THE FIRST CALIFORNIANS (8/25)

California Indians
Ancient California (12-15,000 Yrs. Ago)
Migratory Hunters from N. Asia
Population Density – 300,000 People
Cultural Diversity – 135 Tribes
6 Root Languages – 6 Culture Areas
Territory & Trade – Salt & Obsidian
Acorns & Grinding Holes
Hunting & Gathering
Wickiups & Sweat Lodges
Clothing & Body Art
Chiefs & Shamans
Resource Management
Environmental Adaptation

CALIFORNIA EXPLORED (8/27)

Point Conception
Wind, Rocks, Fog, Current, Scurvy
Aztecs (Mexico) & Incas (Peru)
García Ordóñez de Montalvo,
Las Sergas de Esplandían (1500)
Queen Calafía – California
Strait of Anián
Juan Rodríguez Cabrillo (1542-43)
Francis Drake – Drake’s Bay (1579)
Drake’s Plate Hoax (1936-1977)
Herbert Eugene Bolton
Miwok
Spanish Galleons – Shipwreck (1595)
Sebastián Vizcaíno (1602-03)
Monterey Bay
CALIFORNIA COLONIZED (9/1)

New Spain – Northern Frontier
Russia – Fur Trade
Defensive Expansion
José de Gálvez (1765)
Soldiers & Missionaries
Gaspar de Portolá
Baja California & Alta California
Junípero Serra – Franciscans
Portolá Expedition (1769-1770)
Mission San Diego (1769)
San Francisco Bay
San Diego “Miracle” (1770)
Mission San Carlos Borromeo (1770)
Juan Bautista de Anza
Anza Expedition (1775-1776)
Mission San Francisco de Asís (1776)
(Mission Dolores)

THE MISSIONS (1) (9/3)

140 Missionaries – “Padres”
21 Missions (Founded 1769-1823)
El Camino Real
20,000 Indians at Missions
79,000 Baptisms/Conversions by 1833
Coercion & Runaways
Indian Starvation & Mission Food
Invasive Species: Livestock, Crops, Weeds
Disease Epidemics
Spiritual Crisis & Cultural Persistence
Neophytes – Labor & Discipline
Mission Death Rates
California Indian Population:
  Over 300,000 in 1769
  Under 100,000 in 1848
THE MISSIONS (2) (9/8)

VIDEO: “INSIDE THE CALIFORNIA MISSIONS”
(CULTURAL VIDEOS, 1992)

21 Spanish Missions (Founded 1769-1823)
El Camino Real
4 Presidios
Mission Churches
Tile Roofs & Adobe Bricks
Mission Products
Mission Aqueducts
European Disease
Mission Revolts
Franciscan Priests
Secularization
Mission Bells
Indian Cemeteries

SPANISH CALIFORNIA (9/10)

Spanish Period (1769-1822)
Presidios & Pueblos
Spanish Soldiers & Colonists
Subsidies & Salaries
Mestizos – Gente de Razón
Indians in Pueblos
Yuma Revolt (1781)
Isolation & Stagnation
Spanish Population
Mercantilism & Trade
France Conquers Spain (1807)
Horses & Yokuts
Chumash Revolt (1824)
Estanislao’s Rebellion (1829)
**MEXICAN CALIFORNIA (9/15)**

Mexican Revolution (1810-1821)
Republic of Mexico (Independent 1821)
Mexican Period (1822-1848)
*Californios*
Foreign Trade Allowed (1822)
California Commodities
Hides & Tallow
British & American Merchants
Richard Henry Dana (Visited 1835)
“California Banknotes”
Secularization Ordered (1833)
Indian *Vaqueros* (Cowboys)
Gov. Juan Bautista Alvarado (1836-1842)

**THE RANCHOS (9/17)**

*Ranchos* (Ranches) & *Rancheros* (Ranch Owners)
Mexican Land Grants (over 500 in 1833-1846)
Pío Pico, De La Guerras, M. Vallejo, L. M. Peralta
10 Million Acres – 10% of California
*Diseños* (Hand-Drawn Maps)
Cow Hides & Beef Tallow
Rancho Homes & Ranchero Families
Farming & Ranching
*Vaqueros* (Indian Cowboys)
*Rodeos* (Roundups) & *Fandangos* (Dances)
*Matanzas* (Slaughtering Cattle)
Horses & Rope Skills – Bull & Bear Fights
Rancheros = Less than 25% of Californios
California’s “Pastoral Era”
Racism, Anti-Catholicism, Expansionism
**CALIFORNIANAS (9/22)**

50 Women in Anza Exped. (1775-1776)
*Maestras* (Teachers)
*Curanderas* (Healers)
*Parteras* (Midwives)
*Llaveras* (Key-Keepers)
*Rancheras* – Benicia Vallejo
Juana Briones (Born 1802)
Richard Henry Dana (Visited 1835)
Alfred Robinson (in Calif. 1829-1846)
Guadalupe Trujillo (Trial 1843)
Eulalia Callis (Divorce Suit 1785)
Gov. Pedro Fages
Apolinaria Lorenzana (Arrived 1800)

**EXAM #1 (9/24)**

**CALIFORNIA INFILTRATED (9/29)**

Russian Colony – Bodega Bay
Fort Ross (1812-1841)
Foreign Merchants
William Hartnell (1822) – de la Guerra
Abel Stearns (1829) – Bandini
Port of San Pedro
Thomas Larkin (1832 – U.S. Consul 1843)
Fur Trappers – “Mountain Men”
Jedediah Smith (1826-1828)
American Squatters
Oregon Trail (1841)
John Bidwell (1841)
John Sutter (1839)
Sutter’s Fort
CALIFORNIA CONQUERED (10/1)

Monroe Doctrine (1823)
Pres. Jackson’s Offer (1835)
Secty. Webster’s Deal (1842)
Com. Thomas Ap Catesby Jones
Manifest Destiny
Pres. James Polk (1845-1849)
Pres. Polk’s Offer (1845)
John C. Frémont
Bear Flag Revolt (1846)
Com. John Sloat
Gov. Pío Pico
Com. Robert Stockton
*Californio* Militia
Gen. Stephen Kearny
Battle of San Pasqual (1846)
Treaty of Guadalupe Hidalgo (1848)

THE GOLD RUSH (1) (10/6)

California Gold Rush (1848-1853)
Mother Lode – Sierra Foothills
John Sutter
James Marshall
Coloma Discovery (Jan. 1848)
Sam Brannan – S.F. Visit (May 1848)
“Gold Fever”
Pres. Polk’s Message (Dec. 1848)
Gold Rush Promoters
250,000 “Argonaunts”
Panama Route
Ocean Route
Overland Route
THE GOLD RUSH (2) (10/8)

Mining on Public Land
Legal Vacuum
Staking Claims
Claim Jumpers
Placer Mining
Pans, Rockers, Long Toms
$2 Bil. in Gold ($40 Bil. Today)
Mining Companies
Hydraulic Mining
John Dwinelle
Wells & Fargo
Levi Strauß
Vice = Drinking, Gambling, Prostitution
Hinton Helper, *Land of Gold* (1855)

LAW AND ORDER (10/13)

U.S. Military Occupation (1847-1850)
Alcaldes & Vigilantes
Mock Trials & “Technicalities”
Lynchings – Lynch Mobs
Dame Shirley (Louisa Clappe)
San Francisco Fires (1849-1851)
Corruption, Vice & Crime
San Francisco Merchants
Australian Gangs
1st Committee of Vigilance (1851)
Sam Brannan
Charles Cora & James Casey
2nd Committee of Vigilance (1856)
William Coleman
POLITICS AND STATEHOOD (10/20)

Northwest Ordinance (1787)
First Constitutional Convention (1849)
48 Delegates – 8 Californios
Slavery Expansion & Voting Rights
State Boundaries & State Seal
Property Rights for Women
Admission & Statehood (Sept. 1850)
First Session of State Legislature (1850)
David Broderick (N.Y.)
William Gwinn (Tenn.)
David Terry (Kty.)
Broderick-Terry Duel (1859)
State Property Tax (1851)
Split-State Resolution (1859)
Andrés Pico

RACISM AND GENOCIDE (10/22)

White Supremacy
Calaveras Riots (1849)
Juanita/Josefa of Downieville (1851)
Foreign Miners’ Tax (1850-51, 1852-70)
25,000 Chinese in 1852
People v. Hall (1854)
Federal Naturalization Law (1790)
2,000 Blacks in 1852 – 4,000 in 1860
18 Treaties (1851) – 7.5 Million Acres
Gov. Peter Burnett (1849-1851)
Subsidies and Bounties
Indian Protection Act (1850)
“Vagrancy” – Apprentices & Wards
1000,000 Indians in 1846 – 30,000 in 1860
**THE LAND QUESTION (10/27)**

Treaty of Guadalupe Hidalgo (1848)
Public Land – 160 acres
California Land Act (1851)
Land Commission (1852-1856)
• Over 800 Mex. Claims Heard
• 600 Confirmed, 200 Denied
• Avg. 17 Years of Litigation
Pío Pico – Pico House (Los Angeles)
Mariano Vallejo
Tiburcio Vásquez – Hanged 1875
Joaquín Murrieta – Killed (?) 1853
Salomon Pico (1850s)
Johnston McCulley
*The Legend of Zorro* (1919)

**EXAM #2 (10/29)**

**THE IRON HORSE (11/3)**

VIDEO: “MODERN MARVELS: THE TRANSCONTINENTAL RAILROAD”
(HISTORY CHANNEL, 1995)

ASA WHITNEY
THEODORE JUDAH
CENTRAL PACIFIC R.R. (BUILDING EAST)
“THE ASSOCIATES” (THE BIG FOUR):
  COLLIS HUNTINGTON
  MARK HOPKINS
  CHARLES CROCKER
  LELAND STANFORD
UNION PACIFIC R.R. (BUILDING WEST)
PACIFIC RAILROAD ACT (1862)
  LOANS: $16,000-$48,000 PER MILE
  LAND GRANTS: OVER 20 MIL. ACRES
THOMAS DURANT – CREDÎT MOBILIER CO.
CHINESE LABORERS
CUT & FILL GRADING – LAYING TRACK
TUNNELS & SNOW SHEDS
PROMONTORY SUMMIT, UTAH (1869)
**CHINESE CALIFORNIA (1) (11/5)**

*Gam Saan* – Gold Mountain  
“Celestials”  
Guangdong Province – Cantonese  
10% of Calif. Population (1850s-80s)  
25% of Calif. Labor Force (1850s-80s)  
Intensive Labor  
Underconsumption  
Smoking Opium  
Labor Contractors  
Wage Discrimination  
Charles Crocker – Central Pacific R.R.  
Farm Workers & Tenant Farmers  
Ah Bing  
Fruit & Vegetable Peddlers

**CHINESE CALIFORNIA (2) (11/10)**

Factory Work – Wage Discrimination  
Chinese Businesses, Restaurants, Laundries  
Chinatown – Theaters & Vice  
S.F.’s Discriminatory Laws:  
  - Cubic Air Ordinance (1870)  
  - Pigtail Ordinance (1878)  
  - Sidewalk Ordinance (1870)  
  - Laundry License  
Six Companies  
*Chy Lung v. Freeman* (1876)  
*Yick Wo v. Hopkins* (1886)  
Wives & Prostitutes  
Donaldina Cameron  
Tongs  
“Yellow Peril”
THE RAILROAD ERA (11/12)

Henry George
1870s Depression – Labor Surplus
Transportation Monopoly
Central Pacific Railroad
The Big Four
Corporate Blackmail
Los Angeles Subsidy (1872)
Southern Pacific Railroad (1882)
“Charge All the Traffic Will Bear”
Land Monopoly
12 Mil. Acres of Railroad Land
Overspeculation
Nevada Silver Rush (1859-1875)
Comstock Lode
William Ralston
Bank of California – Palace Hotel

THE WORKINGMEN’S PARTY (11/17)

Burlingame Treaty (1868)
Irish Immigrants
S.F. Unions & Mobs
Nob Hill Mansions
Anti-Chinese Riots (1877)
Committee of Public Safety
Denis Kearney
Workingmen’s Party
2nd Const. Convention (1878)
State Railroad Commission
State Board of Equalization
Article XIX
2nd State Constitution (1879)
Ant-Chinese Referendum (1879)
Chinese Exclusion Act (1882)
Anti-Chinese Boycotts (1880s)
GROWTH AND DEVELOPMENT (11/19)

Railroad & Cities
Los Angeles & San Diego
Central Valley Towns
San Francisco: 300,000 in 1890
Union Iron Works
Extractive Industries
Hydraulic Mining
Lumber & Lumberjacks
Agric. Processing – Canners
Viticulture – Agoston Haraszthy
Wheat Boom (1880s)
Agribusiness
Migratory Labor
Farm Organizations

THE WATER QUESTION (11/24)

Sierra Nevada Snow Pack
Sacramento & San Joaquin Rivers
Water Rights Controversy
Riparian vs. Prior Appropriation
Lux v. Haggin (1886)
Wright Act (1887)
Irrigation Districts
Imperial Valley Project (1896)
George Chaffey
Colorado River Floods (1905-1907)
Salton Sea
Hydraulic Mining Controversy
Mining Debris – Levees
Woodruff v. N. Bloomfield (1884)
Bayard Taylor, El Dorado (1850)
SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA (12/1)

Central Pacific R.R. Reaches L.A. (1872)
Domestic Migration
Health Rush
Climatotherapy
Eastern Tourists
Santa Fé R.R. Reaches L.A. (1886)
So. Calif. Real Estate Boom (1886-1887)
Land Rush
L.A. Chamber of Commerce (1888)
Orange Growers
Orange Rush
Calif. Fruit Growers Exchange (1895)
“Sunkist” Label
Urban Sprawl
Pacific Electric Streetcars

CALIFORNIA MYTHOLOGY (12/3)

Missions & Gold Rush
Founding Myths
Pioneer Myth
John Hittell
Hubert Howe Bancroft
Admission Day Holiday (1889)
Helen Hunt Jackson, Ramona (1884)
Ramona Tourism
Padre Myth
La Fiesta de Los Angeles (1890s)
Charles Fletcher Lummis
Gertrude Atherton
Imperialist Nostalgia
THE OCTOPUS (12/8)

Frank Norris, *The Octopus* (1901)
Central Pacific Railroad (1869-1882)
Southern Pacific Railroad (After 1882)
Mussel Slough Incident (1880)
Railroad Corruption & Scandals
Collis Huntington
David Colton (C.P. Manager 1874-1878)
Elizabeth Colton
Colton Letters Scandal (1883)
Los Angeles Free Harbor Fight (1890s)
Santa Monica vs. San Pedro
Railroad Funding Bill (1890s)
William Randolph Hearst
*San Francisco Examiner*