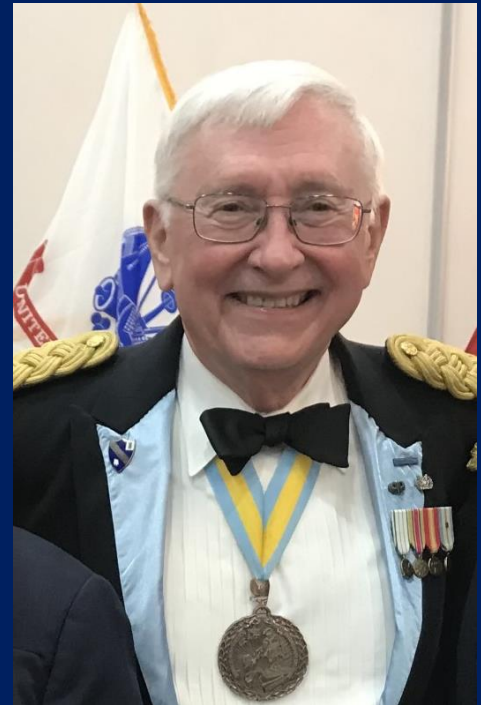


Western Civilization since 1500



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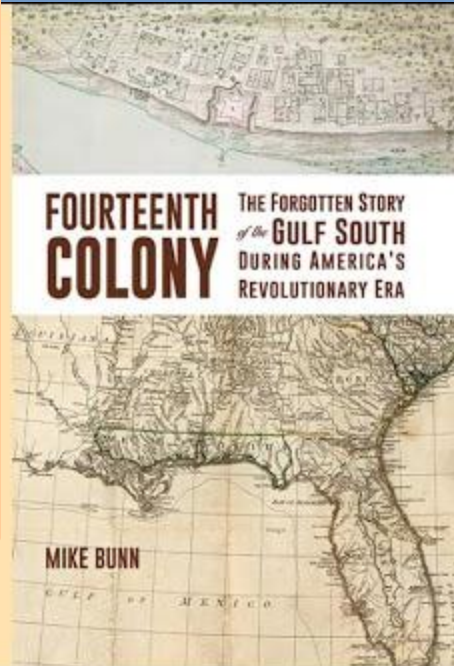
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Western Civilization from 1500

March 14	Article 3 Approval (Ch. 23-26) Hinson Lecture
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*Mike Bunn
The 14th Colony The
Forgotten Story of the
Gulf South During America's
Revolutionary Era*

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China

Opium Wars

(1840-42) & (1856-58)

Low demand for European goods

High demand for Tea, Silk, Porcelain

Cheap Indian opium (Br. E. India Co.)

Hong Kong to British

Forced increase trade ports



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Sino-Japanese War 1894-1895



1894-95: Sino-Japanese

- In the resulting **Treaty of Shimonoseki**, Japan cements its influence over Korea, wins control of **Taiwan** and the **Liaodong Peninsula** in Manchuria. Also received cash reparations amounting to **\$170 million gold** from China.
- However Russia, France and Germany protest and Japan is **forced to give up** control of the Liaodong Peninsula to Russia.
- Despite **'throwing off Asia'** and defeating China, Japan is still not treated as an equal by the West.



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Feb. 15, 1898

USS Maine explosion in
Havana, Cuba

“Splendid Little War”

April 25 – August 12, 1898

332 combat deaths

2,957 deaths by disease

Cuba

Philippines

Guam

Puerto Rico



THE GREAT NAVAL BATTLE OFF CAVITE (MANILA BAY)
FOUGHT MAY 1ST 1898 8:30 A.M. 'TILL 12:30 P.M. (NOON)

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**USA defeats
Spanish in 1898**

**Provides US with a
far eastern base for
trade and military**

**Philippines begins very limited self-government
1916 – promises eventual independence
1934 – Commonwealth of the Philippines
1946 – granted independence (delayed from 1944)**



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The Coming of World War

Triple Alliance

Austria-Hungary

Germany

Italy (switches from neutral to Allies April 1915)

Triple Entente

France

Russia

Britain



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Balkan Wars 1912-13: Prelude to WWI



- Serbia hoped to absorb all the Slavs on the Balkan peninsula.
- Russia, a slavic nation, supported Serbia nationalism.
- Austria, which feared rebellion among the slavic population, felt threatened by Serbia's growth.
- And Russia and Austria-Hungary wanted the Balkans as their sphere of influence.

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Franz Ferdinand in Sarajevo



The spark that set the war off was the assassination of the heir to the Austrian Empire (Archduke Franz Ferdinand) by a Serbian national. Austria declared war on Serbia as a result.



Serbia was an ally of Russia. When Russia declared war on Austria-Hungary, the Triple Alliance and Triple Entente kicked in, bringing the entire continent to war.

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1914

- June 28** **Archduke Franz Ferdinand assassinated**
- July 28** Austria-Hungary declares war on Serbia
Russia mobilizes
The Netherlands declare neutrality
- Aug 1** Germany declares war on Russia
Italy declares neutrality
Denmark declares neutrality
Germany and Ottoman Empire sign secret alliance treaty
- Aug 3** Germany declares war on France
Switzerland declares neutrality
- Aug 4** **Germany invades Belgium**
UK declares war on Germany
USA declares neutrality
- Aug 6** Austria-Hungary declares war on Russia
Serbia declares war on Germany
- Aug 11** France declares war on Austria-Hungary
- Aug 12** UK declares war on Austria-Hungary
- Aug 23** Japan declares war on Germany
- Aug 25** Japan declares war on Austria-Hungary
- Aug 28** Austria-Hungary declares war on Belgium

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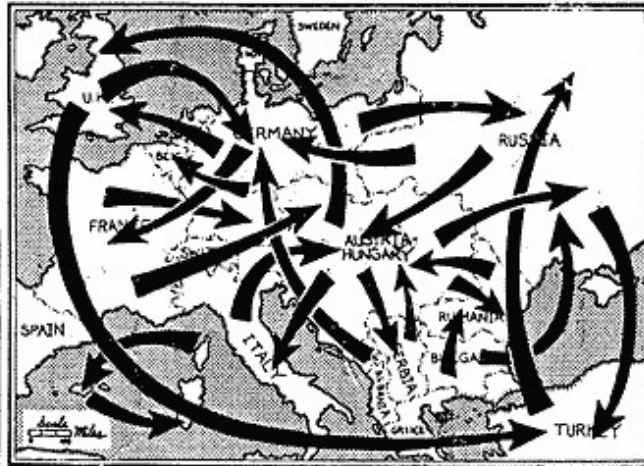
WAR DECLARED BY ALL

AUSTRIA DECLARES WAR ON SERBIA
 AUSTRIA DECLARES WAR ON
 GERMANY DECLARES WAR ON FRANCE
 GERMANY DECLARES WAR ON
 TURKEY DECLARES WAR ON RUSSIA
 RUSSIA DECLARES WAR ON
 BULGARIA DECLARES WAR ON BRITAIN

OTTOMAN EMPIRE ALMOST DECLARES WAR ON ITSELF

 NATIONS STRUGGLE TO REMEMBER ALLIES

From the London and Washington Bureaus, Aug. 4.—After weeks of unbearable tension following the assassination of the heir to the Austro-Hungarian throne, the great European powers have declared war on one another in a bitter struggle for something that is sure to be determined by war's end. Enmeshed in a confusing string of rivalries and alliances, diplomats, politicians, and military leaders



mighty Triple Entente not exist before the June all European nations who

ASSASSINATION OF ARCHDUKE SPREADS FEAR AT ARCHDUKE CONVENTION

The Hague, Netherlands, Aug. 4.—European archdukes attending their annual convention expressed alarm at the assassination of fellow aristocrat Archduke Franz Ferdinand, whose end came at the hand of a Serbian nationalist in Sarajevo several weeks ago.

Archdukes attending the convention expressed concern for the issue of noblemen safety, once considered a birthright. Most also claimed they had no knowledge of the Serbian demand for independence from Austria. "Could it be that the oppressed minority peoples in our own provinces are weary of cen-

AREA DRUNKARD DECLARES WAR ON IRELAND

ALE-HOUSE PEERS FALL IN AS ALLIES

Davenport, Iowa, Aug. 4.—As bloody conflict rages throughout Europe, Orval Brunvald, a drunkard of many years' experience, declared war on Ireland Friday evening. A REBOUNDOING DECLARATION "Consum ever" one of 'em

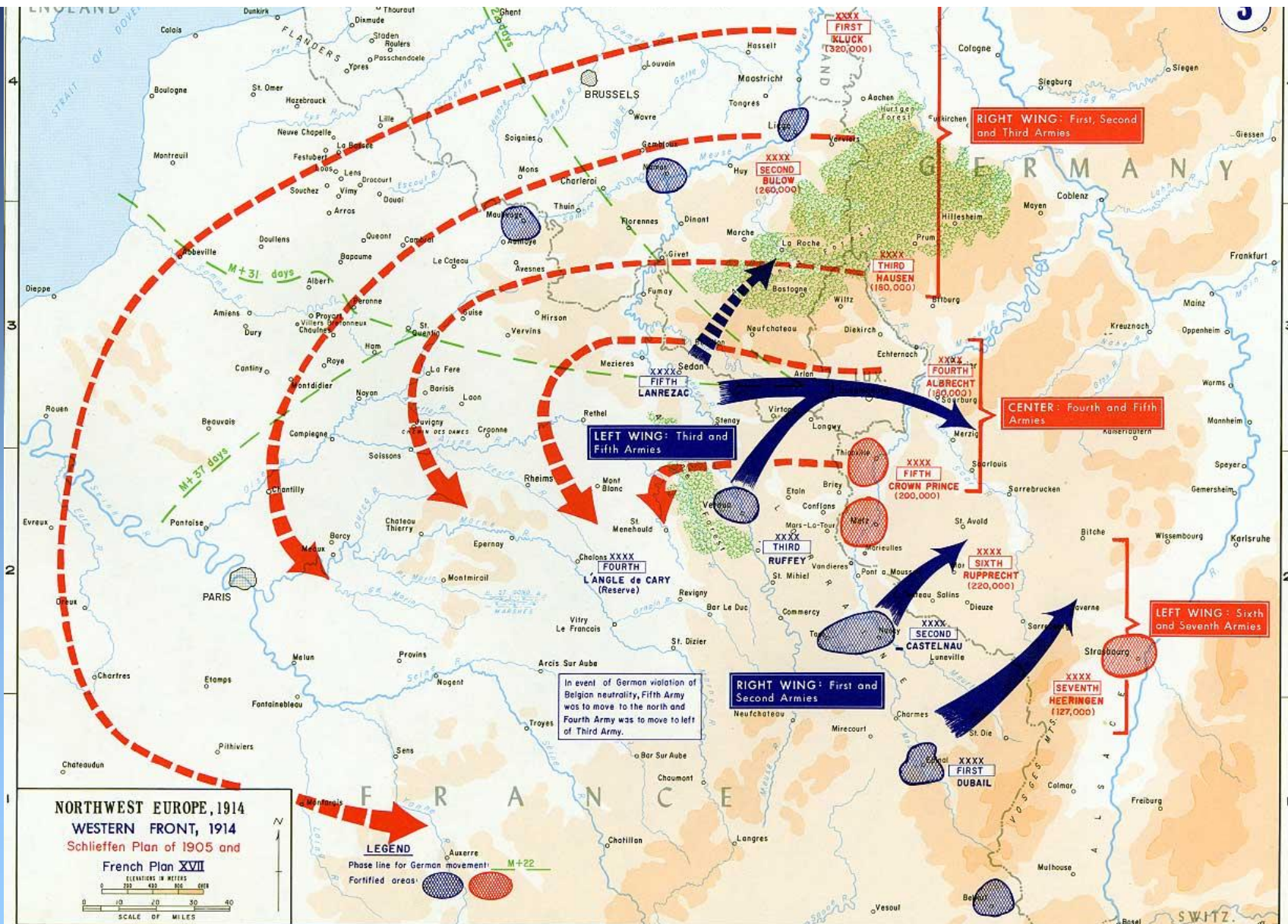
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The Generals' Assumptions - 1914

- War Is Inevitable
 - We Can Win
- The War Will Be Short
 - Victory Will Go to the Attacker
 - Losses Will Be Heavy

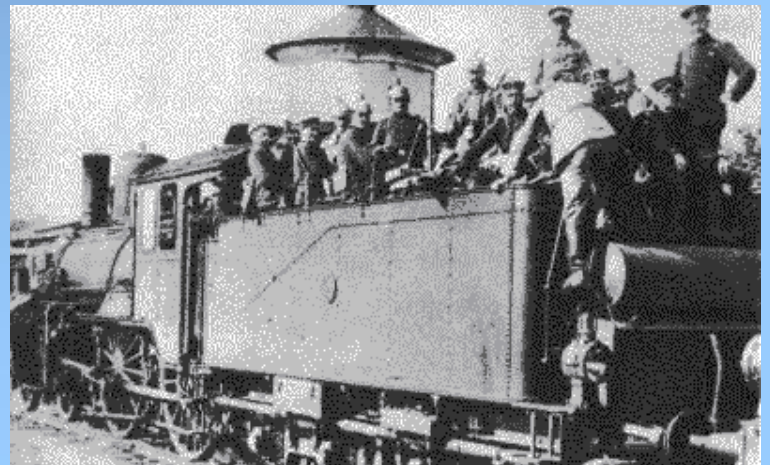


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Schlieffen Plan Assumptions

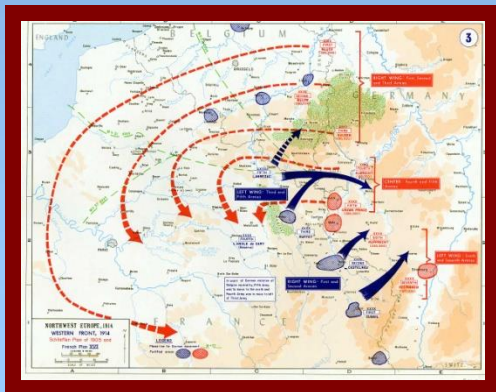
- The Belgian rail network will be captured largely intact.
- The Russians will be unable to attack until their mobilization is complete.
- The right wing will be able to sustain a high speed of advance.
- The French will be unable to switch forces from Alsace-Lorraine to counter the right wing.



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Alfred Graf von Schlieffen

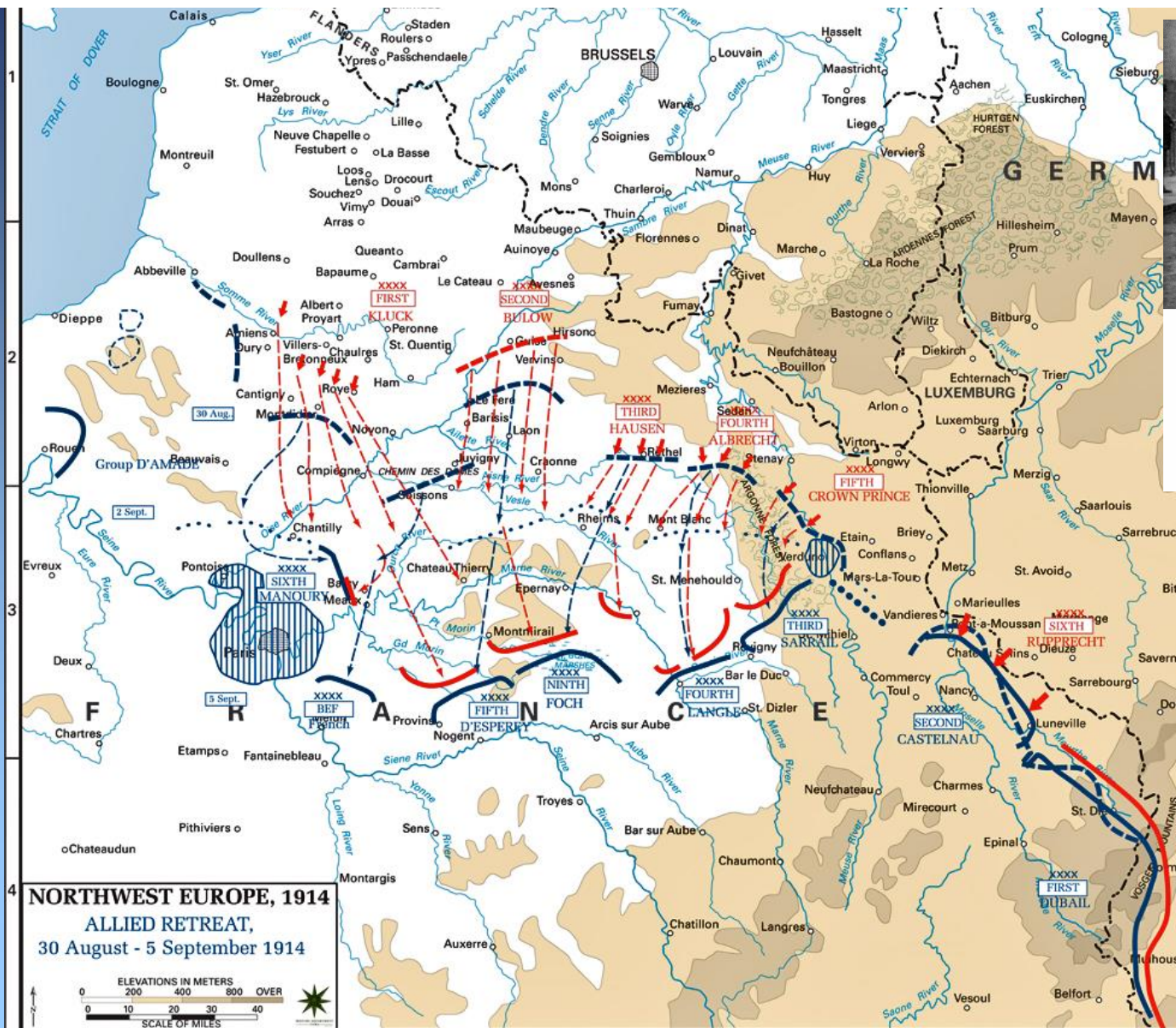


The War of Plans, 1914

The Schlieffen Plan

- Only German war plan
- Based on “win-hold-win” strategy
- Aimed to destroy French Army in 6 weeks
- Violating Belgian neutrality, ensured British intervention
- Demanded heroic marching performance from the right-wing armies
- Severely strained C3 (Command, Control, Communication), logistics

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Sept. 5-12, 1914
Halts Germans
Saves Paris

THE FIRST BATTLE OF THE MARNE 1914

The French 'miracle' halts the Germans



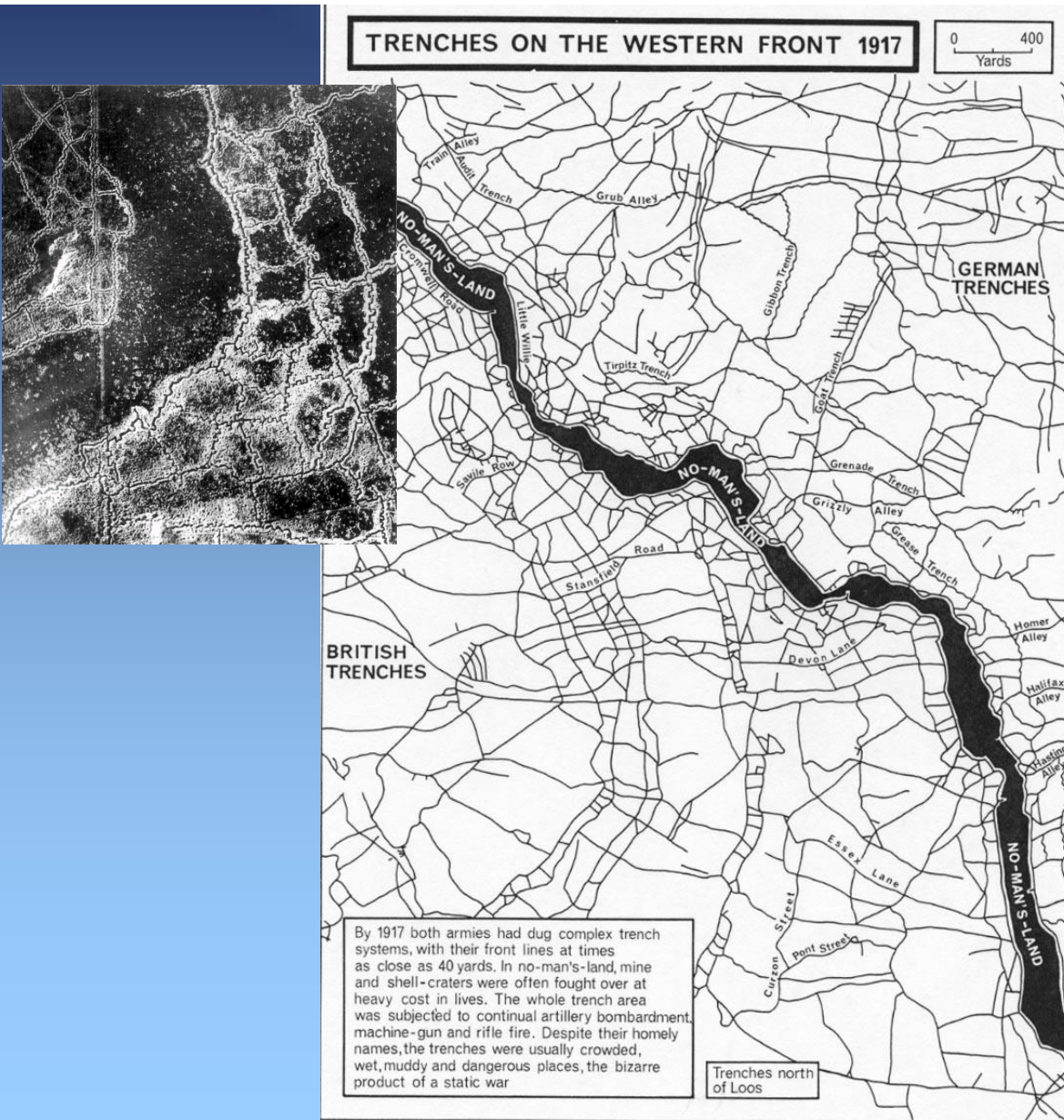
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Why Stalemate in 1914?

- **Exhaustion of armies**
- **Exhaustion of ammunition**
- **Density of forces**
- **Lethality of Weapons**
- **Limited heavy artillery**
- **No assailable flanks**
- **All war plans failed**



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A Bit of Perspective

French battle deaths (KIA/DOW) from
the **FIRST SIX MONTHS** of WWI: **454,000**

TOTAL American battle deaths in the 20th Century:
427,513

Span American War	385
Phil Insurrection	1,004
WWI	53,404
WWII	291,557
Korea	33,651
Vietnam	47,364
Desert Storm	148

Source: Millet & Maslowski , *For the Common Defense*



THE INDIRECT APPROACH

WHY GO THRU THE TRENCHES AT ALL?

OTHER MEANS

DIFFERENT FRONTS



- GALLIPOLI
- SALONIKA, Greece
- ITALY?



- ### ECONOMIC WARFARE
- BLOCKADE
 - U-BOAT OFFENSIVE

Europe: 1914-1918

Western Front

Eastern Front

Italian Front

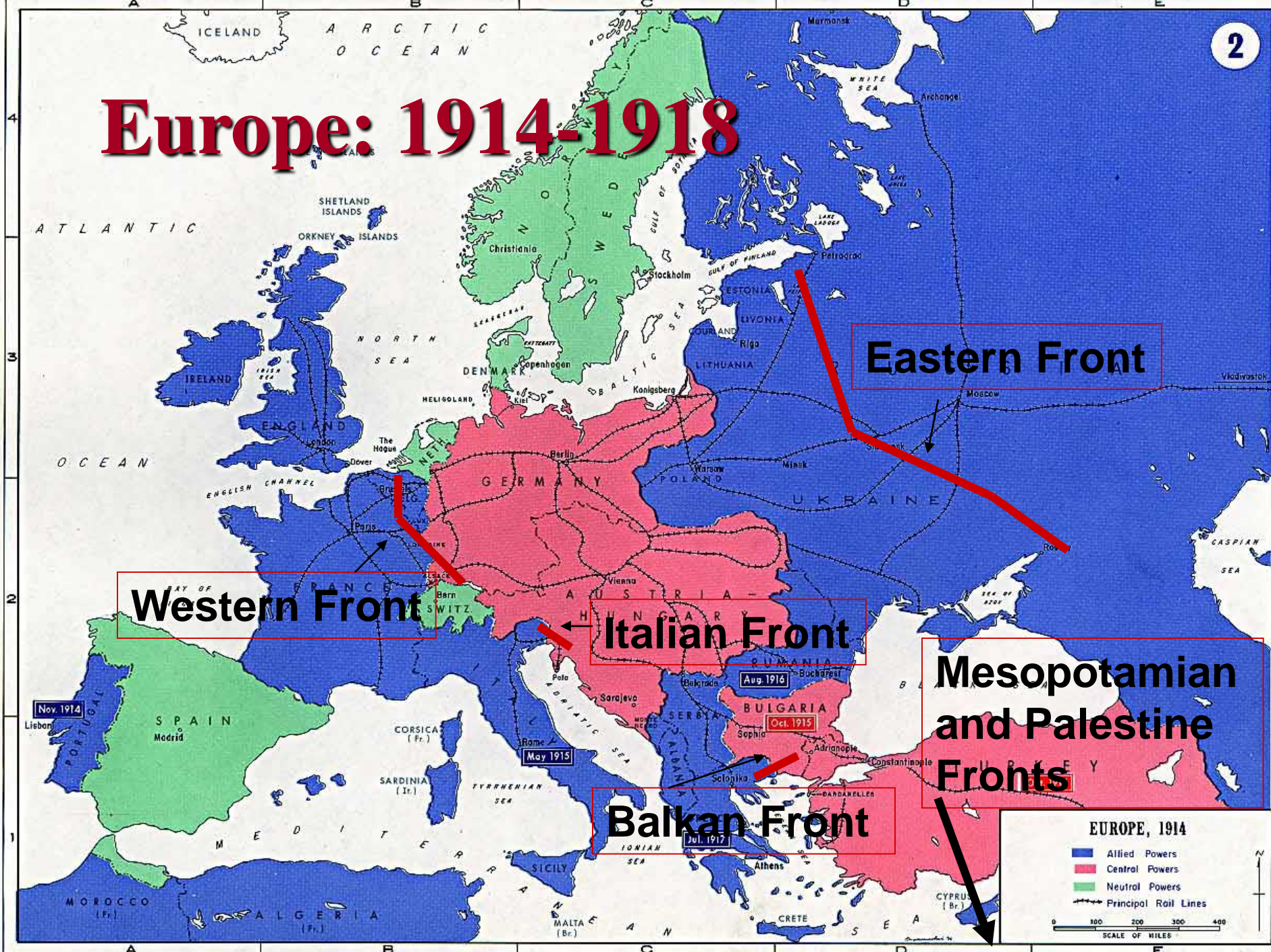
Mesopotamian and Palestine Fronts

Balkan Front

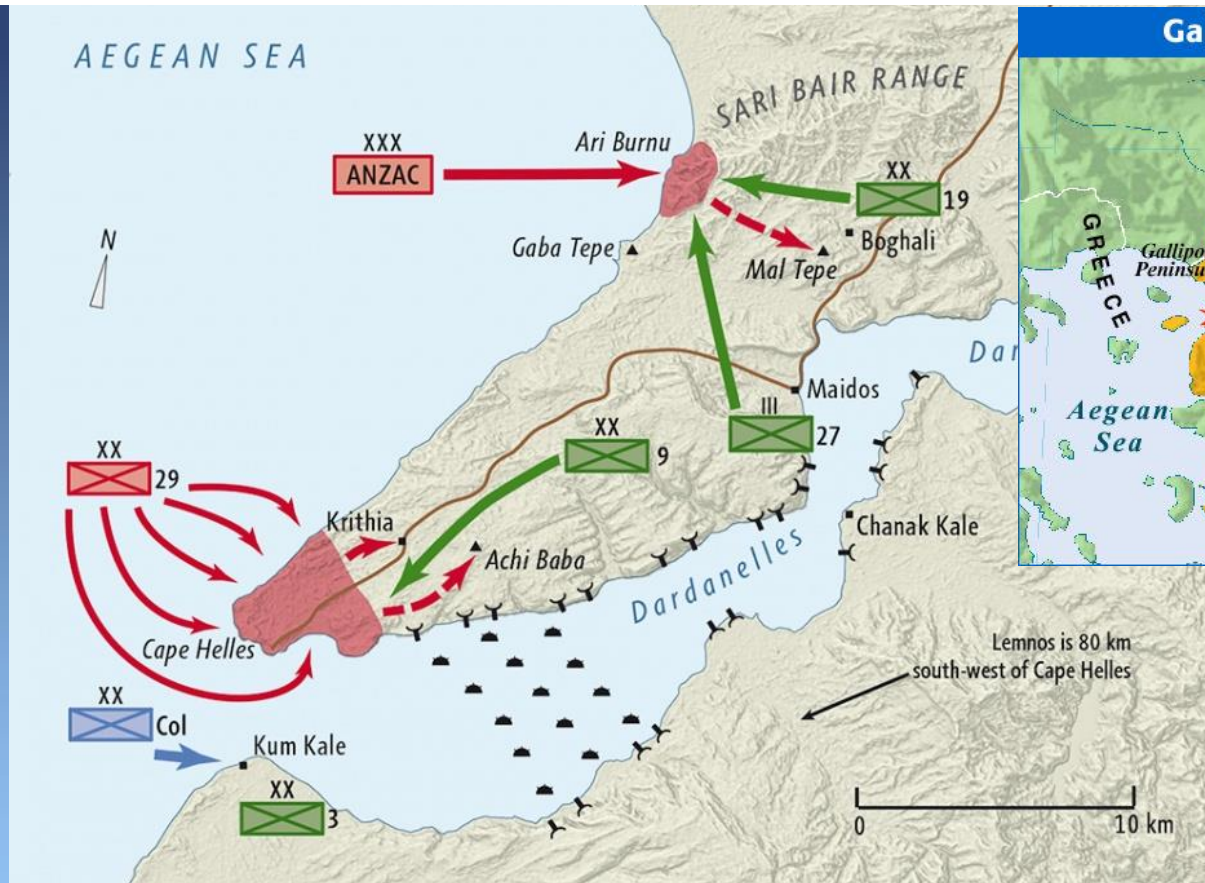
EUROPE, 1914

- Allied Powers
- Central Powers
- Neutral Powers
- Principal Rail Lines

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SCALE OF MILES



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25 APR 1915

9 JAN 1916

**Each side
~57,000 KIA**

**~130,000
Wounded/POW-MIA**

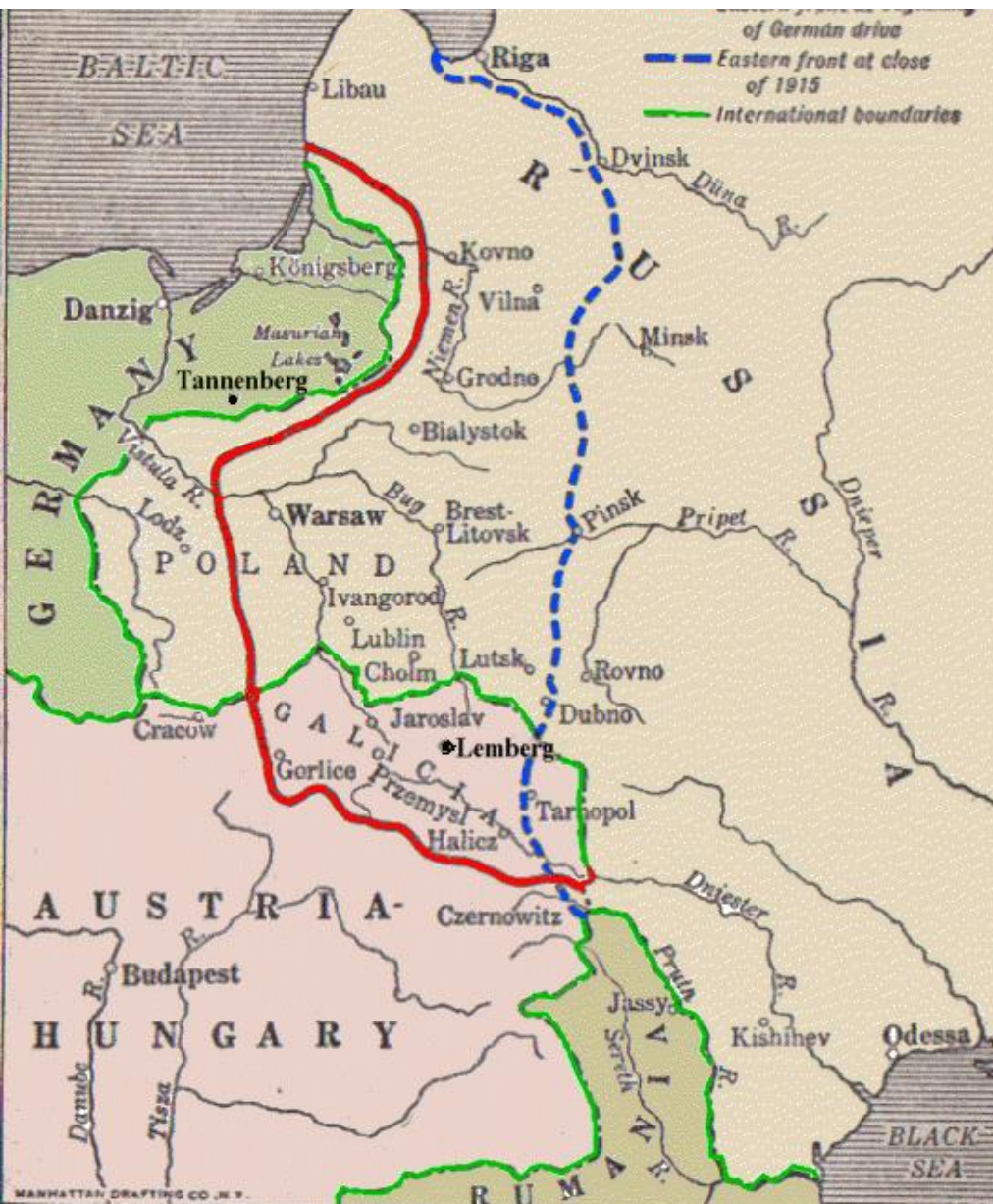
Knock the Ottomans out of the war

Open supply route to Russia

Start a new front that was not stalemated in the trenches

RESULT: None of the above

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Eastern Front

Russia mobilizes faster than expected.

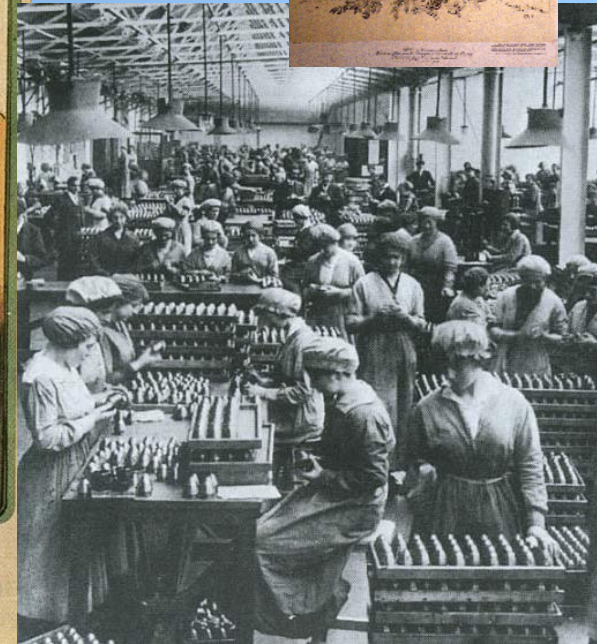
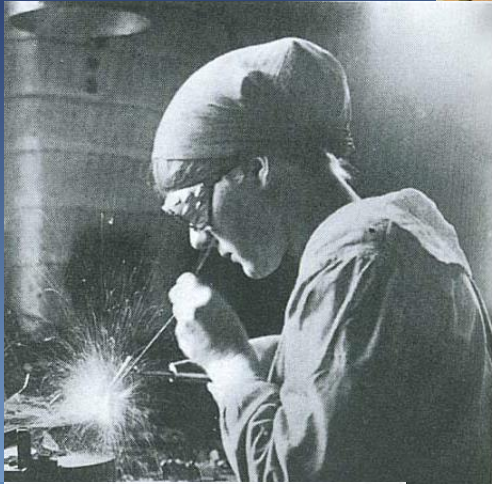
Battle of Tannenberg, Aug. 26-30, 1914

Decisive German victory.
Russia: 78,000 casualties
92,000 POW (74% of army)

Germans speak of avenging
“Tannenberg” defeat of
Teutonic Knights in 1410

Germans focus on this front
in 1915 as a war of manuver

TOTAL (INDUSTRIAL) WAR !

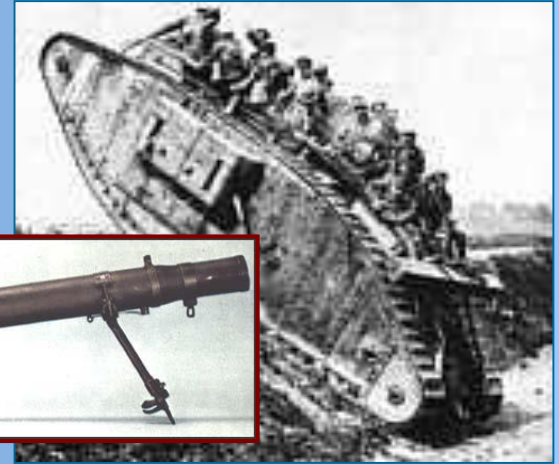


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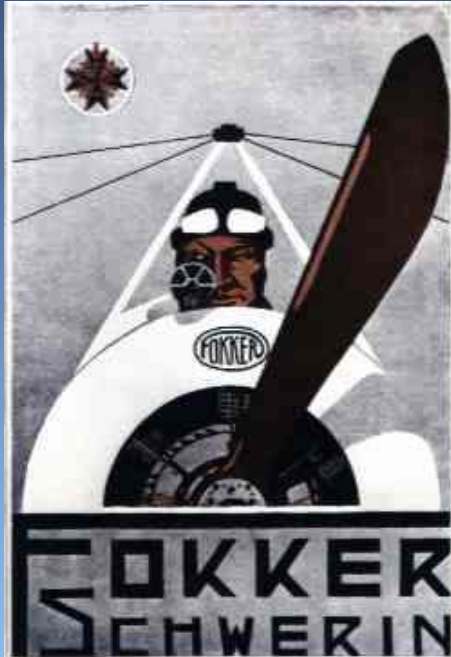
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Technological Innovations 1914-1917

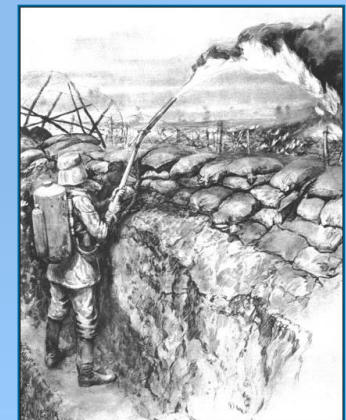
Mobile Fire Power



Air Power



Chemical Weapons



Flamethrowers



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Technology

New

Poison gas

Flame thrower

Air warfare

Tanks (Infantry Fighting Vehicle)

Photographic intelligence

Anti-aircraft guns

Improved

Machine Gun

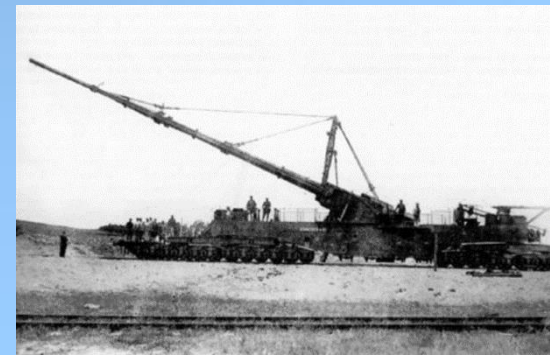
Artillery

Grenades

Trench warfare

Railroad

Motorized trucks

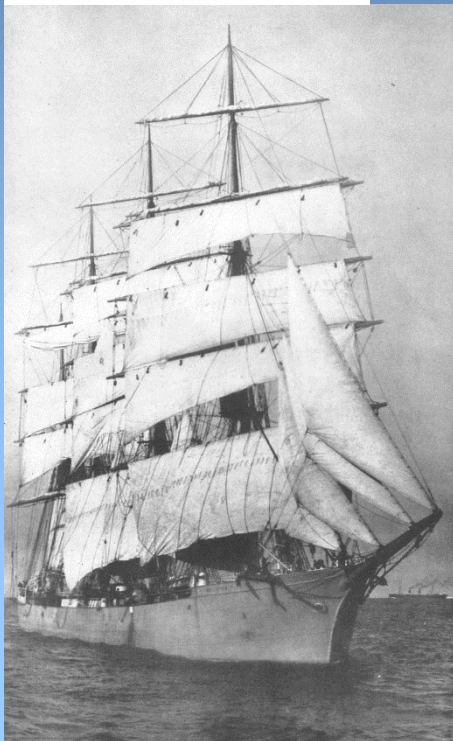


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7 May 1915



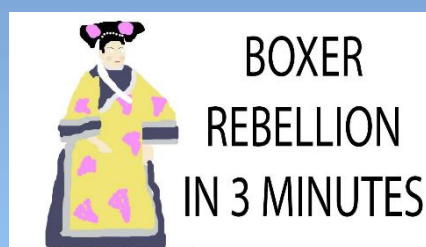
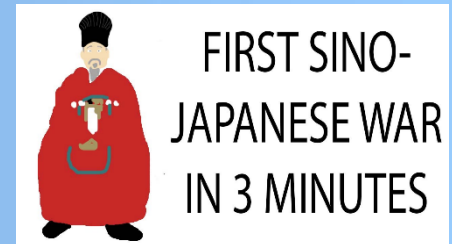
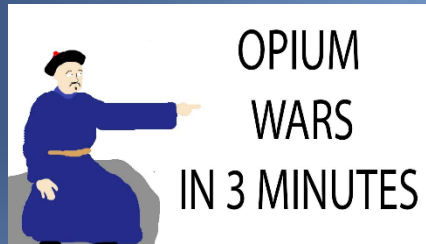
28 Jan 1915



SV William P. Frye was stopped by German cruiser off coast of Brazil.
1st US ship to be sunk.

1,191 (of 1,962) passengers and crew lost their lives. 128 were Americans.

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