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Mini-Unit 7A
- 2  **What are we doing?**
 1. Discuss the rise of the "New South"
 2. Discuss the rise of political machines and urban politics in the Gilded Age
 3. Watch the Presidents DVD from Rutherford B. Hayes to Grover Cleveland (24)
 4. Turn in handout for Kennedy's Ch. 23
 5. Review for the Midterm Exam.
 6. Take the Midterm.
 7. Finally, REST!!
- 3  **Rise of the New South**
Post-Reconstruction South and Segregation, 1877-1900
- 4  **The New South**
 - Henry Grady, *The Atlanta Constitution*
 - New businesses and investments after Reconstruction
 - New cities emerge
 - Tourism – Jacksonville!!
 - "Romance of Reunion"
 - South still economically behind
- 5  **Duval Hotel (late 1800s)**
- 6  **Jim Crow Segregation**
 - Restrictions on black voting:
 - Literacy tests, voter registration laws, poll taxes
 - Restrictions on blacks in society
 - Jim Crow segregation
 - 1883 *Civil Rights* cases
 - 1896 *Plessy v. Ferguson* – "separate but equal"
 - Opposing discrimination: Booker T. Washington vs. W.E.B. DuBois
- 7  **Political Machines and Urban Politics**
Graft and corruption in the major cities
- 8  **An Age of Corruption**
 - Term: The Gilded Age, thanks Mark Twain!
 - Scandals in the Grant Administration
 - Credit Mobilier Scandal
 - Whiskey Ring
 - And more...
 - Jim Fisk & Jay Gould
 - The Tweed Ring in New York City
 - Why immigrants supported political machines
- 9  **The Era of Good Stealings**
 - RRs cheated customers
 - Stock market investors
 - Politicians were bought out
 - Judges, too!
- 10  **Paralyzed Politics in the Gilded Age**
The Forgettable Presidents
- 11  **Major Themes**
 - Political corruption
 - Currency debate: Gold, silver, greenbacks
 - Panics in 1873 and 1893
 - Inflation and deflation

- Laissez-faire in an era of industry and growth
- Very, very close elections and party loyalties
- Still bitterness from Reconstruction
- The Spoils System and Civil Service Reform
- Pensions /Civil War veterans
- Tariff Reform