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Garrison State School of Thought
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Extraction School of Thought
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Austria-Hungary: The Dual Monarchy
HEIR TO AUSTRIA’S THRONE IS SLAIN WITH HIS WIFE BY A BOSNIAN YOUTH TO Avenge SEizure OF HIS COUNTRY

Francis Ferdinand Shot During State Visit to Sarajevo.

Our guns fire on Santo Domingo.

Two Attacks in a Day

Archbishop Saves His Life First Time by Knocking Aside a Bomb Shaped at Atocha.

SLAIN IN SECOND ATTEMPT

Laid Estates of Car on the Royal Grant to Return to Tovar Hall and Kills Both of Them.

Laid to a Serbian Plot

Their Warned Not to Go to Bosniac Territory.

Slain by Assassin's Bullets.
Austria-Hungary: Garrison State Argument

- Suspension of Austrian Parliament, Crownland Parliaments
- Censorship: War Surveillance Office and Commission
- Military Administration in War Zones: Military Trials
- Mass internment of questionable minorities
- Imprisonment of ethnic minority leaders

Military believes that any expression of nationalism by minorities is proof of treason and a 5th column.
Austria-Hungary: Mobilization

**Hunger**

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**Death**

Population (1914): 54 million
Mobilized: 7.8 million
a) Killed or Died: 1.2 million
b) Wounded: 3.6 million
c) POWs and Missing: 2.2 million
Total (a+b+c)=7 million
Austria-Hungary: Extraction Argument

- Opening of Austrian Parliament; Discussion of Reform
- Relaxation of Censorship Outside War Zones
- Reduction of Military Control; Return to Civilian Trials
- Closing of Many Camps; Refugee Camps Allow Movement
- Amnesty for Ethnic Minority Leaders
- Hungary Resists Liberalization
Austria Hungary: Collapse
African American Soldiers in World War II

Henry Johnson, WWI Vet

54th Massachusetts Regiment
Samuel Stouffer, Director
Purpose: increase morale and unit effectiveness
Motivation: Extrinsic vs. Intrinsic
New tool: survey research
First Survey: 8 December 1941
Scope: thousands of surveys and half a million participants by end of war
High technology: IBM punch card tabulators
The American Soldier Project (4 vols.)
March 1943

Random sample of black soldiers: 2,992; supplemental 4,450
Random sample of white soldiers: 4,793
Continental troops only
Army (and Army Air Corp) only
Two step sample: 1) organizational sample; 2) probability sample
Q50: Which of these things do you think Negroes back home in civilian life should try hardest to do now?
1. Try hardest to make things better for the Negro. 28%
2. Try hardest to win the war first. 33%
3. Try to do both at the same time. 36%
4. Undecided. 3%

Q44: After the war do you think that you yourself will have more rights and privileges or less rights and privileges than you had before the war?
1. More rights and privileges than before the war. 43%
2. About the same as before the war. 38%
3. Less rights and privileges than before the war. 6%
4. Undecided. 12%

Q54: Do you think that after the war Negroes in this country will have more rights and privileges or less rights and privileges than they had before the war?
1. They will have more rights and privileges than before the war. 43%
2. About the same. 34%
3. They will have less rights and privileges than before the war. 7%
4. Undecided. 16%
Q44: After the war do you think that you yourself will have more rights and privileges or less rights and privileges than you had before the war?
Q54: Do you think that after the war Negroes in this country will have more rights and privileges or less rights and privileges than they had before the war?
Q74. Do you think it is a good idea or a poor idea for white and Negro soldiers to have separate PX's in Army camps?

1. It is a good idea. 40%
2. It is a poor idea. 47%
3. Undecided. 11%
4. No answer. 2%

Q76. Do you think it is a good idea or a poor idea for white and Negro soldiers to have separate service clubs in Army camps?

1. It is a good idea. 47%
2. It is a poor idea. 38%
3. Undecided. 12%
4. No answer. 3%

Q77. Do you think white and Negro soldiers should be in separate outfits or should they be together in the same outfit?

1. They should be in separate outfits. 37%
2. They should be together in the same outfits. 35%
3. It does not make any difference. 17%
4. Undecided. 9%
5. No answer. 2%
Iran-Iraq War (1980-88)
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Religious Cleavage:
- 60% Shia
- 30% Sunni
- 10% Other

Ethnic Cleavage:
- 75-80% Arab
- 15% Kurd
- 5-10% Other
Iran-Iraq War (1980-88)

- Mobilization at peak in 1986: ~1.5 million
- Killed in War: ~180,000-500,000

Four Phases of War
1) Iraq on the Offensive (1980)
2) Iran Counter-Offensive (1981-82)
3) Stalemate (1982-1987)
4) Iraq on the Offensive (1987-88)
Iran-Iraq War (1980-88)

- Garrison State
  - Ruthless Repression of Shia of Iranian Origin; ~200,000 deported or in camps
  - Security services expanded
  - Shia imams become state employees; sermons censored.

- Extraction
  - Defining the In-group: Loyal Shia Arabs and Disloyal Shia of Iranian Origin
  - Celebrate Shia Arabs
  - Promote Shia Arabs in the Officers Corps
  - 40% of seats in National Assembly reserved for Shia
  - Shia given leadership positions within the Regional Command
  - Economic benefits to Shia
  - Negotiations with the Kurds: Autonomy for Service
Conclusions

• Neither the *Garrison State* or the *Extraction* Arguments Tell Whole Story

• Large-Scale Mobilization is the Key for the J-Curve

• Appears to Occur in Many Types of States and Across History

• The War on Terror: Only *Garrison State* Pressure
Backup Slides
Kingdoms and countries of Austria-Hungary:


Extraction School: War increases rights

**Independent Variable:**
- War
  - Mobilization & Domestic Resource Extraction
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  - Rally Around Flag
    - Domestic Resistance
      - Economic Concessions
      - Renege On Offer
        - (-) (+) (+)
      - Government Persuasion
        - If successful
        - If fails
        - (+)
  - Renege On Offer
    - (-)
    - (+)
    - (+)
  - Reward For Service After War
    - (+)
  - Solves Social Unrest Problem

**Dependent Variable:**
- Rights
  - Collective Political Rights
  - Individual Political Rights
  - Civil Rights
    - (+)
    - (+)
    - (+)
  - Political Concessions: Promises for After War
    - (+)
    - (+)
  - Political Concessions: During War
    - (+)
  - If fails
  - If successful

(+): Increase
(-): Decrease
Garrison State: War decreases rights

Independent Variable: War

- Rally Around Flag
- Domestic Opposition To War
- Worry About Inefficient Mobilization
- Fear of External Enemy
- Fear of 5th Column At Home
- Scapegoat Domestic Groups

Dependent Variable: Rights

- Civil Rights
- Collective Political Rights
- Individual Political Rights

(+) indicates increase; (-) indicates decrease.