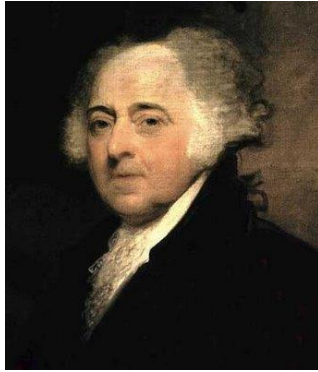
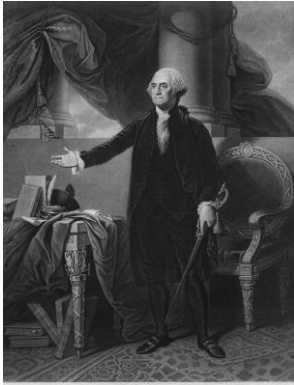


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## France, July 1789



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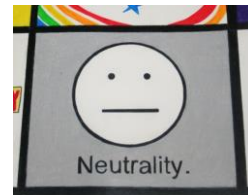
- French Revolution begins
- Monarchy is overthrown
- France declares war on all monarchies, including Great Britain.



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## Washington Chooses Neutrality

- At first we sympathize with the French, but then they start chopping off heads
- If we support France then our economy would suffer
  - Most of our money comes from tariffs w/Great Britain.
- British respond by attacking our ships and impressing sailors
  - U.S. sailors forced to join the Royal Navy



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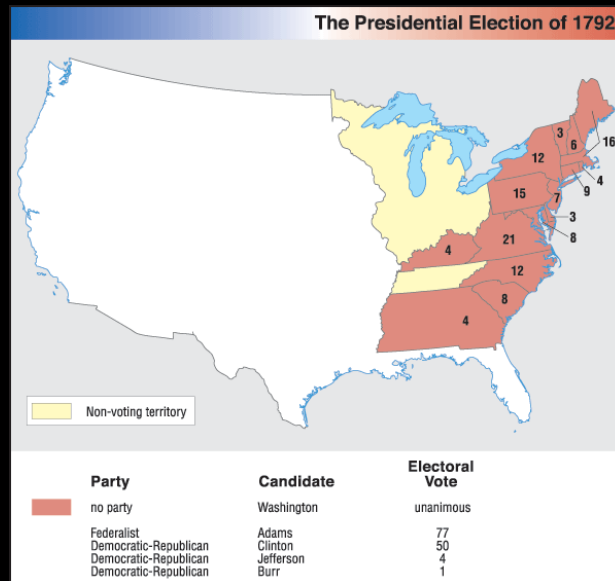
## Citizen Genet

French ambassador  
tries to organize  
Americans to fight  
Spanish & British.

- Washington ordered Genet's recall, but when the French ordered his arrest Washington offered him asylum.
- He eventually became an American citizen & married a governor's daughter.

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## 1792 – Washington Re-elected

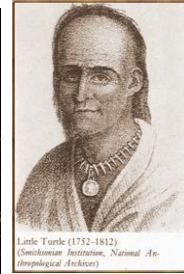
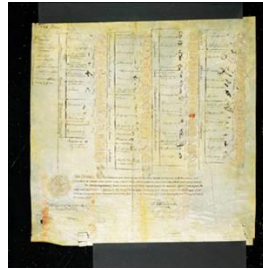


Note: In elections before 1804, each elector voted for two candidates. The candidate with the largest number of votes (if a majority) was declared President. The candidate with the second-highest number of votes was declared Vice-President.

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## Americans start to move west

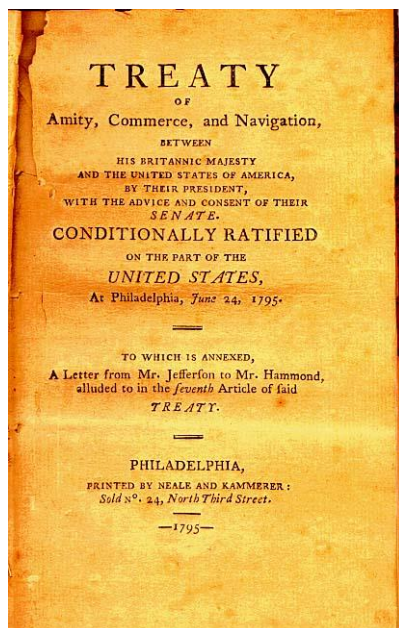
- Conflict with Indians
  - Treaty of Paris doesn't matter to them.
- British support Ohio tribes to prevent further expansion by the U.S.
- At Battle of the Fallen Timbers in 1794, Americans (and Indian allies) defeat Ohio tribes
  - British refused to help & they were demoralized
- We buy their land in **Treaty of Greenville**.
  - One war leader named Tecumseh refuses to sign treaty.



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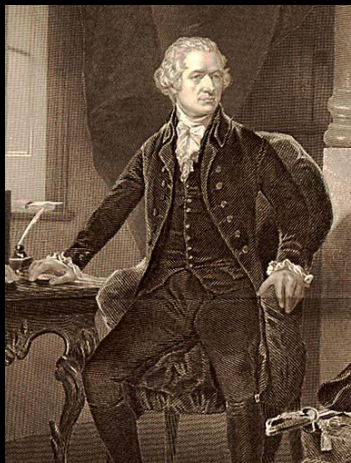
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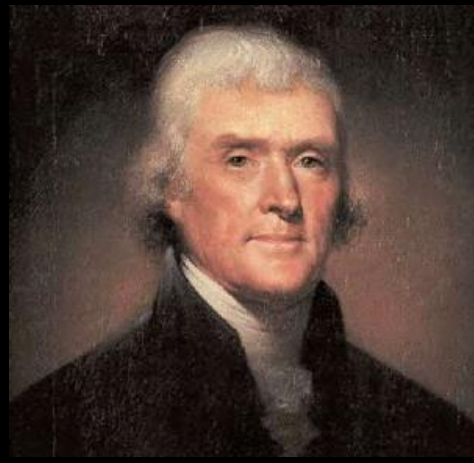
- British are inciting Indians, keeping forts in our territory, and attacking our ships. Most Americans want war.
- Jay's Treaty: British agree to leave forts in northwest
  - But our trade is restricted, we have to pay prewar debts, & British can still impress our sailors.

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Who is going to support this treaty?



Hamilton



Jefferson

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- Democratic Republicans thought it was a sellout – they want a war.
- Only passes Senate by 1 vote.
- Graffiti from the time written outside Jay's house:  
*Damn John Jay! Damn every one that won't damn John Jay!! Damn every one that won't put lights in his windows and sit up all night damning John Jay!!!*



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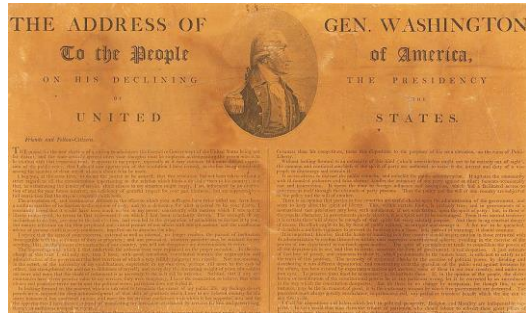
## Pinckney's Treaty



- Spain is scared that Jay's Treaty means U.S./British alliance.
- Thomas Pinckney negotiates a treaty with Spain
  - U.S. gains access to the Mississippi River and New Orleans
  - Redrew the boundary with Spanish Florida.

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- In 1796 Washington retires.
- In Farewell Speech, he says
  - avoid political parties
  - Avoid permanent military alliances with other countries



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## Washington's Precedents

- Formed a Cabinet
- 2 term limit for Presidents
- Stressed NEUTRALITY in foreign affairs
- Failure—Tried to avoid political parties



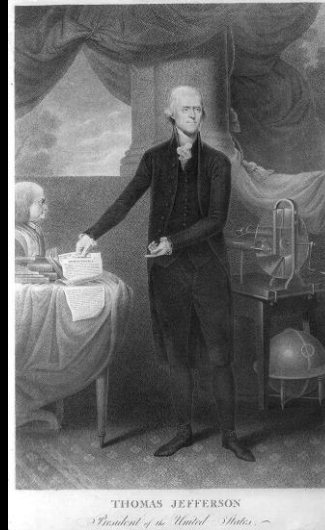
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# Election of 1796

**Adams**

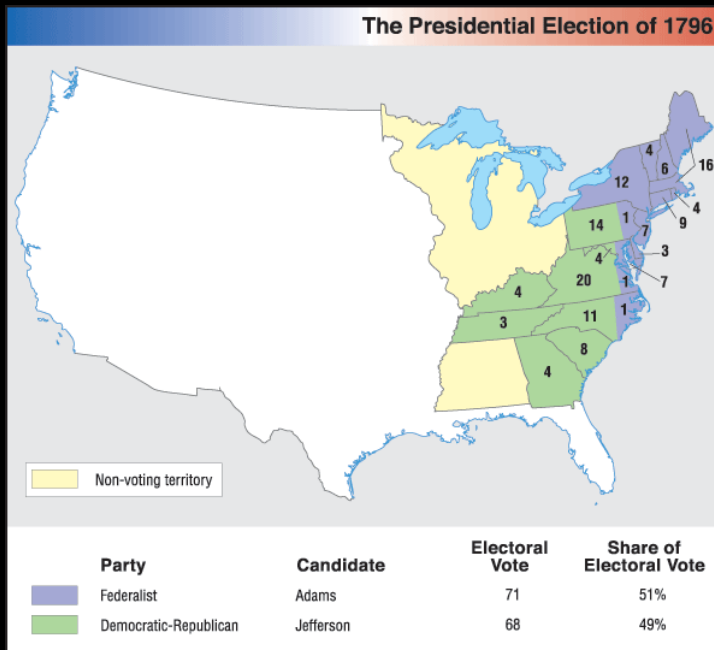


**Jefferson**



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# And the winner is...

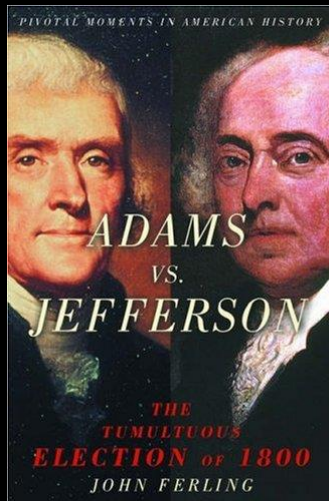


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...but

- Jefferson becomes Adams' Vice President



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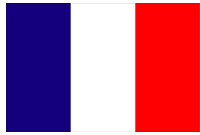
## John Adams' Administration

- French are upset at Jay's Treaty and Jefferson's defeat.
  - They seize over 300 of our ships & throw crews in dungeons.
- Most Americans want war, but President John Adams tries to negotiate – sends 3 delegates in Oct 1797 to France to calm the situation



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## XYZ Affair



vs



- French insult the U.S. by demanding a bribe before starting negotiations
- American response: "Millions for defense, not one cent for tribute"
- Fear of France leads to restriction of civil liberties

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## Federalists pass the Alien and Sedition Acts in 1798. Aimed at French & Democratic-Republicans

### Alien Act

- Made it harder to get citizenship
- U.S. could deport people easily



### Sedition Act

- Could be thrown in jail for speaking out against government



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## Virginia and Kentucky Resolutions



- Written by Madison and Jefferson in response to Alien & Sedition Acts
- Argued the idea of *nullification*
  - States have the right to ignore any act of Congress that they considered unconstitutional

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## Quasi-War with France



- Our small navy fights French in Caribbean
- Federalists (led by Hamilton) want full war with France & invasion of Louisiana
- Adams refuses
  - Signs treaty w/French
  - This splits Federalist party.
    - Hamilton wanted to lead army to conquer Louisiana & Mexico

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