Chapter 27
- USA manifest destiny and Mexico
  - James Polk provokes War with Mexico
    - Treaty of Guadalupe-Hidalgo
- Rise of Mexican liberalism
- Territorial expansion of USA
  - In part stimulated by southern desire for new slave territory
  - Internal weakness of Mexican government due to clashes between conservatives
    (who had welcomed French intervention earlier)
    - Who wanted to curtail the power of the Roman Catholic Church
  - Treaty ceded southwest USA and California to USA
    - Which had occupied Mexico City as culmination of Mexican-American War
- Abolition of Slavery
  - 1834 in British Caribbean
  - USA in 1865
  - Cuba 1886
  - Brazil in 1888
- Panama Canal
  - 1904-1914
  - Built to facilitate heavy cargo shipments between Atlantic and Pacific, but causing at times unpopular American interventionism
    - Including military
      - Into Latin America
      - Particularly Central America