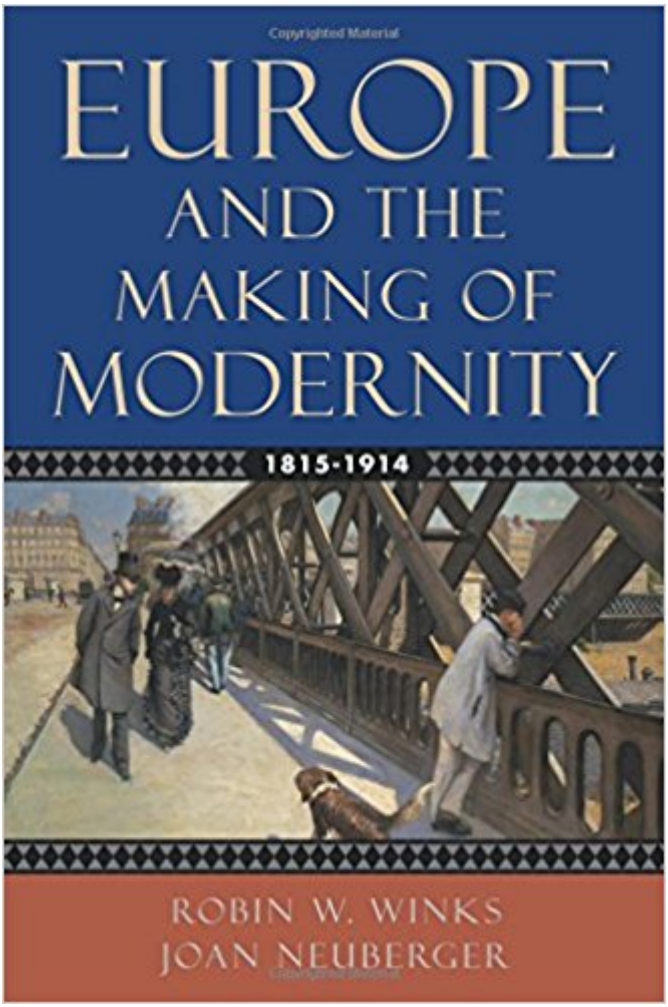
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Far from the driest history book. Can't recommend for casual reading, but I got it for a class and read more often then not.

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