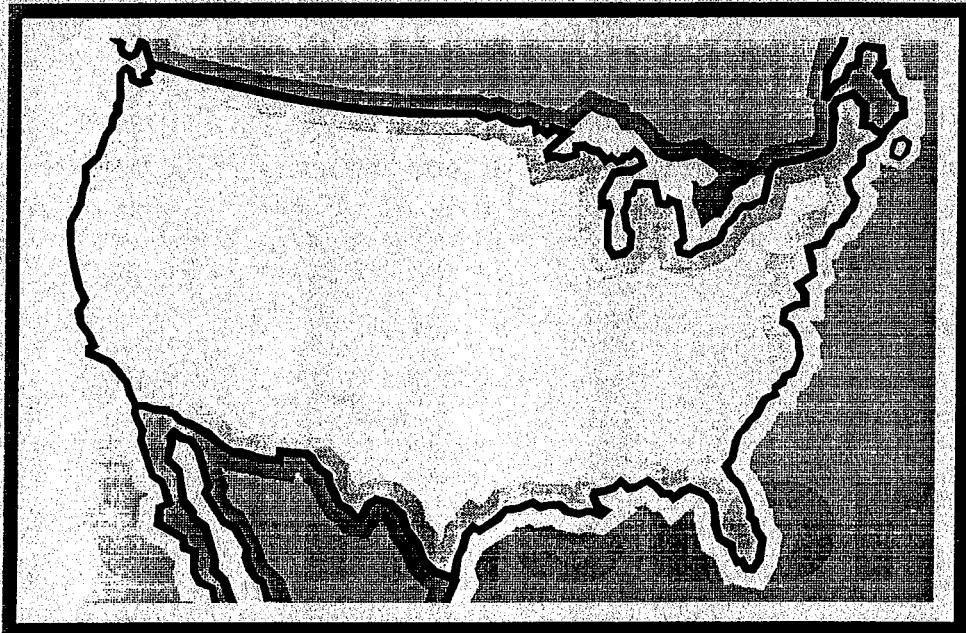


US History



Chapter 24: World War Looms 1931-1941

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SEC. 1

Francisco Franco

- Rebellion against Spain's Republic + Civil War begins
- Americans form Abe Lincoln Battalion to fight Franco + Fascists in Spain.
- Hitler + Mussolini send aid to Franco + later form Rome-Berlin Axis while West sits out.
- 1939 Franco wins + becomes dictator
- FDR changed his mind after Japan's aggression.

European + Asian Nationalism

- Dictators Driven By Nationalism
- Want Territorial Expansion
- Failure of Treaty of Versailles
- Hunt Weimar Republic or Germany's Democratic govt
- Soviets Resented loss of land
- Other New Democratic govt's in Europe were failing
- People lacked democratic Tradition
- Turn back to Authoritarian Rule.
- Many Economic + Social Problems would collapse Democratic govt's
- Neutrality Acts = 1st 2 acts outlaw arms sales OR loans to nations @ war. 3rd Act Bans Arms to nations engaged in Civil Wars
- growing Isolationism had impact on FDR who continues Isolationist Policy
- Sen Nye's Congressional Committee argues greedy bankers + arms dealers got USA into WWI
- US Isolationism

DICTATORS THREATEN WORLD PEACE

ADOLF HITLER

Japanese Militarists

- Militarists wanted more living space.
- 1931 Surprise attack + Taking of Manchuria
- After Protest by League of Nations, Japan quits League
- Aggression led by Hideki Tojo
- Aggression in Europe + Africa Increases
- Hitler takes Rhineland + Mussolini takes Ethiopia + ousts Haile Selassie
- League of Nation fails to stop aggression

Joseph Stalin

- 1924 Vladimir Lenin Dies after creating Communist State of The Soviet Union 1922
- Joseph Stalin (Man of Steel) took Control
- Industrial + Agricultural growth = prime goal
- Abolished private Farms + Replace with Collective Farms or govt owned farms
- "Five Year Plans" = Industrialization
- Totalitarian State Kills 13 million
- Complete Control, No Rights
- 1919 jobless Soldier joins Nazi Socialist Party
- Also Known as Nazi Party w/no Ties to Socialism
- "Der Führer" "The leader" leads the Party
- Writes Mein Kampf (My Struggle) = Sets up basic beliefs of Nazi Party + plan of Action

Nazis + Nazism

- German Brand of Fascism/Extreme Nationalism
- ① Hitler, Austrian born wanted to unite all Germans
- ② He wanted Purification of Aryan Race (Master Race)
- ③ Lebensraum or living Space (Regain territory lost)
- Storm Troopers or Brown Shirts (His Army) helps him win Chancellor (prime minister) + Then Dismantles Weimar Republic + Sets up 3rd Reich

Benito Mussolini

- Sets up Totalitarian govt in Italy
- Rises to power after high unemployment + Inflation
- Played on fears of Eco Collapse + Communism
- Fascism = Strong Nationalism w/ single Strong leader
- Followers Known as "Black Shirts"
- Called himself "Il Duce" (The leader)

CHAPTER Twenty-Four

SEC. 2

Vichy Govt: Fall of France

- France's Maginot Line was ineffective as Germany bypasses the line during Invasion of Belgium
- Enter through the Ardennes
- Trap 400,000 British + French on the beaches of Dunkirk along French side of English Channel
- Italians Invade France on South Side
- 6/22/40 Germans occupy North France + Nazi-Controlled Puppet govt. Vichy
- Charles de Gaulle, French General fled to England in exile

- RAF use Radar to frustrate Germany + Call off the Invasion.

- Summer 1940 Luftwaffe bombs for 2 months trying to destroy R.A.F.

Battle of Britain

- German speaking people on western border region of Czechoslovakia called Sudetenland for living space + resources
- Hitler claims Czechs were abusing Sudeten Germans + sends troops
- France + Britain had promised to protect Czechs + would go to war
- Hitler invites Chamberlain (Eng) + Daladier (France) to Munich Conference
- Announce Sudetenland would be last for Hitler
- A appeasement or giving up principle to pacify

- Netherlands, Belgium, Luxembourg
- Hitler then took the Netherlands, Belgium + Luxembourg to end the "Phony War"

WAR IN EUROPE

Sitz Krieg

- Germans called it Sitzkrieg or "Sitting War" or what newspapers called "The Phony War"
- Stalin annex Baltic States of Estonia, Latvia, Lithuania, Finland

BLITZKRIEG IN Poland

- Hitler charges Germans in Poland were mistreated by Poles
- Hitler signs Non-Aggression Pact with Stalin in 1939 to avoid war
- Also sign 2nd Secret Pact to divide up Poland between them

DENMARK + NORWAY

- 1940 Surprise Attack by Hitler to protect their freedom + independence
- wanted it for bases to launch attacks against Britain

The Phony War

- Maginot Line along France's East Border
- Siegfried Line along Germany's West Border
- Both lines of troops waited to fight
- Turned into Sitzkrieg or "Sitting War"

Austria + Czechoslovakia Fall

- 1937 Hitler plans to absorb Czechoslovakia + Austria into 3rd Reich

- 1938 Takes Austria who wanted to unite w/Germany.

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SEC. 3

Persecution Begins

Holocaust: systematic murder of 11 million people across Europe with more than 1/2 Jews

Jews Targeted:

Anti-Semitism or hatred of Jews had long history in Europe

Jews became Scapegoat for Germany's problems with many Germans agreeing

Nuremberg Laws Strip Jews of their Citizenship, Jobs + Property

Star of David = Bright Yellow Star worn on Clothing to help Identify Jews

The SURVIVORS

- Elie Wiesel, Nobel Peace Prize winner wrote about the Camps
- Survival depended on one's spirit + getting enough to eat.

The

Holocaust

KRISTALLNACHT

"Night of Broken Glass" when Nazi storm troopers attack Jewish homes businesses + Synagogues
Shattered glass littered the streets

Forced Relocation: Ghettos

Ghettos = Segregated Jewish Areas
Sealed off by barbed wire + Stone fences
Impossible living conditions + Resistance

Jewish Refugees: Speed-up Jewish Emigration but many nations refuse their entry because of Anti-Semitism

British send 30,000 to Palestine
Denied in USA - Florida
The Ship "St Louis" sent back to Europe

Mass Exterminations

1942: Murder by Poison Gas

Built 6 death camps in Poland

First = Chelmno

Auschwitz = largest

Mass graves left evidence of Mass Murder.

Crematoriums or Ovens used to cover up Evidence

Medical Experiments

Concentration Camps

Labor Camps that became warehouses for Death
Hunger, Rats, Fleas

The Condemned: Final Solution

Genocide = deliberate + Systematic killing of entire population

Hitler Called it "Final Solution"

Aryans = Master Race or Purity

Rid Gypsies, Freemasons, Jehovah Witnesses, Homosexuals, Mentally ill, disabled
SS (Security Squadrons) rounded them up

Pearl Harbor Attack

Dace Talks?

US protested Japan's aggression w/oil Embargo

- Tojo becomes PRIME Minister + promises Emperor to make peace with USA

- 11/41 Japan's Tojo orders Navy To Prepare Attack on USA

- US breaks Japan's Secret Code + learns of strike preparations

- FDR WARNS Navy in Pacific

- Dec 7th Japan attacks Pearl Harbor with 180 warplanes for 1½ hours

- 2,403 Dead, 1,178 Wounded Americans

Japan's Hideki Tojo

- Chief of Staff, Japan's Kwantung Army
- launched attack on China for Manchuria
- Plan to unite East Asia under Japan by Seizing European Colonies

- British too Busy by 1941 to stop Japan's Expansion.

- Only US + Pacific Islands Remained For Japan.

Allies

- Atlantic Charter became basis for United Nations + Sets up Nations that fought against Axis Powers Called Allies
- Declaration Signed by 26 Nations

- Many Isolationists Now Support War.

- 3 days later Germany + Italy declare war on USA.

- Next day FDR asks for declaration of war on Japan

- Mood ranged from outrage to panic

Reaction to Pearl Harbor

AMERICA
MOVES
TOWARD
WAR

The Atlantic Charter

FDR + Britain's Winston Churchill met secretly at Summit on USS Augusta

- Joint declaration of War Aims declared
- Pledged Collective Security, Disarmament, Self-determination, Economic Cooperation + freedom of seas

- FDR admits he can't ask Congress for Declaration of war
- But would force an incident.

Neutrality Acts

Cautious Approach

1939 FDR convinces

Congress to pass "Cash + Carry" Policy which

allowed warring nations to

buy US arms with cash + transport them with their own ships

- Isolationists ATTACK FDR for his actions

- FDR Argued it would help France + Britain defeat Hitler + keep USA OUT of the war

- But Cash + Carry Policy was too little + too late

Axist Powers Threat

By 1940 France had fallen + Britain struggling
FDR scrambled to provide as much aid as possible

TRIPARTITE Pact: Sept 27 1940

Germany, Italy, Japan sign mutual defense treaty: Called Axis Powers

USA now facing 2 Ocean War

US Builds Defenses: Increase spending
Selective Training + Service Act or
peacetime military draft.

FDR Wins Again: GOP
Wendell Willkie agreed with
most of FDR's policies

Lend Lease Act 1941

1941: Britain out of cash so FDR lends arms

- Isolationists argued with this plan

Supporting Stalin: After broken Treaty
with Hitler - US aids Soviets

German Wolf-Packs: 1941 US warships
attack U-boats + use Radar + sonar