

Cold War Heats Up

1948-1952



USSR Gets The Bomb (1949)

- * Americans shocked
- * Belief that American spies helped
- * US develops hydrogen bomb in response

1st Soviet Nuclear Test



US Hydrogen Bomb (1952)





**TSAR BOMBA--LARGEST BOMB EVER DETONATED
(1961)**



Red Hunting at Home

- * Loyalty Review Board created by Truman
- * 11 communists arrested and sent to prison
 - * Sedition in peacetime
- * Supreme Court upholds convictions

HUAC

- ✱ House Un-American Activities Committee
- ✱ Root out communists and subversives
- ✱ Members included Rep. Richard Nixon (CA)

Young Nixon



AP File / Bill Achatz 1948

Alger Hiss (1948)

- * Member of State Department
- * Accused of being a Soviet Spy
- * Tried and convicted for perjury
 - * Too long ago for espionage charges

Hiss testifies at HUAC





UNITED STATES ARMY
WEST POINT, MISSOURI
LEWIS, MARYLAND

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FIRST NAME

The Rosenbergs

- * Julius and Ethel
- * Convicted of espionage
- * Helping USSR get the bomb
- * Sent to the electric chair (1953)







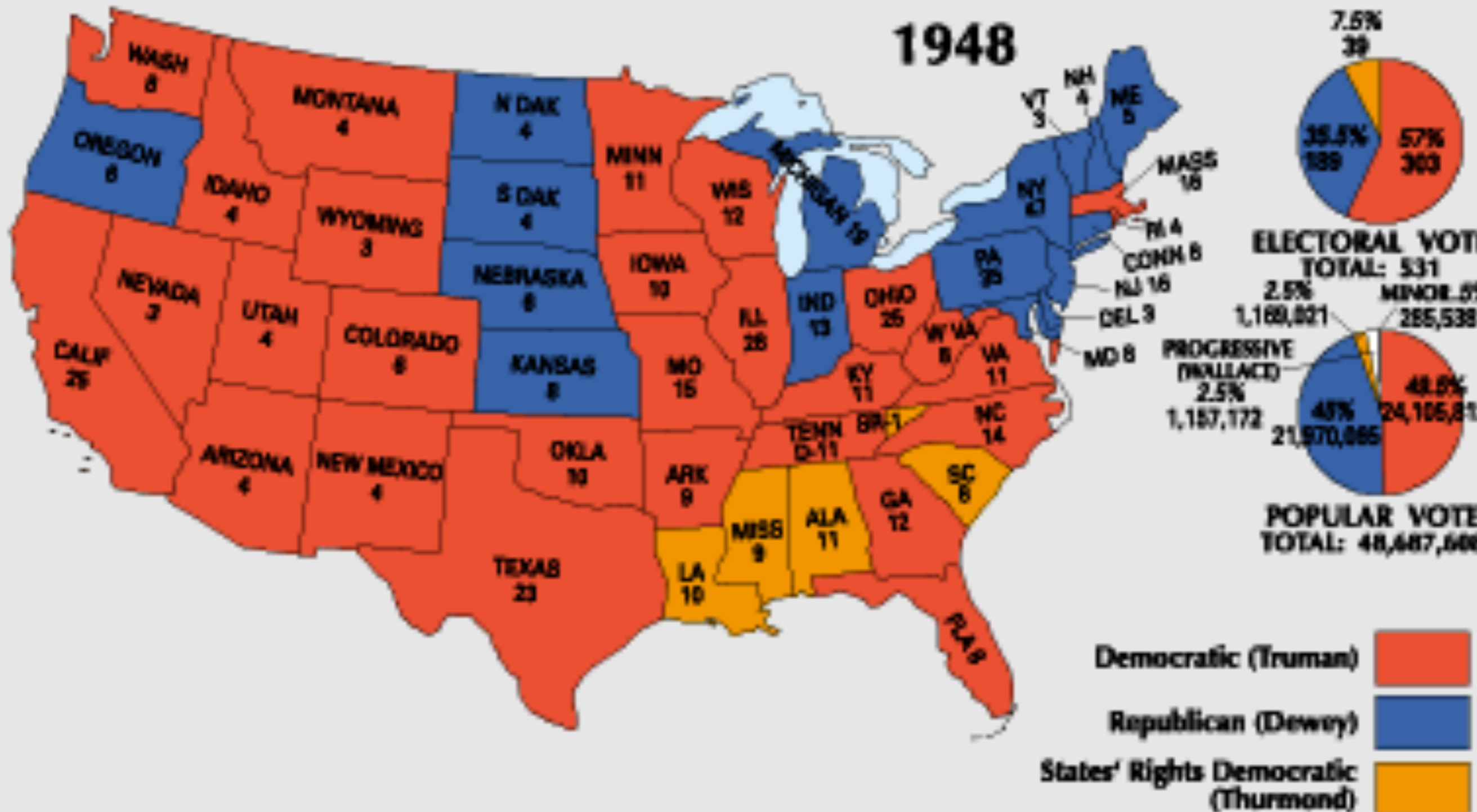
Truman wins!

- ✱ Barely
- ✱ Shocking reelection over Thomas Dewey
- ✱ Whistlestop campaign (270 speeches)

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ELECTION OF 1948





Chicago Daily Tribune

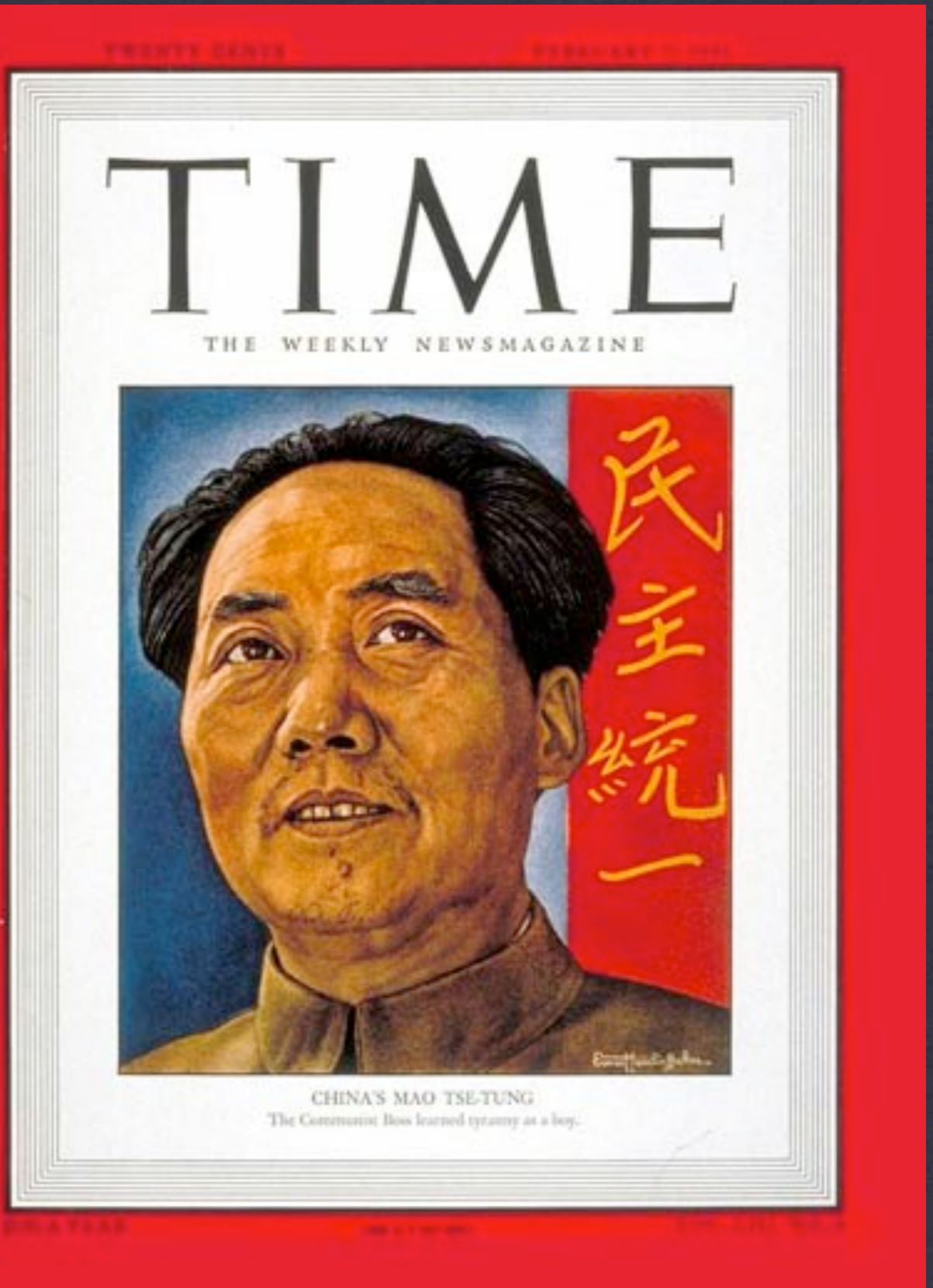
DEWEY DEFEATS TRUMAN

G.O.P. Sweep Indicated in State; Boyle Leads in City

REPUBLICAN LEADS IN STATE; BOYLE LEADS IN CITY
TRUMAN LEADS IN SEVERAL COUNTIES
VOTE TIGHT IN SEVERAL COUNTIES

China falls to the Reds

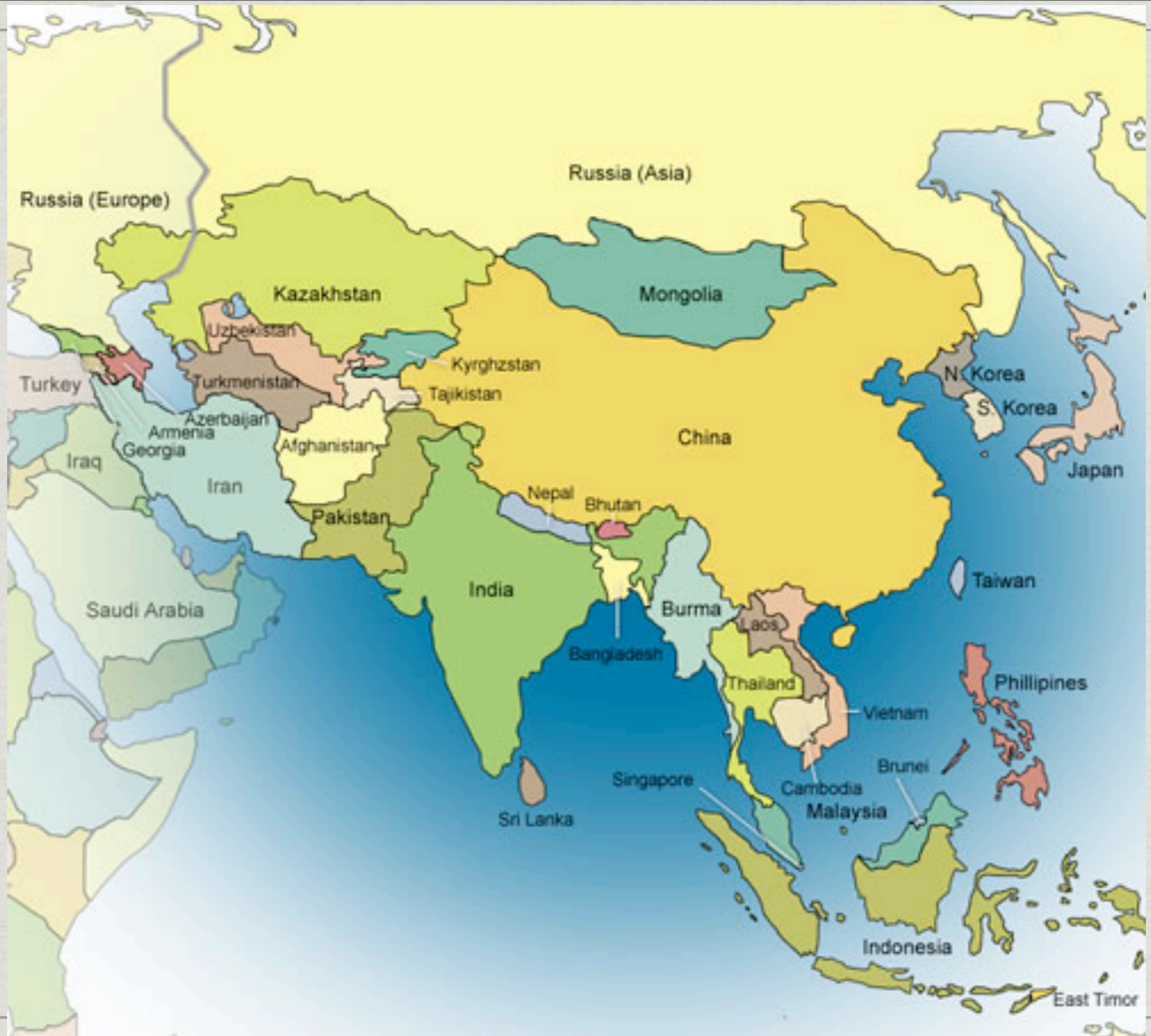
- * Chinese civil war for decades (1920's)
- * Mao leads Communists to victory
 - * Nationalists flee to Taiwan
- * America shocked, huge blow to containment



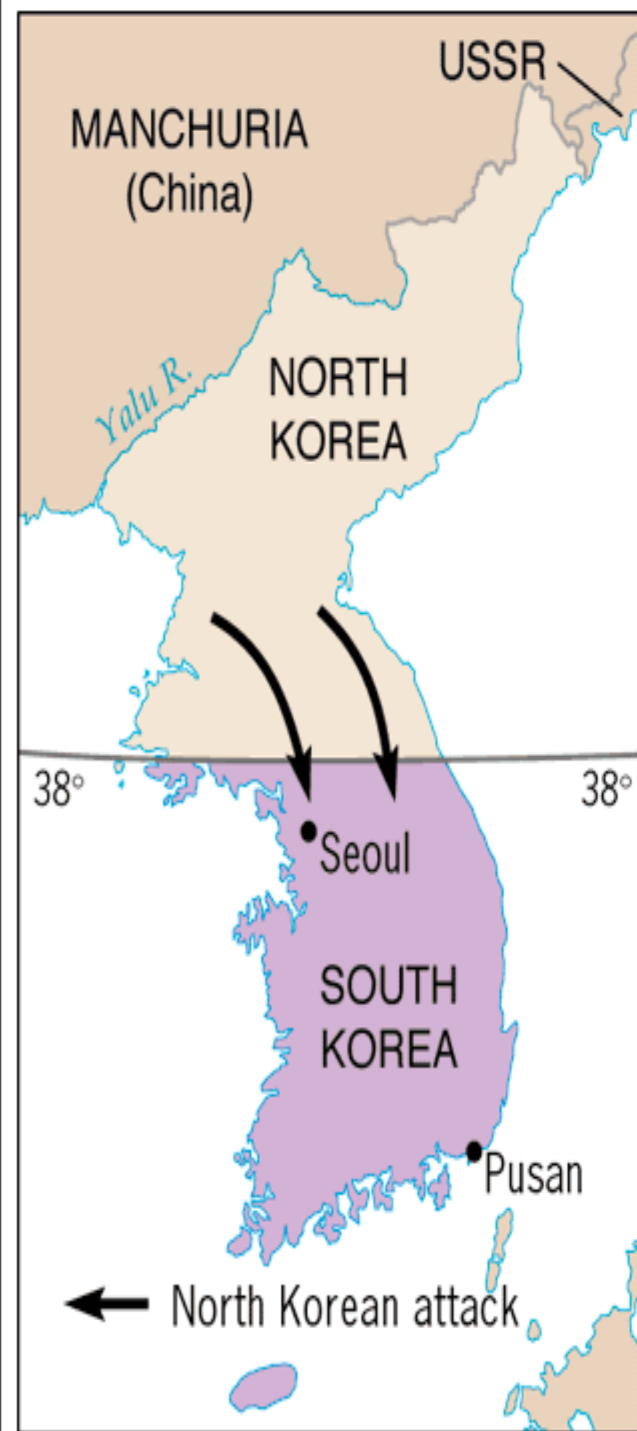
WHO LOST CHINA?

Korean War (1950)

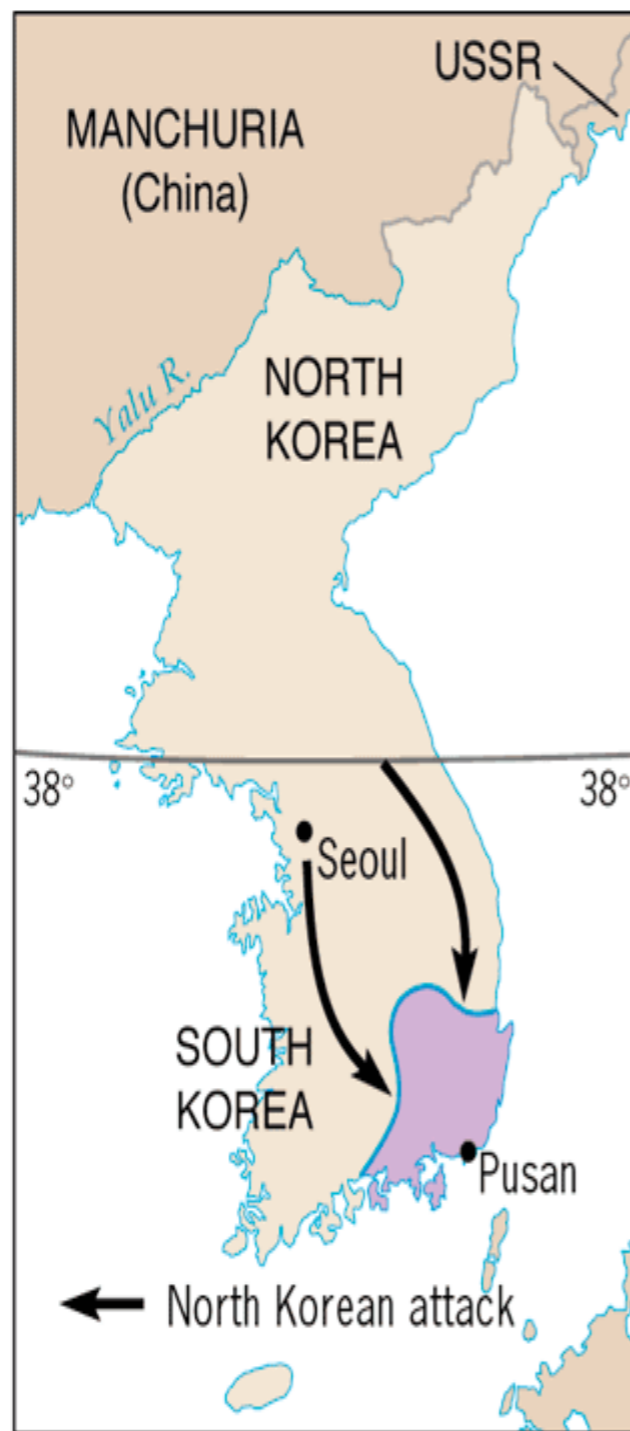
- * USSR controlled North Korea after WWII
- * US/Soviets set up rival governments
- * North Koreans pour over 38th parallel (6/50)



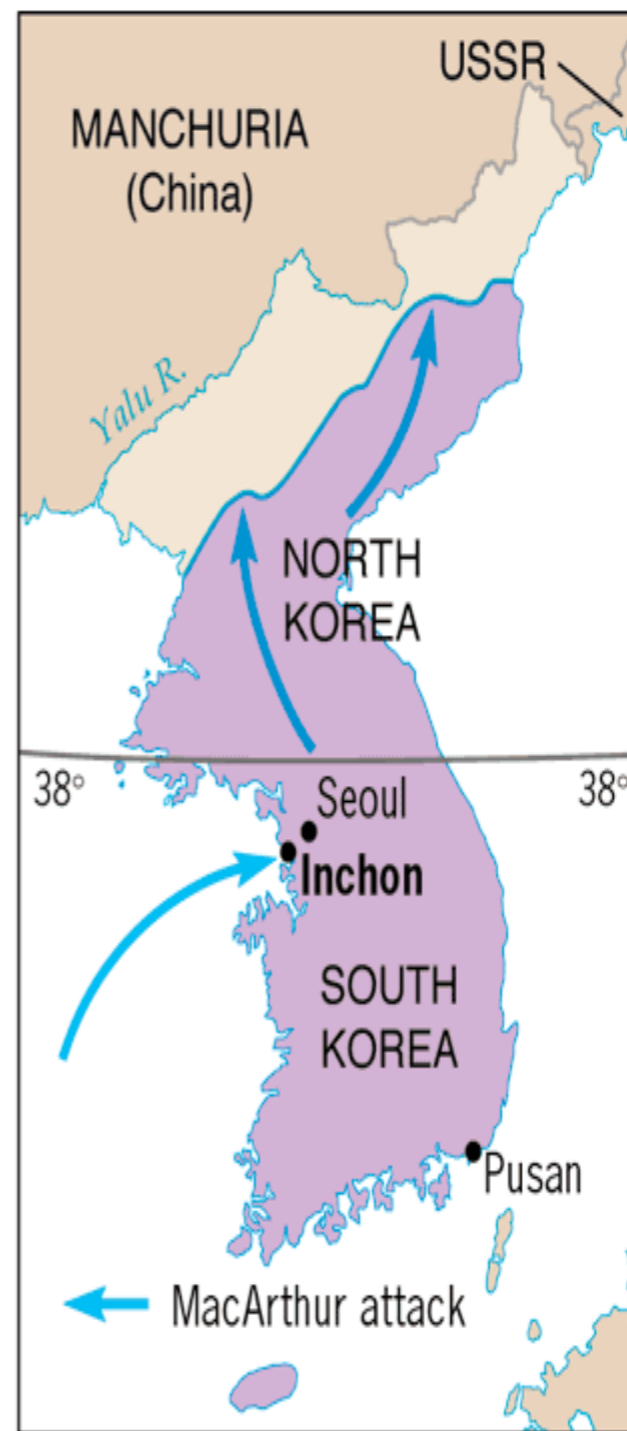
STALEMATE: 1953



June 25, 1950



Sept. 14, 1950



Nov. 25, 1950



July 27, 1953

