

Cornell Notes

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| Class—US History | Fugitive Slave Act/Civil disobedience/Transcontinental Railroad |
| Fugitive Slave Act | <p>Designed to help the south but in reality it hurt the south</p> <p>Only had to point out, no rights=no defense, \$5 dollar for ruling in favor of slave \$10 for ruling in favor of owners</p> <p>Federal marshals required to assist slave catchers and deputize citizens on the spot to help capture fugitives</p> <p>Frederick Douglass speeches/Newspaper accounts etc.</p> |
| Civil Disobedience | <p>Henry David Thoreau—“Unjust laws exist, shall we be content to obey them, and obey them until we have succeeded, or shall we transgress them without delay</p> |
| Underground Railroad | <p>Informal but well-organized system helped thousands of enslaved persons escape. “Conductors” Harriet Tubman</p> <p>Southern mistrust of north deepens</p> <p>Uncle Tom’s Cabin—Harriet Beecher Stowe—1852 300,000 copies sold in one year-considered a cause of the Civil War</p> |
| Kansas/Nebraska Act | <p>Transcontinental Railroad—southern route v. northern rte.</p> <p>Gadsden Purchase—Franklin Pierce—James Gadsden bought land from Mexico in 1853 \$10 million</p> <p>Stephen Douglass (Ill) pro northern rte—Chicago—problems unsettled lands west of Missouri H=yes S=no</p> |
| Undo the Missouri Compromise | <p>Open up Great Plains to settlement for the railroad</p> <p>South opposed because of MO compromise</p> <p>Douglas splits territory up into Kansas and Nebraska—Kansas Nebraska Act--May 1854—Popular sovereignty</p> |
| Bleeding Kansas | <p>“Border Ruffians” Topeka (Free) v. Lawrence (Slave)</p> <p>By 1856, 200 people had died and \$2 million worth of property had been destroyed</p> |
| Caning of Charles Sumner | <p>Andrew P. Butler (SC) “Chosen a mistress... the harlot, slavery. 2nd cousin Preston Brooks “a libel on South Carolina, and Mr. Butler who is a relative of mine.</p> |

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