Japan and Imperialism

How did Japan come to join the 'imperialist gang,' instead of succumbing to it?

0. Responses to Twilight Samurai & Palestinian-Israeli Peace Process event? Clicker reg.: purged July 2009
   Midterm: 2 blue books to section; special accomm.

1. Tokugawa shogunate (1600-1868)
2. Meiji restoration: Japan as imperialist power
3. Midterm review and UC’s future

Music: Chinese Cultural Revolution songs, 1940s
(youtube: East is Red, Liuyang River, Sun over Prairie)

Last Lecture Clicker Q: C
Which of the following would an early 19th century conservative be most likely to support?

A. a proposal to give poor and rich alike an equal vote
B. an officially established church with preeminent rights in education
C. an absolutist monarch ruling with no constitutional restraints
D. a proposal to sever any connections between church and schools

Japan Timeline

- Tokugawa Shogunate (1600-1868)
  - Highly literate, technologically advanced, “feudal”
  - Many principalities united by print culture
  - Stable: No war for over 200 years (1639-1864)
  - Samurai: peacetime warrior-bureaucrats, run gov’t
- Disruption in mid-1800s
  - China: Opium wars (1840-42; 1856-64)
  - India: 1858 Britain colonizes Mughal empire
  - Japan: 1853 & '54: US Commodore Perry arrives
  - 1858: “Treaty of Amity & Commerce” (Unequal Treaties)

"Feudal" Japan

The Shogun / Daimyo / a Samurai
Edo (Tokyo) in the 1600s

Celebration of Shogun

Dutch ships in Nagasaki bay

A Dutchman and a Chinese servant (1861)

Doctor reading a book of medicine

Camels for the Shogun, 1821
Perry’s black ships, 1853 & '54

Japan and the West

1848 photo portrait of daimyo Shimazu Nariakira (1809-1858)

1855 Earthquake and fire

Young radical samurai ronin

Ronin Group making plans
Target Practice

Battle of Fushimi (1868):
Overthrow of Tokugawa

"Emperor's New Clothes"
(cabinet minister with Western clothes & mutton chops)

British capture of Choshu battery, 1863

Imperial Troops enter Edo

Okubo Toshimichi (1830–1878): advocate of Westernization
Fukuzawa Yukichi (1835-1901; 1860 photo) author of *An Outline Theory of Civilization, 1875*:

"In all the places touched by the Europeans are there any which have developed their power, attained benefits, preserved their independence? What has been the outcome in Persia, India, Siam, Luzon, and Java? ..."

**“Self-Colonization”**

- Accepts notion that West = civilized non-western=uncivilized
- Japan can prove that it is "civilized" by colonizing others, namely Okinawa and Hokkaido and the Kuril Islands

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Rutgers students

Conscript Army

Making a speech for popular rights

Industrialization: Factory in the 1880s

Zaibatsu (Vertical Monopoly: Factory, Import/Export, Bank)
Kishida Toshiko (1863-1901) advocate of women's rights

"If it is true that men are better than women because they are stronger, why aren't our sumo wrestlers in the government?"
London Daily Times representation of empires: imperialist utopia

3 Fishermen: Russia, China, Japan (fish: Korea)

1895 Sino-Japanese war

Westernized Japanese troops battle crying Chinese

Treaty table

Russian Octopus
1904-05 Russo-Japanese War

Japanese troops chase Russians over a precipice

Hospital Scene: Japanese care for Russians

Protest March in Korea

Captured Independence Activists

French cartoon belittling Japanese attempts at Westernization (note the reflection!)

Forum: “The Future of UC”
12:45 Theater Bldg, 1pm, Campbell Hall, 2pm

- UC President Yudoff in the NY Times, 9/24/09: “Being president of the University of California is like being manager of a cemetery: There are many people under you, but no one is listening.”
- Saving UCSB announces “Zombies Unites!” “an outbreak against budget cuts, fee hikes, privatization, the Schwarzenegger tax, and the failed leadership of the UCOP and Regents”
  - Come read the names of students, faculty, staff, programs, services, and equipment that have left/will leave UC Santa Barbara because of the budget cuts
  - Black armbands provided; wear something undead because … We're not dead yet!
UC’s Future – Our Future?

State Contribution to UC

UC’s AA1 Bond Rating
Unmarked envelope slipped to Berkeley prof
- Filing with the FTC: UC’s bonds are guaranteed by unlimited increases in student fees. They can go up as needed to cover repayment.
  - Has always worked in the past.
- Who benefits from this rating?

Return on Investment
- $40,000/student from state since 1960s
- College grads average $53,500/year
  - High School grads avg $32,400/year
- Bureau Labor & Stats: State tax rates
  - College: 8.7%     High School: 9.5% (income, sales, property, …)
- Annually: $1,580 more from college grad
- Working life: 43 vs. 47 yrs til age 65
  - $55,600 more from the college grad
  - $55,600-40,000=$15,600 net profit
- UC contribution now $31,000
  - Profit increases to $24,600—at what cost??

Clicker Q: Midterm Review 1
I will offer two 1-hour online review sessions. They will be archived to read later. Which day would you MOST prefer?
A. Monday 5-6 pm
B. Tuesday 5-6 pm
C. Tuesday 8-9 pm
D. Wednesday 3-4 or 4-5pm (or 8-9?)
E. I don’t want to ask questions, I’ll read later if I have time/want to

Clicker Q: Midterm Review 2
Given that one review session will be on Tuesday 8-9 pm. I would like the second one to be on:
A. Monday 5-6 pm
B. Tuesday 5-6 pm
C. Tuesday 8-9 pm
D. Wednesday 3-4pm
E. Wednesday 4-5pm
F. I don’t care