

Ideas that shaped the constitution



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I will discuss 3 main ideas regarding the Federalist Papers. The Federalist Papers wanted to protect the people as a whole, not just individuals. Before the U. S. Constitution was formed, the leaders believed that a weak central government wouldn't have enough power to protect the rights of individual people. After the U. S. Constitution was created, the document called for a strong central government, one that would have power over the state governments and provide a unified authority on legislating, enforcing and judging laws. What was the purpose of the Federalist Papers?

The overall purpose of the Federalist Papers was to convince the people that a stronger centralized government would be more protective of their rights. The Federalist papers were written to convince people to ratify the Constitution. The papers discussed the unequivocal experience of the incompetence of the federal government and the need for a stronger central government. They wanted the public to support the constitution and get involved. Many leaders wanted a centralized government because they feared if the power remained in the states it would eventually tear the government apart.

States fought with each other over power and they wanted the power to be centralized not at the states level. The States had more power than the government. Many far-sighted leaders realized that the self-interests of the states would eventually tear the union apart. and that the Articles of Confederation provided no legal or political means to stop it. States quarreled with one another over land claims, commerce regulations, and frequently erected imposts against neighboring states.

Although strictly forbidden by the Articles, states established relations and treaties with foreign nations and refused to send much needed tax money to congress. Due to the difficult amendment process, attempts to endow congress with greater authority to tax and to regulate commerce could be stopped by the refusal of a single state. Who was the intended audience? The original purpose of the Federalist Papers was to elect Pro-constitution delegates to the New York state ratification convention.

The proposed audience was the merchants of New York City, whose support was vital if the upstate Antifederalists were to be overpowered. This effort ultimately failed. Only nineteen Federalists were elected from New York City, while forty-six Antifederalists were elected from upstate, led by Governor George Clinton. The papers were printed in only a dozen papers in New York, and their influence on the overall vote was minimal. How did the Articles of Confederation fail? The articles of confederation were written to oversee the 13 original colonies breaking away from Great Britain in 1776.

The articles of confederation failed for many reasons. The main reason was that the states had too much power and the federal government was weak. There was no one person in charge, the executive branch. Congress didn't have any power; decisions had to be made by all 13 states. Drafted during the years 1776 and 1777, while the colonies were fighting for independence, the Articles of Confederation created a government with most of the governmental powers retained by the states. The Articles provided no separation of branches. Congress, the legislative branch of government. When laws were presented, they required Congress to vote as states not as individuals.

The Articles of Confederation were written to govern the interaction of the thirteen original states after independence from Great Britain in 1776. They proved to be ineffective. The US Constitution was adopted to replace the Articles of Confederation as an active government is critical to the protection of individual rights. Under the Articles of Confederation, the government was unable to enforce individual rights because it did not act directly upon the people, and it lacked the authority to enforce its laws. The Constitution requires that the people are needed to ratify the document and decide whether they will support the framers or not.