**1945-1950 Notes**

Truman ends Discrimination in Military (1948)

* July 26, 1948
* Eventually leads to the desegregation of the military (1954)
* Known as Executive Order #9981

Cold War

* Hostilities between U.S. and Soviet Union
* Capitalism vs. Communism
* Fought through different countries (Vietnam, Korea, Cuba)

Communism

* Public ownership of property
* Government distributes goods according to need
* Meant to eliminate economic classes
* Criticized for corruption and laziness

Capitalism

* Private ownership of property
* Individuals acquire and trade goods
* Meant to create efficiency and hard work
* Criticized for class conflict and greed

Berlin Airlift

* June 1948-May 1949
* Germany divided into two sections
* Berlin divided into four sections (U.S., France, Britain, U.S.S.R.)
* Soviets blockade Berlin
* Western powers decide to airlift items in

Creation of Israel

* May 1948
* Split up area between Israelis and Palestinians
* Arab nations declare war on Israel
* Israel takes over more territory