

# PROBLEMS

## HANDLING PROTESTS – Whiskey Rebellion

- To raise money a tax was placed on all whiskey made and sold in U.S.
- Backcountry farmers made corn into whiskey
- 1794 – Rebelled when try to collect tax
- Washington sees as challenge to federal authority
  - sends 13,000 troops HE LEADS THEM
  - Farmers scatter
  - Washington pardons leaders

**Sets precedence - Armed rebellion not acceptable in a republic**

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## HANDLING NATIVE AMERICAN RESISTANCE

- **Native Americans wanted to keep their land**
- **American gov't had tried to buy land from Natives**
  - success in Tennessee and Kentucky
  - won't sell north of Ohio
- **Washington sent troops to stop attacks on settlements**
  - Natives Americans defeat U.S troops twice!
  - (Little Turtle of the Miamis & Blue Jacket of the Shawnee)
- **Rev War hero Anthony Wayne takes over and has major victory at Battle of Fallen Timbers**
- Treaty of Grenville - Natives give up what is now state of Ohio and area around Detroit
- <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=uLLqdZWjwSg>

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## ADDRESSING FOREIGN POLICY

- France and Britain not getting along
- French Revolution – Reign of Terror
- **1793 – France and Britain at war**
  - **Washington wants to be neutral** - not favor either side
  - **Hamilton urges president to stay friendly with Britain**
  - **Jefferson favors France**
- **U.S. wants to trade with both sides**
  - Both feel like trade with their enemy benefits their enemy
  - Both start stopping American ships trading with the other side and seizing cargo bound for enemy
- **British Impressing (kidnapping) Our Sailors**
  - Impressments – seizing sailors and forcing them to serve in British navy
- <https://www.youtube.com/watch?x-yt-ts=1422327029&v=TIYE9h-vDF4&x-yt-cl=84838260>

# Jay or Jay's Treaty

## Negotiated by John Jay

- U.S. agrees to pay debts owed to British merchants
- Britain agrees
  - Pay for ships it had seized
  - Withdraw troops from Northwest Territories
  - Stop arming Natives
- Britain refuses to
  - Recognize ability of U.S. to trade with its enemy France
  - To stop impressment of U.S. sailors
  - [https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=7\\_FKF9zu2oE](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=7_FKF9zu2oE)
- **Led to the formation of the “First Party System” in the U.S.**
  - Federalist favored Britain
  - Jeffersonian Republicans favored France
  - <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=TIYE9h-vDF4>

# Washington Steps Down

- Farewell Address - a letter published in 1796
- Two major points
  - Warns against political divisions at home - no political parties
  - Warns against becoming “entangled” in European disputes and wars
    - “Steer clear of permanent alliances”
- Washington stepping down is significant
  - Establishes 2 terms / 8 years
  - Stepping down allowing someone else to become president
  - No uprising, rebellion, death, etc.