



Chapter 9, section 3

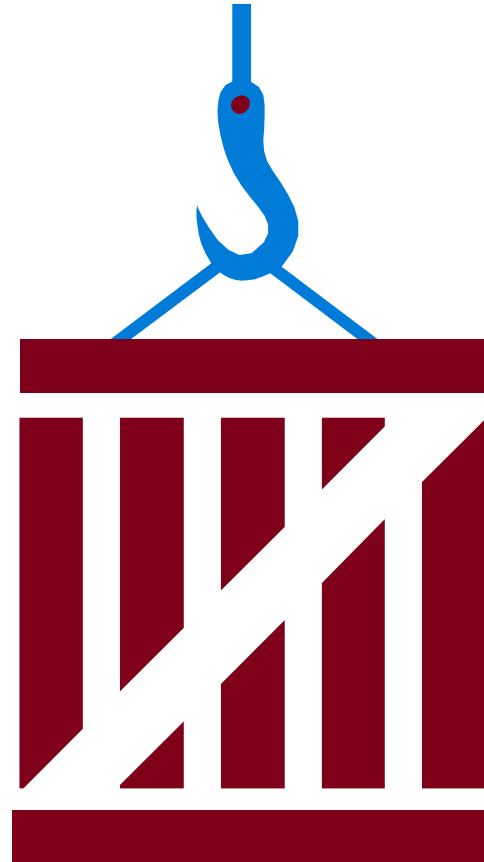
Causes of the War of 1812

Content Vocabulary:

- 1. A nation that did not take sides and could sail the seas without fear of conflict had **neutral rights**.
- 2. For safe passage at sea, pirates demanded protection money known as **tribute** from other countries.
- 3. The **Embargo** Act in 1807 prohibited trade with other countries.
- 4. The British Navy practiced **impressment** to force sailors who deserted and were caught back into the navy.
- 5. The loyalty felt toward a person's own country is known as **nationalism**

5. What happened to American trade at the beginning of the war between England and France?

- **Trade increased.**



6. What risks did Yankee merchants run when they were in the Mediterranean Sea?

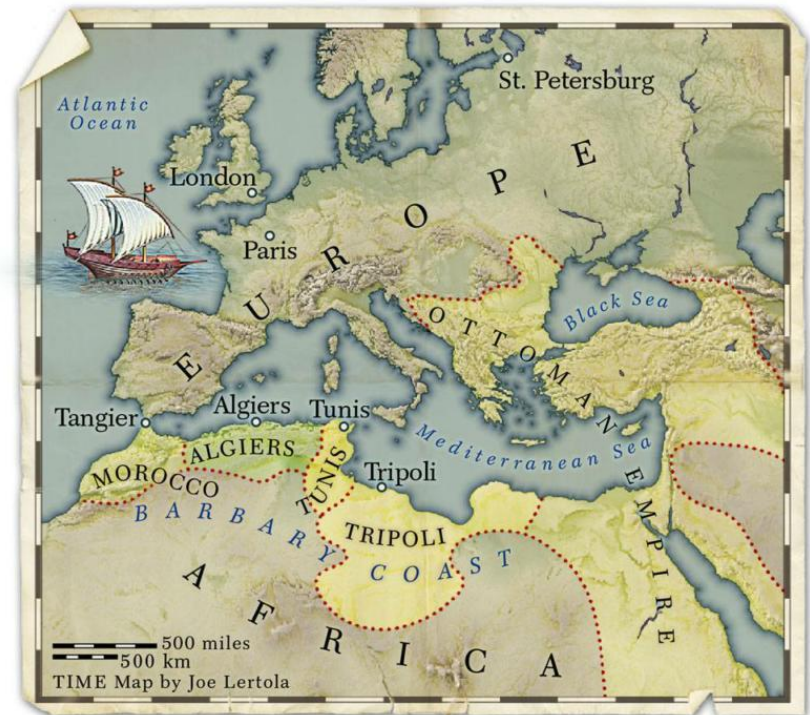
- **Pirates**

Photo # NH 44647-KN "Decatur Boarding the Tripolitan Gunboat". Painting by Dennis Malone Carter



7. Why did Tripoli and the U.S. go to war?

- Jefferson would not pay a larger tribute




8. During this war, the pirates captured the U.S.S. Philadelphia, which was subsequently sunk by Captain Stephen Decatur in a “bold and daring act.”



9. What event created an anti-British fury which threatened war?

- **The attack of the British ship H.M.S. Leopard on the American merchant ship Chesapeake.**





10. Jefferson was the 3rd American President to follow the European foreign policy of **neutrality**. Why did Jefferson want to avoid war even though the British were attacking our ships and impressing our men?

Our navy was not large enough to protect our shipping.

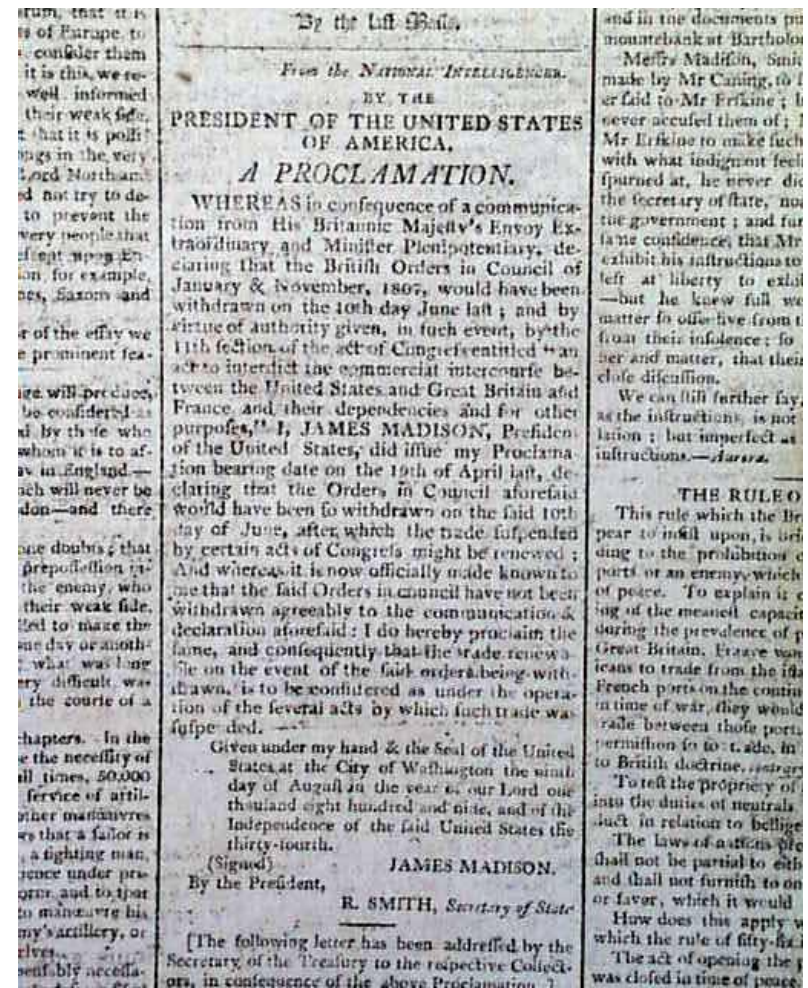
11. Instead, he passed the Embargo Act.

- What did it say?
 - The U.S. could not trade with anyone
- Who was most hurt by it?
 - U.S. New England especially



12. Jefferson repealed the Embargo Act and replaced it with the Non-Intercourse Act:

- The U.S. would trade with all except England and France. If England or France would stop attacking our ships, we would trade with them. Napoleon lied and said he would stop, but then continued to attack. This made our relationship with England worsen.





One of the chief causes of the War of 1812 was British insistence on impressing American seamen.