Chapter 24
Diplomacy and World War, 1871–1914

People
Otto von Bismarck
Wilhelm II
Alfred von Schlieffen
Archduke Francis Ferdinand
Helmuth von Moltke
Woodrow Wilson
David Lloyd George
Georges Clemenceau
John Singer Sargent
Paul Valéry

Terms
diplomacy
Triple Alliance
Weltpolitik
Triple Entente
“the aggressor”
propaganda
Fourteen Points
Polish Corridor
“war guilt” clause
reparations

Knowledge/Understanding Questions

1. Explain the concept that guided diplomatic relations in Europe up to 1914.

2. Describe Bismarck’s new approach to foreign policy after 1878.

3. How did Wilhelm II’s actions lead to a dangerous situation?

4. Describe the Balkan situation on the eve of The Great War.

5. Describe the plans developed in preparation for a large-scale armed conflict.

6. What is the historical problem regarding the origins of The Great War?

7. Explain the impact of the war at sea in the First World War.

8. In what ways did this conflict impact civilian societies?


10. Describe the consequences this war had on the world.

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