Document A

Source: Map created from various sources.

European Alliances, 1914.

Document Analysis

1. The map shows the alliance arrangement in Europe in 1914. In what year did World War I begin?

2. What countries made up the Triple Alliance? What countries made up the Triple Entente?

3. Germany worried about one day having to fight a war on two fronts or two different borders. According to the map, was this fear justified?

4. Italy would switch sides in 1915. Whom did this hurt?

5. Russia had a special ethnic tie with Serbia because both countries had Slavic populations. Austria-Hungary declared war on Serbia in July 1914. Use the map to explain how this could lead to widespread war.
**Document B**


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**Document Analysis**

1. How soon after war broke out was this cartoon published?

2. What is the name and nationality of the cartoonist? Knowing this, what can you infer about his point of view?

3. What is the “Crime of the Ages”?

4. What does the hand in the upper left corner represent?

5. Can this cartoon be used in any way to argue that alliances were a cause of WW1?