

Austria-Hungary: The Habsburg Heart of Europe

Part II

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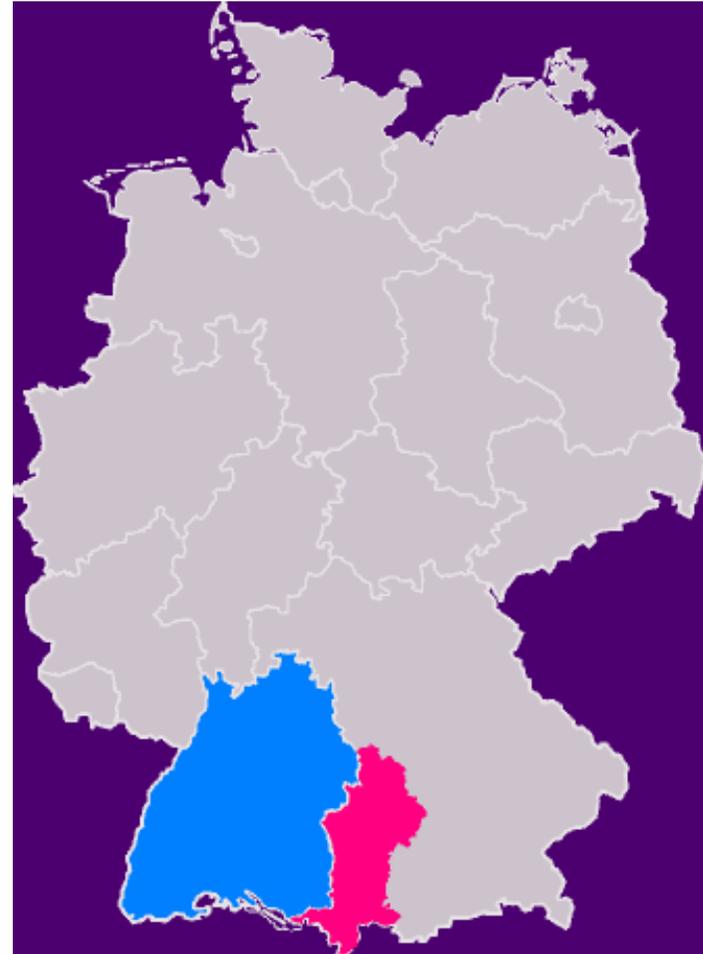
Holy Roman Empire in 1512





Swabia in modern Germany

- Germany is shown with its modern borders.
- The light blue region is the state of Baden-Württemberg.
- East of B-W, in the gray, is Bavaria. In pink is *Swabia*, an administrative region of it.
- *Swabia* is a historic and linguistic region, rather than a political entity. It has never had clearly-defined borders.



Swabian

Schwaben

**used as generic term
for Germans in SE Europe**

**As such, it is not specific
for a place of origin.**

The Carpathian Mountains in modern Europe

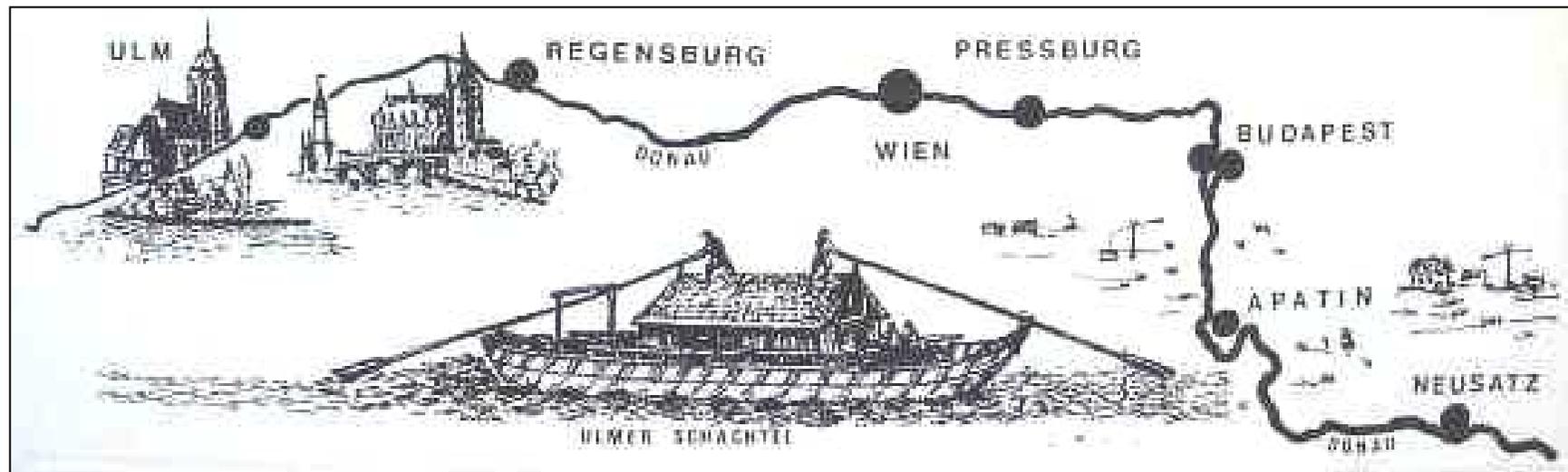


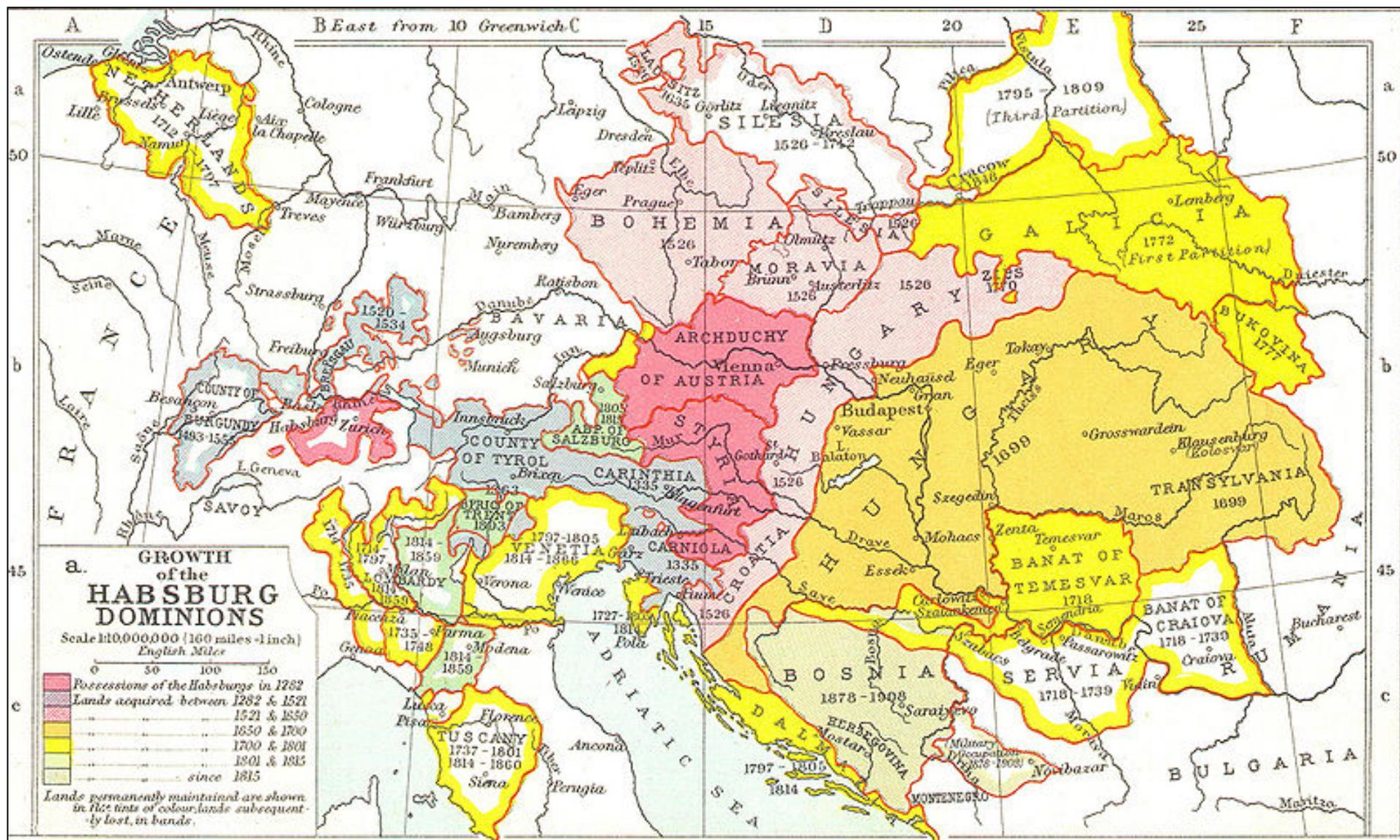
The Danube / *die Donau*



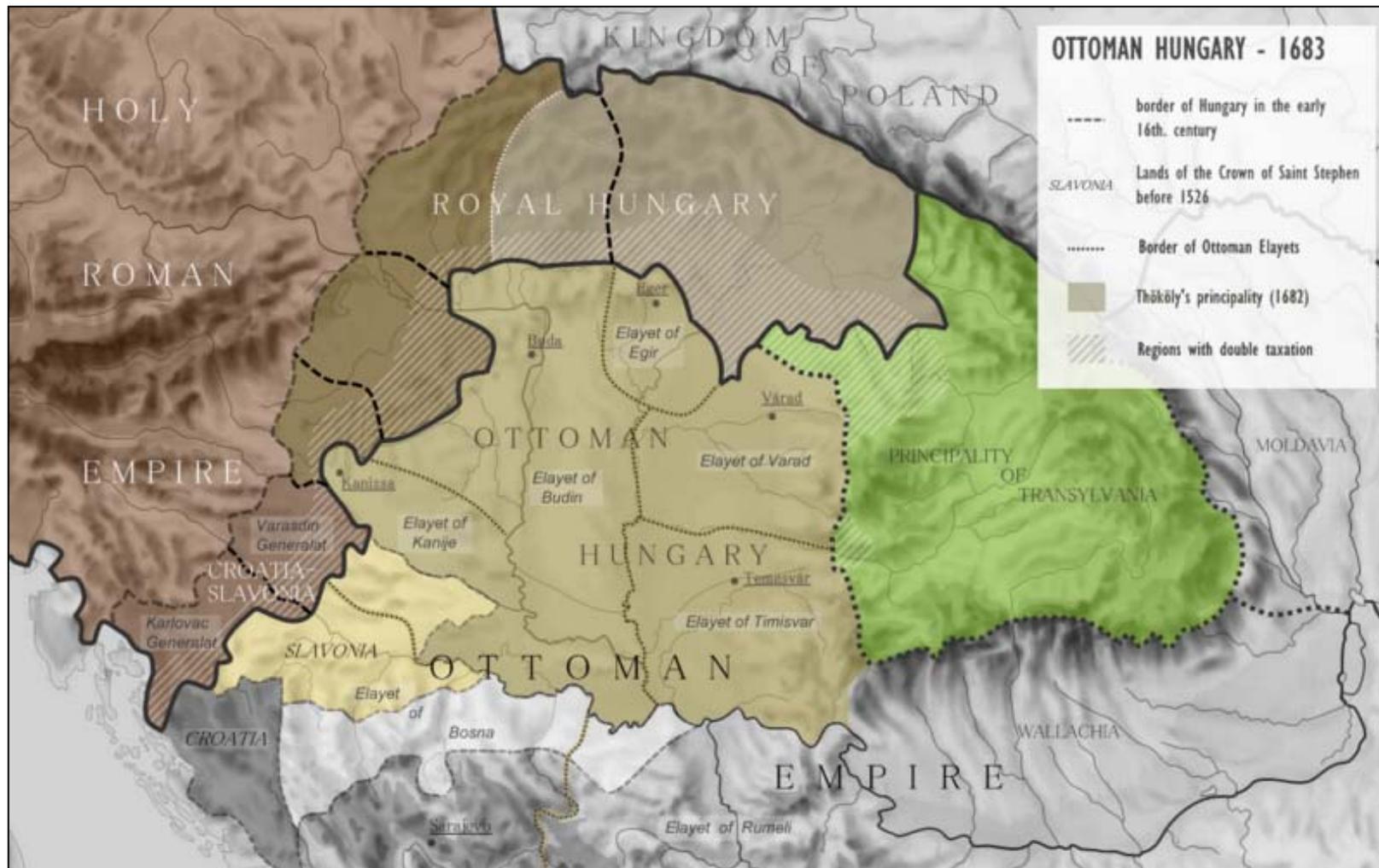
Donau / Danube Journey

<http://www.donaudeutsche-speyer.de/content/historie/historie.htm>



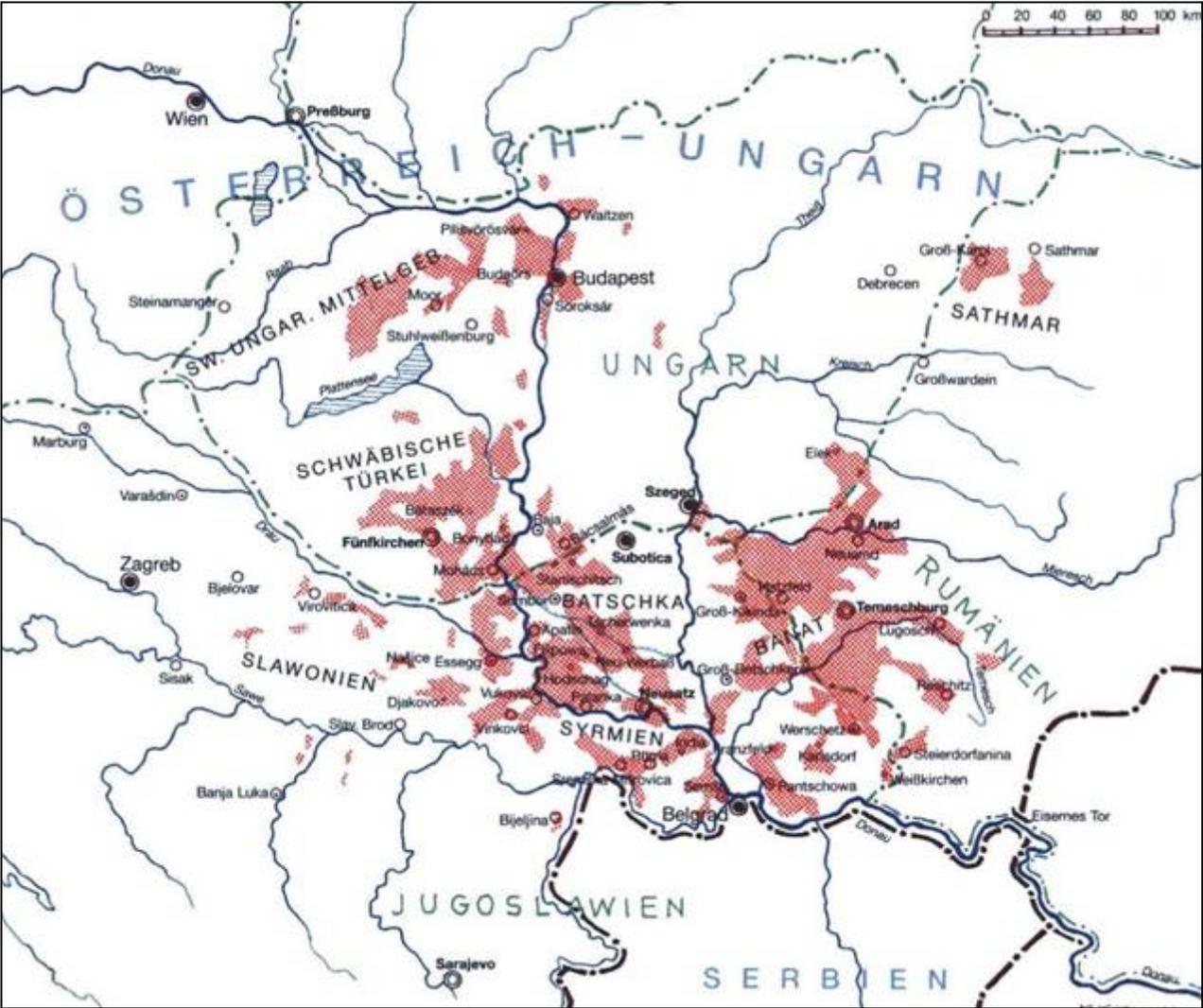


The Kingdom of Hungary after the 1526 Battle of Mohács



Danube Swabian Settlement Areas

<http://www.dvhh.org/history/kopp~images/ds-lands-map.jpg>



The Great *Schwabenzug*



- Charles VI (Karl VI) reigned as the Holy Roman Emperor, and was Duke of Austria and sovereign of the Habsburg hereditary lands from 1711-1740.
- He initiated the 1st or Carolingian, settlement in southeastern Europe between 1718-1737.

Prince Eugene of Savoy

- He is called the most important person in Danube Swabian history.
- He fought the Turks in Vienna, Slankamen, Zenta, Temeschberg, and Belgrade.
- With these victories, the Batschka and Banat became part of Hungary.



Count de Mercy

- The 1st *Schwabenzug* was directed by Count Claudius Florimund de Mercy, who was born in Lorraine (*Lothringen*).
- Prince Eugene appointed him as the first Governor of the Banat.
- There he established 50 German villages.

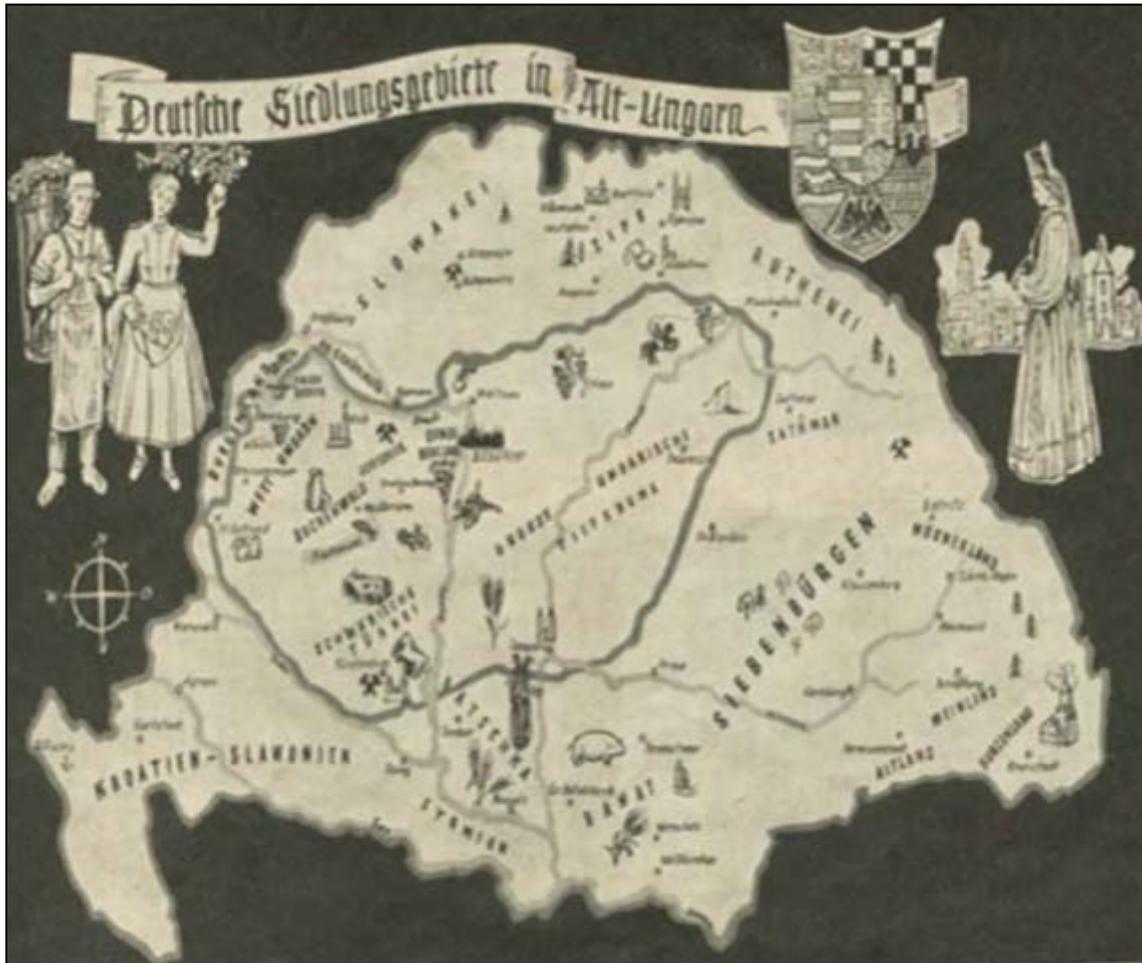


Kingdom of Hungary, 1886-1918

Hungary proper and Croatia & Slavonia



German Settlement Areas in Historic Hungary



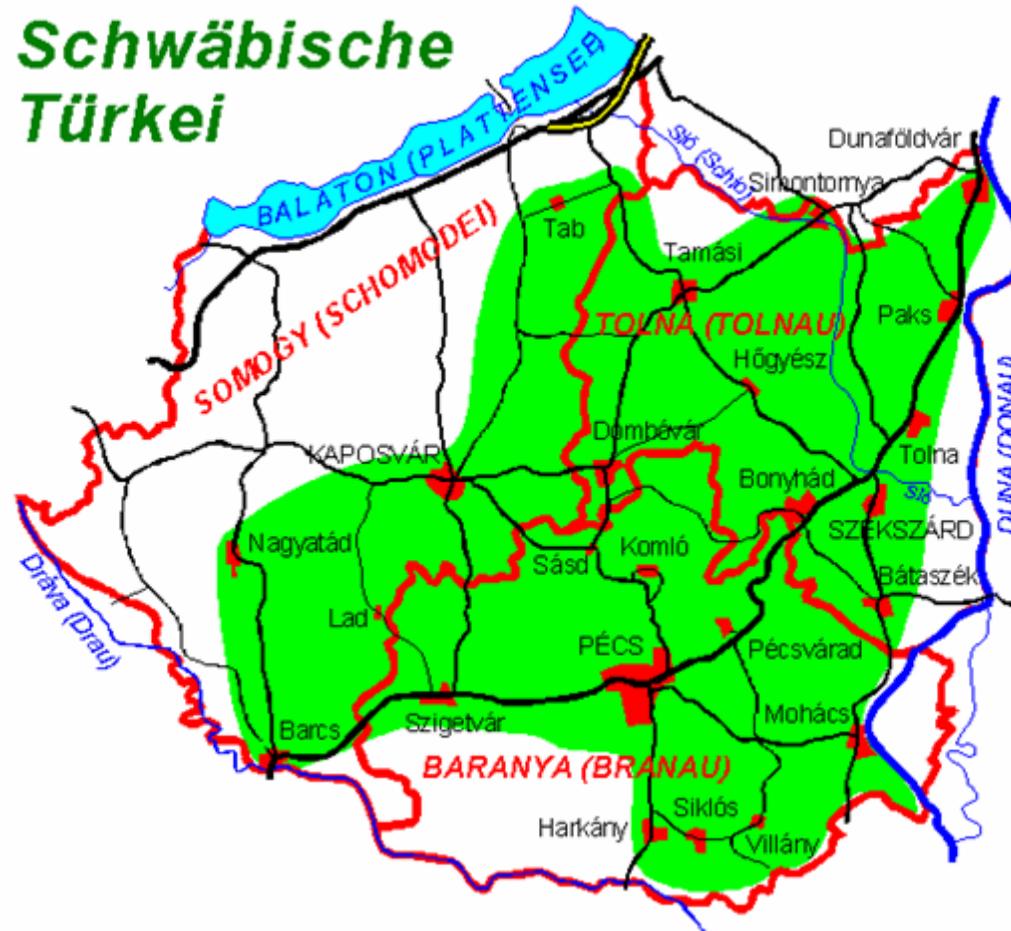
Siebenbürgen – Erdély
Zips – Szepesség;
Burgenland –
Ny-Magyarország
Ofner Bergland –
Budai hegység
Buchenwald – Bakony
Schildgebirge – Vértes
Geretsch – Gerecse
Pilisch – Pilis
Sathmar – Szatmár
Sirmien – Szerémség
Schwäbische Türkei-
D-Dunántúl
Batschka – Bácska
Banat – Bánság

Source: *Unser Hauskalender*
1953, S. 30

http://www.ungarndeutsche.de/de/cms/uploads/Ungarn_Deutsche%20Siedlungsgebiete%20im%20historischen.pdf

Swabian Turkey / *Schwäbische Türkei*

the largest German *Sprachinseln* in Hungary
Komitaten Tolna (Tolnau), Baranya (Branau) & Somogy (Schomodei)

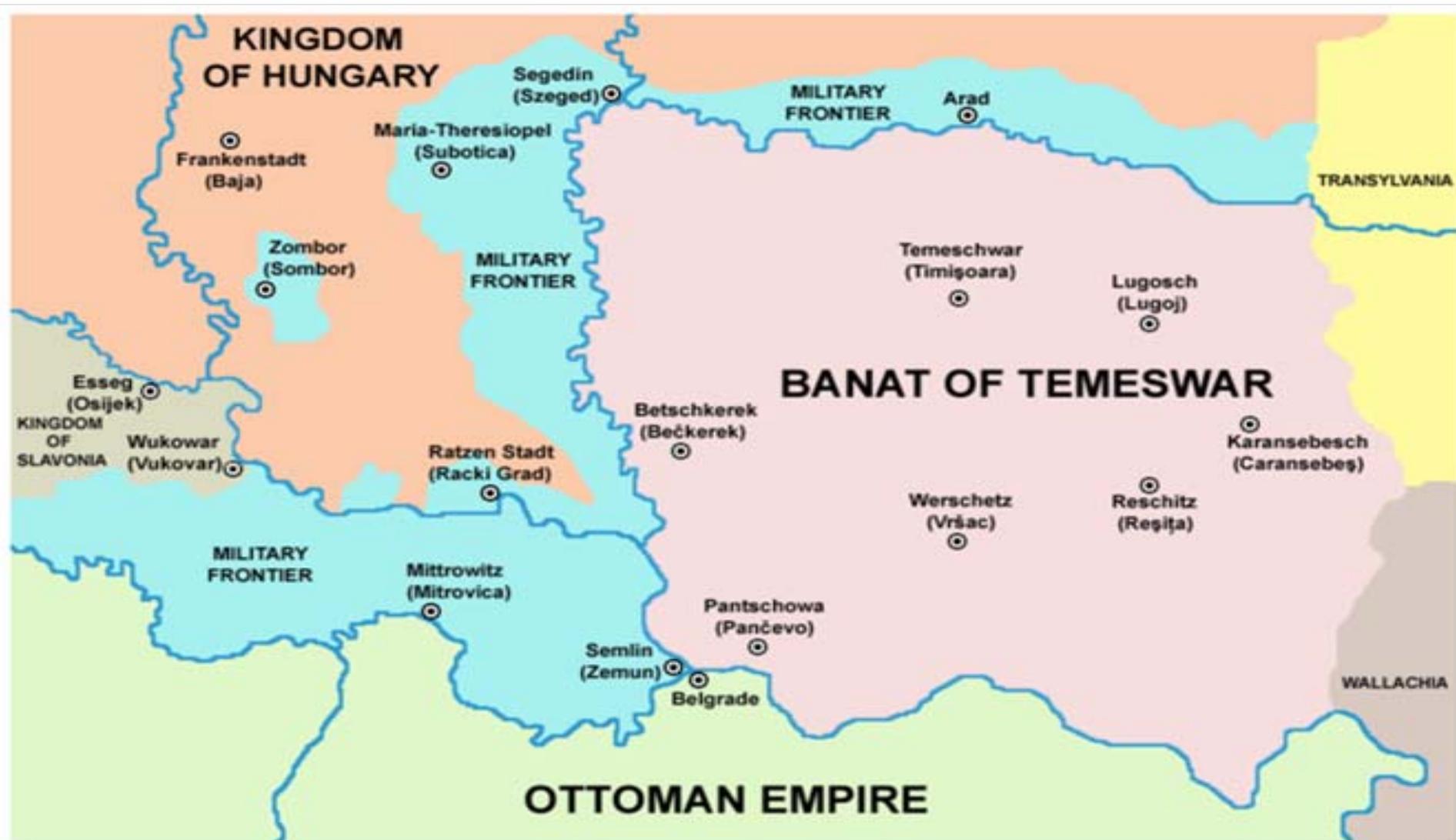


Sathmar (Satu Mare) Schwaben

<http://www.dvhh.org/sathmar/>



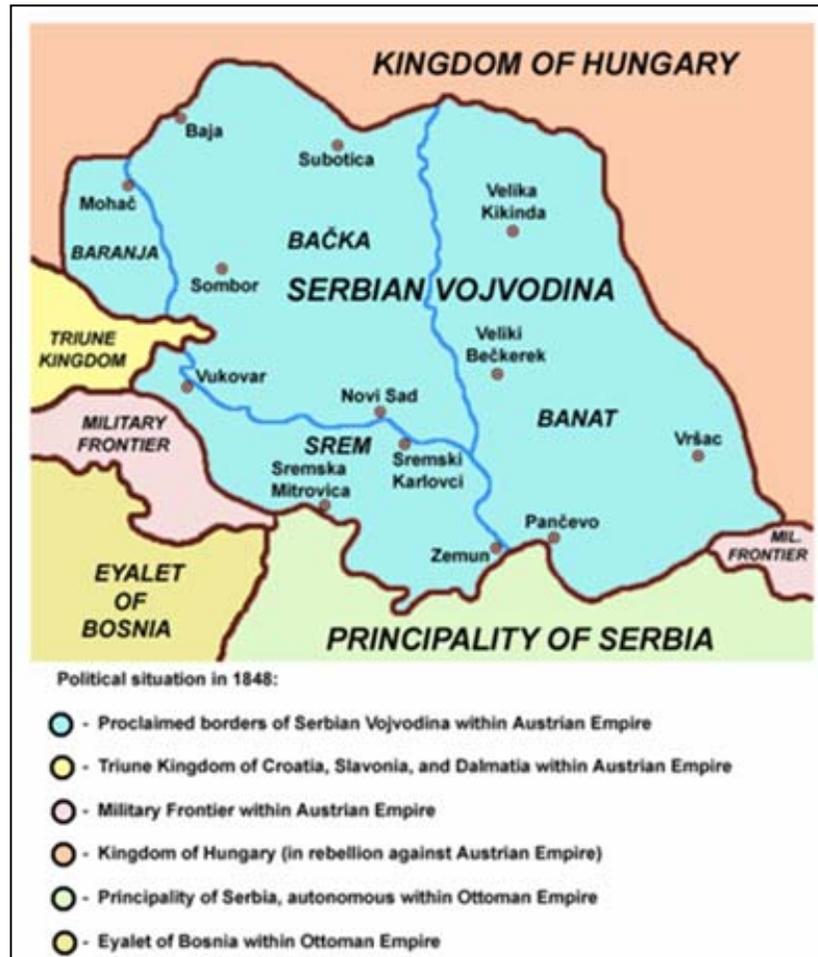
- Sathmar settlers originated in *Schwabenland* between Baden, Württemberg, and Bavaria.
- In the 1700s, over 2000 Swabian families settled in 30 communities in the Satu Mare county.



Political situation in 1739:

- - Banat of Temeswar (existed with these borders from 1718 to 1751), part of Habsburg Monarchy
- - Military Frontier (existed with these borders from 1718 to 1744), part of Habsburg Monarchy
- - Kingdom of Slavonia (existed with these borders from 1699 to 1744), part of Habsburg Monarchy
- - Kingdom of Hungary (existed with these borders from 1732 to 1744), part of Habsburg Monarchy

Voyvodina (1867): Batschka, Banat, and Sirmien (Srem)



- The Batschka (*Bačka*) received German & other settlers during the 1700s.
- The Banat (*Bánság*) settlers came from Lorraine and the headwaters of the Moselle.
- SW Germans settled Sirmien (*Srem*) and were joined by Catholics from the Banat.

Maria Theresa of Austria



- As a female and the only child of the Holy Roman Emperor, she could not succeed him (her husband did).
- She was Archduchess of Austria, Queen of Bohemia, and Queen of Hungary.
- She initiated the 2nd, or Theresian, phase of settlement between 1744-1772.

Satu Mare / Sathmar *Szatmárnémeti*

- Satu Mare, city and county, are located west of Maramures County and northeast of Oradea in NW Romania, near the Hungarian and Ukrainian borders.
- The German villages were all Catholic, with one exception.



Transylvania, or *Siebenbürgen*

from <http://www.geocities.com/transmagyar/>

- **1003-1526**
Hungarian voivodeship
- **1526-1566**
independent
- **1566 – an autonomous**
Turkish principality
- **1683 – acquired by**
Habsburgs



Joseph II



- **Joseph II was Holy Roman Emperor from 1765 - 1790, and ruler of the Habsburg lands from 1780 - 1790.**
- **The 3rd, or Josephinian, settlement took place between 1782-1787.**
- **To facilitate it, he issued the Patents of Toleration (1781) and Settlement (1782).**

Galicia in East Central Europe

- **Galicia was claimed by Maria Theresa in the first Partition of Poland in 1772.**
- **The action was based upon Hungarian claims to the region, which was then renamed the Kingdom of Galicia and Lodomeria.**



Galicia and Bukovina, 1736

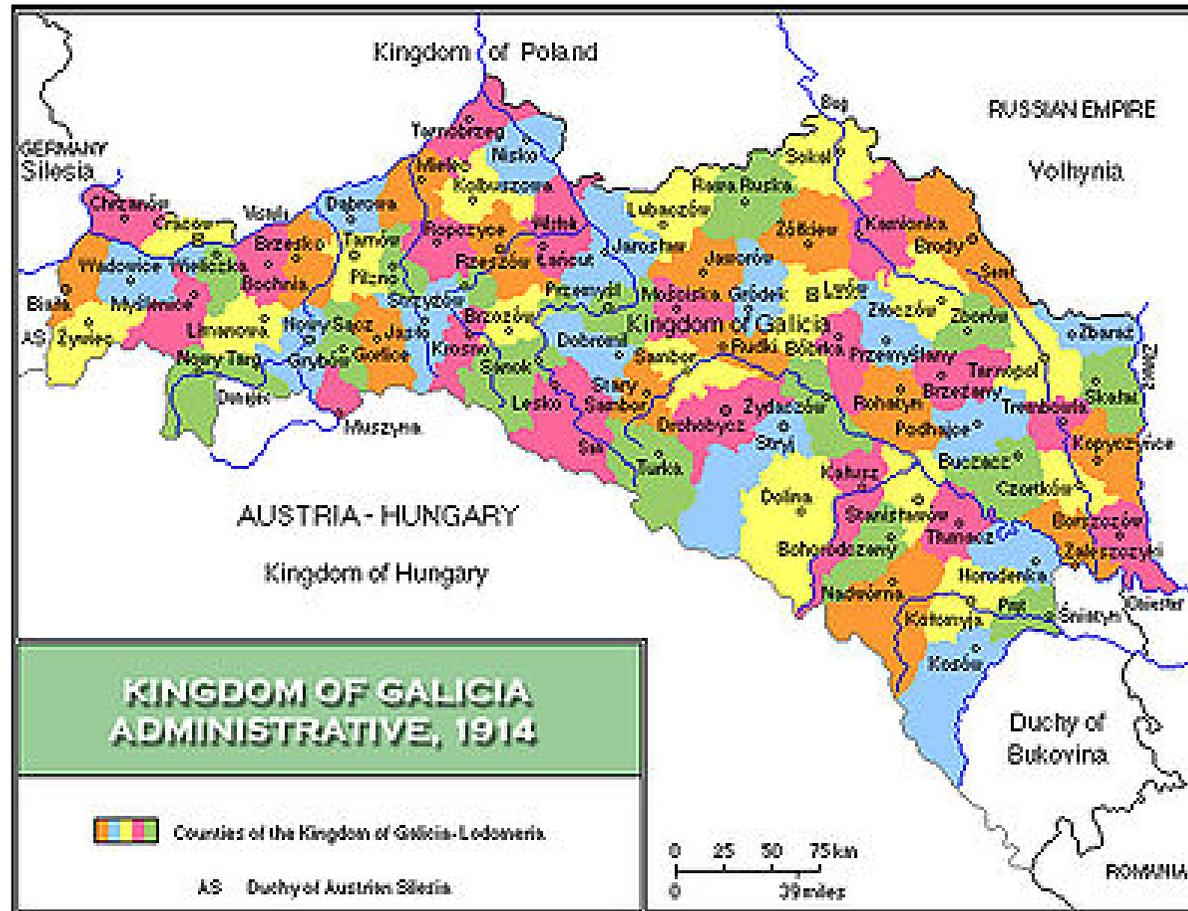


Galicia, 1772-1918



- In 1772, it was the largest region annexed by Austria in the First Partition of Poland.
- Polish lands to the west were added to it, and the Polish aristocracy dominated the region and its capital, Lemberg.

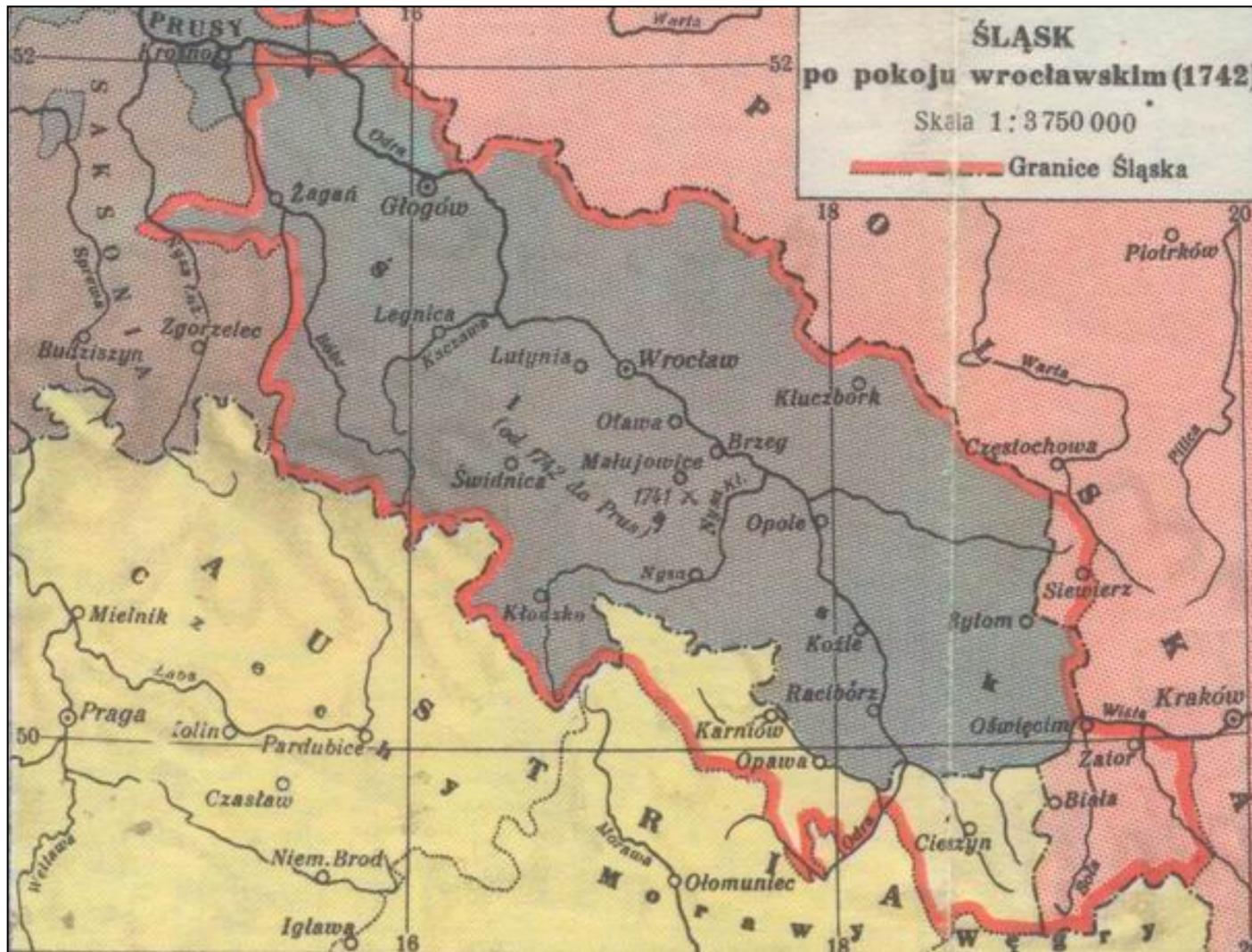
Galicia and Bukovina, 1914



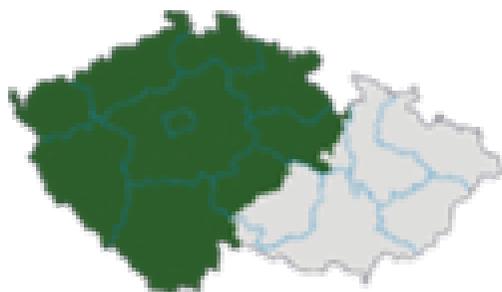
Bukovina (Bukowina) in 1901



Austrian Silesia in 1742



Bohemia, Moravia, and Austrian Silesia in the modern Czech Republic



Spiš or the Zips in NE Slovakia



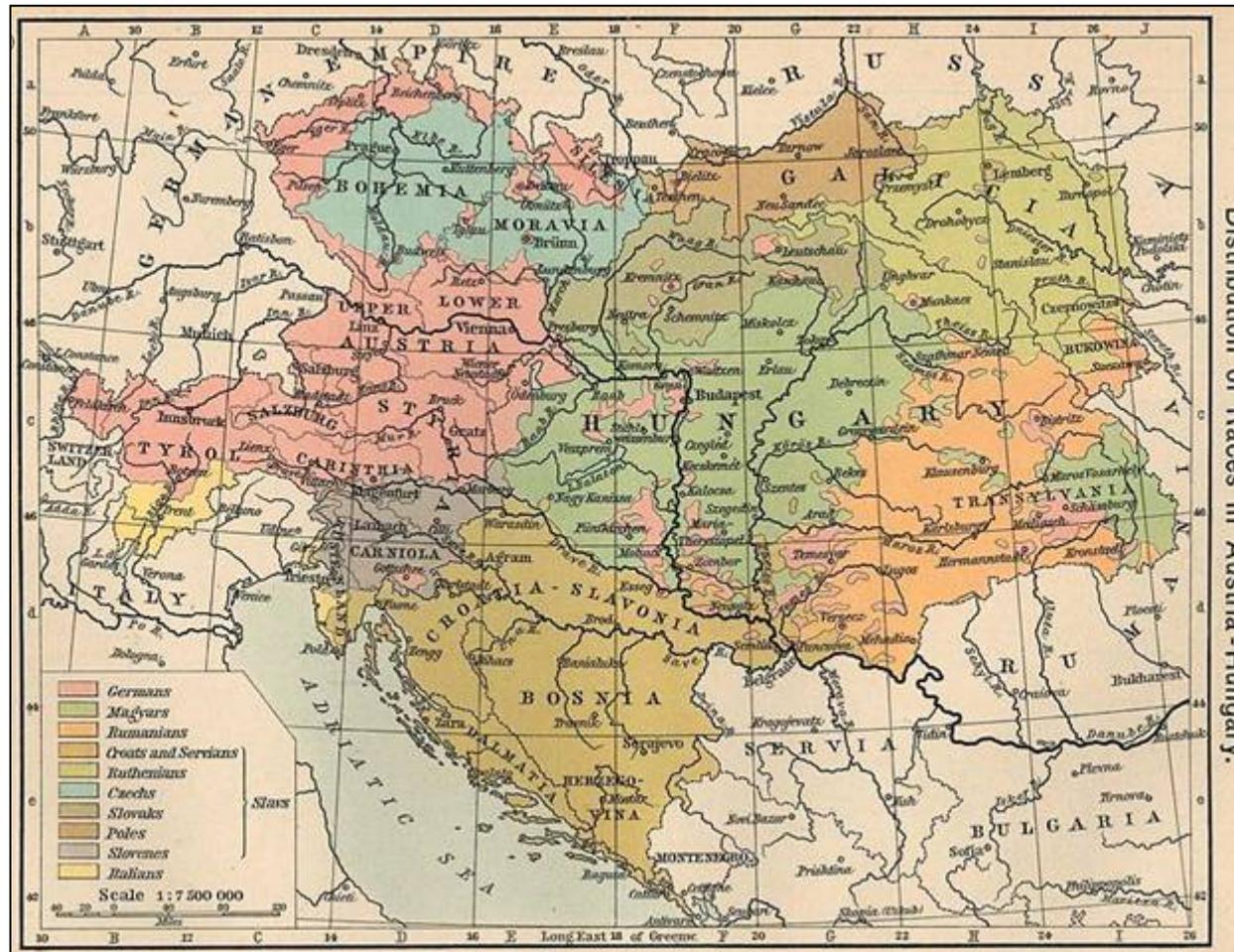
Zakarpattia Oblast, Ukraine





**In Ukrainian it is Mukacheve or sometimes Мукачів (Mukachiv).
In Rusyn it is either spelled Мукачево (Mukachevo) or Мукачово (Mukachovo).
In Hungarian it is Munkács; in Romanian it is Muncaci or Munceag.
In Russian it is Мукачево (Mukachevo); in Slovak and Czech it is Mukačevo.
The German name was Munkatsch;
the Yiddish forms are מונקאטש, Munkatsh, Minkatsh.**

The Distribution of Races /Ethnic Groups in the Habsburg Empire



Austria-Hungary, The Habsburg Empire

Cis-Leithania

1. Bohemia
2. Bukovina
3. Carinthia
4. Carniola
5. Dalmatia
6. Galicia,
7. Küstenland
8. Lower Austria
9. Moravia
10. Salzburg
11. Silesia
12. Styria
13. Tyrol
14. Upper Austria
15. Vorarlberg

Kingdom of Hungary Transleithania

16. Hungary proper
17. Croatia-Slavonia;

Austrian-Hungarian Condominium

18. Bosnia and Herzegovina



Whom do you seek,
and for what event?

*ethnic group, citizenship,
language, religion*

In what time frame?

At what location was it then,
and where is it now?

country / state, principality, district, county

Who made the record entry?

**For what church
or civil jurisdiction?**

Where were the records held?

**Where are they now,
after two World Wars?**

Important!

**Do a “place search”
for locations, resources,
and microfilms
in the Family History
Library Catalog:**

<http://www.familysearch.org>!