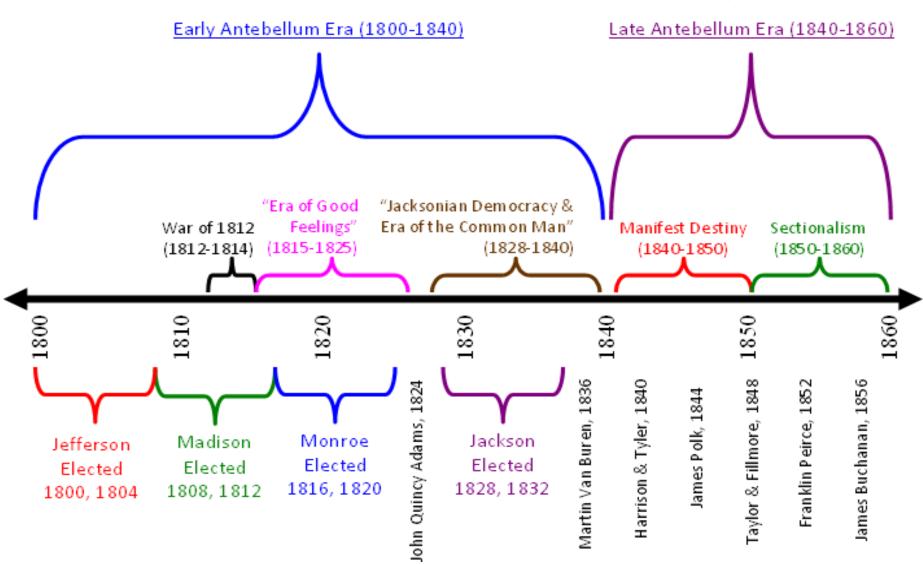


"Westward the Course of Empire Takes Its Way" Emanuel Leutze, 1862

- 1. What kind of person made the journey into the West?
- 2. What can you tell about the journey into the West?
- 3. Why would americans make the journey into the West?

THE PERIOD OF TIME IN U.S. HISTORY BEFORE THE CIVIL WAR IS KNOWN AS THE ANTEBELLUM ERA (1800–1860)



IN THE 1840S, WESTWARD EXPANSION LED AMERICANS TO ACQUIRE ALL LANDS FROM THE ATLANTIC TO PACIFIC IN A MOVEMENT CALLED MANIFEST DESTINY



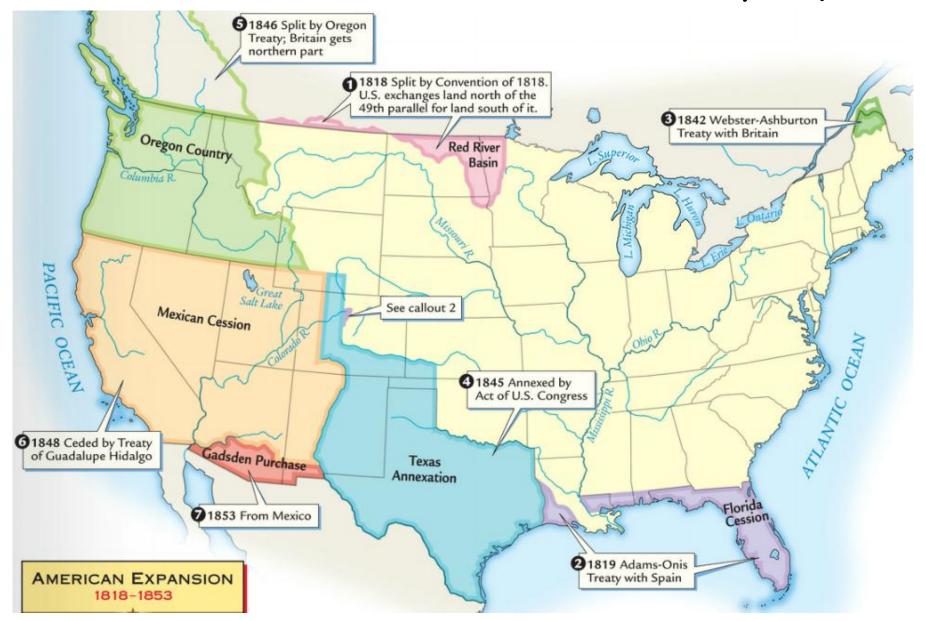
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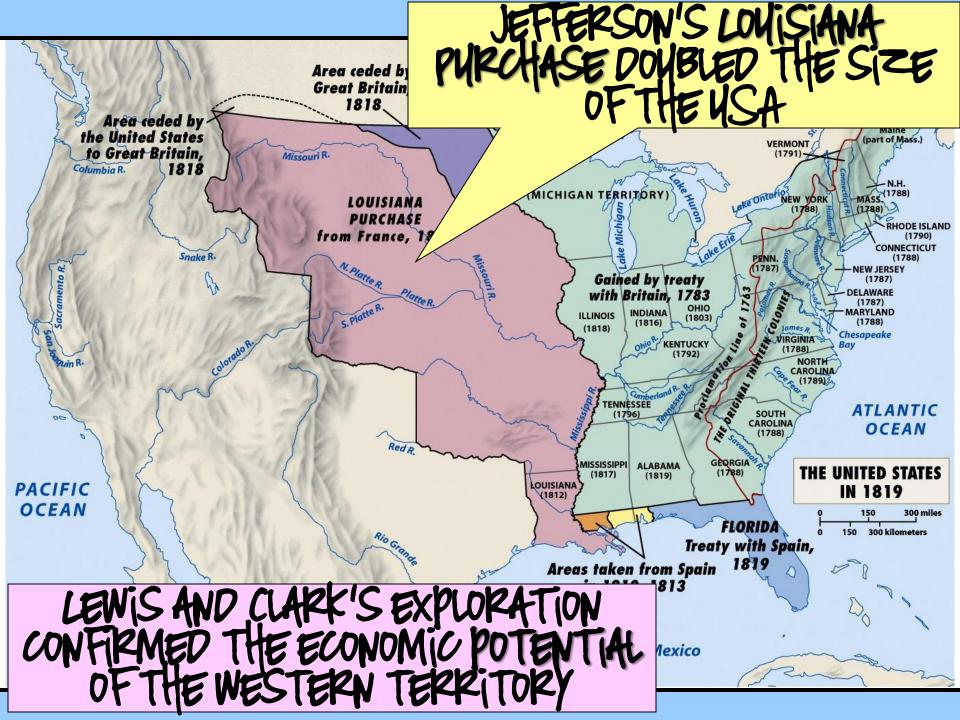
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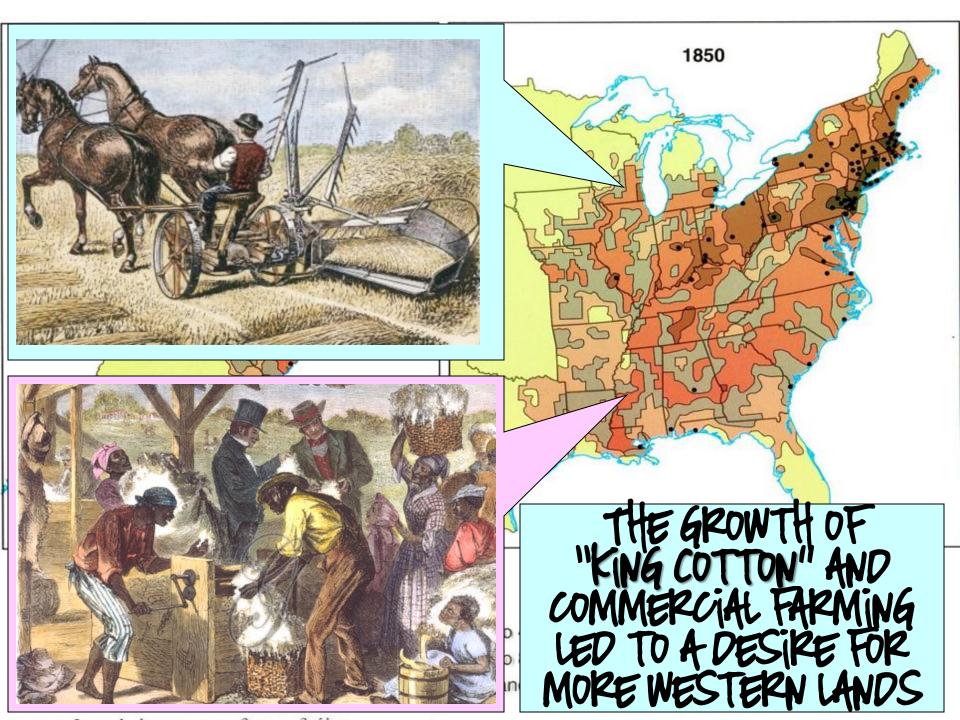
AMERICANS FLOODED INTO THE WEST FOR NEW ECONOMIC OPPORTUNITIES

THE U.S. GAINED TEXAS,
OREGON, CALIFORNIA,
AND OTHER TERRITORIES
THROUGH TREATY OR
WAR

CHANGES IN THE EARLY ANTEBELLUM ERA (1800-1840), ENCOURAGED WESTWARD EXPANSION IN THE 1840S

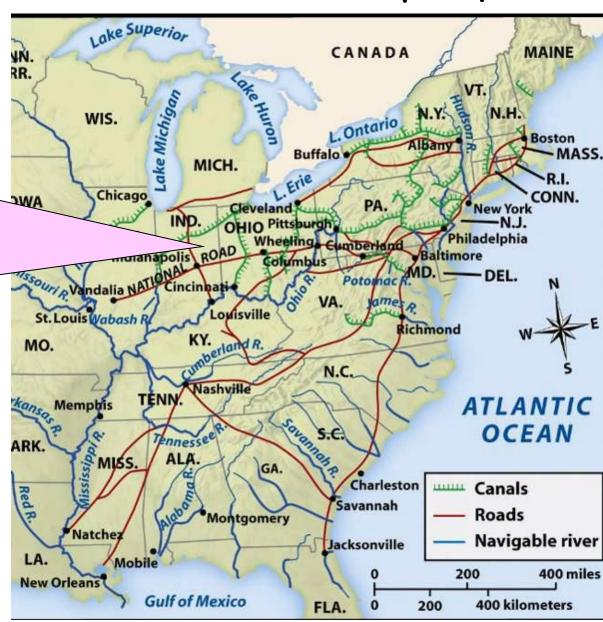






CHANGES IN THE EARLY ANTEBELLUM ERA (1800-1840), ENCOURAGED WESTWARD EXPANSION IN THE 1840S

IMPROVED
TRANSPORTATION
SUCH AS CANALS,
STEAMBOATS,
& RAILROADS
INCREASED SPEED
& PROFITABILITY



Five Most Populous States, 1790-1840

1790

- Virginia
- 2. Pennsylvania
- 3. North Carolina
- 4. Massachusetts
- 5. New York

1800

- 1. Virginia
- 2. Pennsylvania
- 3. New York
- 4. North Carolina
- Massachusetts

1810

- 1. New York
- 2. Virginia
- 3. Pennsylvania
- 4. North Carolina
- Massachusetts

1820

- 1. New York
- Pennsylvania
- 3. Virginia
- 4. North Carolina
- 5. Ohio

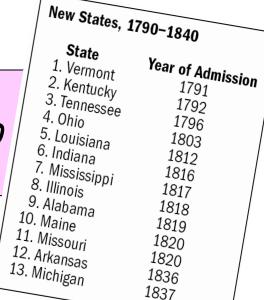
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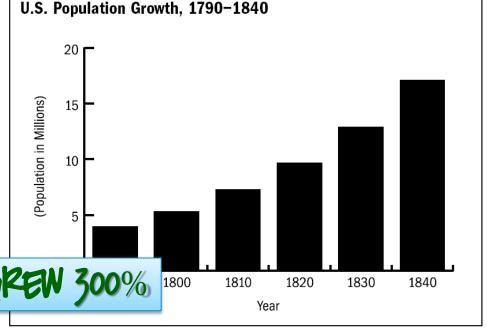
- New York
- 2. Pennsylvania
- 3. Virginia
- 4. Ohio
- 5. North Carolina

1840

- 1. New York
- 2. Pennsylvania
- 3. Ohio
- 4. Virginia
- Tennessee

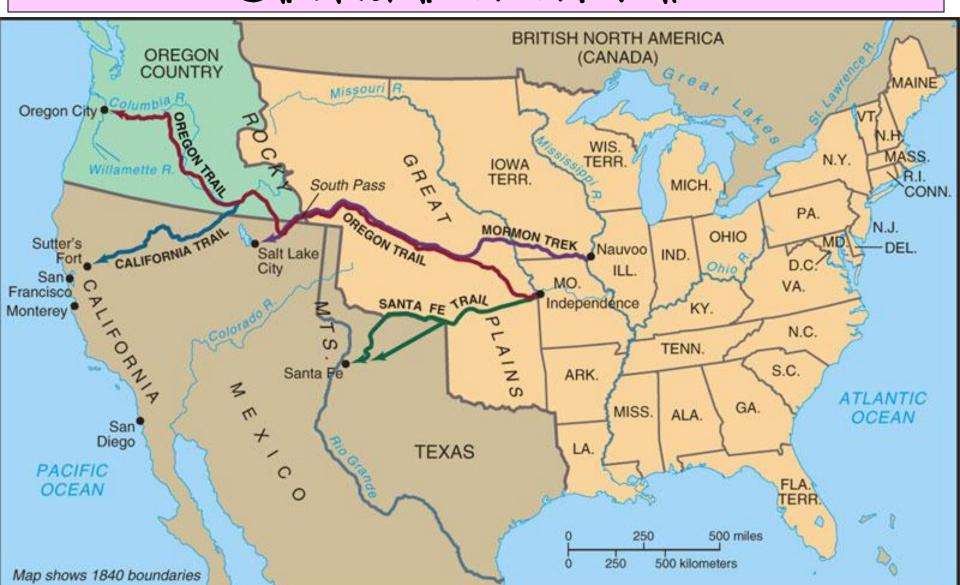
THE NUMBER OF U.S. STATES GREW FROM 13 TO





THE U.S. POPULATION GREW 300%

THE JOURNEY WEST WAS DANGEROUS AND UNPREDICTABLE, YET THOUSANDS OF AMERICANS TRAVELED ALONG THE OREGON, SANTA FE, AND MORMON TRAILS

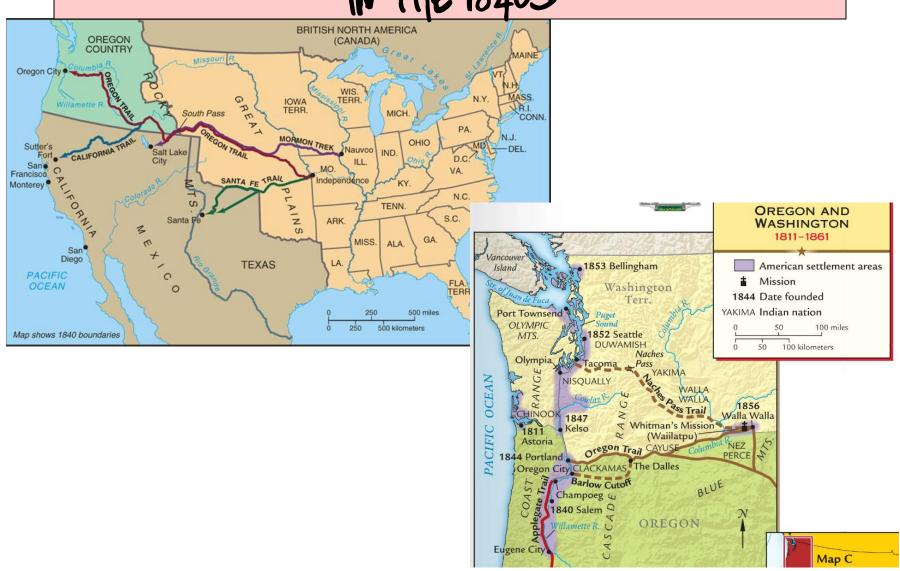


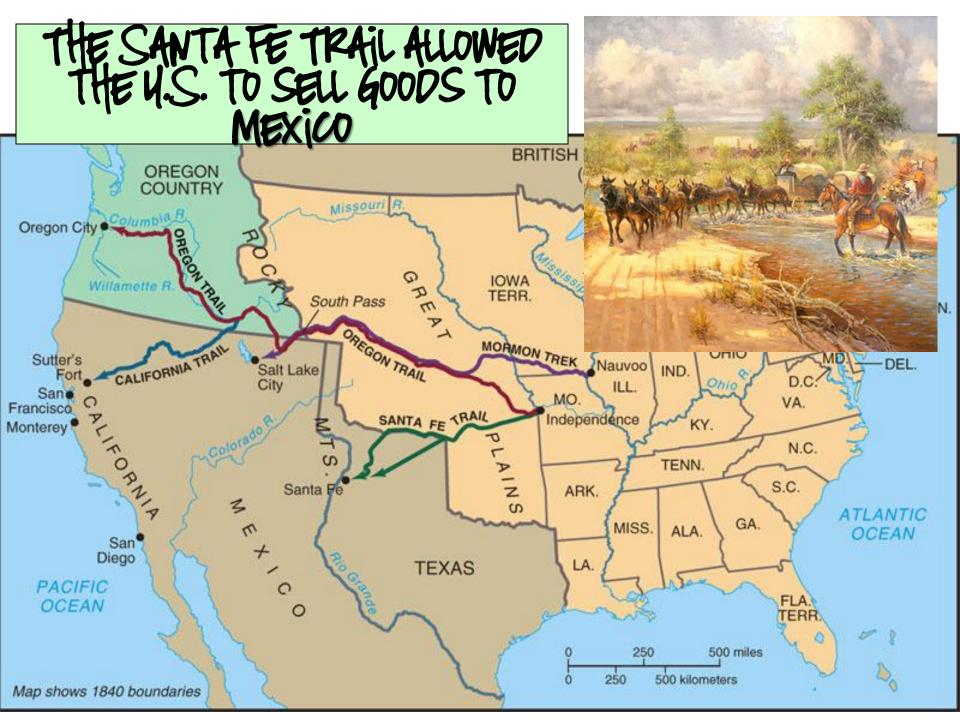
THE EARLIEST PIONEERS WERE FUR TRADERS, LAND SPECULATORS, AND POOR FARMERS LOOKING FOR CHEAP LAND

SOON, FARMERS, MINERS, RANCHERS, AND RELIGIOUS GROUPS FLOODED WEST

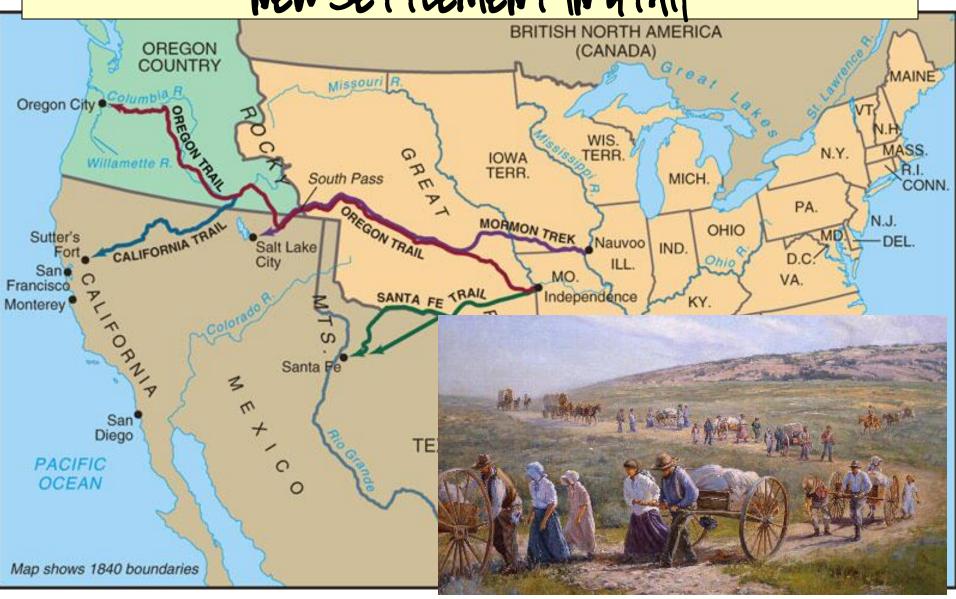


THE OREGON TRAIL LED THOUSANDS OF FARMERS TO THE FERTILE LANDS OF OREGON IN THE 1840S

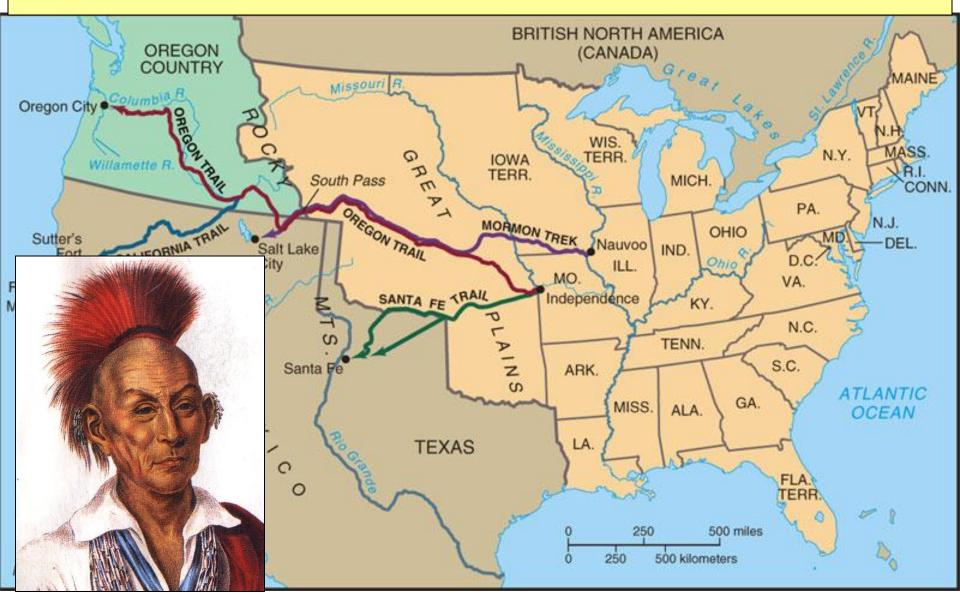




AFTER JOSEPH SMITH'S MURDER IN ILLINOIS, BRIGHAM YOUNG LED THE MORMONS TO CREATE A NEW SETTLEMENT IN UTAH



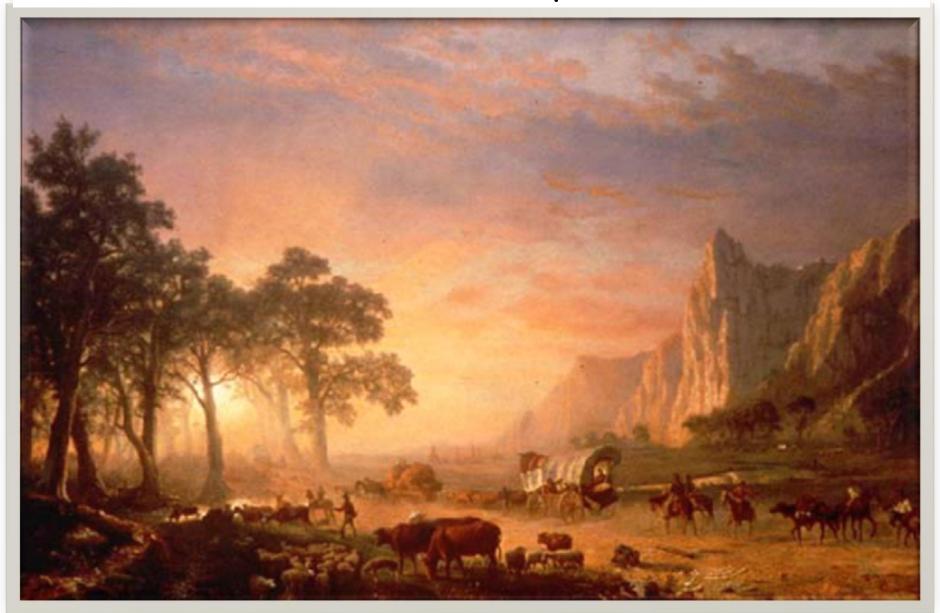
WESTWARD EXPANSION BROUGHT CONFLICT WITH INDIANS, SUCH AS THE BLACK HAWK WAR, AS TRAILS DISRUPTED HUNTING GROUNDS AND VIOLATED PREVIOUS TREATIES



THE TREATY OF FORT LARAMIE CREATED A VAST INDIAN TERRITORY BUT WAS REPEATEDLY IGNORED BY WHITES EXPANDING WEST



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