

# The Vietnam Years

## Part III

### I. The Tet Offensive

- A. \_\_\_\_\_ – January 30th, 1968. \_\_\_\_\_ North Vietnamese/Vietcong \_\_\_\_\_ on South
- B. Over 100 towns and cities, 12 US air bases, US \_\_\_\_\_ in Saigon, all \_\_\_\_\_
- C. \_\_\_\_\_ victory for ARVN and \_\_\_\_\_, \_\_\_\_\_ victory for \_\_\_\_\_
- D. “If they are so close to \_\_\_\_\_, how did they accomplish this \_\_\_\_\_?”
- E. Public opinion in the United States turns on LBJ
- F. Mainstream media begins to \_\_\_\_\_ the war
- G. \_\_\_\_\_

### II. Election of 1968

- A. LBJ’s popularity plummets, decides not to seek re-election
- B. Violence grips the nation:
  - 1. April, 68 – Death of \_\_\_\_\_
  - 2. June, 68 – Death of \_\_\_\_\_, Democratic candidate
  - 3. Democratic National Convention in Chicago, \_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_ between anti-war protestors, Chicago Police, and the National Guard

### III. Nixon Becomes President

- A. Chaos of ‘68 benefits “\_\_\_\_\_” Republican candidate \_\_\_\_\_
- B. Wins election over Democrat Hubert Humphrey
- C. Nixon and National Security Advisor Henry \_\_\_\_\_ began plan to end the war

### IV. Nixon and Vietnam

- A. Nixon begins slow troop \_\_\_\_\_
- B. Process of “\_\_\_\_\_” of War
  - 1. Training of South Vietnamese troops to carry out the fighting in \_\_\_\_\_ of US troops
- C. Idea of \_\_\_\_\_ with \_\_\_\_\_
- D. While negotiating, Nixon increases \_\_\_\_\_ of the North, begins to illegally bomb Ho Chi Minh Trail in \_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_; \_\_\_\_\_ of Cambodia

### V. Controversy on the Home Front

- A. NY Times breaks story of massacre of civilians by US troops in village of \_\_\_\_\_
- B. Revealed that over 200 \_\_\_\_\_ were killed
- C. Further \_\_\_\_\_ American public

### VI. Controversy on the Home Front

- A. Anti-war protest at \_\_\_\_\_ \*, OH, (1970)
- B. National Guard fires into crowd, \_\_\_\_\_ four students
- C. Two more student protestors killed at \_\_\_\_\_ ten days later

## VII. Controversy on the Home Front

- A. \_\_\_\_\_ – Secret documents leaked in 1971 revealing that both Kennedy and LBJ had taken \_\_\_\_\_ actions in \_\_\_\_\_ without the \_\_\_\_\_ of \_\_\_\_\_.
- B. Confirms beliefs of many Americans that government had not been \_\_\_\_\_ about intentions of war
- C. NY Times vs. US – 1971 – government tries to suppress information from documents – loses case

## VIII. War Ends

- A. Throughout 1971, Nixon \_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_
- B. Prior to election of 1972, US wins \_\_\_\_\_, announces \_\_\_\_\_ – last US troops withdraw in \_\_\_\_\_ – Paris Peace Accords
- C. Southern capital of \_\_\_\_\_ falls to communist forces in \_\_\_\_\_

## IX. Legacy of War

- A. \_\_\_\_\_ Americans killed, \_\_\_\_\_ wounded
- B. \_\_\_\_\_ return for veterans
- C. \_\_\_\_\_ gives 18 year olds right to vote
- D. Influx of Vietnamese \_\_\_\_\_ to US
- E. Huge death toll in \_\_\_\_\_
- F. Draft \_\_\_\_\_; \_\_\_\_\_ limits President's ability to wage war without \_\_\_\_\_ of Congress