

# Warm Up

These children are playing with Marks, which was the German currency during the Weimar Republic.



- 1. What does this picture tell you about the value of the Mark?**
- 2. How did this happen?**
- 3. Explain how you think people in Germany felt about this.**

# The Rise of Dictators



# Spain

Gen. Francisco  
Franco

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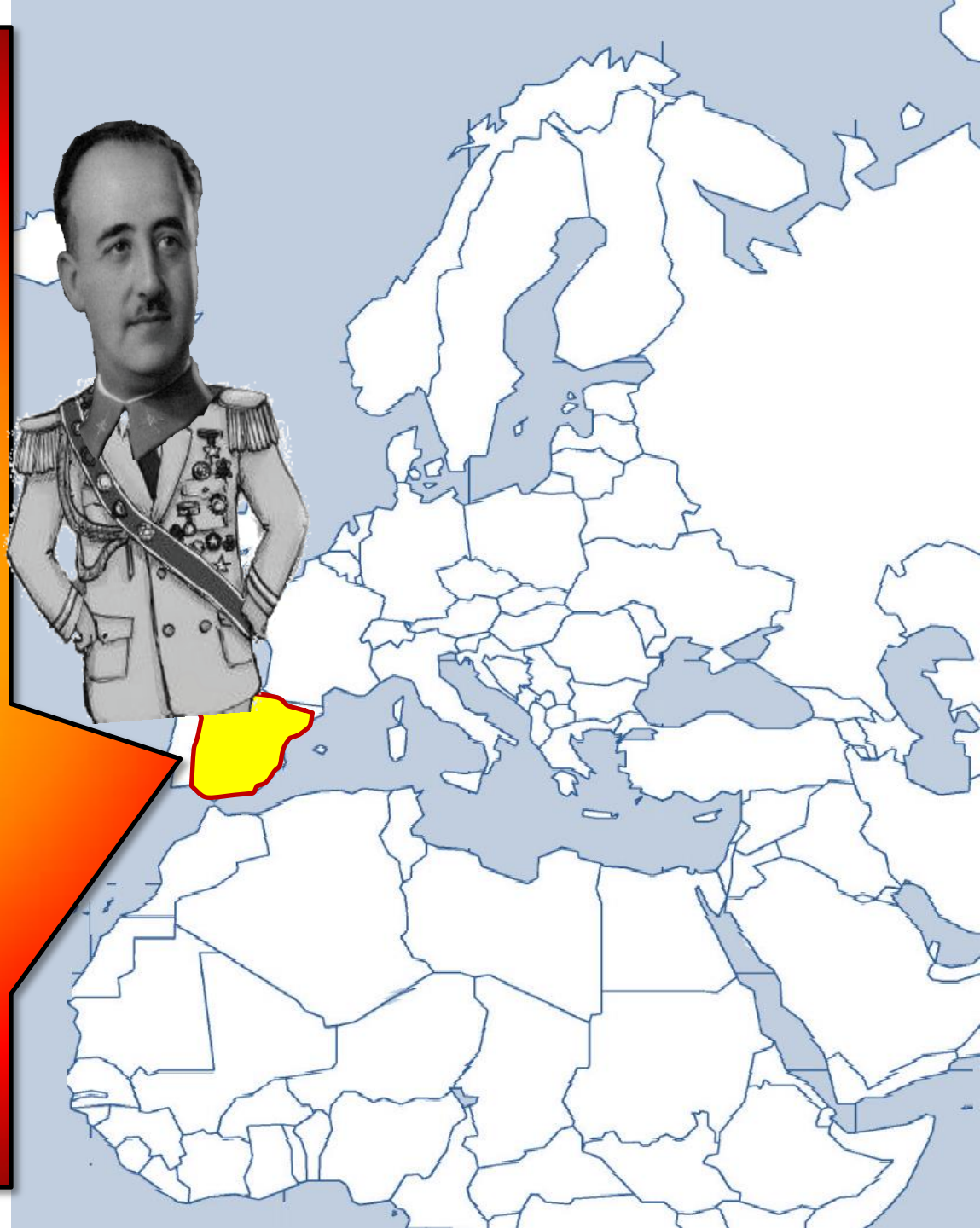
Falange (Fascist)

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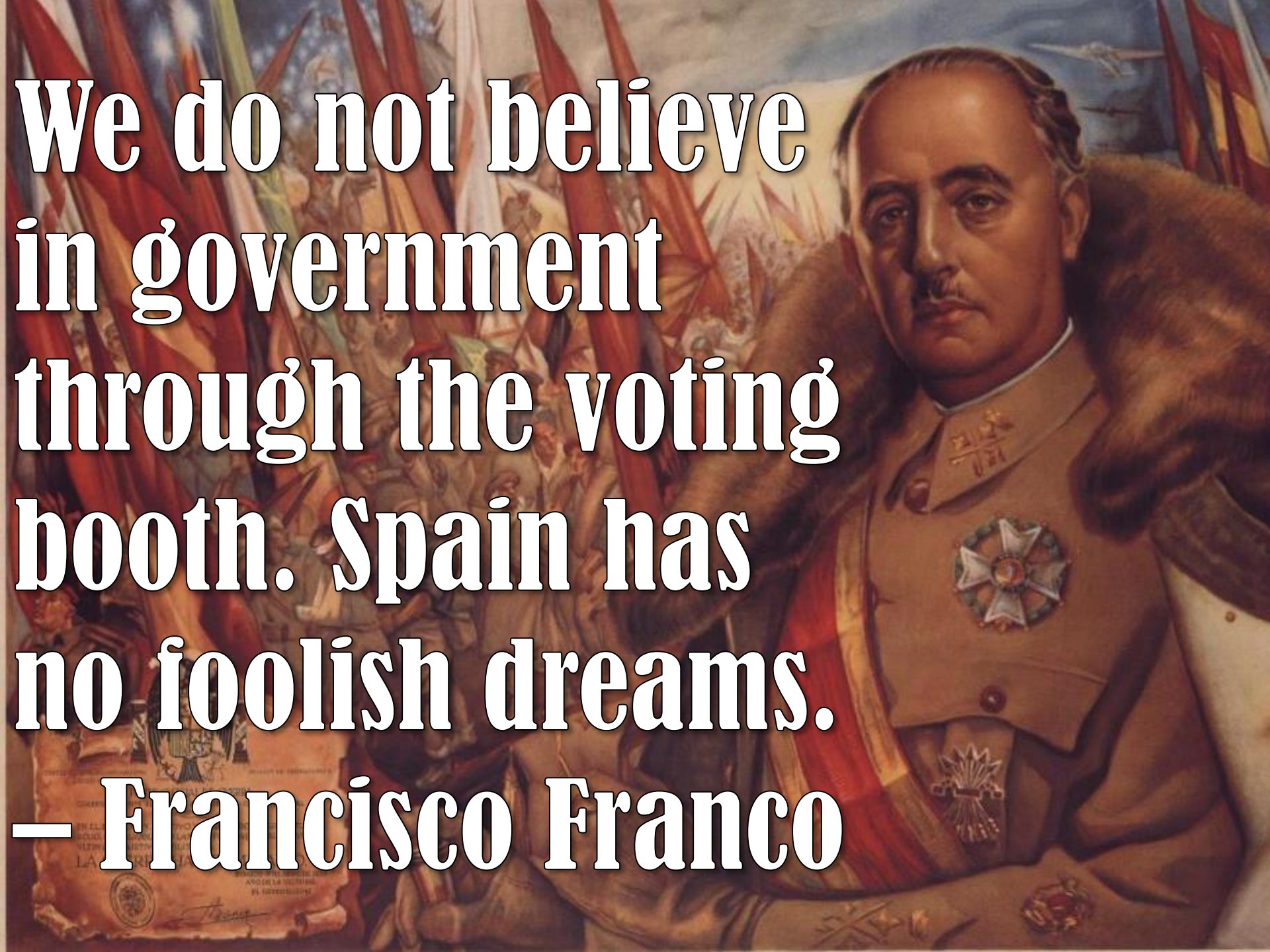
Comes to power in  
civil war with  
German & Italian  
help

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Neutral in WWII



**We do not believe  
in government  
through the voting  
booth. Spain has  
no foolish dreams.  
– Francisco Franco**



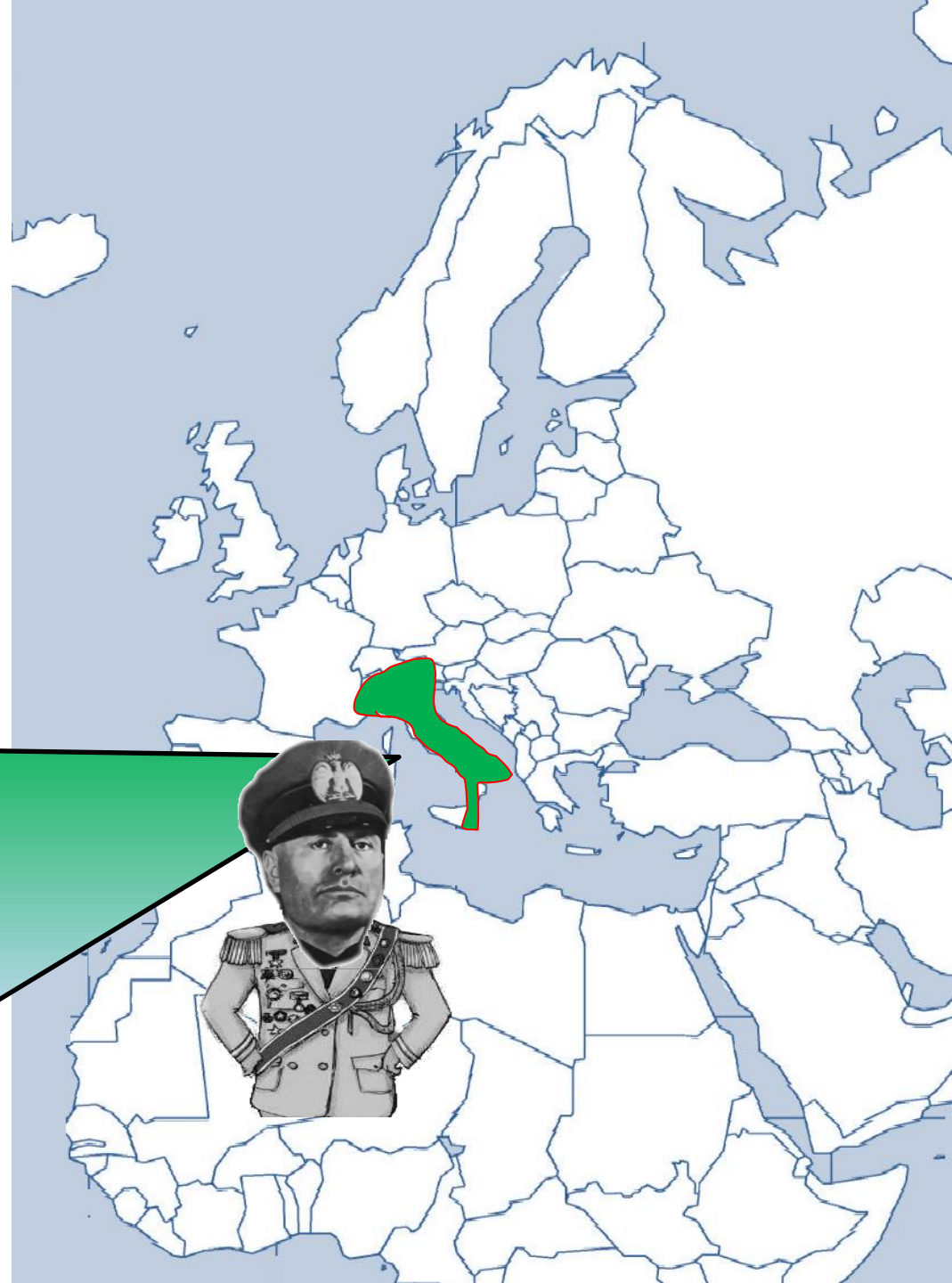
# Italy

**Benito Mussolini  
(Il Duce)**

**Fascist Party**

**Promises to revive  
economy & Restore  
the glory of the  
Roman Empire**

**Invades Ethiopia &  
Albania**





**Let us have a dagger  
between our teeth, a  
bomb in our hands,  
and an infinite scorn  
in our hearts.**

**-Benito  
Mussolini**

# Germany

Adolf Hitler  
(Der Fuhrer)

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Nazi Party

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Blames fire in Reichstag on  
Communists

Uses Jews as scapegoats,  
published his book *Mein Kampf*

Takes the Rhineland,  
Sudetenland, and  
Czechoslovakia



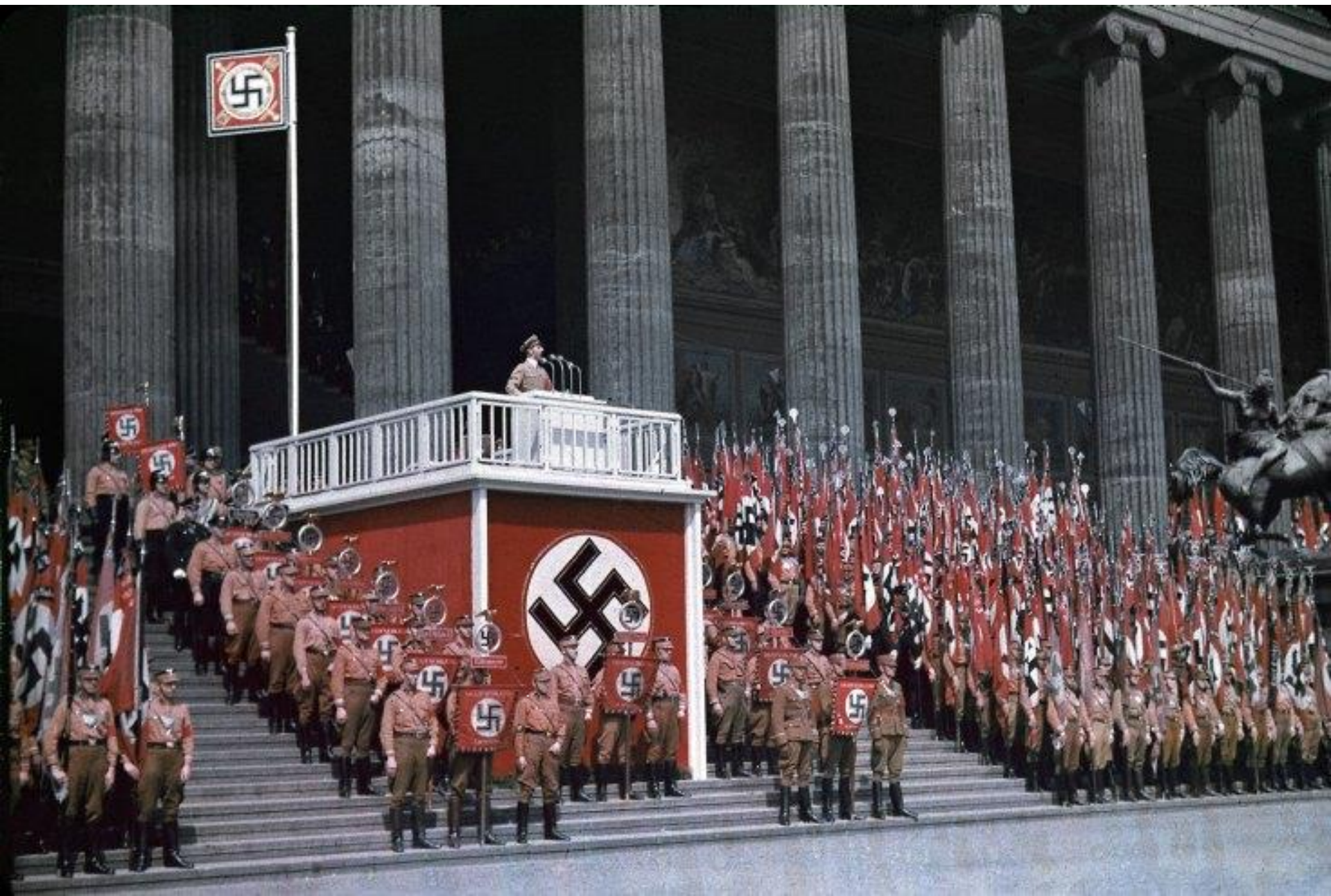
**“Make the lie big,  
make it simple,  
keep saying it, and  
eventually they  
will believe it.”**

**-Adolf Hitler**











# **Soviet Union**

**Joseph Stalin  
(Man of Steel)**

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**Communist**

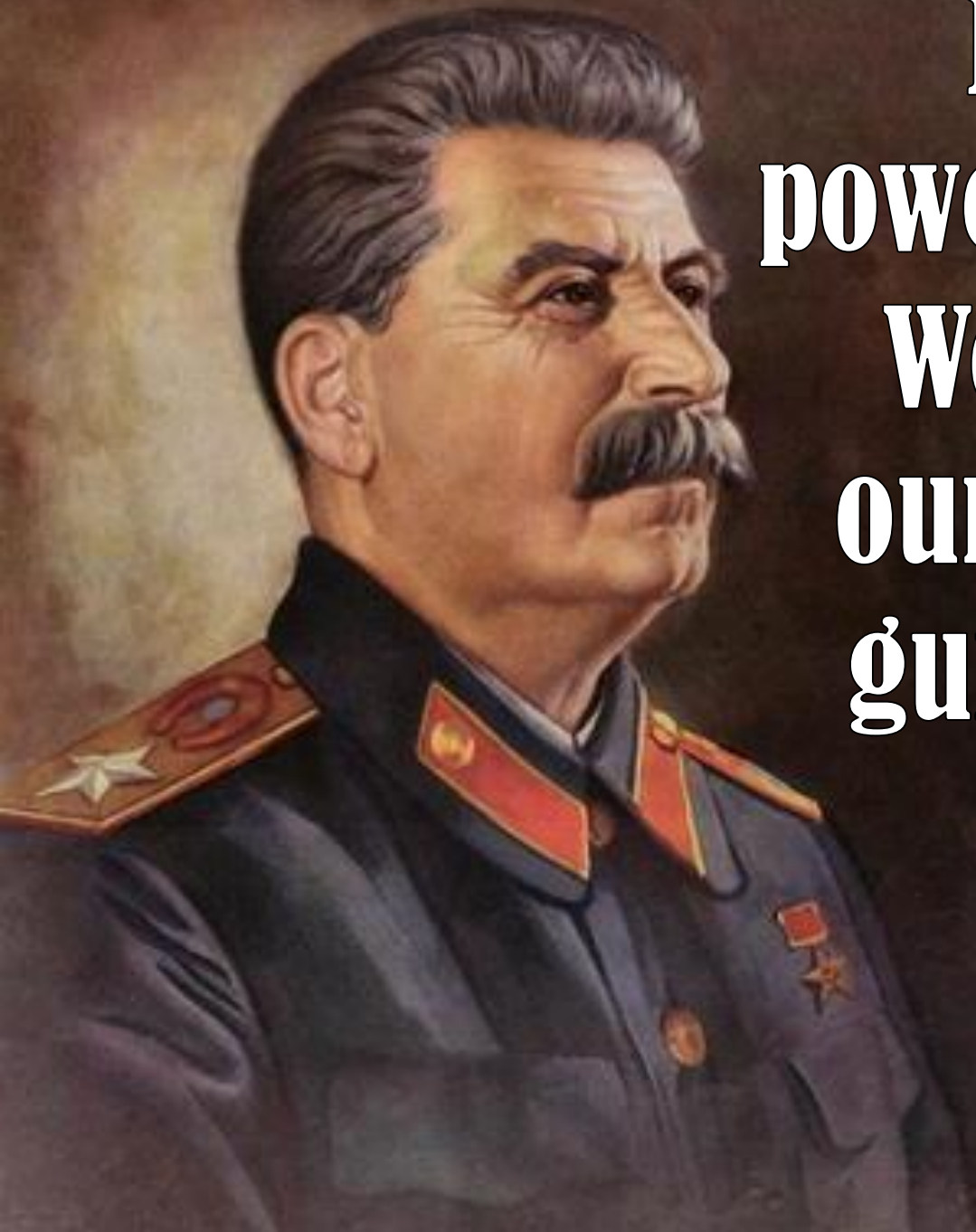
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**Eliminates all competition after  
Lenin's death**

**Uses 5 year plans to industrialize**

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**Signs non-aggression pact with  
Germany & invades Latvia,  
Lithuania, & Estonia**



**Ideas are more  
powerful than guns.**

**We would not let  
our enemies have  
guns. Why should  
we let them  
have ideas?**

**-Joseph Stalin**

# Japan

Gen. Hideki Tojo &  
Emperor Hirohito

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Militarists

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Prime Minister Tojo &  
militarists control the  
country

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Invade Manchuria, China  
for iron & coal



**Emperor Hirohito  
will believe what  
we tell him to  
believe.**

**-Hideki Tojo**

