

- Ulysses Simpson Grant (Republican and 18th President)
- Served 2 terms in office from March 4, 1869 - March 4, 1877.
- Won the election by a landslide against Horace Greeley.
53% of popular vote and 72% of electoral vote.
- 4 Ideas or Acts passed during Administration:
 1. Civil Rights Act was passed in 1875 which gave African Americans the same right to use inns, transportation, theaters and such. However, the law was ruled unconstitutional in 1883.
 2. The 15th Amendment was passed in 1870 which gave black men the right to vote.
 3. The Third Force Act (Ku Klux Act) was passed in 1871 which gave the president the right to declare martial law, impose heavy penalties against terrorist organizations, and use military force to suppress the Ku Klux Klan. It was later declared unconstitutional in 1882.
 4. The Yellowstone Act of 1872 was passed stating that the designated region a public "pleasuring-ground" and should not be spoiled or injured.

- 2 Problems

Black Friday: In September 1869, Jay Gould and James Frisk attempted to corner the gold market and tricked President Grant into preventing his treasury secretary from stopping the fraud.

Whisky Ring: In 1875 over \$3 million in taxes was stolen from the federal government with the aid of high government officials and was exposed by Secretary of the Treasury Benjamin H. Bristow.

- Trivia

-While in California, Grant tried selling ice to South America but failed when it melted in the warm weather aboard the ship.

-While president, Ulysses S. Grant was arrested for driving his horse too fast. He was fined \$20.