**Reconstruction in Texas, 1865-1870**

**War is over! But…**

* Since the Confederacy lost the war, much of the \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_, and money was hard to come by.
* \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ were free, but many were without food or shelter.
* Tensions and differences between many \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ continued after the war.

**What was Reconstruction?**

Reconstruction was a period of rebuilding \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_.

**Juneteenth – 1865**

* Because of distance and the war, many African Americans did not immediately learn about the \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ of 1863.
* The news finally reached \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ on June 19th, 1865. \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ became a celebration for the freedom of enslaved Texans.

**Free at Last???**

* Since most slaves were uneducated and their only skill was \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_, they often stayed in the South and worked on plantations.
* Poor whites and freed slaves would \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ from plantation owners and a large percentage of their crops were sold for profit by the landowners. Poor whites and freed slaves were left with little to sell and feed their own families.
* This was called \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_, which was not much better than slavery.

**The Freedman’s Bureau**

* Former slaves were often referred to as \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_.
* The Freedmen’s Bureau was a government agency whose job was to \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ to the thousands of people, black and white, who had been left homeless by the Civil War.

**Two Plans for Reconstruction**

Lincoln and Johnson wanted…

* To restore the \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ as quickly as possible
* To go easy on the South, to rebuild their relationship

Congress wanted …

* Stricter standards for admitting the Southern States back into the Union
* To protect the freedom of \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ in the South

**Southerners Oppose Reconstruction**

* Texas elected ex-Confederates to Congress in an attempt to counter the \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ control of Congress.
* Texan representatives refused to ratify the \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ which granted rights to African Americans.
* Southern states enforced \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_, or laws limiting the rights of African Americans.
* The \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ (KKK) used violence and threats to prevent African Americans from voting.
* As a response to Southern opposition, Congress declared military rule in the South until states met certain requirements of Reconstruction.

**Reconstruction Ends**

* On \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_, President Ulysses S. Grant signed a proclamation that Reconstruction in Texas was over. By the end of the year, all of the Southern states had rejoined the Union on the Radical Republicans’ terms.