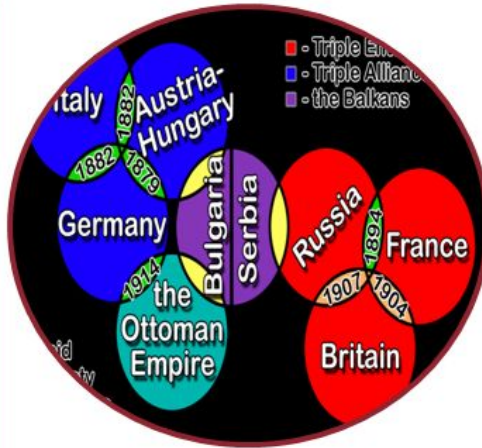




World War I Events

Reasons for WWI: Review



Alliances



Nationalism

Militarism

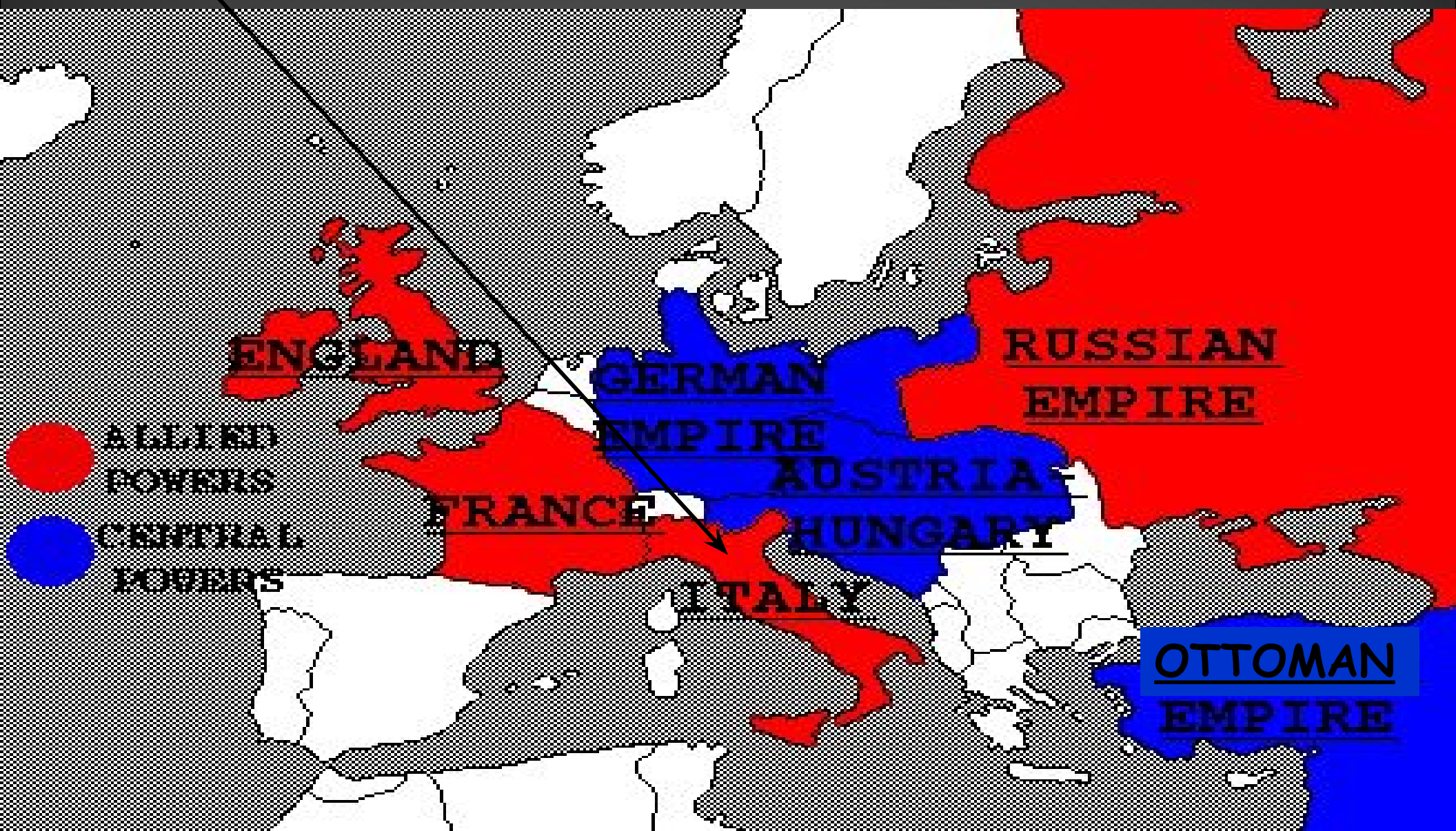
Imperialism



WWI Begins...

WHY THE SWITCH?

The Lines Are Drawn...



... What about the U.S.?...

1914: Population

12 million tied to Central Powers

87 million tied to British Culture

But...

President Woodrow
Wilson = **NEUTRALITY**

Capitalist Country

- By 1917 US loaned:
 - Allies: \$2.5 billion
 - Central: \$27 million
- Motivation=**TRADE**

WWI created
thousands of
American millionaires

Capitalistic Motives Threatened!

*Resume unrestricted warfare... WHY?
3 US commercial ships sunk*

Zimmerman Telegram

- Effort to prevent US troops from reaching Europe
- Encoded message from Germany to Mexico → make war with US; get prized land back
- British intercepted...

Sussex Pledge

- Must warn before attack
- Hurts German advantage → stalemate ensues → what will Germany do?

Lusitania (May 1915)

- British passenger liner sunk
- 1,200 passengers parish – 128 Americans!

Unrestricted Submarine Warfare

- Attacking any ship whether military, passenger or merchant
- Even
NEUTRAL

Trading Blockades



**April 1917 US enters war
after a series of events which
attacked their existence...**



Meanwhile... Russian Power Declining....A Call for Change



World War I – Epic Fail

- Industrial failures
- Military failures
- Massive losses

- Rasputin Power - Czar to War
- Russian Revolution – overthrowing Czar – execution

Loss of World Power Status

Decline of Czar Power

- 1905 Russo-Japanese War
- Czar Nicholas II failed promises (political & economic)

The Call for Change... The Russian Revolution of 1917

Provisional Gov't

After overthrow of Czar - Aleksandr Kerensky

Kerensky planned continuance WWI... ☹

Bolsheviks overthrow

Rule Russia as a **socialist** country...

Wanted the proletariat (industrial worker), to gain the power to rule Russia

Vladimir Lenin - becomes leader

Russia exits WWI fall 1917: **How does Russia's exit from WWI help Germany?**

Treaty of Brest-Litovsk (1918)

Russia announces armistice → loses chunks of Empire

Russia lay in **ruins**...

Political & Economic instability ensues...breeding ground for change

Social equality = **COMMUNISM** under Lenin



Putting the pieces together...

RECALL..

Russia's
power is
diminished
by beginning
1917

By 1917
Germany
creates
enemy with
the U.S.

- *Lusitania
- *U-boat warfare
- *Zimmerman Telegram
- *US loans

US enters
WWI: Spring
of 1917

Russia
withdraws
from WWI:
fall 1917

German
advantage
diminishes...

World War one ends:
-- 11th hour
-- 11th day
-- 11th month... of 1918
November 11, 1918

ARMISTICE!!!!



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Wilson's Fourteen Points

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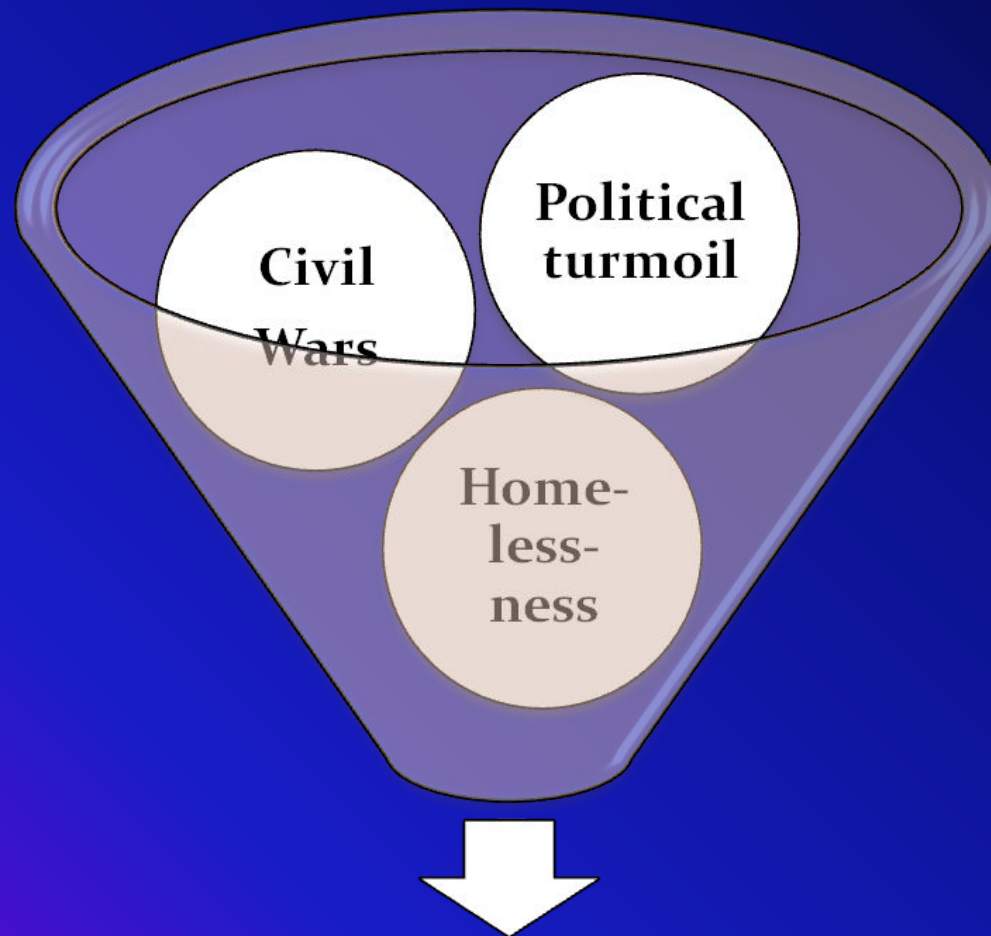


THE FOURTEEN POINTS

(Woodrow Wilson—Jan. 18, 1918)

1. "Open covenants of peace . . ."
2. "Absolute freedom upon the seas . . ."
3. "The removal, . . . of all economic barriers . . ."
4. "Adequate guaranties . . . [of disarmament]"
5. [Equitable colonial self-determination]
- 6-13. Specific provisions relating to:
Russia, Belgium, France
(including Alsace-Lorraine),
Italy, Austria-Hungary,
Balkan Nations, Turkey
(and the Dardanelles),
"An independent Polish state . . ."
14. "A general association of nations . . ." [The League of Nations]

As the Countries Negotiate Peace... the Dynamics of Europe Play a Role



**Europe Lay in Ruins:
Conflicting Needs of Nations**

Differing Desires...



Great Britain wants Germany to pay for starting the war

France wants Germany to lose power; break Germany into small countries

All, except the US, feel that Germany should pay large reparation for starting WWI

Italy wants land that they were promised for joining the Allies

US made compromises because the other "Big" countries wanted Germany to pay

The Treaty of Versailles 1919

Signed: June
28, 1919

Resentment?

- Predict what this may lead to...

Very Harsh ...
on who? why?

The Treaty of Versailles 1919

- Alsace-Lorraine region returned to France
- Poland restored as independent nation with access to sea
- New nations created... self-determination on ETHNICITY

Geographic Changes

Other Provisions

- Creation of League of Nations
 - Peacekeeping organization
- War Guilt Clause...



The Treaty of Versailles 1919

War Guilt
Clause: Full
Responsibility

**GERMANY
MUST...**

Disband
Forces:
Keep Under
100,000

\$33 BILLION in
Reparations:
Financial Debt

The Treaty of Versailles 1919

End
Manufacturing
& Importing of
Wartime Goods

Give Up
Overseas
Colonies...
Imperialism
all "FOR
NOT"?

**GERMANY
MUST...**

Ship Coal to
France

U.S.A. Reaction to Treaty

Senate have reservations over Treaty: League of Nations

- Draw into future wars???

November 1919—Treaty rejected by U.S.A.

- League of Nations=Weak because no US involvement

