

# Napoleon I

(1804 - 1814)



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# Napoleon's Early Career

# Napoleon's Rise to Power

## 👑 Earlier military career → the Italian Campaigns:

- 1796-1797 → he conquered most of northern Italy for France, and had developed a taste for governing.
- In northern Italy, he moved to suppress religious orders, end serfdom, and limit age-old noble privilege. - Enlightened despot??

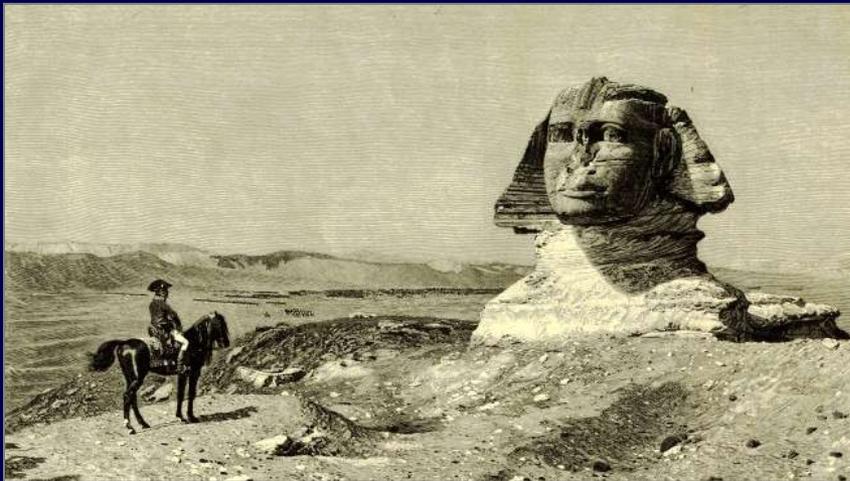




# The Rosetta Stone



Jean Francois Champollion



# Europe in 1800



# Napoleon as “First Consul”



- 👑 With the government in disarray, Napoleon launched a successful *coup d'etat* on November 9, 1799.
- 👑 He proclaimed himself “First Consul” [Julius Caesar's title] and did away with the elected Assembly [appointing a Senate instead].
  - In 1802, he made himself sole “Consul for Life.”
  - Two years later he proclaimed himself “Emperor.”



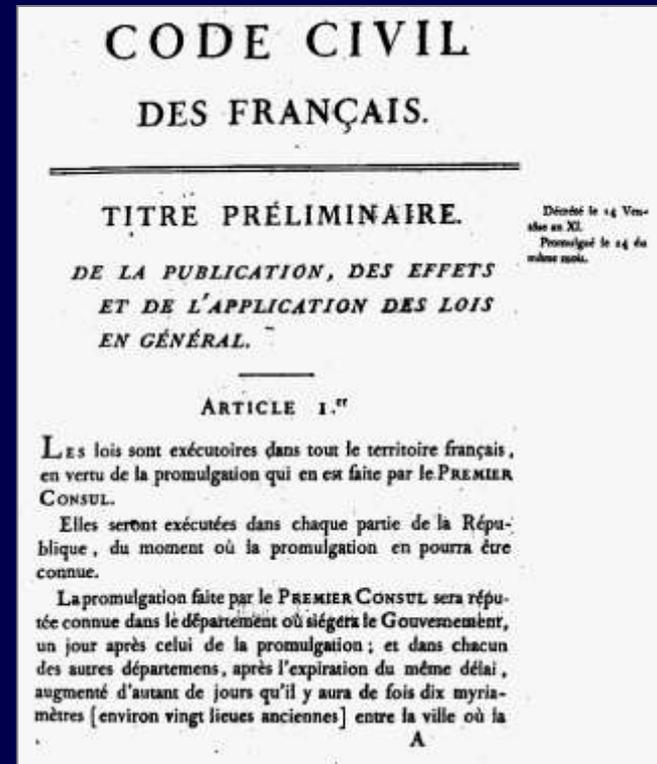


# *Lycee System of Education*



- 👑 Established by Napoleon in 1801 as an educational reform.
- 👑 *Lycées* initially enrolled the nation's most talented students [they had to pay tuition, although there was some financial help available for poorer student].
- 👑 *Lycées* trained the nation's future bureaucrats.

# Napoleonic Code, 1804



👑 It divides civil law into:

- Personal status.
- Property.
- The acquisition of property.

👑 Its purpose was to reform the French legal code to reflect the principles of the Fr. Revolution.

👑 Create one law code for France.

# Napoleon and His Code

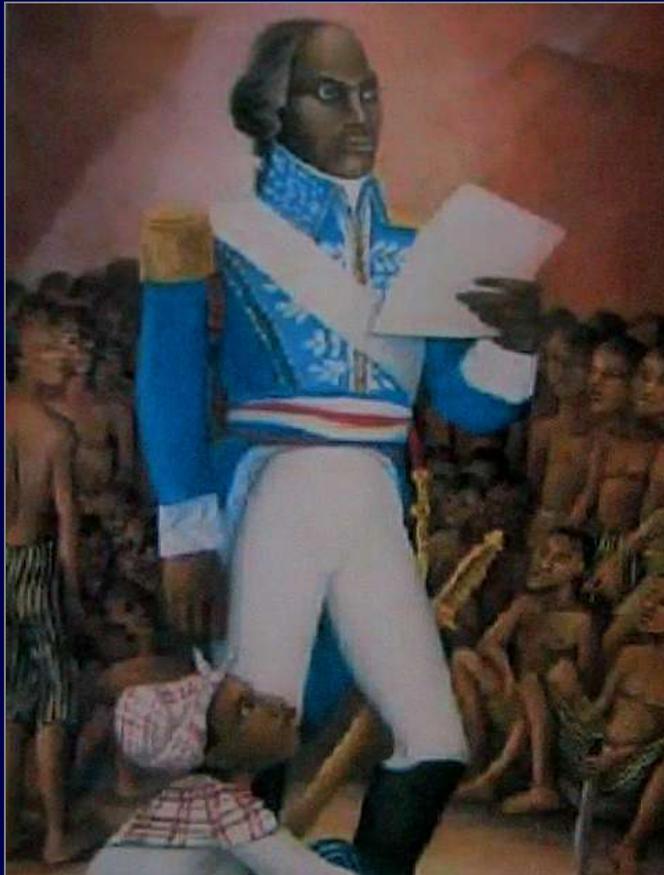


# The Influence of the Napoleonic Code

Wherever it was implemented [in the conquered territories], the *Code Napoleon* swept away feudal property relations.

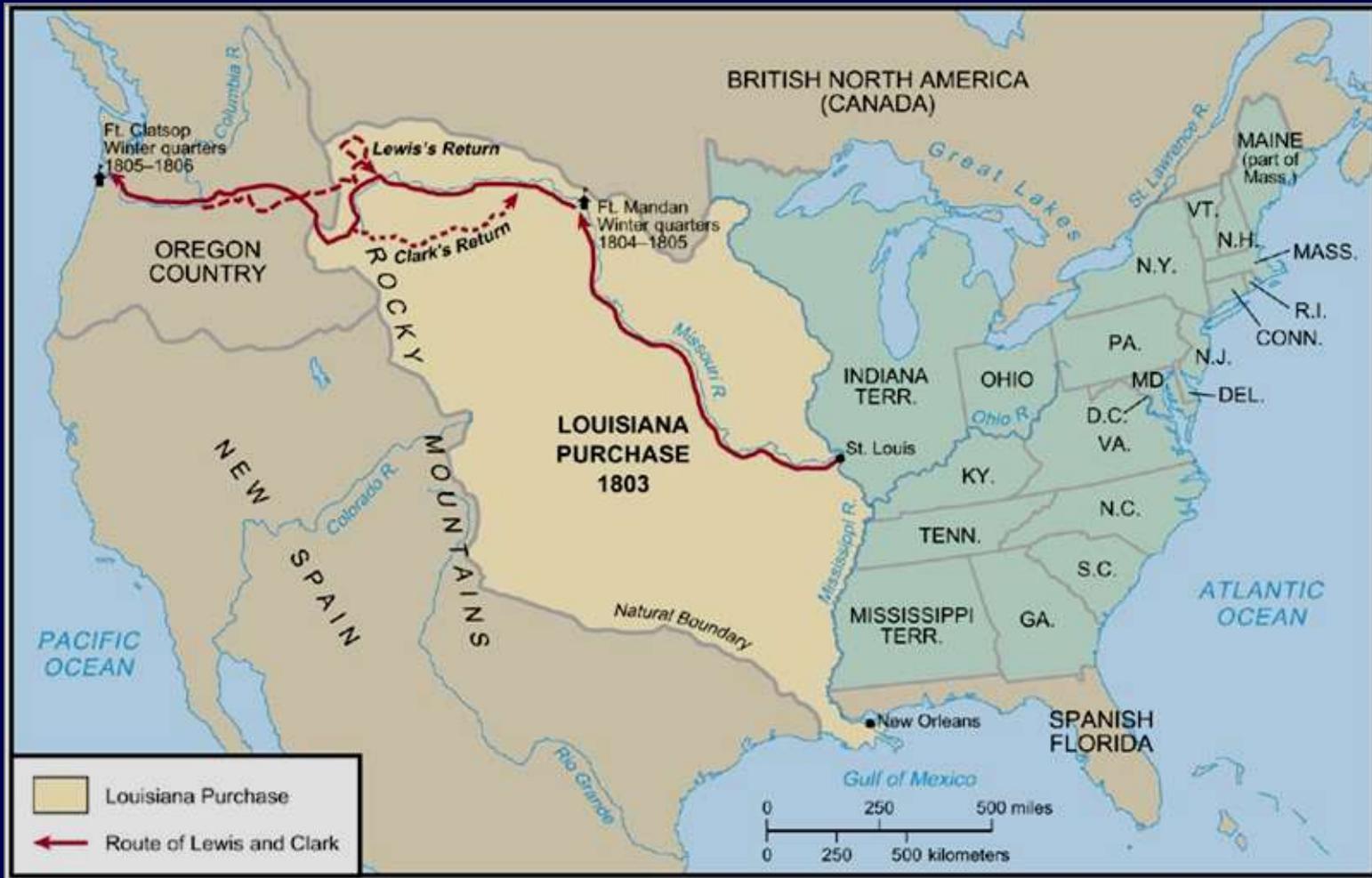


# Haitian Independence, 1792-1804



Toussaint L'Ouverture

# Louisiana Purchase, 1803



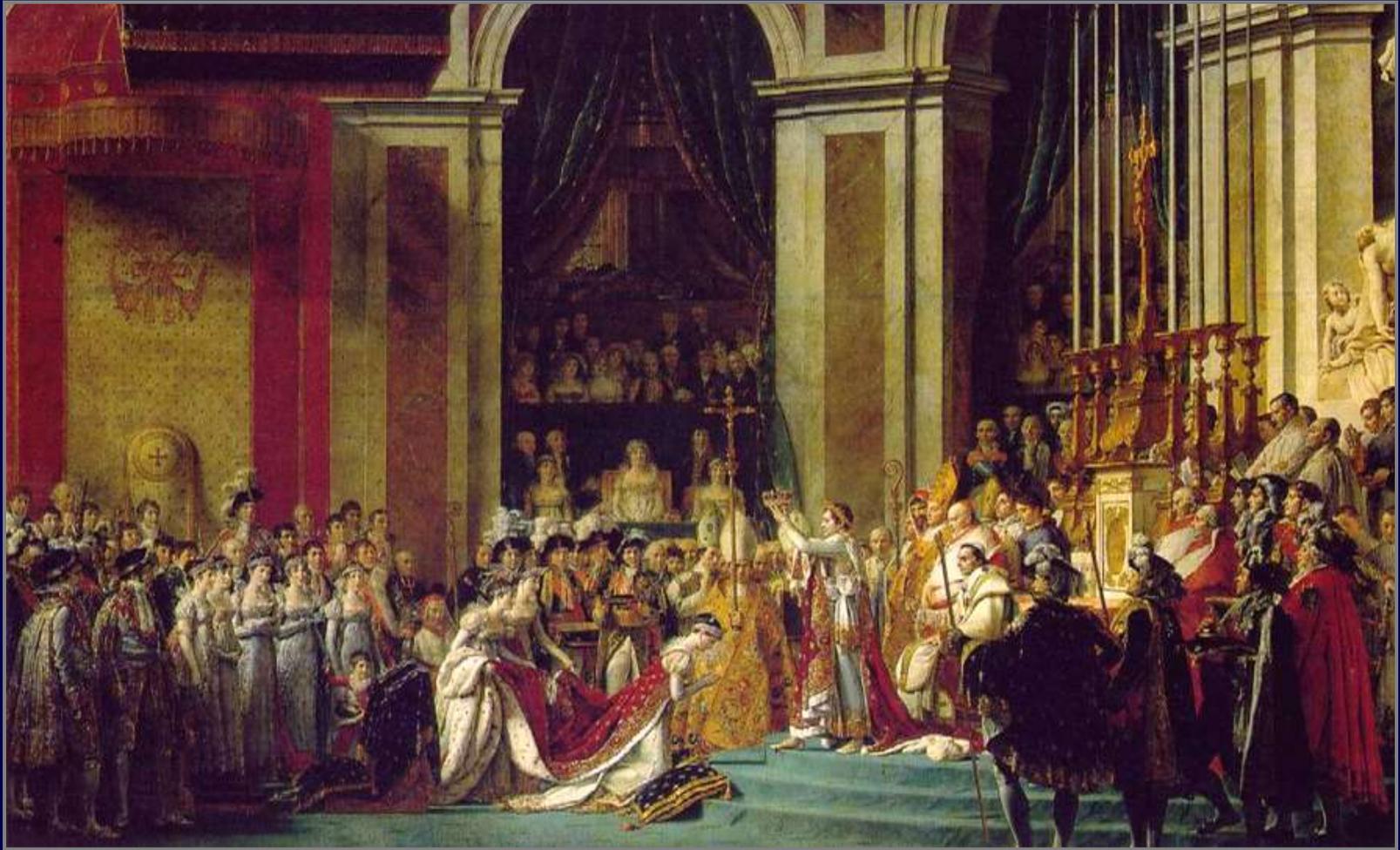
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Emperor  
Napoleon I

# The Empress Josephine



*“Consecration of the Emperor Napoleon & the  
Empress Josephine,” 1806 by David*



December 2, 1804

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of the Emperor  
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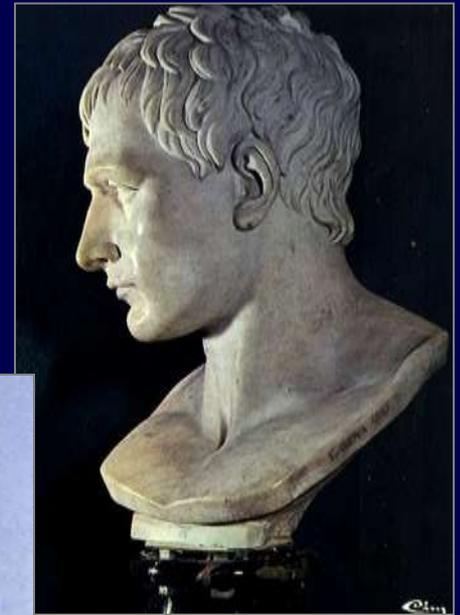
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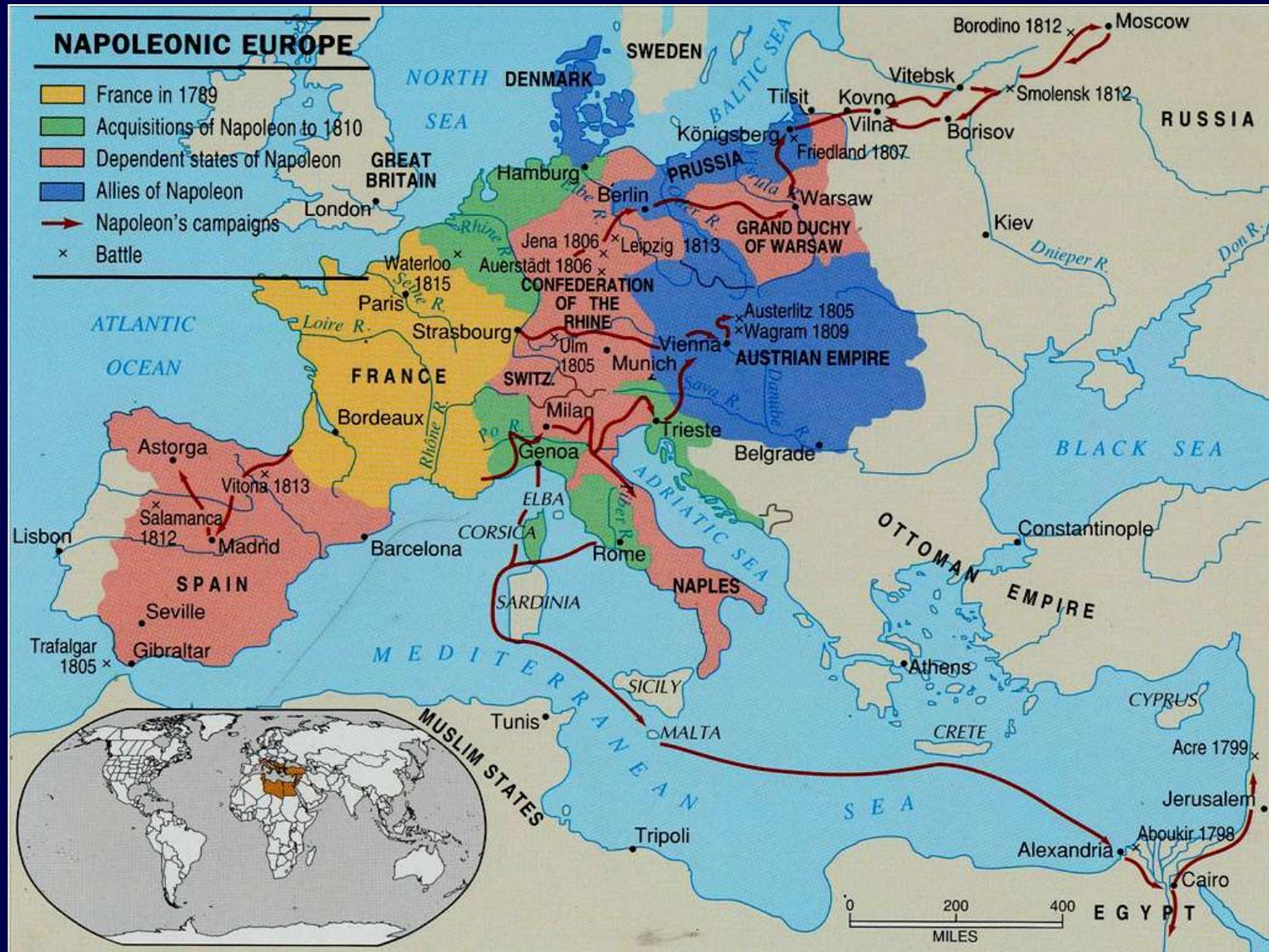


Napoleon's  
Throne

# The Imperial Image



# Napoleonic Europe



# Napoleon's Major Military Campaigns

1805:

France →

Sea  
Power

← Britain

Trafalgar (Lord Nelson: Fr. Navy lost!)







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Trafalgar Square

# Napoleon's Major Military Campaigns

1805: France →



← Britain  
Austria  
Russia

(3<sup>rd</sup> Coalition)



👑 ULM: France defeated Austria.

👑 AUSTERLITZ: France defeated Austria & Russia.

Crowned "King of Italy" on May 6, 1805





“Crossing the  
Alps,”

1805

Paul Delaroche

# Napoleon's Major Military Campaigns



1806: France → **Confed. of the Rhine** ← Prussia

JENA: French Troops in Berlin!

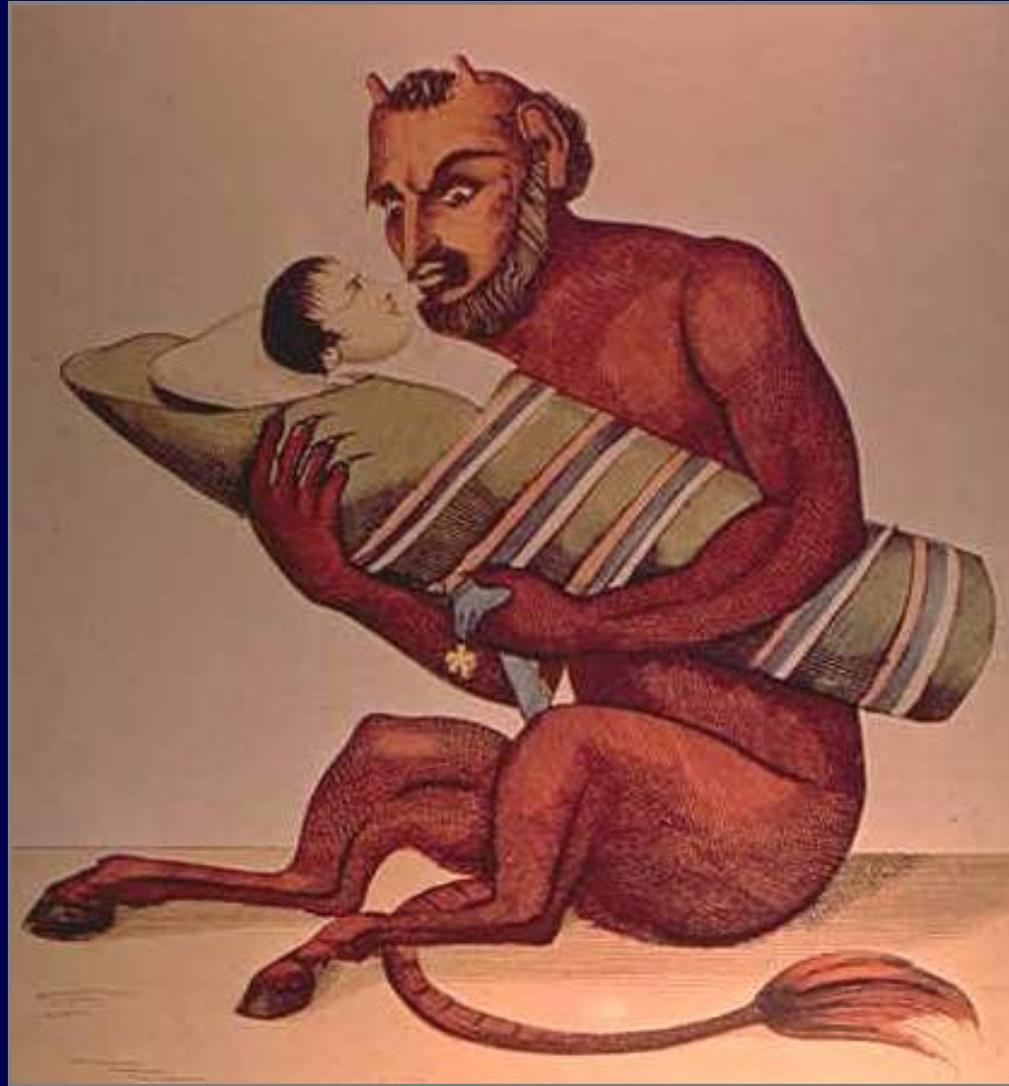
BERLIN DECREES  
("Continental System")

4th Coalition created

# The Continental System



# British Cartoon



# Napoleon's Major Military Campaigns

**1806:** France →  Poland ← Russia

Grand Duchy of Warsaw

**FRIEDLAND:** France defeated Russian troops  
: France occupied Königsberg,  
capital of East Prussia!



*“Napoleon on His  
Imperial Throne”*

1806

*By Jean Auguste  
Dominique Ingres*

# Josephine's Divorce Statement (1807)

*With the permission of our august and dear husband, I must declare that, having no hope of bearing children who would fulfill the needs of his policies and the interests of France, I am pleased to offer him the greatest proof of attachment and devotion ever offered on this earth.*

# Napoleon's Divorce Statement (1807)

*Far from ever finding cause for complaint, I can to the contrary only congratulate myself on the devotion and tenderness of my beloved wife. She has adorned thirteen years of my life; the memory will always remain engraved on my heart.*



Marie Louise  
(of Austria)

married Napoleon  
on  
March 12, 1810  
in Vienna

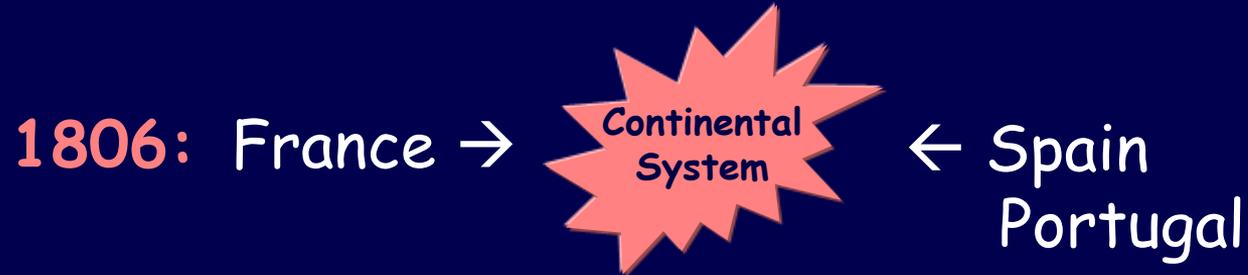
Marie Louise  
(of Austria)

with  
Napoleon's Son

(Napoleon Francis Joseph  
Charles: 1811-1832)



# Peninsular Campaign: 1807-1810



- 👑 Portugal did not comply with the Continental System.
- 👑 France wanted Spain's support to invade Portugal.
- 👑 Spain refused, so Napoleon invaded Spain as well!

# “Third of May, 1808” by Goya (1810)



# “The Spanish Ulcer”

- 👑 Napoleon now poured 500,000 troops into Spain over the next few years.
- 👑 The British viewed this uprising as an opportunity to weaken Napoleon.
- 👑 After 5 long years of savage fighting, Fr troops were finally pushed back across the Pyrennes Mountains out of Spain.



*The Surrender of Madrid  
May, 1809  
by Goya*

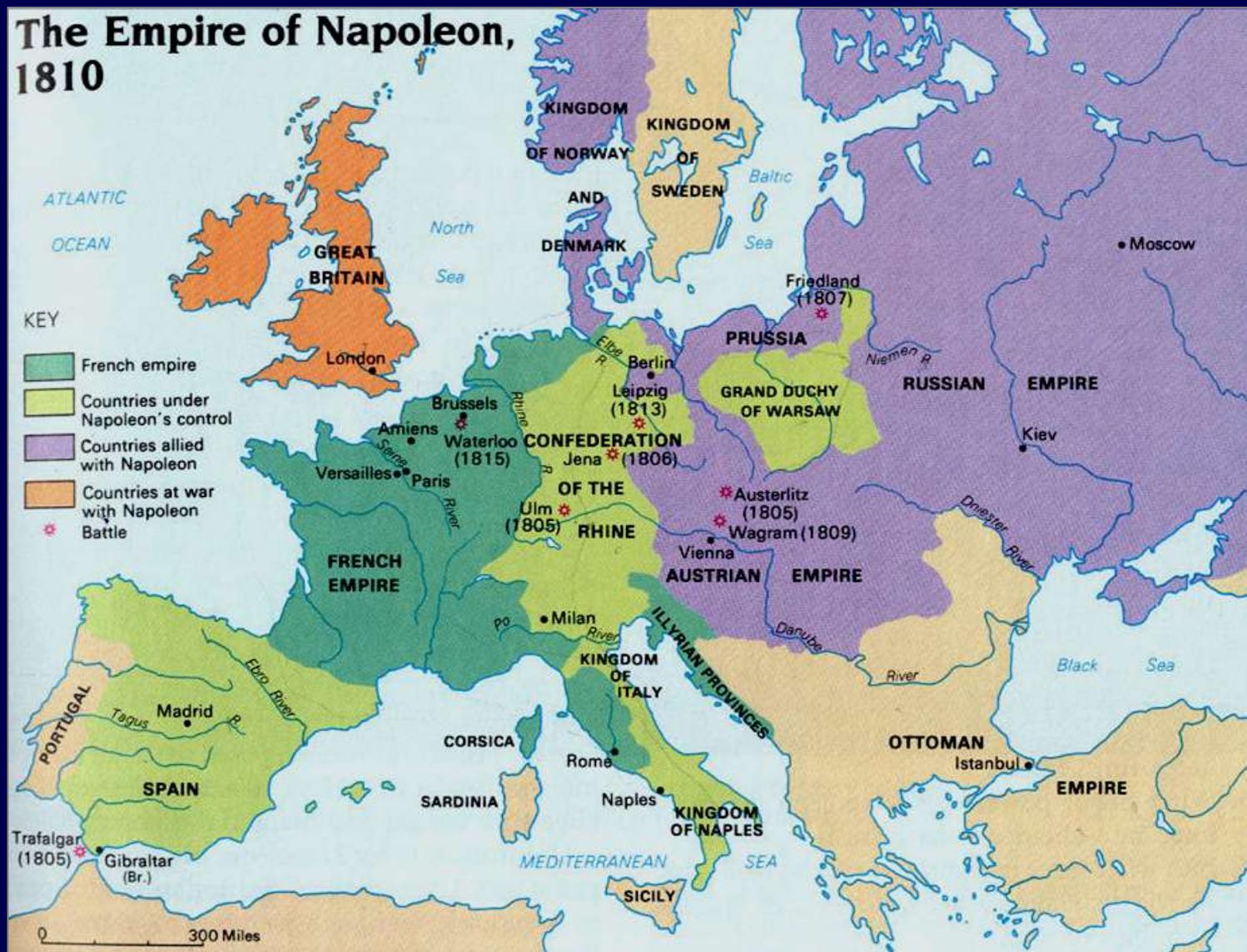


“Napoleon in His  
Study”

1812

by David

# Napoleon's Empire in 1810



# Napoleon's Family Rules!

- 👑 Jerome Bonaparte → King of Westphalia.
- 👑 Joseph Bonaparte → King of Spain
- 👑 Louise Bonaparte → King of Holland
- 👑 Pauline Bonaparte → Princess of Italy
- 👑 Napoléon Francis Joseph Charles (son) → King of Rome
- 👑 Elisa Bonaparte → Grand Duchess of Tuscany
- 👑 Caroline Bonaparte → Queen of Naples





# The “Big Blunder” -- Russia

- 👑 The retreat from Spain came on the heels of Napoleon's disastrous Russian Campaign (1812-1813).
- 👑 In July, 1812 Napoleon led his *Grand Armee* of 614,000 men eastward across central Europe and into Russia.



- They retreated to Moscow, drawing the French into the interior of Russia [hoping that it's size and the weather would act as “support” for the Russian cause].
- The Russian nobles abandoned their estates and burned their crops to the ground, leaving the French to operate far from their supply bases in territory stripped of food.

# Napoleon's Troops at the Gates of Moscow



- 👑 September 14, 1812 → Napoleon reached Moscow, but the city had largely been abandoned.
- 👑 The Russians had set fire to the city.

# Napoleon's Retreat from Moscow (Early 1813)



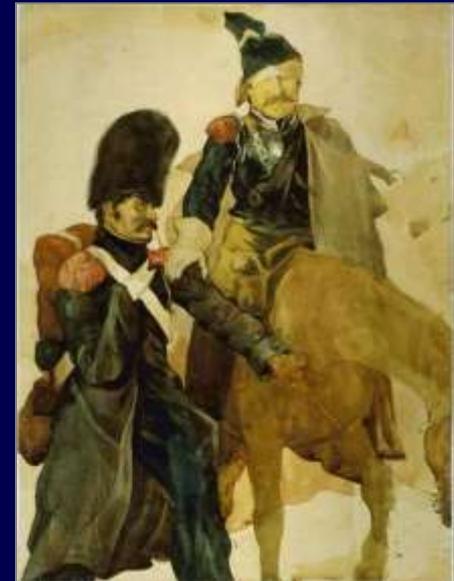
100,000 French troops retreat—40,000 survive!

# The 6<sup>th</sup> Coalition

1813-1814: France →



← Britain, Russia, Spain, Portugal, Prussia, Austria, Sweden, smaller German states



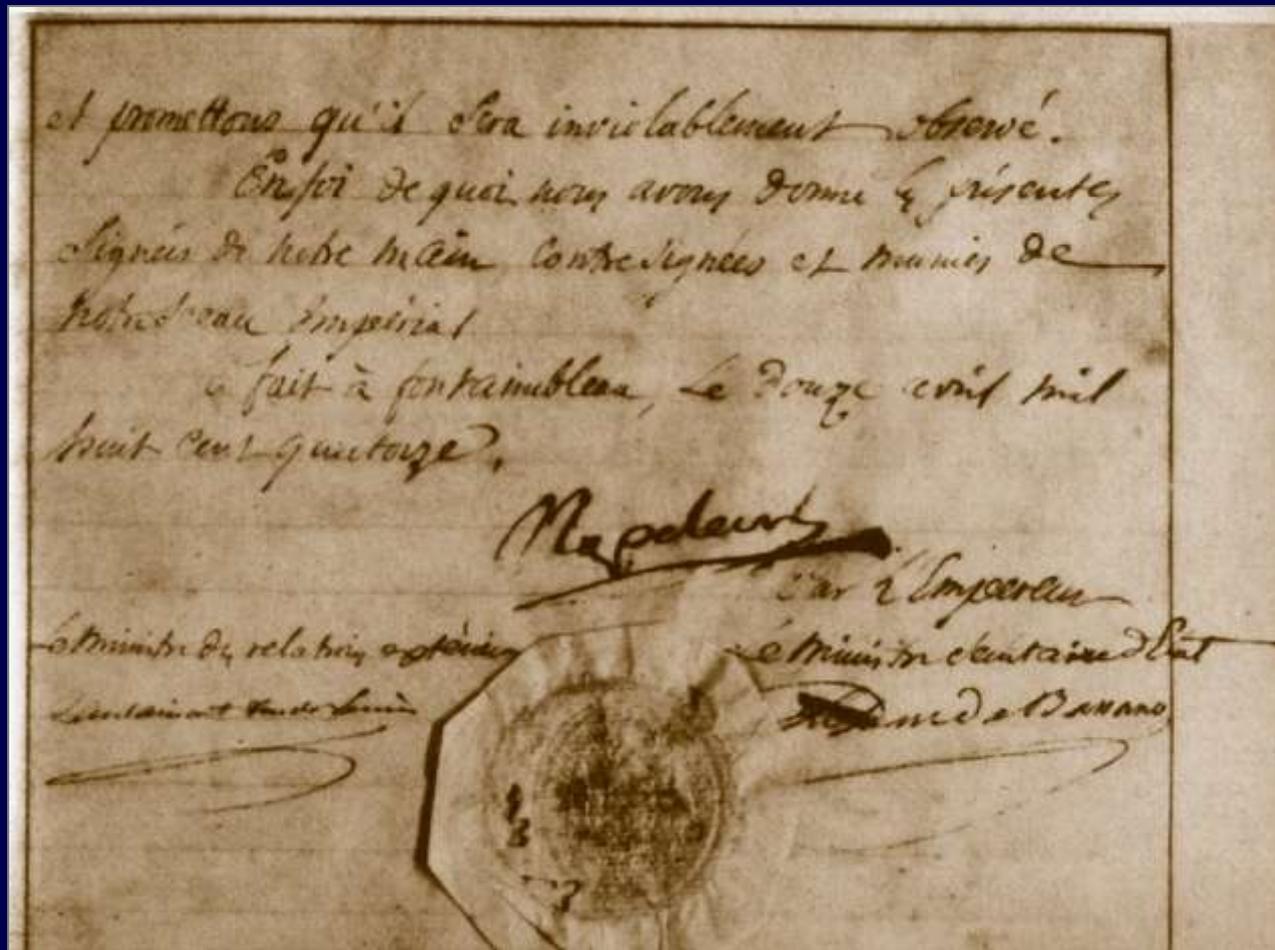
# Napoleon's Defeat at Leipzig (October 16-17, 1813)

400 k vs. 200 k



"Battle of the Nations"  
Memorial

# Napoleon's Abdication March 1814



# Napoleon in Exile on Elba



# Louis XVIII (r. 1814-1824)



The  
"Hundred Days"  
(March 20 - June 22, '1815)

# “The War of the 7<sup>th</sup> Coalition”

1815: France →

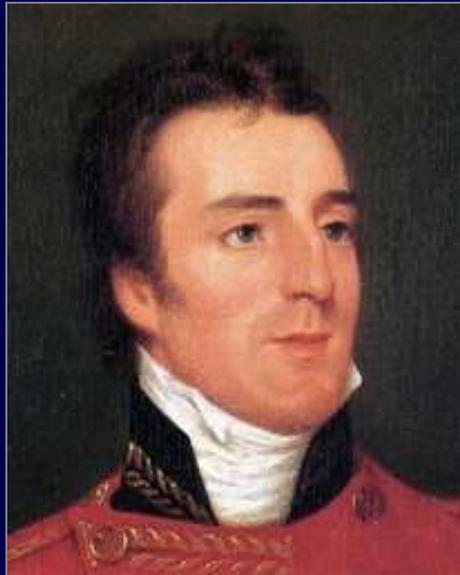
Napoleon's  
“100 Days”

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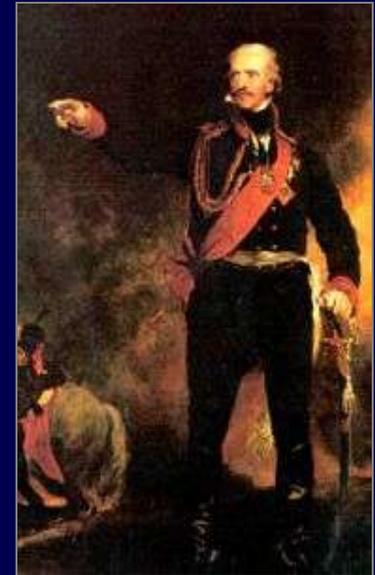
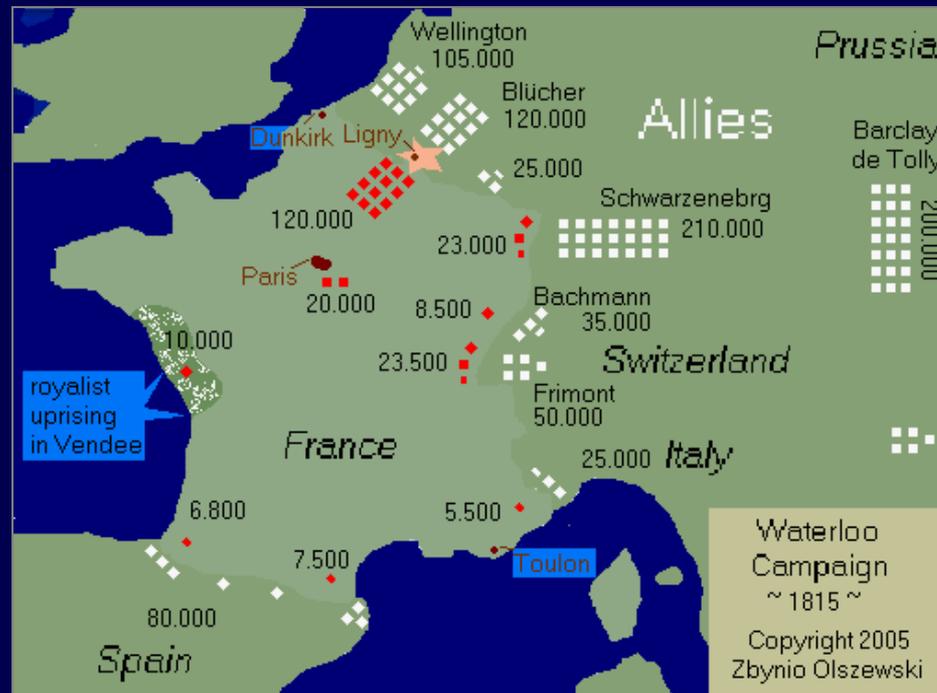
- 👑 Napoléon escaped Elba and landed in France on March 1, 1815 → the beginning of his 100 Days.
- 👑 Marie Louise & his son were in the hands of the Austrians.

# Napoleon's Defeat at Waterloo

(June 18, 1815)



Duke  
of  
Wellington



Prussian  
General  
Blücher

Napoleon  
on His Way  
to His  
Final Exile on  
St. Helena



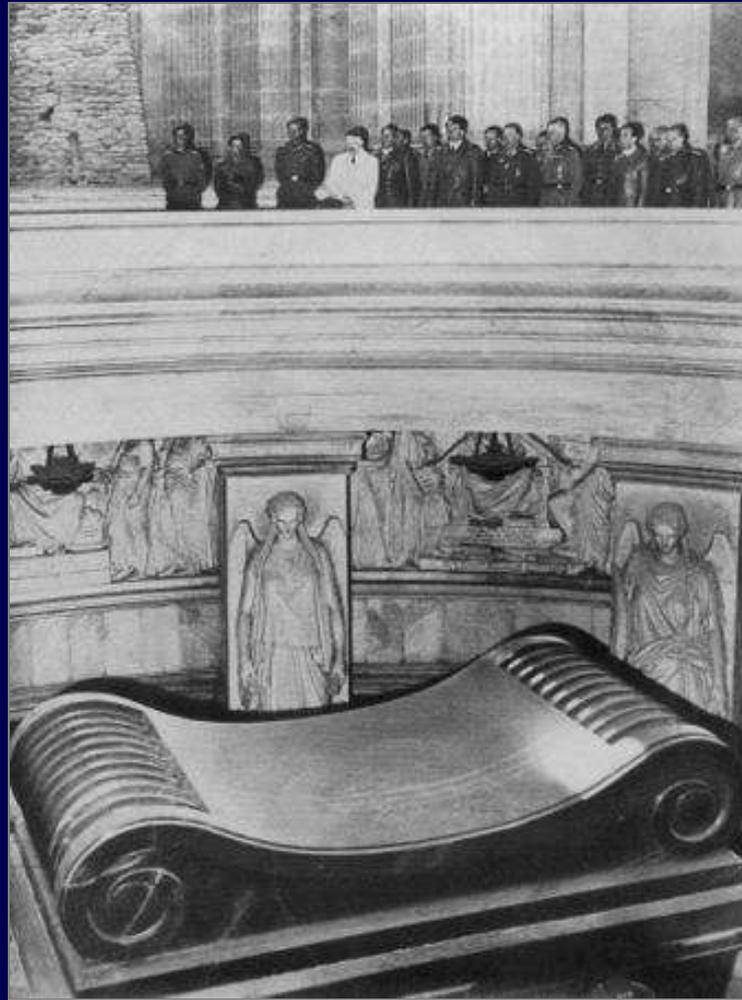
# Napoleon's Residence on St. Helena



# Napoleon's Tomb



# Hitler Visits Napoleon's Tomb



June 28, 1940

What is  
Napoleon's  
Legacy?