

Chapter 25, United States in the Cold War
Section 2 Time of Prosperity
Section 3 Korean War

- I. Postwar Economic Boom
 - a. Americans saved money during World War II
 - i. work long hours with nothing to buy during WWII
 - ii. War is over, now Americans want to spend
 - 1. Cause _____,
 - 2. too much _____, not enough _____
 - b. _____
 - i. Program designed to help soldiers transition back to society
 - ii. Gave money for homes, _____, and occupation training
- II. Republican Congress
 - a. _____ Act
 - i. Makes closed shops illegal
 - 1. closed shops are businesses that only hire union members
 - ii. Weakens unions
 - b. 22nd Amendment
 - i. President limited to _____
- III. Election of 1948
 - a. Democratic candidates
 - i. Democrat party
 - 1. led by Harry Truman
 - ii. _____
 - 1. southern democrats opposed to desegregation
 - 2. led by Strom Thurmond
 - iii. Progressive Party
 - 1. opposed Truman's policies against USSR
 - 2. led by _____
 - b. Republican candidate
 - i. Thomas Dewey, governor of New York
 - c. Truman wins a very narrow election

IV. Truman's Presidency

- a. _____
 - i. government create jobs
 - ii. end discrimination
 - iii. built public housing
- b. Republicans and Dixiecrats prevent success of Truman's policies

V. Changing American Life in the 1950s under Eisenhower

- a. _____ elected president in 1952
 - i. Was war hero from WWII
 - ii. Won in a landslide against Adlai Stevenson
- b. _____ - 1956
 - i. makes auto travel easy
 - ii. Allows people to travel greater distances
 - iii. Some small towns were bypassed by highways
- c. _____
 - i. population has large increase as a result of new births resulting from return of soldiers an "normal" post-war life
- d. Changing living patterns
 - i. People move off farms
 - ii. People move to cities and suburbs
 - iii. People move south and west
 - iv. Television, _____ develop
 - 1. creates national unified culture
 - 2. represents culture gap between young and older generations

VI. _____

- a. Korea was split in two after WWII by US and Soviets at 38th parallel
 - i. North communist, South US ally
- b. 1950 communist North Korea attack South to try to unite nation
- c. United Nations (led by US) sent troops to defend South Korea
- d. UN forces push North Korea to Chinese border
- e. _____ enters war on North Korean side and push UN back
- f. Truman fires _____

- i. MacArthur wanted US to attack China
 - 1. did not listen to President Truman
- ii. Truman fired MacArthur
 - 1. shocked many Americans
- g. 1953 war ended,
 - i. nation stays split at original border lines at _____
 - ii. _____ is created
 - 1. demilitarized zone created between communist North and non-communist South

VII. _____

- a. _____ – House Committee on UnAmerican Activities
 - i. Searched for communist influences in US
 - ii. _____ – actors, etc had careers ruined
- b. Red Scare court cases
 - i. _____ - Trial
 - 1. tried as Soviet spy
 - 2. Nixon becomes famous prosecuting case
 - ii. _____
 - 1. Couple convicted and executed for selling atomic weapon technology to USSR
- c. _____
 - i. Joe McCarthy
 - 1. Claimed hundreds of communists in government
 - 2. never proved anything
 - ii. McCarthyism means accusing someone of disloyalty without evidence