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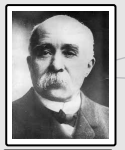
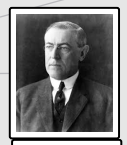
Treaty of Versailles



Lloyd George of England, George Clemenceau of France, and Woodrow Wilson him the US met to discuss the punishment of Germany.



Clemenceau wanted revenge. He wanted to make sure that Germany could never start another war.

Wilson wanted a treaty based off his 14 point plan.

George wanted a compromise between Wilson and Clemenceau.

The Germans were unhappy with the terms of the treaty because they were expecting a treaty based on Wilson's 14 point plan.

The treaty helped lead the rise of Hitler because people were dissatisfied with their gov't.

The 4 main terms of the treaty were war guilt clause, reparations, disarment, and territorial clauses.

The NAZI PARTY

The NAZI party was founded on February 24,1920.

The NAZI party was founded by Gottfriad Feder
Anton Drexler
Dietrich Eckart

The NAZI party stands for National Socialist German Worker's Party.

Hitler gained power by non-violent, legitimate.

The Reichstag fire led to the banning of the communist party in Germany.

The NAZI party gained power by passing the Enabling Act in March 1933.

Adolf Hitler
and his actions.

At first Britain and France favored a stronger Germany to stop communism from spreading west

Hitler invade places like Rhineland, Czechoslovakia, and Austria-Hungary without opposition because other countries didn't want another war.

Germany forced Anschluss by making Austria vote on it then rigging it to say 99% of people wanted the union.

Hitlers characteristic of dishonesty was ignored as he broke all the Promises he had been making so when the allies realized this they told him if he invaded Poland military action would be taken.

Born Aprils 20 1889. In a town in Austria named Braunau-am-in. Died on April 29th 1945.

Army made him hate other countries since they had lost the war and now his country was being punished.

He violated the treaty of Versailles by building an army and weapons, taking over lands like Rhineland, the Nuremberg laws, and the joining with Austria.
The Nuremberg laws described a master race and any not this race like the Jews were given no rights and killed or imprisoned.

Failure of the League of Nations and Failure of Appeasement.

The League of Nations was an international organization set up in 1916 to help keep world peace.

The Great Drepression hurt the ability of the League of Nations to act because it stopped people from listening and following their rules.

Trade sanctions against Italy was ineffective because Italy could still trade with non-member countries, like America.

Main reasons why for the failure of the League of Nations

1. Not all countries joined the League
Example: The United States didn't join the League.

2. The League had no power.
Example: countries still traded wih Japan even after the League said not to.

3. The League had no army
Example: Countries in the League of Nations were providers of the soldiers and they weren't cooperating
4. Unable to act quickly.
Example: council only met 4 times a year.

Appeasment is giving in to someone's provided their demands are seem as reasonable.

Politicians believe Germany should be allowed to re-arm because they start to see that the Treaty of Verailles had placed unfair restrictions.

Reasons for Hitler gave for his actions in 1936

France has signed a new treaty with Russia, Germany was under threat from both countries

It was essential to German security that troops were stationed in the Rhineland

Neville Chamberlain believed that the Treaty of Versailles had treated Germany badly and that there were a number of issues associated with the Treaty of Versailles that needful be put right.