

# The War In Europe & Canada Enters WW2

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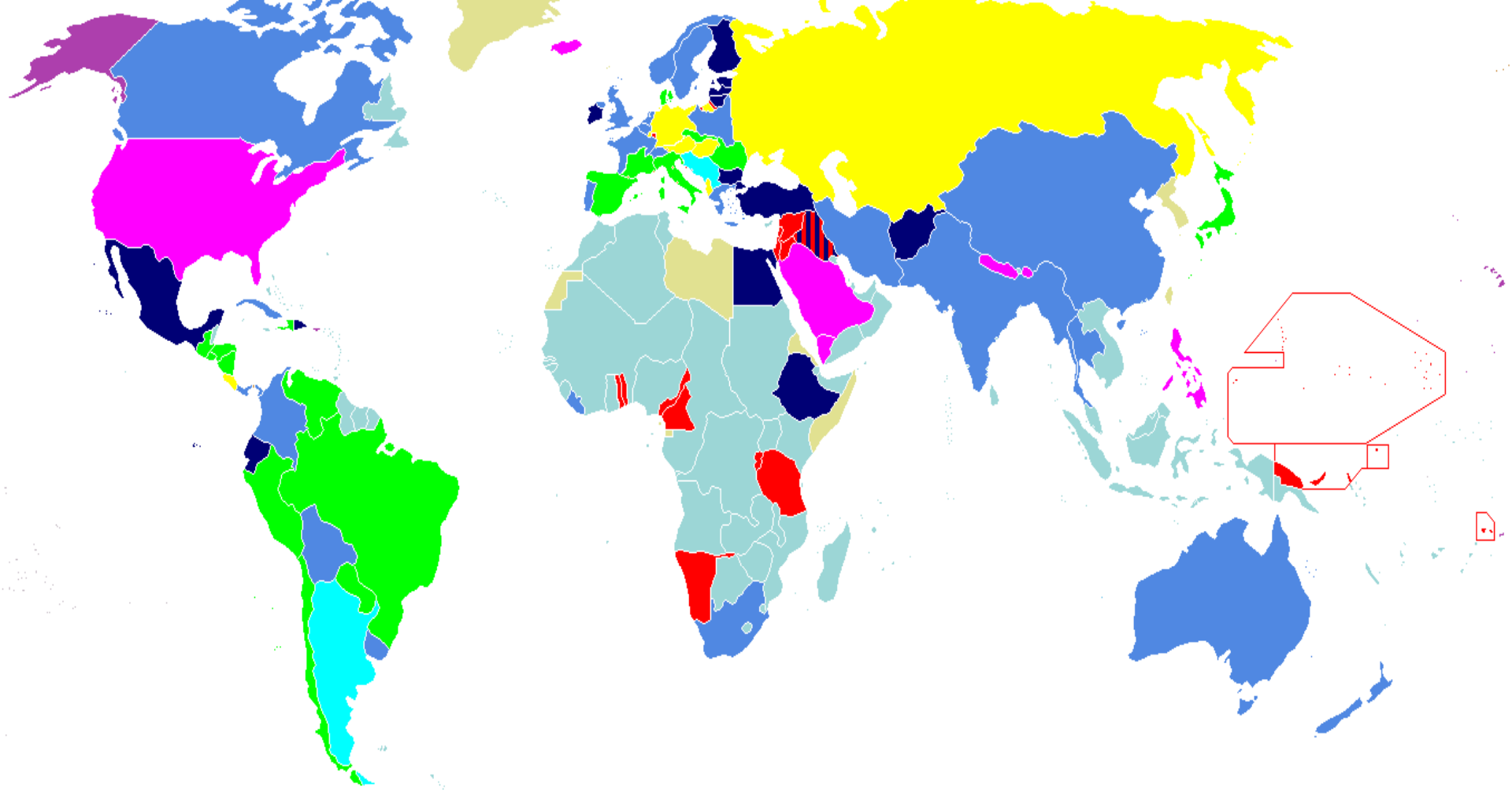


# Collective Security

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## ● Collective Security:

- Nations within the League of Nations tried to ensure each other's security by promising to defend each other
- In response to this Germany and other states sign their own pacts and treaties



- Founding member that stayed until the end
- Founding member that left and joined again
- Founding member that left at the end
- Joined later and stayed until the end
- Joined later and left later

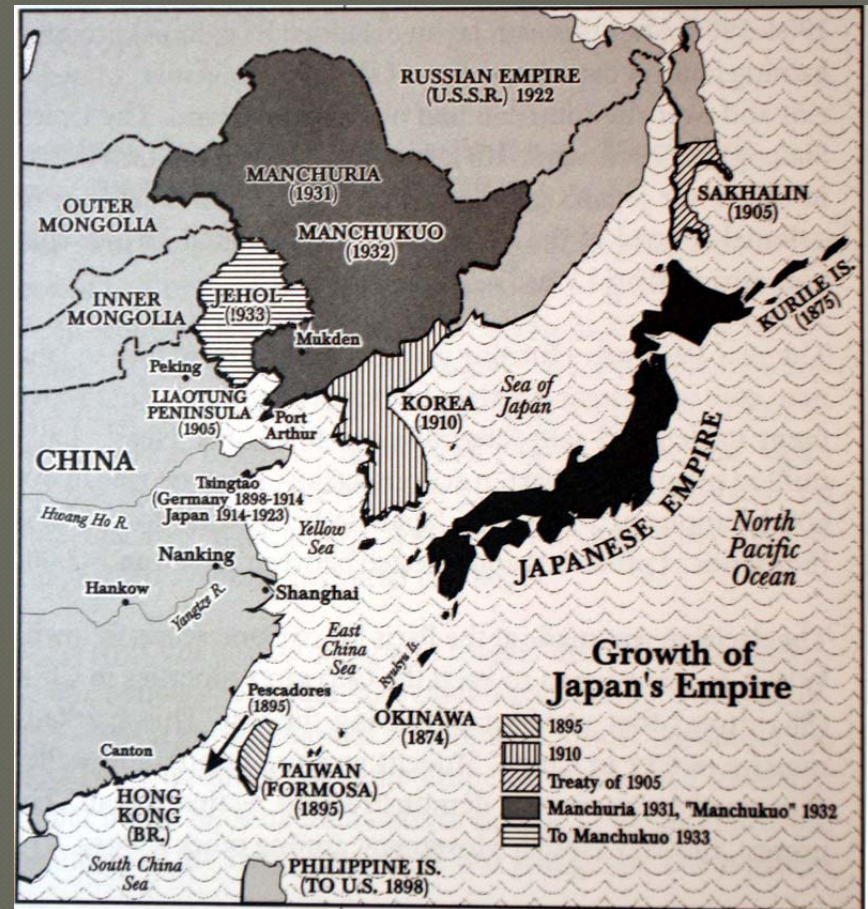
- League of Nations mandate
- Never members
- Colonies of members
- Colonies of members that left
- Colonies/territories of non-members



League  
of  
Nations

# Preliminary Events

- 1931 – Japan invades Manchuria
  - Does not leave after warnings from USA and League of Nations



# What We Already Know:

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- Hitler is rearming Germany
- Germany is angry and wanting revenge
- Britain and France are appeasing Germany
- USA is isolationist



# Preliminary Events

- 1933 – Germany withdraws from the League of Nations
- 1938 – Germany occupies and annexes Austria



# Agreements

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## ● November 1937 - **Anti-Comintern Pact**

- Germany, Italy and Japan
- Each pledges to support the others in conflicts against communism.

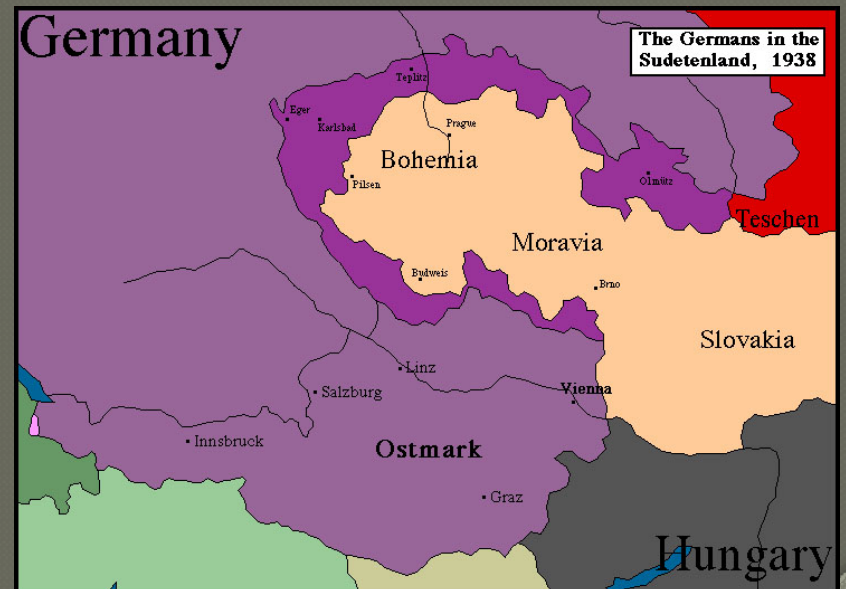
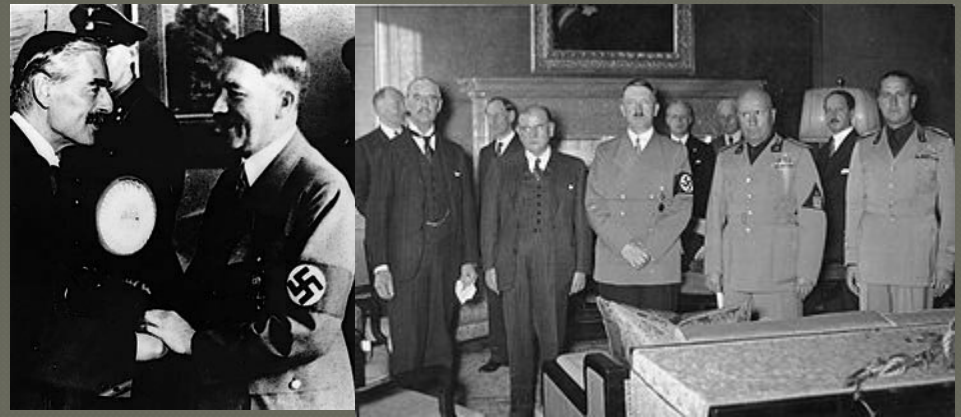
## ● August 1939 - **Soviet Non- Aggression Pact**

- USSR and Germany will not attack each other
- They will divide Poland between them
- Hitler wanted to avoid a 2 Front War

## ● Planned division of central Europe



- 1938 – **Munich Agreement**
- British PM Neville Chamberlain optimistically declares that he had secured “peace for our time”



# September 01 1939

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- ◉ Germany invades Poland
- ◉ Britain and France are obligated to help due to their collective security agreements
- ◉ Britain and France send warnings to Hitler
- ◉ Hitler ignores them
- ◉ **September 03 1939** Britain and France Declare war

# GERMAN INVASION OF POLAND SEPTEMBER 1, 1939

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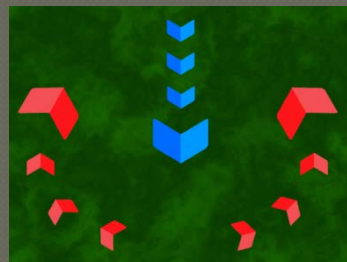
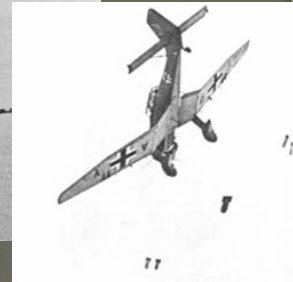
Invasion Routes

- Greater Germany
- Soviet Union



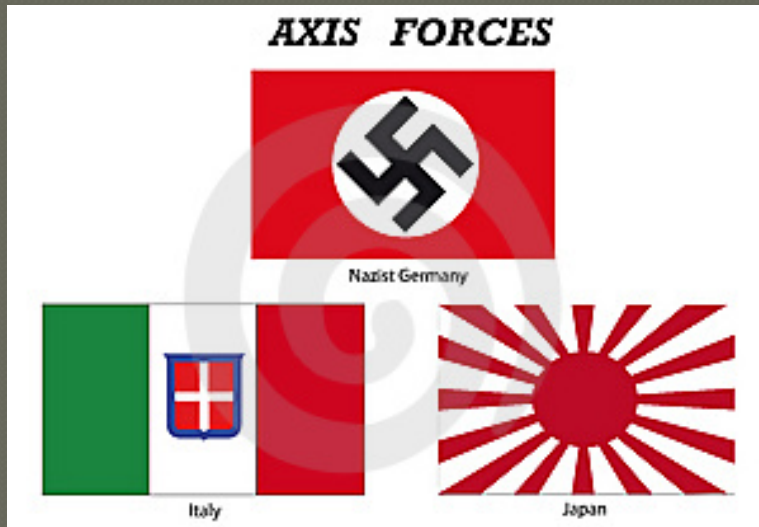
# Blitzkrieg

- Lightning War:
  - airplanes lead attack knocking out key positions, tanks and artillery follow with motorized infantry
- German soldiers would sweep past and around enemies, trapping them from multiple advance points
- This is known as a Pincer movement
- It is very fast and effective



# Tripartite Pact

- September 27 1940
  - Germany, Italy, Japan
  - Officially establishes the Axis Powers
  - USSR is not in this...



# Axis versus Allies

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- ◉ **Germany**
- ◉ **Italy**
- ◉ **Japan**
- ◉ **Hungary**
- ◉ **Yugoslavia**
- ◉ **Bulgaria**
- ◉ **Romania**
- ◉ **Britain**
- ◉ **France** (left after German Occupation)
- ◉ **USSR** (joined later)
- ◉ **Canada**
- ◉ **USA** (joined later)
- ◉ **China**
- ◉ **Australia**
- ◉ **Many other Colonies** of those listed above

# Canada Enters the War

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- September 8, 1939 –
  - P M King called a special session of Parliament to decide Canada's response, he supported going to war
    - Conscription?
- September 10, 1939 –
  - Canada declares war on Germany one week after Britain to demonstrate Canadian autonomy

# Prime Minister MacKenzie King

## ● Worries:

- Conscription is very unpopular
- Canada was in huge debt after WW1

## ● Promises:

- “So long as this government may be in power, no such measure shall be enacted.”



# Canada at War

## ● Population does not want war

- Memories from WWI
- Many people still feeling the pressure of depression
- Canada is not ready for war:
  - the army had only 4500 troops
  - the navy had 1800 sailors
  - the RCAF had about 4500
  - few dozen anti-tank guns
  - 16 tanks
  - no modern artillery



# Canadians Leave For War Sept. 10 1939



- It was a way out of the depression
- Many still felt strong ties to Britain

- 58 330 men volunteered
  - Motivated by the Pay: privates earned \$1.30 per day plus \$60 per month per dependant spouse and \$30 per child



# The War at Home



## ● National Resources Mobilization Act

- Mackenzie King hoped that by contributing at home to the British war effort, conscription could be avoided
- Conscription could be used for home defense only
- Enacted December 1939

# BCATP

## ● British Commonwealth Air Training Plan

- December 1939
- Canada would host British pilots who would train more pilots to fly for the RAF (Royal Air Force)
- Canada's climate, size, and distance from the front lines made it ideal
- 130 000 pilots and navigators were trained



# Total War

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- **Total War**
  - all aspects of a society, and all citizens are mobilized for a war effort
  - The War Measures Act was Revived
  - The Wartime Prices and Trade Board was created to control imports, exports and prices
- ◉ **Government became much more involved in the economy**
  - April 1940, the Department of Munitions and Supplies was created, with C.D. Howe in charge

# Howe's Plan

- Howe had the authority to do whatever was necessary to get the economy ready for war
  - Ships were built in Vancouver for the navy
  - Planes and bombers were built in Montreal
- Ferry Command
  - Immense program created to transport planes from US factories to Britain





A Lancaster Bomber

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- ◉ Factories were converted to produce military goods such as weapons and vehicles
  - ◉ Crown Corporations
    - ◉ Government owned businesses that met the production demand that could not be met by private industry
  - ◉ Total war meant total commitment from all society
    - Propaganda was used to encourage this

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