

NATIONALISM THREATENS OLD EMPIRES

- I. Fading Power
 - a. 1800 – Hapsburgs oldest power in Europe
 - i. control Austria, Bohemia, Hungary, Romania, Poland, Ukraine, Italy
 - b. Challenge of Change
 - i. Since Congress of Vienna – Austria try to prevent change
 - 1. no constitution
 - 2. prevent industrialization to preserve old way of life
 - ii. 1840's cities, poverty, socialism all begin developing in Austria
 - c. Patchwork of People
 - i. Less than ¼ were German speaking Austrians
 - ii. ½ were Slavs – Czechs, Slovaks, Croats, Serbs, Poles, Ukrainian, Slovenes
 - iii. significant numbers of Hungarians and Italians
 - d. Early Reforms
 - i. Francis Joseph becomes Emperor of Austria
 - ii. Challenges to power
 - 1. 1859 - humiliating loss to France and Sardinia
 - 2. Francis Joseph sees weakness in empire, so reform
 - a. Set up constitution and legislature
 - b. Was dominated by German speaking Austrians
 - i. Other ethnic groups not happy because didn't have power
- II. Dual Monarchy
 - a. 1866 loss to Prussia in Austro-Prussian war force political change
 - b. Francis Deak force Austria to give Hungary more power
 - c. Set up dual Monarchy
 - i. Francis Joseph – Emperor of Austria, King of Hungary
 - ii. Austria & Hungary share finances, military foreign affairs, but were independent for everything else
 - 1. Hungary had its own constitution and legislature
 - d. Encouraged Slavs and other groups to demand more rights and freedom
- III. Balkan Nationalism
 - a. Ottoman Empire
 - i. Stretch from Balkans through Middle East to North Africa
 - ii. Nationalism start to tear Ottoman's apart
 - 1. Serbs get independence 1817, Greece 1830
 - 2. 1800's series of revolts to get own countries
 - b. Sick Man of Europe
 - i. Europeans see Ottoman's as weak so come to take lands
 - 1. Russia come to take Istanbul

2. Austria-Hungary take Bosnia and Herzegovina
- ii. Were several wars between European powers to get control in this area