

WWI: CAUSES

GLOBAL CONFLICT
c.1900 to the present

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HERE IS ALL THAT THE COLLEGE BOARD REQUIRES OF YOU FOR:

THIS IS THE THEMATIC FOCUS. IT'S WHAT YOU SHOULD FOCUS ON FOR THIS SECTION

THEMATIC FOCUS

Governance **GOV**

A variety of internal and external factors contribute to state formation, expansion, and decline. Governments maintain order through a variety of administrative institutions, policies, and procedures, and governments obtain, retain, and exercise power in different ways and for different purposes.

MILITARISM



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ALL IMPERIALISM

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ROOSEVELT BOBBLERY TO THE MORGUE

FREEMAN-PEDIA

STATE EX

AMERICAN EMPIRE BRITISH EMPIRE FRENCH EMPIRE BELGIAN E

NATIONALISM

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- AUSTRO-HUNGARIAN EMPIRE, ETHNICITIES
- GERMAN
 - HUNGARIAN
 - ITALIAN
 - ROMANIAN
 - POLISH
 - RUTHENIAN
 - CZECH
 - SLOVAK
 - SLOVENIAN
 - CROATIAN
 - BOSNIAN
 - SERBIAN
 - SLAVS

HISTORICAL DEVELOPMENT

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The causes of World War I included imperialist expansion and competition for resources. In addition, territorial and regional conflicts combined with a flawed alliance system and intense nationalism to escalate the tensions into global conflict.

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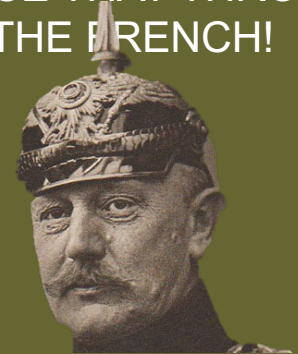
MILITARISM

MASSIVE BUILDUP OF MILITARY INFRASTRUCTURE, WEAPONS, ARMIES, ETC.

- GOVERNMENTS HAVE SPENT MOST OF THEIR EXISTENCE TRYING NOT TO ARM THEIR PEOPLE
 - FRENCH REVOLUTION CHANGES EVERYTHING
 - NAPOLEON'S ARMY WAS BETTER BECAUSE IT WAS A NATIONAL ARMY
 - "YOU'LL NEVER BEAT ME. I GO THROUGH 30,000 MEN A MONTH"
 - -NAPOLEON TO AUSTRIAN MINISTER METTERNICH
 - PRUSSIAN GENERAL BLUCHER FAMOUSLY LOST TO NAPOLEON AND DEMANDED PRUSSIA GIVE HIM A NATIONAL ARMY!
 - THEY DID (*TRIPLED THE PRUSSIAN ARMY*)
 - NEXT BATTLE: WATERLOO
- LARGEST MILITARY INVASION TO THIS POINT WAS NAPOLEON INTO RUSSIA (750K MEN)
 - FROM MANY DIFFERENT NATIONS
 - GERMANY SENT TWICE THAT THROUGH BELGIUM TO FLANK THE FRENCH!



NAPOLEON (1801-1812)



MOLTKE (1914-1916)

LARGEST CANNON:

1,200 POUNDS

300,000 POUNDS

LARGEST ARTILLERY SHELL:

12 POUNDS



2,000 POUNDS



ARTILLERY RANGE:

2000 YARDS

14,000 YARDS (8mi.)



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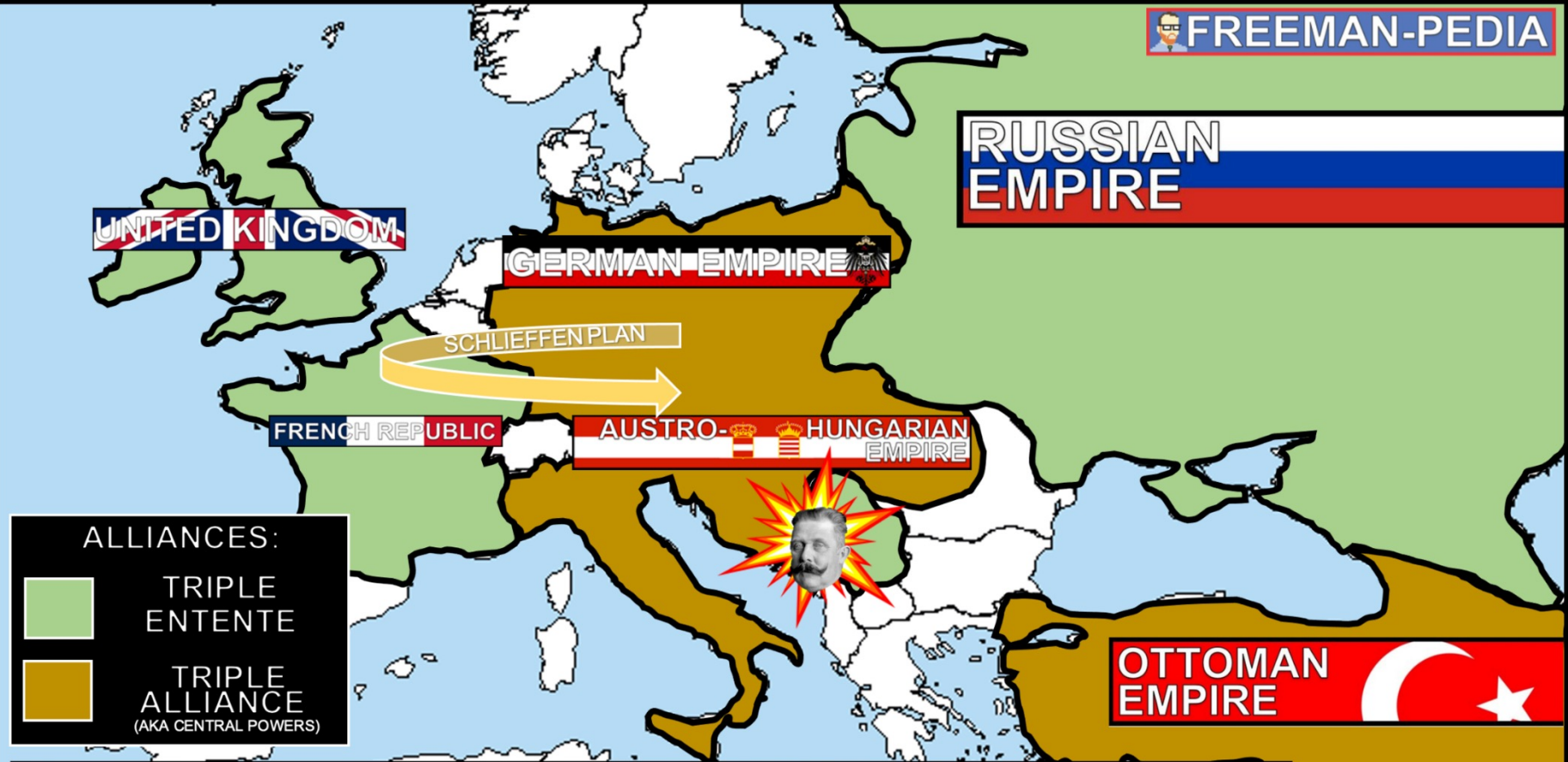
PARIS GUN

*THERE ARE NONE LEFT, THE GERMANS DESTROYED THEM ALL AT THE END OF THE WAR. IT PLAYED SUCH A ROLE IN THE PSYCHE OF THE PARISIANS, THEY ADDED IT TO THE TREATY OF VERSAILLES THAT THEY HAD TO TURN ONE OVER THE FRENCH (THEY NEVER DID)



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 FREEMAN-PEDIA



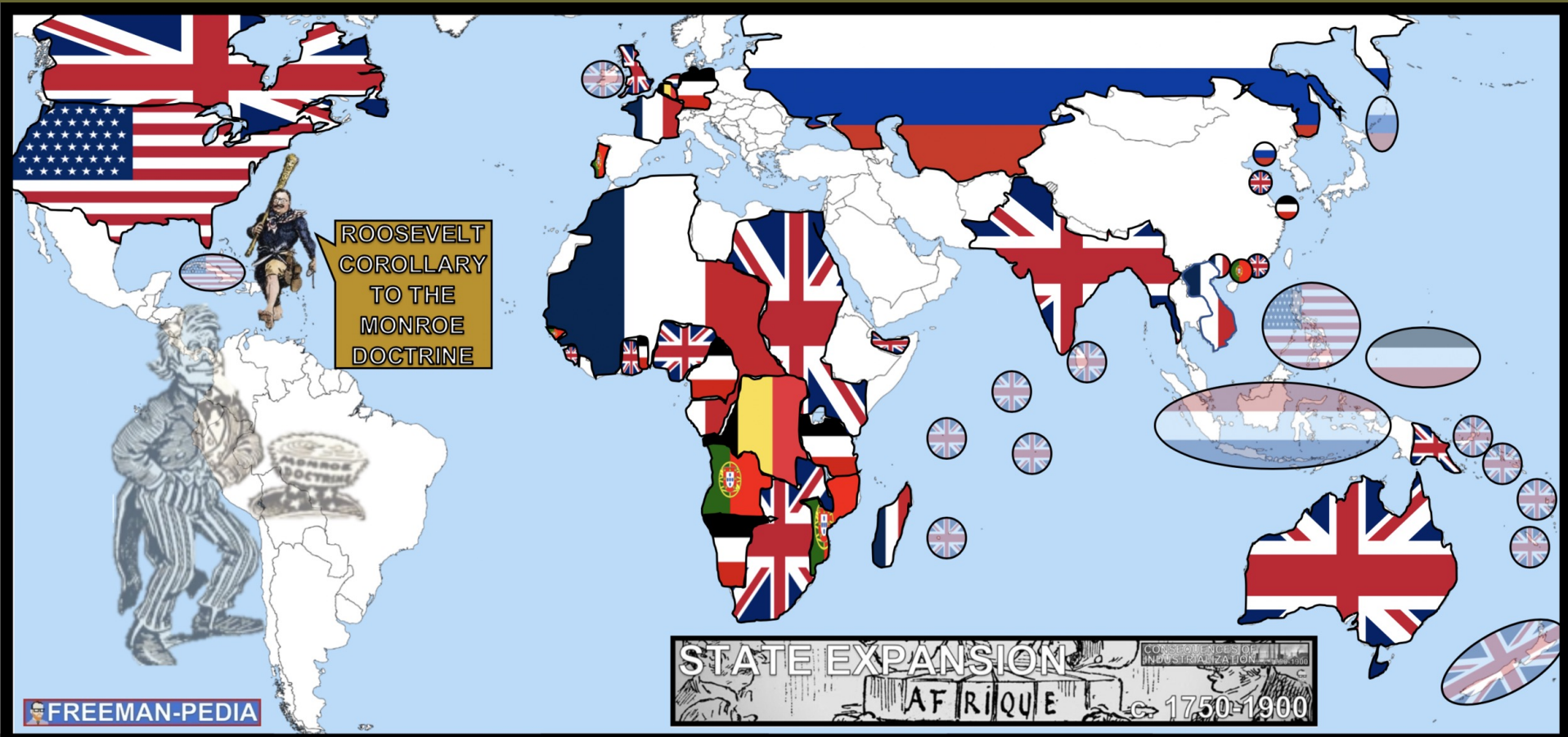
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10 PAGES

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GERMANY DECLARES WAR; ALL EUROPE IS IN ARMS

Black Hand

With the World at War, let's analyze the underlying causes:

DRAG-n-DROP the causes to the category that best fits

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Triple Entente

BIG BERTHA

Growth of Empires increased tensions

Ottoman & German joint security agreement

Large empires increase # of soldiers available to fight

Increased confidence in one's own nation's abilities

U-boats & Paris Guns

Russian & Serbian Slav connections

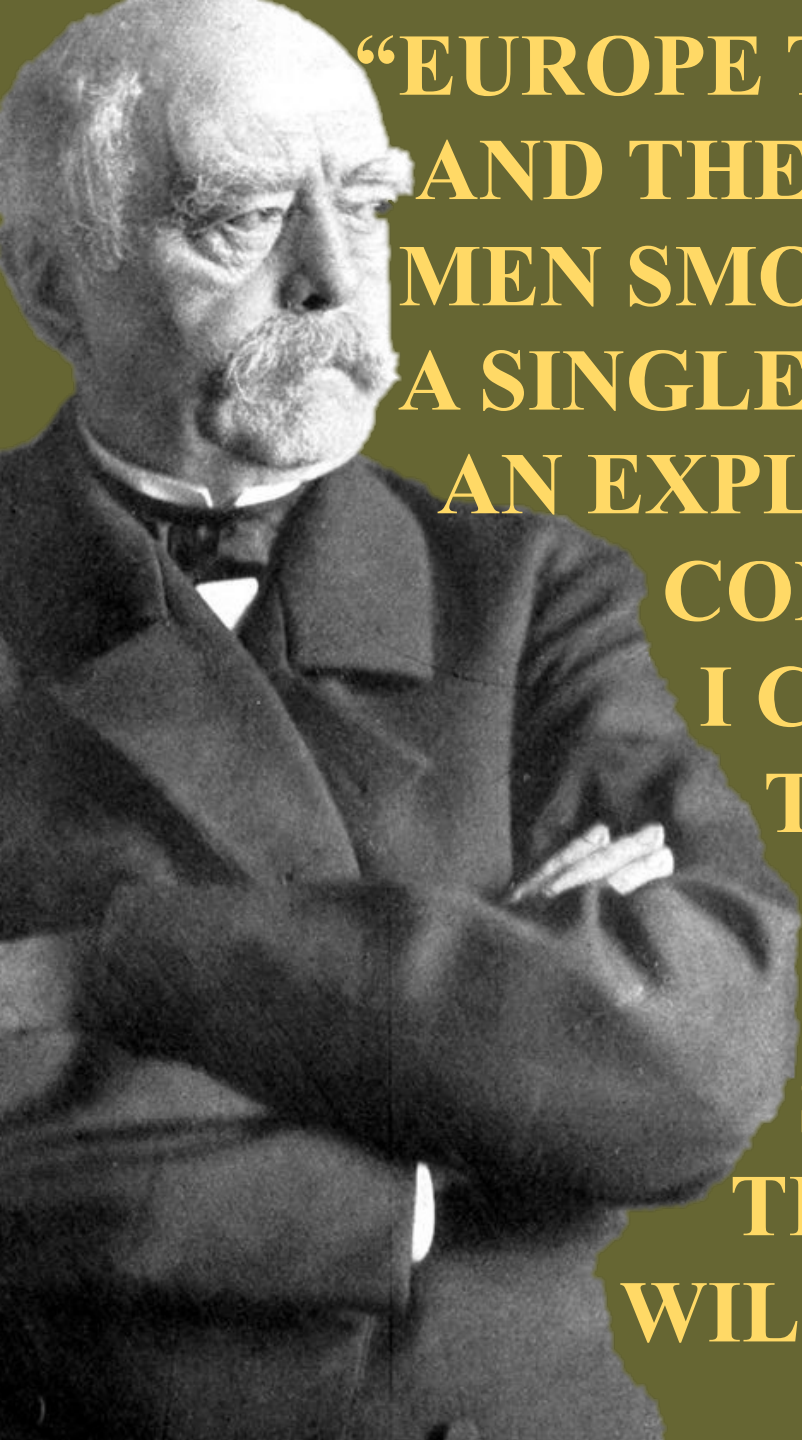
Triple Alliance (Central Powers)

Increase in Dreadnoughts (Battleships) in the 1910s

Press fueled hatred of other countries for threatening the strength and power of their own countries

... and Pittsburgh and ...
... and Washington ...

... stage in ...
... Elysee Palace ...
... to France in the impending ...
... ified Germany that she will ...



**“EUROPE TODAY IS A POWDER KEG
AND THE LEADERS ARE LIKE
MEN SMOKING IN AN ARSENAL...
A SINGLE SPARK WILL SET OFF
AN EXPLOSION THAT WILL
CONSUME US ALL...
I CANNOT TELL YOU WHEN
THAT EXPLOSION WILL
OCCUR, BUT I CAN TELL
YOU WHERE...
SOME DAMNED FOOLISH
THING IN THE BALKANS
WILL SET IT OFF.”**

OTTO VON BISMARCK, 1878

ASSASSINATION OF ARCHDUKE FERDINAND

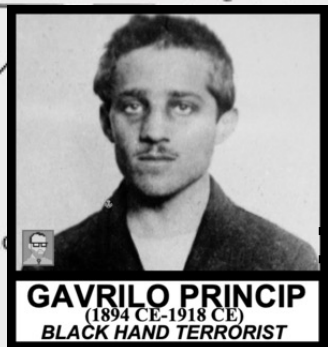
UNIFICATION OR DEATH (AKA THE BLACK HAND)

- INSPIRED BY GERMAN/ITALIAN UNIFICATION
- WANTED UNITED SLAVIC STATE IN THE BALKANS
- INITIALLY PLANNED TO KILL THE GOVERNOR OF BOSNIA (ACTUALLY IN THE SAME CAR)
- FOUND OUT ABOUT THE ARCHDUKE'S ARRIVAL AND CHANGED TARGETS
 - MORNING OF THE PARADE, SIX ASSASSINS TOOK THEIR POSITION ALONG THE PARADE ROUTE...



ASSASSINATION OF ARCHDUKE FERDINAND

SARAJEVO 28th JUNE 1914



- Positions of the conspirators**
- 1 Mehmedbašić
 - 2 Čubrilović
 - 3 Čabrinović (throws bomb)
 - 4 Ilić
 - 5 Popović
 - 6 Princip (first position)
 - 7 Princip (second position, shoots Franz Ferdinand and Sophie.)
 - 8 Grabež

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