



World War I

Militarism

- Policy of building up strong armed forces to prepare for war.
- Increased Tension between European Nations.
- Nations competed for the strongest Military

Alliances

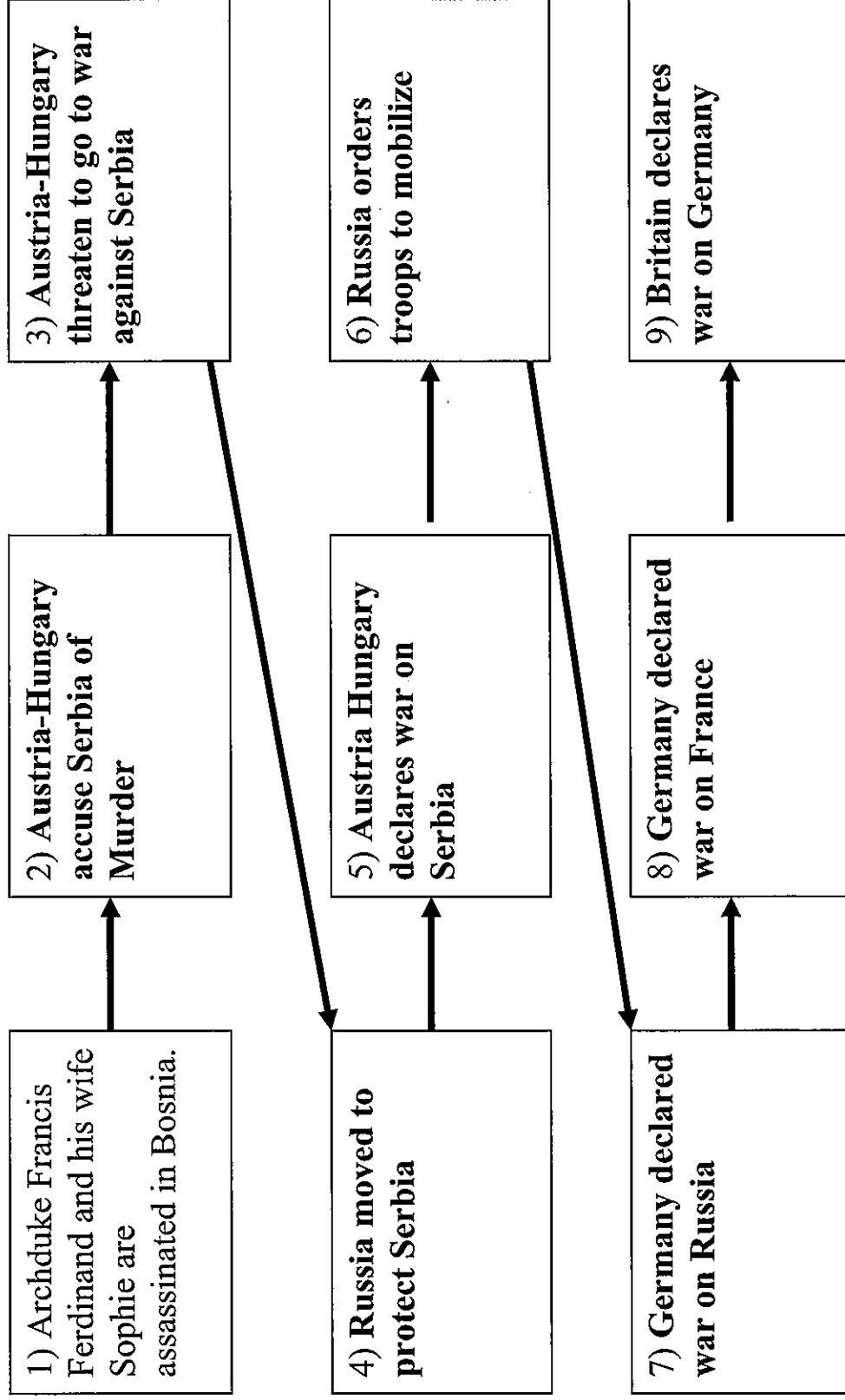
- Nations agreed to support each other in times of war.
- Triple Alliance: Germany, Austria-Hungary, & Italy
- Triple Entente: France, Russia, & Britain
- One incident could involve all members of the alliances in a war.

Imperialism

- Britain, France, Germany, Russia
- ↳ Competed for colonies in Africa, Asia, & the Pacific
- All the nations wanted Raw Materials & New Markets for trade
- Led to wars over control of territories
- Increased tension in Europe

Nationalism

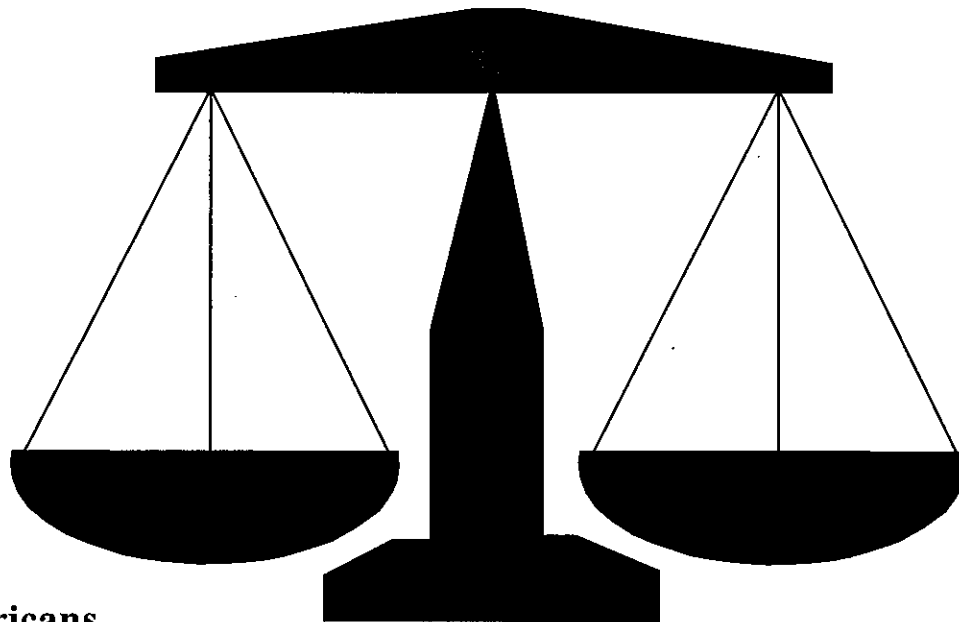
- Pride or devotion to one's country
- People with common Language & culture wanted self-rule (form their own country)
- Set Nation against Nation in Europe
- ex:
 - France & Germany
 - Austria-Hungary & Russia



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Directions: Identify which Americans favored the Allies and which Americans favored the Central powers. List the reasons for their support.



-Most Americans

- U.S. & France = allies since the American Rev.
- U.S. & Britain – same Language, similar governments

-Americans that were from German descent

-Irish –hated British

-Some Jews – Hated Russia

TRADE

- Economy Boomed
- U.S. traded with both sides
- By 1917 – trade with allies grew 7x's in value

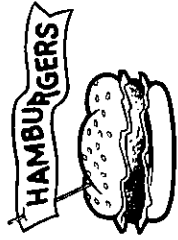
As the war went on trade with Central Powers decreased due to the British Blockade

U-BOATS

Unrestricted Submarine warfare:
 German U –Boats attacked all ships going to the Allies (Hulls are very thin couldn't inspect ships)
 Lusitania Sunk – 128 Amer. Died
 Fr. Passenger Ship Sussex Sunk – angered Americans
 Sussex Pledge – Germany would give warning before attacking ships

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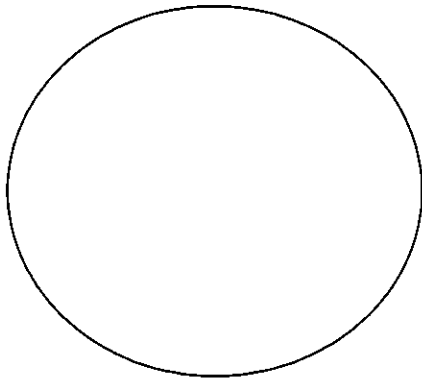
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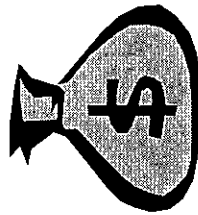
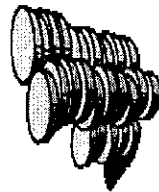
War Materials
 -War Industries Board – Told factories what to produce & divided up resources
 -War Labor Board – Settled disputes over working hours & wages & prevented strikes



Food
 The Food Administration – Boost Food Production
 -Farmers grew more crops
 -Victory gardens –planted by families
 -Wheatless Mondays
 -Meatless Tuesdays



Money
 Liberty Bonds – American citizens were lending \$ to the government to pay for war
 -Raised \$21 Billion



Women
 -Took men’s jobs as they left for the war
 -assembled weapons & airplane parts
 -Drove trolley cars & delivered mail
 -**Proved women could do men’s jobs

