

## AT THE BEGINNING:

We'll be home by Christmas!

For Queen and country

DULCE ET DECORUM EST

PRO PATRIA MORI

LEST WE FORGET



## LATER ON:

- 500 MILES OF TRENCH WARFARE
- SHELL SHOCK (PTSD)
- POISON GAS, TANKS, MACHINE GUNS...

# THE GREAT WAR

"The war to end all wars"

## WORLD WAR I

70 MILLION SOLDIERS MOBILIZED  
8 MILLION DEAD

"A LOST GENERATION"

WILFRED OWEN (1893-1918) • poet	E. HEMINGWAY (1899-1961) • novelist	E.M. REMARQUE (1898-1970) • novelist
MAX ERNST (1891-1976) • artist	GEORGE GROSZ (1893-1959) • artist	FERNAND LEGER (1881-1955) • artist

bye  
bye Tsar!

# РАСКРЕПОЩЕНА!

# THE RUSSIAN REVOLUTION

Q Why did it happen?

- WORLD WAR I - 1 million soldiers dead
- GOV'T CORRUPTION
- AGRARIAN (farming) not INDUSTRIALIZED



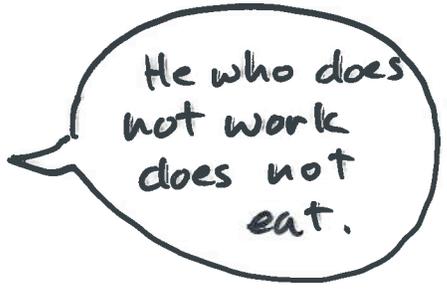
← peasants are revolting (+ seize land)



USES  
SECRET  
POLICE +  
ARMY

ESTABLISHES  
the MARKIST  
SOCIALISTS  
(aka Bolsheviks)  
COMMUNISM'S  
ARCHITECT

Vladimir Ilyich  
LENIN (1870-1924)



FROM THE DESK OF  
V.I. LENIN

TO DO:

- Write Imperialism, the Highest Stage of Capitalism
- EXPLAIN TWO PHASES OF COMMUNIST SOCIETY
  - 1st Needs state control
  - 2nd state will "with away"
- EXPLAIN WHY THIS IS NOT UTOPIAN!! (TRICKY!)
- Dissolve the Assembly + eliminate all other political parties (1918)
- SET UP POLITBURO with 4 FRIENDS TO CONTROL EVERYTHING
- RETURN LIBRARY BOOKS
- GET BORSCHT RECIPE from J.S.

TEA STAIN



Things only get worse under Joseph Stalin!

↑ 1926 → 53 ↑  
FAMINE ↑ GULAGS (labour camps)  
dissidents "purged"

## TOTALITARIANISM

- life of individual subordinated to needs of the state
- causes censorship, terrorism, propaganda

# THE GREAT DEPRESSION

MASSIVE ECONOMIC MELTDOWN 1929 →

- 30 MILLION OUT OF WORK
- SOCIAL UPHEAVAL
- GOV'T IN U.S. SPONSORS ART AND PHOTOGRAPHY TO MAKE WORK AND TO SEND MESSAGES



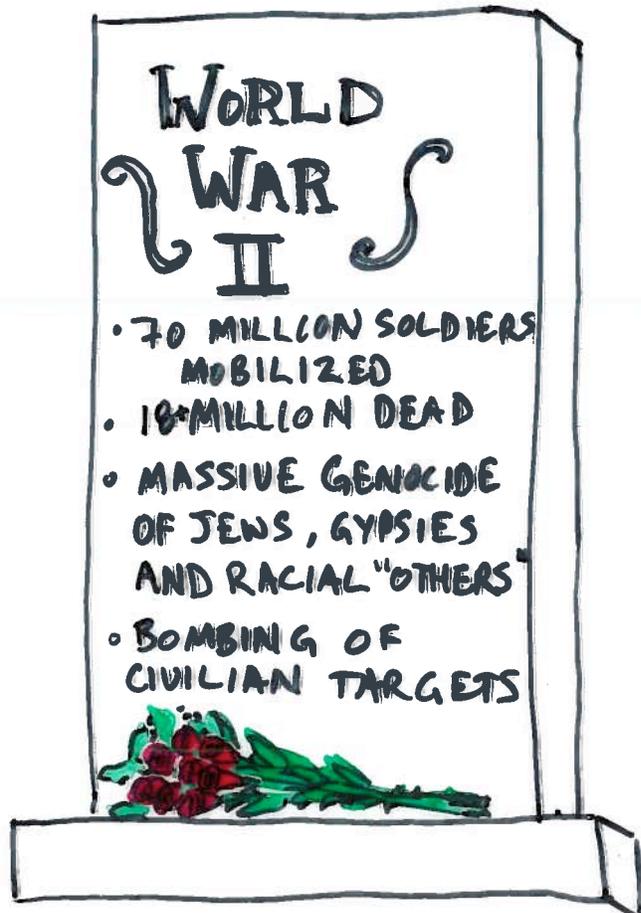
Thomas Hart Benton (muralist)  
"CITY ACTIVITIES WITH DANCE HALL"

DOCUMENTARY PHOTOGRAPHY →



"MIGRANT MOTHER"

Dorothea Lange (photographer)



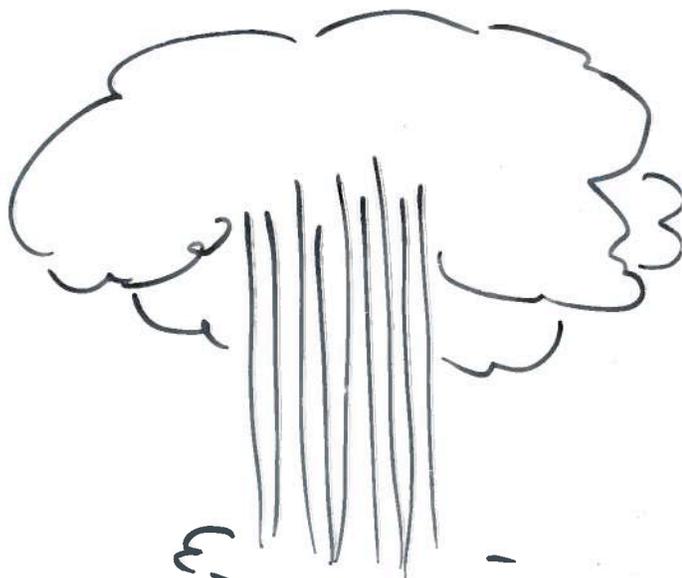
BUT WASN'T THE "GREAT WAR" SUPPOSED TO END ALL WARS?

- DOESN'T HAPPEN BECAUSE:
- 1) FAILURE OF PEACE SETTLEMENT for WWI
  - 2) INCREASING NATIONALISM + MILITARISM
  - 3) RISE OF HITLER + NAZISM IN AN ECONOMICALLY DEBASTATED GERMANY

OPPOSING SIDES

- AXIS** ✓
- GERMANY
  - ITALY
  - BULGARIA
  - HUNGARY
  - JAPAN (later)

- ALLIES** →
- BRITAIN
  - FRANCE
  - U.S.
  - U.S.S.R. } AFTER 1941



FIRST USE OF ATOMIC BOMB IN COMBAT IN HIROSHIMA AND NAGASAKI in 1945. (120 000 CIVILIANS KILLED)

# "The Death of the Ball Turret Gunner" - RANDALL JARRELL (1945)

FROM MY MOTHER'S SLEEP I FELL  
INTO THE STATE,  
AND I HUNCHED IN ITS BELLY TILL  
MY WET FUR FROZE.  
SIX MILES FROM EARTH, LOOSED FROM  
ITS DREAM OF LIFE,  
I WOKE TO BLACK FLAK AND THE  
NIGHTMARE FIGHTERS.  
WHEN I DIED THEY WASHED ME  
OUT OF THE TURRET WITH  
A HOSE.

WORLD  
WAR II  
POETRY

- despair & futility
- not noble
- dehumanizing aspects of war

American  
poetry

Japanese  
poetry

In the depths of the flames  
I saw how a peony  
Crumbles to pieces.  
(haiku by Kato Shuson)

# Photojournalism

RECORDS THE REALITIES OF WAR

Related  
to tradition of  
DOCUMENTARY  
PHOTOGRAPHY  
(Annan, Lange, etc.)

LEE MILLER

+  
ROBERT CAPA

ARE BOTH GOOD EXAMPLES

# PAINTING

PICASSO PAINTS  
A MURAL OF

1937  
FIRST AERIAL  
BOMBING OF  
CIVILIAN TARGET  
GUERNICA  
(SPANISH CIVIL  
WAR)

WOMAN  
WITH DEAD  
BABY

BROKEN  
STATUE OF A  
WARRIOR

WOUNDED  
SCREAMING  
HORSE



VISUAL ART IN THE WAR ERA