



WWII European Theater

Area of maximum Axis expansion (Sep. 42)

Neutral Country

WWII Combat Europe

Kristallnacht Nov 9 1938

- The Night of Broken Glass
- Country wide pogrom









Jews arrested
on Kristallnacht
line up at
Buchenwald

Review the Causes:

1. Treaty of Versailles
2. Global Depression Fascism rises (and totalitarianism)
3. Hitler's aims, The Third Reich
4. Japan's nationalism
5. America's neutrality
6. Appeasement of France and Britain

Review the Timeline

1. 1923 Failed **Beer Hall Putsch**-Hitler tries to take over and is arrested, but becomes famous
2. 1925 **Mein Kampf**- Hitler's rant against T of V, Internationalism, Socialism and Jews
3. 1932 **Nazi party** becomes largest party in Germany(Hitler's stormtroopers SS protect his personal power)
4. 1933 Hitler made chancellor by aging president Von Hindenburg, then becomes pres on his death

Review the Timeline

- 1934-1937 Germany rearms, leaves L of N
- 1937 The Germans say they need “Lebensraum”
- 1938 Anschluss with Austria
- 1938 The Sudetenland

The World's Response?
NOTHING.



Review Timeline

- Sept 1938 **Munich Pact** -Czechoslovakia given to Germany



- **Neville Chamberlain**
“Peace in our time”

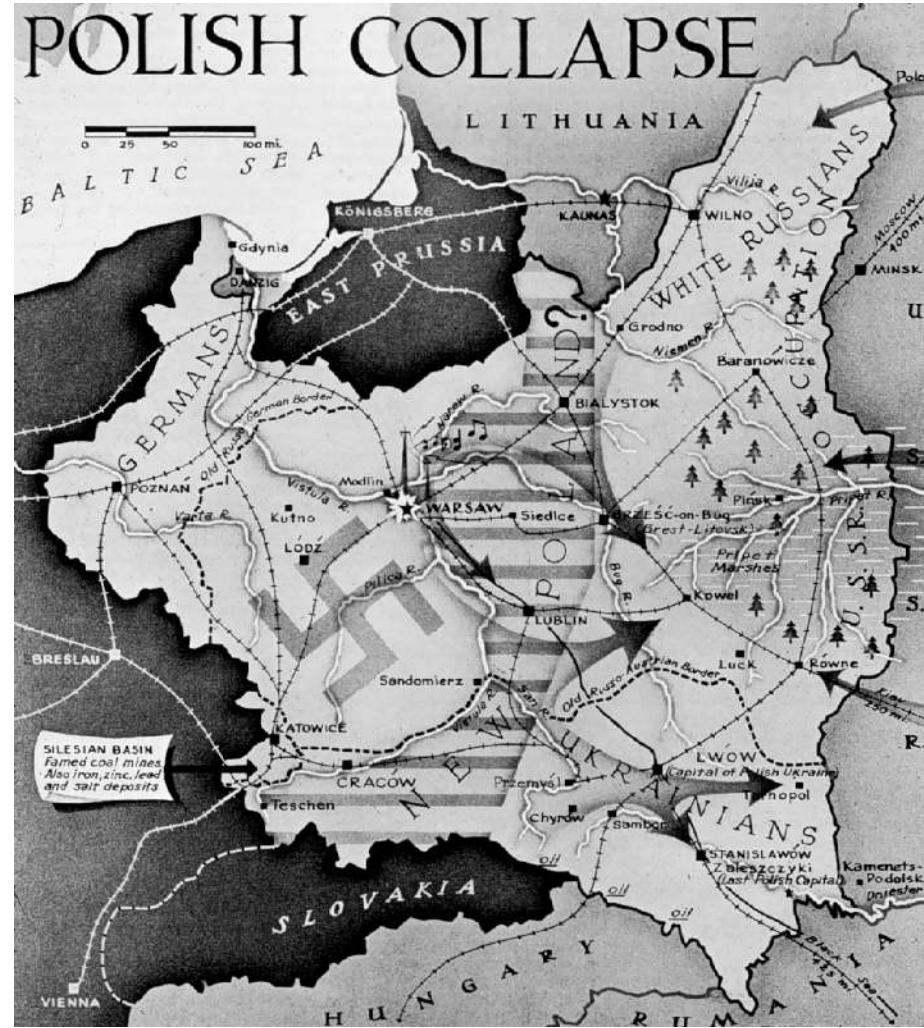
Winston Churchill “Britain and France had to chose between war and dishonor. They chose dishonor. They will have war.”

German Nazi **Non Aggression** **pact** Aug 24 1939

- AKA Hitler Stalin Non Aggression pact
- Publically: Germans and Soviets will not attack each other or interfere with each other
- Secretly: Division of Poland and return of Baltic states to USSR on condition of not entering the impending war

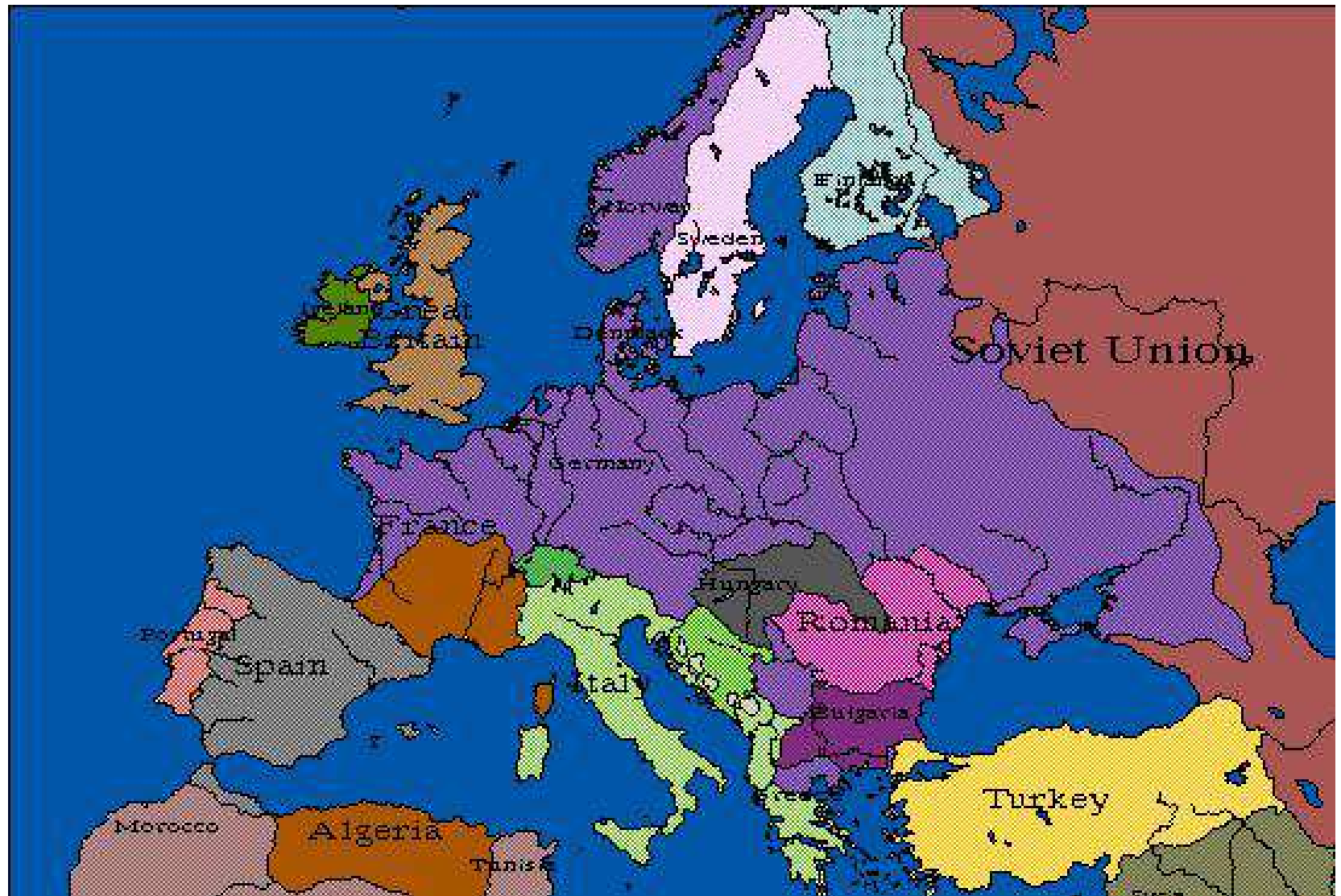
Invasion of Poland September 1 1939

- **Blitzkrieg**=Lightening war
- **Luftwaffe**=German AirForce
- **Panzers**=German tanks
- France and Britain declare war on Sept. 3rd
- Poland surrenders Sept 27th
- USSR invades takes 1/3 of Poland
- Germany takes 2/3



Sitzkrieg

- 8 months of the “Phony War” or the sitting war
- USSR takes over Baltic states/Finland
- April 7, 1940 Germany invades Denmark and Norway.
- May 1940 Belgium, Netherlands and Luxembourg are conquered.



Fall of France

- **Maginot** line fails
- May 12 1940 Nazis invade France
- June 22 1940 France

Surrenders

France divided.





Two Frances?

- Henri Petain-
- “Puppet Government”

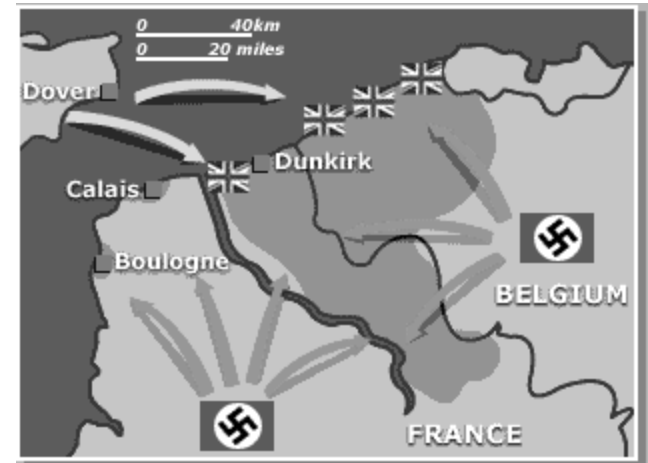


- Charles DeGaulle
- “Free France”
French Resistance



Dunkirk May 26 1940

- 340,000 isolated British, French and Belgian troops are trapped
- Military and civilian boats swarm English channel to rescue soldiers
- 9 day miracle “the Extraction”





Operation Dynamo

700 ships

340,000 rescued

Battle of Britain June 1940-May 1941

- Operation Sea Lion-German invasion of Britain
- **RAF vs. Luftwaffe**

'Never in the field of human conflict has so much been owed by so many to so few.'
Big Winnie



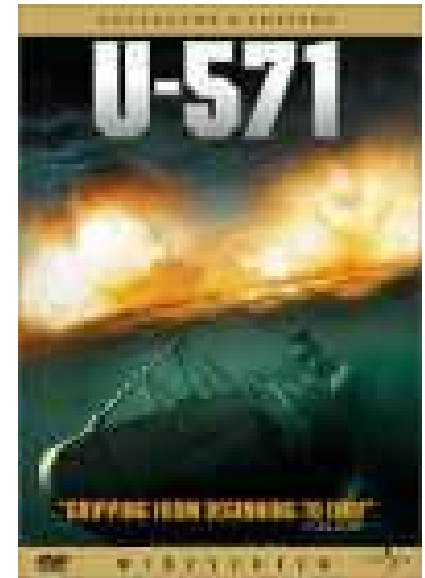
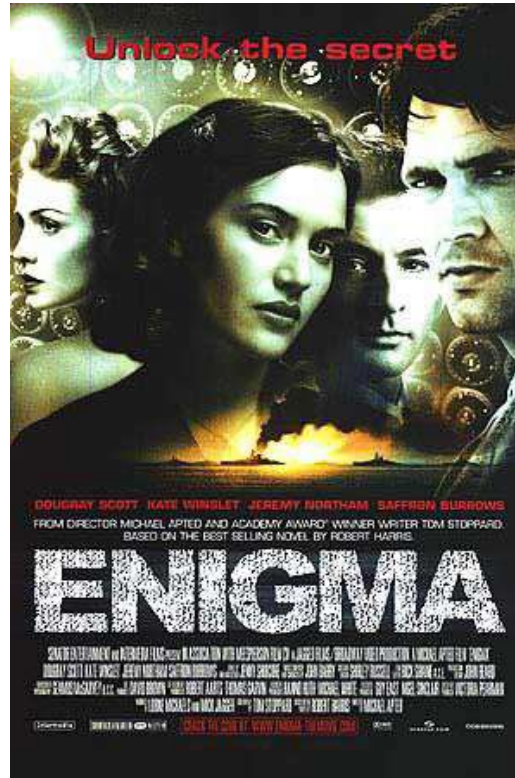
Statistics

- The Luftwaffe lost a total of 1,733 aircraft from July to October, the RAF 915.
- During **the Blitz**, between September 1940 and May 1941, the Germans dropped more than 35,000 tons of bombs for the loss of 650 aircraft. London was attacked 19 times with 18,800 tons of bombs
- 30,000 Londoners killed



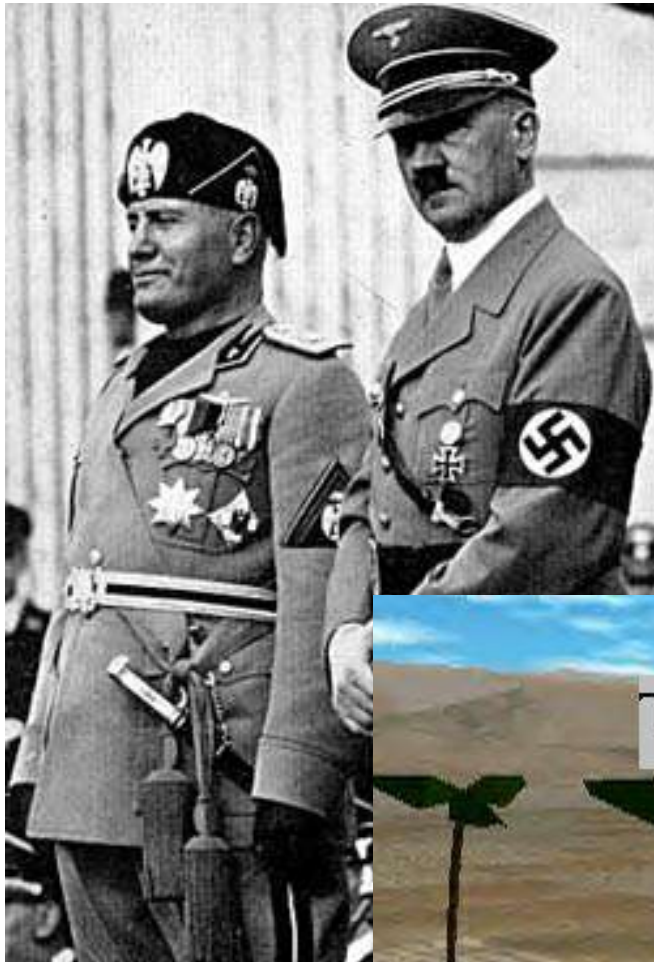
**Significance of the Battle of
Britain:**

First place Hitler is stopped



Italy invades Egypt and Greece

- Sept 1940 Italians Fail in Egypt. **Erwin Rommel** and Germans come to help fight the Brits
- **Mussolini** attacks Greece Oct 28th,
- w/o consulting Hitler
 - In March 1941, Germany steps in



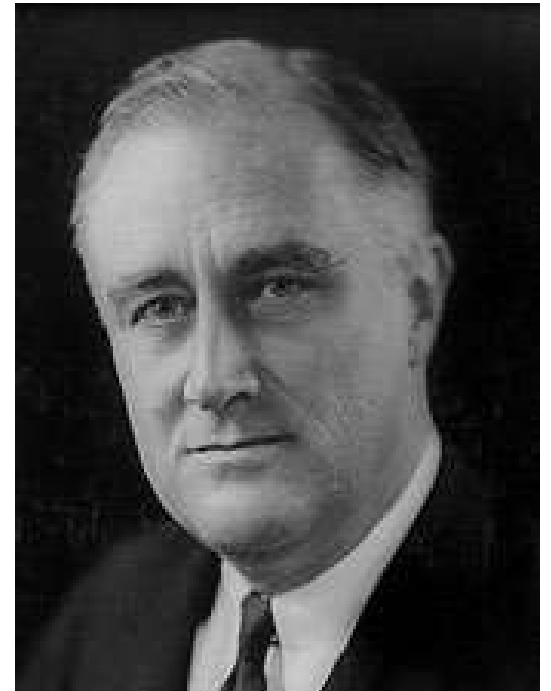
The German Afrika Korps

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4 Freedoms Speech FDR Jan 1941

- 1. Freedom of expression
- 2. Freedom of worship
- 3. Freedom from want
- 4. Freedom from fear



USA?

- **Lend Lease** 1941 Spring
- US to ship arms and supplies, without immediate payment to nations fighting the **AXIS** powers



USA?

- **Atlantic Charter** August 1941
- Roosevelt and Churchill meet and draft document-
 1. No territorial expansion
 2. People have right to choose own govt.
 3. Build a secure peace

26 countries sign-**The Allies**
To fight the **Axis**



Operation Barbarossa June 22, 1941-1944

- Hitler turns to attack USSR
- Leningrad surrounded
- 1 million die over the winter.

But they do not surrender



Pearl Harbor Dec. 7 1941

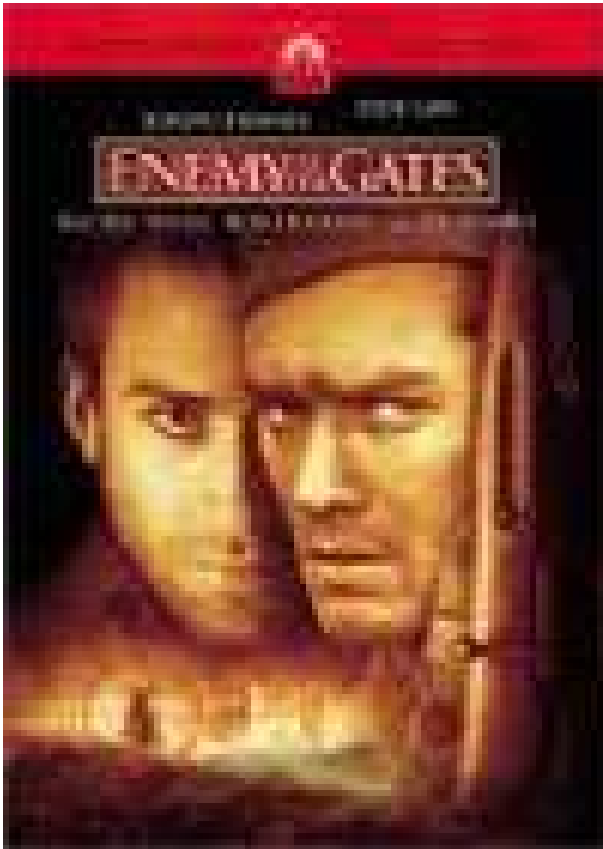


Battle of Stalingrad

August 23 1942

By Nov. Germany controlled 90 percent of the city.





Counterattack by Soviets traps Germans.

Germany surrenders on February 2 1943

90,000 prisoners out of 333000 in army survive.

Hitler allowed no retreat.





Attack on Italy 1943

- July 10th 1943 Allies land at Sicily
- “Operation Husky” “Operation Slapstick” and “Operation Avalanche”

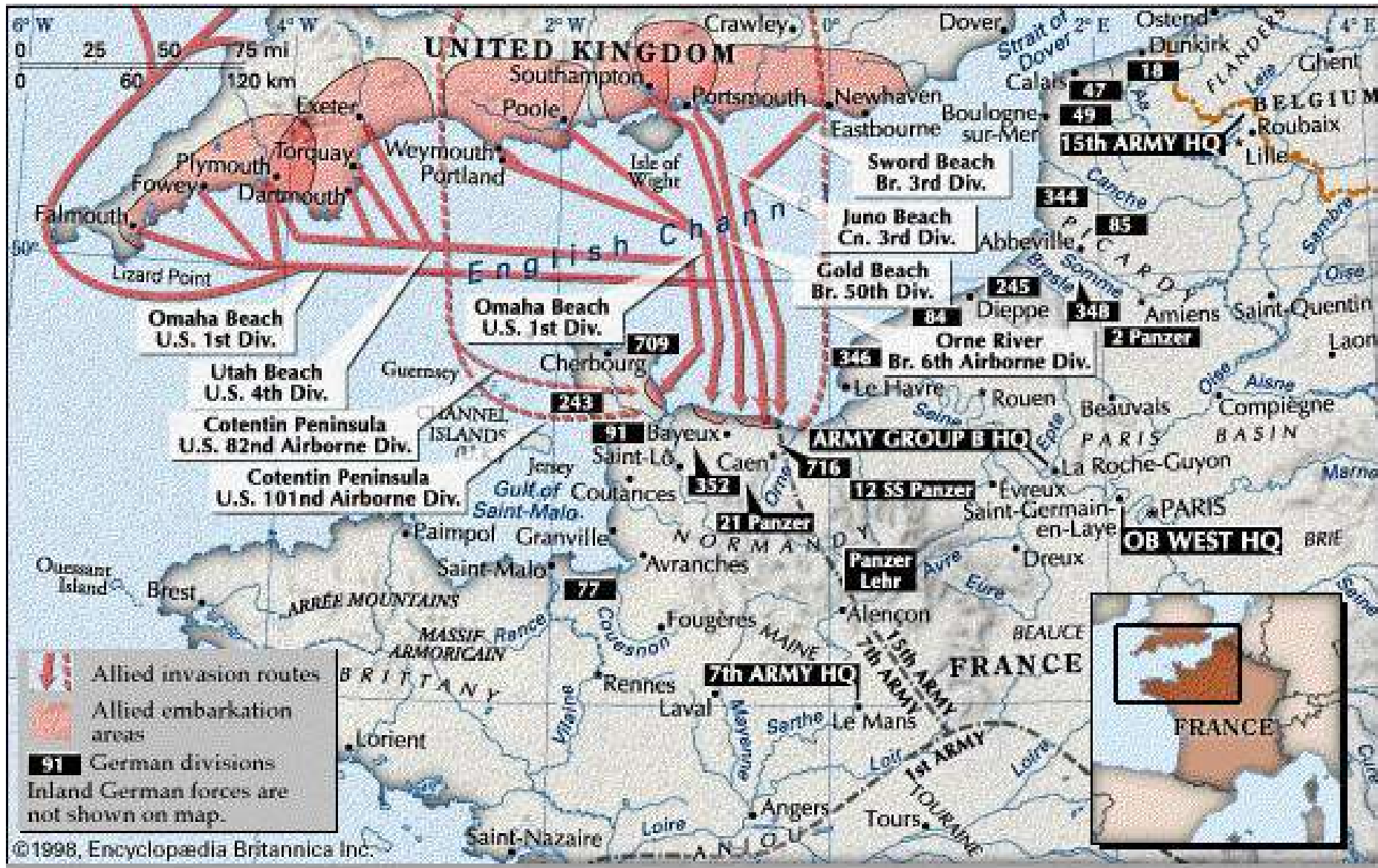


D-Day June 6th 1944

- Allied invasion of Europe
- **Fortress Europe/Atlantic Wall**
- Where to attack?

- **Operation Fortitude**- Fake attack (Calais)
George Patton in charge
- **Operation Overlord** -Real Attack
(Normandy)



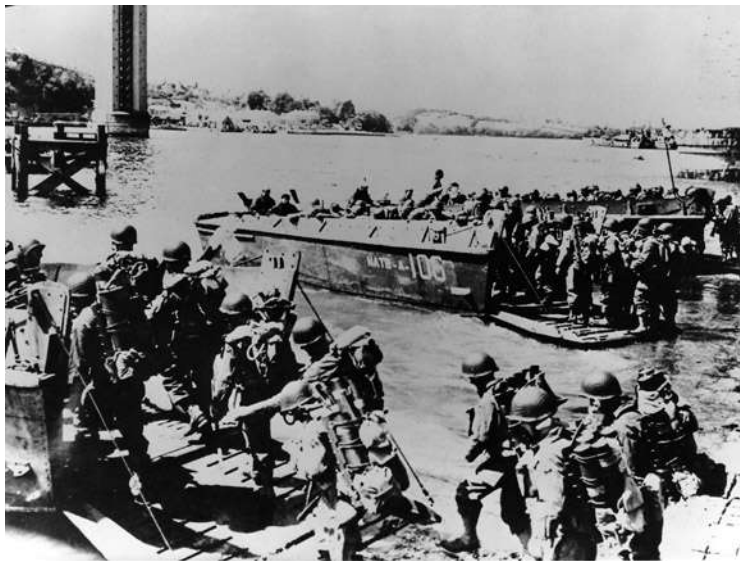


Overlord Invasion Plan and English Channel Coast²⁰



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Preparation for D-Day



Supreme Allied Commander

Dwight

Eisenhower



**Allies attack
on 5 beaches**

**Americans-
Omaha**

**Americans-
Utah**

**British-
Sword**

British-Gold

**Canadian-
Juno**

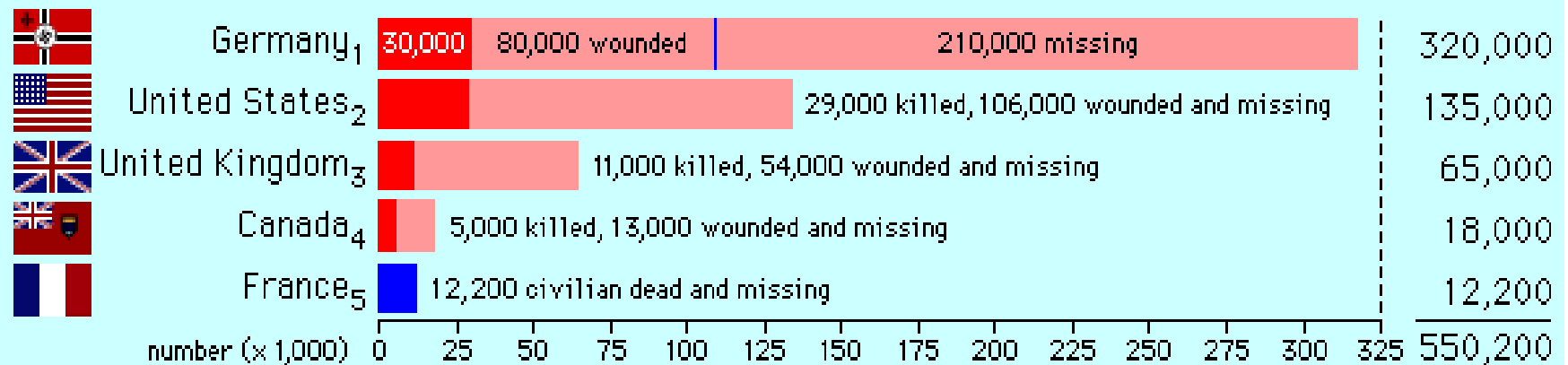




Rommel's asparagus, Hedgehogs,



Estimated Battle Casualties, Normandy Invasion, World War II



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Invasion of France
begins

Paris is liberated
on Aug. 25, 1944.



GETTY IMAGES

Executive Order 9066

- Feb 19 1942
- 110,000 Japanese and Japanese descendants sent to “Relocation” camps
- 10 camps
- **KOREMATSU v. UNITED STATES**, 323 U.S. 214 (1944)
Supreme court upheld



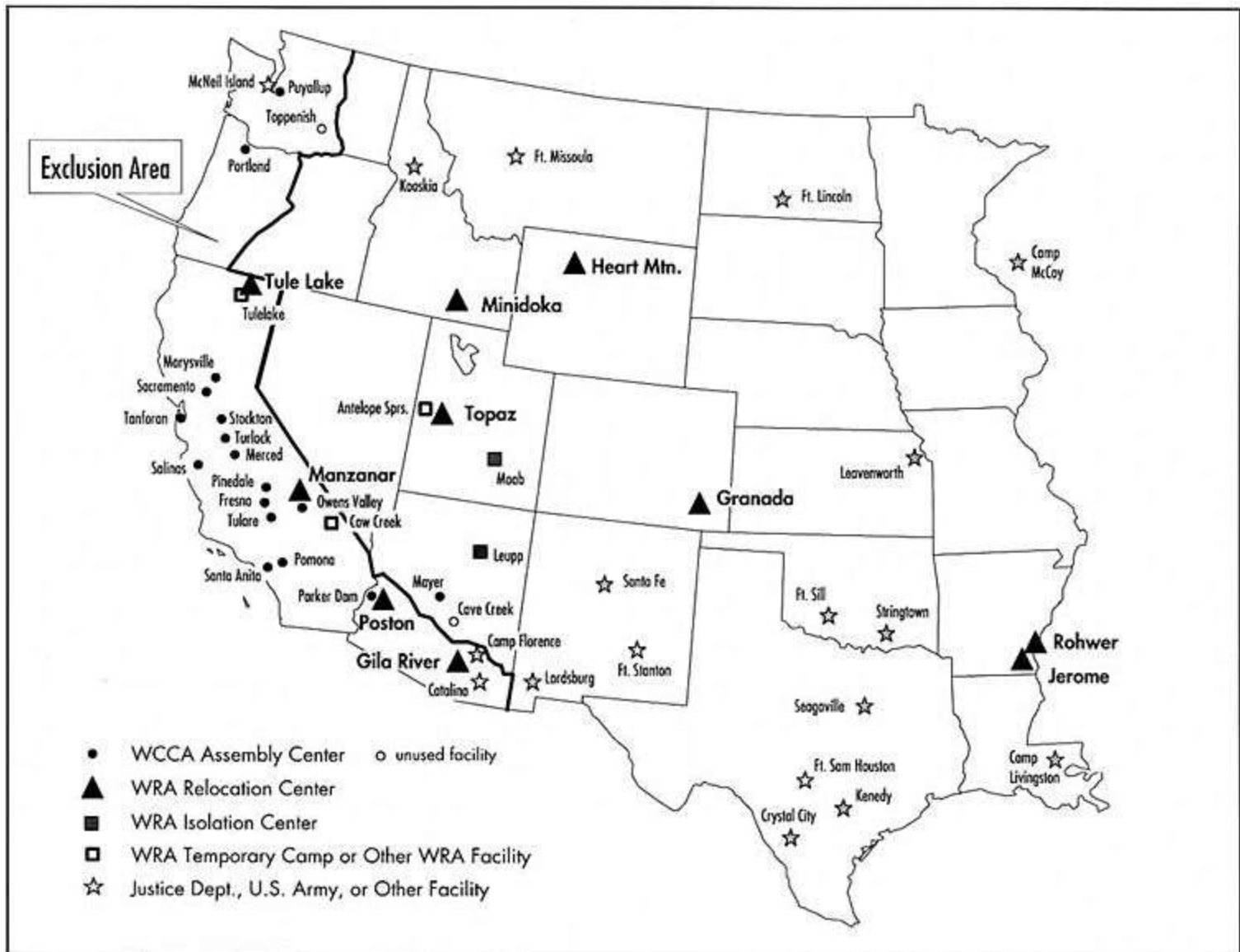


Figure 1.1. Sites in the western U.S. associated with the relocation of Japanese Americans during World War II.

Reparations: 20,000 dollars 1988

- Ronald Reagan signs bill



442nd and the Lost Battalion

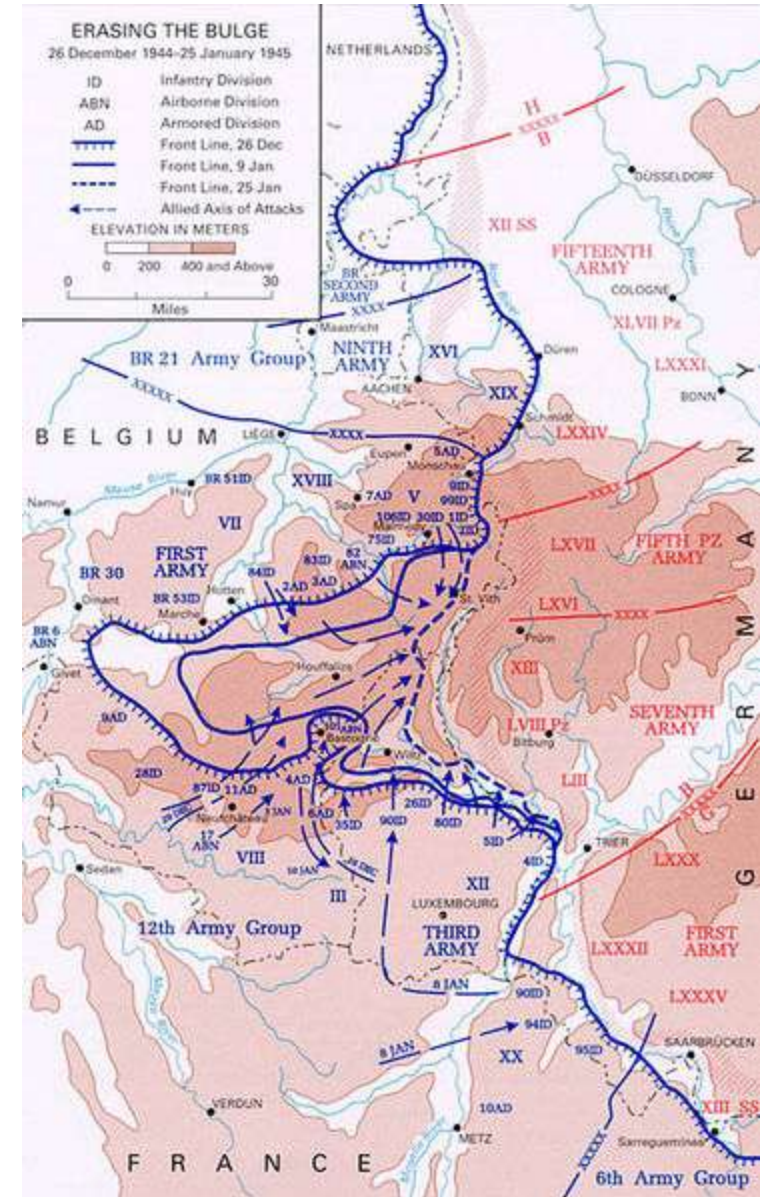
- 442th Regimental Combat Force
 - **Nisei** Americans-families in Internment camps
 - Most decorated unit in WWII “Go for Broke” Battalion.
 - In a ferocious battle, the 442nd suffered over 800 casualties (including 184 killed) to rescue 211 members of the Texas battalion.



Battle of the Bulge

Dec 1944-Jan 25 1945

- Last major German offensive
- 100,000 German Casualties
- 81,000 American (worst for America in Europe)



A black and white aerial photograph of Dresden, Germany, showing the extensive destruction of the city following the Allied bombing on February 13-14, 1945. The image captures a dense urban area with many buildings reduced to rubble or skeletal remains. A prominent church spire is visible in the upper left corner. The overall scene depicts a city in a state of total devastation.

Feb 13-14 1945 Dresden

Allies bomb
German city
destroying 78
percent of the
buildings

25,000-
100,000 killed



The Liberation of the Concentration Camps

- 6 million Jews Killed
- 11 million people total





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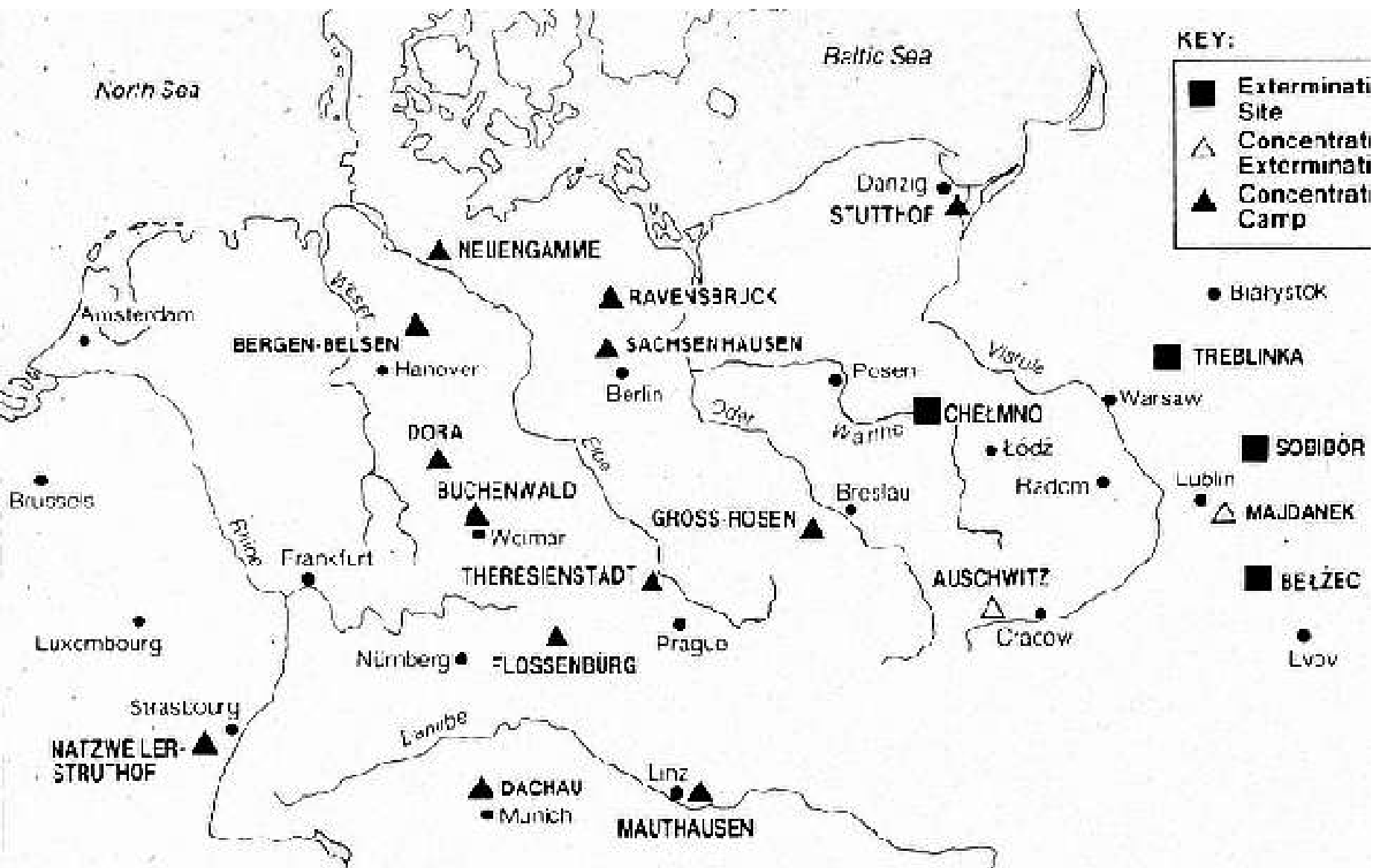


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VE DAY May 8th 1945

- German surrenders



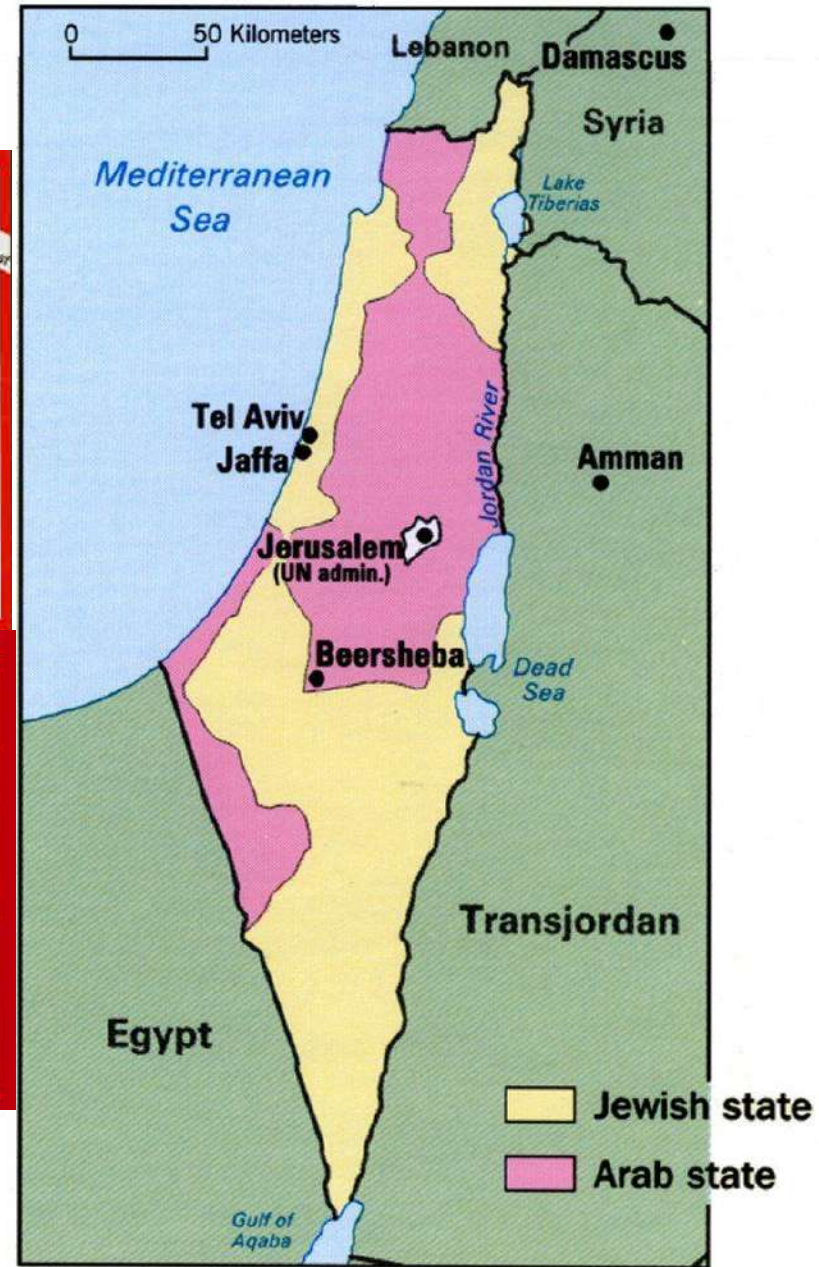
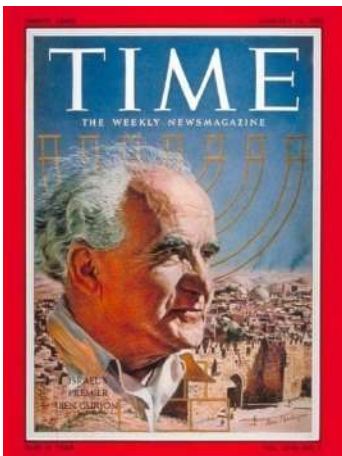
Effects/Consequences of WWII

- **United Nations** is formed from Atlantic Charter document
- Creates the **State of Israel**

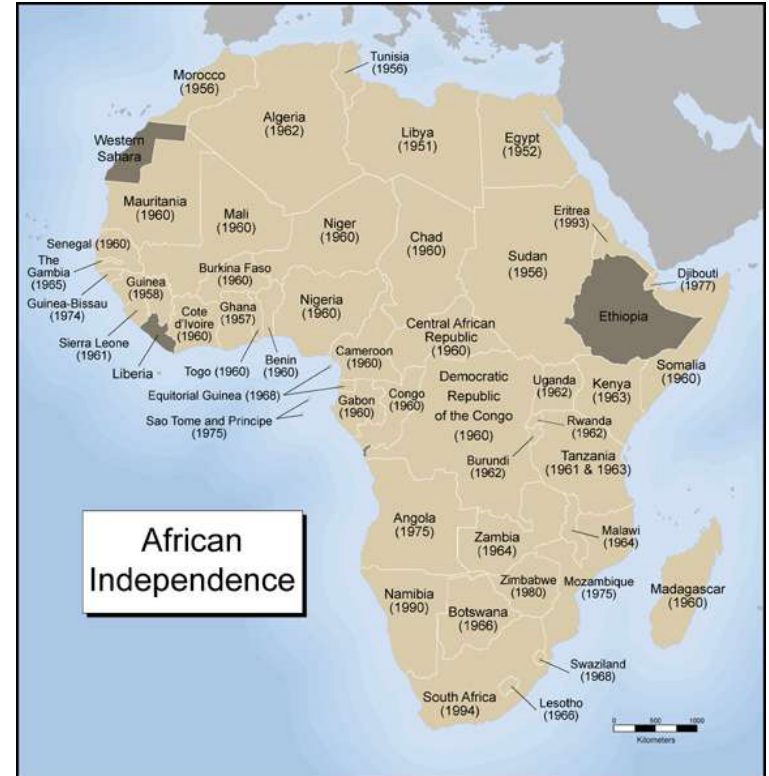
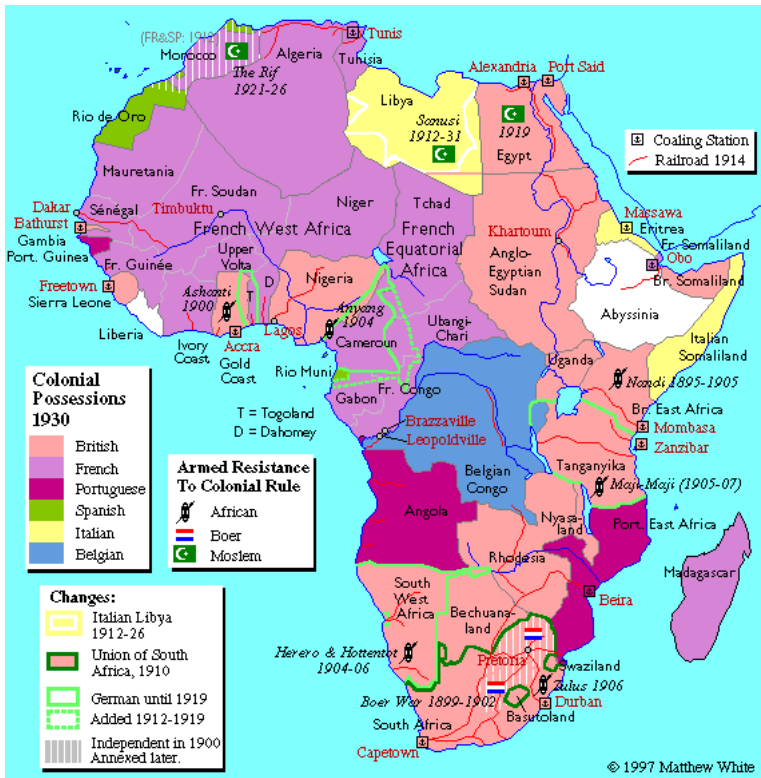


Trouble

- PLO formed
- Yasser Arafat
- Golda Meir
- Ben Gurion

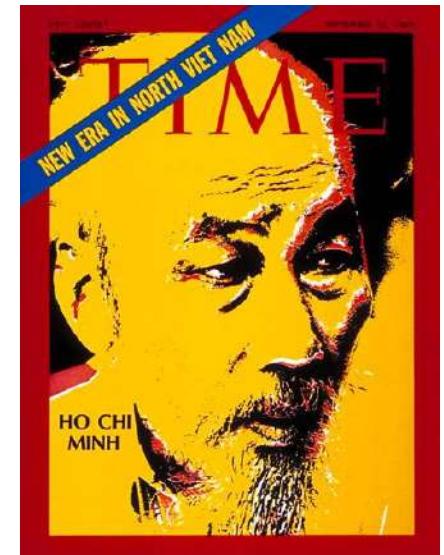


African Independence



China goes Red

- Mao Zedong and Communists win Civil War
- Nationalists flee to Taiwan
- US becomes afraid of “**Domino**” effect...**Vietnam**



Germany divided into sectors



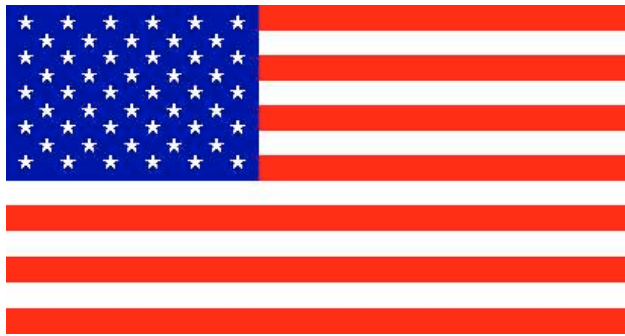
Berlin also divided



Two Powers Emerge

The Cold War Begins

- USA



- USSR

