

## World War I Study Guide

### Causes of WWI

#### Alliance System

- Triple Alliance Members

- Triple Entente Members

#### Naval Race

#### Balkan Crisis

- Nationalism

- Self-Determination

- Serbs

  - Who supported the Serbs/Who wanted to limit their growth

#### Assassination of Archduke Franz Ferdinand

- Serbia's role in the assassination

- Which country counted on Germany in the event of a war?

- Which country counted on Russia to back it up in the event of a war?

### War in the Trenches

- Conditions in the trenches

- New technology (Tanks, Airplanes, Poison gas)

### Americans Take Sides

- British use of propaganda

- American business community support of Britain

#### German u-boats

- Lusitania sinking

- Zimmerman telegram

- After the Zimmerman telegram, what later event caused the US to declare war?

#### Russia Leaves the War

- Czar Nicholas II gives up power

- Bolsheviks (Communists lead by Vladimir Lenin take power) and Russia leaves the war

#### Western Front

- 1918—Germany launches an attack—American troops help contain the German offensive

- Battle of the Argonne Forest—September of 1918—American troops counterattack

  - General Pershing assembled over 600,000 troops

### Home Front

- Building up the military (selective service, African Americans in the war, Army Nursing Corps)

- Organizing industry (War Industries Board); Paying for the War (Victory and Liberty Bonds)

### Treaty of Versailles

- Germany had to pay reparations of \$33 billion, was not allowed to have an army, admit guilt

- Wilson's 14 Points called for the League of Nations

- US Senate refused to ratify the Treaty of Versailles

  - League of Nations was formed without the United States

### War's Impact

- Increased demand for goods resulted in inflation—what is inflation?

- Inflation leads to strikes

- Competition for jobs and racism results in race riots

- Red Scare—what were people scared of?

  - Government response