

“In Flanders Fields” by John McCrae



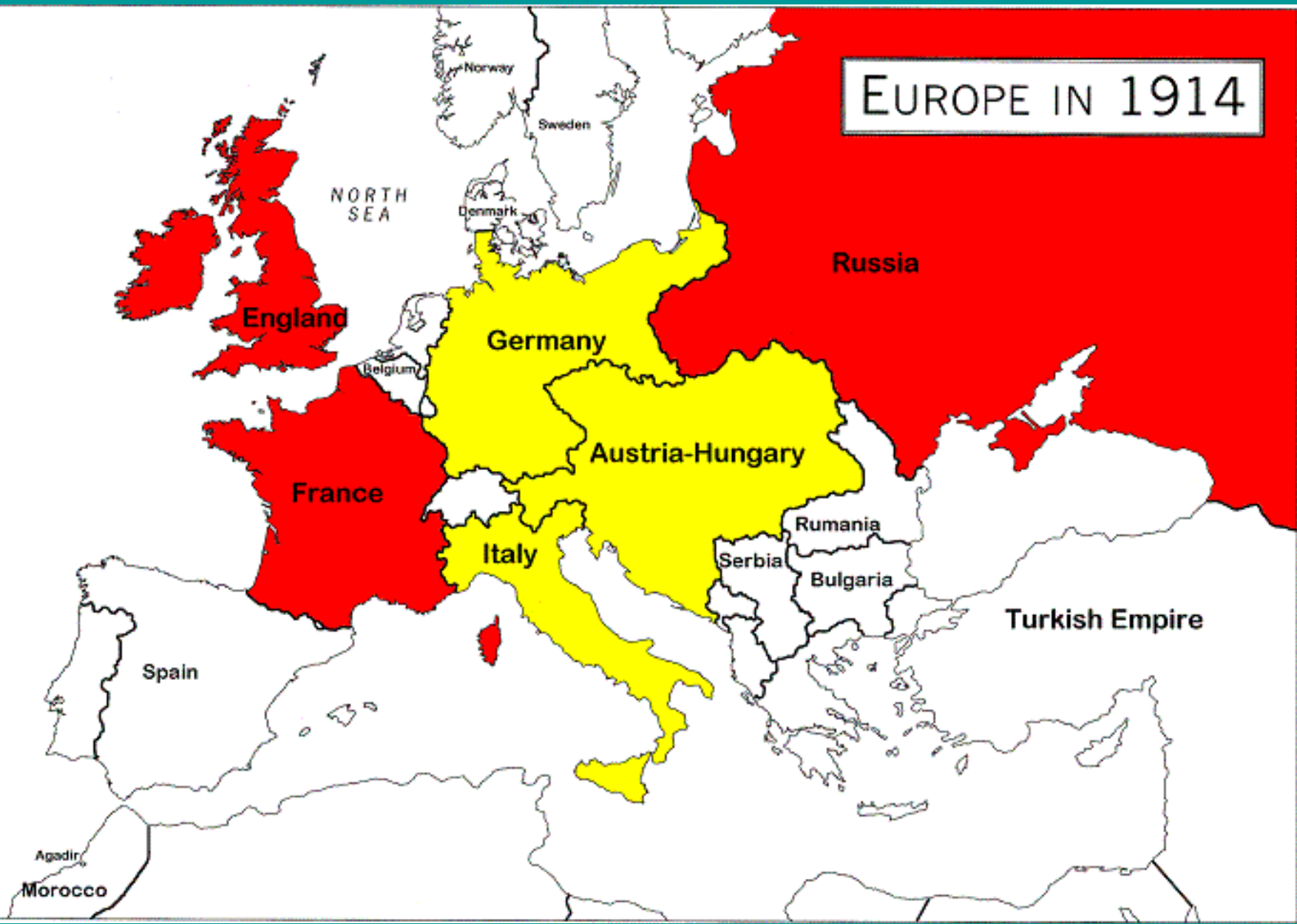
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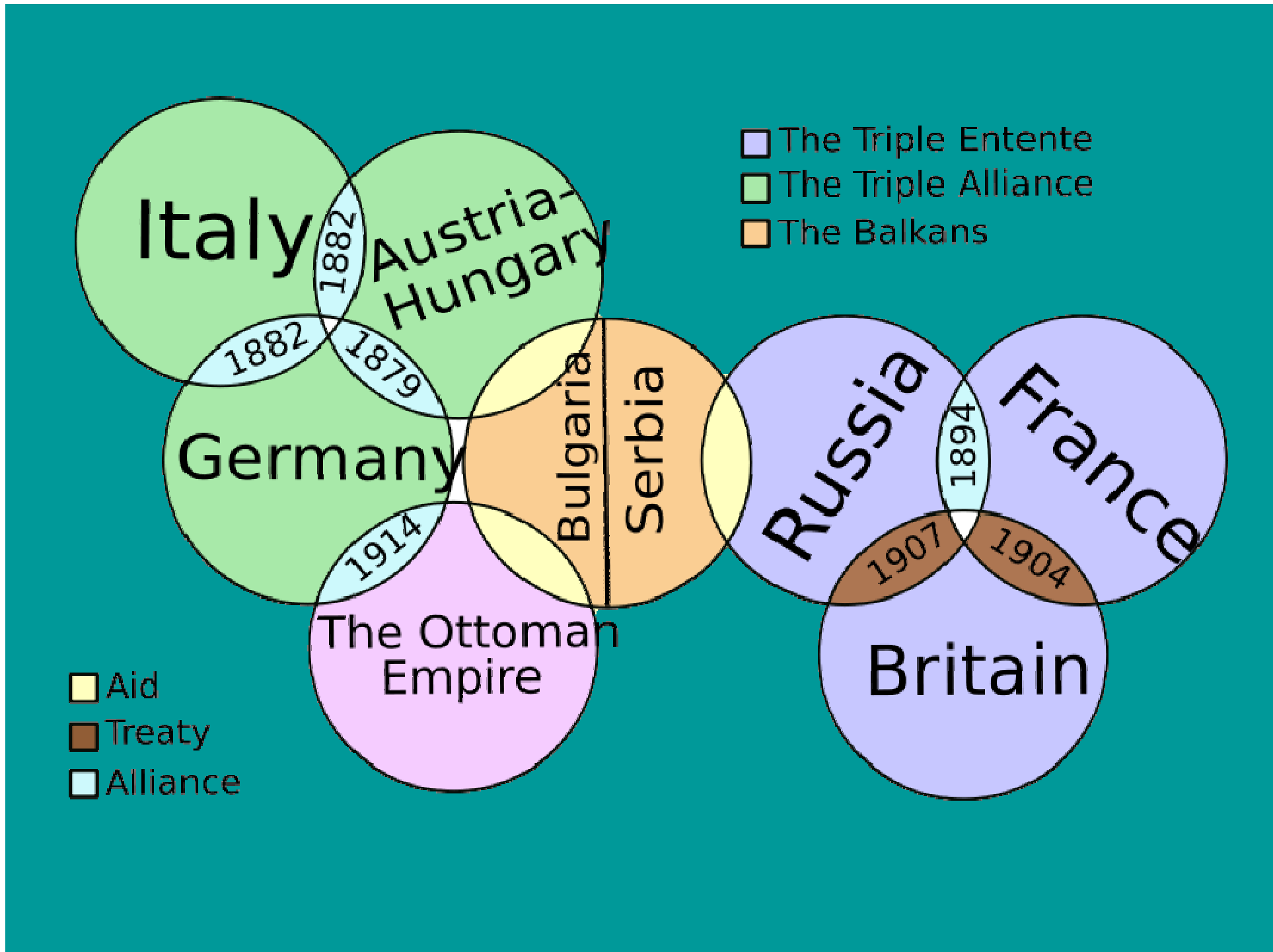
- Started as deterrent to war
- Germany and Austria-Hungary (1879)
- Italy joined (1882) to form **TRIPLE ALLIANCE**

- France and Russia (1894)
- Britain and France formed entente cordiale (1904)
- Britain and Russia formed entente: **TRIPLE ENTENTE** (1907)

EUROPE IN 1914

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Causes

- **Alliances:** Triple Alliance and Triple Entente
- **Imperialism:** Germany wanted colonies in Africa. Britain and France wanted to protect their colonies.
- **Militarism:** navies, Schlieffen plan
- **Nationalism:** pro-self interests
- **Spark:** Assassination of Archduke Franz Ferdinand on June 28, 1914

Archduke Franz Ferdinand and Gavrilo Princip





Technology of War

- Modern Steel helmet
- Gases (Chlorine, Mustard) and gas masks
- Flamethrowers
(Kleinflammenwerfer/Grossflammenwerfer)
- High explosive shells
- Machine guns
- Tanks
- Barbed wire
- Zig-zag trenches
- Submarines (u-boats)



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Life in the Trenches

- Mud
- Rats
- Bombs
- Dark
- Gas





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