

STAGE IS SET

- I. Pressure for Peace
 - a. Strong movement to end war
 - i. Nobel Peace Prize developed
 - b. Women's rights movements advocated peace
 - i. Said if women could vote, would end war
 - ii. Lysistrata
 - c. 1899 – First Universal Peace Conference
 - i. creates Hague Tribunal
 - 1. international court to settle disputes between nations
 - 2. problems
 - a. couldn't force nations to participate
 - b. couldn't enforce its judgements
- II. Aggressive Nationalism
 - a. How does nationalism lead to conflict?
 - b. Alsace Lorraine
 - i. Germany was new strong military power
 - ii. France wants old power back
 - 1. upset that it lost Alsace and Lorraine to Germany in Franco Prussian war – want them back
 - c. Pan-Slavism
 - i. Russia felt all Slavic people were one and Russia would defend all Slavs
 - d. Crisis in the Balkans
 - i. Austria-Hungary and Ottoman Empires were threatened by growing nationalism
 - 1. A-H had multiethnic empire
 - 2. Ottomans were threatened by Serbia and Greece on its borders
 - ii. Serbia wanted to create Southern Slavic state
- III. Economic and Imperial Rivalries
 - a. Britain threatened by German rapid economic growth
 - b. France and Germany came close to war over colonial empires
 - i. Both want same lands – Morocco and Central Africa
- IV. Militarism and the Arms Race
 - a. Militarism – glorification of military – make all aspects of society to serve military
 - i. Fed into Social Darwinism – only strong survive
 - b. Arms Race
 - i. Great powers seek to expand size of armies and navies
 - 1. objective – million man army
 - ii. each nation's buildup causes others to build up as well
 - c. Military leaders
- V. Tangle of Alliances
 - a. Fear of war encourage nations to sign alliances

- b. Central Powers
 - i. Triple Alliance
 - 1. created between Germany, Austria Hungary and Italy
 - 2. Italy switches sides during war and joins Allies
 - ii. Central Powers
 - 1. Ottoman Empire joins Germany and Austria Hungary and they become known as Central Powers
- c. Allies
 - i. 1894 - France and Russia form defensive alliance
 - ii. 1904 - Britain and France sign alliance
 - iii. Triple Entente
 - 1. 1907 – Britain sign alliance with Russia
 - 2. now Russia, Britain, France known as Triple Entente or Allies