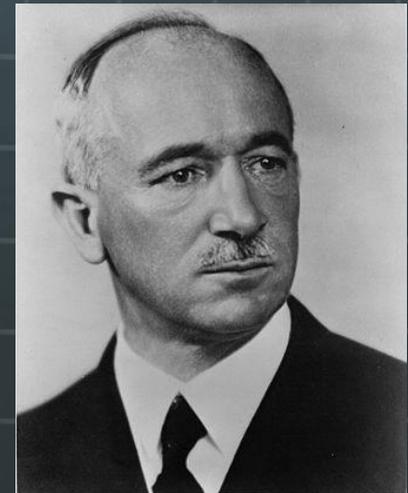


NEW LEADERS AFTER WORLD WAR I

- 🌐 **STALIN: GEORGIAN NOT RUSSIAN**
- 🌐 **HITLER: AUSTRIAN NOT GERMAN**
- 🌐 **MUSSOLINI: SON OF BLACKSMITH**
- 🌐 **BENES: SON OF PEASANT**



JOSEPH STALIN (1878-1953)

- **GOVERNED MID 1920'S-1953**
- **CONSOLIDATED POWER AFTER LENIN'S DEATH 1924**
- **SOCIALISM IN ONE COUNTRY**



JOSEPH STALIN

- **TRANSFORMED COUNTRY INTO INDUSTRIAL POWER**
- **KILLED OVER 20 MILLION RUSSIANS**
- **FAMINE (1932-33) KILLED MILLIONS IN UKRAINE**
- **GREAT PURGE-- ELIMINATE POLITICAL OPPONENTS**
 - **600,000- 1,750,000 KILLED OR IMPRISONED**

ESTIMATED KILLED BY STALIN: 15-20 MILLION

- **EXECUTIONS DURING THE GREAT PURGE (1936-1938)**
 - **NKVD RECORDS SHOW AT LEAST 700,000 EXECUTIONS**
 - **MOST HISTORIANS THINK THE REAL NUMBER IS 800,000-1 MILLION**
- **GULAG LABOR CAMPS (1930-1953)**
 - **AROUND 1.5-2 MILLION PEOPLE DIED IN THE GULAG SYSTEMS FROM STARVATION, EXPOSURE OR OVERWORKING**
- **DEPORTATIONS/FORCED RESETTLEMENTS (E.G., CHECHENS, TATARS, VOLGA GERMANS)**
 - **ROUGHLY 1-2 MILLION DEATHS FROM STARVATION, DISEASE AND EXPOSURE**

ESTIMATED KILLED BY STALIN: 15-20 MILLION (CONTINUED)

- **MAN-MADE FAMINES (ESPECIALLY UKRAINE'S HOLODOMOR; 1932-33)**
 - HISTORIANS DISAGREE BECAUSE SOVIET DATA WERE MANIPULATED
 - DEATH ESTIMATES RANGE FROM 3-7 MILLION (UKRAINE AND OTHER REGIONS)
- **DEATHS DURING COLLECTIVIZATION (LATE 1920S-1930S)**
 - ESTIMATED 2-3 MILLION DIED FROM REPRESSION, EXECUTIONS AND FAMINE TIED TO FORCED COLLECTIVIZATION
- **OTHER REPRESSIONS AND WARTIME POLICIES**
 - MILLIONS MORE ARRESTED OR DEPORTED, WITH SIGNIFICANT MORTALITY

JOSEPH STALIN (1878-1953)

- ABSOLUTE DICTATOR MID 1920'S-1952 GENERAL SECRETARY OF THE COMMUNIST PARTY

- TODAY, IS CONSIDERED ONE OF HISTORY'S MOST BRUTAL DICTATORS

- 18-20 MILLION PEOPLE KILLED

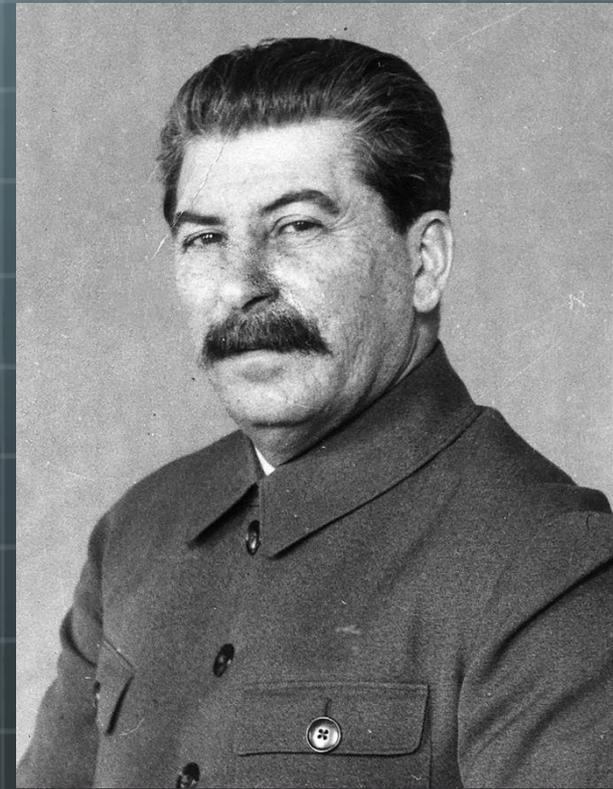
POSITIVES

- BRILLIANT, HARD WORKING, GREAT ADMINISTRATOR

- EXPANDED SOVIET UNION TO INCLUDE MOST OF EASTERN EUROPE

NEGATIVES

- RUTHLESS, PARANOID, LACKED EMPATHY



MAJOR POLICIES

- **INDUSTRIALIZATION**
 - **BUILT HEAVY INDUSTRY AT INCREDIBLE SPEED**
 - **5 YEAR PLANS TRANSFORMED USSR INTO AN INDUSTRIAL POWER**
- **BRUTAL FORCED LABOR AND HARSH QUOTAS**

GREAT PURGE (1936-1938)

-  **SYSTEMATIC ELIMINATION OF PERCEIVED ENEMIES**
-  **700,000-1,000,000 EXECUTED**
-  **MILLIONS SENT TO GULAG**
-  **1.2-5 MILLION DEATHS IN CAMPS FROM STARVATION, EXPOSURE OR DISEASE**

GREAT PURGE (1936-1938)

-  **MOST COMMUNISTS OF LENIN GENERATION WIPED OUT**
-  **ARMY LEADERSHIP DECIMATED**
-  **ANTI-SEMITIC "DOCTOR'S PLOT" PURGES IN FINAL YEARS**

MUNICH: TRIUMPH OF NATIONAL SOCIALISM 9/28/1938

- 🌐 **HITLER DEMANDS SUDETENNLAND**
- 🌐 **NO REPRESENTATIVES OF CZECHOSLOVAKIA, USSR**
- 🌐 **APPEASEMENT**



KEY PARTICIPANTS



CHAMBERLAIN



HITLER



DALADIER



MUSSOLINI

PURGE RED ARMY 1937-1938

- 🌐 **STALIN PARANOIA AND DESIRE FOR TOTAL POWER**
- 🌐 **ACCUSED OF WORKING FOR NAZI GERMANY**
- 🌐 **REDUCED MILITARY EFFECTIVENESS**
- 🌐 **MARSHALL TUKHACHEVSKII**
- 🌐 **CREATIVE THINKER ,STRATEGIST**



PURGE OF RUSSIAN ARMY 1937-1938

-  **ONLY 5 OF 80 MEMBERS OF MILITARY SOVIET IN 1934 SURVIVE**
-  **ALL 11 DEPUTY COMMISARS ELIMINATED**
-  **EVERY COMMANDER OF MILITARY DISTRICT EXECUTED**
-  **13/15 ARMY COMMANDERS EXECUTED**

POPULATION TRANSFER 6 MILLION PEOPLE

-  **DEPORT ENEMIES OF THE PEOPLE**
-  **DEPORT ENTIRE NATIONALITIES**
-  **LABOR FORCE TRANSFER**
-  **1.5 MILLION PEOPLE PERISHED**

STALIN: ATTITUDE AFTER MUNICH

- UNDERSTOOD THAT FRANCE AND BRITAIN WANTED WAR BETWEEN GERMANY & USSR
- COLLECTIVE SECURITY DEAD
- WE WILL NOT PULL "CHESTNUTS OUT OF FIRE FOR BRITISH EMPIRE"

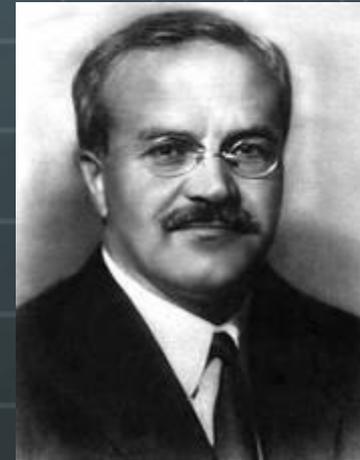


STALIN

- 🌐 NO LONGER TRUSTED FRENCH ALLIANCE
- 🌐 REPLACED JEWISH LITVINOV WITH RUSSIAN MOLOTOV 5/3/39
- 🌐 LITVINOV BECAME AMBASSADOR TO U.S.



MAXIM LITVINOV



MOLOTOV

POLAND

- 🌐 DANZIG & POLISH CORRIDOR
- 🌐 ENGLISH GIVE “UNCONDITIONAL GUARANTEE” MARCH 1939
- 🌐 HITLER “COOK THEM A STEW THEY WILL CHOKE ON”



FOREIGN RELATION PROBLEMS POLAND

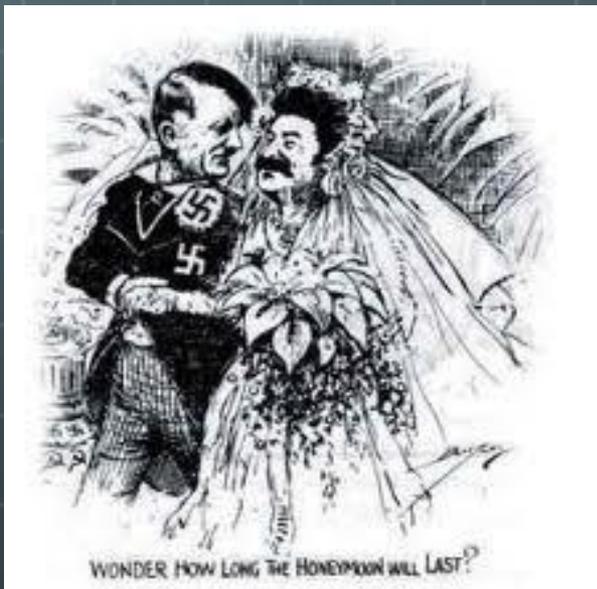
- HUNGARY AND ITALY PREFERRED ALIGNMENT WITH GERMANY OVER POLAND
- POLAND SEIZED TESCHEN DISTRICT OF CZECHOSLOVAKIA
- REFUSED TO JOIN ANTI-COMINTERN PACT



POLISH DILEMMA

🌐 WITH GERMANY WE LOSE OUR LANDS

🌐 WITH SOVIETS WE LOSE OUR SOUL



FOREIGN
MINISTER
BECK

POLISH DILEMMA

 **WILL NOT ACCEPT RUSSIAN TROOPS INTO POLAND**



POLISH CAVALRY

POLAND



NON-AGGRESSION PACT



HITLER



STALIN

MOLOTOV RIBBENTROP NON-AGGRESSION PACT

SHOCKED WORLD

“HARD ASS”
MOLOTOV



RIBBENTROP

AUGUST 23, 1941

GERMAN-SOVIET NON-AGGRESSION PACT SECRET PROTOCOLS

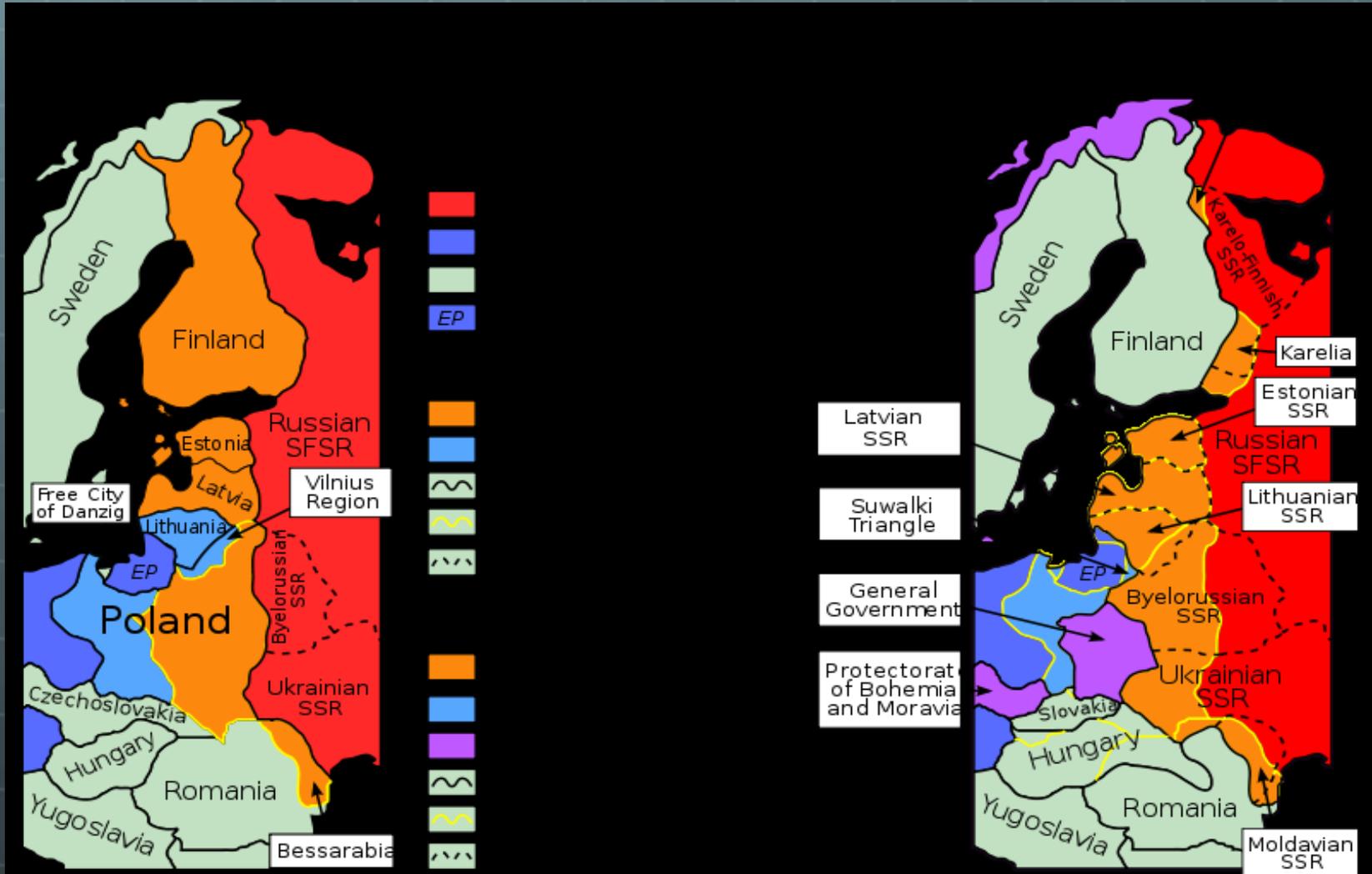
- 🌐 SPLIT POLAND
- 🌐 GIVE BALTIC STATES USSR
- 🌐 GIVE ROMANIA TO GERMANS



DIVISION OF EUROPE

PLANNED

ACTUAL



DEPORTATION OF BALTIC PEOPLES

- 🌐 40,000 DEPORTED TO USSR
- 🌐 SENIOR OFFICIALS ARRESTED AND EXILED MOSTLY TO THEIR DEATH
- 🌐 POLITICIANS, MILITARY PERSONNEL, MEMBER OF STUDENT ORGANIZATIONS



WW II BEGINS

- SEPT 1 GERMANY ATTACKS POLAND
- BLITZKRIEG
- SOVIET UNION OCCUPIES EASTERN POLAND (9/17)
- SOVIET OCCUPY BALTIC STATES



GERMAN TANK INVASION



POLISH CAVALRY



POLISH CAMPAIGN

- RELUCTANT CHAMBERLAIN DECLARES WAR SEPT 3
- CHAMBERLAIN HAD NO STOMACH FOR WAR—**NOT BOMB GERMANY**
- NO FRENCH OR BRITISH MOVEMENT INTO GERMANY
- FIRST BRITISH TROOP DIED DECEMBER 1939

GERMAN RUSSIAN COOPERATION

- **GERMAN RUSSIAN SHAKE HANDS IN POLAND**
- **COMMUNISTS THROUGHOUT WORLD PRESS FOR PEACE**



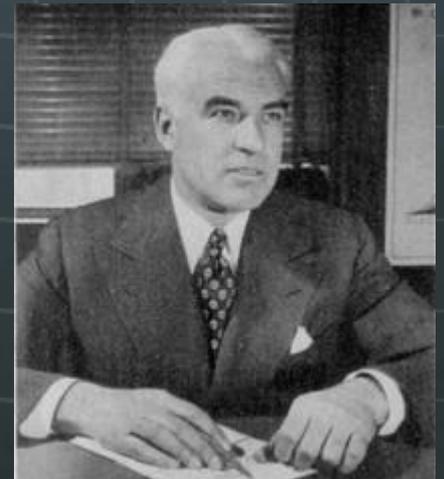
LEND LEASE MARCH 1941

🌐 CRITICAL TO ALLIED SUCCESS

🌐 \$50 BILLION

🌐 20% SOVIET UNION

🌐 END AMERICAN 'OFFICIAL'
NEUTRALITY



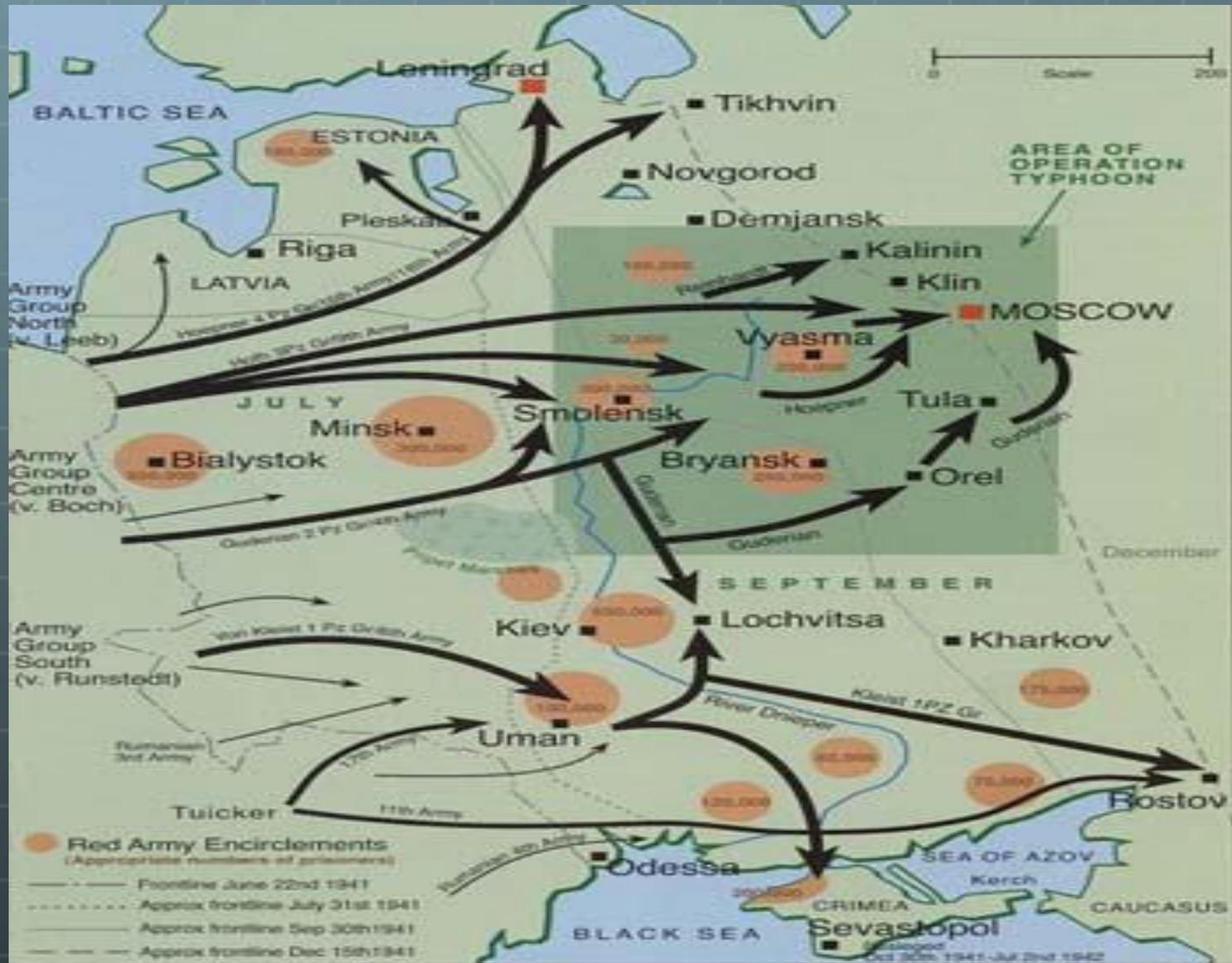
EDWARD STETTINIUS

HITLER'S MISTAKE ATTACKING RUSSIA. JUNE 22, 1941

- 🌐 **HITLER FAILED TO RECOGNIZE
SIZE OF SOVIET UNION**
- 🌐 **POOR TRANSIT CONDITIONS**
- 🌐 **SEVERE WEATHER CONDITION**
- 🌐 **GERMAN ARMY NOT PREPARED
FOR LONG WAR**

OPERATION BARBAROSSA

JUNE 22, 1941



HITLER COMMENTS

- **“YOU ONLY HAVE TO KICK IN DOOR AND WHOLE ROTTEN STRUCTURE WILL COME CRUMBLING DOWN.”**



STALIN SHOCKED BY GERMAN INVASION

- 🌐 **STALIN DISCOUNTED THOUSANDS OF MESSAGES REGARDING GERMAN UPCOMING ATTACK**
- 🌐 **“LENIN LEFT US A GREAT LEGACY, AND WE HAVE FUCKED IT UP”**



OPERATION BARBAROSSA

LARGEST MILITARY OPERATION IN HISTORY

NO RESPECT FOR INTERNATIONAL LAW

JUDAIC-BOLSHEVISM IS MORTAL ENEMY OF NAZI STATE

COMPLETE CRUSHING JEWISH-BOLSHEVIK SYSTEM



INVASION POLAND & USSR

- EUROPE'S LARGEST JEWISH COMMUNITIES
- EINSATZGRUPPEN (SS UNITS) ROUND UP JEWS INTO GHETTOS
- 1 MILLION JEWS KILLED IN FIRST MONTHS GERMAN INVADE RUSSIA



HITLER'S DIRECTIVE

LENINGRAD AND MOSCOW WILL BE BURNT TO THE GROUND

GERMANY HAD NO RESPONSIBILITY FOR CIVILIAN WELFARE



GERMAN PROBLEMS

- **GERMANS OUTDISTANCE SUPPLIES**
- **TERRAIN AND WEATHER MORE DIFFICULT THAN ANTICIPATED**
- **RED ARMY RESISTED TENACIOUSLY**

GERMAN PROBLEMS

SOVIET T-34 TANKS

SOVIETS DISMANTLE 1500 PLANTS & FACTORIES AND MOVE EASTWARD



FAILURE BARBAROSSA

- 🌐 DID NOT DESTROY RED ARMY
- 🌐 DID NOT CAPTURE MOSCOW OR Leningrad
- 🌐 GERMANS LOST 1 MILLION TROOPS...33%



BLITZKRIEG OVER DEC 6.1941

- 🌐 **RUSSIAN COUNTERATTACK BEFORE MOSCOW**
- 🌐 **MARSHAL ZHUKOV CAUGHT GERMANS BY SURPRISE**
- 🌐 **RUSSIANS FOUGHT FEROCIOUSLY BEHIND GERMAN LINES**



HITLER'S MISTAKE

- 🌐 UNWILLING TO FURNISH SOLDIERS WINTER CLOTHING
- 🌐 CAPTURE MOSCOW, LENINGRAD, CAUCASUS TOO AMBITIOUS



NO WINTER CLOTHING



GERMAN 1942 MILITARY OBJECTIVE



BATTLE OF STALINGRAD: AUG 1942 - MARCH 1943

-  **STALINGRAD KEY TO BLOCKING GERMAN FROM CAUCASUS OIL**
-  **ZHUKOV COUNTERATTACK NOV 19 ENCIRCLE GERMAN 6TH ARMY**
-  **CATASTROPHIC GERMAN DEFEAT**
-  **200,000 KILLED; 90,000 CAPTURED**

HITLER MAJOR MISTAKE

🌐 HITLER ALLOWED NO
RETREAT

🌐 LED TO LOSS OF
SIGNIFICANT NUMBER OF
SOLDIERS



BATTLE KURSK SUMMER 1943

- LARGEST ARMORED BATTLE IN HISTORY
- 3,000 TANKS
- MARKED END OF GERMAN ABILITY TO LAUNCH PANZER OFFENSIVES



RUSSIAN SUMMER OFFENSIVE 1944

- 🌐 **DIRECTED AGAINST GERMAN ARMY CENTER GROUP**
- 🌐 **REACHED PREWAR FRONTIER OF POLAND**
- 🌐 **STOPPED BEFORE WARSAW ALLOWED GERMANS TO REGROUP**

GERMAN PRISONERS OF WAR



WARSAW UPRISING

AUG 1-OCT 1, 1944

- POLISH HOME ARMY STAGED UPRISING
- RUSSIANS LOOKING TO POST WW II
- CITY TOTALLY DESTROYED
- 200,000 WARSAW INHABITANTS DIED
- 85% WARSAW DESTROYED



FALL 1944 RUSSIANS PUSH

 FINLAND, ROMANIA, BULGARIA, SLOVAKIA, HUNGARY DESERT GERMAN ALLIANCE



RED DRIVE THROUGH POLAND JAN 1945

- 1.5 MILLION TROOPS
- 3300 TANKS
- 10,000 AIRCRAFT
- GERMANS ONLY HAD 600,000 TROOPS,
700 TANKS



YALTA CONFERENCE

FEB 4-FEB 11, 1945

- 🌐 **GERMANY DIVIDED INTO 4 ZONES**
- 🌐 **GERMANY DEMILITARIZED**
- 🌐 **FORCED LABOR OF GERMANS**
- 🌐 **POLAND EFFECTIVELY CEDED TO SOVIET UNION**



KEY OBJECTIVES

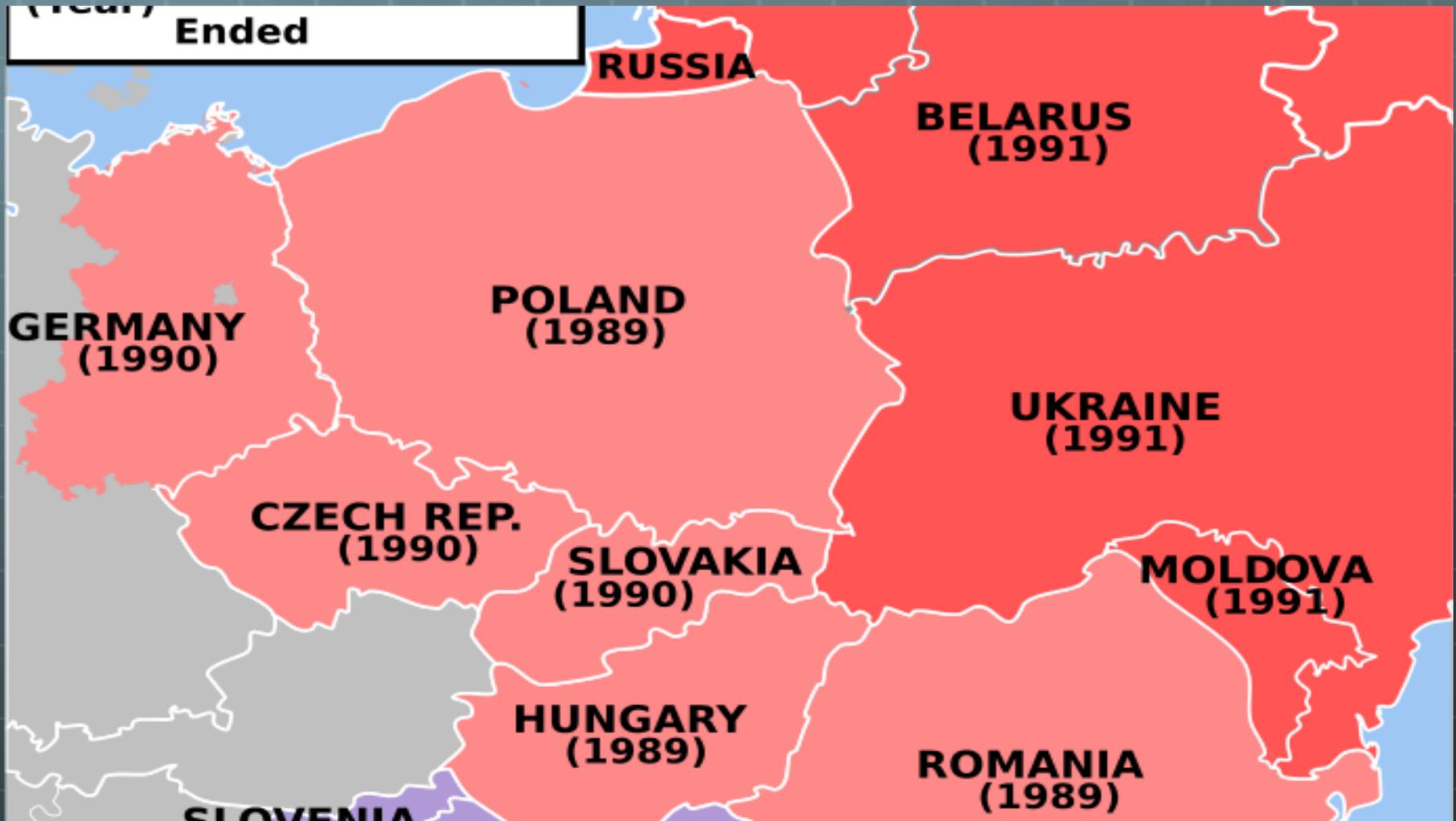
- **ROOSEVELT** WANTED SOVIET SUPPORT AGAINST JAPAN
- **CHURCHILL** WANTED FREE ELECTIONS AND DEMOCRATIC GOVERNMENTS IN EASTERN AND CENTRAL EUROPE
- **STALIN** WANTED POLITICAL INFLUENCE OVER EASTERN AND CENTRAL EUROPE

POTSDAM CONFERENCE

JULY 17-AUGUST 2, 1945

- 🌐 **LAST WW2 MEETINGS**
- 🌐 **POSTWAR FATE OF GERMANY**
- 🌐 **DIVIDE GERMANY 4 ZONES**
- 🌐 **TRUMAN BELIEVED TOUGH POLICY TOWARD RUSSIA**
- 🌐 **RELATIONSHIP BETWEEN U.S.- SOVIET UNION?**

IRON CURTAIN



CHURCHILL IRON CURTAIN SPEECH 1946

-  **CONDEMN SOVIET UNION**
-  **STETTIN IN BALTIC TO TRIESTE
IN ADRIATIC**
-  **PRAISED AMERICA PINNACLE
OF POWER**
-  **CONDEMNED COMMUNIST 5TH
COLUMN**

STALIN'S MILITARY RECORD

- **BOTH STALIN AND HITLER PROMOTED THE DEATH OF MILLIONS OF CIVILIANS AND SOLDIERS.**
- **DEMOCRATIC LEADERS SUCH AS FDR AND CHURCHILL WERE CONSTRAINED BY THEIR ELECTORATE**

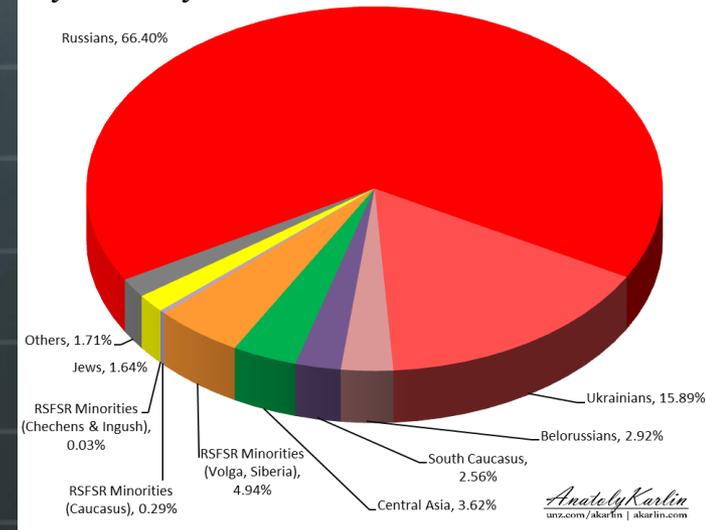
CASUALTIES SOVIET UNION

🌐 BETWEEN 20-26 MILLION
KILLED

🌐 8.7 MILLION MILITARY DEATHS

🌐 3 MILLION POW DIED

Soviet Military Deaths in World War II
by Ethnicity (total: 8,668,400)



STALIN DEATH: MARCH 5, 1943

- DOCTOR'S PLOT—ARREST 9 DOCTORS (6 JEWISH)
- ACCUSED OF MURDERING PROMINENT SOVIET FIGURES
- BAD TEMPER WORSENERD IN FINAL MONTHS

