

WEEK 1

MARCH 1ST TO 5TH

# FEDERALISM

ENOUGH IS ENOUGH

**On the 1st, in 1781,** Ratification of the Articles of Confederation, 8 years in the process.

**On the 1st in 1867** Nebraska becomes a State (#37) Two years after the Civil War, and on the heels of the homesteaders arriving in the 1860's, Omaha is the Capital while a Territory. The Capital is moved to Lancaster after receiving statehood, finally renamed to Lincoln. Some of the best farmland is found here. We also find that Arbor Day, April 10, 1872, was the first of its kind. By 1920, 45 states had adopted this holiday. Way to go Cornhusker's.

**On the 1st in 1803** Ohio becomes a State (#17) Maybe Ohio has had the most Capital locations, starting with Chillicothe, moving to Zanesville, back to Chillicothe, finally landing in Columbus. Perhaps this is why, in 1953, that after years of confusion, the House voted to approve legislation retroactively to ratify the state constitution & admit Ohio to the Union as of 1803.

**On the 2nd,** with origins leading back to A.D. 313, Lent will be celebrated. Lent is a holiday with religious significance. *"Although the practices may have evolved over the centuries, the focus remains the same: to repent of sin, to renew our faith and to prepare to celebrate joyfully..."*

**On the 3rd in 1913: Women's Suffrage March on Washington (Video), led to the right to vote.** The March was held the day before Woodrow Wilsons inauguration. Inez Milholland rode astride a white horse leading the procession. Calling themselves feminists, they were fighting for both the vote and equality. The Vote would come and nearly 60 years later Equal Rights was almost granted with a Constitutional Amendment "ERA". By 2022, we begin to learn how the quest for Equal Rights may have some unforeseen consequences. Maybe it was a blessing that the ERA did not pass, as Trans Rights get a voice.



**On the 3rd, 1845,** Florida becomes a State (27th). "...after centuries of Spanish rule, 20 years of British control and almost 25 years as a U.S. Territory, Florida was finally voted as a state,...joining the Union along with Iowa". By 1861, Florida votes to secede, joining with the Confederacy. As the Sunshine State, Florida is a leader as they recognize States Rights.

**On the 4th, in 1791** Vermont becomes the 14th State. The first state to enter the Union after the original 13 colonies. It came with a price, New York only allowed this to occur if Vermont would pay \$30,000. They wanted Statehood, so they paid.