WHY IS ST. PETERSBURG CALLED THE
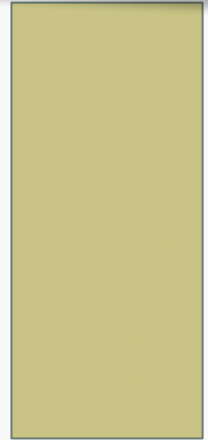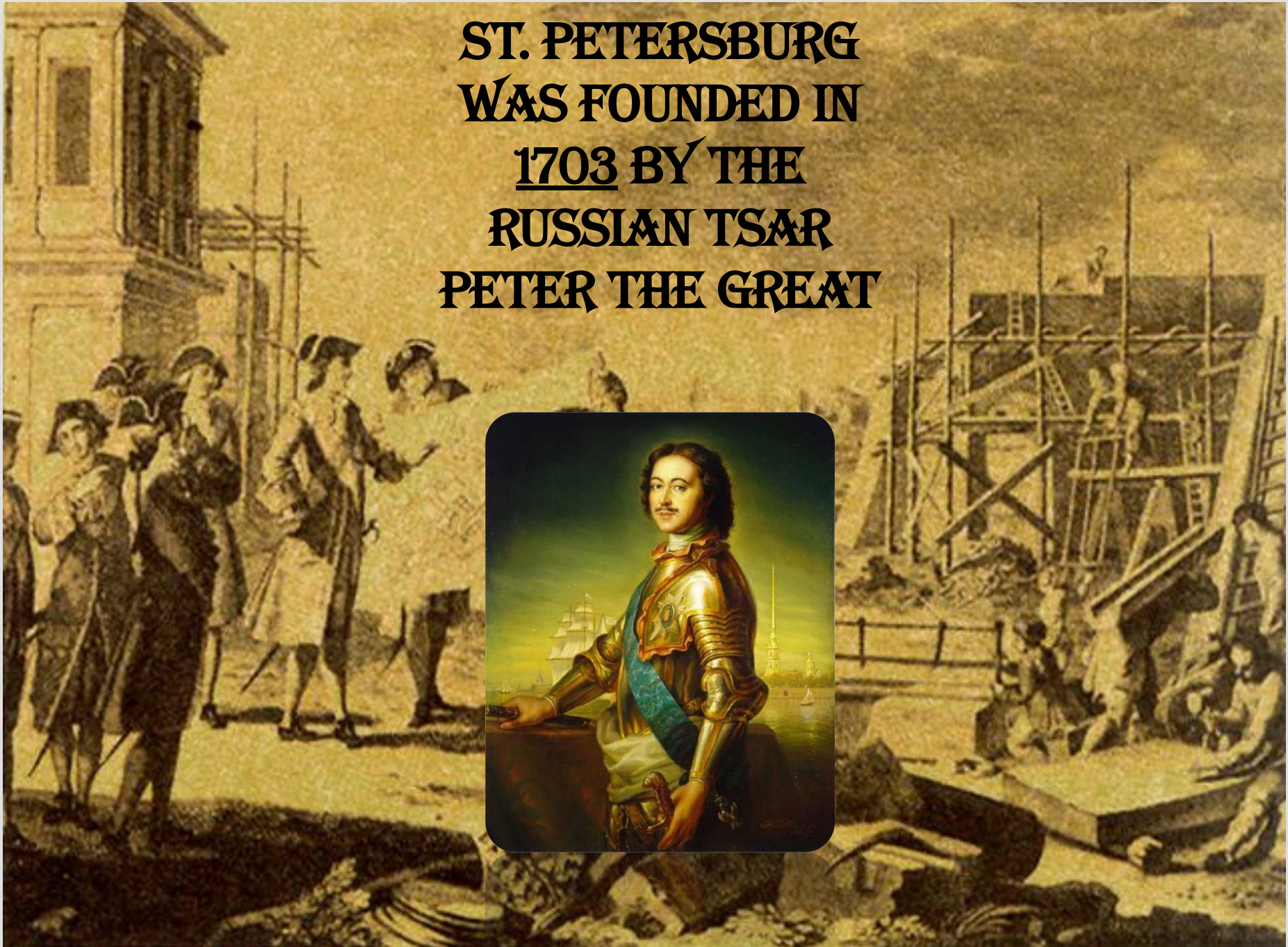
"VENICE OF THE NORTH"?

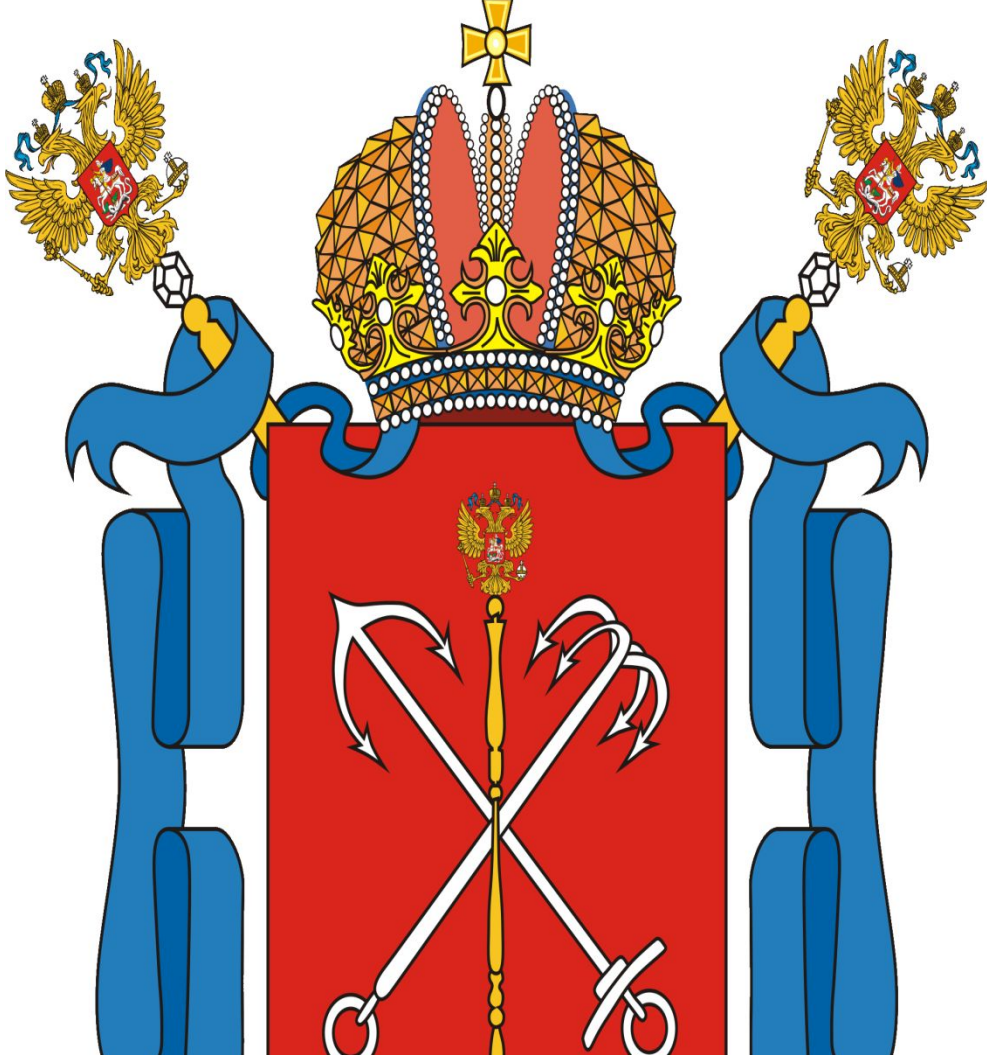St. Petersburg was founded in 1703 by the Russian Tsar Peter the Great

VENICE WAS FOUNDED IN 421.
SO, IT IS MORE THAN 1000 YEARS OLD!

The Gulf of Finland

St. Petersburg

St. Petersburg is situated in the North of Russia at the Gulf of Finland

4 848 700 people live in St. Petersburg and about 5 million tourists visit it every year

273 000 people live in Venice and 5-6 million tourists visit it every year

Venice is situated on *118* islands

St. Petersburg has
42 islands

In Venice there are almost no usual streets. There are 160 waterways there and they are the streets. There are more than 400 bridges in Venice

In St. Petersburg there are 90 waterways and 300 bridges. Some of them are opening bridges.

So, is Saint Petersburg the "Venice of the North"?