

Aim: Why did World War I break out?

Do Now:

- What is an alliance?
- Is it a good thing for nations to form alliances?
- Current Events Article #8 - Due Friday

Alliance: an agreement between countries to help each other. Formed to advance common interests or causes *& Trading*

Pros (argument for)

- Can discourage an enemy attack
- Can help protect you from an enemy attack

Cons (argument against)

- Could get new enemies
- Allies can draw you into a war
- A nation might act more aggressive

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Triple Alliance

- Germany
- Austria-Hungary
- Italy

Triple Entente

- France
- Russia
- Great Britain

Did splitting up into alliances make war more or less likely?



What other factors encouraged war in 1914?

Underlying Causes of World War I

- tensions building over time

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• Militarism

- glorification of war
- arms race

- build up of weapons + military

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• Alliances

- more willing to risk war

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• Nationalism

- wanted to prove superiority – ethnic groups demanding independent nations

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• Imperialism

- disputes over colonies

Spark
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- Assassination - Immediate Cause "SPARK" – assassination of Archduke Franz Ferdinand of Austria-Hungary by Gavrilo Princip a Serbian Nationalist

- **Militarism** Aggressive military preparation; exalting the military ideal: building a military culture
- **Imperialism** One nation taking over a weaker nation to exercise control over it
- **Nationalism** Devotion to the interests of one's nation or having pride in one's country

"All the News That's Fit to Print."

THE WORLD'S LARGEST CIRCULATION

HEIR TO AUSTRIA'S THRONE IS SLAIN WITH HIS WIFE BY A BOSNIAN YOUTH TO AVENGE SEIZURE OF HIS COUNTRY

Francis Ferdinand Shot During State Visit to Sarajevo.

TWO ATTACKS IN A DAY

Archduke Saves His Life First Time by Knocking Aside a Bomb Thrown at Auto.

SLAIN IN SECOND ATTEMPT

LAD TO A SERBIAN PLOT

AGED EMPEROR IS STRICKEN

News item in the New York Times (1914) about the assassination of Archduke Francis Ferdinand, heir to the throne of Austria-Hungary, and his wife, the Duchess of Salsburg, near Sarajevo, Bosnia, on June 28, 1914. The text describes the assassination attempt, the role of the assassin Gavrilo Princip, and the political implications of the event.



Archduke Francis Ferdinand and his Consort the Duchess of Salsburg Slain by Assassin's Bullets.

of Sarajevo, when the archduke happened to pass through the city. "I don't remember it is perfectly certain," he says, "that the archduke was in a car and that he had a bomb thrown at it." The archduke passed a woman and then said: "This one has got to be killed." The woman, he says, followed by

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Who started World War I?

▶ SERBIA:

- ▶ failed to stop Serbian nationalists
- ▶ wanted to break-up Austrian Empire

▶ AUSTRIA-HUNGARY:

- ▶ used assassination as an excuse to crush Serbia

▶ GERMANY:

- ▶ failed to stop Austrian aggression
- Declares war on Russia
France

▶ RUSSIA:

- ▶ mobilized troops against Germany & Austria-Hungary

▶ FRANCE:

- ▶ actively supported Russia

▶ BRITAIN:

- ▶ conditions of French support uncertain
- ▶ Encouraged German aggression
- ▶ Joined a war that was none of their business

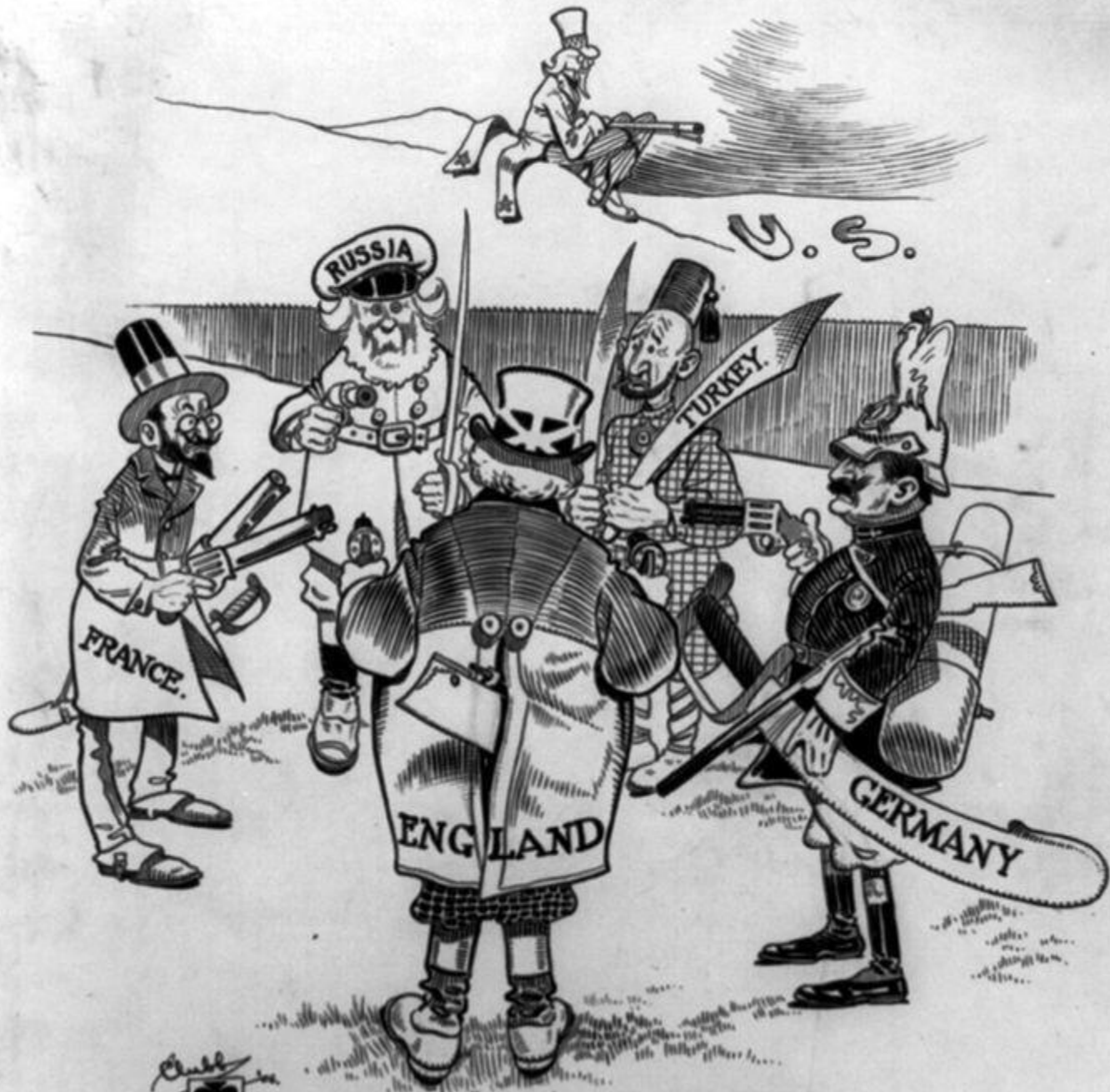
World War I

Central Powers

- Germany
- Austria
- Ottoman Empire

Allied Powers

- Serbia
- England
- France
- Russia
- Italy
- United States
- Japan



IF YOU TOUCH ME I'LL-

IF YOU MAKE A MOVE I'LL-

IF YOU HIT THAT LITTLE FELLER I'LL-

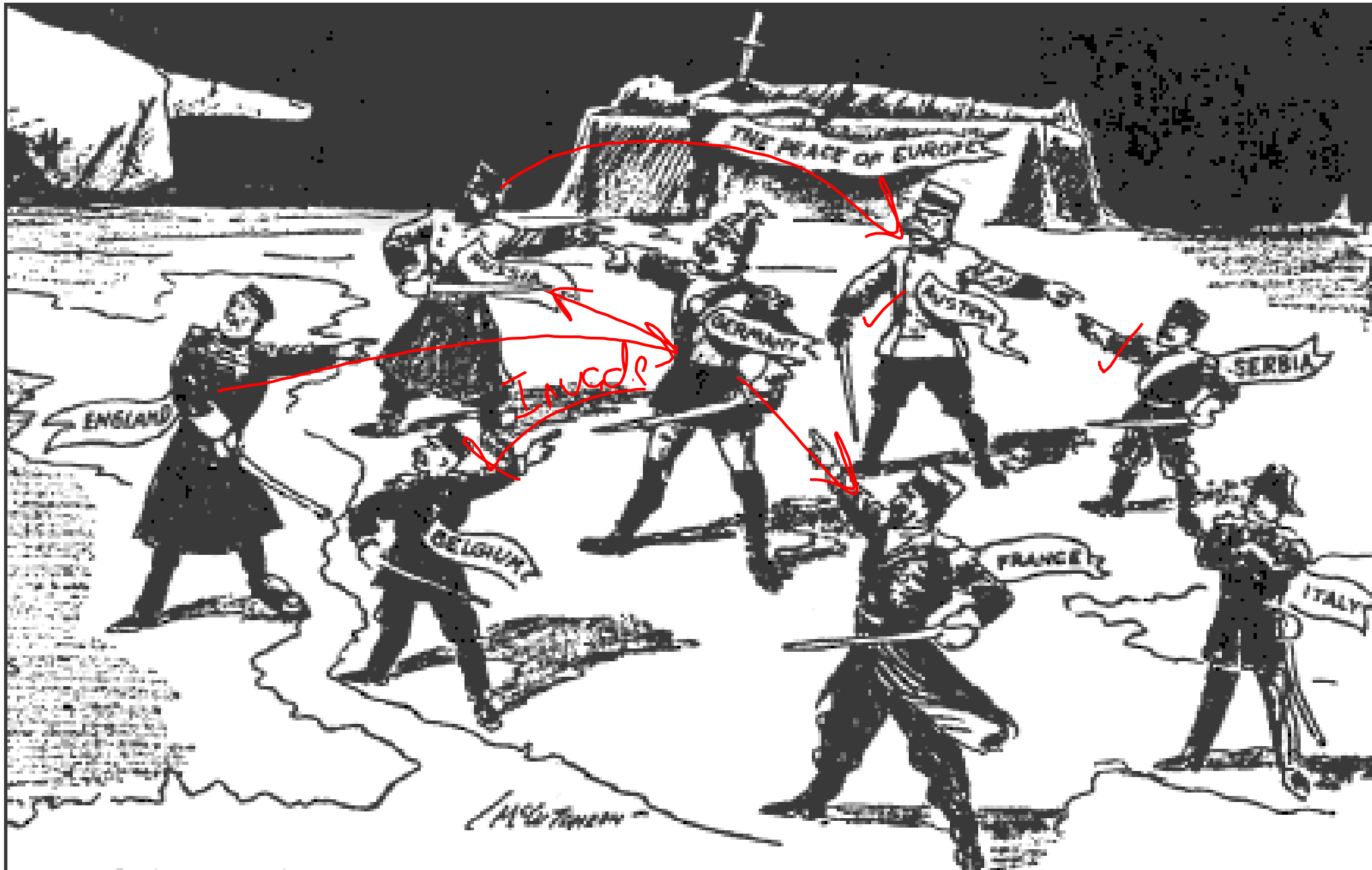
IF YOU STRIKE MY FRIEND I'LL-

IF YOU HIT HIM-

HO THERE, IF YOU CHAPS-



The Crime of the Ages—Who Did It?



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