

Modern USA in 20th and 21st centuries



USA in the first world war

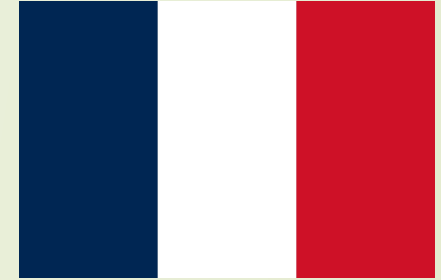


The Great War

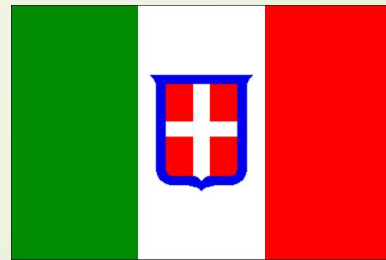
- World War 1 began in 1914 and ended in 1918.
- Most of the nations of Europe took sides, and eventually the US, too.
- Much of the war was fought in trenches, with new weapons of war: the tank, machine gun, hand grenades, poison gas, and bi planes
- At war's end over 10 million soldiers died and 7 million civilians perished through disease and starvation.



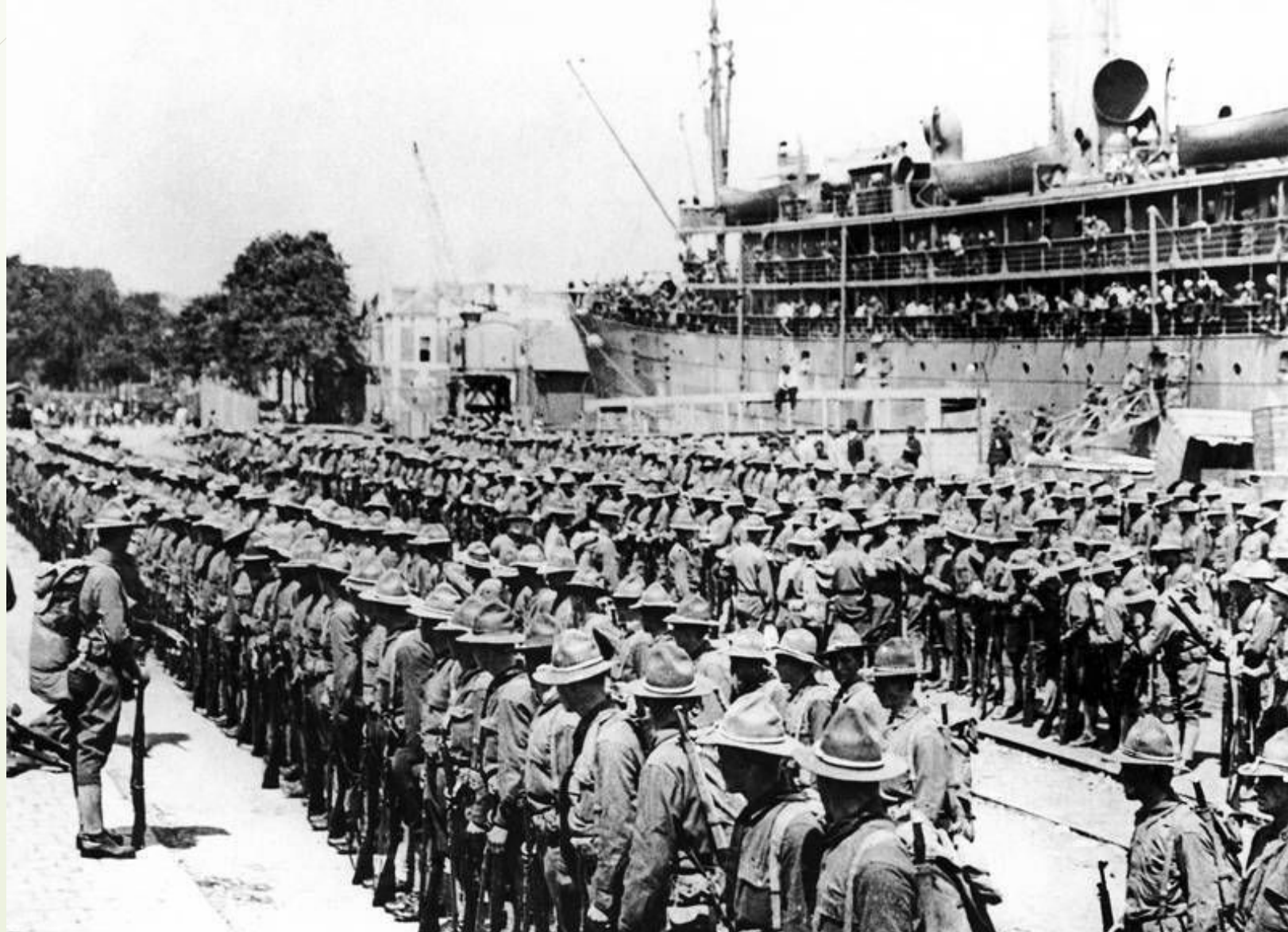
Entente



Triple Alliance



First American soldier lands in France



The Great Depression in USA (1929-1933)



Some reasons of crisis

- ❑ The struggle of business for freedom in the market
- ❑ Features of collective psychology that lead to the fact that people begin to move out their investments from the production industry one by one, succumbing to rumors and panic;
- ❑ The crisis in the investment market related to fraud on the stock exchange;
- ❑ The credit expansion of 1921-29, which caused a rapid growth of the money supply in the country and inflation.



War veterans are looking for job



Al-Capone



Bonnie and Clyde



Consequences

- ❑ 7-12 millions people have died from hunger, disease and cold
- ❑ The level of industrial production has fallen
- ❑ Small and medium-sized businesses have almost completely disappeared
- ❑ The market went into decline
- ❑ The number of radical parties (left and right) has grown
- ❑ The number of finances in the economy has decreased, and investors have almost completely disappeared from the market

America in the Second World War



Reason of war (timeline of actions)

- ❑ Japan established a protectorate over Indochina.
- ❑ America criticized its position and imposed economic sanctions.
- ❑ Japan declared war to USA. And attacked it. (7th October of 1941). This is year of USA entry the war.
- ❑ 11th December of 1941 Italy and Germany declared the war to USA

American soldiers in Japan



American soldiers in Europe




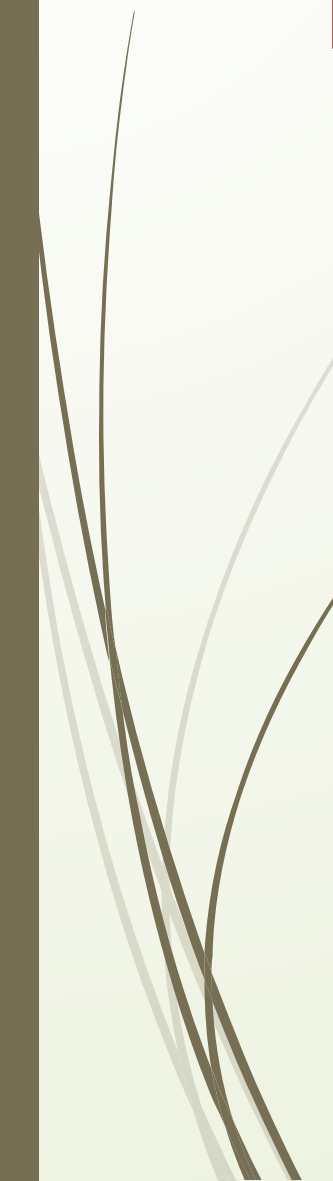
Consequences

- ❑ 418 thousand Americans died;
- ❑ Deterioration of relationship with USSR
- ❑ Powerful military industry was made
- ❑ Economic superiority

Confrontation between capitalist and socialist systems



War in Korea (1950-1953)

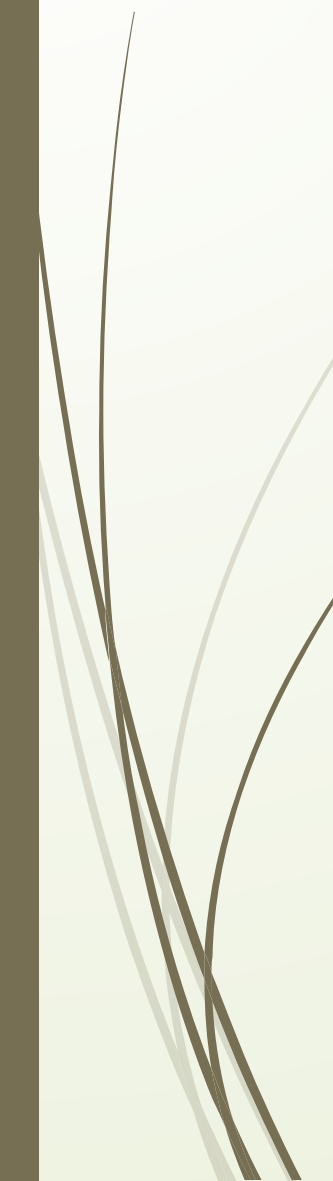

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- During all that time USA strived to prevent spread of communism. Communism block tried to conquer south Korea but US prevented it. There was war. Head of north Korea decided to spread power over all Korea. South Korea had support of America and some Europe countries. North Korea had support of USSR and China. Capitalist block won this war, South Korea and North Korea kept independence.

Trouble in Cuba (1962)

Reasons:

- ❑ The political confrontation between the capitalist and socialist systems
- ❑ Soviet and US nuclear increasing
- ❑ the policy of nationalization pursued by the revolutionary government in Cuba
- ❑ the danger of another American invasion of Cuba in November 1961.






There was a socialist revolution. Fidel Castro was a leader of this revolution. He nationalized land and businesses that had been owned by American entrepreneurs. The Soviet Union established diplomatic relations with Cuba. But US wanted to bring a loyal government to power. So there was conflict which could lead to nuclear war. Finally Soviet and US left Cuba.

War in Vietnam (1964-1975)

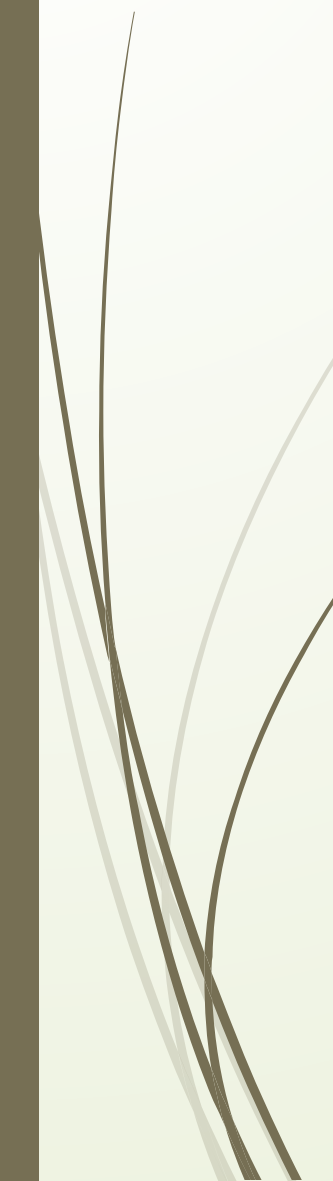





After Second World War Vietnam was separated into 2 parts: North Vietnam (Communist block) and South Vietnam (Capitalist block). North Vietnam had support of USSR, South one had support of America. During the war were killed a lot of civilians. In 1973 Paris peace agreement was conclude. American army left Vietnam. So in 1975 South Vietnam lost a war without American support.

USA IN 21st CENTURY





United States is in the leading positions in the economic, technical, and military spheres. Nowadays, the United States practically dictates the direction of foreign policy to the world community. The United States is the leader of the international community and has a decisive influence on the development of the entire international and military-political situation



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