Westward Expansion Reconstruction Industrialization **Unit Aims** American Nation - "The New West" Pgs. 542-567 Railroads **Pioneers Encounters** with Native Americans **Key Terms** Homestead Act Questions 1. How did the Transcontinental Railroad help the West develop? Transcontinental Railroad Promontory Point, Utah 2.What allowed Americans to move west, and What was life on the Great Plains like for these Pioneers? Wounded Knee Fort Laramie Treaty (1867) Indian Reservation 3. Why was the Bison important to the Plains Indian? Why did these Bison (Buffalo) disappear? Dawes Act (1887) **Essential Buffalo Soldiers** 4. Explain how the migration of Americans west and the US Government helped to end the Indian way Oklahoma Land Rush Sod Houses of life? **Sod Busters**