

# World War II

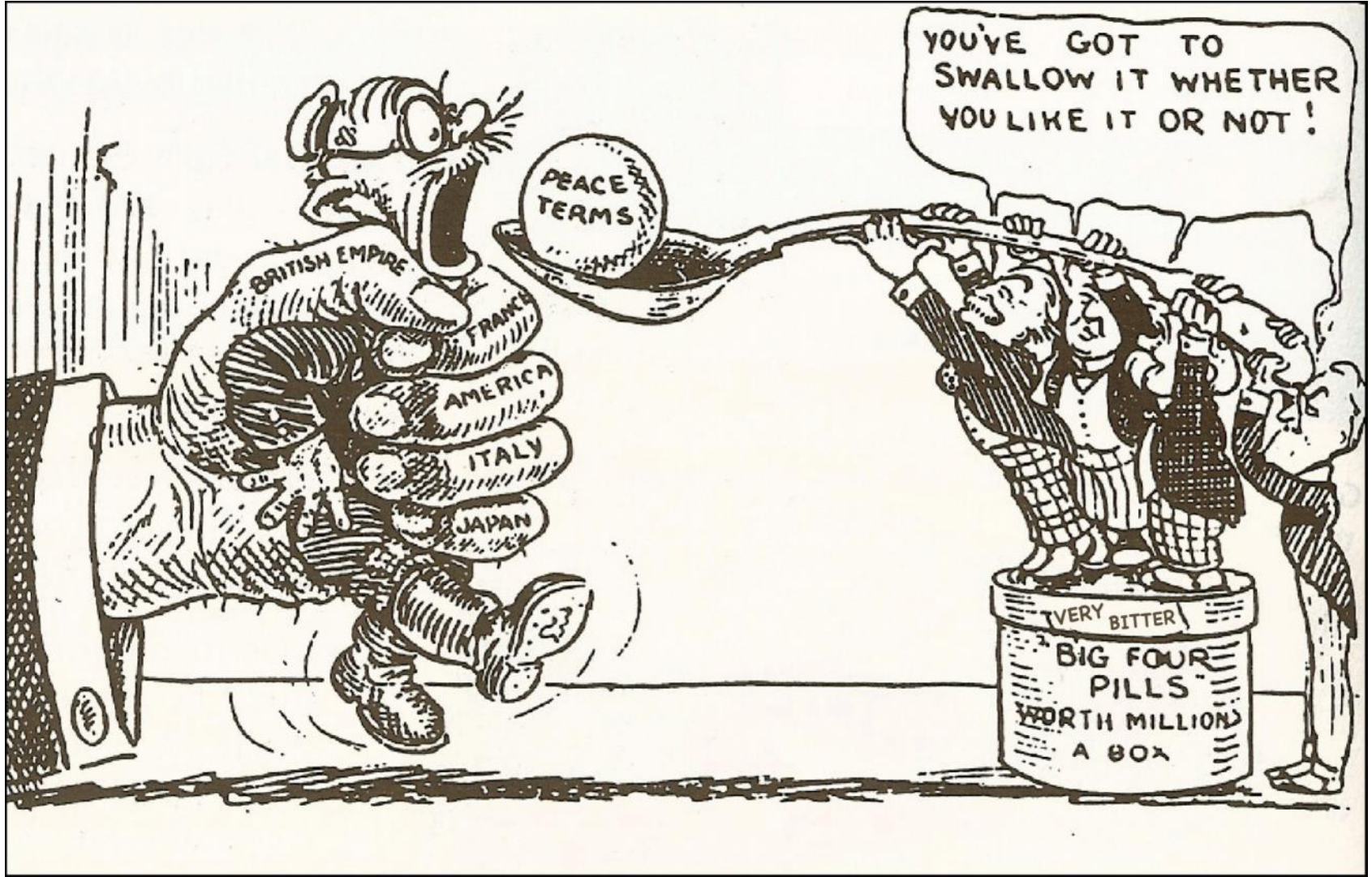


*Chapters 23 & 24*

# How did WWI lead to WWII?

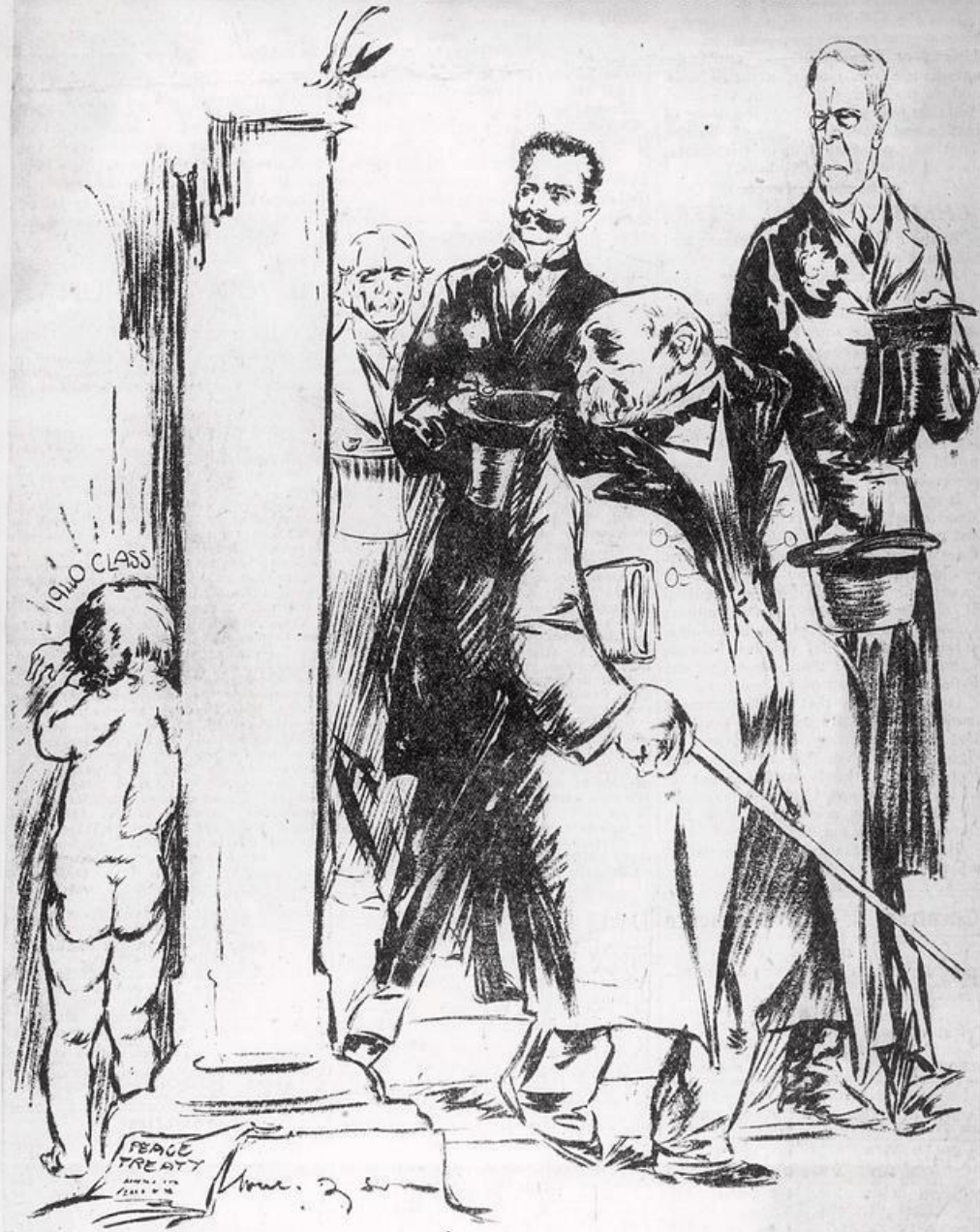
## Treaty of Versailles

- Germans resented “war guilt clause,” reparations, reduction of military, loss of their lands
- Italy & Japan resented – expected more land for their sacrifices





PEACE AND FUTURE CANNON FODDER

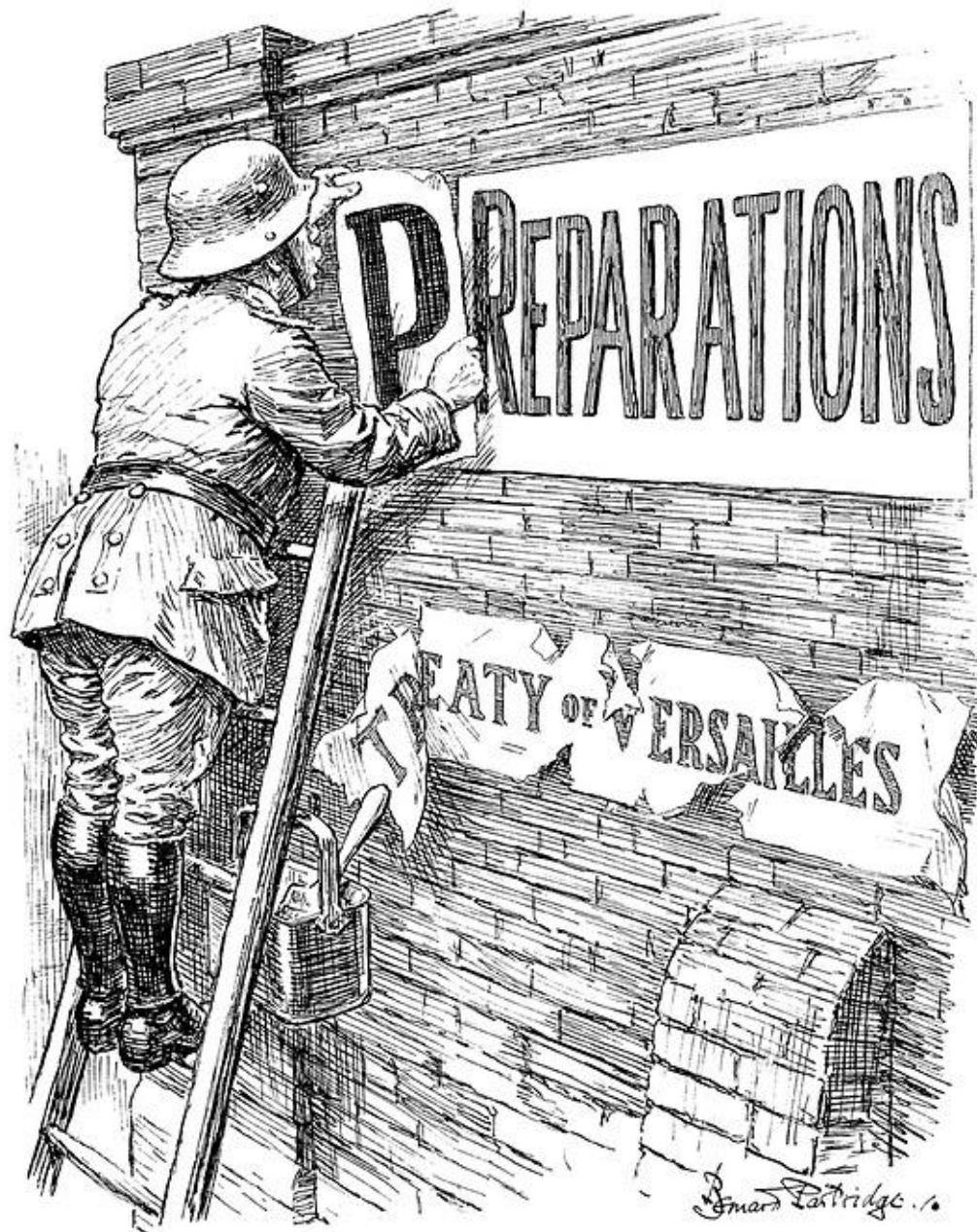


The Tiger: "Curious! I seem to hear a child weeping!"





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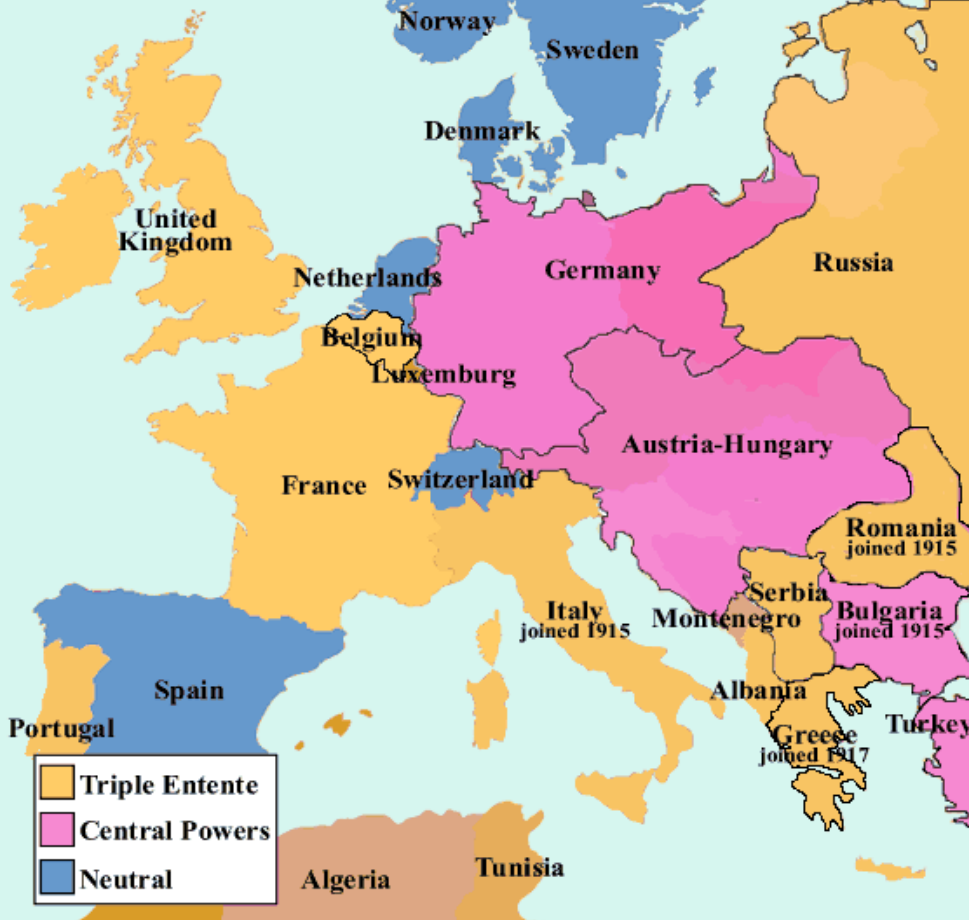
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GERMANY. "I NEVER DID LIKE THE LOOK OF THAT OLD WORD."





# Europe 1914



# Europe 1919



# Totalitarian Leaders Take Control in Europe

- **totalitarianism** – type of gov't where a single party or leader controls the economic, social, & cultural lives of people
- **Russia – Joseph Stalin**
  - Communism
- **Italy – Benito Mussolini**
  - Fascism
- **Germany – Adolf Hitler**
  - Fascism
- **Japan – Hideki Tojo**
  - military took control & Japan became a totalitarian dictatorship



# Fascism

- New political movement that rose to prominence in post WWI Europe
  - **Fascist regimes were established in Italy, Germany, and Spain**
- Key tenets:
  - Emphasized loyalty to the state
    - Nation more important than individual
  - Preached extreme **nationalism**
    - Often sought to eliminate inferior races that “weakened” nation
  - Supported **militarism** and **territorial expansion**
  - Argued powerful nations must conquer weak nations
  - Emphasized loyalty to single, authoritarian leader
  - Only one political party tolerated = single party state



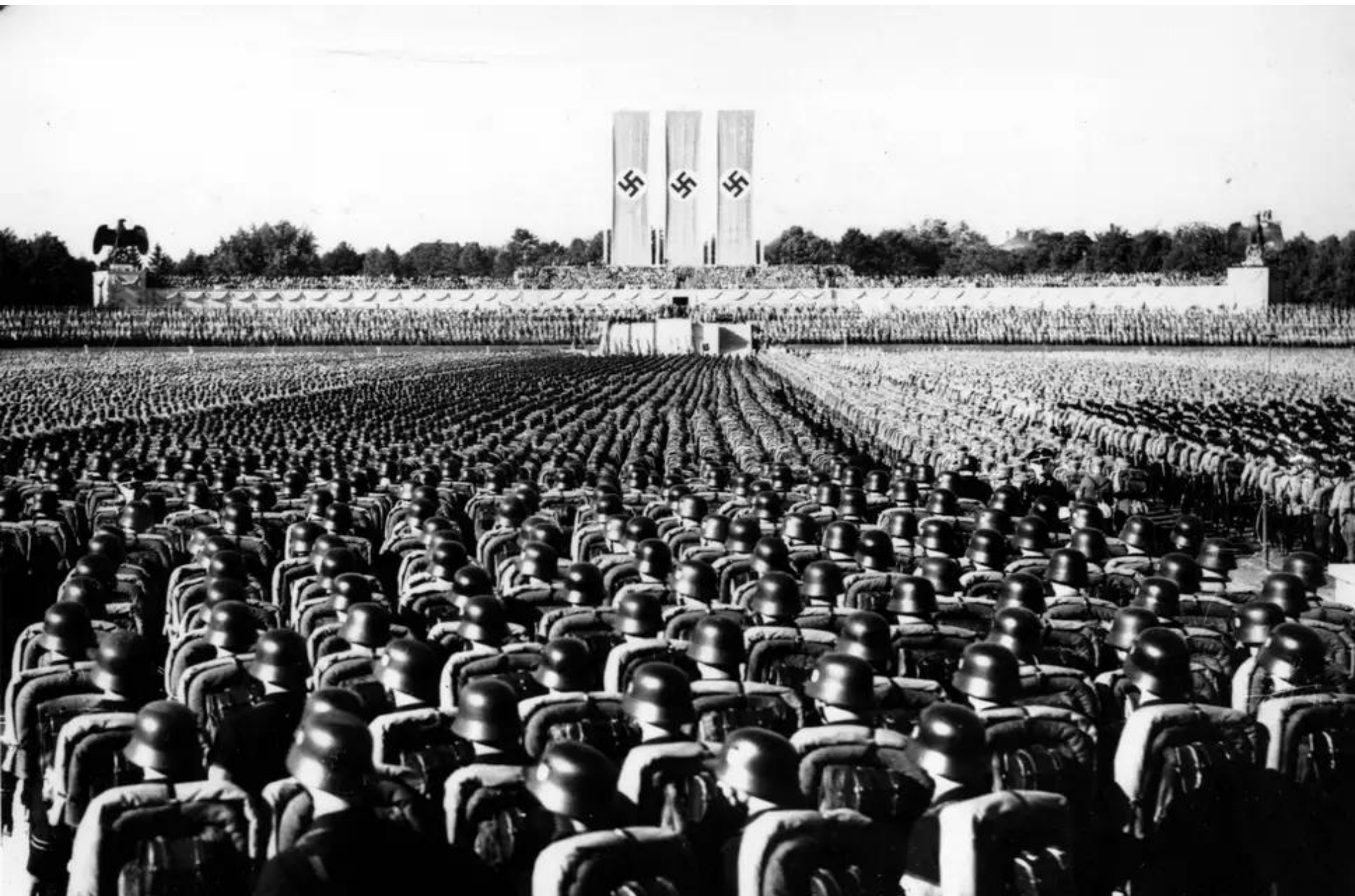






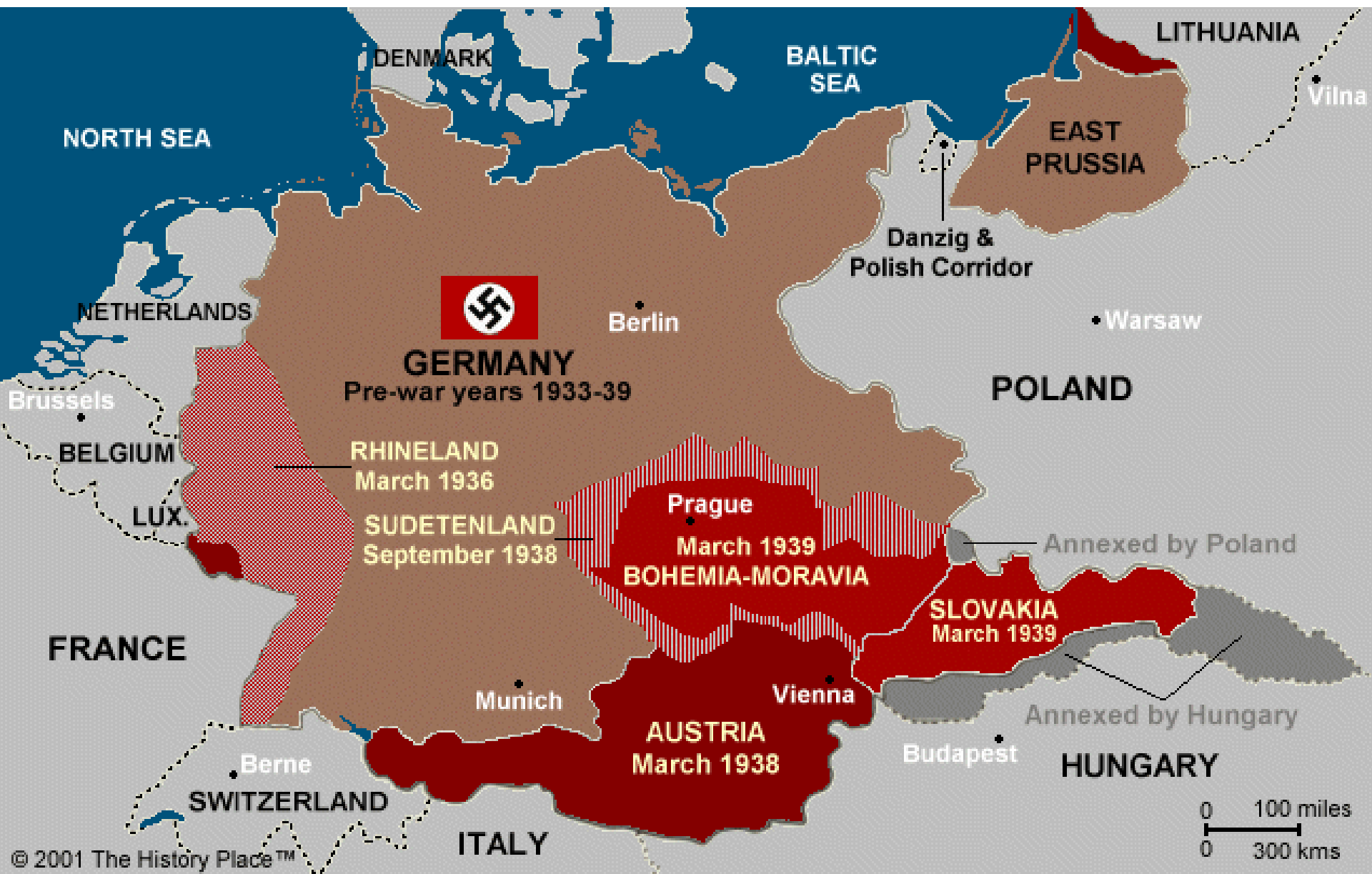






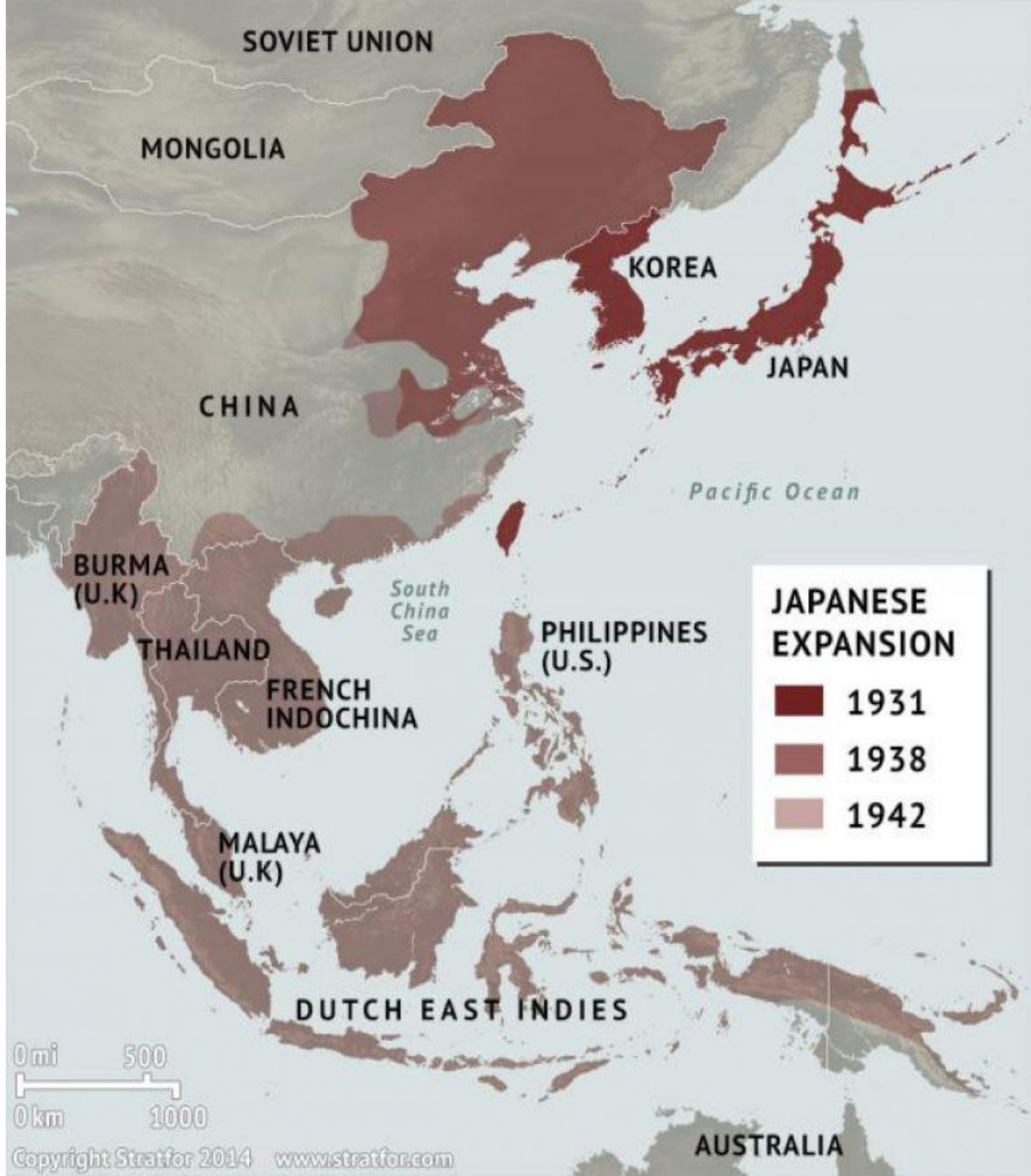












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# Expansion Begins

- Japan, Italy, & Germany adopted aggressive foreign policies of territorial expansion
- France & Britain followed policy of **appeasement** - granting **concessions** to a potential **enemy** in the hope that it will maintain peace
- FDR **did not speak** out against German aggression – why?





# Munich Conference

- Great Britain, France, Germany, and Italy met in Munich following German invasion of Sudetenland (part of Czechoslovakia) in 1938
- Britain and France agreed to give Germany the Sudetenland
- In exchange, Hitler promises no more territorial expansion

# The War Begins in Europe

- Britain & France signed alliance with Poland
- Sept. 1, 1939 Germany invaded Poland
- Blitzkrieg - “lightning war” sudden attack that used speed & firepower – effective because of planes, tanks, motor vehicles, infantry
- Britain & France declare war



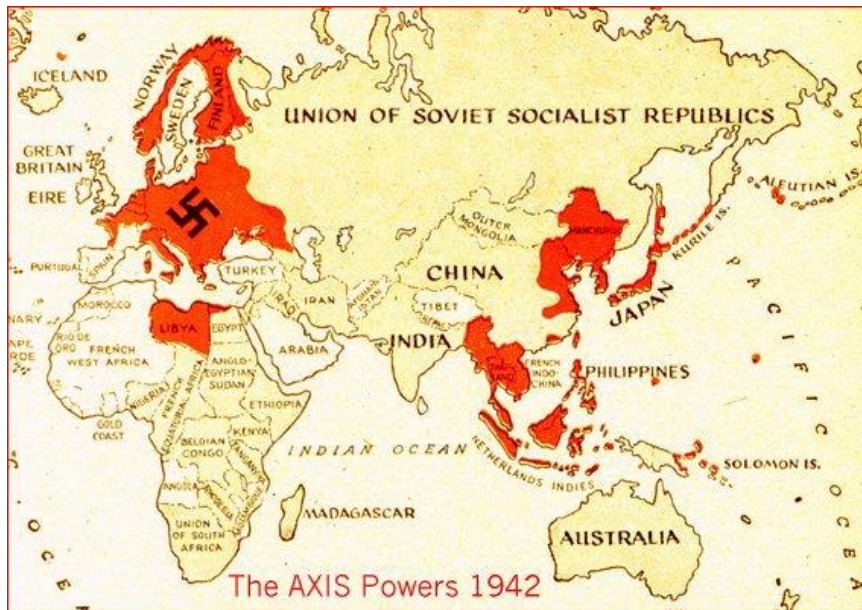
# World War II Alliances

## MAJOR AXIS POWERS

- Germany
- Italy
- Japan

## MAJOR ALLIED POWERS

- Britain
- France
- Soviet Union (eventually)
- United States (eventually)
- China



## Axis

### Italy

- Mussolini's Fascist Party believed in supreme power of the state



- Cooperated with Germany from 1936 onward

### Germany

- Hitler's Nazi Party believed in all-powerful state, territorial expansion, and ethnic purity



- Invaded Poland in 1939, France in 1940, and the USSR in 1941

### Japan

- Military leaders pushed for territorial expansion



- Attacked Manchuria in 1931
- Invaded China in 1937
- Attacked Pearl Harbor in 1941

### USSR

- Communists, led by harsh dictator Joseph Stalin, created industrial power
- Signed non-aggression pact with Germany in 1939
- Received U.S. aid; eventually fought with Allies to defeat Germany



## Allies

### United States

- Passed Neutrality Acts in 1935, 1937, and 1939
- Gave lend-lease aid to Britain, China, and the USSR
- Declared war on Japan in 1941



### Great Britain

- Tried to appease Hitler by allowing territorial growth
- Declared war on Germany in 1939
- Resisted German attack in 1940
- Received U.S. aid through lend-lease program and cash-and-carry provision



### France

- Along with Great Britain, tried to appease Hitler
- Declared war on Germany in 1939 after Poland was invaded
- Occupied by Nazis in 1940

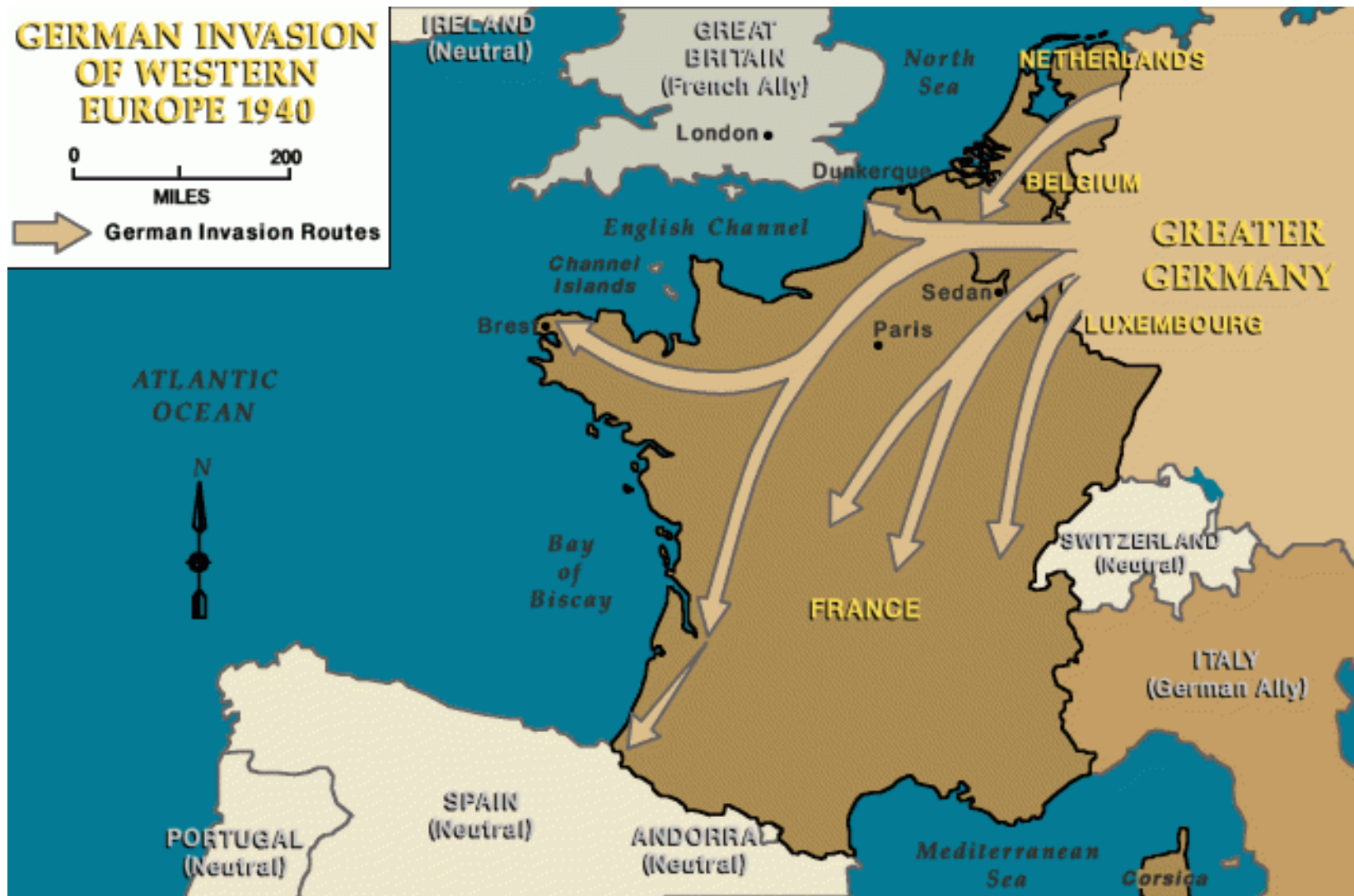




# GERMAN INVASION OF WESTERN EUROPE 1940



➔ German Invasion Routes

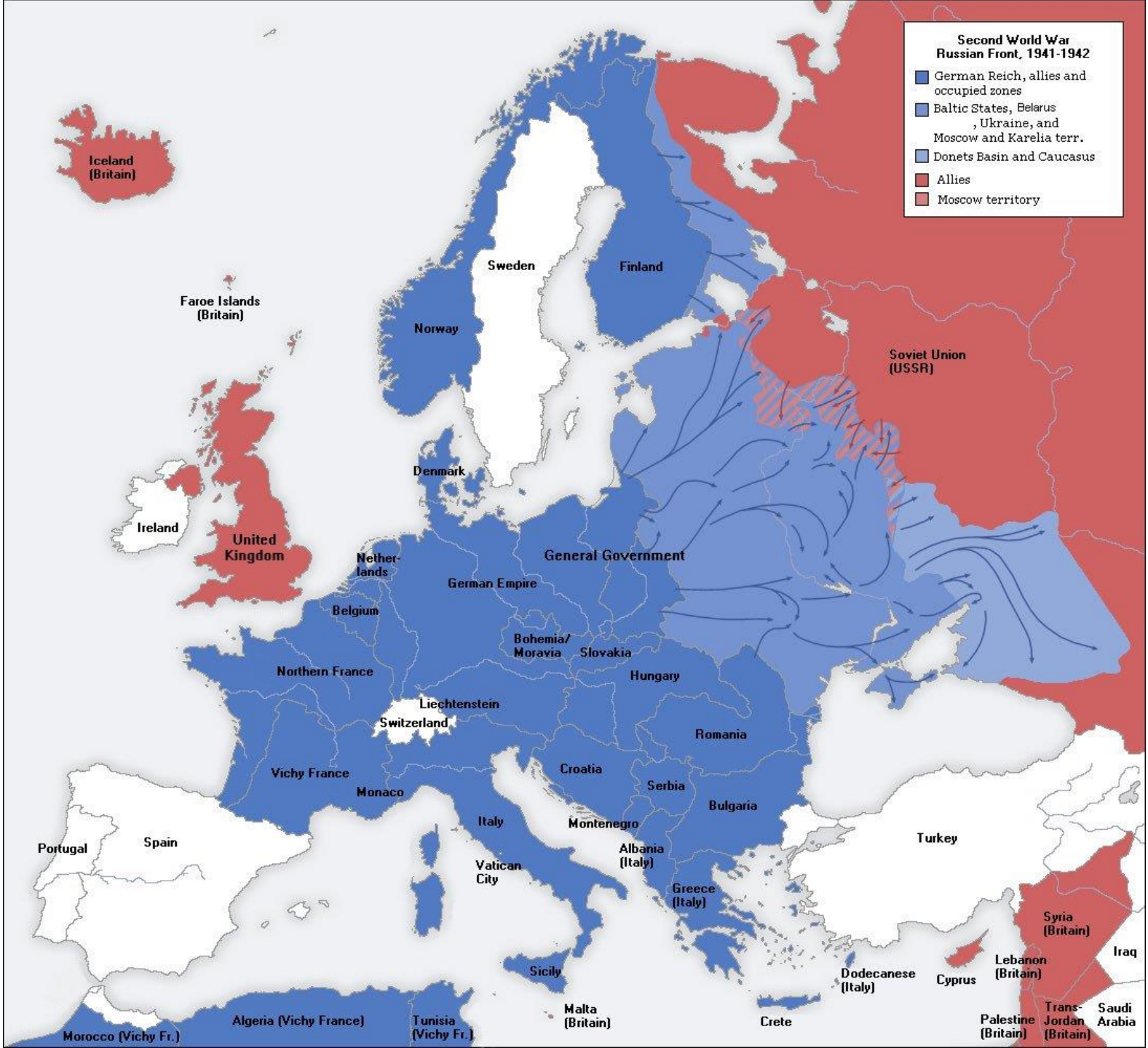






**Second World War  
Russian Front, 1941-1942**

- German Reich, allies and occupied zones
- Baltic States, Belarus, Ukraine, and Moscow and Karelia terr.
- Donets Basin and Caucasus
- Allies
- Moscow territory

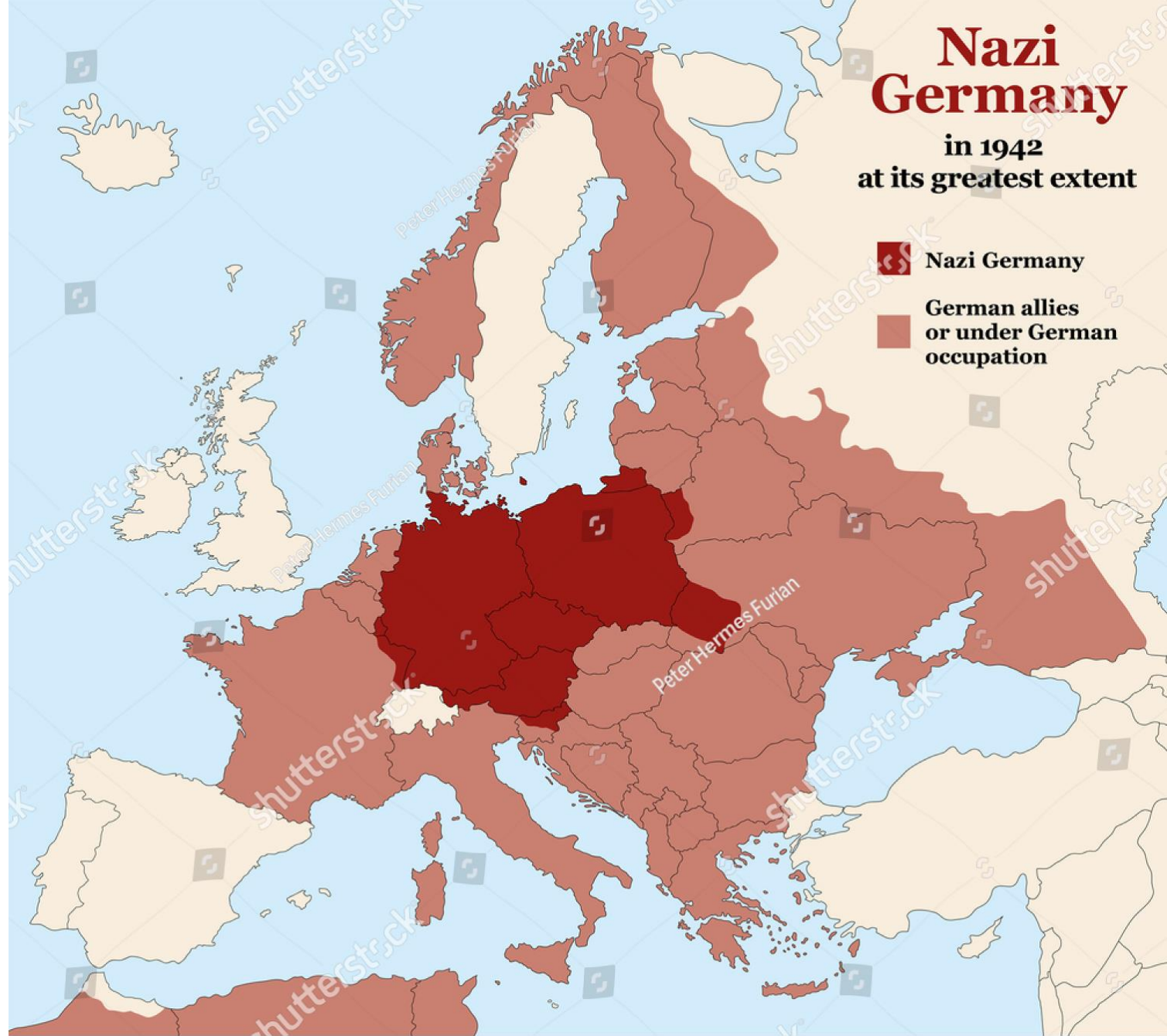


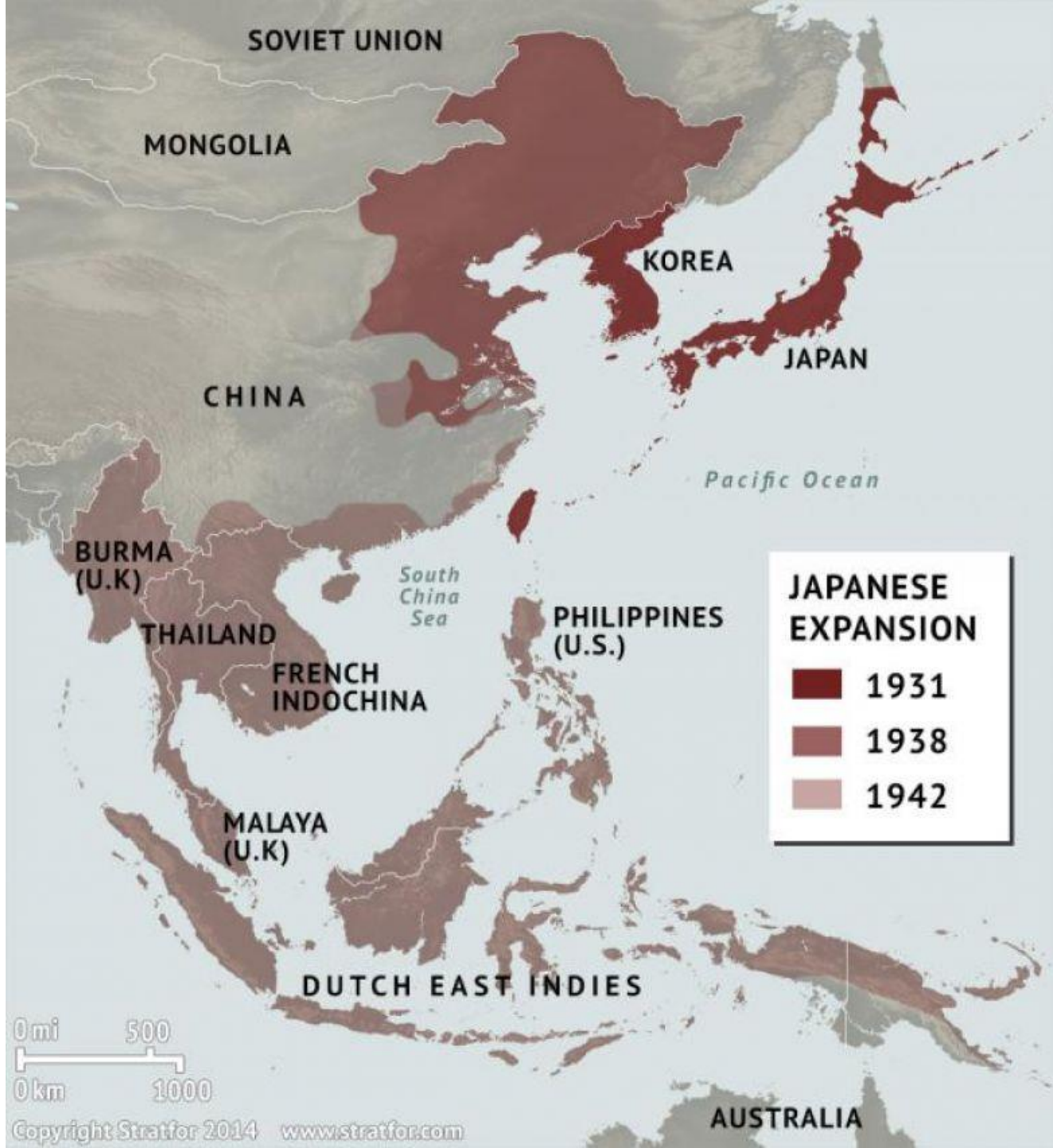


# Nazi Germany

in 1942  
at its greatest extent

-  Nazi Germany
-  German allies or under German occupation





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# Japanese Empire 1942





# United States' Action

- Congress took action to keep America out of the war
  - US clinging to isolationism
- Congress passed the **Neutrality Acts of 1935, 1936, and 1937** – imposed restrictions on Americans during times of war
  - Prohibited sailing on ships owned by nations at war, prevented Americans from making loans to nations at war, or selling weapons to nations at war

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FOREIGN  
ENTANGLEMENTS**

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**UP**

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S TOTAL WAR  
AMERICA**

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**of**

## The Old Man of the Sea



... and the Wolf chewed up the children and spit out their bones ...  
But those were Foreign Children and it really didn't matter."







Ho Hum! No chance of contagion.

By Dr. Seuss



# Another Neutrality Act

- Roosevelt declared American neutrality but was anti-Nazi
  - FDR pushed for greater U.S. involvement
- convinced Congress to pass the **Neutrality Acts of 1939** – included a cash-and-carry provision – nations at war could buy goods & arms in the U.S. if they paid cash & carried merchandise on their ships

# Roosevelt Inches Toward Involvement

- 1940 – Congress passed **Selective Service Act** (first peacetime draft)
- provided military training of 1.2 million troops each year





# Roosevelt Inches Toward Involvement

- 1941, Congress passed **Lend-Lease Act**
- allowed Roosevelt to sell or lend war supplies to any country whose defense he considered vital to U.S. safety
- US became **“arsenal of democracy”**



# Lend-Lease

- March 11, 1941
- The president may “sell, transfer title to, exchange, lease, lend, or otherwise dispose of, to any such government any defense article”.
- by October \$1 billion committed to Britain

FDR Quote:

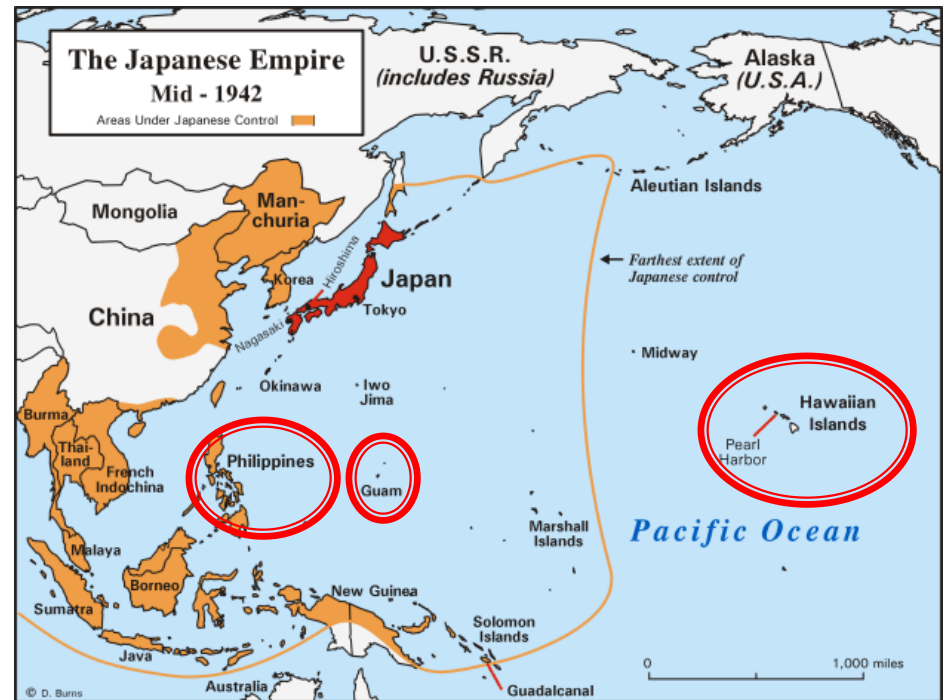
*“Suppose my neighbor’s home catches fire and I have a garden hose that he could use to help put out the fire. Do I ask him to pay me for it before he takes it and uses it? I just want my garden hose back and if it is unusable for him to replace it.”*



**FDR signing Lend-Lease legislation - 1941**

# Japanese Expansion Threatens U.S.

- Japanese invaded Indochina (Cambodia, Laos & Vietnam) in 1940
- Americans feared Japan would threaten Philippines & other Pacific islands







### HAGUE RENOUNCES PARTY LEADERSHIP IN EDISON'S FAVOR

WELLSINGTON, July 25.—The largest single lot of aluminum, made available to the present collection of the United States Government, was given for defense activities today by officials of the United States Government.

Walter S. Henson, director of OPM, called the gift a "demonstration of patriotism," and a great benefit to the defense program. He said he realized that both the hotel officers and the metal manufacturer were before "a considerable loss" because of a contract made long before the outbreak of war was needed for defense.

### Edison is Ready to Serve, but Holds Only Veterans, Not Mayor, Can Make Change

WELLSINGTON, July 25.—Mayor Frank Hague turned a political head-on tonight when he announced that he was relinquishing his leadership of the Democratic party in New Jersey to Governor Charles Edison, rather than have the national tax compromise issue become involved in a fight for the leadership between himself and the Governor.

### Johnson GUILTY IN U. S. TAX CASE

WELLSINGTON, N. J., July 25.—The United States District Court today found Charles Johnson, veteran legislator from Jersey, guilty of willfully evading payment of \$28,716.66 in Federal income taxes for 1936 and 1937.

### Jersey Republican Leader, Condemns 10-Year Term, Faces 10-Year Term

WELLSINGTON, N. J., July 25.—The House committee's handling today of the case of Charles Johnson, Republican legislator from Jersey, was condemned by Joseph L. Rivers, Republican leader of the Jersey Republican party.

### U. S. TALK IN LONDON

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### General Galtokoff Heads Group

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### 27 Aluminum Tons Given OPM by Hotel

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### Overwhelming Support Seen in Committee on This Way to Extend Army Service

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### URGENT HONG KONG TO ACT QUICKLY TO Avert Danger of DISMEMBERING FORCE

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### President Ends Policy of Appeasement That Failed With Tokyo

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### CHINA ALSO IS AFFECTED

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# Japan Attacks Pearl Harbor

- Dec. 7, 1941, Japanese planes attacked Pearl Harbor in the Hawaiian Islands.
- Dropped bombs on American ships at naval base.
- in less than two hours, Japan destroyed most of the U.S. Pacific fleet.
- more than 2,000 sailors & 68 civilians killed
- Dec. 8, 1941 Roosevelt asked Congress to declare war on Japan





# Pearl Harbor



A navy  
photographer  
snapped this  
photograph of the  
Japanese attack on  
Pearl Harbor in  
Hawaii on  
December 7, 1941,  
just as the USS  
*Shaw* exploded.

# Pearl Harbor

**Rescuing survivors  
near USS West  
Virginia during the  
Pearl Harbor attack.**



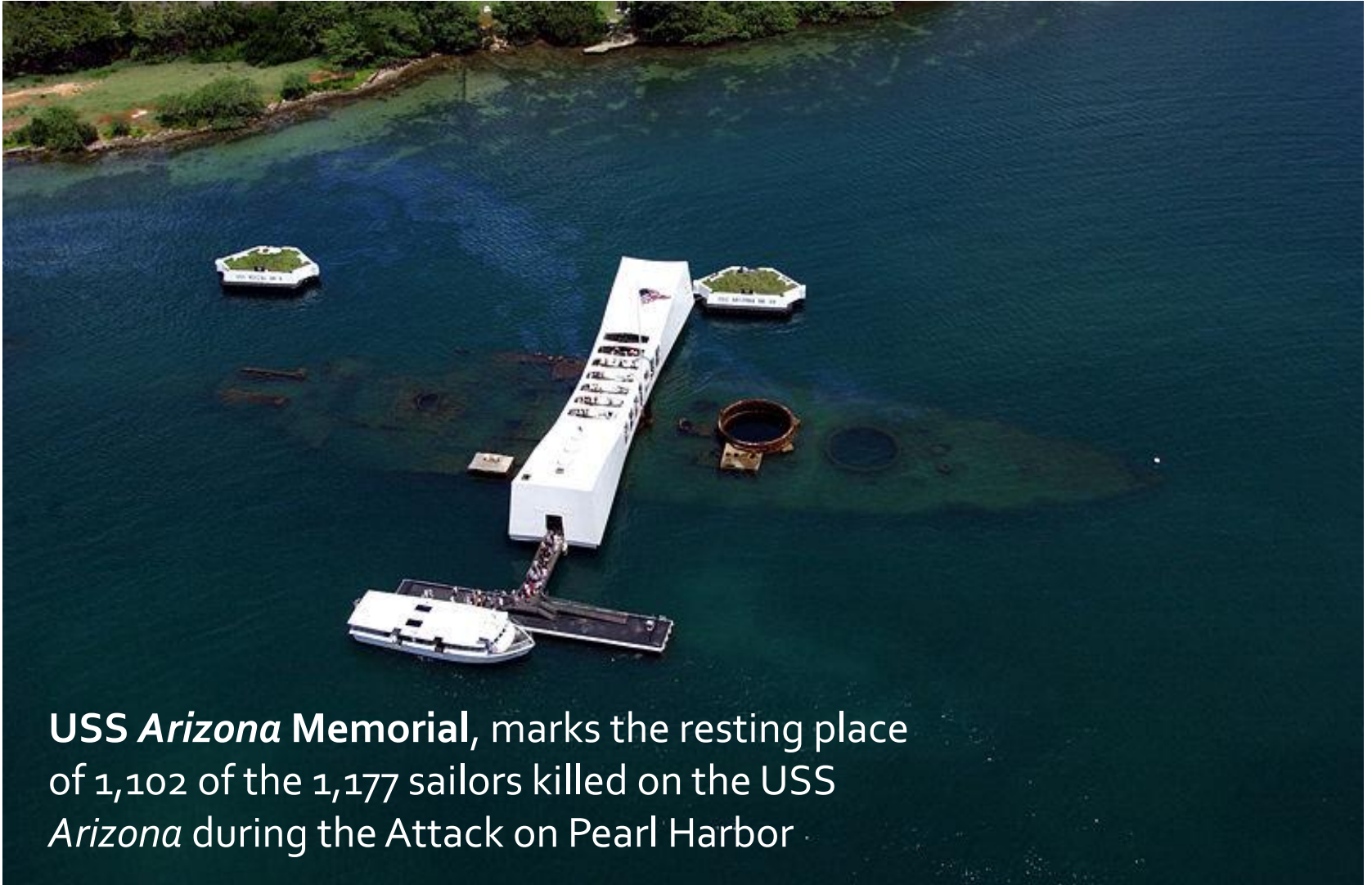


# Pearl Harbor



**Pearl Harbor, taken by surprise, during the Japanese aerial attack. Wreckage at Naval Air Station, Pearl Harbor. (12/07/1941)**

# Pearl Harbor



**USS Arizona Memorial**, marks the resting place of 1,102 of the 1,177 sailors killed on the USS *Arizona* during the Attack on Pearl Harbor

# Homefront Mobilization

- More than 16 million Americans served in military
- 1 million African Americans served in mostly segregated units initially, integrated units later in the war
- **Women's Army Corps (WACs)** created by Congress in 1943 to provide clerical workers, truck drivers, instructors & lab technicians for the U.S. Army – 150,000 women volunteer for the service

# World War II Map





# European Theatre: Key People

- **Gen. Dwight “Ike” Eisenhower** – commander of all American forces in Europe; Africa, Italy; Supreme Commander of Allied Forces; D-Day

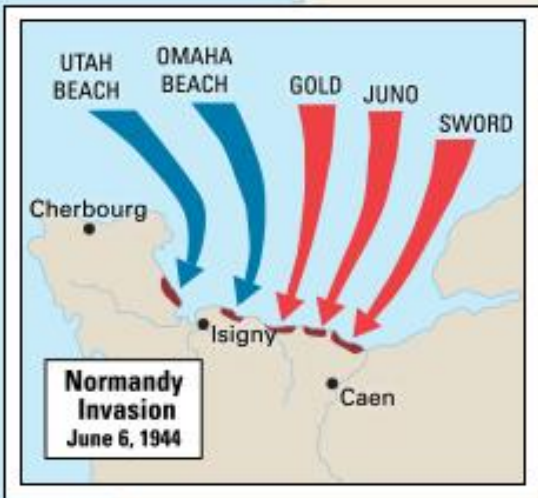
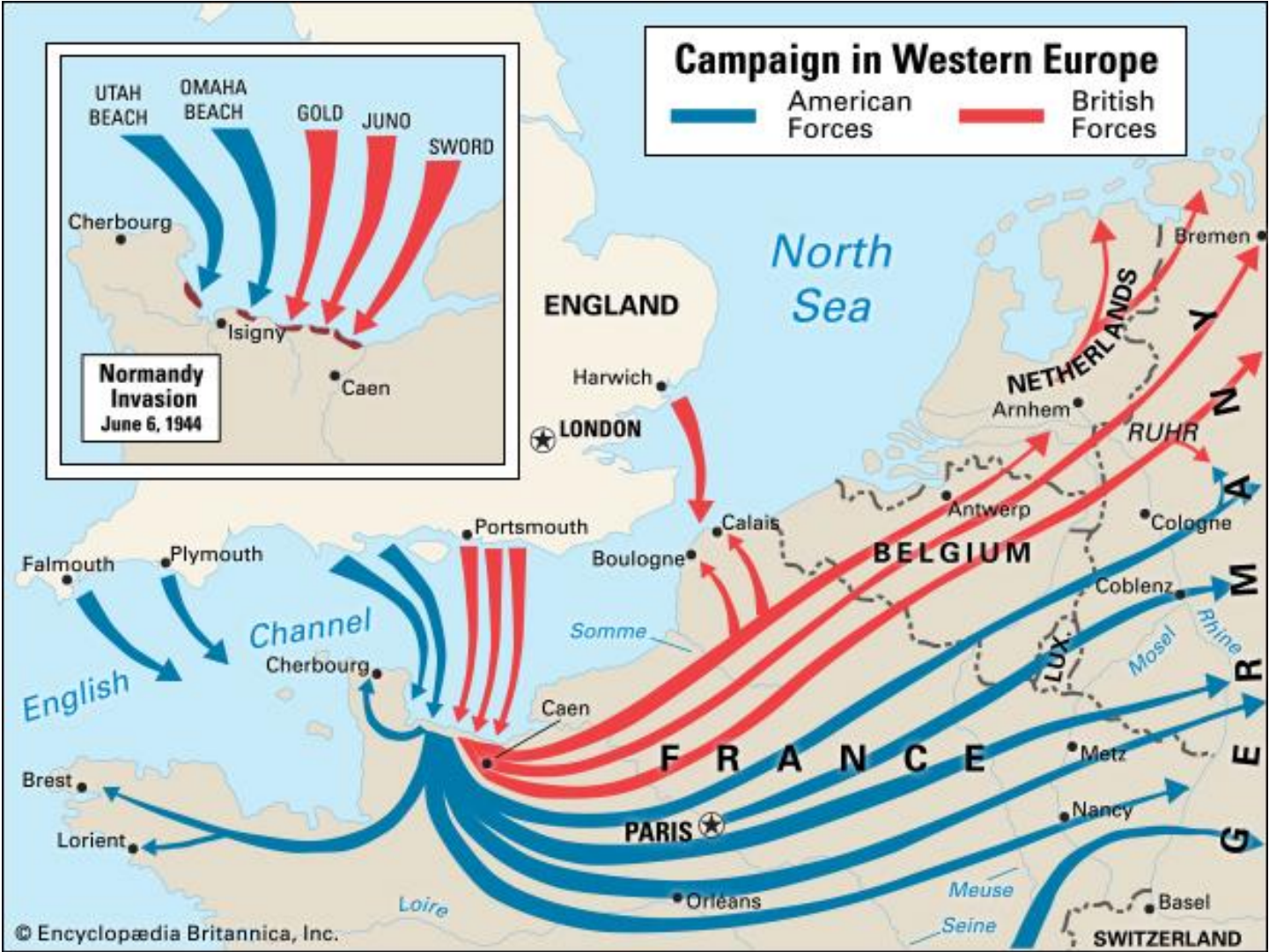


- **Gen. George “Blood and Guts” Patton** – commanded forces in North Africa & Sicily , later in France; leader in tank warfare

# World War II in Europe 1939–1941







**Campaign in Western Europe**

— American Forces    — British Forces

English Channel

FRANCE

BEELGIUM

NETHERLANDS

GERMANY

SWITZERLAND

👤 Invasion Troops: 153,110    🚑 Casualties: 14,000    🚢 Ships: 6,330    ✈️ Aircraft: 10,440

3,950



Fighters

670



Gliders

4,450



Bombers

1,370



Air transport

250

Minesweepers



600

Specialist craft



1,260

Merchant vessels



120

Warships



3,500

Troop carriers



500

Cargo carriers



100

Destroyers, sloops, frigates



129,710

Soldiers landed



12,500

Vehicles



1,550

Tanks



23,400

Airborne troops













## World War II in Europe and Africa 1942-1945

- 1942 • British forces stop the German advance at El Alamein.
- 1943 • German troops surrender at Stalingrad.  
• Allies invade Sicily. Italy surrenders.
- 1944 • Allies invade Normandy; liberate Paris.  
• Hitler launches the Battle of the Bulge.
- 1945 • Allied forces advance on Berlin.  
• Germany surrenders on May 7.



# European Theatre

- **Operation Overlord (D-Day)**

*Date:* June 6, 1944

*Description:* the Allies, led by Gen. Dwight D. Eisenhower, landed on the beaches of Normandy, France; high American casualty rates at Omaha beach

- Allies successful at gaining ground in France, liberate the country from Nazi control
- *Turning point of the war in Europe*

# D-Day



*Eisenhower addresses  
paratroopers on D-Day.*



# European Theatre

- **Fall of Berlin & V-E Day**

*Date:* 1945

*Description:* the Allies & the Soviets closed in on Berlin (Germany's capital); Hitler committed suicide in April and German forces surrendered on May 7, 1945 (V-E Day "Victory in Europe")









EDITION The Sun

# GERMANY SURRENDERS

# IT'S V-E DAY!

1st German Units Yield

**Remember Pearl Harbor!**

Acting arrests 5¢ Journal the American AFTERNOON EDITION  
LaGuardia Exit Speeds  
Pete Hunt and others May 7-1945

New York Post NIGHT EXTRA

New York World-Telegram NIGHT

EXTRA

FROM EISENHOWER HQ:

# NAZIS QUIT!

# NAZIS GIVE UP SURRENDER TO ALLIES AND RUSSIA ANNOUNCED

EXTRA!





# Fall of Berlin & V-E Day



*Allied forces  
capture Berlin*

*Americans  
celebrate V-E Day  
in Times Square*



# FDR's death

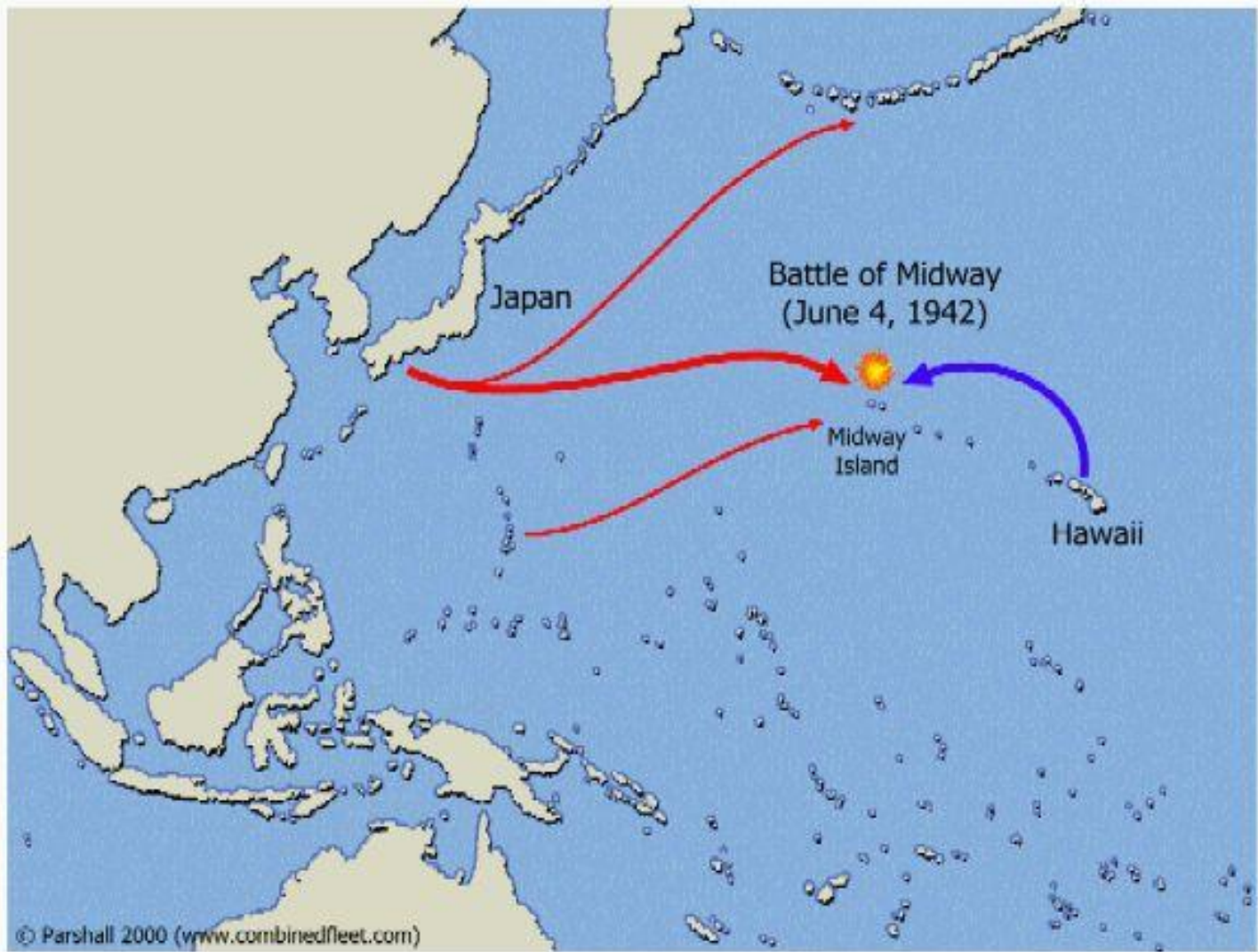
- served 4 terms as President
- died in office on April 12, 1945, while at Warm Springs, Georgia
- Vice President **Harry S. Truman** became President





# World War II in the Pacific 1941–1945







# Pacific Theatre

- **Midway**

*Date: 1942*

*Description: Japan (under Admiral Yamamoto) attempted to destroy American aircraft carriers in Pacific; Navy code breakers intercepted message & under U.S Admiral Chester Nimitz's leadership U.S defeated Japan*

- *Turning point of the war in the Pacific – stopped Japan's advance*

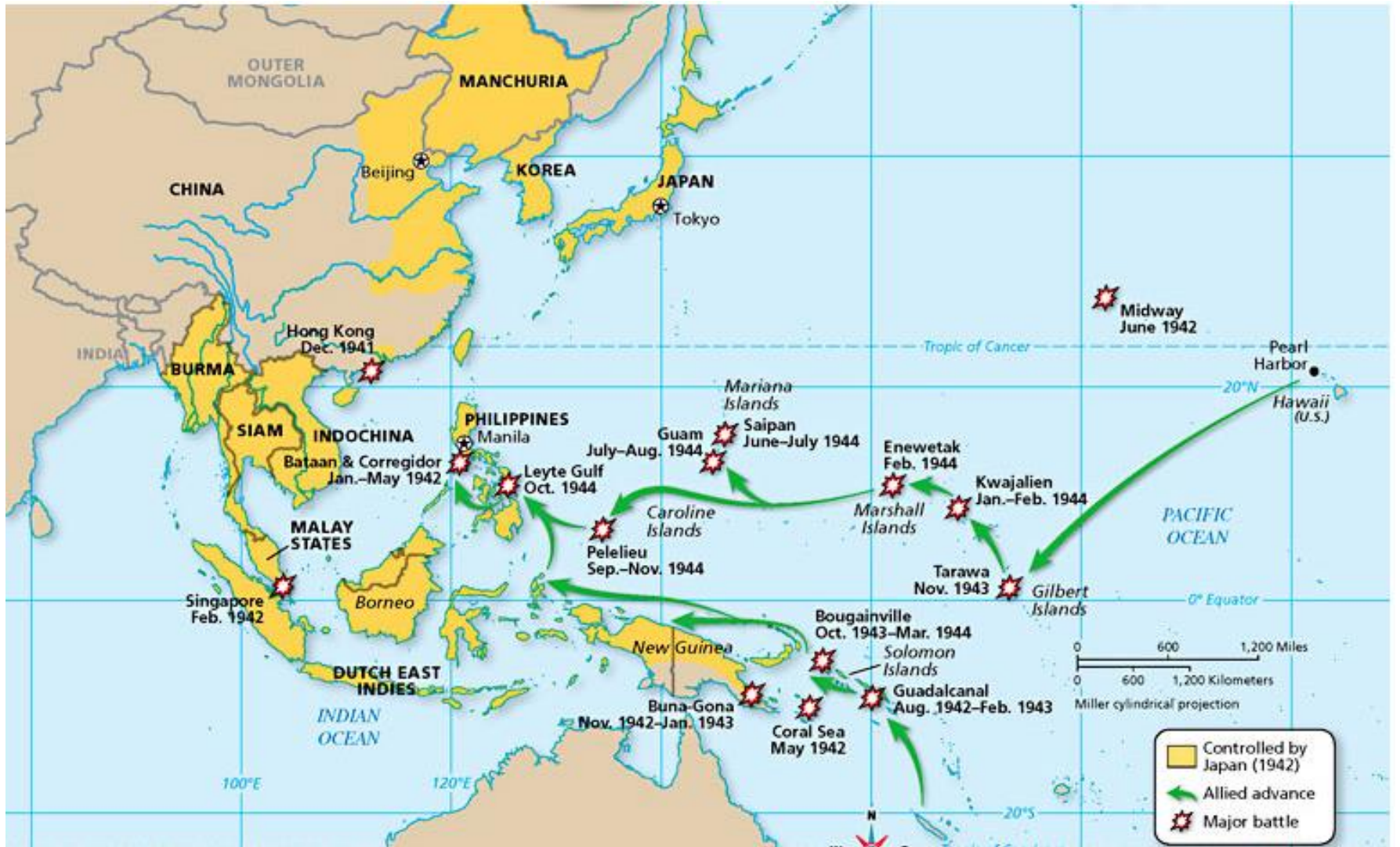


'Well, well! Seems to be a slight shifting of the Japanese current!'



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THE ISLAND-SPEARER

# Battle of Midway



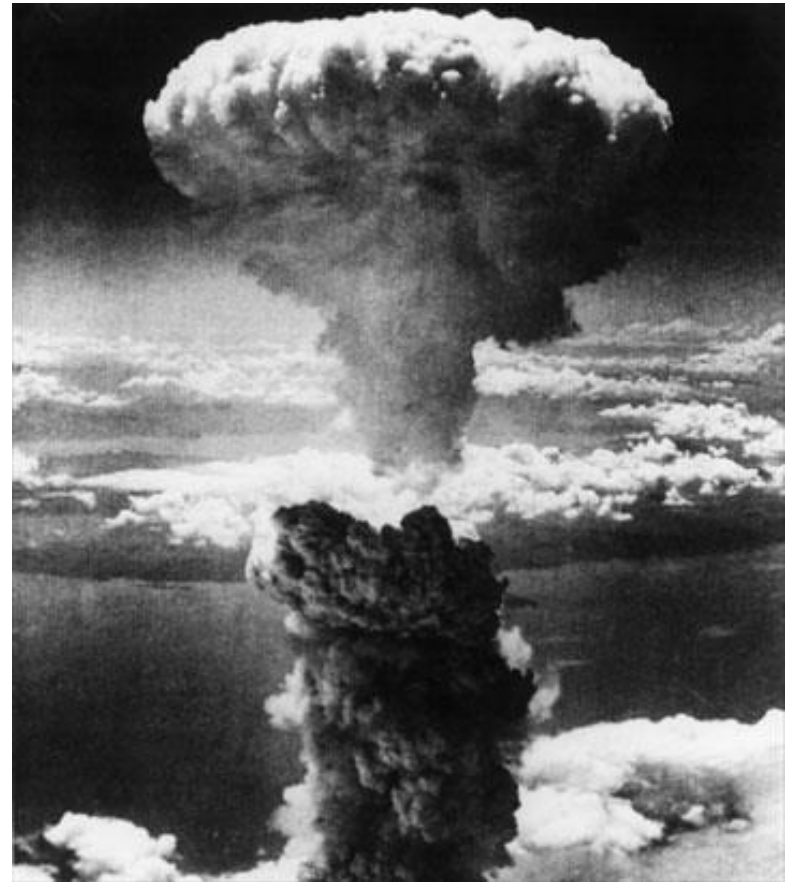
**Battle of Midway**

**Pearl Harbor**



# The Manhattan Project


- Manhattan Project – code-name for atomic bomb
- Project leaders: General Leslie Groves & physicist J. Robert Oppenheimer
- Los Alamos, New Mexico
- Truman made decision to drop 2 atomic bombs on Japan to save American lives










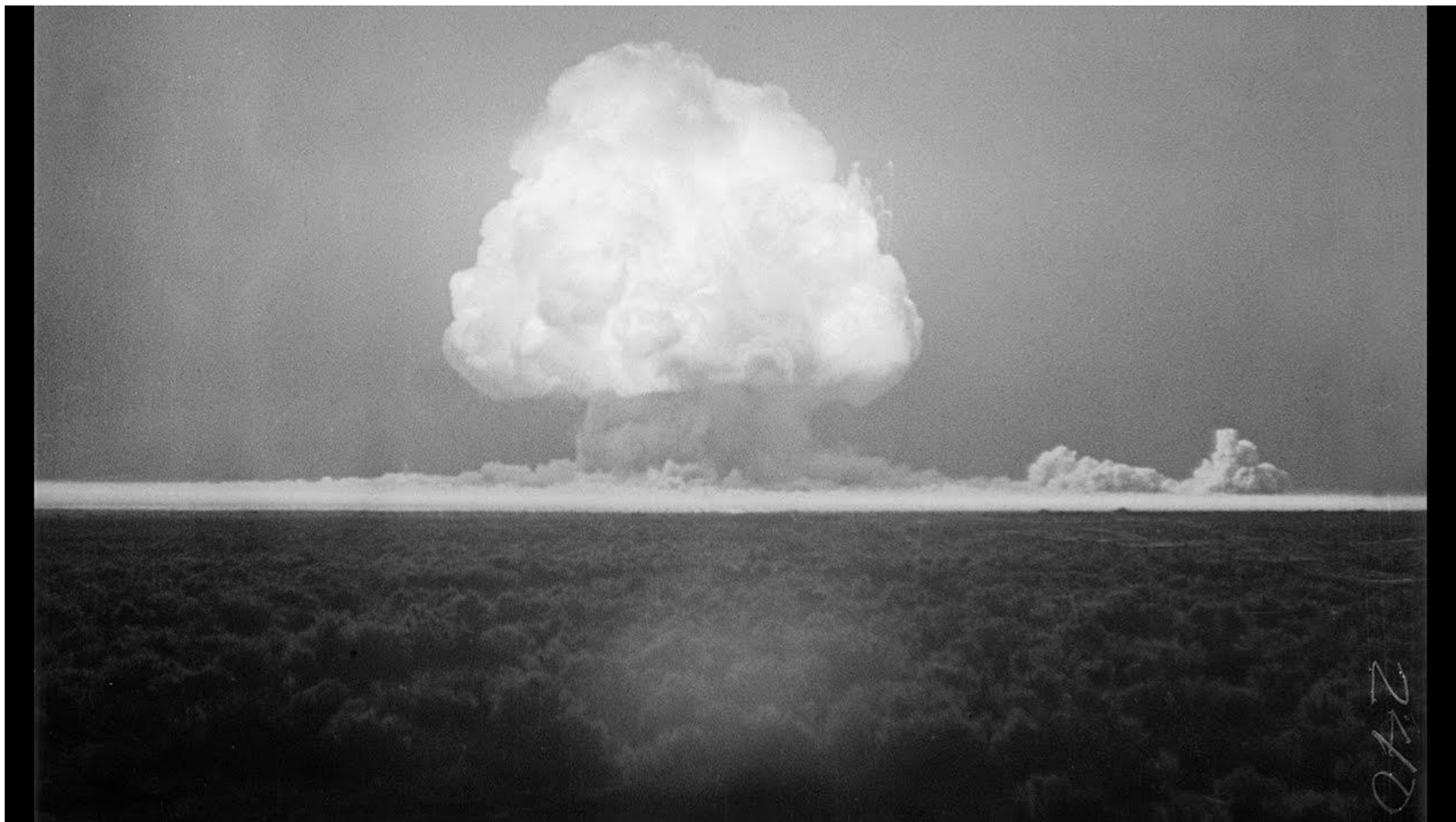
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WHAT YOU HEAR HERE  
WHEN YOU LEAVE HERE  
LET IT STAY HERE

A black and white photograph showing a man from behind, wearing a light-colored shirt and a hat, looking at a large, rectangular sign. The sign is mounted on a post and has a dark border. The text on the sign is arranged in five horizontal lines, each containing a phrase. The background consists of dense foliage.

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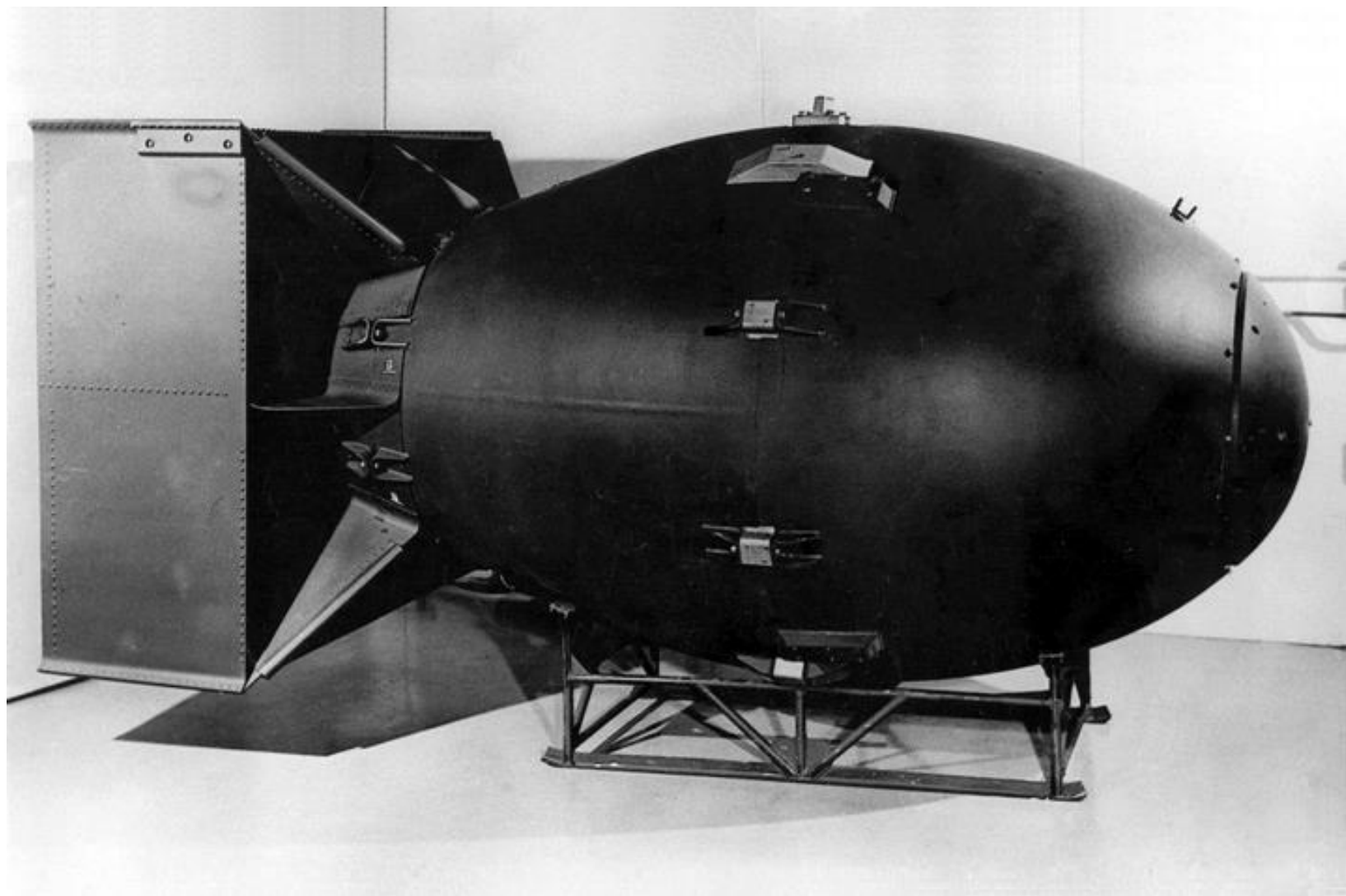
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- **Hiroshima & Nagasaki / V-J Day**

*Date:* 1945

*Description:* U.S. dropped 1<sup>st</sup> atomic bomb on Hiroshima (60,000 dead or missing); 3 days later U.S. dropped 2<sup>nd</sup> atomic bomb on Nagasaki (35,000 dead); Japan surrenders August 15, 1945 (V-J Day "Victory in Japan")







# Hiroshima-Nagasaki



ASIA

ARCTIC OCEAN

NORTH AMERICA

Bering Strait

Japan

PACIFIC OCEAN

Sea of Japan

Hiroshima

Nagasaki

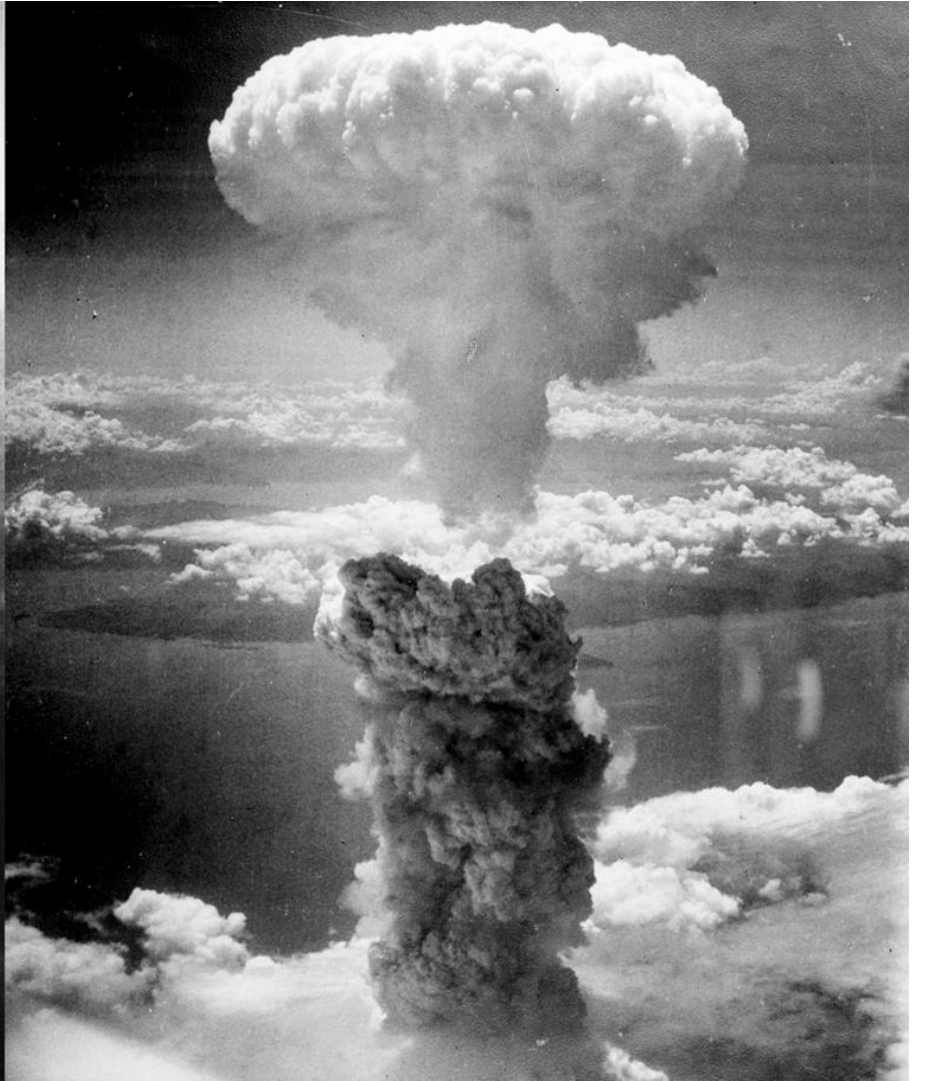
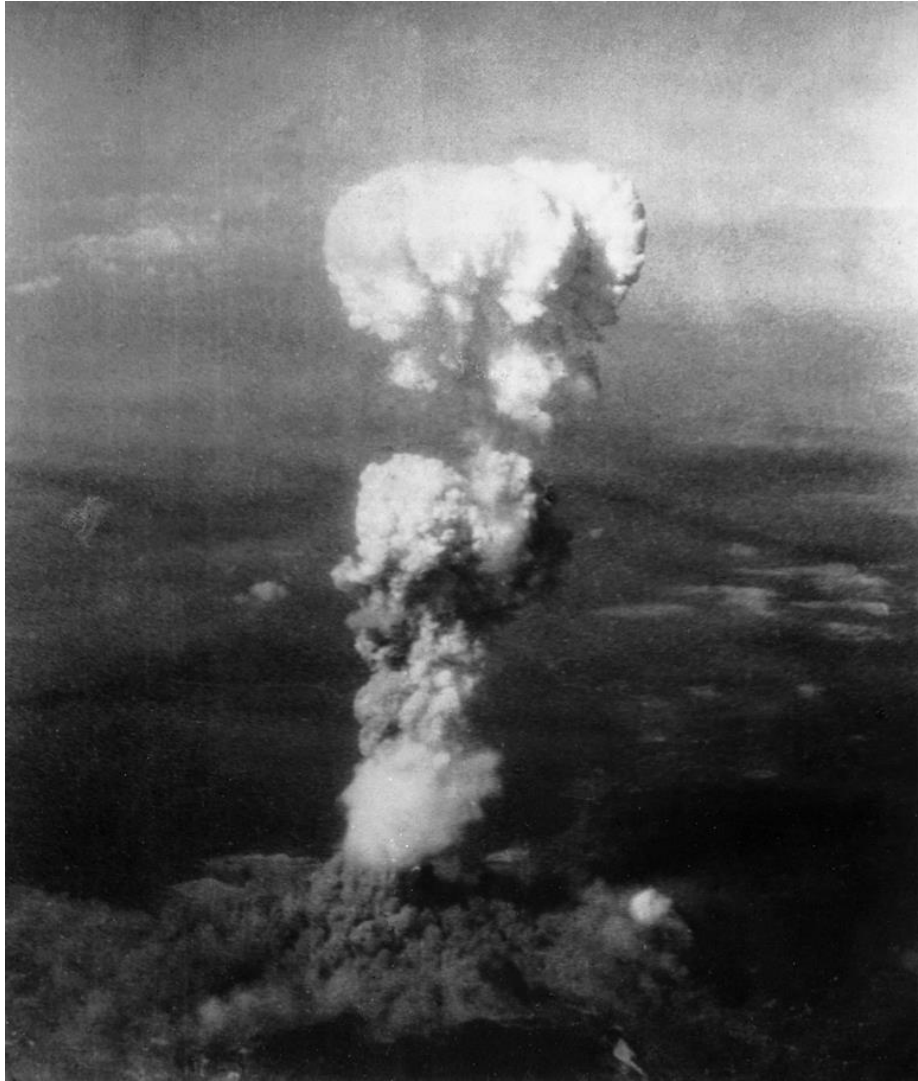
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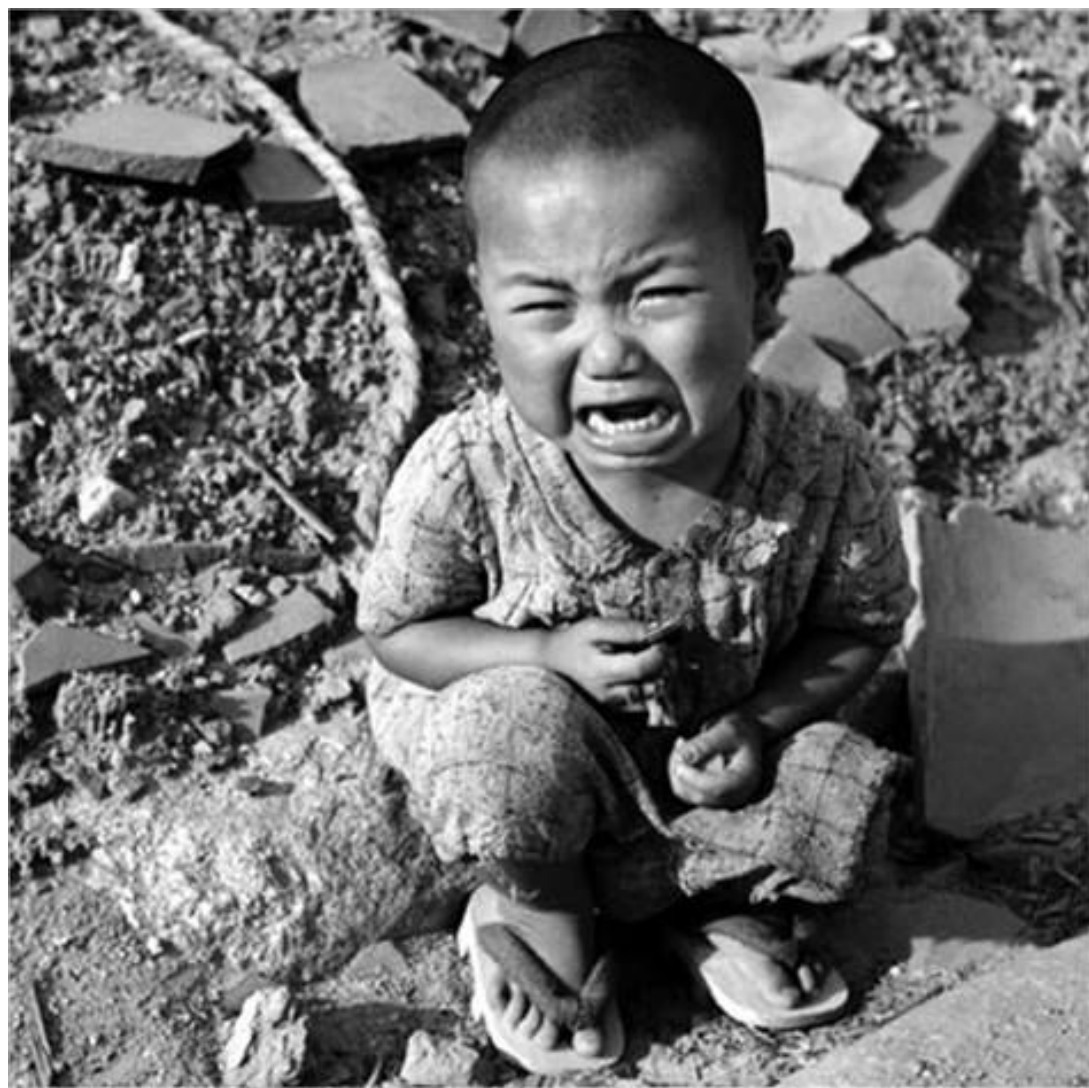












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## JAPAN SURRENDERS TO ALLIES, SIGNS RIGID TERMS ON WARSHIP; TRUMAN SETS TODAY AS V-J DAY

**HOLIDAY TRAFFIC  
NEAR 1944 LEVEL;  
'GAS' IS PLENTIFUL**

**Exodus From City Is Greatest  
Since Pre-War Days But  
Congestion Is Avoided**

**GOOD WEATHER PROMISED**

**Nearly 700,000 Expected  
to Leave City**

**Times Sq. Takes  
V-J News Quietly**

Times Square, which had greeted Japanese capitulation with a roar of excitement, took the formal signing of terms in much quieter fashion. The flight of the Japanese flag from the building at 20th St. 36, with a few more and general rejoicing, and did not attempt to start a celebration. It is expected the crowd was no larger than an average Saturday.

**HAILS ERA OF PEACE**

**President Calls On U. S.  
to Stride On Toward a  
World of Good-Will**

**SALUTES HEROIC DEAD**

**Cautions Jubilant Nation  
Hard Jobs Ahead Need**

**JAPANESE FOREIGN MINISTER SIGNING SURRENDER ARTICLES**



**WAR COMES TO END**

**Articles of Capitulation  
Endorsed by Countries  
in Pacific Conflict**

**WARTHUR SEES PEACE**

**Emperor Orders Subjects  
to Obey All Commands**







# The American Homefront

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# Women Work for Victory

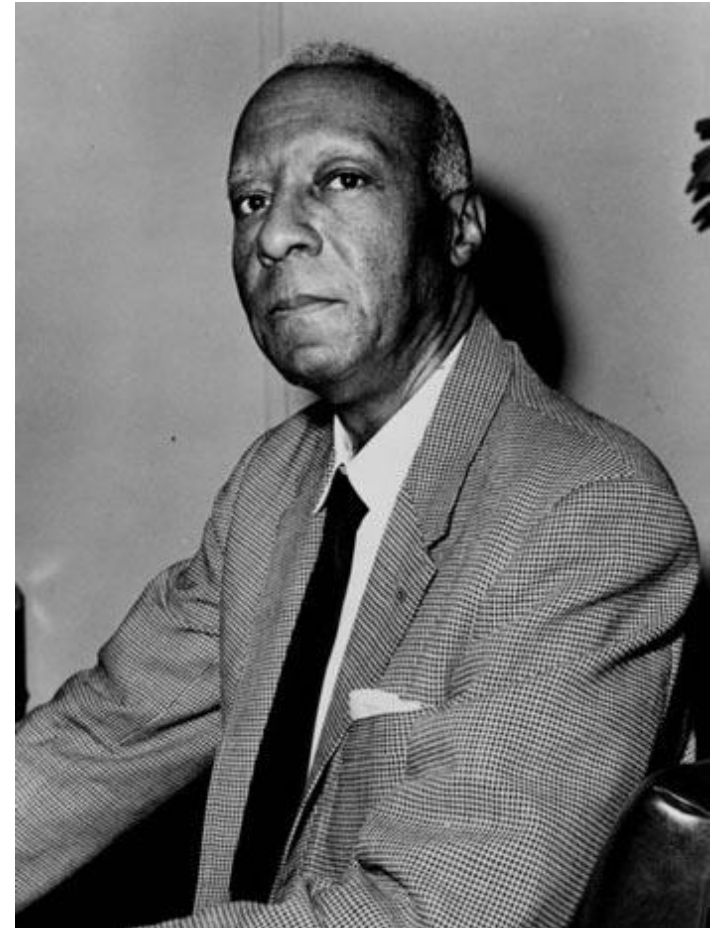
- **Women's contribution to the war:**  
worked in heavy industry,  
need for workers ended  
common practice of  
women quitting their  
jobs once married

*"Rosie the Riveter"*



# African Americans Gain Civil Rights

- **Double “V” campaign:**  
need for victory against dictators abroad & discrimination in U.S.
- **A. Philip Randolph:**  
organized protest march on Washington, D.C. & convinced FDR to issue **Executive Order 8802** – assured fair hiring practices in jobs funded w/ gov’t money & est. Fair Employment Practices Committee



# Challenges to Civil Liberties

- Roosevelt ordered 110,000 Japanese Americans into “relocation camps” – **internment** (temporary imprisonment)
- Moved to Utah, California, Arizona, Wyoming, Arkansas, & Idaho
- Had to sell homes, businesses, & belongings
- Over 17,000 Japanese Americans served in Army units even while friends & families were in camps
- ***Korematsu v. U.S.*** decision upheld internment



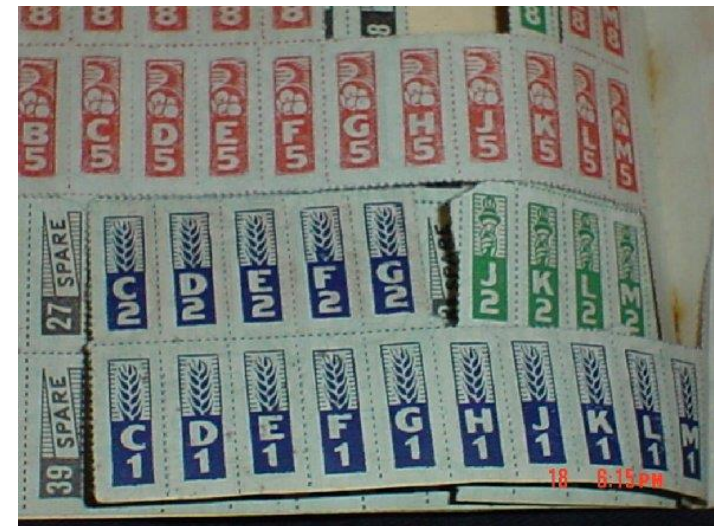
# Japanese Internment Camps



JAPANESE AMERICAN INTERNMENT CAMPS

# Supporting War Effort

- **Cost of WWII:** \$330 billion
- **Financed:** imposed a 5% tax on working Americans; Americans bought war bonds
- **Rationing:** Americans were issued coupon books that limited the amount of certain goods they could buy



# Major Allied Conferences

- Casablanca Conference:
- Tehran
- Yalta
- Potsdam Conference (July 1945):
  - Truman and Stalin warned Japan to surrender unconditionally or be destroyed





# Effects of the War

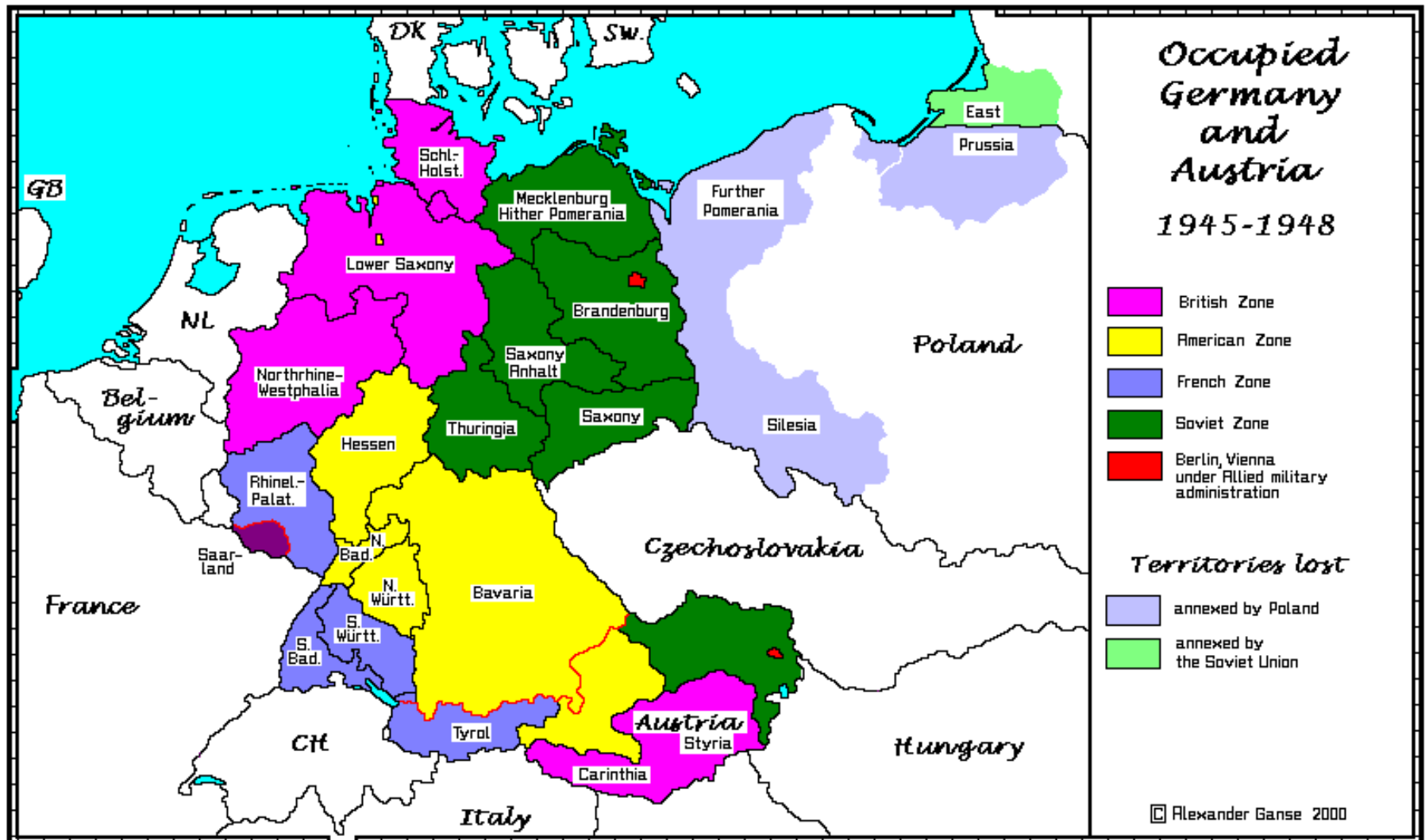
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# World War II Allied Conferences

## Potsdam (July '45)

- **Leaders:** Harry S. Truman (U.S.), Clement Atlee (Britain), Stalin (Soviet Union)
- **Decisions Reached:** decided to divide Germany (& Berlin) into four zones of occupation: Soviet, American, British, & French

# Potsdam: Division of Germany



# Changing Balance of World Power

- After WWII, two superpowers emerge:
  1. United States
  2. Soviet Union
- United States: strongest of the two, wealthy, militarily powerful, confident
- Soviet Union: industries, cities, & people suffered during war but controlled most of Eastern Europe



# Creation of the United Nations

- **When:** April 1945
- **Where:** permanent home in New York City
- **U.N. General Assembly:** make decisions on important issues such as peace and security, admission of new members & budget
- **Security Council:** responsible for maintaining world peace and security