

CHAPTER 27

THE DEEPENING OF THE EUROPEAN CRISIS: WORLD WAR II

CHAPTER OUTLINE

- I. Prelude to War (1933-1939)
 - A. The Role of Hitler
 - B. The “Diplomatic Revolution” (1933-1936)
 - 1. German Rearmament
 - 2. Occupation of the Rhineland
 - 3. New Alliances
 - C. The Path to War in Europe (1937-1939)
 - 1. Ongoing Rearmament
 - 2. Union with Austria
 - 3. Czechoslovakia
 - 4. Poland
 - D. The Path to War in Asia
 - 1. Japanese Goals in East Asia
- II. The Course of World War II
 - A. Victory and Stalemate
 - 1. Hitler’s Attack in the West
 - 2. The Problem of Britain
 - 3. Invasion of the Soviet Union
 - B. The War in Asia
 - C. The Turning Point of the War (1942-1943)
 - 1. Battle of Stalingrad
 - 2. Battle of Midway
 - D. The Last Years of the War
 - 1. Allied Advances in the West
 - 2. Soviet Offensive in the East
 - 3. Defeat of Japan
- III. The New Order
 - A. The Nazi Empire
 - 1. Plans for an Aryan Racial Empire
 - 2. Economic Exploitation
 - 3. Use of Foreign Workers
 - B. Resistance Movements
 - 1. Resistance Movements in Nazi-Occupied Europe
 - 2. Resistance Movements in Germany
 - C. The Holocaust
 - 1. Early Nazi Policy
 - 2. The SS and the *Einsatzgruppen*
 - 3. The Death Camps
 - 4. The Other Holocaust
 - D. The New Order in Asia

IV. The Home Front

A. The Mobilization of Peoples

1. Great Britain
2. The Soviet Union
3. The United States
4. Germany
5. Japan

B. Frontline Civilians: The Bombing of Cities

1. *Luftwaffe* Attacks
2. The Bombing of Germany
3. The Bombing of Japan: The Atomic Bomb

V. Aftermath of the War: Cold War

A. The Costs of World War II

B. The Allied War Conferences

1. The Conference at Tehran
2. The Yalta Conference
3. Intensifying Differences
4. The Potsdam Conference

C. The Emergence of the Cold War

VI. Conclusion