

“The Shadow of War”

1933-1941

1933

US	Europe	Asia
FDR backed out of the London Economic Conference	<u>World Wide Depression</u>	
FDRs “Good Neighbor Policy” implemented in Latin America	<u>Hitler’s Nazi Party takes power in German Reichstag</u>	
US formally recognized USSR		

Inflation



Date	German Mark	US\$
1919	4.2	1
1921	75	1
1922	400	1
Jan. 1923	7,000	1
Jul. 1923	160,000	1
Aug. 1923	1,000,000	1
Nov. 1, 1923	1,300,000,000	1
Nov. 15, 1923	1,300,000,000,000	1
Nov. 16, 1923	4,200,000,000,000	1



Hitler was elected Chancellor in 1933

1935

US	Europe	Asia
US Neutrality Act (1935) passed	Nuremburg Race Laws implemented in Germany	
	Hitler breaks the Treaty of Versailles by rearming Germany	Japan drops out of League of Nations
	Italy invades Ethiopia League of Nations does nothing	

Nuremberg Race Laws




Series of laws passed by Hitler's Nazi party throughout the 1930s

Stripped Jews of their citizenship and civil rights



**Voting
Public Office
Access to courts
Privacy**

1936

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US Neutrality Act (1936) passed	Rome-Berlin Axis Treaty signed	
	Hitler breaks the Treaty of Versailles by invading the Rhineland	
	Hitler backs Franco during Spanish Civil War (1936-1939)	

Rhineland


In 1936 Hitler sent German troops into the Rhineland violating the Treaty of Versailles



1937

US	Europe	Asia
US Neutrality Act (1937) passed		Japan invades China
<i>Panay</i> incident draws no response after Japan agrees to pay small indemnity		

1938

US	Europe	Asia
	<p>Hitler annexed Austria, uniting the Germanic people of Europe (Lebensraum)</p>	
	<p>Munich Pact allowed Hitler to move into the Sudetenland unopposed</p>	
	<p><u>Kristallnacht</u> began the formal persecution of Jews in Nazi Germany</p>	

Kristallnacht

Hitler used the assassination of Ernst Vom Rath's as an excuse to attack Jews



On the night of November 10, Nazis ransacked Jewish homes, stores, and synagogues across Germany in “spontaneous acts of patriotism”

30,000 Jewish males were arrested in the first mass arrests



1939

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US Neutrality Act (1939) passed	Hitler invades and occupies the rest of Czechoslovakia	
	Hitler and Stalin sign the Non-Aggression Pact	
	September 1, 1939 Hitler orders <u>Operation: Himmler</u> to be carried out	



Stuka Divebombers

Operation: Himmler

**September 1, 1939:
“Polish” units attack
German radio
station/border positions**

**Germany invades Poland
in “self-defense”**

**Two weeks later Soviet
Army invades Poland
from the East and Poland
surrenders**

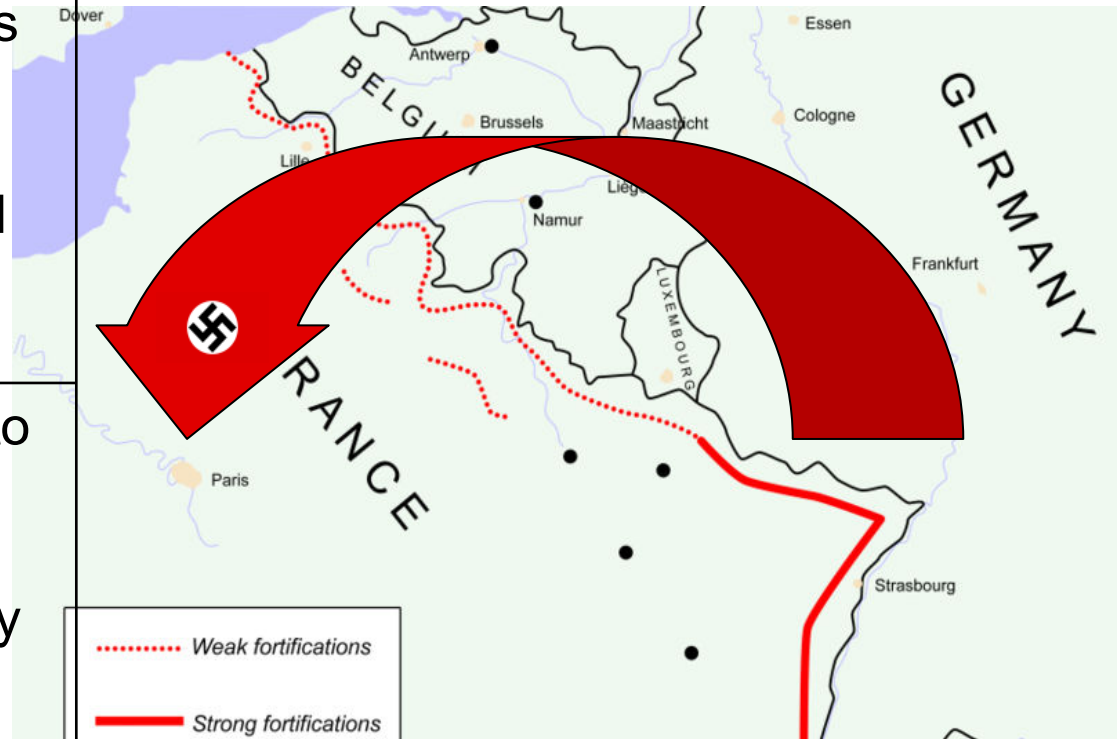
**“I shall give a propaganda
reason for starting the war.
The victor will not be asked
whether he told the truth.”**

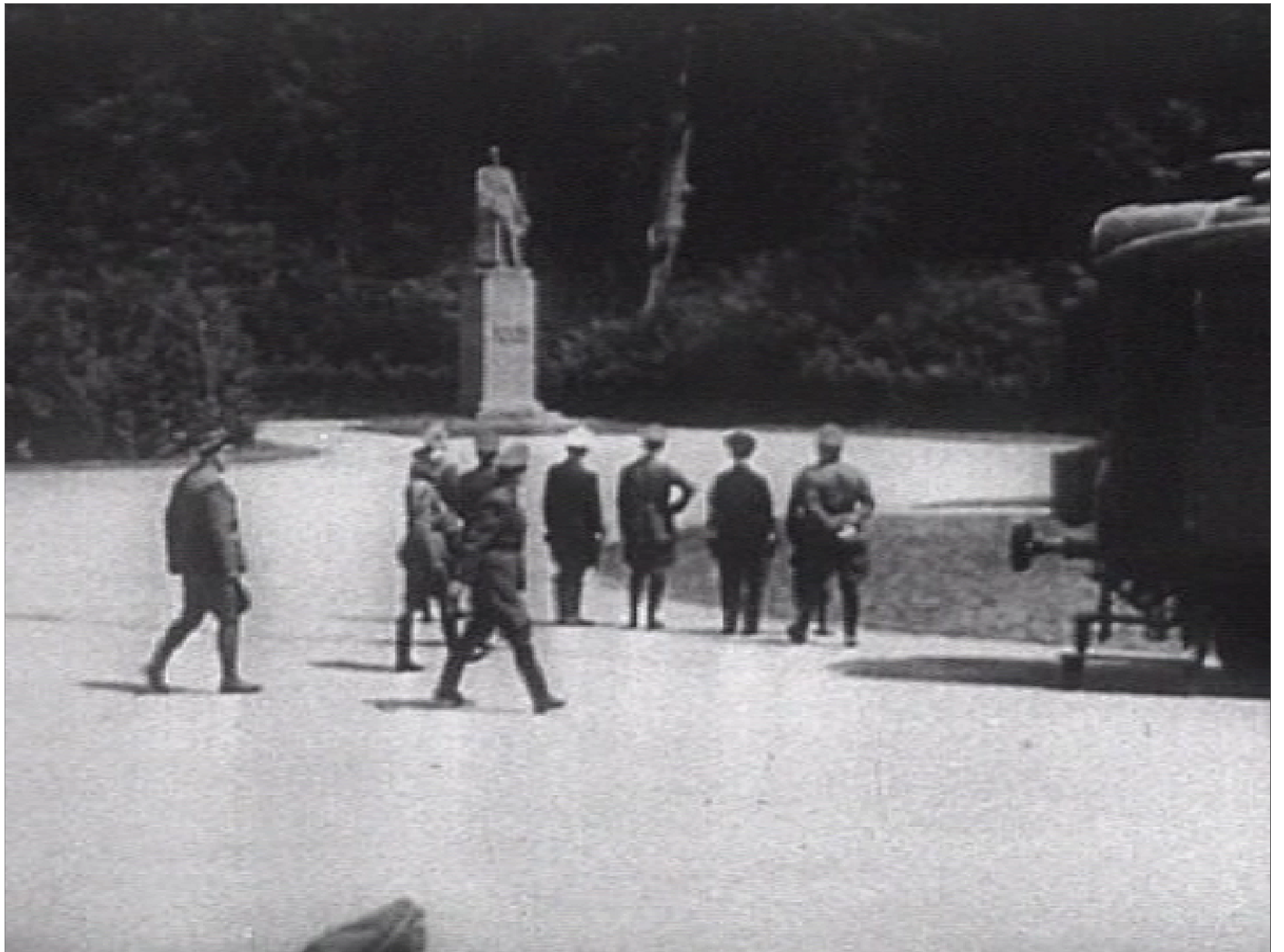
-Adolf Hitler



1940

US	Europe
FDR defeats Willkie for an unprecedented 3 rd term as President	Hitler invades Denmark, Norway, Belgium, and the Netherlands
Congress enacts the first peacetime draft	France <u>falls</u> to the Blitzkrieg onslaught as German army flanks the Maginot Line
FDR pushes for the “Bases for Destroyers” deal with Britain	Tripartite Pact signed b/w Germany, Italy, and Japan





1941

US	Europe	Asia
Congress passes Lend-Lease Act	Hitler sends the Luftwaffe on countless bombing raids over London	Dec. 7, 1941 Japan attacks US Pacific fleet at Pearl Harbor
Dec. 8, 1941 US declares war on Japan	Hitler launched Operation: Barbarossa against the USSR	
	Dec. 11, 1941 Axis Powers declare war on US	



“Tora, Tora, Tora”

Dec. 7, 1941

**Attack on US naval base by
6 Japanese Carriers**

**Japanese planes dropped
bombs and torpedoes**

**Crippled 6 of 8 Battleships
in US Pacific Fleet**

**On Dec 8, FDR asks
Congress for a declaration
of war on Japan**



Invasion of USSR



Lend-Lease

**Supplies from US to
Britain and USSR**

**England able to keep
fighting**

**Hitler gave up plans for
invasion of England**

