Despite attacks by the KKK, over 500,000 African Americans voting in the South

15th AMENDMENT – states citizens cannot be stopped from voting based on race
Women were still not given the right to vote

President Grant did not chose his advisors well
He chose friends and family members to fill positions they were not qualified for

Some of his friends in cabinet positions took bribes and caused scandals
The Republican party started to split and was no longer strong and unified.

PANIC OF 1873 – some banks made bad loans and had to close.

Let to ECONOMIC DEPRESSION – a time of low business activity and high unemployment.

Lasted 5 years, many businesses fail and people lose jobs.

The Republicans are blamed and the Democrats begin to win more elections.

1876 Election is very close.

Tilden is Democrat

Hayes is the Republican.

Election is so close that both sides declare they are the winner.

Hayes is eventually named President as the result of a compromise.
COMPROMISE OF 1877

• Federal troops are removed from the South
• Loans for Southern railroads
• Federal funds for reconstruction projects in the South

Reconstruction government collapses
Democrats regain control and power in Congress

LEgACY OF RECONSTRUCTION

• Equality for African Americans still not achieved
LEGACY OF RECONSTRUCTION

• Some rights are gained for African Americans – 14th and 15th Amendments

LEGACY OF RECONSTRUCTION

• African American schools and churches grew

LEGACY OF RECONSTRUCTION

• African Americans still faced poverty and violence

THE END