# 11-1 Westward to the Pacific Oregon Country

- •Included <u>Oregon, Washington, Wyoming,</u> <u>Idaho, Montana,</u> part of Canada
- •Between Rocky Mts. and Pacific Ocean
- •Claimed by: USA, Great Britain, Spain, Russia
- •Adams-Onis Treaty treaty with Spain to give up claim
- Treaty of 1818: USA and Britain agree to joint occupation of territory for 10 years

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## **Mountain Men**

- primarily fur trappers
- •James Beckwourth found pass through Sierra Nevada Mts.

Met each spring for rendezvous

## **Oregon Settlement**

- •Missionaries Marcus and Narcissa Whitman
- •Unknowingly brought <u>measles</u> with them and killed off many <u>Cayuse</u>
- •Followed Oregon Trail from Independence MO to Columbia River in OR
- •Wagons called **prairie schooners**
- •Americans believed in idea of **Manifest Destiny**

## 54°40' or Fight

Americans wanted to annex Oregon

•James Polk won election of 1844

•Pres. Polk wanted all of Oregon

•Treaty set boundary at 49th parallel in 1848

# 11-2 Independence for Texas

### **Colonizing Texas**

- •1820 population was mostly Native Americans and **Tejanos**
- •Spain offered land to people who would recruit settlers **empresarios**
- Moses Austin was granted land along the Brazos River
- •Mexico became independent from Spain
- •Stephen Austin recruited settlers who were good, moral people
- •by 1830, **Americans** outnumbered Tejanos 5 to 1
- •Mexico banned further **immigration**

#### **Fighting for Independence**

- •Santa Anna was head of Mexican government
- •Gonzalez was site of first conflict
- •Texans drove out Mexican soldiers at **San Antonio**
- •Sam Houston- was named commander of Texan
- •March 6, 1836: Davy Crockett, Jim Bowie, and Wm. Travis died while defending <u>Alamo</u>
- •March 2, 1836: Texas **Declaration on Independence**
- •Goliad second mission where the Mexicans massacred the Texans
- •Houston and Texan Army attacked while Mexican Army took siesta at **San Jacinto**
- •May,14 1836 Texas and Mexico signed <u>treaty</u>
- •President of the Republic of Texas was **Sam Houston**

## **Annexation**

- US recognized Republic of Texas
- Continued problems between Texas and

# **Mexico**

- President Polk and southern states
  <u>supported</u> annexation
- •Northern states and Henry Clay opposed it
- •Texas became a state in 1845