# Learning Unit No. 12 "The Age of Jackson"

Note: L.U. 12 involves chapter 15

### Unit Outcomes:

- 1. Explain how sectionalism played a role in the controversial election of 1824.
- 2. Explain the significance of the election of Andrew Jackson.
- 3. Describe Andrew Jackson's policy toward the Indians.
- 4. Identify the issues which began to divide the country in the first four decades of the 1800s.
- 5. Explain Andrew Jackson's actions concerning the national bank.
- 6. Describe the reasons for political and economic instability in the post-Jackson period.

#### Outline:

- I. the end of "Good Feelings"
  - A. growth of sectionalism (v. nationalism)
  - B. Missouri Compromise
  - C. election of 1824
  - D. Jacksonian Democracy ("King Mob?")
- II. Indian policy
  - A. background
  - B. Indian Removal Act
- III. sectional controversies
  - A. cause of sectionalism
  - B. doctrine of nullification
  - C. Jackson's destruction of the National bank
- IV. new political alignments (Whigs and Democrats)
- V. economic crises

## Key terms, names, and quotations:

spoils system "Trail of Tears"

Daniel Webster Hayne-Webster debates

secede specie Panic of 1837 depression

Martin Van Buren William Henry Harrison

John Tyler credit

The momentous question, like a firebell in the night, awakened and filled me with terror.

John Marshall has made his decision. Now let him enforce it.

Our Federal Union - it must be preserved! The Union - next to our liberty, the most dear!

## Readings:

\_\_\_\_\_\_1. pp. 379 - 389 \_\_\_\_\_\_\_3. pp. 388 - 393 \_\_\_\_\_\_\_2. pp. 384 - 387 \_\_\_\_\_\_4. pp. 395 - 399