

## **POLI 100C: Political Parties**

**Agenda: 10 January 2008**

### **A. The English Context -- American Institutions are *English***

- 1. Political -- Representative Government; Separation of Powers; the Common Law**
- 2. Economic -- Private Property Rights Enforced by Government**

### **B. General Theme -- The interaction of Private Property Rights and Representative Democracy. This interaction is *dynamic* and produces feedback effects between the Political System and the Economic System.**

- 1. Inventors and Entrepreneurs Create things! These creations produce *Unanticipated Structural Changes in the Economy and the social system!***
- 2. These Unanticipated Structure Changes Generate *Massive Ripple Effects* in the Economic and Political Systems.**
- 3. These Ripple Effects Produce a Political Response.**
- 4. The Political Responses produces a *Feedback* into the Economic System *by altering the structure of incentives.***
- 5. The Nature of the Political Response is shaped by *Ideology*. The Glue that binds together the members of a Political Party is provided by a *set of beliefs* about what is "good" -- Who gets what, who should rule.**
- 6. The Effects of Shocks Go Both Ways -- There can be *Political Shocks* -- War -- that produce Economic Change.**

### **C. The Historical Context of *Federalist # 10***

- 1. The Economic Grievances that led to the War for Independence**
  - A. The Cost of the French-Indian War 1753-1763**
  - B. British Payment of Defense Costs of Colonies Led to Attempts to Tax**

**C. The Navigation Acts and Enumerated Articles**

**2. The Political Grievances that led to the War for Independence**

**A. The Economic Burden of Taxation by Britain**

**B. Winners and Losers From the Navigation Acts**

**C. Various Acts of Parliament 1763 - 1774 that Negated  
Fundament Rights of the Colonists**

**3. The Interaction Between the Economic and Political Grievances**

**D. Federalist # 10**