

# African Resistance

- Throughout Africa, people resisted imperial control
- Algeria resisted French rule for 50 years
  - Samori Toure in West Africa fought the French for 16 years



# Maji Maji Rebellion

- Africans in German East Africa fought in the Maji Maji rebellion
- 20 ethnic groups joined together
- Germans with machine guns killed 75,000 in battle
- Twice as many died in the famine that followed



# Ethiopia

- Menelik II became emperor of Ethiopia in 1889
- European In-fighting
- Meanwhile, built a large arsenal of modern weapons



# Menelik II of Ethiopia

- Modernized Ethiopia
- Purchased weapons from Russia
- Prepared an impressive army



# Italian vs Ethiopia

- Menelik II signed a treaty with Italy giving them a small amount of land
- They argued that all of Ethiopia was now under their command
- Italians advanced into Ethiopia
- The siege at Makalle lasts 45 days.
- Menelik allows the Italians to retreat
  - Italian government is shamed, sends reinforcements

# Battle of Adowa - 1896

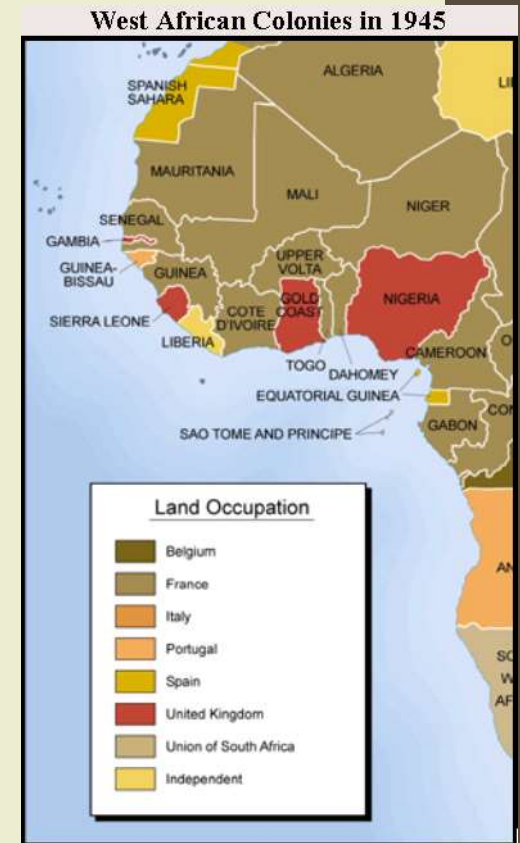
- Italians come back to fight in the Battle of Adowa



The other  
“independent” state in  
Africa...

# Liberia

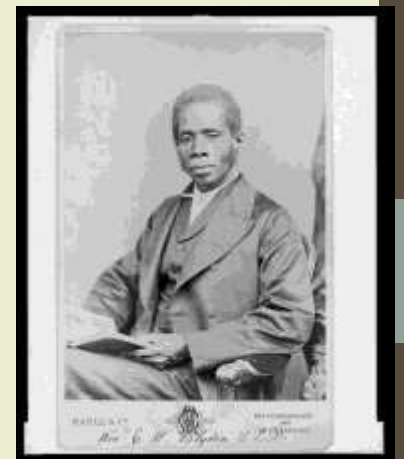
- Between 1821 and 1847, America developed the colony 'Liberia'
- In 1847 declared itself an independent nation





# Liberia

- 1847-1980, Liberia was governed by the small group of African-American colonists and their offspring - Americo-Liberians
- Many Americo-Liberians believed they were superior because they were Christian
- They ruled over the large indigenous majority of 95% of the Liberian population



# The Americo-Liberians

- Kept their English-speaking, Americanized way of life
- Never more than 5% of the population of Liberia
- Dominated by controlling key resources and areas

# Effects of European Imperialism on Africa

- Europeans established new borders in Africa
- European exploit Africans and the land
- European powers scramble for colonies
- African resist imperialism
- Western-educated African elite emerge
- African leaders forge nationalist movements