

Chapter 9-2: A Policy of Neutrality

I Revolution in France

A. Reasons for Rebellion

1. Peasants & Middle class paid heavy taxes
2. Nobles paid no tax
3. Desire to Limit the Power of the King
4. Guarantee rights of all

B. Americans Support the Revolution

1. identified with their struggle
2. first ally of the U.S.
3. Marquis de Lafayette
 - a. fought with U.S. in ^{American} Revolution

C. Violence divides American Opinion

1. Reign of Terror

- a. King Louis XVI & Marie Antoinette killed

2. Thomas Jefferson

- a. supported the French Revolution

(4) didn't support killing of the King & Queen

3. Hamilton & Adams

- a. opposed violent revolution
- b. against Jefferson's views

II Remaining Neutral

A. War in Europe

1. Monarchies feared the spread of revolution

- a. Britain, Spain, Prussia, Austria, & the Netherlands
- b. they attacked France

B. A difficult decision

1. Foreign Policy

2. France wanted to use American Ports
 - a. Washington wanted to stay neutral

C. Divisions in the Cabinet

1. Jefferson & Hamilton had opposing views
2. Neutrality Proclamation
 - a. The U.S. would not side either side.

III Unpopular Treaty

A. American Ships

1. Both British & French captured Ships
2. British took 250 ~~to~~ sailors captive

B. Jays Treaty

1. exchange Payments for debts
2. British will leave Ohio Valley
3. Controversial Treaty

a. approved in 1795

IV Washington Retires

A. Farewell Address

1. announced retirement
2. urged the country to:

a. remain neutral with other countries

b. advice guided foreign policy for years