## The End of Reconstruction

- Radical Republicans lose power, Grant's gov't is corrupt
- Amnesty Act 1872 gives most southern whites voting rights--they vote Democrat
- Many African Americans kept from voting

- Rutherford B. Hayes elected 1876--he ends Reconstruction
- Conservatives gain power in South--restrict African Americans rights
  - Voting: poll taxes, literacy tests and grandfather clauses
  - Jim Crow laws promote segregation
- Supreme Court case Plessy v. Ferguson (1896) says "separate but equal"--it allows segregation

## **The New South**

- Cotton production recovers
- Textile mills, factories for tobacco products
- Mining, oil refineries, lumber
- Economy is more balanced than before the war