

Anaconda Plan/Union Blockade/Confederate Blockade Runners

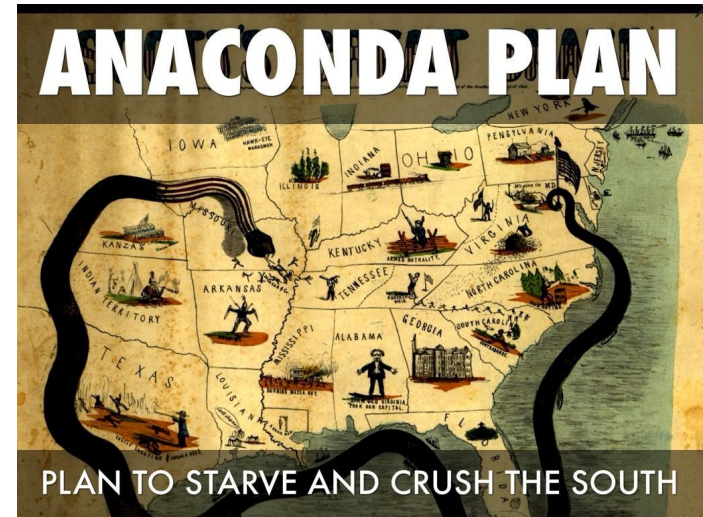
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- The Anaconda plan is a name applied to a union Army outline strategy for suppressing the confederacy at the beginning of the American Civil War.
- The main purpose of the Anaconda plan was to defeat the rebellion by blockading southern parts and controlling the Mississippi river. This would isolate the south from the outside world.
- 90% of the confederate ships were destroyed. They were able to break through the blockade in 1861
- The plan had 3 Parts:
- Blockade of southern coastline.
- Take control of Mississippi river.
- Take Richmond Virginia

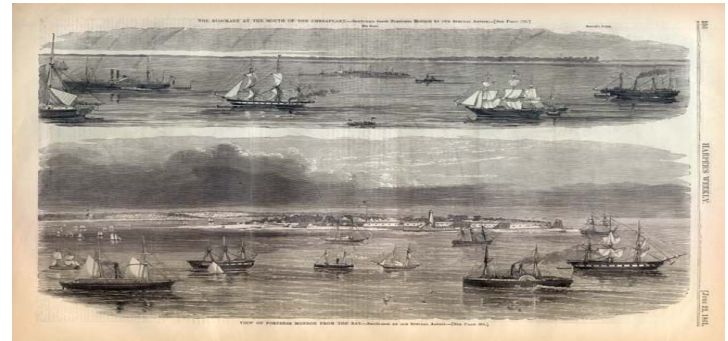


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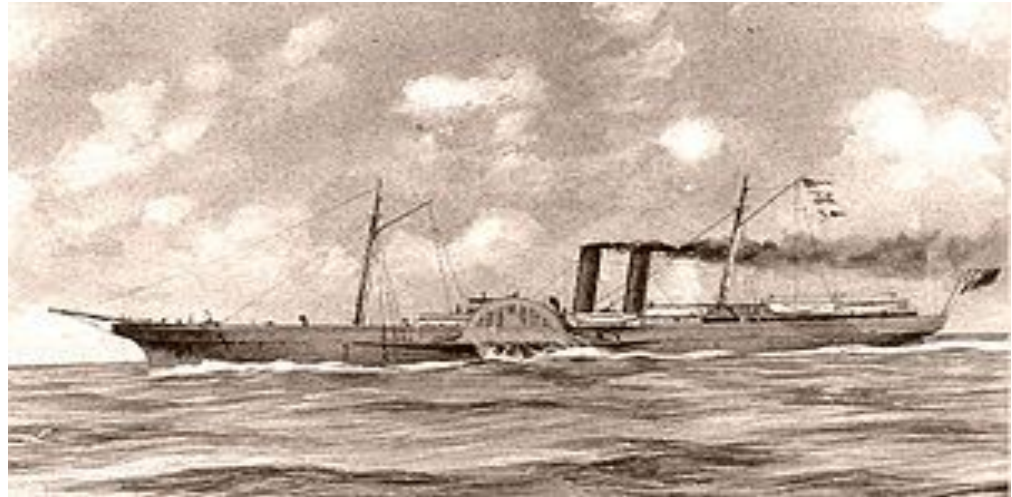


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- The Union blockade began just a few weeks after the start of the Civil War. Abraham Lincoln announced it on April 19, 1861.
- the Union continued to blockade the South throughout the Civil War until the war ended in 1865.
- The blockade idea was instituted by the Federal government just days after the firing on Fort Sumter which official started the Civil War.
- The **Union** Navy captured or destroyed around 1,500 **blockade** runner ships during the course of the Civil War.
- The **blockade** covered around 3,500 miles of coastline and 180 ports.



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- On April 19, 1861, one week after Confederate forces attacked [Fort Sumter](#), [President Abraham Lincoln](#) ordered the blockade.
- During the first two years of the Civil War, the blockade had very limited success.
- The Union Navy had to patrol nearly 3,500 miles of seashore along the [Atlantic](#) and [Gulf coastlines](#).
- As few as 25% of blockade runners were successful later in the war.
- The blockade was part of [General Winfield Scott's Anaconda Plan](#) to put [economic](#) pressure on the Confederacy until it returned to the Union

