

Chapter 9, Section 1: *The Republicans Take Power*

- Election of 1800 was a peaceful transition of power (from Federalists to Democratic-Republicans)
- Thomas Jefferson
 - Known as the champion of the “common man” but Jefferson was truly an aristocrat (wealthy and educated)
 - Born in 1743; died July 4, 1826 – Lived to be 83 years old
 - Inherited approximately 5,000+ acres of land from his father
 - Attended the College of William and Mary
 - Built Monticello; was a plantation owner and Jefferson owned slaves
 - Main writer of the *Declaration of Independence*
 - Secretary of State under Washington (resigned in 1793)
 - Vice President under John Adams
 - “*We are all Federalists, we are all Republicans*” – stresses unity, but do Jefferson’s actions promote a strong unified nation?
 - Believes the government that governs the least, governs the best
 - Founded the University of Virginia