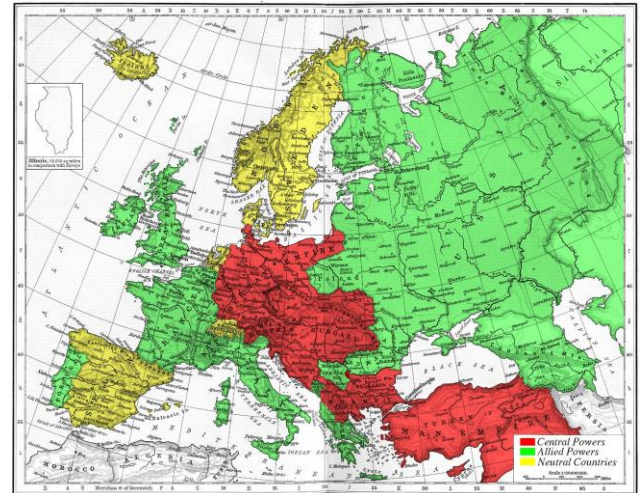




The Drift into Alliances

- German backing of Austria = France and Russia pushed closer together.
- **1894 Franco – Russian Treaty =**
 - a) Mutual assistance
 - b) French money into Russia
 - c) War planning really begins
- Britain still in ‘splendid isolation’
- **1904 Entente Cordiale** between Britain and France =
 - a) Clear up international rivalry.
 - b) Not military treaty.
 - c) Scares Germany – ‘encirclement.’



1905 Moroccan Crisis

- France trade privileges in Morocco
- Kaiser goes to Tangiers-offers support.
- Britain vague offers to tighten Entente Cordiale
- Déclassé felt this was formal offer.
- Germans furious – want Déclassé sacked.
- 1906 Algeiras Conference settlement
- Britain and Russia offer firmer backing to France
- German Plan backfires. (See sources)
- **1907 Anglo-Russian convention =**
 - a) Clears up rivalries.
 - b) Closer links.
 - c) Triple Entente taking shape.

1911 Second Moroccan Crisis

- French troops to deal with Rebellion.
- Germans send Panther to Agadir
- Britain offers support
- Oct 1911 Agreement
- France in Morocco, Germans gain Congo=
 - a) Britain and France closer
 - b) Britain formally plans BEF to France if Invaded.
 - c) Naval Agreement – Britain in North Sea and Channel, France in Mediterranean

Result:

By 1912 there are two armed camps in Europe – The Triple Entente and the Triple Alliance. This had serious implications for Germany and it's position in Europe.