The Twentieth Century and Beyond:

A Global History

Chapter Ten

Russia's Three Revolutions, 1917-1932

The Russian's revolted against the Tsar, created the Provisional Government, then had the Bolsheviks take over, and then created the Stalin's revolution.

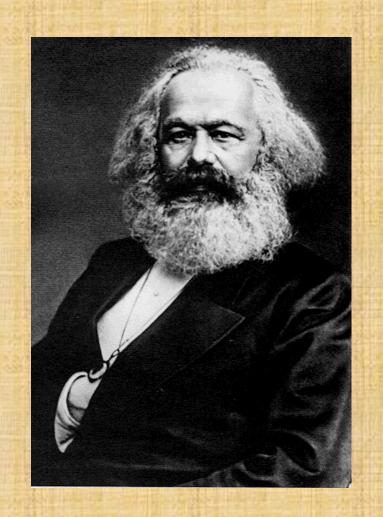


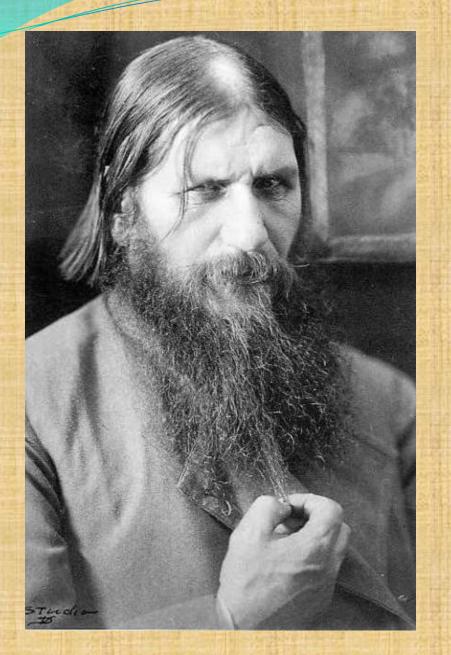




The Background to Revolution

Marx predicted that socialism/communism would start in the industrial West not in rural/peasant Russia with less than 2% of the population in factory work.





Nevertheless, Russia's workers were more radical than the Europeans with discontent regarding working condition, wages, etc.

WWI and Gregory
Rasputin made Nicolas II
less powerful and
responsive to the needs
of the people.



Alexandra and Nicholas used Rasputin as a healer of their son, Alexei, who had hemophilia.

However, the many people were outraged by Rasputin's activities both with the royal family and others.



Moika Palace is where the conspirators fed Rasputin cakes and cyanide laced wine, and it should have killed five men it is said.



One of the conspirators, Yusupov, shot Rasputin. The group left the dead Rasputin on the floor. However, they left the room and went out of the building, but Yusupov had forgotten his coat and returned for it. Rasputin awakens and lunges at Yusupov and attempts to kill the would-be murderer. By then the rest return and shot him three more times. However, he is still alive. They beat and castrate him then they tie him up, wrap him in a rug, and throw in into the Neva River.

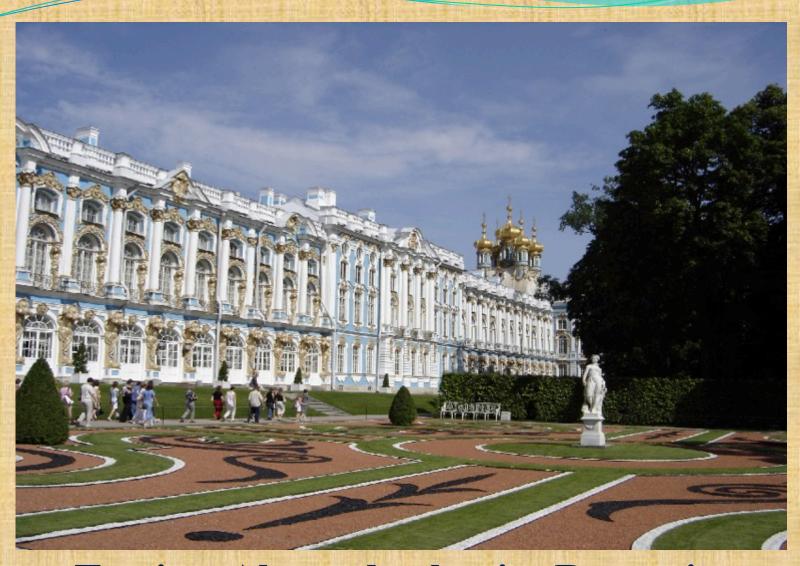


Rasputin was still alive and escapes from his ropes and attempts to get out of the icy water, but he drowns.

Finally, he is dead....



The Neva River on a brighter and warmer day.



Tsaritsa Alexandra buries Rasputin at the Tsarskoye Selo.

When the Tsar is overthrown, some workers dig-up the body and take into a woods and cremate it. However, Rasputin sits up amid the fire scaring the onlookers.

His sitting up was due to tendons shrinking in the fire and causing the contraction.



Rasputin died at St. Petersburg on 12/29/16

Had enough of Rasputin?

The British believe that the Secret Intelligence Service (SIS) shot Rasputin based upon their analysis of the wounds that had to have been made with a Webley with a .455 round.

http://www.telegraph.co.uk/news/worldnews/1555030/Britain-killed-Rasputin-claims-Russian-film.html

The Revolutions of March and November 1917

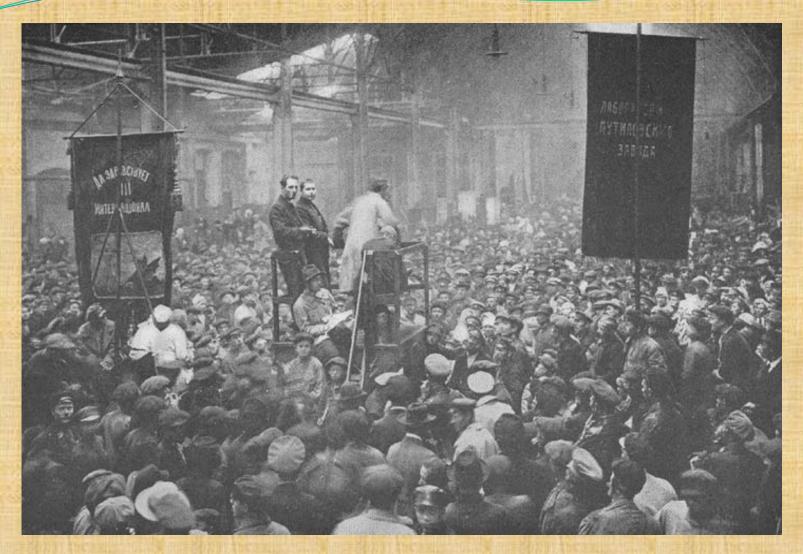
By March 8, 1917, Petrograd was in chaos with riots, protests, strikes, marches, and unrest.

The Tsar orders out the police/troops to get control of the situation.





Bread lines that soon became bread riots.



Strikes and speeches were held in protest of the Tsar.



Bolsheviks address the crowd in Petrograd in 1917



Nicholas II used force to control the riots, but after many killings, he abdicated his throne on March 15, 1917.

Начальнику Штаба.

Въ дни великой борьбы съ визмнимъ врагомъ, стремящимся почти три года поработить наму родину, Господу Гогу угодно было ниспослать Россім новой тяжкой испытаніе Начавніяся внутреннія народния вояненія грозять бідственно отравиться на дальнайнемь веденім упориби войни. Судьба Россім, честь геройской нашей армін,блего народа, все будущее дорогого напего Отечества требують докоденія войны во что бы то ни стало до побълкато конца, жестокій врагь напрягаеть посладнія сили и уже близокъ часъ, когда доблестная армія наша совивотно со славними нашими соювниками сможеть окончательно сломить зрага. Въ оти рачительные дни въ жизни Россіи, почли МН долгомъ совясти облегчить народу НАШЕМУ тасное единение и сплочение всёхь силь народнихь для скорыпцаго достижения побіди и; на согласіи съ Государственною Думою, признали МУ за благо отречься отъ Престола Государства Россійскаго и сложить съ СРБЯ Верховную власть. Не желая разстаться сь любинких Синомь НАВИМЬ, МЫ передаемь насябдіе НАНЕ Брату НАПЕМУ Воликому Князю МИХАИЛУ АЛЕКСАНДРОВИЧУ и благословляемъ Его на вотупление на Престоль Государства Россійскаго Заповідуемь Брату НАЧКМУ править ділами государственными въ полномъ и ненарушимомъ единеніи съ представителями народа въ заколодательнихъ учрежденіяхъ, на тіхъ началаха, кои будуть ими установлены, принеся въ томъ ненарушимую присяту. Во ими горячо любимой родины привываемъ вська върника симона Отечества на исполнению своего святого долга передъ Нима повиновеніема Царю ва тяжелую минуту всенародимы испытаній и помочь ЕМУ, вийсть съ представителями народа, вывести Государство Россійское на путь побады. благоденствія и славы. Да поможеть Господь Богь Россіи.

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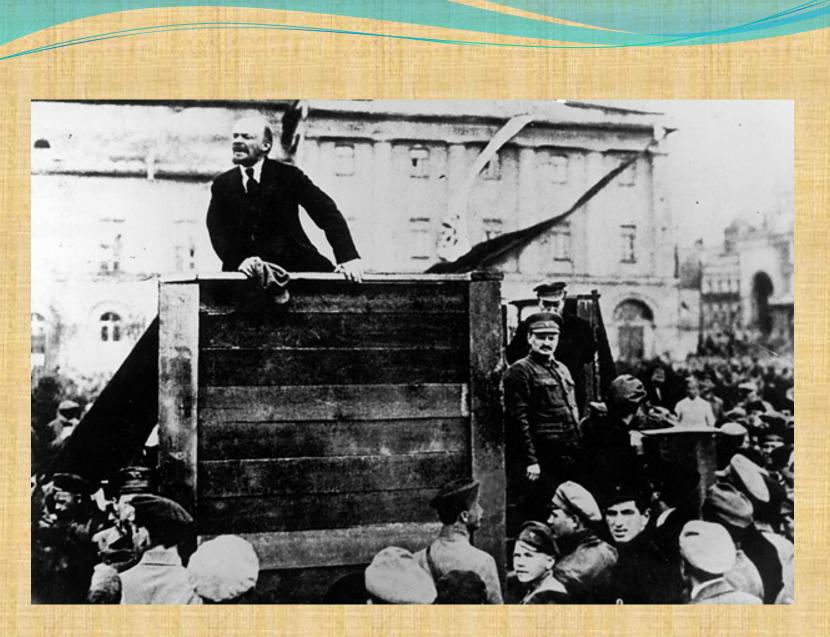




People, police, and troops celebrating Tsar Nicholas II's abdication.

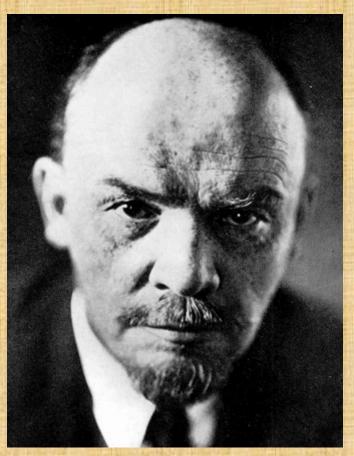
The Provisional Government took over and continued WWI because of Allied request.

The Bolsheviks aren't really active in the beginning stages of the new government in part because Vladimir Lenin wasn't in country at the time. The Germans allowed, for their own cause, Lenin to go by railroad from Switzerland to Petrograd.

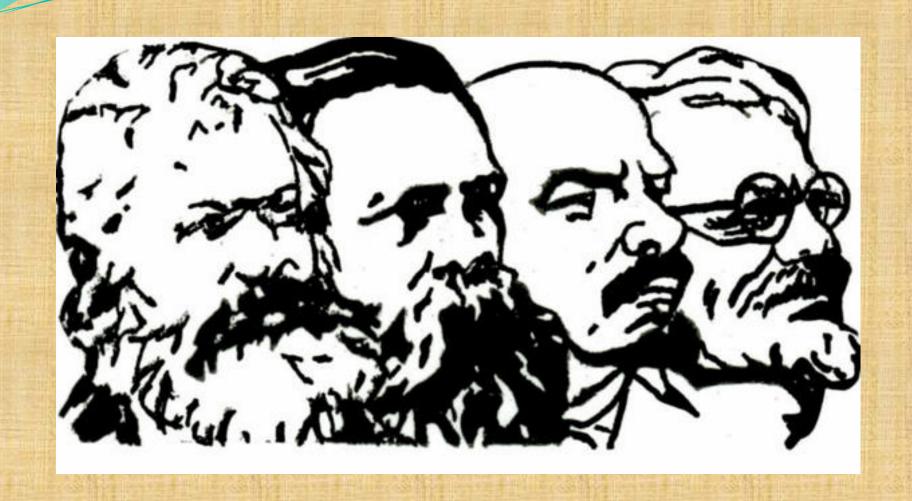


Lenin on his return to Russia

The second revolution was fought between the Provisional Government and Lenin/Trotsky









Тов. Ленин ОЧИЩАЕТ землю от нечисти.

This is an early poster of Lenin cleaning up the aristocracy and church.

Civil War and Allied Intervention

The election for the **Constituent Assembly** took place in November 1917 and the Socialist Revolutionaries won twice as many seats as the Bolsheviks.



Lenin disbanded the assembly without much trouble.

The Bolsheviks were in control of Russia, but the rest of the ethnic areas didn't back Lenin.

The Russians and Germans signed the Treaty of Brest-Litovsk.



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The Treat of Brest-Litovsk



Russia gave up Finland, Lithuania, Estonia, Latvia, Ukraine, and Poland.

Land taken from Russia in Brest-Litovsk Treaty

The Bolsheviks weren't happy with the treaty, but it did get them out of WWI.

Nevertheless, the Allies disliked it more, because it removed the Eastern Front, communism took hold in Russia, and war debts with the tsar were lost.

There the Allies invaded Russia to assist the White Russians.

The allies of the White Russians were 14-nations, which included as the major players—Great Britain, France, US, and Japan.

The result of the Allied invasion was a failure, and it didn't bode well in WWII, because Stalin couldn't trust the Allies then for many reasons including their invasion two decades earlier.

The New Economic Policy, 1921-1928

The Communists had the mini-wars with the White Russians and the Kroonstad sailors, however, things weren't well in the homeland. WWI had ruined much of the industry and what wasn't ruined was idle or not functioning well.





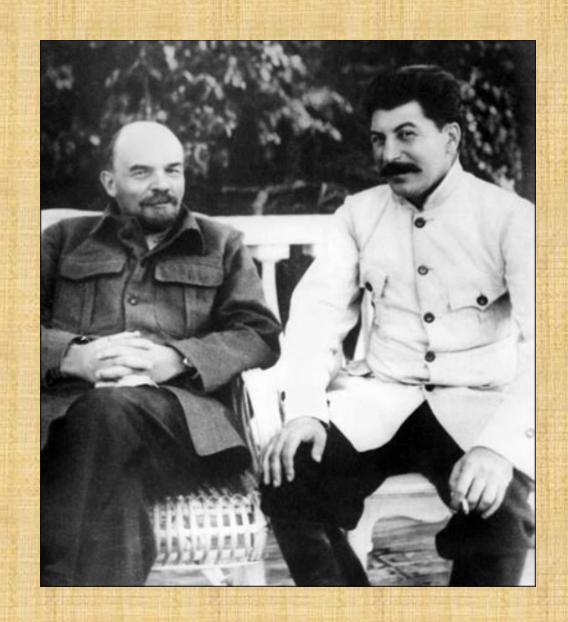
The New Economic Policy (NEP) provided private enterprise in some non-major industries and trade.

This brush with capitalism had profound success.

In 1924, the constitution gave Russia a new name—the Union of Soviet Socialist Republics (USSR) or in Russian—Союз Советских Социалистических Республик (СССР). The control lay in the All-Union Congress of Soviets (later called the Supreme Soviet).



Stalin replaces Lenin when he had a stroke in 1922 and dies in 1924. Trotsky wanted to replace Lenin but Stalin became the head comrade.



Trotsky left the USSR in 1929 and moved to Mexico where in 1940 where he was killed by Stalin's operatives in his office with an ice pick.

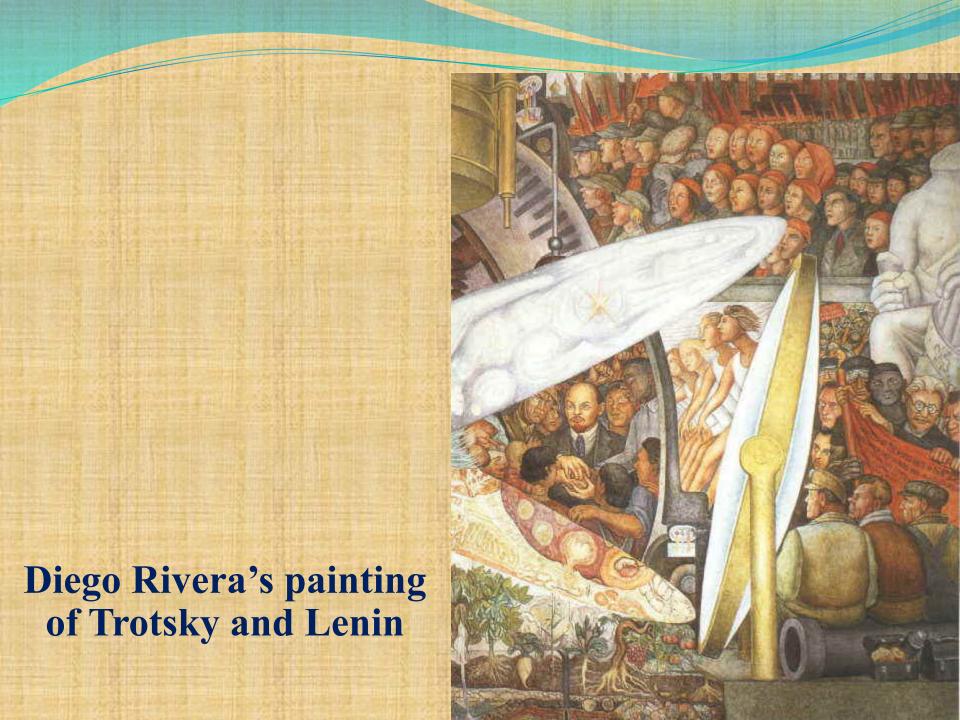








Man, Controller of the Universe by Diego Rivera



NEP Changes Society

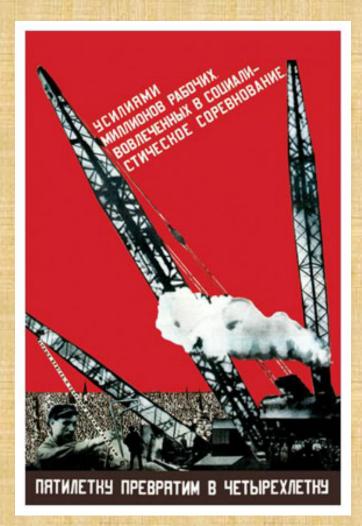
Interestingly, under NEP, women's rights grew greatly. The wage gap shrank, either partner could file for divorce, maternity leaves were given, and abortions were legalized. Religion was suffered a great deal. In addition, technical/vocational schools were pushed by the government.

By the beginning of WWII, 81% of the Soviet Union could read.

The Third Revolution: Collectivization and the First Five-Year Plan

Between 1928-1929, the Soviet Union experienced a "revolution from above."

Stalin dropped NEP and replaced it with the first of several Five-Year Plans that would continue for six decades.



The question is why did Stalin create the Five-Year Plans?

Here are some reasons:

- 1. The lack of grain from the farms was because farmers weren't selling to the state due to the set price of grain.
- 2. More industrialization or the USSR "will be crushed.
- 3. Marxist thought about industrialization being the basis for a society.
- 4. The Five-Year Plans would give the USSR more control over the population.
- 5. Politically getting rid of NEP allows Stalin to get rid of opponents.



Effects of the Third Revolution

The government determines from the top what will be produced, consumed, and used by its citizens.

As chemical, military, gas/oil, electricity, and metal industry grew, the consumers had very little to buy even if they could afford it.

While the areas of interest for Stalin increased rapidly, agriculture and farming didn't. The collective farms were less productive than before. The USSR faced a famine between 1932-1934.

Stalin went after resistant peasants and "kulaks" who allegedly hoarded crops or animals.

5-8 million Ukrainians died due to the famine from 1932-1934.





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SECOND SECTION. MERCK PRATTERES.

Peasants' Crops Seized, They and Their Animals Starve



Reporter Risks Life to Get Photographs Showing Starvation

By THOMAS WALKER,









Stalin also was into editing pictures.... after he deleted them from the world.

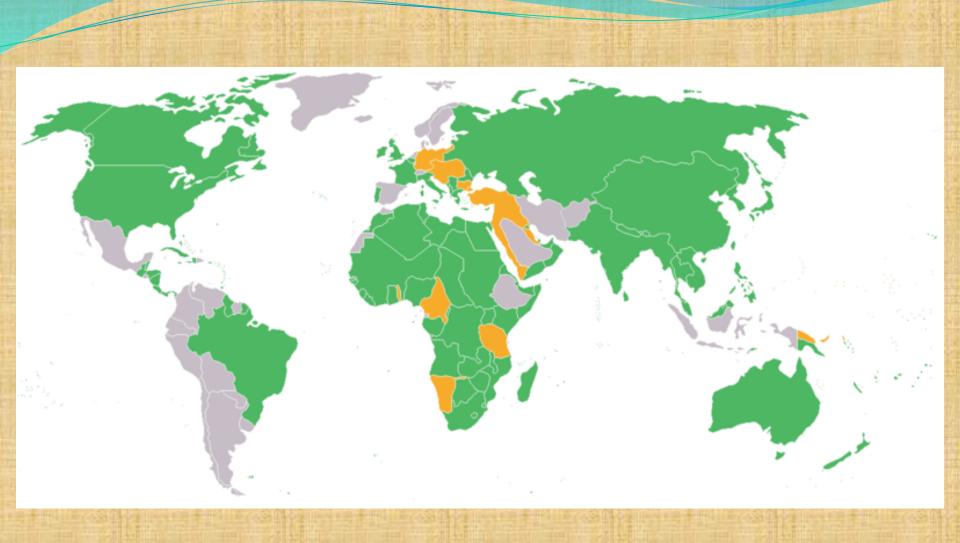


Chapter Eleven

Postwar Settlements and Europe in the 1920s

The Paris Peace Conference started in January 18, 1919.

The Allies had 27 nations, the Germans and the Central Powers weren't allowed, and the Russians weren't there because of the recent revolution.



Green were all the Allies and the orange were the Central Powers and others.



Lloyd George, Orlando, Clemenceau, Wilson



The Hall of the Paris Peace Conference in 1919

The Treaty of Versailles

The treaty ironically was signed five years after the Archduke had be assassinated.

While the Germans weren't pleased with the treaty in part because it didn't parallel Wilson's Fourteen Points.

The Germans lost a number of areas to the Allies, which either created new states, gave areas to existing ones, or had a plebiscite in some areas.

They lost 1/10 of the land before the war.

In addition, the Germans had to pay \$5 billion by 1921.

There were also limits on arms and personnel, demilitarized zones, and control points for the Allies.



Austria-Hungary, Bulgaria, and the Ottoman Empire faced many of the same reparations as did Germany.

Bulgaria lost an Aegean seaport, Yugoslavia and Czechoslovakia were created, Poland got its independence, Austria was separated from Hungary, etc.

European Imperialism at the Peace Conference

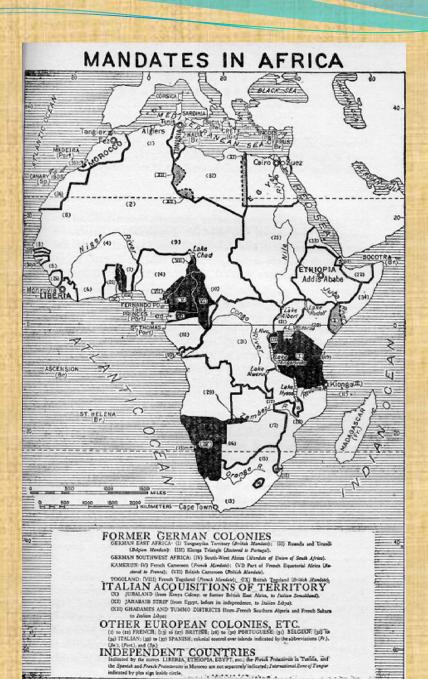
Under the League of Nations England and France could be mandated to run former Ottoman Turkish territories. The mandates were divided into three categories:

A Group = those almost ready for independence B Group = those ready in several generations C Group = those unprepared

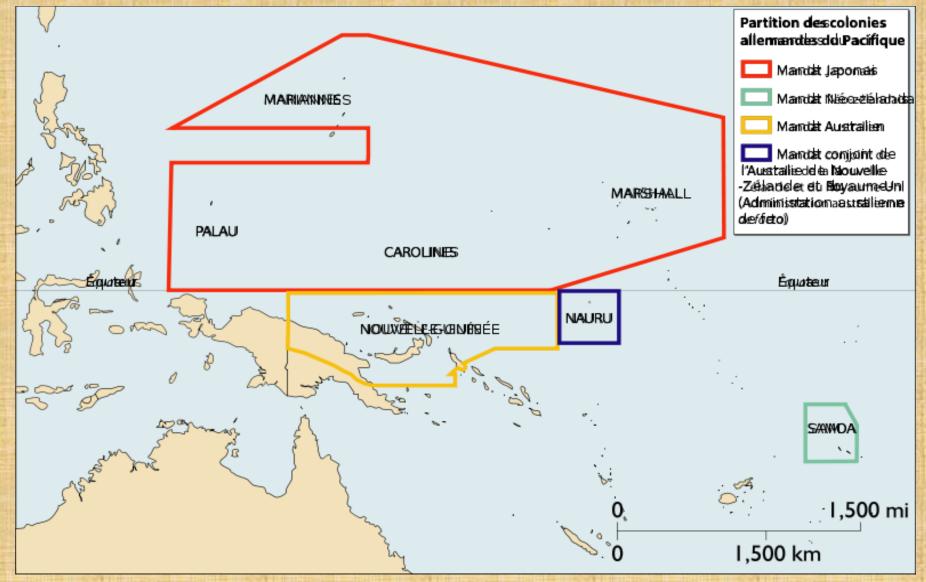
A Group



B Group



C Group



Western Samoa to New Zealand

German Pacific possessions north of the equator (the Marshall, Caroline, and Marianas groups) to Japan

German Pacific possessions south of the equator to Australia

European Refugees, Emigrants, and Minorities There were millions of people who for varying reasons left their country for another.



Not all that wanted to move were able.

All sorts of issues kept them where they were like fear, religion, politics, money, discrimination, age, etc.

Economic, Social, and Cultural Adjustments

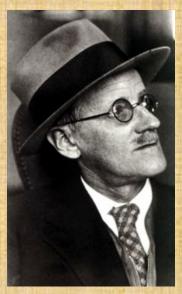
The war caused many veterans not to adjust well in society and many within the society also didn't adjust to them either...however, Benito Mussolini and Adolf Hitler seemed to adjust well in their societies.

In addition, the rich got poorer and the poor moved up in many countries.

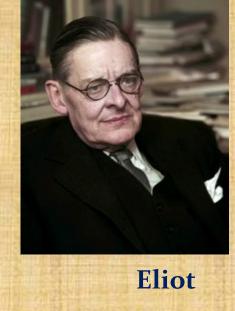
Women, who were standing in for the men at war lost much of their advancement when society returned to the status quo.

In the arts, it was a decade of disillusionment with painters and writers.





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Fascist Italy

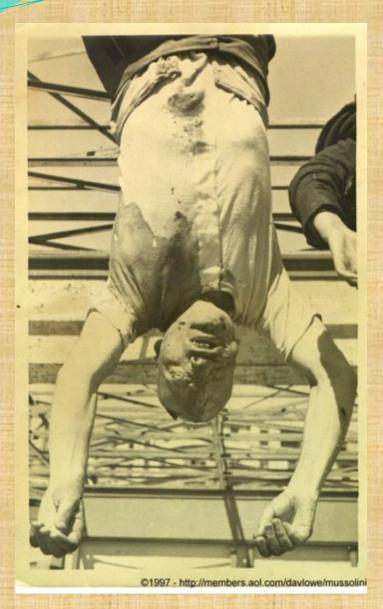
Mussolini moved from an Italian socialist to an Italian fascist and lover of women.



Mussolini and the black-shirts responded to the chaos in Italy and lack of a democratic history.

He also used communism as a tool to get support from those that feared it... he was very much like Joe McCarthy a generation later in the States.

Victor Emmanuel III had him form a new government in 1922.



In less than a quarter of a century, Mussolini was shot and then hanged for all to see.

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The Weimar Republic and Threats to Its Existence

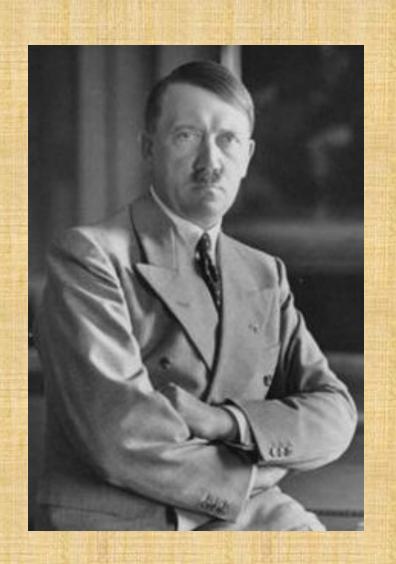
The Germans met as Weimar and came up with a democratic constitution, which functioned for just over a dozen years until Hitler took control.

It the meantime, the Reichstag consisted of many political parties. Therefore, coalition governments were often in power.

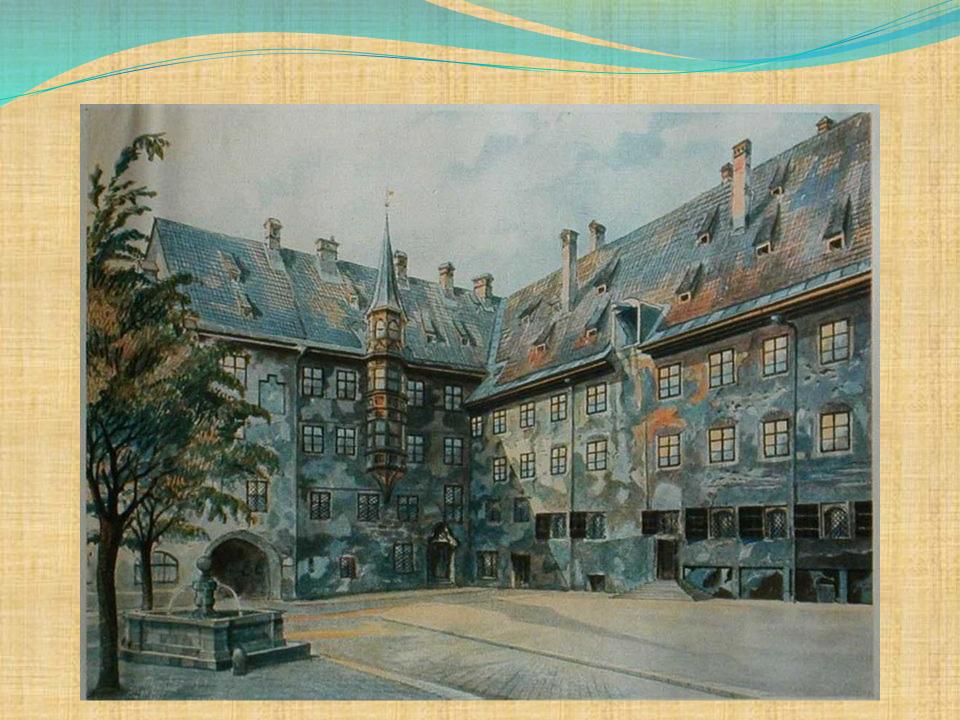
Nevertheless, Germans resented the peace treaty ending WWI... especially the military who felt betrayed both by the Allies and their WWI government.

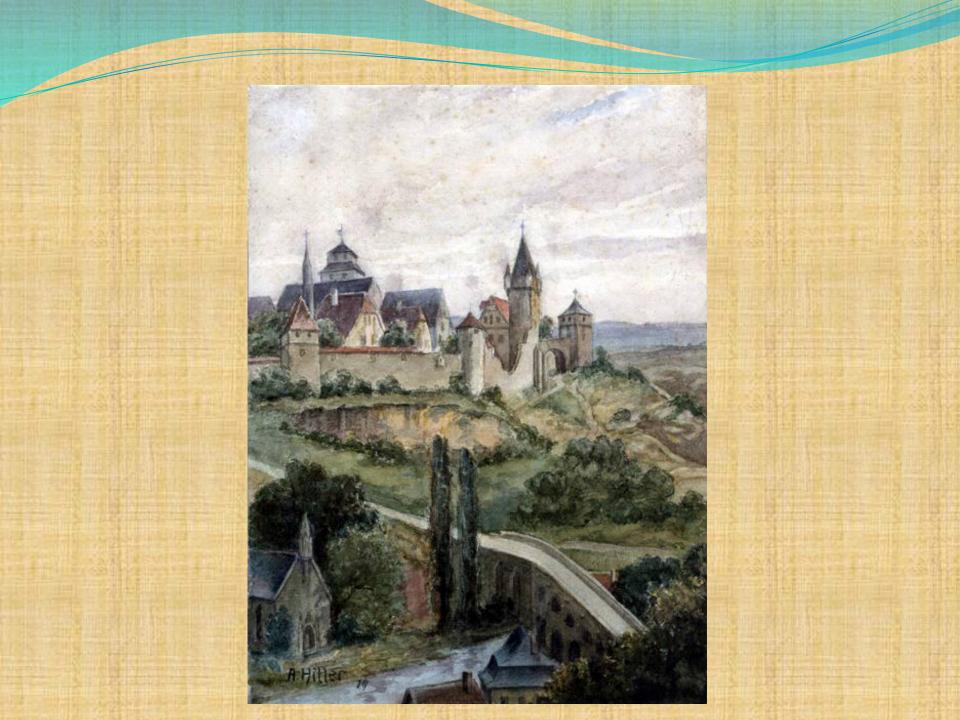
The right were always worried about the leftist and fought them.

Hitler in 1923 had a coupé against the Bavarian and national government, which failed.



Hitler was born in Austria, not Germany. He didn't finish high school but went to Vienna to become an artist... but he failed at it.

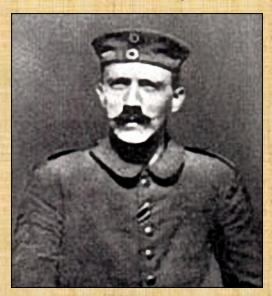




Hitler then went to Munich in 1913 and joined the army with the outbreak of WWI.



Hitler was actually wounded and decorated for bravery during the war.



Then he spent nine months in jail for the failed Beer-hall Putsch. It was then that he wrote *Mein Kampf*.

Four and a
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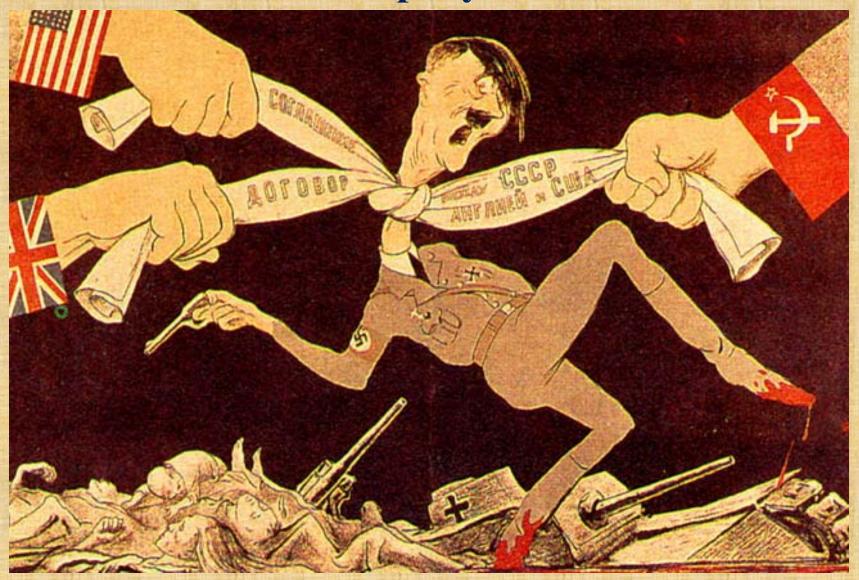






No much later, Hitler was in charge of WWII

...and a couple years later--





Eastern Europe had both monetary, ethnic, and political problems.

The United Kingdom and France

Ireland's Home Rule was enacted in 1914. However, WWI caused it to be delayed.

The rise of Sinn Fein Party was due in part to the British execution of 14 leaders of the 1916 uprising.









The British and Irish signed in 1921 a self-governing agreement, which gave, all but the northern counties, self-rule.

The Irish in the south declared complete independence from the British at the close of WWII still without the six northern counties. This is still an unresolved issue in the UK and Ireland.



The French, unlike the British, had a multiplicity of political parties, which were in office and then out quickly. Not only was the French party system causing them problem, the French industry could not vie successfully with the German industrial system.

France's Search for Security and Europe's International Relations

France had been in two wars in less than a 1/4 century with the Germans and most of the war was fought on French soil. Germany was larger and were able to function better than the French. They were worried about the Germans attacking again, and they were correct. In less than two decades, Hitler would be in Paris.

With issues in the Ruhr, the Germans were going through a chaotic economic situation were German's mark was almost without value.

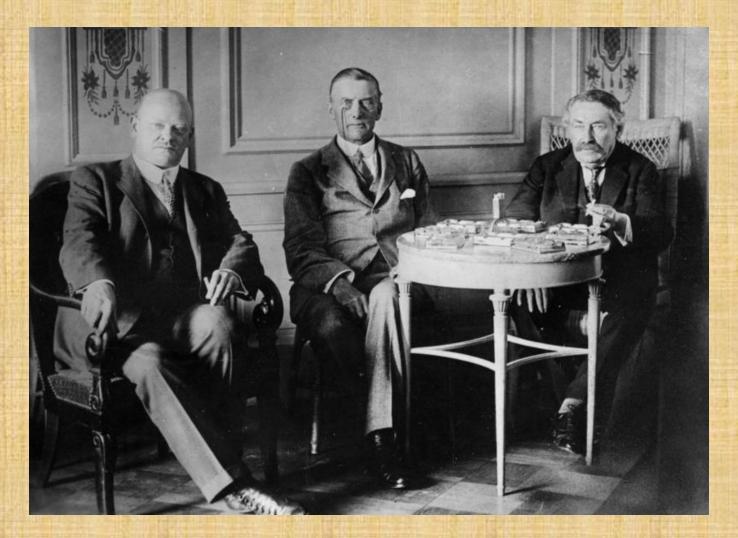
During this time, money was worthless... about \$1.00.



America held the Washington Treaty for Naval Disarmament in 1922. The treaty included disposing of 70-ships and a freeze on any new construction for 10-years, and the ratio of "5:5:3" for capital ships.

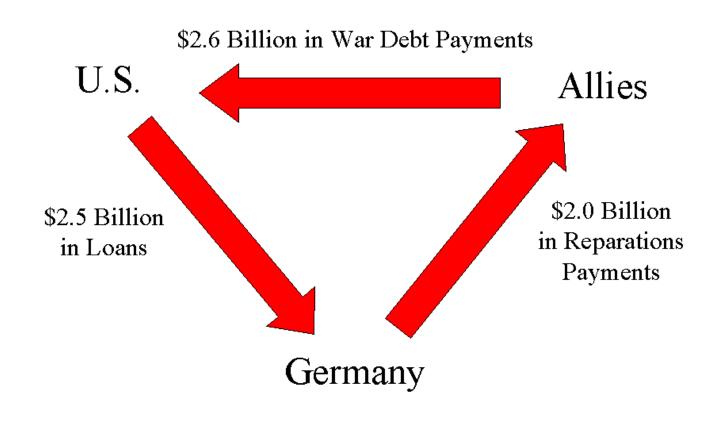


Locarno Treaties



Stresemann, Chamberlain, and Briand

The International Financial System Under the Dawes Plan and Young Plan 1924-30

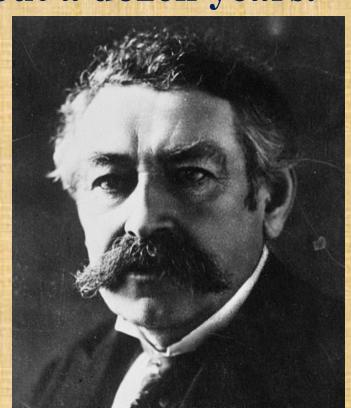


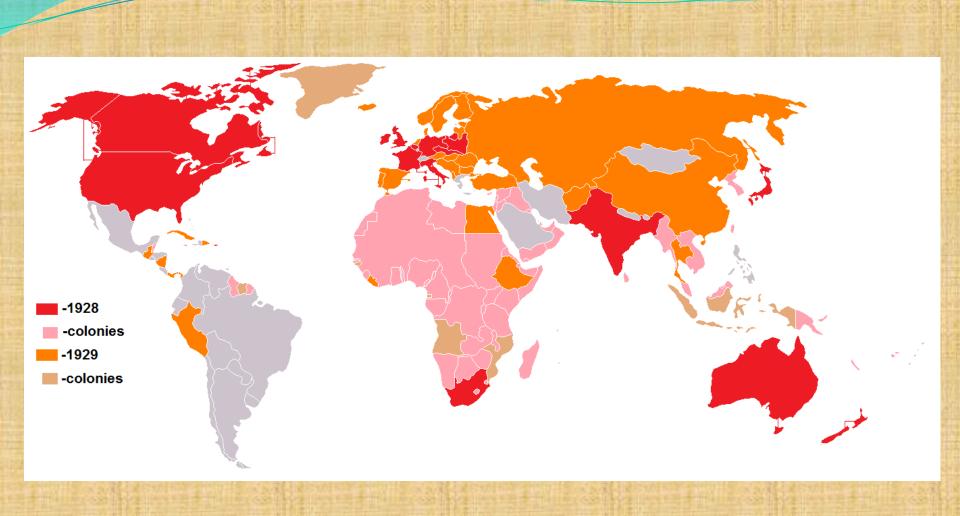
In 1925, the Locarno treaties did much to calm down old WWI issues like agreeing to existing boundaries, getting arbitration for future problems, and France agreed to assist Czechoslovakia and Poland if Germany invaded.

Germany benefitted by getting into the League of Nations and put on the Council (the Security Council in UN parlance).

Kellogg-Briand Pact was designed to provide "for the renunciation of war as an instrument of national policy," which it did for about a dozen years.







64-nations signed the pact... which didn't work to avoid WWII.



President Hoover said, "I dare predict that the influence of the Treaty for the Renunciation of War will be felt in a large proportion of all future international acts."

Chapter Twelve

Economic and Social Upheaval in the Americas

The United States in the Interwar Years: Bust to Boom to Bust

The US Senate Rejects the Treaty of Versailles

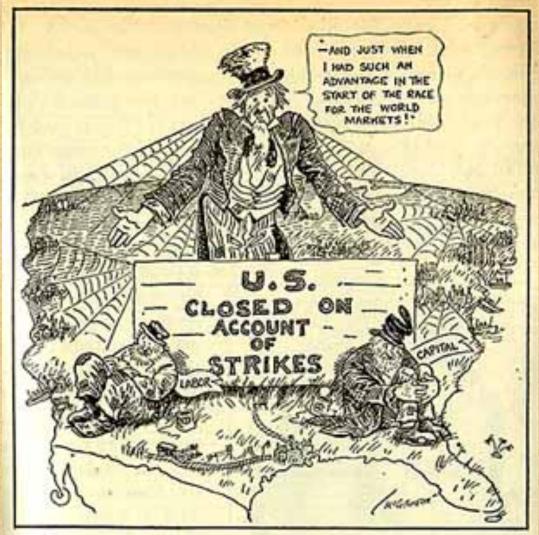


Article 10 of the Treaty of Versailles was opposed by the US Senate, because they didn't want the US foreign policy tied to alliances with the League of Nations.

Postwar Labor Unrest, Recession, and Racial Discord

Strikes crippled many industries and cities due to high inflation between 1919 and 1920.

The demands for unions and a reduced working day to 8-hours along with Communism in Russia got the US worried.

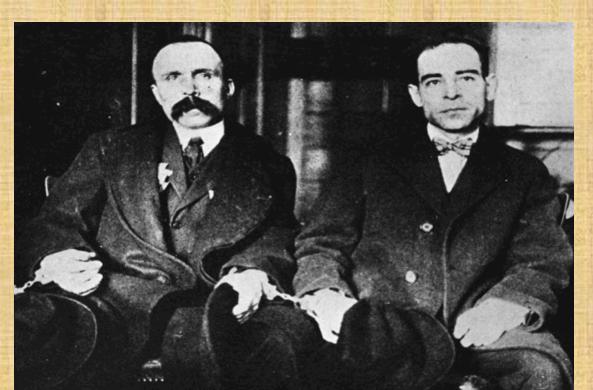


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IF CAPITAL AND LABOR DON'T PULL TOGETHER.

-McCutcheon in the Chicago Tribune.

Nicola Sacco and Bartolomeo Vanzetti were arrested for robbery and murder in South Braintree, Massachusetts on April 15, 1920.



There was no doubt that they committed the robbery and murder in 1920. However, must historians seriously question their guilt and the trial today.

However, it was a part of the Red Scare sweeping the States. J. Edgar Hoover was looking for commies.

The Red Summer of 1919
was a terrible summer of white racism.
Over 250 blacks were killed during that summer of overt racism.



NPR's program on the Red Summer:

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The KKK was growing and Griffith's movie, The Birth of a Nation, encouraged it in many ways.

The Klan's slogan was "100% Americanism", which meant it was anti black, Catholic, Jewish, and foreigners.



That sounds familiar today with the Tea Party.

Women could vote now...1920.



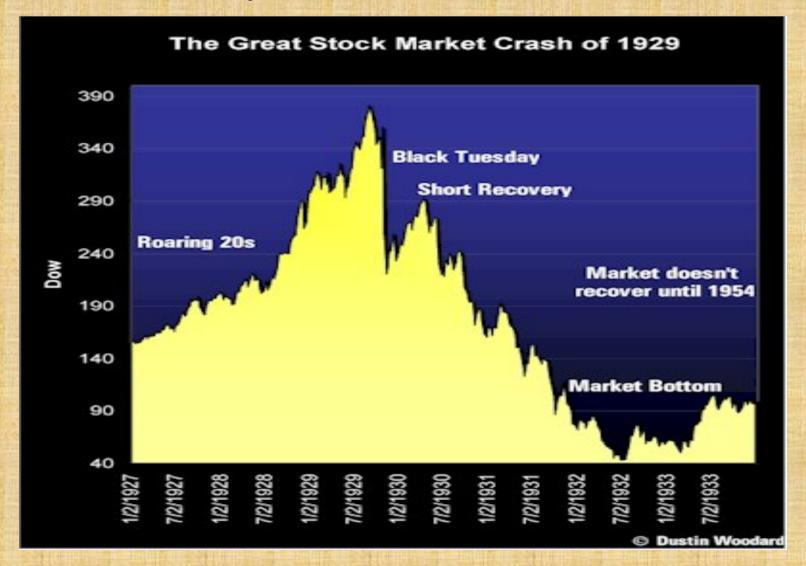
The Roaring Twenties to the Great Depression

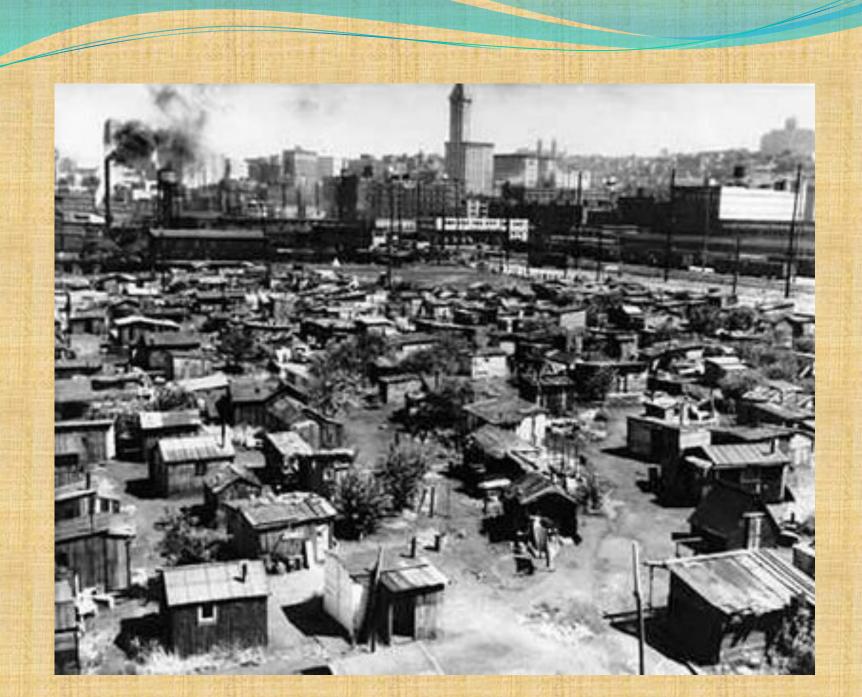
1923 saw a great expansion of the GNP.

Coolidge said,
"The chief business of the American people is business."

However, not all was well economically. Buying stock on margins was uncontrolled.

Black Thursday occurred on October 24, 1929.





Hoover reassured America, "The fundamental business of the country, that is the production and distribution of commodities, is on a sound and prosperous basis."

McCain reassured America—

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The New Deal

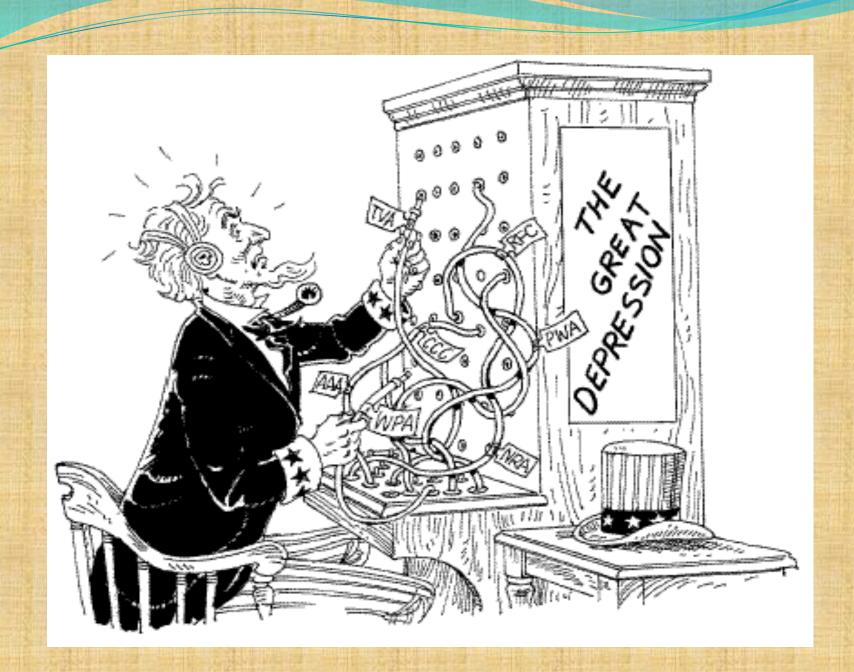




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FDR's first 100 days was filled with all sorts of new ideas and programs to get people back to work.





Tennessee Valley Administration TVA







The Dusk Bowl merely added to the troubles.



The New Deal suffered due to the conservative Supreme Count.

However, Labor Unions came into their day.

John L. Lewis of the CIO went ahead of the AFL.

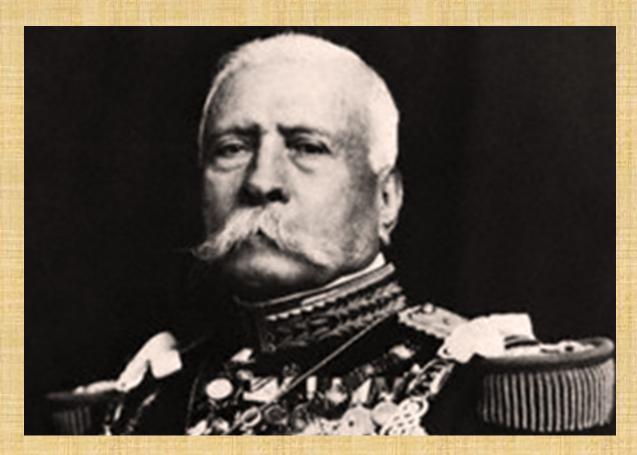
The Wagner Act of 1935 guaranteed workers the right to unionize.

The Second New Deal

FDR and the Supreme Court got along much better after his landslide election in 1936.

However, FDR followed John Maynard Keynes with some little success.
Nevertheless, WWII got America out of the depression.

Latin America Form The 1910s To The 1930s Revolution and Its Aftermath in Mexico



Porfirio Diaz

Diaz and his slogan, "Order and Progress"

There were many reasons for a revolution:



A growing middle class Landowners' abuse Diaz was dictator

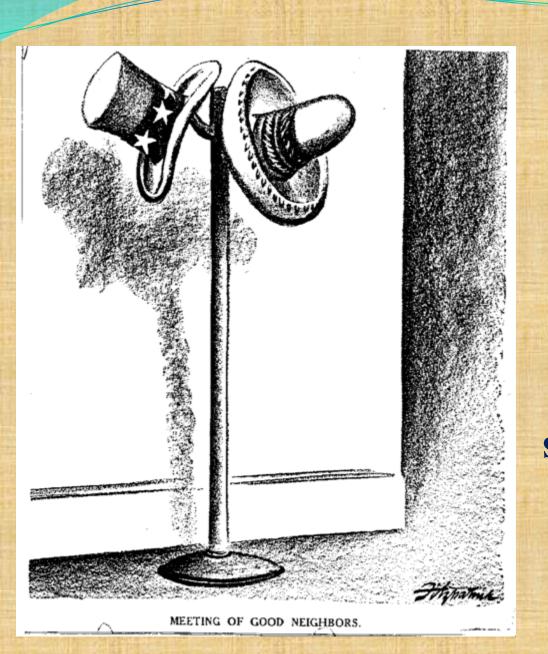
Pancho Villa and Emiliano Zapata

However, after losing 1-2 million people, in 1917, Mexico got a constitution. Many people benefitted, at least for awhile, from it...especially the poor. Nevertheless, women didn't.

Anti-Imperialist Groundswell and the Good Neighbor Policy



Augusto Sandino fought for the independence of Nicaragua from 1927-1934.



FDR attempted to institute a good neighbor policy, but found itself supporting dictators.

Labor Unrest, Populist Dictatorships, and Economic Nationalism

There is an interesting parallel between South America and the US during this times in addition to US imperialism.

Economics were problematic, but the result was oppression of the people by their leaders.



Canada In The Interwar Years



Canada grew as a nation quickly after WWI.

Much of their growth had to do with its southern neighbor... economically, industrially, etc.

However, with this closeness, they struggled to maintain their own identity.

They also faced difficult times due to the Depression and the aftermath of the economic trouble.

They had a parallel problem with the Conservatives as opposed to the Liberals.

Another Hoover vs. FDR situation....



Another issue was/is Quebec, which still has a wish to be independent of the central government.



Alberta had major problems with a drought.

Nova Scotia also was suffering economically.



Canada was quick to go to war against Hitler and Germany.

They were the first country in the Western Hemisphere to do so... years before the US.