

Chapter 12, section 1

The Oregon Country

Oregon Country, 1846

NATIONAL GEOGRAPHIC





#1

- What 4 countries claimed the Oregon Country?
 - United States, Russia, Spain, Great Britain
- On whom did the U.S. base her claims?
 - Robert Gray, and Lewis & Clark
- How did the U.S. and Great Britain work out an agreement in 1818 after Russia and Spain gave up their claims?
 - Joint occupation until 1825 when it was divided at 49 degrees North Latitude.

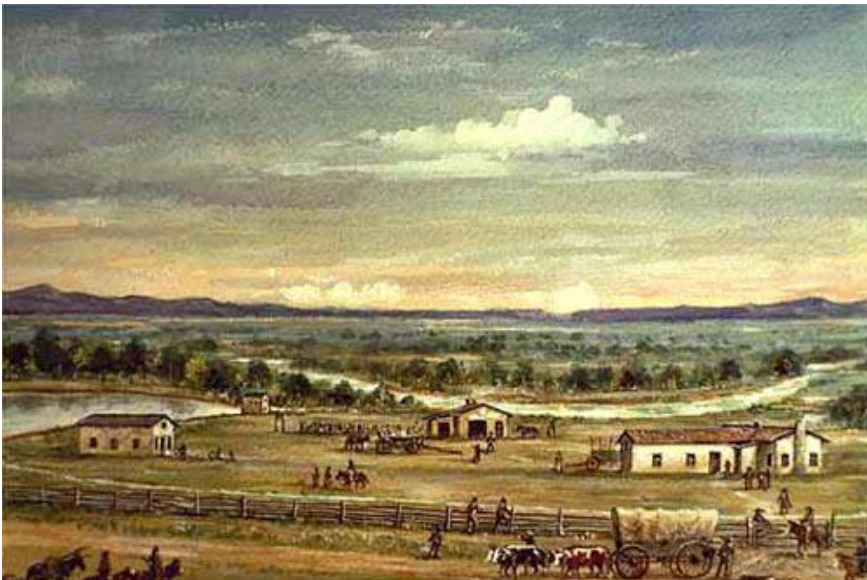


#2

- Who were the first Americans to reach Oregon and what did they do?
 - Mountain men– trapping furs
- Name 4 and tell what they're known for:
 - Jim Beckwourth- Wyoming's Green River
 - Robert Stuart- South Pass
 - Jedediah Smith- South Pass
 - Jim Bridger- guide
 - Kit Carson- guide

#3

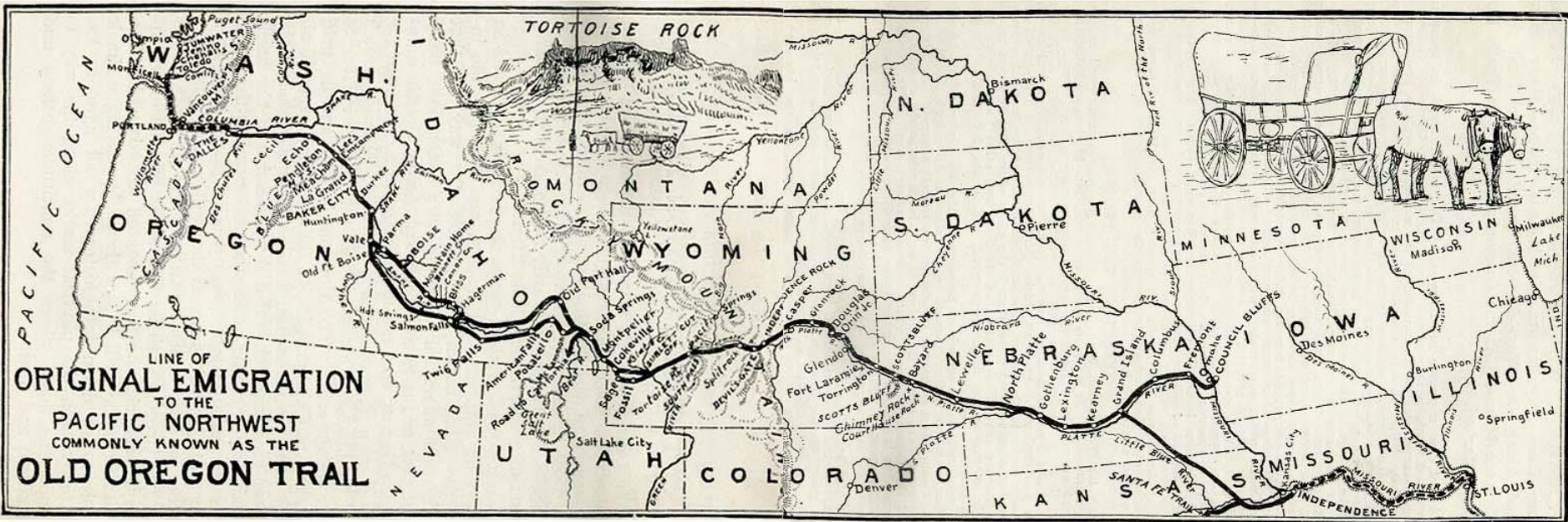
- Who were the first settlers to Oregon? Give an example.
 - Missionaries > Dr. Marcus and Narcissa Whitman



#4

- Most of the settlers to Oregon were **farmers** who traveled the **Oregon Trail** which started in **Independence, Missouri.**

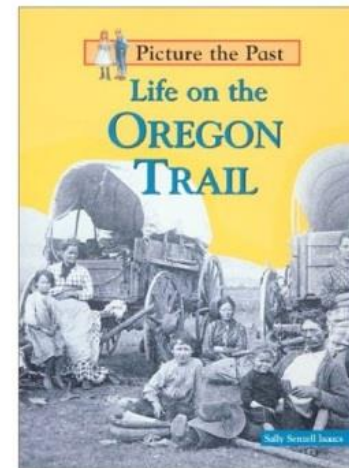




#5

□ Describe the life on the Oregon Trail.

- Emigrants – the LEFT the U.S.
- 2,000 journey
- Used Prairie Schooners – looked like ships on land
- Many had to walk because their wagons were so full.
- Could be dangerous



#6

- Define “Manifest Destiny”:
 - The idea that the U.S. should expand its boundary to the Pacific Ocean





#7

- Who took a strong stand on the Oregon Issue?
 - James K. Polk
- What was his slogan and what did it mean?
 - “Fifty-four Forty or Fight”
 - It meant that the U.S. should have all of the Oregon Country to 54° 40' N. Latitude.
- Where was the border eventually set?
 - At 49° N. Latitude (we got ½ of Oregon)