





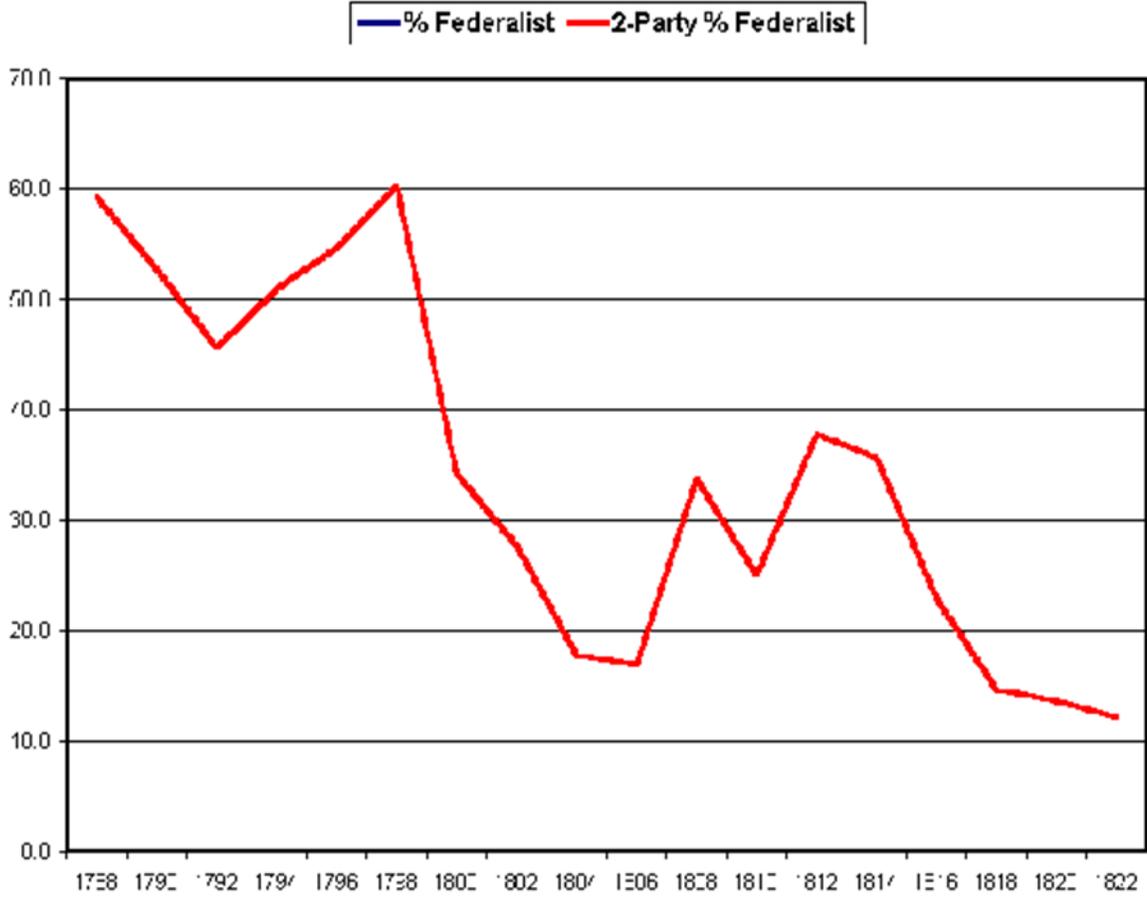
The Era of Good Feelings

UNIT III: EXPANSION, NATIONALISM, SECTIONALISM

Transfer of Power

- ▶ Federalists lost credibility and power
 - ▶ Criticism of the War of 1812 led to demise
 - ▶ US victory helped Democratic Republicans
- ▶ James Monroe is elected President then is re-elected 231 to 1 over John Quincy Adams (Federalist candidate)
- ▶ How might history have been different if the War of 1812 was lost by the United States?

Percent Federalist Seats, House of Representative, 1788-1822



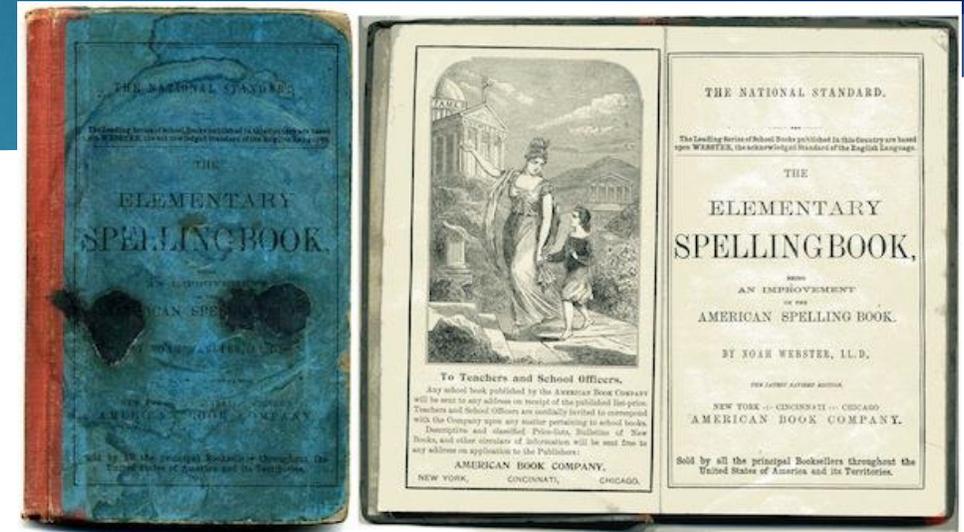
Era of Good Feelings

- ▶ Monroe's presidency marks era of a "single party" United States 1817-1825 (term)
- ▶ Henry Clay's "**American System**"
 - ▶ Jobs are created
 - ▶ Taxes are collected
 - ▶ Infrastructure improves
- ▶ A strong sense of **nationalism** spreads
- ▶ **Nationalism (n.)**: The strong belief that the interests of a particular nation-state are of primary importance.
- ▶ **Sectionalism (n.)**: loyalty to the interests of one's own region or section of the country, rather than to the country as a whole.



Nationalism

- ▶ Nationalism in the United States reflected in:
 - ▶ Fine art – Paintings & Sculpture
 - ▶ Literature – American settings by American authors
 - ▶ Political Decisions – Treatment of Natives
 - ▶ Supreme Court Decisions – Marshall Court expands federal power
 - ▶ Manifest Destiny – Land expansion
 - ▶ Economic Decisions – Tariffs expand domestic manufacturing

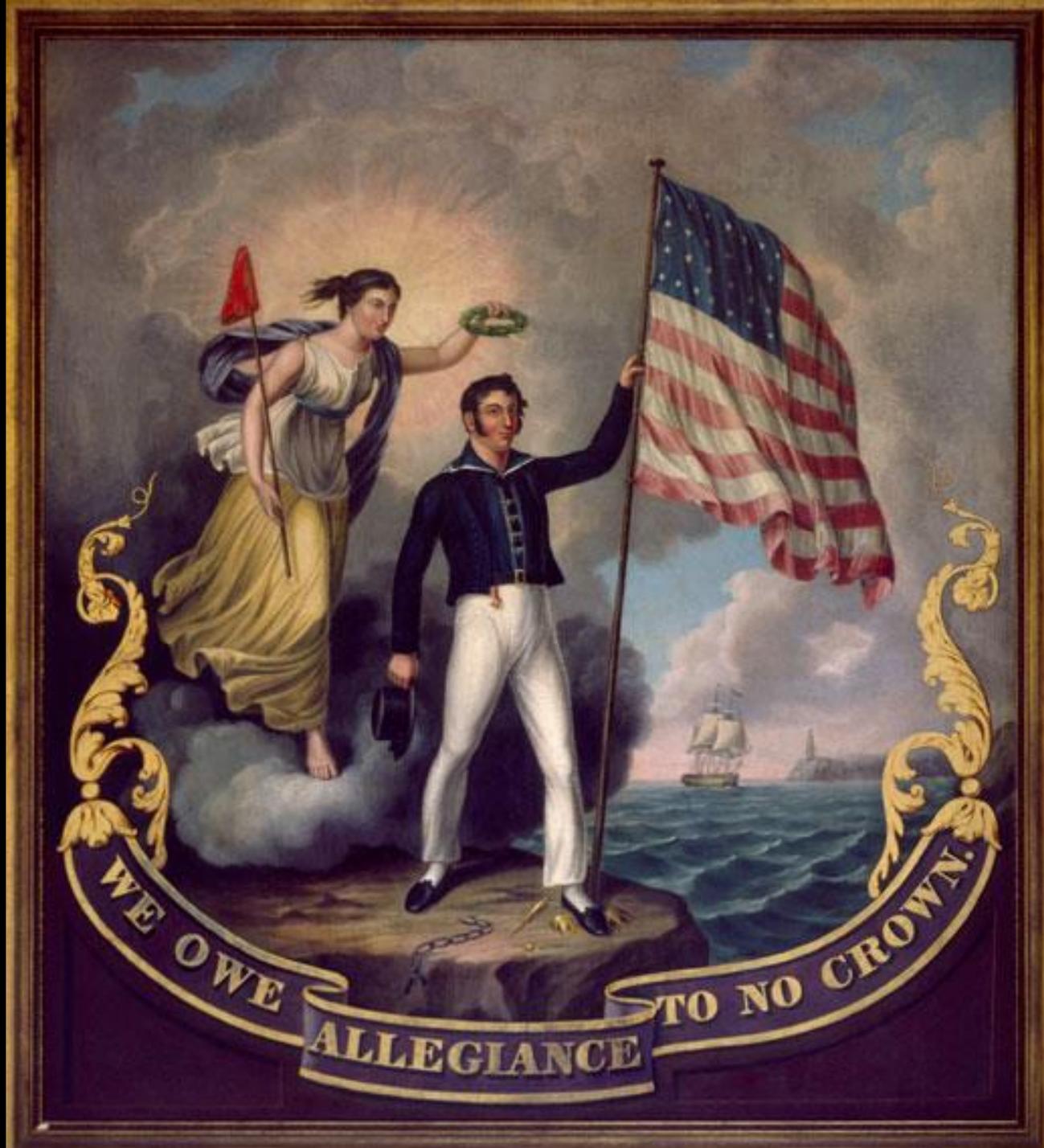


Noah Webster (same as the dictionary) believed American schooling and language was a sovereign idea – language should be controlled by the masses.

How would Webster feel about “text talk” today?

Group Task

- ▶ In groups of 4, use your iPad to find your assigned artwork. Analyze the image and conduct any research you'd like to. Be prepared to present your findings to the class.
 - ▶ How does your painting reflect nationalism in the United States?
 - ▶ What was the artist's intent?
- ▶ 1) We Owe Allegiance to No Crown – **John Archibald Woodside**
- ▶ 2) Escape of the U.S. Frigate 'Constitution – **Thomas Birch**
- ▶ 3) Distant View of Niagara Falls – **Thomas Cole**
- ▶ 4) The Grand Canyon of the Yellowstone – **Thomas Moran**









Summary

- ▶ Economic growth is stimulated by the American System
- ▶ Nationalism is on the rise
- ▶ The country is growing rapidly
- ▶ Political competition nearly ceases to exist
- ▶ Supreme Court extends federal power