o By 1837, financial problems stemming from the abandonment of the BUS led to economic depression- Panic of 1837

- Texas Colonization
  o Moses Austin and his son founded a private colony in Texas
  o Stephan Austin became a successful empresario
  o American settlers established profitable ranches and farms
  o Developed trade, social/political connections with Tejanos
    ▪ Tejanos = Spanish speaking Texans
    ▪ Texians = English speaking Texans
  o Tensions arose when new Mexican government began to exert stronger control over Texas
    ▪ Particularly over slavery

- Santa Fe Trail
  o Facilitated the growth of New Mexico
    ▪ Spanish subdued the Comanche and Apache in the area
  o William Becknell led a group of traders from Missouri to Santa Fe on Indian trails
  o Became a lucrative trade route between the US and Mexico
  o Jackson authorized the army to guard caravans from Indian attack

- The Black Hawk War
  o American settlers moved to push Indians off their land in the Old Northwest
  o Sac leader Black Hawk led people back into Illinois after conflicts with Sioux tribes
  o Keokuk and other Sac and Fox people favored accommodation
  o Lewis Cass ordered federal troops in in 1832