**World War II: The Build Up – Totalitarianism & Police States**

**SSWH18 - Examine the major political & economic factors that shaped world societies between World War I & World War II**

**c. Describe the nature of totalitarianism & the police state that existed in the Soviet Union, Germany, & Italy & how they differ from authoritarian governments**

**Objectives**

**Students will be able to:**

* Explain how the political legacy of World War I combined with regional & global economic challenges like income inequality, inflation, & unemployment to undermine public confidence in many governments.
* Explain how the lack of confidence in government led to the rise of authoritarian and in some cases totalitarian regimes in Russia, Germany, Italy, Spain, & Japan
* Explain how the rise of authoritarian & totalitarian regimes led to World War II.

**Totalitarian Regimes of Russia, Italy, & Germany**

* The totalitarian regimes of the Soviet Union, Germany, & Italy utilized three tools to exert control over both the state & the people
  + \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_that operated both \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_
  + \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ that controlled \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ & built \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ around the leader
  + Complex legislation that \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ of the head of state & \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ of the rest of the population

**Totalitarian Police Networks**

* \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ in the Soviet Union (Stalin)
* \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ in Germany (Hitler)
* \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ in Italy (Mussolini)
  + \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_
  + \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_
* Police networks benefited from judicial systems that allowed for swift punishments that included death, prison, forced labor, & exile
* All 3 used \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ to house political dissidents
  + Germany & the Soviet Union interned dissidents at levels unprecedented in human history
  + German \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ & Soviet \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ housed millions of German & Soviet citizens who challenged or were simply accused of challenging the authority of the regime

**Propaganda Machines**

* State run propaganda networks like \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ in Nazi Germany controlled the \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ to the population.
* Soviet, German, and Italian propaganda departments \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_, eliminating anything deemed unfit or dangerous to the regime
* State agencies in all three countries produced print, audio, and film media designed to \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_.
  + In the Soviet Union, the glorification of Stalin was so successful that inmates sentenced to years of forced labor in Siberian gulags often wrote letters to Stalin asking for help, falsely believing that their misfortune was the product of a mistake not the policies of the leader

**Totalitarian Government Control**

* The Communist, Nazi, & Fascist Parties in each country utilized the legislative bodies to pass legislation that transferred massive power to the leader
* Also severely limited the civil liberties of the people

Freedom of \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

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**Fascist Aggressions Set The Stage for World War II**

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**d. Explain the aggression & conflict leading to World War II in Europe & Asia; include the Italian invasion of Ethiopia, Spanish Civil War, Rape of Nanjing in China, & the German violation of the Treaty of Versailles.**

**The Build Up**

* World War I left many feeling like war no longer had a place in society
* Attempts were made to reduce the likelihood of conflict
  + League of Nations
  + Kellogg–Briand Pact
    - renounced \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_
  + These efforts failed
* By 1930s, a series of regional conflicts began
* Over the course of the decade, these regional conflicts drew the attention of an increasing number of global powers & by the 1940s they culminated in the Second World War

**Invasion of Manchuria**

* In 1931, Japan invaded \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_
* Japanese business interests were heavily invested in the regions \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ resources
* The Japanese military used \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ in the Manchurian town of Mukden as a reason for invasion
* Once in control, the Japanese set up a puppet government to give Manchuria independence
* Members of League of Nations saw the invasion as Japanese imperialism
  + The League demanded \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_
  + Japan opted to stay \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ and withdraw \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ instead
* The Japanese invasion of Manchuria was the 1st in series of regional conflicts that led to World War II

**Invasion of Ethiopia**

* 1935 - Mussolini ordered \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_
  + Mussolini sought to glorify his nation through imperialism
  + Also wished to avenge defeat to Ethiopia in 1890s
* \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_, emperor of Ethiopia, looked to \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ for help
* The League condemned the invasion but none of the great powers did anything to stop him
* In fact, the British allowed the Italian military to use the Suez Canal to move supplies & troops to East Africa for the invasion

**Violation of the Treaty of Versailles**

* 1935 - Hitler announced that Germany \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ placed on them by the \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_
  + The League condemned this move but did nothing
* March 1936 - Hitler violated the treaty again by moving German troops into the demilitarized buffer zone between \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ called the \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_
  + The League again took no action
* Britain tried a policy of \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ to keep the peace
  + This failed
* October – November 1936 – \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ made an alliance
  + \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

**Spanish Civil War**

* July 1936 - \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_, a Spanish General, led a revolt against Spain’s Republican government
* Franco & his supports in the military wished to establish a \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ similar to that of Hitler & Mussolini
* Civil war broke out & lasted until Franco’s victory in 1939
* \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ sent troops & equipment to support Franco during the civil war
* Only the \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ supported the forces of the Spanish Republic

**Rape of Nanjing**

* July 1937 - Japan mounted a full-scale \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_
  + Japanese forces, \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_
* December 1937 - \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_
* In what is called the Rape of Nanjing, Japanese troops killed \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ prisoners of war & civilians & raped \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ women
* The treatment of Chinese civilians in Nanjing was savagely violent & public with photographers recording the carnage

**Hitler Continues to Violate the Peace**

* November 1937 - Hitler announced plans for the Anschluss, \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_
  + move was prohibited by the Treaty of Versailles
* March 1938 - Hitler carried out the annexation of Austria with little resistance from other European nations
* Next, he turned to the German speaking region of \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ called the \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_
  + Hitler demanded that this land be turned over to Germany in September of 1938
  + German, French, British, & Italian leaders met to discuss these demands in Munich
  + France and Britain agreed to the German annexation of the Sudetenland at the Munich Conference
* March 1939 - Hitler took all of Czechoslovakia
* With this move it became increasing clear that appeasement would not prevent war
* Britain & France pledged to declare war on Germany if Hitler threatened \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_