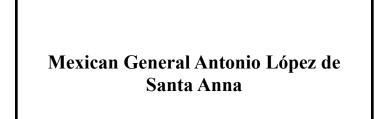


blocked off; a small Texan army were blocked off inside a San Antonio mission called the Alamo

"Remember the Alamo!"

rallying cry for the Texans following and important battle in which they were defeated

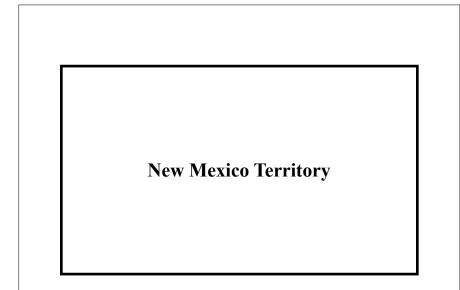


forced to sign a treaty that recognized the independence of Texas

Sam Houston

commander in chief of the Texan forces and later president of the Lone Star Republic

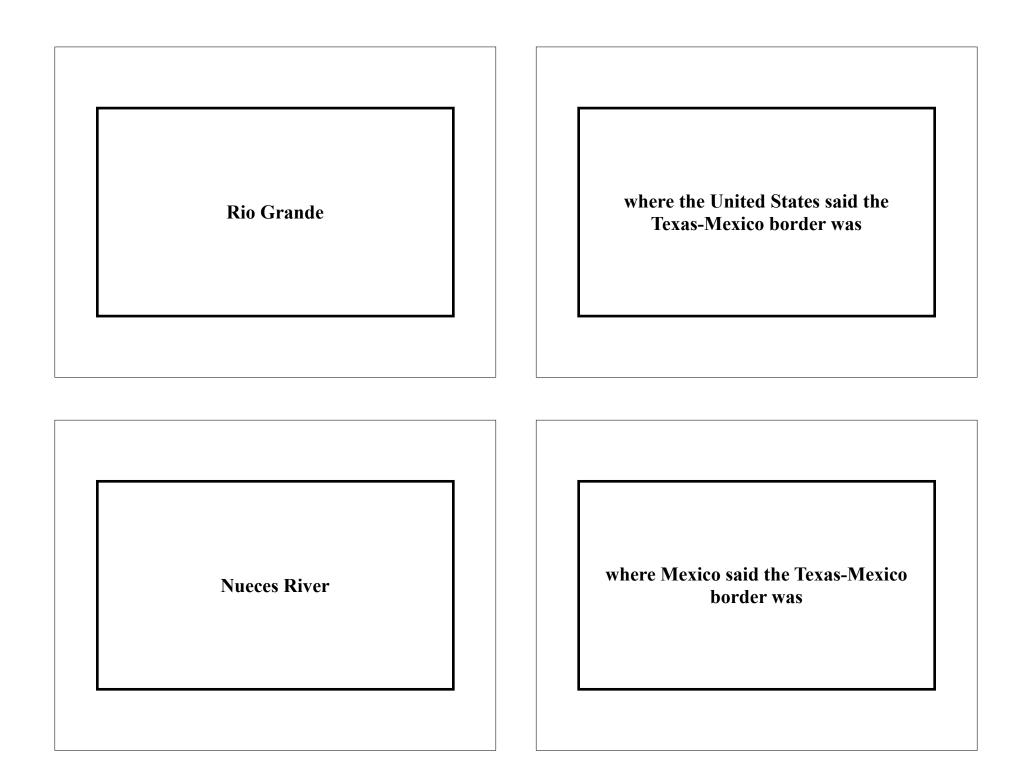


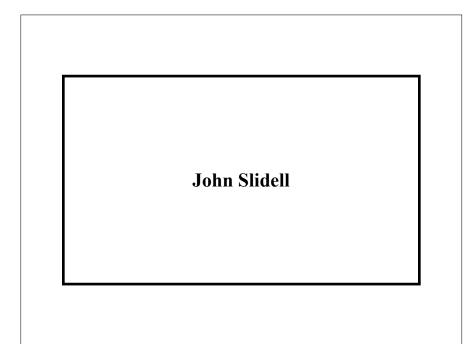


land that is now the states of New Mexico, Arizona, Nevada, Utah and parts of Colorado and Wyoming

The Santa Fe Trail

route that started near Independence, Missouri, crossed the prairies to the Arkansas River, followed the river west toward the Rocky Mountains, and then turned south to the New Mexico Territory

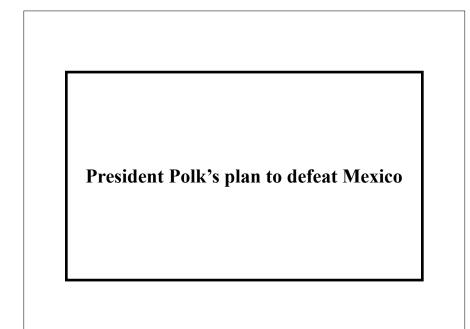




representative sent by President Polk to Mexico to offer \$30 million for CA and NM

Mexico had "invaded our territory and shed American blood upon the American soil"

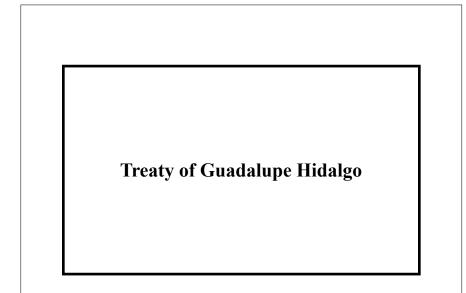
what President Polk told Congress had started the war with Mexico



the US would drive Mexican forces out of Texas, seize New Mexico and California, and capture Mexico City (the capital)

the Bear Flag Republic

the name Americans gave to an independent California



Mexico gave the US over 500,000 square miles of land (what is now CA, NV, and UT and most of AZ, NM, CO, and WY), Mexico accepted the Rio Grande as its border with Texas, and the US paid Mexico \$15 million and assumed \$3.25 million in debts Mexico owed American citizens