



## **Year of Revolutions: 1848**

In 1848, the tensions that had been present in Europe came to the surface in a series of revolutions that involv







These leaders were thus unavailable when the bloody “June Revolution” broke out against the Provisional Government. The government’s action in “reorganizing” (in effect doing away with) the National Workshops on May 24 touched off the revolution. The government acted in response to the protests of the rest of France against a special tax that had been imposed in order to pay the workers in the national workshops; the peasants saw themselves as paying radical workers to do nothing except to engage in subversion. In effect, the June revolution sought not only to overthrow the government but to restructure society.













In March 1848, Vienna erupted in













The revolutions of 1848 had a number of important results. Although they



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