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### State Constitution Making

- I. Need to Establish Fundamentality - people had no choice -
- II. Problem of Amending -
- III. Problem of Enumerating Rights -
- IV. Effort to Establish a Mixed-Balanced Government
- V. Separation of Executive from Legislature -

A. Legislature's Existence

B. Enumeration of Executive's Power -

C. Limited Executive's Appointment Power -

D. Judicial Tenure - separate from executive.

E. Systematic Representation - destroy state legislature free of power.

F. Residency Requirement - state assembly or legislative

G. Prohibit Plurality - all legal assemblies could call

VI. Establishment of Ideal Terms

A. Religion and the State

1. Jefferson's Act for Establishing Religious Freedom

B. Relation of State to Property

incorporated in Constitution by 1. property qualification for executive - 1000\$ prop.

eroding before Rev. 2. property qualification to vote

humans in time 3. primogeniture and entail ended where necessary

substantially D. Status of Women

E. Slavery

1. why slavery survived

Const. Dept. had to much

power.

destroy state legislature free of power.

state assembly or legislative

meet, good cause call

legislature.

2. Enumerate exec

3. cardio.

1. no veto

2. limit appointment

power.

only make

appoint with

concurrence

of legislature

one body

General rule to go to population  
instead of geographical  
representation had to reside in  
district he represented. (almost  
universally)

### The Articles of Confederation

2nd cont. Congress after 1st of Ind. 1781 ratified

Dickinson Draft - put together doc 1776 - 1781 ratified

A. Unicameral - permanent league of友邦國

B. Limited U.S. Government Control

C. No Executive - coin - borrow

D. Taxing Basis

II. Challenges to It

A. Representation

B. Taxation

C. U.S. Control of the West

1. states end their western land claims

2. Land Ordinance of 1784, 1785, and Northwest Ordinance (1787)

plurality - not one office at a time  
no distinct notion of separation of power.

unicameral  
(states - 1 vote)

beginning of state  
st const did not establish itself of state +  
govt.

mass. Congreg -  
new England to 1830 - try to set church  
most colonies - began to develop because no  
dominant church -

Jefferson's act for est. freedom.  
should separate church -

not done away with but groundwork  
for such a qualification.

2nd Issue - State to Prospect

Tradition in Engl Soc. had to have prop  
to hold office.

70% men owned property.

1. no stake in society,  
2. "independent if no borrowing of property".

trad. English Concepts -

neither repudiated in st constitutions

~~property state~~  
5 states specific had prop qual. for  
voting -

Tools -

pay N.H. If you paid taxes -  
full tax on "head" or "man".

Premogenitor & entailed - If a man dies without -  
est to oldest son  
people can specify who  
inheritance could not go.

## The Constitution

### I. Three Interpretations

- A. John Fiske (1880s): Economic Chaos, ~~and~~ <sup>argued - art of confederated govt. weak -</sup> ~~and~~ <sup>poorly run</sup>  
B. Charles Beard (1913): Suppressed Conservative Oligarchy  
C. Gordon Wood, Creation of the American Republic, 1776-1787 (1969)

### Propaganda II. Three Essential Groups

- A. National Financial Group: Robert Morris  
1. Continental Impost  
B. National Commercial Group  
C. Diplomatic Group: John Jay

### III. Forming the Constitution

- A. The Annapolis Convention, September, 1786  
B. The Delegates and the Convention, May-September, 1787  
C. No Disagreement on Adding Powers to Federal Government

~~no control~~ 1. taxing powers (Article I, Section 8)

~~no control~~ 2. commerce clause - Indians -

~~supreme ct.~~ 3. judiciary branch (Article III) federal ct system

~~no control~~ 4. prohibition on states (Article I, Section 10) import tax

~~no control~~ 5. limits on congressional commercial power (Article I, Section 9)

### D. Recast Thinking on Fundamental Points

1. that size leads to factionalism  
a. James Madison's use David Hume's idea  
b. Federalist #10 and #51 - multiplicity of groups

### E. Problem of Dual State System

1. Virginia plan - new nation - federal state - states to sell their powers - state powers which would people obey.  
2. supreme law of the land clause (Article VI)  
a. insurrections led by individuals

### D. Separation of Powers

1. the scheme  
2. Why a Senate? Federalist #62  
3. a place act (Article I, Section 2)

### IV. Ratification Process (Article VII)

- A. State Conventions Rather Than Legislatures  
B. Isolation of Those Who Opposed Ratification  
C. Good Chance for 9 States  
D. Why it Passed

1. bill of rights issue  
2. no major interests hurt  
3. force of exclusion

### Art of Confederation -

1776 - John Dickinson - key phrase - a permanent league of states - friendship  
1. unicameral govt - each state one voter  
2.

- 7 main aspects of power  
1 - external relations  
2 - power over issues of sea - shipping  
3 - coin money - to  
4 - borrow money  
5 - be in trade with Indian  
6 - settle disputes bet states  
7 - limit boundary claims & create new states

Solving some problems -  
One idea of a national govt  
Accomplishment of Revolution area  
1st generation of revolutionaries  
considerable spec power

no executive  
central of  
states  
seth 1777  
4 yrs to ratify

Important: state would collect taxes for fed govt.  
different to govt from state  
(over)  
Major slave states debt & want  
Art 5. fed based on ~~congr~~ pop  
estate

challenged  
3 point  
representation in congress  
small states didn't like  
large states didn't like  
monop power  
challenge  
had other  
national govt  
sever  
bond

- 3 - Nat'l govt had control of West  
 1 - states - sea to sea charters  
 2 - States had to cede western lands  
 issue had ratification to 1781.  
 1st N.Y., Virginia,

Really not ideological - they were  
 centred at ratified - 9 names  
 Virginia had own set of foreign affair.

1 - art did create a national govt.  
 \* series of land acts -  
 1785 ~~1784~~ Land Ordinance -  
 set up a means by which to survey lands  
 36 square miles  $1'' \times 1''$  = townships  
 units of counties - counties unit of states  
 buy a section = 640 acres.

~~1785~~ unique to am -  
 eventually reduced  
 to  $\frac{1}{16}$  section.

set aside 4 sections - held by federal govt &  
 sold by fed govt.  
 min price - \$4 an acre.

one section for public education.

size of states from West lands  
 1787 - N.W. ordinance - specified land n of Ohio  
 must be created into no less than 3  
 nor more than 5 states,

could become states when pop became 60,000  
 state when 60,000

self govt in territories

Govt. app't govt -

people would have territorial legislatures  
 could become states when pop became 60,000,

new  
 no slavery in Ohio  
 first surveying in this