

# World History since 1500



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## Chapter 23 – 20<sup>th</sup> Century Crisis: War and Revolution

### *The Coming of World War*

### Triple Alliance

Austria-Hungary

Germany

Italy (switches from neutral to Allies April 1915)



### Triple Entente

France

Russia

Britain

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### *Balkan Wars 1912-13: Prelude to WWI*



- Serbia hoped to absorb all the Slavs on the Balkan peninsula.
- Russia, a slavic nation, supported Serbia nationalism.
- Austria, which feared rebellion among the slavic population, felt threatened by Serbia's growth.
- And Russia and Austria-Hungary wanted the Balkans as their sphere of influence.

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Franz Ferdinand in Sarajevo



The spark that set the war off was the assassination of the heir to the Austrian Empire (Archduke Franz Ferdinand) by a Serbian national. Austria declared war on Serbia as a result.



Serbia was an ally of Russia. When Russia declared war on Austria-Hungary, the Triple Alliance and Triple Entente kicked in, bringing the entire continent to war.



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1914

Franz Ferdinand in Sarajevo



**June 28 Archduke Franz Ferdinand assassinated**

**July 28 Austria-Hungary declares war on Serbia  
Russia mobilizes**

**The Netherlands declare neutrality**

**Aug 1 Germany declares war on Russia**

**Italy declares neutrality**

**Denmark declares neutrality**

**Germany and Ottoman Empire sign  
secret alliance treaty**

**Aug 3 Germany declares war on France**

**Switzerland declares neutrality**

**Aug 4 Germany invades Belgium**

**UK declares war on Germany**

**USA declares neutrality**

**Aug 6 Austria-Hungary declares war on Russia  
Serbia declares war on Germany**

**Aug 11 France declares war on Austria-Hungary**

**Aug 12 UK declares war on Austria-Hungary**

**Aug 23 Japan declares war on Germany**

**Aug 25 Japan declares war on Austria-Hungary**

**Aug 28 Austria-Hungary declares war on Belgium**



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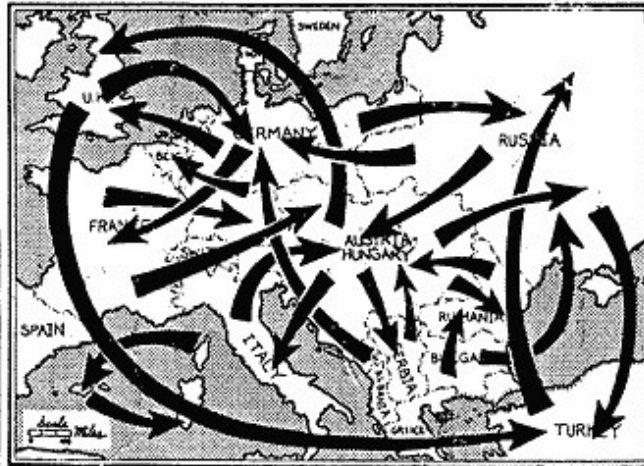
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# WAR DECLARED BY ALL

AUSTRIA DECLARES WAR ON SERBIA  
 AUSTRIA DECLARES WAR ON  
 GERMANY DECLARES WAR ON FRANCE  
 GERMANY DECLARES WAR ON  
 TURKEY DECLARES WAR ON RUSSIA  
 RUSSIA DECLARES WAR ON  
 BULGARIA DECLARES WAR ON BRITAIN

OTTOMAN EMPIRE ALMOST DECLARES WAR ON ITSELF  
 . . . . .  
 NATIONS STRUGGLE TO REMEMBER ALLIES

From the London and Washington Bureaus, Aug. 4.—After weeks of unbearable tension following the assassination of the heir to the Austro-Hungarian throne, the great European powers have declared war on one another in a bitter struggle for something that is sure to be determined by war's end. Enmeshed in a confusing string of rivalries and alliances, diplomats, politicians, and military leaders



mighty Triple Entente not exist before the June all European nations who

## ASSASSINATION OF ARCHDUKE SPREADS FEAR AT ARCHDUKE CONVENTION

The Hague, Netherlands, Aug. 4.—European archdukes attending their annual convention expressed alarm at the assassination of fellow aristocrat Archduke Franz Ferdinand, whose end came at the hand of a Serbian nationalist in Sarajevo several weeks ago.

Archdukes attending the convention expressed concern for the issue of noblemen safety, once considered a birthright. Most also claimed they had no knowledge of the Serbian demand for independence from Austria. "Could it be that the oppressed minority peoples in our own provinces are weary of cen-

## AREA DRUNKARD DECLARES WAR ON IRELAND

ALE-HOUSE PEERS FALL IN AS ALLIES

Davenport, Iowa, Aug. 4.—As bloody conflict rages throughout Europe, Orval Brunvald, a drunkard of many years' experience, declared war on Ireland Friday evening. A REBOUNDOING DECLARATION "Consum ever" one of 'em



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*Strong and true, our brave young  
Stand until our enemies are defeated*





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### **The Generals' Assumptions - 1914**

- War Is Inevitable
  - We Can Win
- The War Will Be Short
  - Victory Will Go to the Attacker
  - Losses Will Be Heavy



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**NORTHWEST EUROPE, 1914**  
**WESTERN FRONT, 1914**  
Schlieffen Plan of 1905 and  
French Plan XVII

**LEGEND**

Phase line for German movement:

**RIGHT WING:** First and Second Armies

**RIGHT WING:** First, Second and Third Armies

**CENTER:** Fourth and Fifth Armies

**LEFT WING:** Sixth and Seventh Armies

In event of German violation of Belgian neutrality, Fifth Army was to move to the north and Fourth Army was to move to left of Third Army.

**LEFT WING:** Third and Fifth Armies

L'ANGLE de CARY  
(Reserve)

XXXX  
SECOND  
CASTELNAU

XXXX  
SEVENTH  
HERRINGEN

XXXX  
FIRST  
BUDAH

XXXX  
FIFTH

XXXX  
FOURTH  
ALBRECHT

XXXX  
SECOND  
BULLION

**KLUCK**  
(320,000)



# ***Schlieffen Plan Assumptions***

- The Belgian rail network will be captured largely intact.
- The Russians will be unable to attack until their mobilization is complete.
- The right wing will be able to sustain a high speed of advance.
- The French will be unable to switch forces from Alsace-Lorraine to counter the right wing.

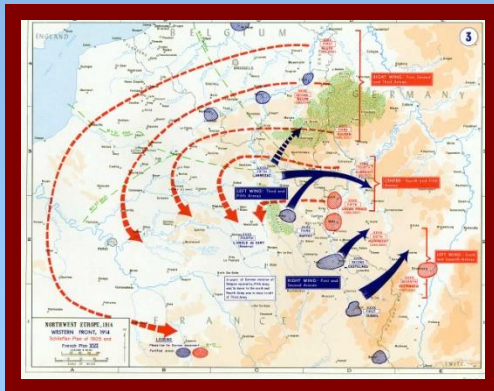




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**Alfred Graf von Schlieffen**



### The War of Plans, 1914

## The Schlieffen Plan

- Only German war plan
- Based on “win-hold-win” strategy
- Aimed to destroy French Army in 6 weeks
- Violating Belgian neutrality, ensured British intervention
- Demanded heroic marching performance from the right-wing armies
- Severely strained C3 (Command, Control, Communication), logistics



## THE FIRST BATTLE OF THE MARNE 1914

### The French 'miracle' halts the Germans





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### **Why Stalemate in 1914?**

- **Exhaustion of armies**
- **Exhaustion of ammunition**
- **Density of forces**
- **Lethality of Weapons**
- **Limited heavy artillery**
- **No assailable flanks**
- **All war plans failed**

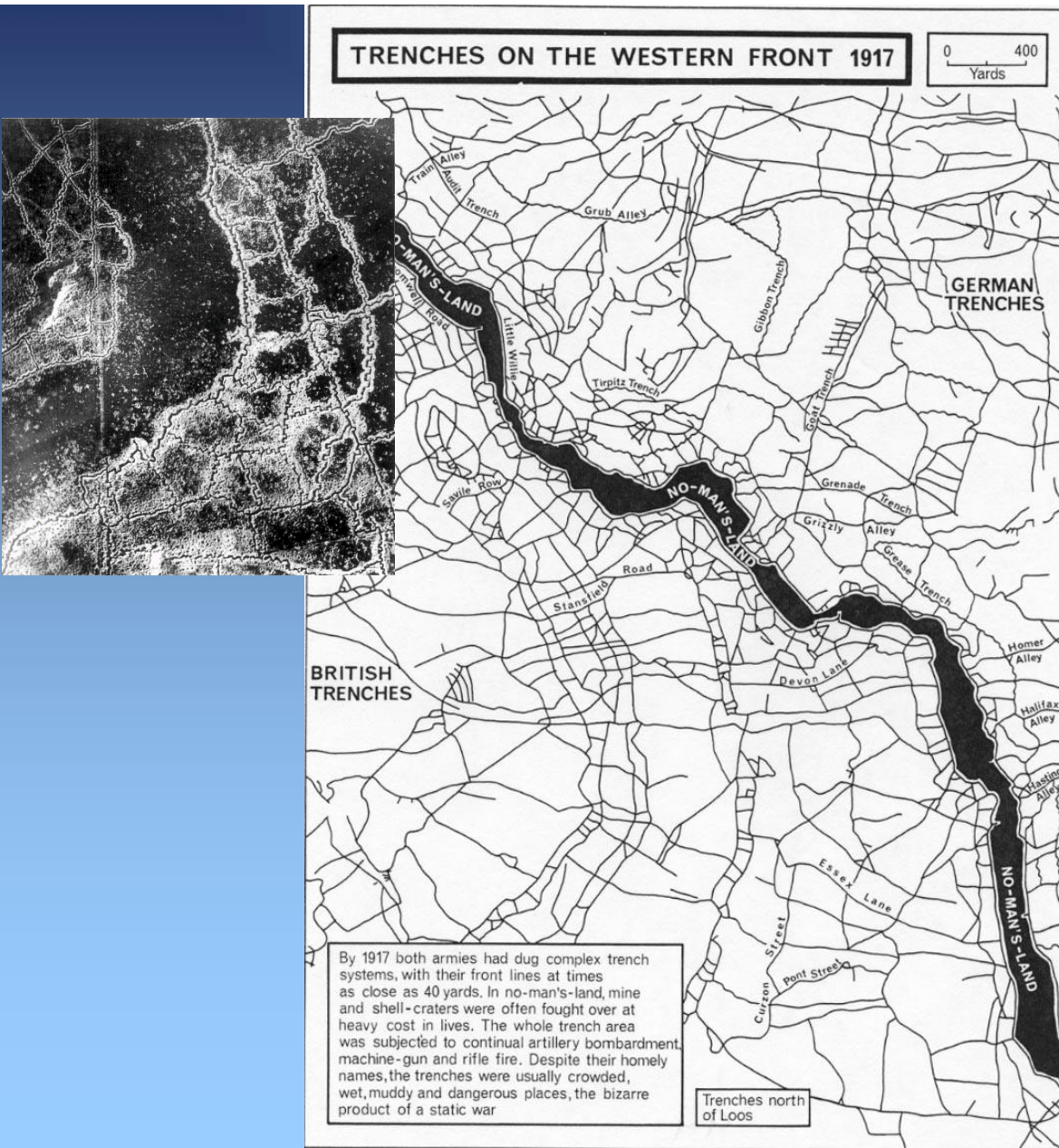




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# *A Bit of Perspective*

French battle deaths (KIA/DOW) from  
the **FIRST SIX MONTHS** of WWI: **454,000**

**TOTAL** American battle deaths in the 20<sup>th</sup> Century:  
**427,513**

Span American War	385
Phil Insurrection	1,004
WWI	53,404
WWII	291,557
Korea	33,651
Vietnam	47,364
Desert Storm	148

Source: Millet & Maslowski , *For the Common Defense*





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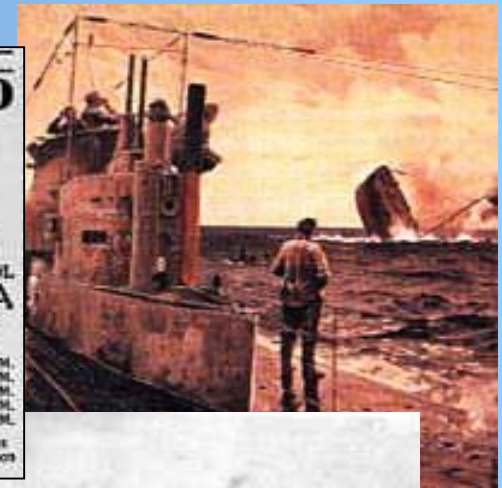
# THE INDIRECT APPROACH WHY GO THRU THE TRENCHES AT ALL?

### OTHER MEANS

### DIFFERENT FRONTS



- GALLIPOLI
- SALONIKA, Greece
- ITALY?



- ### ECONOMIC WARFARE
- BLOCKADE
  - U-BOAT OFFENSIVE



# Europe: 1914-1918

Western Front

Eastern Front

Italian Front

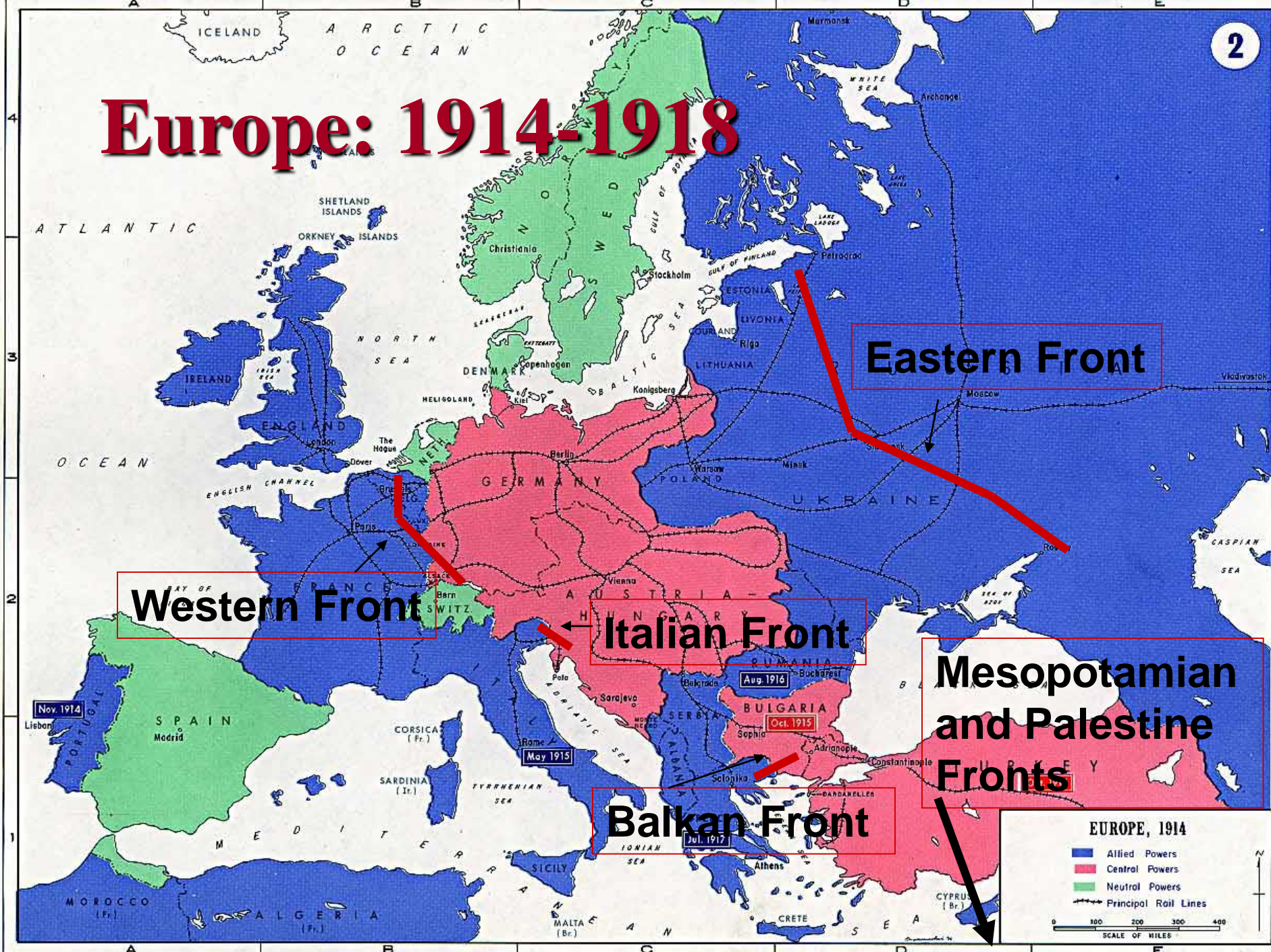
Mesopotamian and Palestine Fronts

Balkan Front

EUROPE, 1914

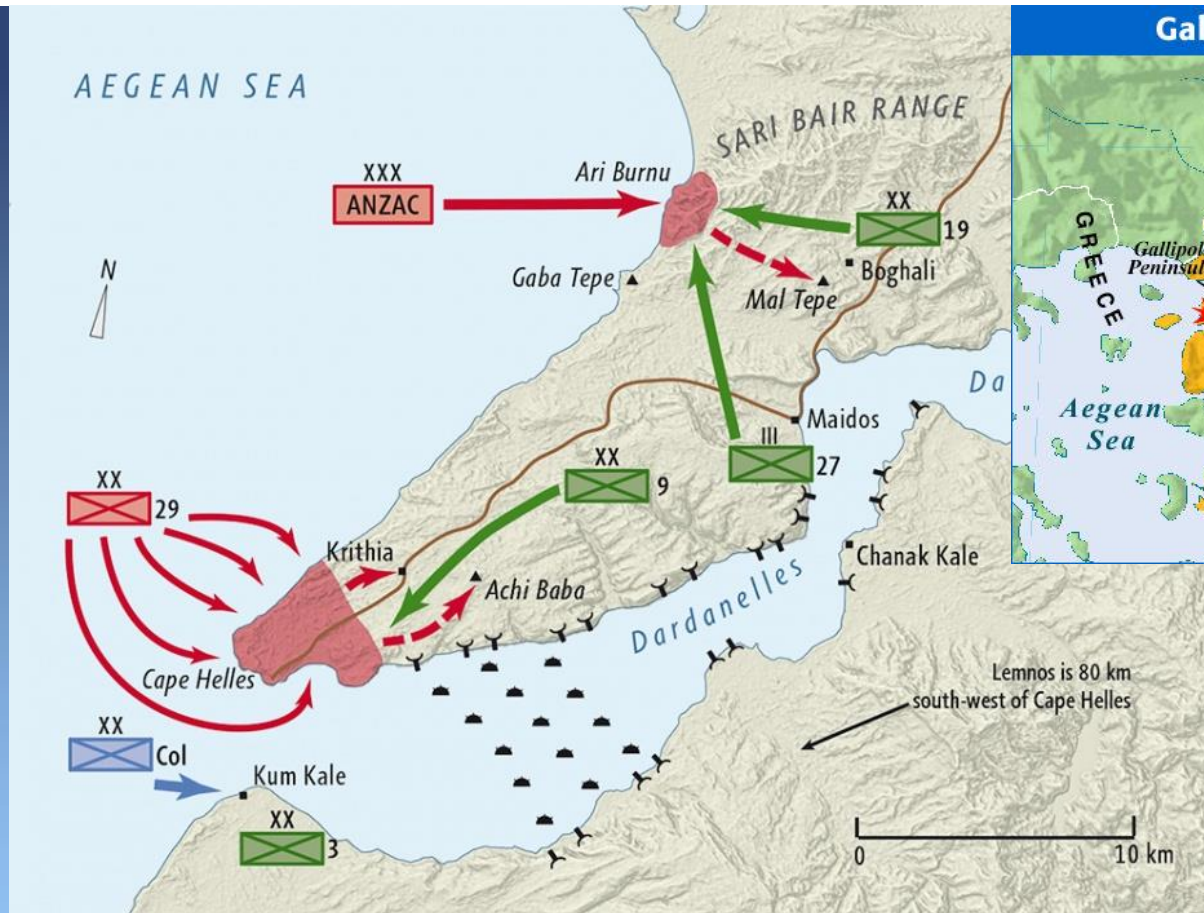
- Allied Powers
- Central Powers
- Neutral Powers
- Principal Rail Lines

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SCALE OF MILES





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**25 APR 1915**

**9 JAN 1916**

**Each side  
~57,000 KIA**

**~130,000  
Wounded/POW-MIA**

**Knock the Ottomans out of the war  
Open supply route to Russia  
Start a new front that was not stalemated in the trenches**

**RESULT: None of the above**



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### Eastern Front

Russia mobilizes faster than expected.

Battle of Tannenberg, Aug. 26-30, 1914

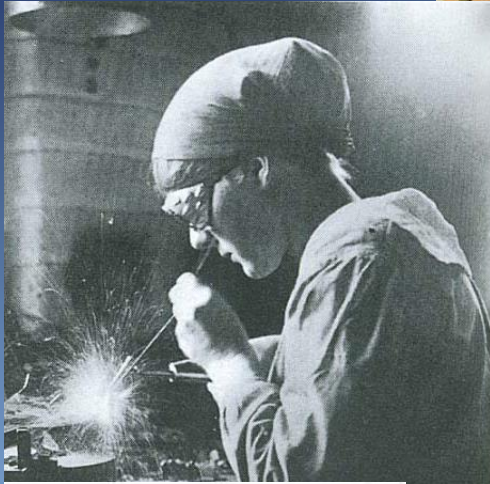
Decisive German victory.  
Russia: 78,000 casualties  
92,000 POW (74% of army)

Germans speak of avenging  
“Tannenberg” defeat of  
Teutonic Knights in 1410

Germans focus on this front  
in 1915 as a war of manuver



# TOTAL (INDUSTRIAL) WAR !

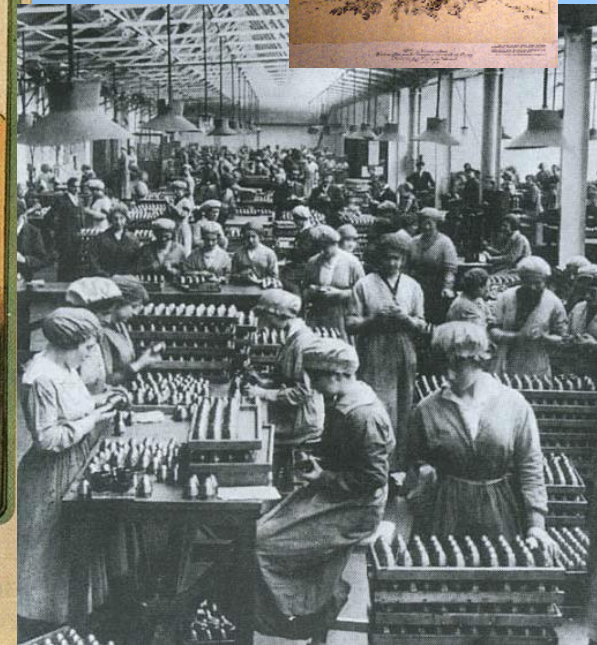


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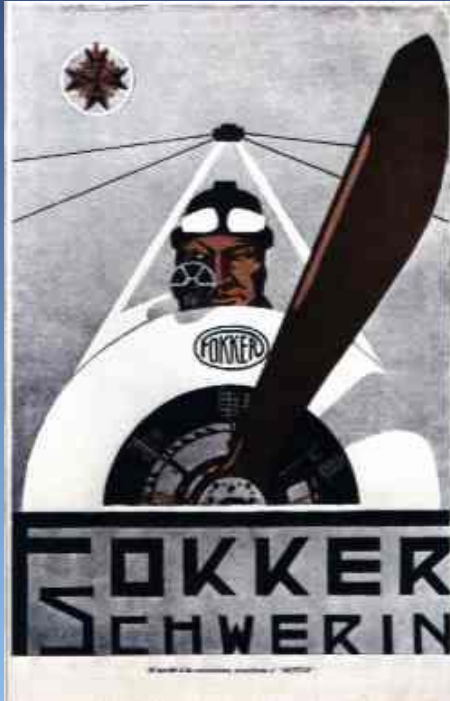
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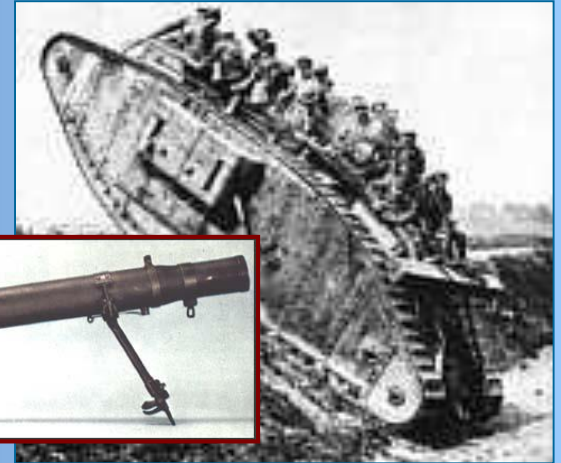
## **Technological Innovations 1914-1917**



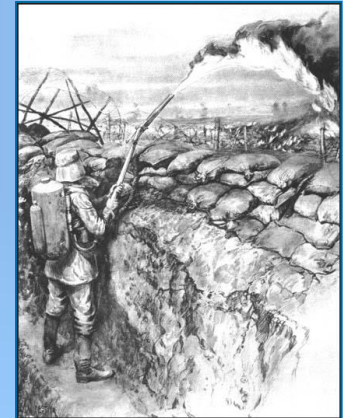
**Air Power**



**Mobile Fire Power**



**Chemical Weapons**



**Flamethrowers**





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### **Technology**

#### **New**

Poison gas

Flame thrower

Air warfare

Tanks (Infantry Fighting Vehicle)

Photographic intelligence

Anti-aircraft guns

#### **Improved**

Machine Gun

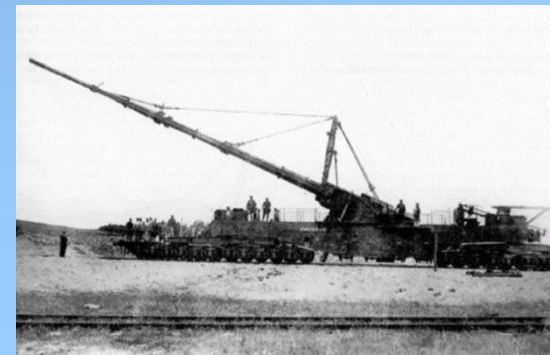
Artillery

Grenades

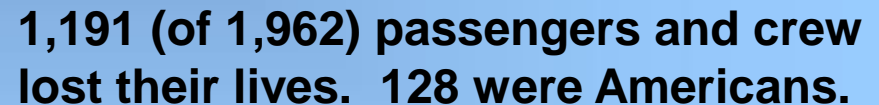
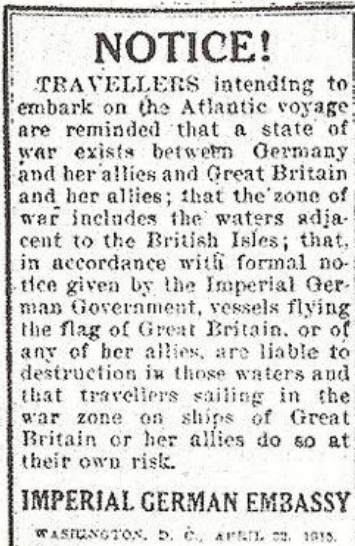
Trench warfare

Railroad

Motorized trucks



# 28 Jan 1915



**SV William P. Frye was stopped by German cruiser off coast of Brazil. 1<sup>st</sup> US ship to be sunk.**

## Chapter 22 – Shadows over the Pacific: East Asia under Challenge

