

THE CIVIL WAR

Part 1

A VOICE FROM THE PAST

"A house divided against itself cannot stand." I believe this government cannot endure, permanently half slave and half free. I do not expect the Union to be dissolved—I do not expect the house to fall—but I do expect it will cease to be divided. It will become all one thing, or all the other.

Abraham Lincoln, Springfield, Illinois, June 16, 1858

THE CIVIL WAR

✦ More Americans died in the Civil War than in the:

- Revolutionary War
- War of 1812
- Mexican War
- Spanish War
- World War I
- World War II
- Korean War
- Vietnam War
- Gulf War I and Gulf War II



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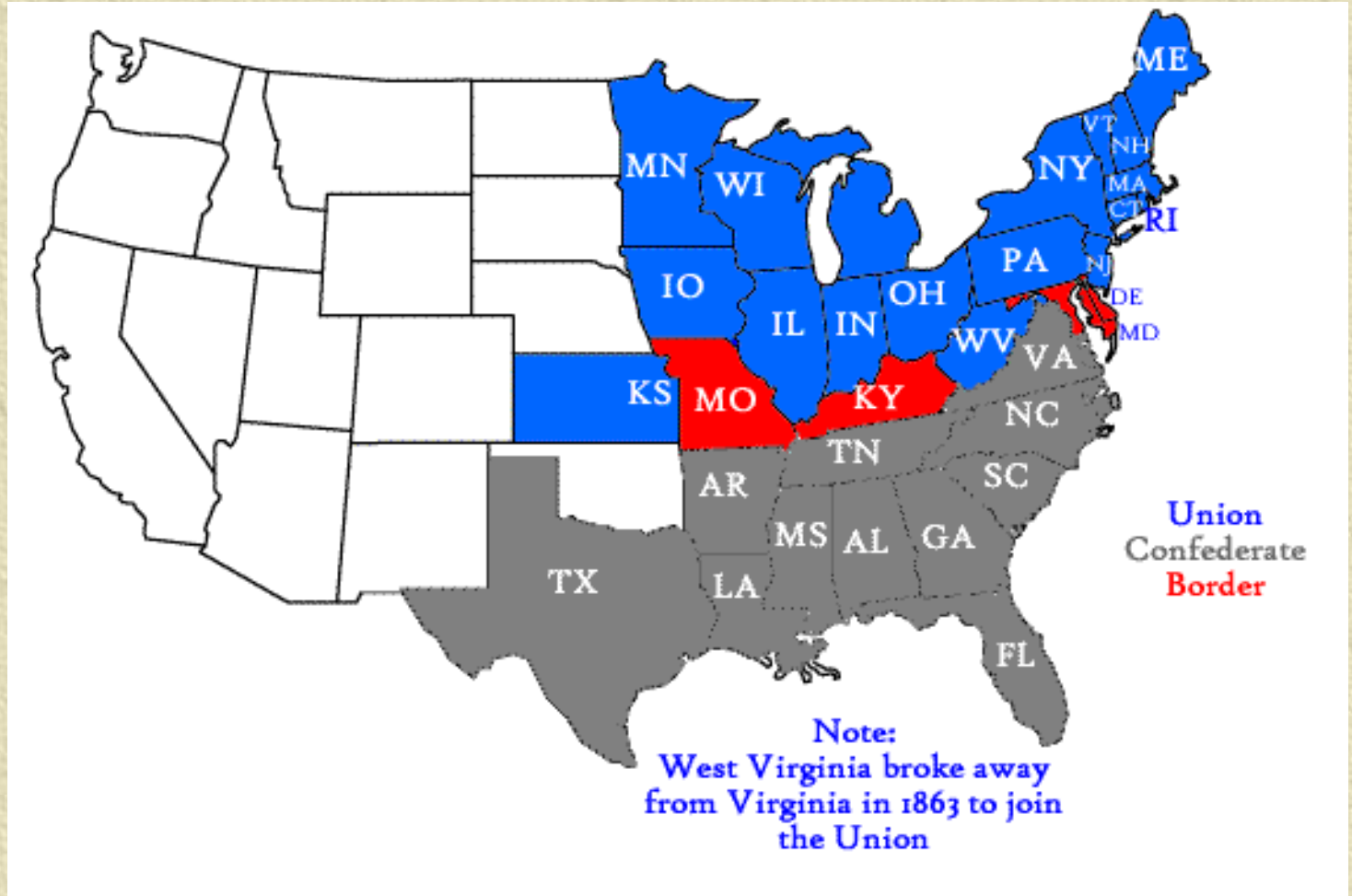
CAUSES OF THE WAR

✦ Long term issues such as slavery, and states' rights had divided the nation since the founding of the Republic.

✦ How did the nation avoid civil war in previous decades?

Compromises

Civil War Map



FORT SUMTER

✦ Located in the harbor of Charleston, the Confederates attacked the federal fort on April 12, 1861. This officially started the war.





NORTH

SOUTH

✦ President: Abraham Lincoln

✦ Capital: Washington, D.C.

✦ 24 states

✦ 22 million people

✦ 85% of the factories

✦ 71% of railroad mileage

✦ Commander: Ulysses S. Grant

✦ What inferences can you draw?

The North should win

✦ President: Jefferson Davis

✦ Capital: Richmond, Virginia

✦ 11 states

✦ 9 million people

✦ 3.5 million were slaves

✦ 15% of the factories

✦ 29% of railroad mileage

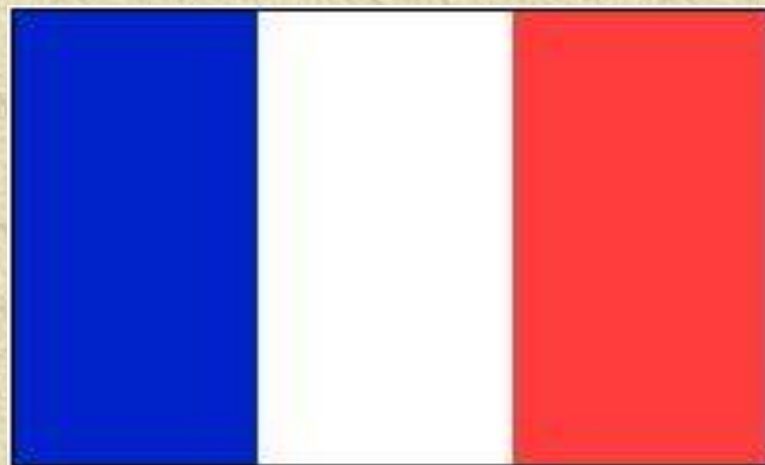
✦ Commander: Robert E. Lee

✦ How can the South possibly win?

Better leadership and greater determination, like the colonists in the Revolutionary War

STRATEGIES FOR VICTORY: SOUTH (CONFEDERACY)

- ✦ The South planned to fight a defensive war—make the North come to them.
- ✦ The South hoped to raise money to fight the war by selling cotton to Europe.
- ✦ This didn't work because the North blockaded the coast and Europe already had a surplus of cotton.



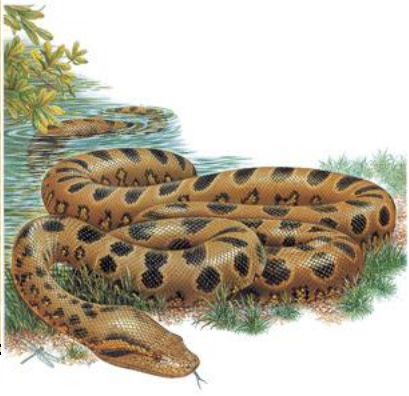
UNION STRATEGY

1. Blockade the southern coast
2. Gain control of the Mississippi River
3. Split the upper and lower south
4. Capture Richmond

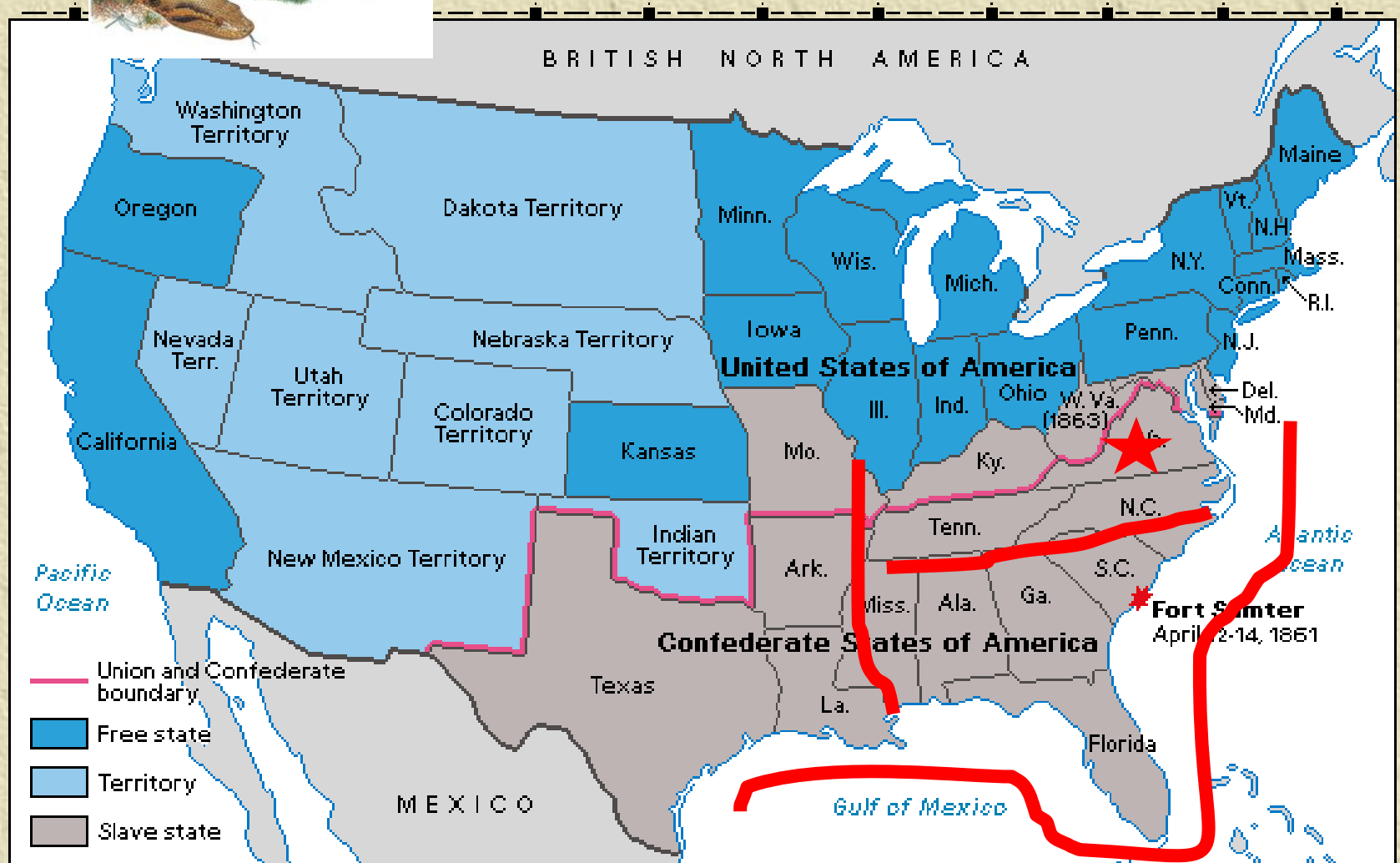


*They wanted to surround
the South and put the
squeeze on them.*

- ✦ The strategy was called the Anaconda Plan. WHY?



Anaconda Plan



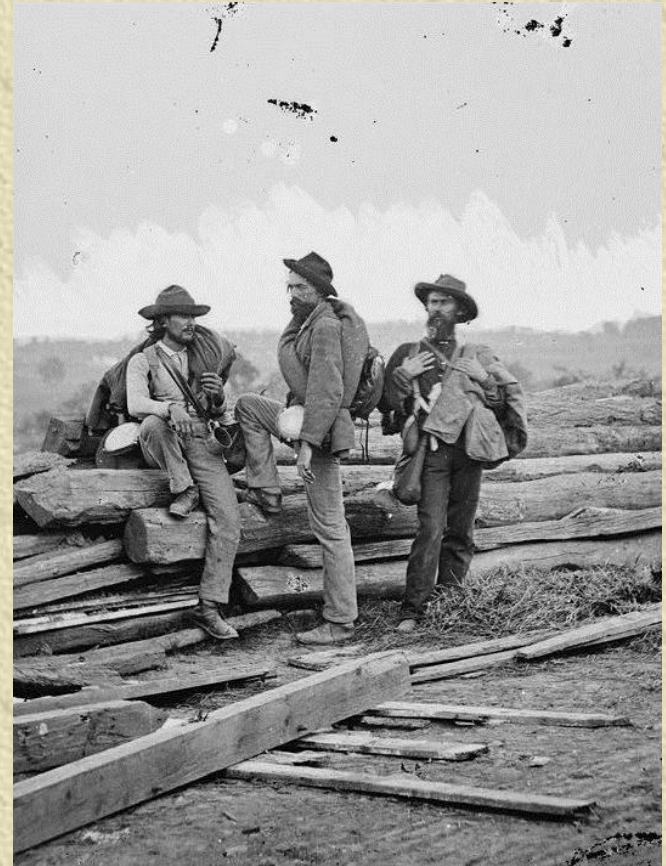
THE BATTLE OF BULL RUN

- ✦ Located in northern Virginia.
- ✦ Led by Thomas “Stonewall” Jackson, the south won the battle.
- ✦ Battle showed that the war would be LONG and BLOODY, not a three-month war like some thought.



THE CIVIL WAR SOLDIER

- ✦ Most were between 18-30.
- ✦ Some as young as 11 and as old as 83 served.
- ✦ Most were farmers.
- ✦ Many were illiterate, especially in the south.
- ✦ Many saw this as an adventure until reality set in.



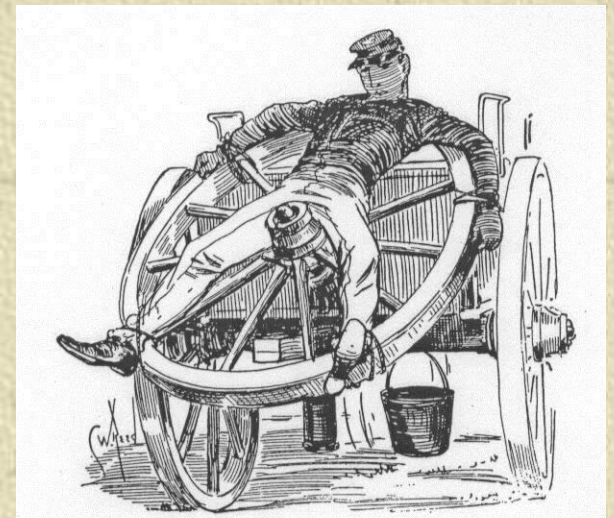
ARMY LIFE

- ✦ Camps were unsanitary.
- ✦ Soldiers fought lice, fleas, dysentery, measles, yellow fever, etc.
- ✦ Bathing and washing was sporadic.
- ✦ Diet was limited.



ARMY DISCIPLINE

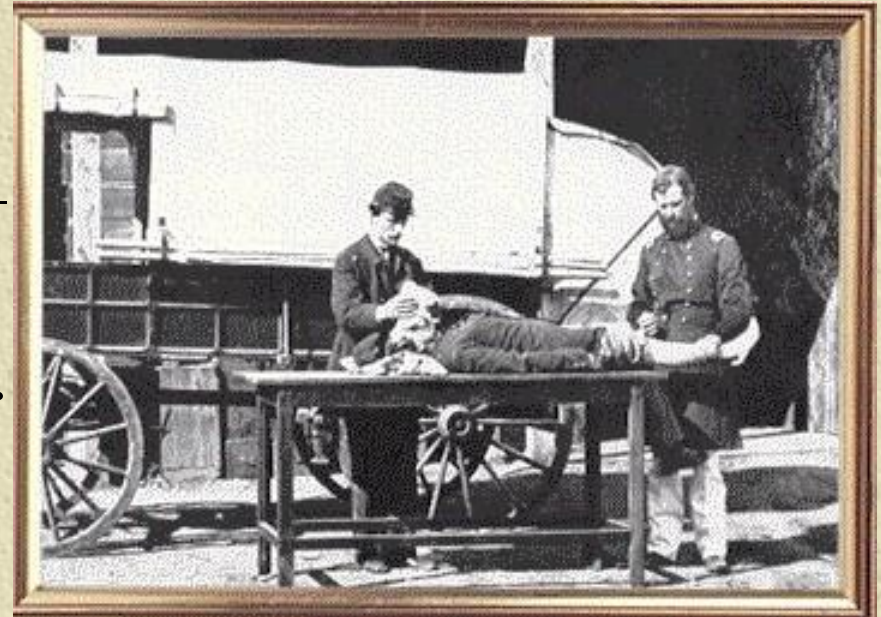
✦ Punishment for crimes included wearing signs, balancing weights, late night guard duty, whippings, branding, and execution.



Trial Version

MEDICINE

- ✦ Unsanitary
- ✦ Poorly-trained doctors.
- ✦ No modern medicines.
- ✦ Amputation was a common solution for a soldier's wounds.
- ✦ Limited painkillers
- ✦ More died of sickness in the war than being killed in combat.

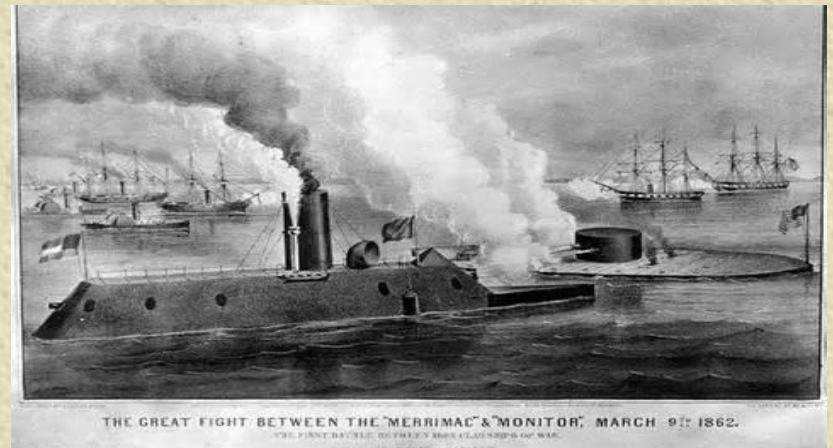


MILITARY TECHNOLOGY

- ✦ Rifles were improved.
- ✦ The development of the minié ball was perhaps the single greatest cause for the number of deaths in the Civil War.
- ✦ It was accurate and destructive.
- ✦ Ironclads, warships covered with iron, big improvement over wooden ships



Minié ball





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