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SS/Louisiana Purchase/PBL Teacher

Directions: Read the short article below that appeared in the **Washington Federalist** newspaper after the purchase of Louisiana.

Based upon the article what do you think the reaction was like around the country? Post your response on the blog.

July 6, 1803 – The Washington Federalist

The most important intelligence (knowledge) with which we present our readers this day, is the sale of Louisiana by the Napoleon of France to the US government. This event will definitely be advantageous to our country; though it may cost many millions. One condition in the purchase of this land is money owed to our (US) citizens for losses during the French Revolution, and by the unjust(illegal) holding of property (goods) in French ports and towns. Four millions dollars is to be paid back by the French. The US Government probably asked for the territory in cash as this way the money owed to our citizens would be repaid. The annexation (control) of this piece of land to the United States, is of incalculable(great) promise.