The 1930s & Kristallnacht

• Film tomorrow, 6:30-9:45, Phelps 1160
  Anne Frank: The Whole Story (2001)
• Proposals back at end of class
  1. Hitler wrap-up (10 mins, also questions)
  2. The 1930s (compare textbook ch. 5 & 6)

1919/20; 1935 Texts

• Sept. 1919 letter: 1st antisemitic text
  [Landau textbook, Appendix C, p. 298]
  – See also:
    App. D: Feb. 1920 NSDAP Program
      (note 1-10 vs. 11-21; what about 22-25?)
  App. E: Sept. 1935 Nuremberg Laws
    Innocuous?
    What is important? (implementation, par. 5)

Hitler’s Coup (Putsch) Attempt, Nov. 1923

• Trial defense:
  I am no monarchist, but ultimately a Republican. Pöhner is a monarchist,
  Ludendorff is devoted to the House of Hohenzollern. Despite our different
  attitudes we all stood together. The fate of Germany does not lie in the
  choice between a Republic or a Monarchy, but in the content of the
  Republic and the Monarchy. What I am contending against is not the form
  of a state as such, but its ignominious content. We wanted to create in
  Germany the precondition which alone will make it possible for the iron
  grip of our enemies to be removed from us. We wanted to create order in
  the state. throw out the drones, take up the fight against international
  stock exchange slavery, against our whole economy being cornered
  by trusts, against the politicizing of the trade unions, and above all, for
  the highest honorable duty which we, as Germans, know should be once
  more introduced—the duty of bearing arms, military service. And now I
  ask you: Is what we wanted high treason? . . .
  in: Pridham & Noakes vol. 1, 34f

In this time of bitter wrestling between educating my
soul and cold rationality, the Vienna streets did me
an invaluable service by giving me a concrete
lesson. The day arrived when I wasn't wandering the
streets of the mighty city overwhelmed anymore,
and I took in not only the buildings but also the
people.
Once while I was walking through the city I
suddenly encountered an appearance in a long black
robe with black curls.
Is this also a Jew? was my first thought. They hadn't
looked like that in Linz. I covertly and cautiously
observed the man …

Mein Kampf (My Struggle)
**Antisemitism: Vienna or Munich?**

- Four deliberate distortions in *Mein Kampf*:
  1. relationship to father
  2. poverty/work in Vienna
  3. formation of his "world view" (antisem.) in Vienna
  4. date of move from Vienna to Munich (May 1913)

  *Mein Kampf* written to portray a "straight line" for Hitler's followers

- 1930s Chancellory document collection:
  6 fake documents Jan-May 1919

---

**Terms & theme of unity, I**

- *Ein Volk, ein Reich, ein Führer*
  One people, one empire, one leader

- *Volksgemeinschaft*: community of the people includes *and* excludes

- *Führerprinzip*: Leader principle
  Führer's will is the people's will, he makes laws

- *Gleichschaltung*: "coordination"—all state and local gov'ts have same proportion as national

- *Eintopfsontag*: one-pot Sunday (meal)
  everyone helping out together for the state

---

**Terms & theme of unity, II**

- *Volksempfänger*: People's radio

- *Volkswagen*: People's car

- *KdF*: Kraft durch Freude
  (Strength through Joy)

---

**One-Pot Meal Sundays**

- 1933-1945: Every Sunday, Oct.-March
- 1942: “Opfersonntag” (Sacrifice-Sunday)

---

**Creating Feeling of Unity**

1935, Karlsruhe
1933: "Hitler's" Autobahns

- Apr. 1, 1933: boycott of Jewish businesses
- May 10, 1933: burning of books

1933: Aryan vs. non-Aryan

Reichstag Fire: Emergency Decree

Reich Law Gazette

Published in Berlin, 28th February 1933
Nr. 17

Decree of the Reich President on the preservation of the order and the public, 20th February 1933.

§ 1

The authorities of the Länder and the local level must perform the following duties, in accordance with decree of the government of the Reich set out in § 2:

- Shall the necessary measures to restore public order and to bring to an end the lawless, the violation of house orders and confiscation of property and deprivations of property rights.

1933: March 5 election

- March 5: Hitler in Hugenberg's pocket (David Low cartoon in Evening Standard)

1933, March 21 “Day of Potsdam”

Hitler (44) and Hindenburg (85)

1933: March 24 Enabling Act

Reich Law Gazette

Published in Berlin, 24th March 1933
Nr. 25

Law concerning the ensuring of the emergency of the people and the Reich, 24th March 1933:

- The laws passed by the government of the Reich will be excluded by the Chancellor and announced in the Law Gazette. This applies only to laws that have not been published within 5 days of their publication. Articles 6-17 of the constitution do not apply to the laws passed by the government of the Reich.

- The laws passed by the Reich government do not have to adhere to the constitution provided that the inclusion of the Reichstag and Reich President in the constitution of the Reich was not due to the will of the President of the Reich and the Reich President.
### How much coercion? Statistics

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>City</th>
<th>Population</th>
<th># Gestapo</th>
<th>Ratio</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>Dusseldorf</td>
<td>500,000</td>
<td>126</td>
<td>1: 4,000</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Essen</td>
<td>650,000</td>
<td>43</td>
<td>1:15,000</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Wurzburg</td>
<td>840,000</td>
<td>22</td>
<td>1:38,000</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

### Aug. 1936 Olympics, Berlin

1936 Degenerate Art Exhibition

1937 Mussolini Visit

Memorial planned in Berlin for Axis victory

Stuttgart - Bad Cannstatt

### 1936: Rhineland Remilitarization

### 1938 Austria Annexation
1938 Anschluss referendum

Step by Step:
- 1933 Germany leaves the League of Nations created by Versailles!
- 1934 Reconstruction of the Wehrmacht, the navy and the Luftwaffe begun!
- 1935 Saarland brought back home!
- Armed power of the Reich regained!
- 1936 Rheinland completely liberated!
- 1937 The myth of war guilt ceremoniously extinguishe!d!
- 1938 Germany and Austria united in the Reich! Greater Germany achieved!

Therefore, the whole of Germany will acknowledge their liberator on 10th April.
Adolf Hitler All say: YES!

1938 Austria Referendum

“The same blood belongs to a common empire”