# GEOGRAPHY



RUSSIAN EMPIRE



c. 1450-1750

- IVAN III HAS NOW:
  - GATHERED THE RUSSIAN LANDS
  - DEFEATED THE LITHUANIANS TO THE WEST
  - WHO IS LEFT TO COUNTER HIS RISING POWER?

- REMEMBER THEM?
- IVAN III BECAME GRAND PRINCE ON HIS OWN ACCORD
  - NOT APPOINTED BY THE GREAT KHAN
- IVAN WAS NO LONGER PAYING "TRIBUTE"
  - HE DID GIVE "PRESENTS"
- THE PRESENTS WERE NO LONGER ENOUGH FOR KHAN AHMAD...
- HE SENT AN EMISSARY TO IVAN III
  - DEMANDED TRIBUTE IN A LETTER...



"THE GRAND PRINCE WAS NOT AFRAID. HE TOOK THE BASMA (A SEAL WITH THE IMAGE OF THE KHAN), SPIT ON IT, BROKE IT, THREW IT ON THE GROUND, AND STOMPED IT WITH HIS FEET."

# 1480:MONGOLS SENT THEIR TROOPS TO ATTACK...



THEY MET ON EITHER SIDE OF THE UGRA RIVER

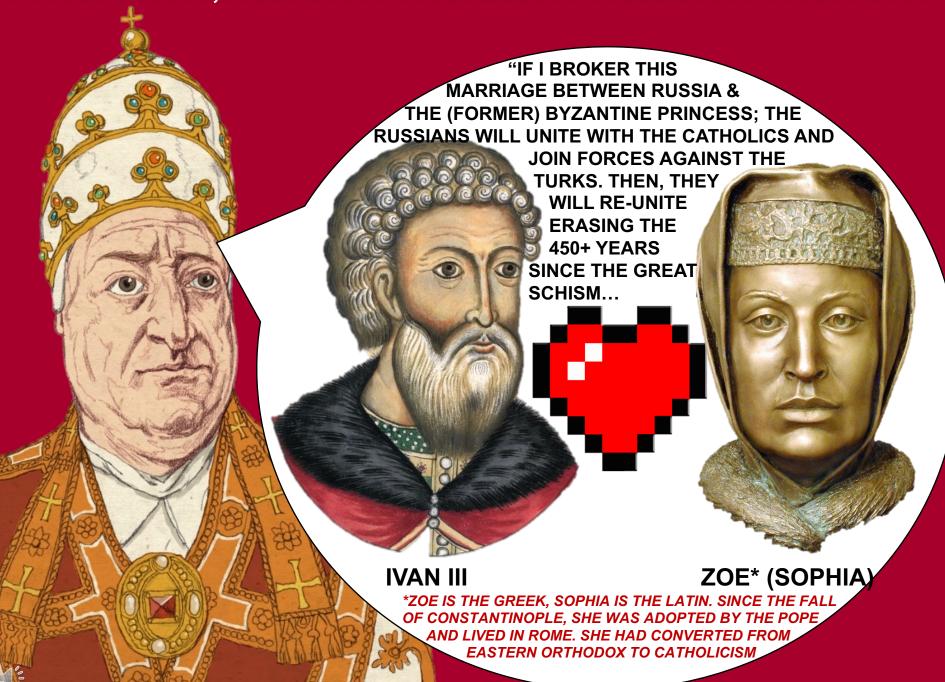
# **ONCE THE RIVER FROZE...**



# THE MONGOLS RETREATED ACROSS THE STEPPE - THAT'S NOT A TYPO. THE MONGOLS RETREATED...

- KHAN AHMED WAS KILLED 2 MONTHS LATER BY ANOTHER KHAN
- BY 1500, THE MONGOLS ARE NO LONGER A PROBLEM FOR IVAN III

### IVAN III's WIFE, MARIA DIED IN 1467... POPE PAUL II HAD AN IDEA:



THE POPE HAD SOPHIA PAINTED. HE THEN SENT THE PAINTING TO MOSCOW...

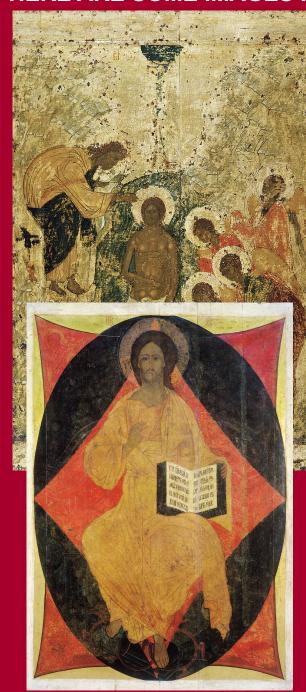


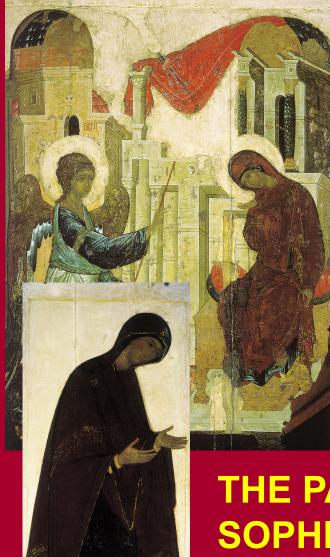
**IVAN AGREED! (THE ACTUAL PAINTING IS LOST TO HISTORY)** 

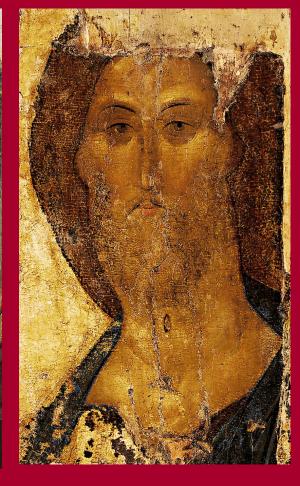
# WHICH IS TERRIBLE BECAUSE THE TWO PAPAL PAINTERS AT THE TIME AND WOULD HAVE MOST LIKELY PAINTED SOPHIA'S PORTRAITS ALSO PAINTED THESE:



### HERE ARE SOME IMAGES FROM THE "GREATEST RUSSIAN PAINTER" OF THE TIME:







THE PAINTING OF SOPHIA CAUSED "AN EXTREME SURPRISE IN THE COURT"

### I'M NOT GOING TO BELABOR THE POINT BUT HERE IS A SIDE-BY-SIDE COMPARISON:





MOSCOW:
ANDREI RUBLEV
VIRGIN & CHILD

<u>ROME</u>: PIETRO PERUGINO *DECEMVIRI ALTARPIECE* 

- THEY WERE MARRIED BY THE POPE IN ROME BY PROXY (IVAN WASN'T THERE)
  SOPHIA & CARDINAL BESSARION LEFT ROME FOR MOSCOW
  - TRIP TOOK 4 MONTHS; SHE CARRIED A DOWRY OF A LIBRARY TO RUSSIA
  - IVAN III STOPPED THE PAPAL DELEGATION AT THE GATES OF MOSCOW

**CATHOLIC PAPAL LEGATION CARRIED A LATIN CROSS WITH HIM** 



- **IVAN & ZOE WERE MARRIED BY THE MOSCOW METROPOLITAN IN 1472**
- **ZOE RETURNED TO HER ORTHODOX ROOTS; POPE'S PLAN=FAIL** 
  - IT IS SAID SHE CONVINCED IVAN TO ABANDON TRIBUTARY

## RUSSIA QUICKLY TOOK TO CALLING ITSELF THE 3RD ROME:







### PALAIOLOGOS FAMILY

LAST RULING DYNASTY OF THE BYZANTINES (ZOE'S FAMILY)

CREST OF RUSSIAN EMPIRE

FIRST USE IN 1472 (SAME YEAR IVAN III MARRIED ZOE)

- WITH ZOE BEING THE NIECE OF THE LAST BYZ EMPEROR (CONSTANT. XI)
   MOST INHERITANCE LAWS IN EUROPE ALLOWED FOR RUSSIA TO CLAIM
   THAT HIS OFFSPRING WERE THE HEIRS TO THE FALLEN EMPIRE (BYZANT.)
  - ZOE'S BROTHER SOLD HIS TITLES TO FERDINAND & ISABELLA (SPAIN)
  - ZOE'S BROTHER (ANDREAS) DIED IN 1502; NO CHILDREN



←RUSSIAN MONK PHILOTHEUS of PSKOV'S LETTER LED TO THE IDEA BECOMING OFFICIAL. HE WROTE IT TO IVAN AND ZOE'S HEIR, VASILI III:

"TWO ROMES HAVE FALLEN. THE THIRD STANDS. AND, THERE WILL BE NO FOURTH NO ONE WILL REPLACE YOUR CHRISTIAN TSARDOM!"

"EUROFE, WHICH IN THE BEGINNING OF IVANS RULE KNEW LITTLE DEDUT MUSCOVY SQUEEZED BETWEEN LITHURNIANS AND TATARS, WAS STUNNED BY THE SUDDEN EMERGENCE OF A HUGE EMPIRE ON ITS ERSTERN BORDERS."-KARL MARX

BETWEEN IVAN THE GREAT & IVAN GROZNY WAS VASILI THE ADEQUATE... HE DIED SO, NEXT UP: THETERRIBI HIS REIGN CAN BE DIVIDED **INTO TWO PARTS:** ←THE GOOD THE->
TERRIBLE

IVAN IS CROWNED TSAR IN 1547. HE WENT ON TO GET REVENGE FOR HIS MOM:

# IVAN VASILYEVICH



- IVAN CROWNED TSAR AT 16 (1547)
- ARRESTED OR EXPELLED BOYARS WHO WORKED AGAINST HIM
  - AS A CHILD, HE WAS NEGLECTED OR KEPT FROM FRIENDS/FAMILY
  - CHOSE THE TITLE:

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- PREVIOUS RULERS USED IT OCASSIONALLY
- 1<sup>ST</sup> TO BE CROWNED TSAR!
  - ←USED ELABORATE BYZANTINE CEREMONY

1547 WAS A BIG YEAR FOR IVAN. HE WAS CROWNED TSAR & HE GOT MARRIED!

# IVAN VASILYEVICH

 IVAN TURNED DOWN FOREIGN BRIDES FROM THE MAJOR NEIGHBORING STATES:

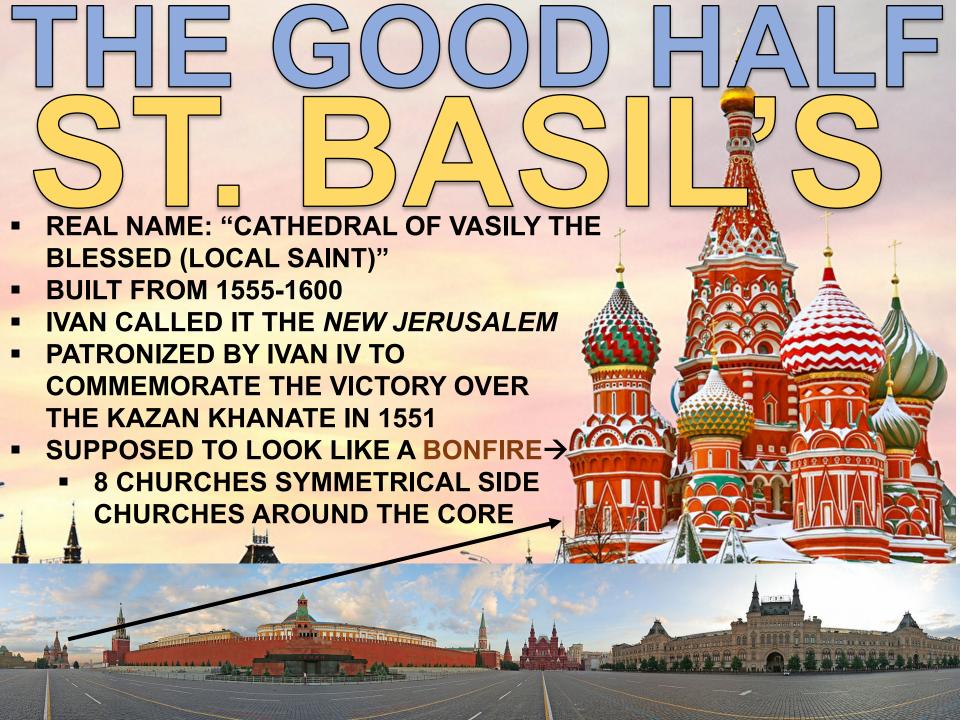
- TATARS
- LITHUANIANS
- SWEDES
- AUSTRIANS
- INSTEAD HE CHOSE TO MARRY FROM WITHIN RUSSIA TO CONSOLIDATE HIS RULE:
  - HE MARRIED ANASTASIA
  - FROM A BOYAR CLAN NAMED

- LATER THAT YEAR, MOSCOW BURNED
  - FOLLOWED BY A RIOT
- TSAR THOUGHT HE WAS BEING PUNISHED
  - REPENTED IN RED SQUARE











- COLOR SCHEME TAKEN DIRECTLY FROM THE BIBLICAL DESCRIPTION OF THE HEAVENLY CITY IN *REVELATION*:
- And he that sat was to look upon like a jasper and a sardine stone: and there was a rainbow round about the throne, in sight like unto an emerald.
   And round about the throne were four and twenty seats: and upon the seats, I saw four and twenty elders sitting, clothed in white raiment; and they had on their heads crowns of gold.

# THE GOOD HALF DIPLOMACY

- OPENED UP TRADE WITH THE WEST (ENGLAND, GERMANY)
- BROUGHT IN SPECIALISTS FROM THE WEST:
  - DOCTORS, TEACHERS, ARTISTS, CRAFTSMEN, ETC.
- BELOW, IVAN IS SHOWING OFF HIS TREASURES TO A BRITISH DIPLOMAT FROM ENGLAND

JEROME HORSEY WAS ENVOY FROM ELIZABETH I TO IVAN IV















WHAT COULD CHANGE OUR BELOVED REFORMER INTO THIS MONSTER?

IVAN NEEDED TO ASSERT HIS AUTHORITY OVER THE BOYAR NOBILITY

- THE OLD APPANAGE SYSTEM OF PRINCES AND BOYARS COMPETING FOR POWER
  - AS MUSCOVY GREW, SO DID THE NUMBER OF BOYAR FAMILIES





- FROM OPRICH (APART FROM, EXCEPT)
- PART OF THE DEAL FOR THE TSAR'S RETURN
  - GAVE HIM THE RIGHT TO PUNISH 'EVIL-DOERS', 'TRAITORS'
- LED BY THE OPRICHNIKI
  - 6,000+ SECRET POLICE
  - GOAL: DESTROY THE TSAR'S ENEMIES
  - DRESSED IN BLACK; RODE BLACK HORSES
  - CARRIED DOG'S HEAD (TSAR'S BITE) & A BRUSH (SWEEP AWAY ENEMIES)



- WENT TO WORK AGAINST THE DISLOYAL BOYAR FAMILIES
  - ex. SUZDAL= 12,000 BOYARS
    - 570 BECAME OPRICHNIKI; REST WERE EXPELLED
- CIRCLE OF DESTRUCTION WIDENED...
  - FAMILY MEMBERS, FRIENDS, RELATIVES, SERVANTS
- SIMILAR TO A CIVIL WAR, BUT ONLY ONE SIDE FIGHTING...



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- THE GUY IN THE CHAIR IS IVAN FEDEROV (BOYAR)
  - HE WAS CHARGED WITH TRYING TO REPLACE THE TSAR
    - IVAN HAD HIS FAMILY TIED UP IN SEPARATE ROOMS OF HIS HOUSE SITTING ON BARRELS OF GUNPOWDER
    - HE THEN BLEW UP THE BARRELS, "FLINGING CORPSES IN THE AIR TO THE TSAR'S DELIGHT"
- BELOW, HE WAS MOCKED IN A FAKE CORONATION
  - THEN, STABBED THROUGH BY THE TSAR HIMSELF



# THE OPRICHNIKI BECAME TOO DANGEROUS (EVEN FOR IVAN)

- - IVAN MADE IT ILLEGAL TO EVEN SAY OPRICHNINA



# 1531: DESTHOF IVEN IVENOVICH

- IVAN's SON (IVAN) WAS MARRIED THREE TIMES:
  - 1. EUDOXIA SABUROVA
    - RUSSIAN NOBLE WOMAN
    - ORIGINALLY, MEANT FOR IVAN IV HIMSELF
      - HE REJECTED HER
    - IVAN IV THREW HER INTO A CONVENT AFTER
       SHE FAILED TO GET PREGNANT
  - 2. PRASKOVIA SOLOVA
    - RYAZAN NOBLE WOMAN
    - IVAN IV DIVORCED HER FOR SAME REASON
  - 3. YELENA SHEREMETEVA →

### **RUSSIAN NOBLE WOMAN**

- OCT 1581: SHE WAS WITH CHILD
- IVAN IV SAW HER CLOTHING →
- BEAT HER RELENTLESSLY
  - SHE LOST THE CHILD
  - (LATER SENT TO LIVE IN A CONVENT)...



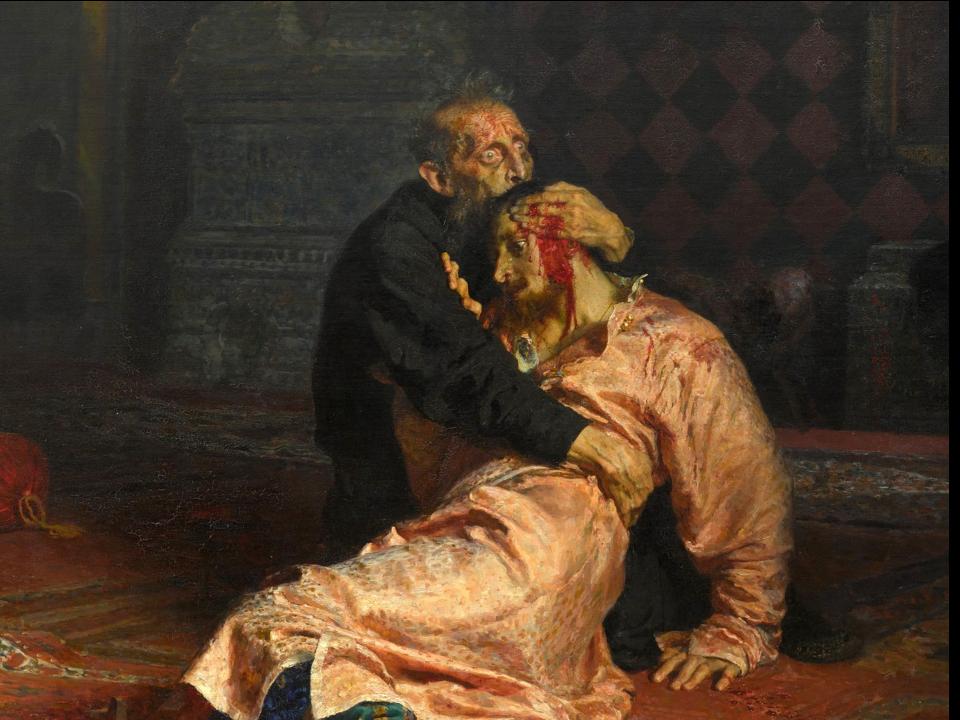
"YOU SENT MY FIRST WIFE TO A CONVENT FOR NO REASON; YOU DID THE SAME WITH MY SECOND. AND NOW YOU STRIKE THE THIRD, CAUSING THE DEATH OF THE SON SHE HOLDS IN HER WOMB."



























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#### MARCH 18, 1584: DEATH OF IVAN

- IVAN DID NOT TAKE THE DEATH OF HIS HEIR WELL (GUILT)
  - MUCH OF THE END OF HIS REIGN WAS DEVOTED TO EXPANDING RUSSIA EAST (KNOWN AS TSAR OF SIBERIA)
- HIS "RAGES" WOULD LEAVE HIM FOAMING AT THE MOUTH
- SOVIET AUTOPSY SHOWED SIGNS OF SYPHILIS
  - BECAME ADDICTED TO MERCURY
  - KEPT 'BUBBLING CAULDRON' IN HIS ROOM

HE DIED WHEN HE HAD A STROKE AS HE BEGAN TO PLAY
 CHESS... HE WAS 53.



#### THREVIEW



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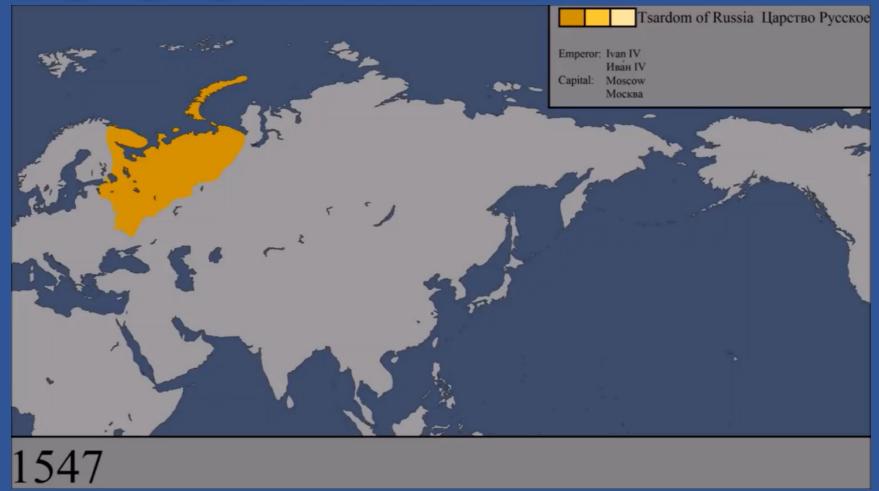
WE ARE TALKING "GUNPOWDER EMPIRES"... HERE'S THE RUSSIAN VERSION:

- RUSSIA'S FIRST FIREARM INFANTRY



**GULYAY-GOROD (WANDERING TOWN)** 

#### RUSSIAN EMPIRE:



- 1610-1640 (TIME OF TROUBLES-END OF MICHAEL): GAINED 300 MILES OF TERRITORY GAINED IN THE STEPPE
- 1610-1640: GAINED NEARLY 3,000 MILES TO THE FAR EAST (TO THE PACIFIC OCEAN)
- LIMITATIONS:
  - WEST: SWEDES AND POLES
  - SOUTH: OTTOMANS AND SAFAVIDS
  - FAR EAST: MING CHINA

GOOD NEWS: WE GOT NEW TERRITORY BAD NEWS: IT'S

## WHY EVEN EXPAND TO THE EAST?



SABLES ERMINES BEAVER

- JUST BECAUSE THEY CLAIM THE TERRITORY DOESN'T MEAN THEY COMPLETELY POPULATE IT WITH RUSSIANS
- SCATTERED POPULATIONS HAD TO PAY THE IASAK
  - TAX IN FURS OWED TO THE TSAR
- RUSSIA:SIBERIA::EUROPE:AFRICA (HIGHLY EXPLOITATIVE)

MANY PEASANTS TURNED TO A GROUP OF WARLIKE ADVENTURERS KNOWN AS: **FIRST MENTIONED IN 1444 BORROWED FROM THE CUMAN WORD COSAC MEANING FREEMAN PEASANTS IN RUSSIA WERE:** 1. OVERTAXED 2. DYING (FAMINE) • 3. HUNTED BY THE **OPRICHNINA**  4. FORCED TO STAY ON THEIR LAND BY GOV'T **ANTI-MIGRATION LAWS** 5. SLOWLY TURNED INTO SERFS

I'VE PROBABLY ONLY MENTIONED THIS 1,000,000 TIMES, BUT...

# I HAVE A YOUTUBE CHANNEL!

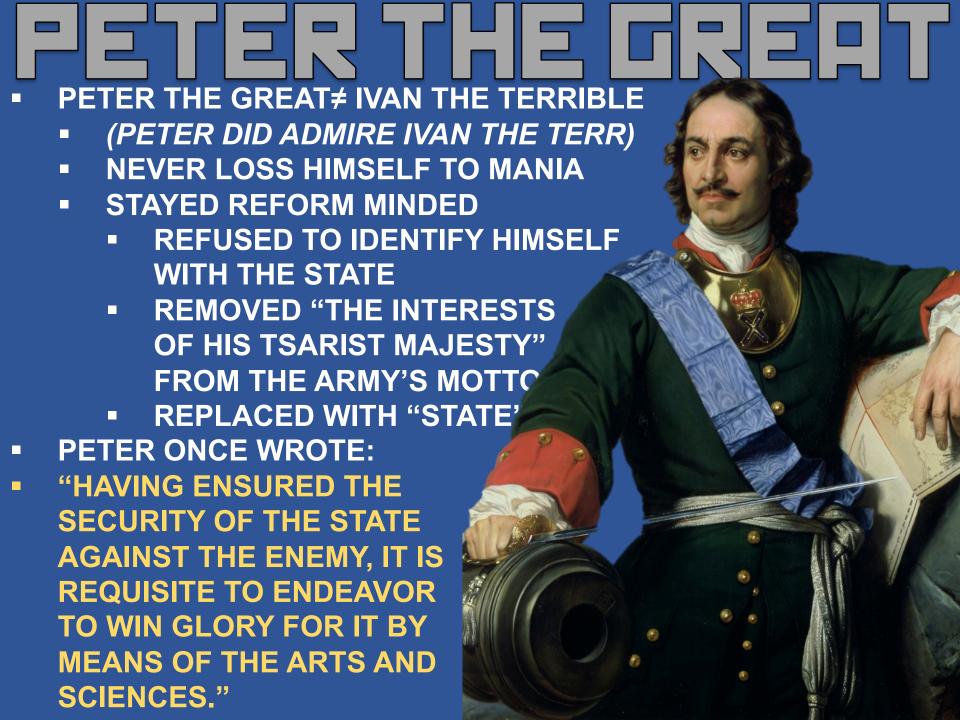




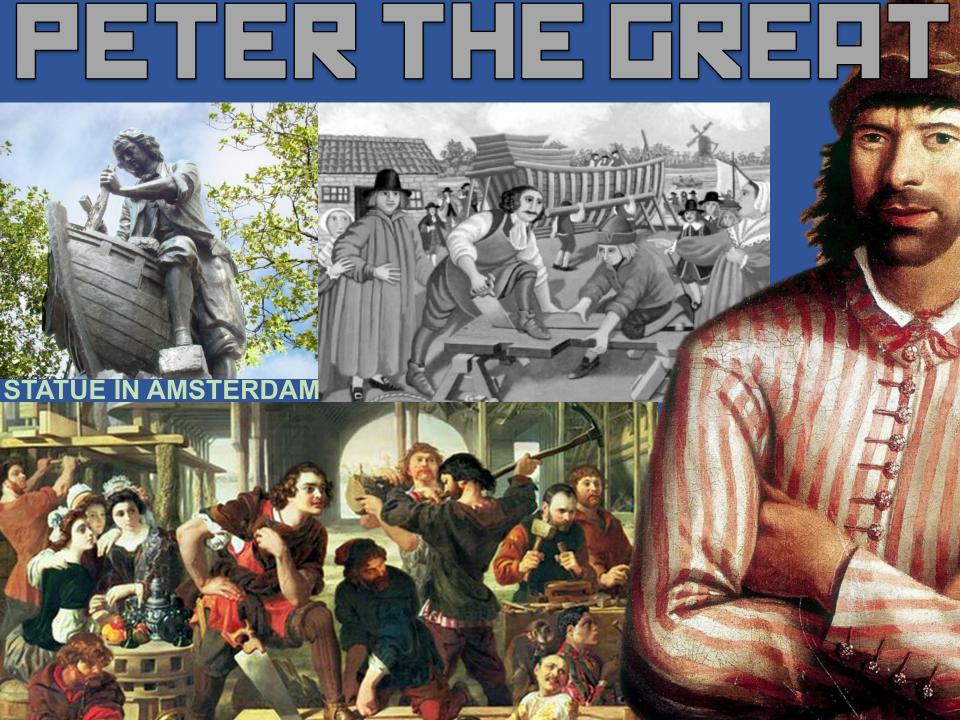








#### PETER WENT WEST TO EUROPE TO MODERNIZE RUSSIA ST. PETERSBURG RIGA **DAM** MOSCOW DRESDEN **RUSSIA NEVER WENT THROUGH ANY OF THE FOLLOWING:** AISSANCE REFORMATIO EXPLORATION

























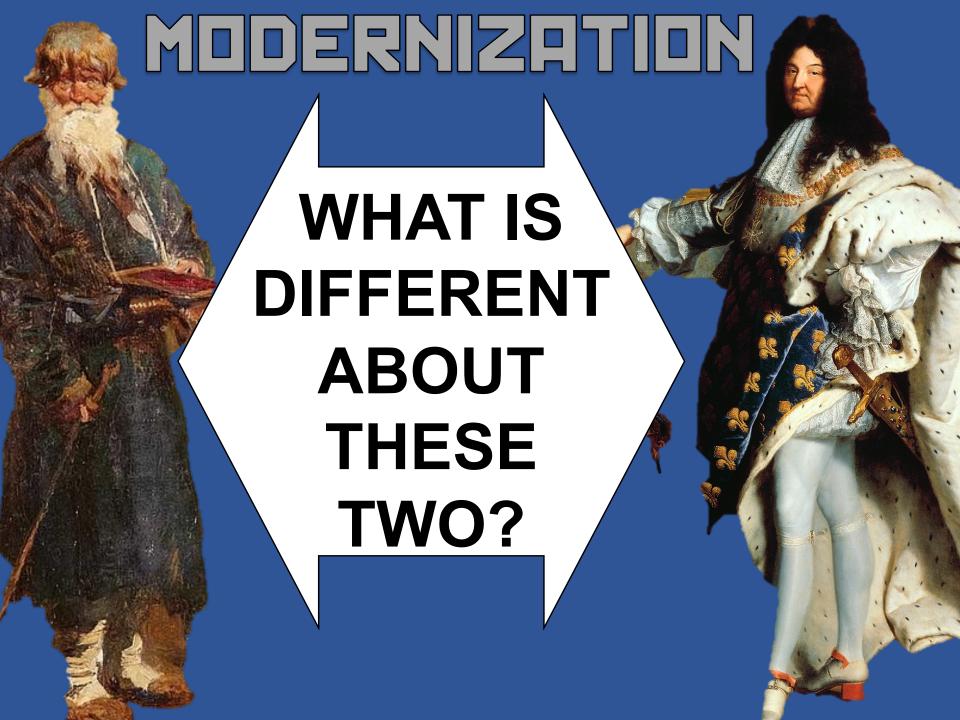
# MORNING OF THE STRELTSY UPRISING



**BY BASILY IVANOVICH SURIKOV (1881)** 

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TO MAKE RUSSIA MORE LIKE THE WEST, PETER ENACTED

THE FOLLOWING WESTERN REFORMS:



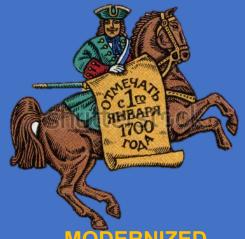
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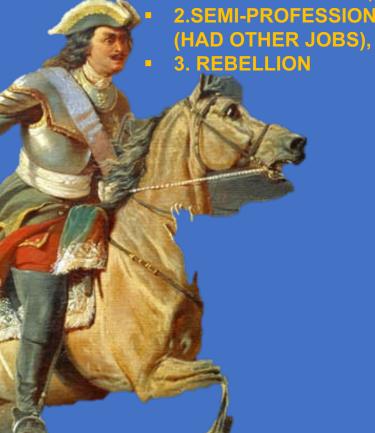


MODERNIZED CALENDAR (7207→1700CE) REMOVED THE
PATRIARCH;
LAST ONE=STEFAN 1721
(RETURNS IN 1917)



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  - 1ST MILITARY TO USE BAYONETS TO ATTACK
    - (ORIGINALLY USED IN DEFENSE)



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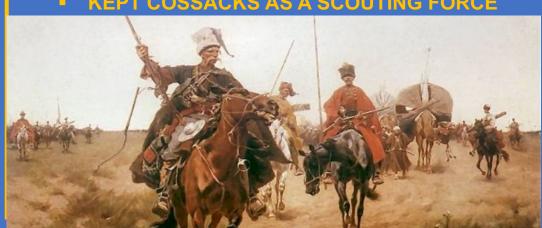
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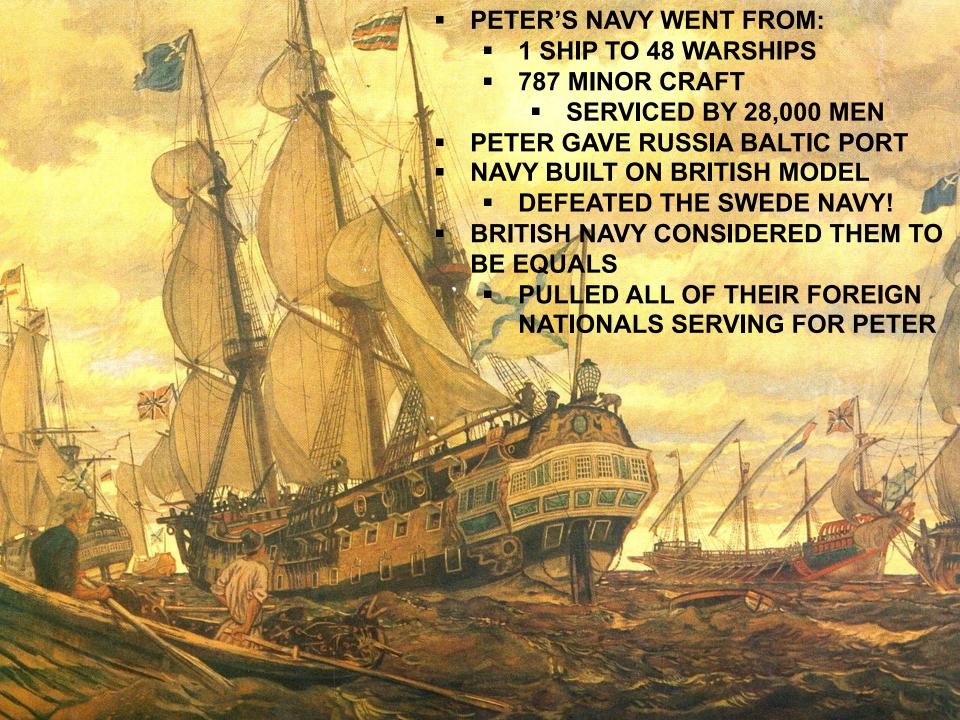
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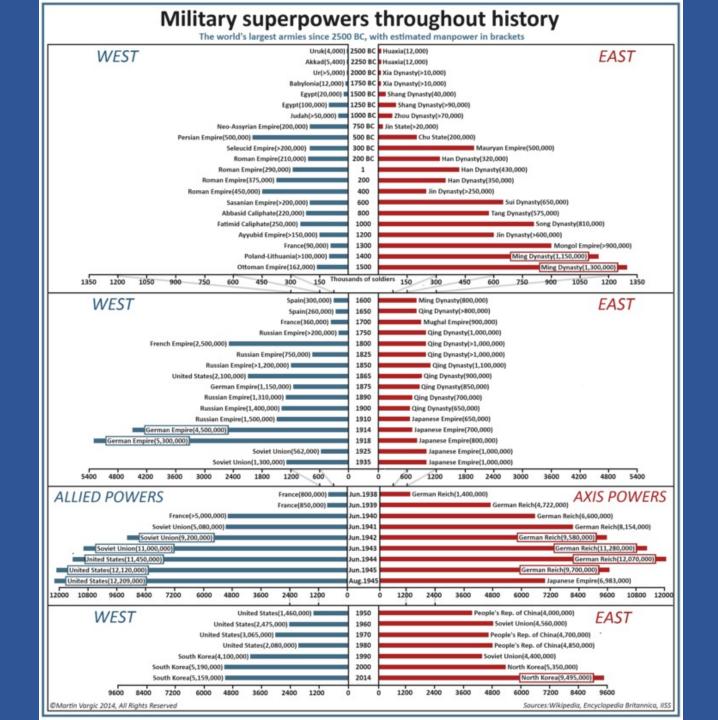
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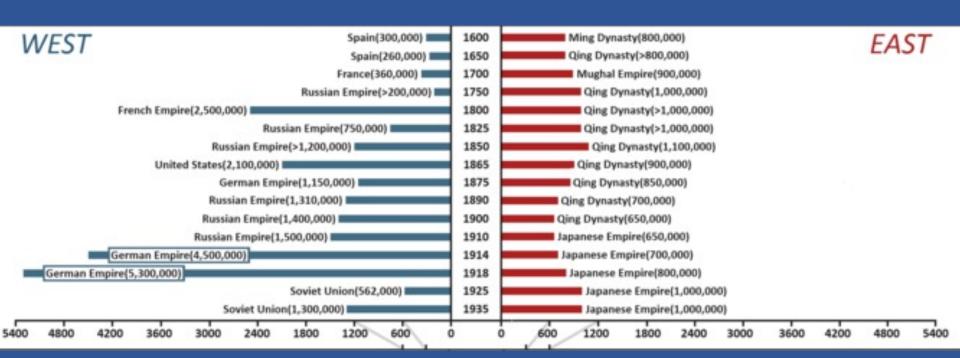






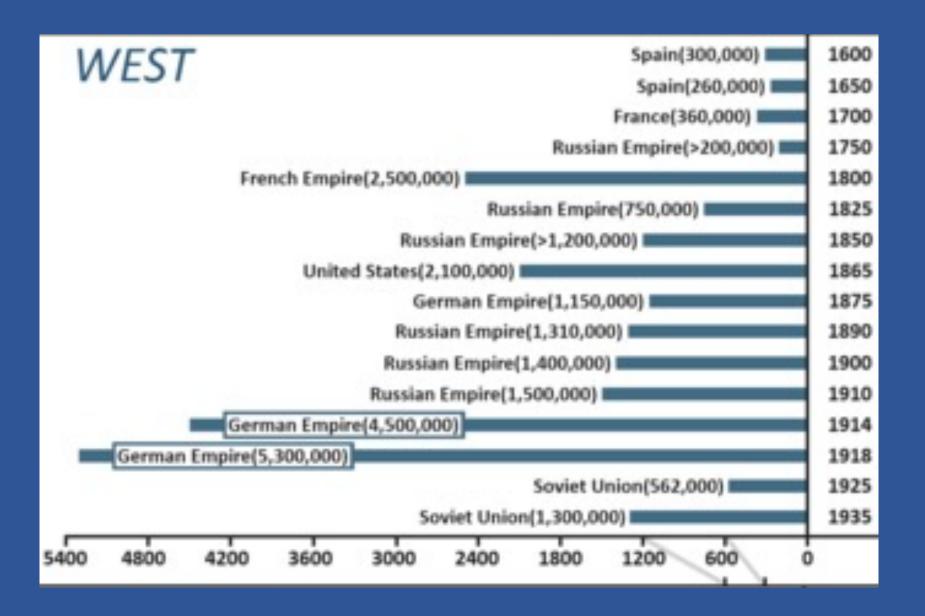
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WHEN PETER RETURNED FROM EUROPE, DEFEATED THE SWEDES, BUILT ST. PETERSBURG, AND MODERNIZED RUSSIA. HE NEEDED TO BUILD HIMSELF A HOUSE... SO... HE BUILT PETERHOF:



