

World War I - Timeline

Overview

The world was changing dramatically from about 1850 to 1914. There were many advances in technology and globalization.

Examples of Globalization:

International Telegraph Union 1865

International Postal Union 1875

Uniformity in Railways 1882

International Meteorological Organisation 1873

International Radiotelegraph Union 1873

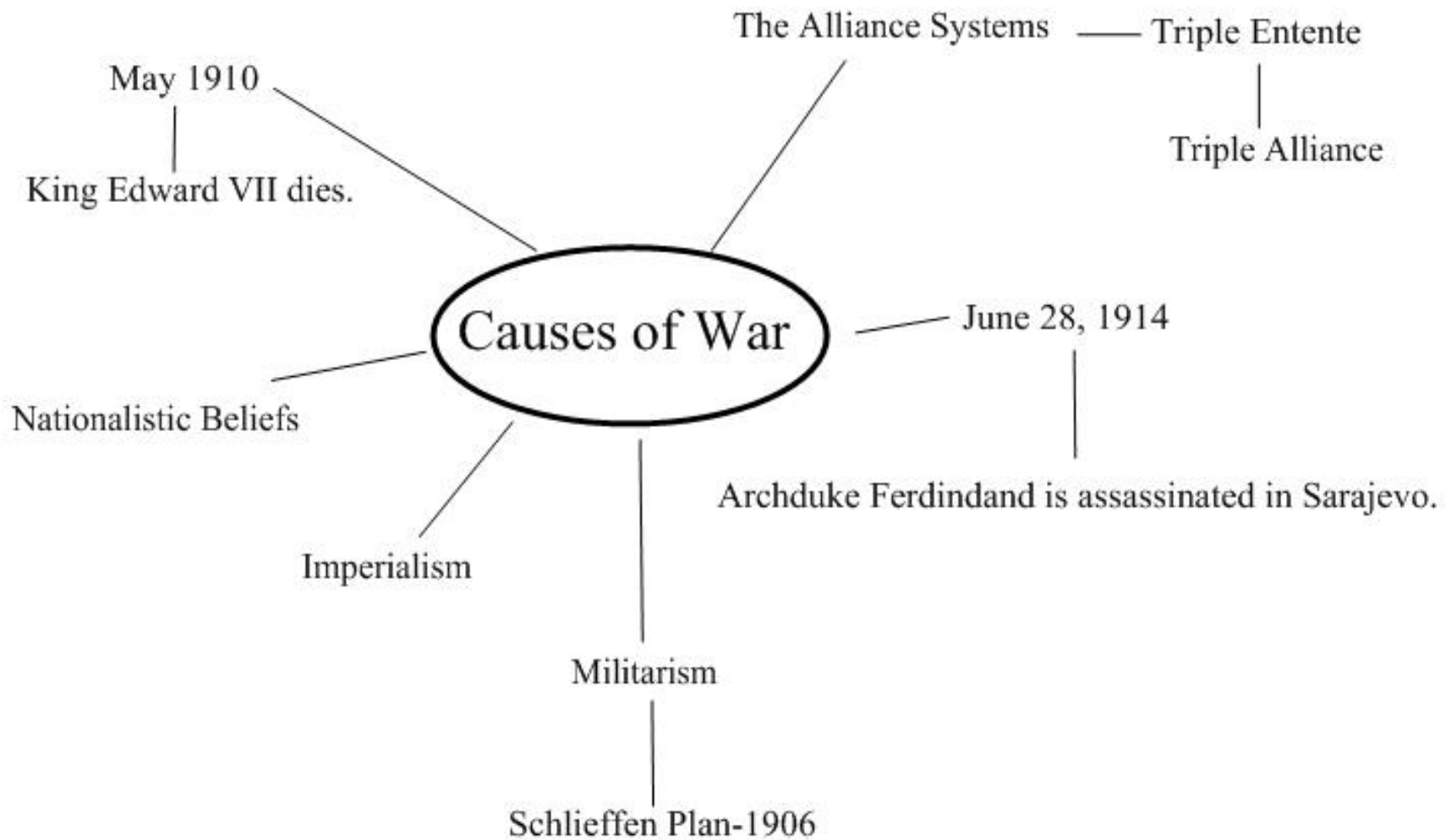
Patents and Trademarks 1883

International Copyright Conventions 1880's

The world was becoming intertwined. Each country was tied to another in some fashion. Belgium was a leader in banking with London. Raw materials came from colonies across the globe.

Colonies and the lack of would prove to be a problem in Europe. The countries with the most colonies were England, France, and Spain. Germany had very little. Russia had some in Southeast Asia.





Alliances

There were alliances and treaties all over Europe during this time.

The Dual Alliance: Germany and Austria-Hungary

The Triple Alliance: Austria-Hungary, Germany, and Italy

Franco-Russian Alliance: France and Russia

The Triple Entente: Great Britain, France and Russia

Why would countries enter into an alliance?

Was Germany's fear created?

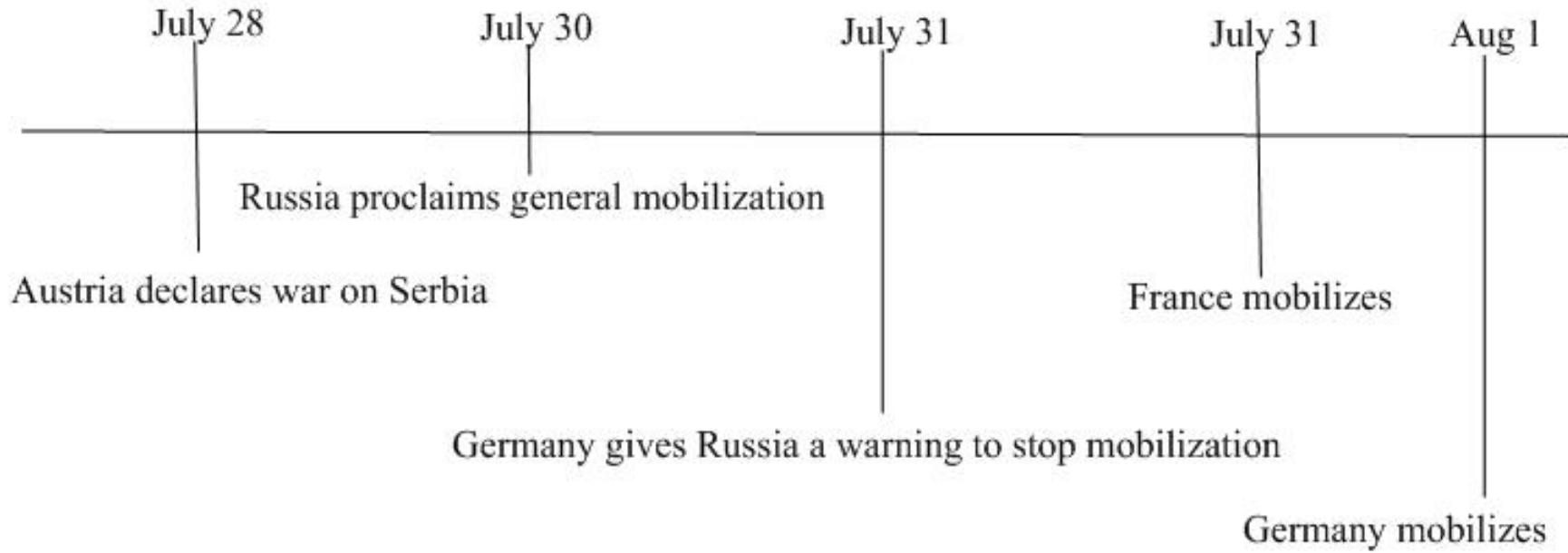
Germany had the largest army and was the most powerful country.

Germany's worst fear was encirclement and a two front war.

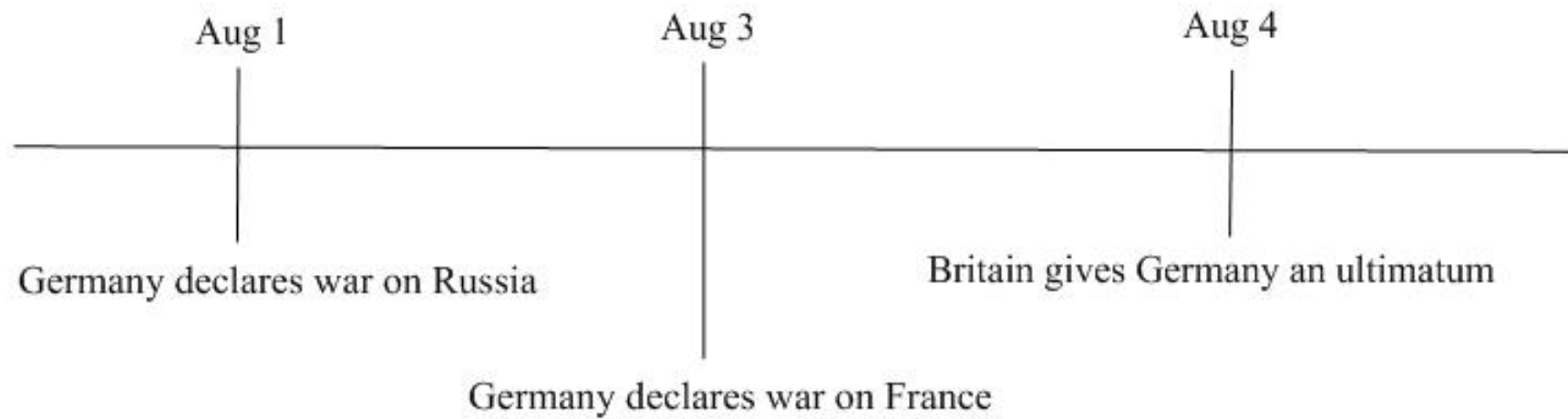
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