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AMERICA'S NATIONAL IDENTITY

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Tocqueville
Melting Pot
tomatoe soup
metaphor for U.S.
American is a tomato salad

Slavery

What role has war played

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embodied in American Creed
liberty
equality
human rights
rule of law
private property
individualism

Greatest achievement for U.S. - it has eliminated racial and ethnic components

Became of commitment to Anglo-Protestant culture and Creed of Founding Fathers

Salience

The Future of American? Cosmopolitan p366

What will we choose? Imperial
National

p 256 - The American Dream? There is no American Dream.

For two hundred years almost all Americans were protestants

Today 60% of Americans are protestants

Primary source of American Creed.

America founded "liberal" Lockean or Enlightenment fragment of Europe

Americans have a fierce spirit of liberty

American Creed - Gunnar Myrdal 1944

Absolute guide line for good and evil

What were the 4 Great Awakenings p16

What impact has war had on this country

What is the history of teaching history?

Statue of Liberty 1886 - Columbian Exposition 1893

Before Civil War July 4 only holiday - Thanksgiving 1863

Memorial Day - immediately after Civil War.

The American Flag - first flag day 1877

Americanizing the Immigrant p131

Protestant America and Catholicism

1789 - 1% Cath. in Amer.

The Pope was seen as the anti Christ

1815 - Irish and Germans began coming to U.S. All Catholic

What was the Americanization of Catholicism p96

1952 - 83% of Catholics said religion very important

1981 54%

Why in 20th Century - with exception of U.S. - have
Western countries become secularized p.15



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Immigration 1960s - 3.3 mil. - foreign born 5.3%
1980s - 7 mil.
1990s - 9 mil. 2002 - 11.5%
foreign born

Race p 304

Races will continue to exist

Intermarriage 1960 - 1.7% - one black &
1993 - 12.1%

In 2000 21 mil. immigrants said they did not
speak English well.

after 1965 - Assimilation of immigrants into
American society slowed p 185

Hispanics

38.8 mil - 2002

How many people
don't speak English