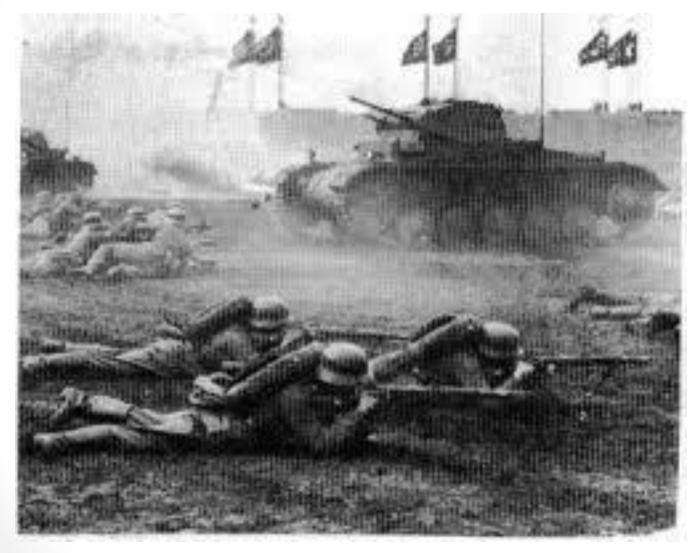
# World War I



# Sacrifices & Negative Aspects of War...

- 1.) Human
- 2.) Freedom
- 3.) Material
- 4.) Careers
- 5.) Destruction
- 6.) Natural Resources
- 7.) Social
- 8.) Economic

# Long-term Causes of World War I

- European powers compete for colonies (growth of imperialism)
- Nationalism increases in Europe
- Arms races develop (increased militarism)

#### Hostile alliances form in Europe

- Triple Entente (The Allies-France, G.B., Russia)
- Triple Alliance (Central Powers-Germ., A-H, Ottoman Empire)

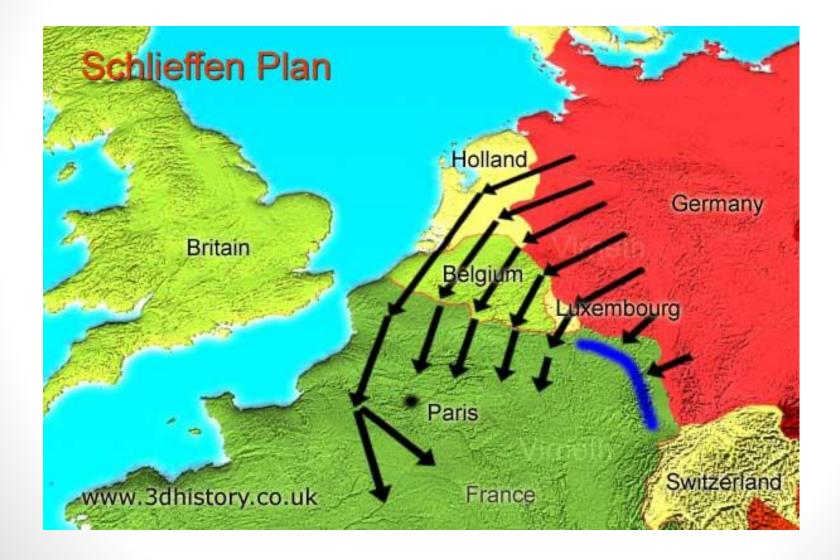
### **Europe at the start of WWI**



# Assassination of Archduke Franz Ferdinand (June 1914)



# Schlieffen Plan (Aug. 1914)

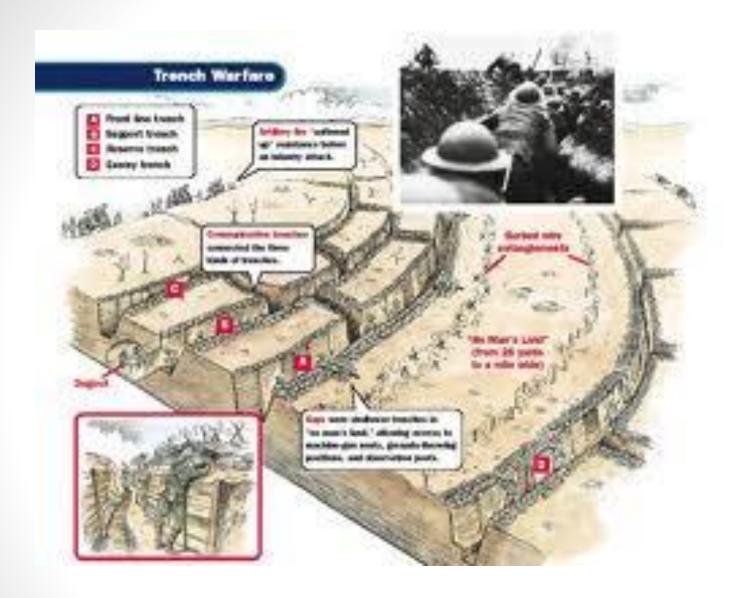


## **Trench Warfare**



One soldier's description of the trenches:

"Nothing to see but bare mud walls , nowhere to sit but on a wet muddy ledge; no shelter of any kind against the weather except the clothes you are wearing; no exercise you can take in order to warm yourself."



### **Trench Foot**



#### **Trench Rats**



# Nations do their part to encourage U.S. involvement

Britain

blockade of German coast

#### Germany

U-boats

Lusitania (May 17, 1915)

Zimmerman note

sinking of 4 unarmed U.S. merchant ships

#### Russia

revolution

\*U.S. war declaration comes on April 2, 1917

#### Zimmerman note

UNION

via Galveston

Daluta

JAN 19 1917

GERMAN LEGATION MEXICO CITY 18140 22260 76036 14219 

BEPNSTOPFF.

Charge German Embassy.

TELEGRAM RECEIVED. A. CALED ...tor 1-8-58 urson, State Dept. Eledel /14 FROM 

2nd from London # 5747.

"We intend to begin on the first of February unrestricted submarine warfare. We shall endeavor in spite of this to keep the United States of america neutral. In the event of this not succeeding, we make Mexico a proposal of alliance on the following basis: make war together, make peace together, generous financial support and an understanding on our part that Mexico is to reconquer the lost territory in Texas, New Mexico, and Arizona. The settlement in detail is left to you. You will inform the President of the above most . secretly as soon as the outbreak of war with the United States of America is certain and add the suggestion that he should, on his own initiative, The Japan to immediate adherence and at the same time mediate between Japan and ourselves. Please call the President's attention to the fact that the ruthless employment of our submarines now offers the prospect of compelling England in a few months to make peace." Signed, ZHEREARE.

## **The Decoded Message**

- February 22, 1917
- To: von Eckhardt
- **Mexico City**
- British crack top secret code. U.S. press may leak
- German plot with Mexico.
- Prepare to leave embassy on short notice.
- Bernstorff
- Washington D.C.

## Mobilization

#### 2 reasons:

- 1) Ensure allied repayment of debts to U.S.
- 2) Prevent Germany from threatening U.S. shipping

Selective Service Act (May 1917)-THE DRAFT!

U.S. expands its navy QUICKLY!



## WWI Weapons









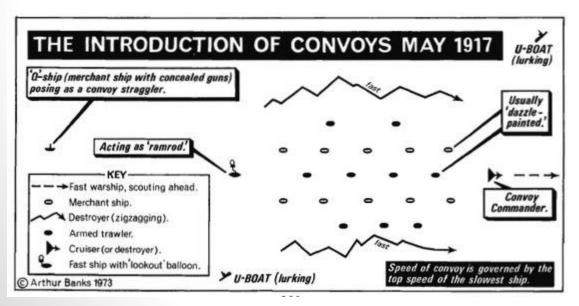




# American forces in the Allied war effort

- \*American navy-crucial role
  - -convoys
  - -laid mines in North Sea







#### \*American Expeditionary Force (AEF)

-helped Allies stop the German advance on the western front-pushed them back through the Argonne Forest

#### How did the gov't deal with opposition to the war? Espionage Act (1917) -fined up to \$10,000 -sentenced up to 20 yrs. in prison for...

#### Sedition Act (1918)

-extended the power of the U.S. govt. over speech & printed opinion...

-outlawed nearly all criticism of the war & the govt.

Why do you think the government felt compelled to limit First Amendment rights?

# Weaknesses-Treaty of Versailles

Several issues with the treaty led to issues internationally that led to WWII...

- 1. War-guilt clause
- 2. War reparations
- 3. Germany's loses colonies in Pacific
- 4. Russia (Soviet Union) lost more territory than Germany
- 5. Paid no attention to claims of colonized people for selfdetermination (VIETNAM!)

What part do you think public informationpropaganda plays in an effective military operation? Committee on Public Information (CPI)

-gov't propaganda body -purpose: mobilize public support for U.S. particip. in the war -created posters to encourage support

### WWI Propaganda



