

Cornell Notes

<p>Date—</p> <p>Class—US History</p>	<p>War With Mexico</p>
<p>John Tyler</p>	<p>Alleged Whig but Southerner pro slavery, TX comes in as a slave state, problems: 1) unbalance in congress 2) Mexico does not recognize Texas independence</p>
<p>Tyler's Folly</p>	<p>Letter to Calhoun defending slavery, Senate rejects</p> <p>Annexation 35-16, Tyler thought would help him win re-election actually cost him the election</p>
<p>Election of 1844</p>	<p>Whig Henry Clay vs. Democrat Martin Van Buren both of whom avoid Texas issue</p> <p>Democrats choose James K. Polk=promises not only Texas but Oregon Territory and California</p> <p>Clay then decides he is for annexation too, splits Whig vote, Polk wins Presidency</p>
<p>Oregon Question</p>	<p>"Fifty-four Forty or Fight"</p> <p>Settled on 49th parallel</p>
<p>Annexation of Texas</p>	<p>Tyler actually pushed through Congress</p> <p>Mexico outraged and disputes border Nueces R. vs. Rio Grande</p> <p>Polk furthers tensions by sending John Slidell to Mexico City to buy California</p>
<p>War w/Mexico</p>	<p>General Zachary Taylor, "Old Rough and Ready" Mexico needs to fire first shot</p> <p>Mr. Polk's War</p> <p>General Winfield Scott "Old Fuss and Feathers"</p>
<p>California</p>	<p>Colonel Stephen Kearney=secure Santa Fe</p> <p>General John C. Fremont=Bear Flag Republic</p> <p>U.S. Navy takes California</p>
<p>Treaty of Guadalupe Hidalgo (Feb, 2, 1848)</p>	<p>500,000 square miles—U.S. pays 15 million and agreed</p> <p>To take over 3.25 million in debts owed to Mexico</p>

Summary	