CHAPTER 18: THE MOVEMENT WEST

MOVEMENT WEST

- Manifest Destiny → god given right to all the land from ocean to ocean

- Fulfilling Manifest Destiny
  - LA Purchase
  - Treaty of Guadalupe Hidalgo (Mexico)
  - Oregon Treaty (Br)
  - TX revolution
  - Broke Nat. American treaties

* Government moves west first. Then the people follow.*
ADDRESSING “THE INDIAN PROBLEM”

- Relocation

- Containment
  - Reservations
  - Remove them to worse land to provide whites w/ fertile soil

- Attack
  - Sand Creek Massacre
  - Wounded Knee Massacre → last resistance of Native Am ppl
  - Buffalo extinction

- Assimilation
  - Becoming “American”
  - Boarding Schools

- Dawes Act → Divides reservations into individual land plots

- Trail of Tears (1838)
- Reservation system (1861)
- Long walk (1864)
- Sand Creek Massacre (1864)
- Treaty of Fort Laramie (1868)
- Battle of Little Bighorn (1876)
- Buffalo extermination (1877)
- Indian Boarding Schools (1879)
- Dawes Severalty Act (1887)
- Oklahoma Land Rush (1889)
- Ghost Dance movement (1890)
- Wounded Knee Massacre (1890)
REASONS TO MOVE WEST

- Adventure
- Jobs
- gold, silver, copper
- mining
- Cheap/free land
- Homestead Act - 160 acre, 5 years, improve land
- OK Land Rush - race to get land

Originally the Indian Territory

CATTLE BOOM

- Cowboys
  Brought the cows North

- Long Drive
  TX → cattle/steers (ranches) → meat packing
  KS → Railroad to Chicago
- Cattle Thieves
SETTLING THE LAND

- Homestead Act (1862)

- Oklahoma Land Rush

- Morrill Land-Grant Act
  → money to states for education
  → state colleges
  → agriculture

LIFE ON THE GREAT PLAINS