

Chapter 15—Decades of Change



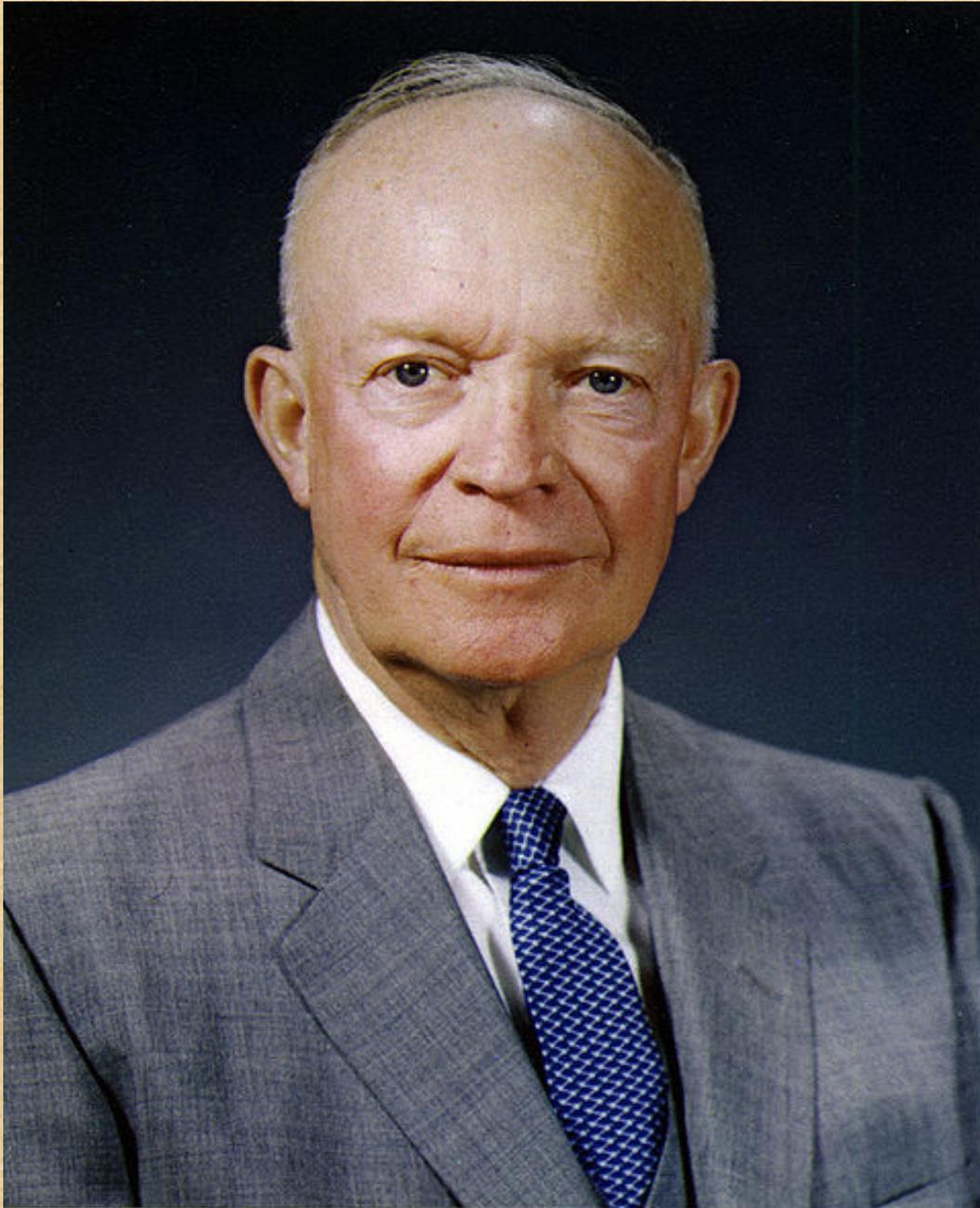
Weltanschauung after WWII

- **Decolonization of the colonies of Western Europe**
- **Cold War began after WWII**
- **Common Market morphed into European Union**
- **Demise of the USSR and the replacement with the Russian Confederation**

**Kurt Vonnegut,
who was a prisoner
during WWII, writes an
autobiography,
Slaughterhouse –Five
or
*The Children’s
Csrusade: A Dirty-Dance
with Death.***

**“So it goes” reflects the
time of post-WWII.**





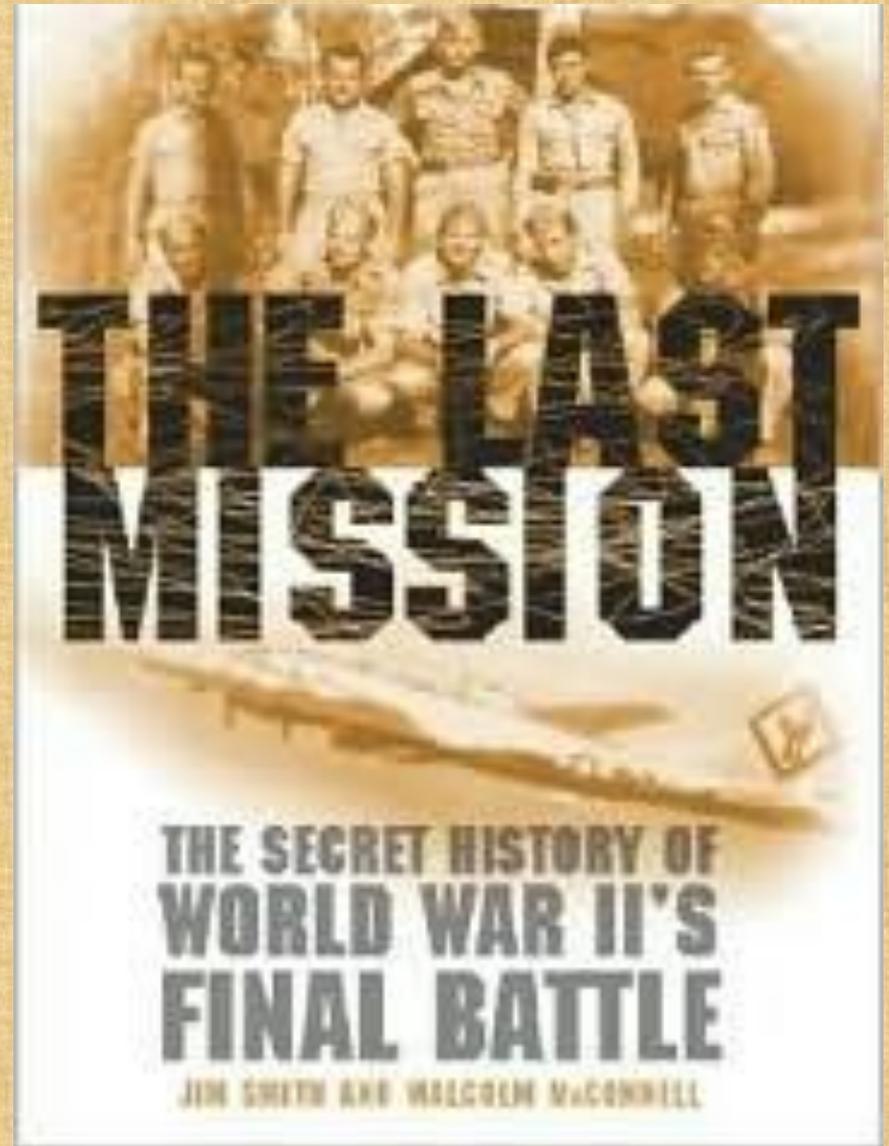
**Eisenhower also wrote
about the times
with the indictment
calling the problem,
*the military-industrial
complex.***

WWII and Its Aftermath

Right-wing governments in Germany, Italy, Spain, and Japan resulted in a loss of 60 million people—more than 2.5% of the world's population died due to the war. Remember Guernica....



The Last Mission took place after both atomic bombs were dropped on Japan and after Hirohito taped a surrender radio broadcast.



Existentialism became the philosophical new idea.

**Jean-Paul Sartre wrote,
“Man is nothing else but what
he makes of himself.”**





Pollock



Pollock



Pollock *Blue (Moby Dick)* 1943



Pollock *The Key* 1946



De Kooning *Woman Number One*



Frankenthaler
Seeing the Moon
on a Hot Summer Day



Mark Rothko

Rauschenberg *Bed* 1955



THE BEST OF THE LEGENDS OF MUSIC



BUDDY
HOLLY

& THE CRICKETS
GREATEST HITS

Peggy Sue • Everyday • Oh Boy • That'll Be The Day • Maybe Baby

Music of the Late 50s

In addition to Presley,
there were others....

[Buddy Holly on the Arthur Murray Dance Party](#)

[Buddy Holly - That'll Be the Day](#)

[Buddy Holly - Rave on!](#)

[Buddy Holly - True Love Ways](#)

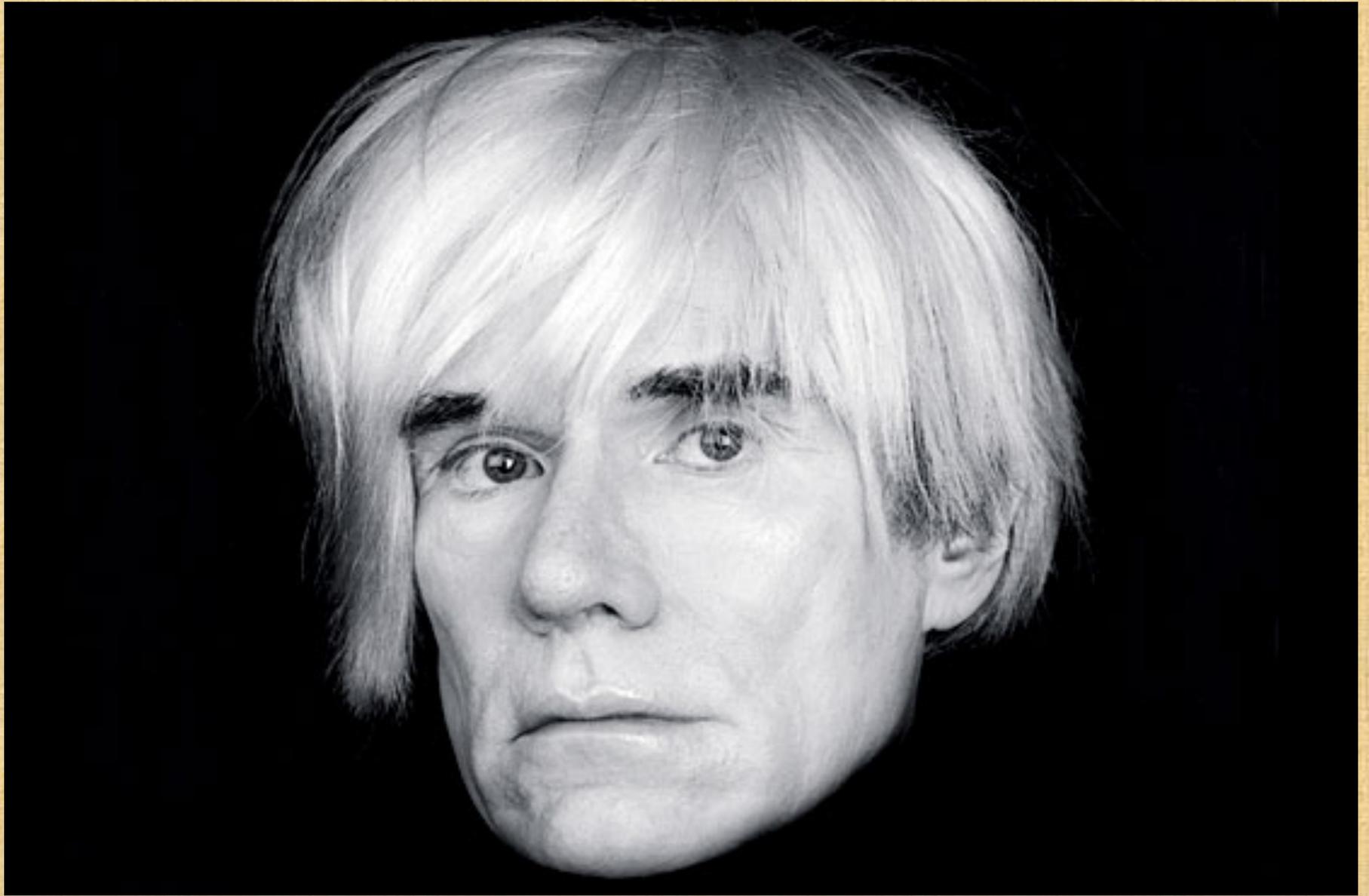


**Pain creates
an artistic
response.
Don McClean
sang about two
tragedies.**

[Don McLean - American Pie](#)
[Don McLean - Starry Starry Night](#)
[Don McLean - American Pie Lyrics](#)

Pop Art

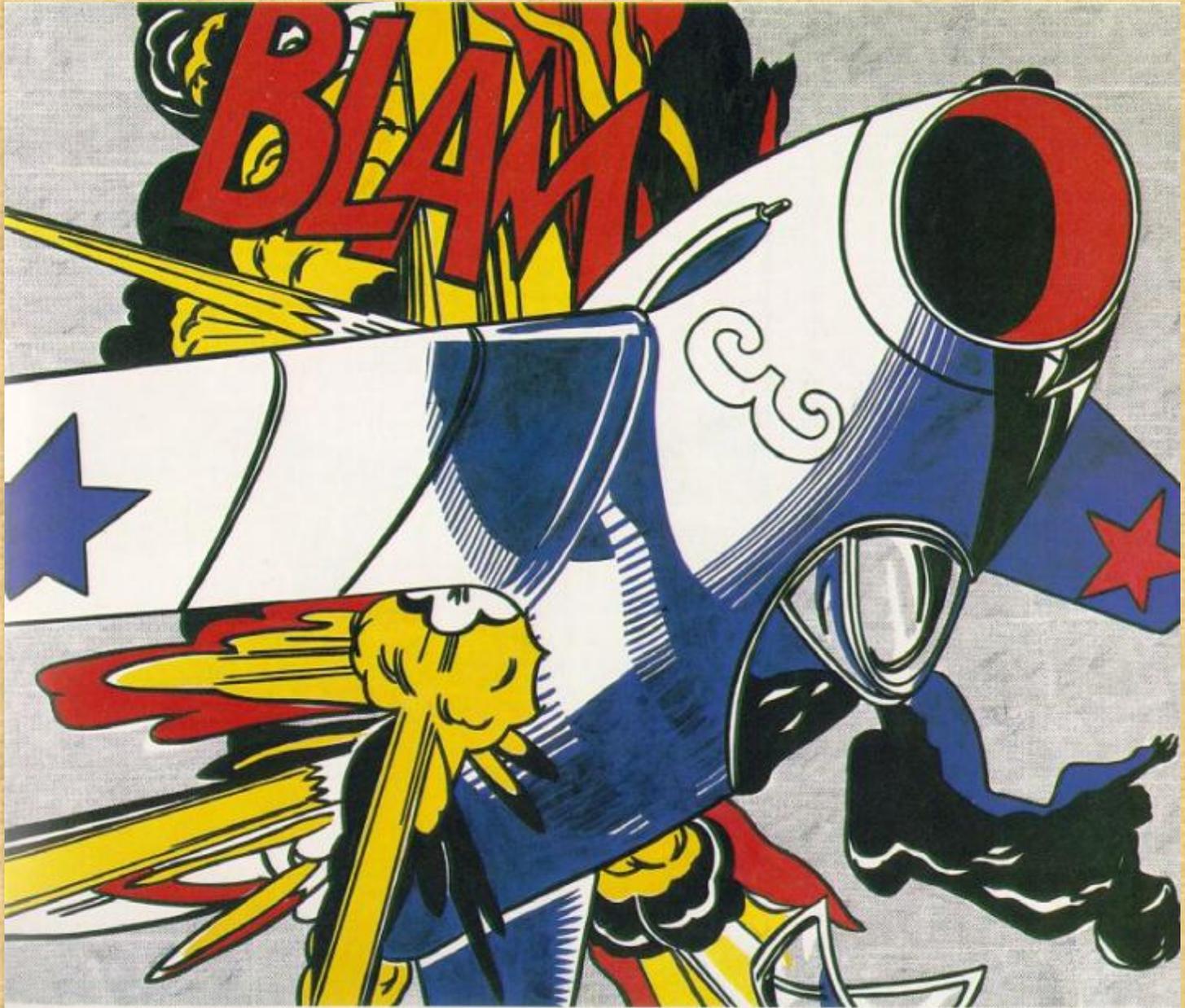
- **Representations of objects in contemporary culture**
- **Andy Warhol was one of the most popular pop artists.**



Andy Warhol







Lichtenstein *Blam*

The Civil Rights Movement

**Segregation *ended* in 1954
with **Brown vs. Board of Education.****

**However, the Civil Rights movement began
in spite of the Supreme Court's ruling.**

The Harlem Renaissance and the Roots of the Movement

**After WWI, the Great Migration took place
to the North and out of the South.**

**Jacob Lawrence did much to
teach blacks art; he was a painter**





Lawrence *The Builders*



Lawrence *The Library*

**Langston Hughes was
a poet and spokesperson
of the Harlem Renaissance.**





[NPR: 16th Street Baptist Church Bombing](#)

**The 16th Street Baptist Church bombing
killed 4-children on September 15, 1963.**



Pain creates artistic expression....

[Peter Paul & Mary - Blowin in the Wind](#)

**The Civil Rights movement was followed
by the Feminist movement.**



Gloria Steinem



Betty Friedan