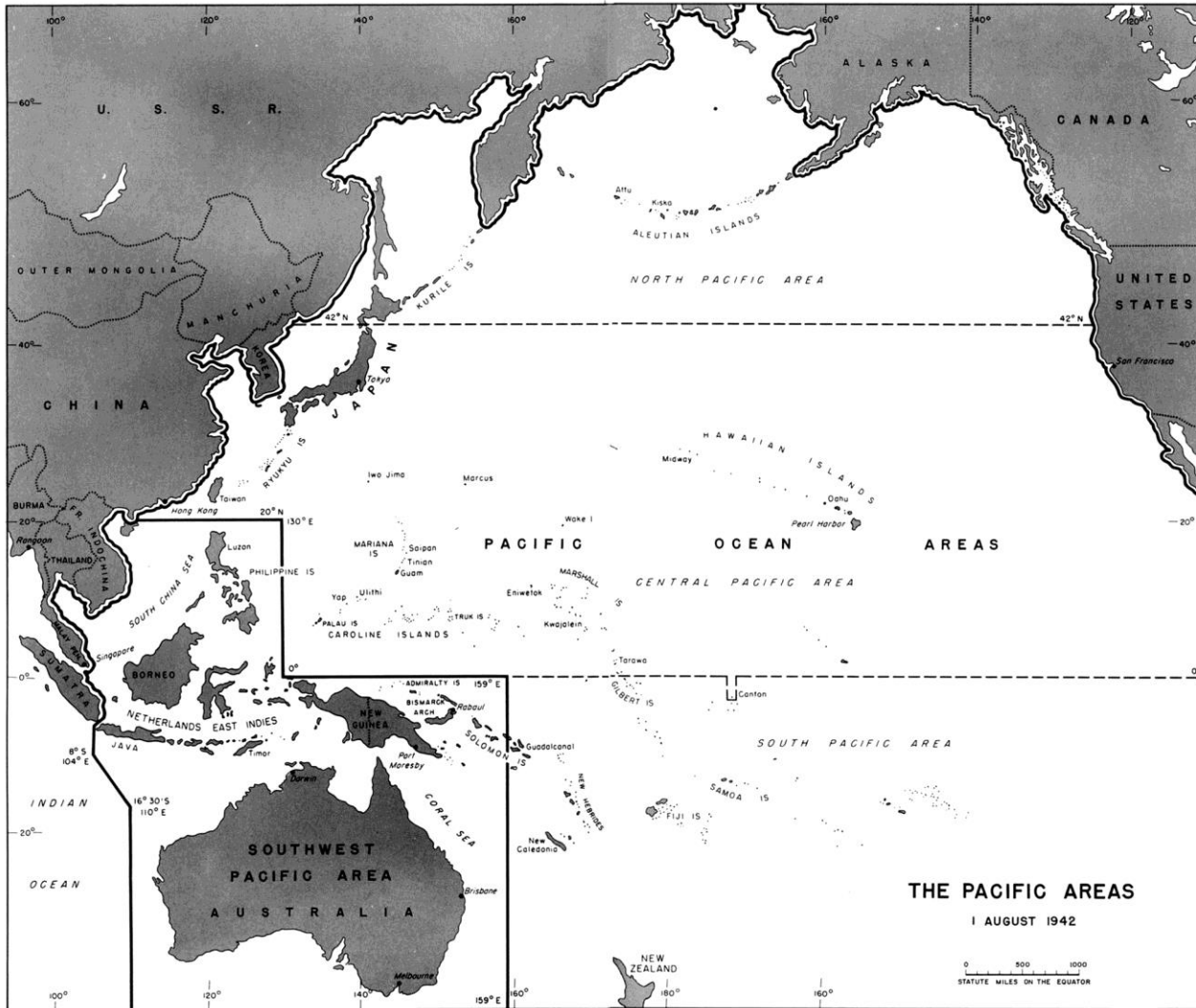


# The Road to War-The Pacific

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# The Pacific View



Major Players:

- The United States
- Japan
- China

# Emperor Hirohito

- 1929 - Head of the state
- Was seen as a great symbol of the state
- Did not lead by force
- Helped lead Japan in economic dominance through foreign expansion



# Invasion of Manchuria

- Japanese invested heavily in Northern China
- Rich in iron and coal
- 1931 - Japan seized Manchuria
- Japan's attack went against the League of Nations, which was formed and sought to keep peace after WWI

# Imperial Japan

- Japan became dominant in the 1920's
- Japan & China peacefully existed
- A border incident between Japan & China sparked in 1937
- Japan invades China

# Imperial Japan

- The U.S. wanted to end Japanese aggression in China
  - Imposed economic sanctions on Japan
- Japan saw The United States and other countries as a major threat to its dominance in Asia
- Japan upset that Asians are not respected around the world
- Japan began to plot against The U.S.

# The Tripartite Pact

- Also known as the Berlin Pact
- Propaganda aimed at intimidating The U.S.
- Pact that officiated the alliance between Germany, Italy and Japan
- Military Alliance
- September 27, 1940

