Google Drive



The War That Ended Peace: The Road to 1914

Margaret Macmillan

Download now

Click here if your download doesn"t start automatically

The War That Ended Peace: The Road to 1914

Margaret Macmillan

The War That Ended Peace: The Road to 1914 Margaret Macmillan

NAMED ONE OF THE BEST BOOKS OF THE YEAR BY
The New York Times Book Review • The Economist • The Christian Science Monitor • Bloomberg Businessweek • The Globe and Mail

From the bestselling and award-winning author of *Paris 1919* comes a masterpiece of narrative nonfiction, a fascinating portrait of Europe from 1900 up to the outbreak of World War I.

The century since the end of the Napoleonic wars had been the most peaceful era Europe had known since the fall of the Roman Empire. In the first years of the twentieth century, Europe believed it was marching to a golden, happy, and prosperous future. But instead, complex personalities and rivalries, colonialism and ethnic nationalisms, and shifting alliances helped to bring about the failure of the long peace and the outbreak of a war that transformed Europe and the world.

The War That Ended Peace brings vividly to life the military leaders, politicians, diplomats, bankers, and the extended, interrelated family of crowned heads across Europe who failed to stop the descent into war: in Germany, the mercurial Kaiser Wilhelm II and the chief of the German general staff, Von Moltke the Younger; in Austria-Hungary, Emperor Franz Joseph, a man who tried, through sheer hard work, to stave off the coming chaos in his empire; in Russia, Tsar Nicholas II and his wife; in Britain, King Edward VII, Prime Minister Herbert Asquith, and British admiral Jacky Fisher, the fierce advocate of naval reform who entered into the arms race with Germany that pushed the continent toward confrontation on land and sea.

There are the would-be peacemakers as well, among them prophets of the horrors of future wars whose warnings went unheeded: Alfred Nobel, who donated his fortune to the cause of international understanding, and Bertha von Suttner, a writer and activist who was the first woman awarded Nobel's new Peace Prize. Here too we meet the urbane and cosmopolitan Count Harry Kessler, who noticed many of the early signs that something was stirring in Europe; the young Winston Churchill, then First Lord of the Admiralty and a rising figure in British politics; Madame Caillaux, who shot a man who might have been a force for peace; and more. With indelible portraits, MacMillan shows how the fateful decisions of a few powerful people changed the course of history.

Taut, suspenseful, and impossible to put down, *The War That Ended Peace* is also a wise cautionary reminder of how wars happen in spite of the near-universal desire to keep the peace. Destined to become a classic in the tradition of Barbara Tuchman's *The Guns of August*, *The War That Ended Peace* enriches our understanding of one of the defining periods and events of the twentieth century.

Praise for *The War That Ended Peace*

"Magnificent . . . *The War That Ended Peace* will certainly rank among the best books of the centennial crop."***—The Economist***

"Superb."***—The New York Times Book Review***

“Masterly . . . marvelous . . . Those looking to understand why World War I happened will have a hard time finding a better place to start.”**—*The Christian Science Monitor***

“The debate over the war’s origins has raged for years. Ms. MacMillan’s explanation goes straight to the heart of political fallibility. . . . Elegantly written, with wonderful character sketches of the key players, this is a book to be treasured.”**—The Wall Street Journal**

“A magisterial 600-page panorama.”**—Christopher Clark, *London Review of Books***

Download The War That Ended Peace: The Road to 1914 ...pdf

Read Online The War That Ended Peace: The Road to 1914 ...pdf

Download and Read Free Online The War That Ended Peace: The Road to 1914 Margaret Macmillan

---

From reader reviews:

Sylvia Langley:

Book is to be different for each and every grade. Book for children until finally adult are different content. To be sure that book is very important normally. The book The War That Ended Peace: The Road to 1914 has been making you to know about other information and of course you can take more information. It is quite advantages for you. The publication The War That Ended Peace: The Road to 1914 is not only giving you a lot more new information but also to become your friend when you truly feel bored. You can spend your personal spend time to read your reserve. Try to make relationship with the book The War That Ended Peace: The Road to 1914. You never really feel lose out for everything should you read some books.

Maria Lamotte:

Reading a guide can be one of a lot of exercise that everyone in the world enjoys. Do you like reading book and so. There are a lot of reasons why people enjoy it. First reading a publication will give you a lot of new data. When you read a book you will get new information simply because book is one of a number of ways to share the information or maybe their idea. Second, studying a book will make an individual more imaginative. When you examining a book especially fictional works book the author will bring you to imagine the story how the personas do it anything. Third, it is possible to share your knowledge to other individuals. When you read this The War That Ended Peace: The Road to 1914, you are able to tells your family, friends along with soon about yours guide. Your knowledge can inspire the mediocre, make them reading a book.

Beverly Hill:

This The War That Ended Peace: The Road to 1914 is brand-new way for you who has attention to look for some information since it relief your hunger details. Getting deeper you onto it getting knowledge more you know or you who still having bit of digest in reading this The War That Ended Peace: The Road to 1914 can be the light food for yourself because the information inside this book is easy to get simply by anyone. These books acquire itself in the form which can be reachable by anyone, yes I mean in the e-book contact form. People who think that in book form make them feel sleepy even dizzy this guide is the answer. So there is no in reading a reserve especially this one. You can find actually looking for. It should be here for you actually. So , don't miss the idea! Just read this e-book type for your better life in addition to knowledge.

Zandra Woods:

As a university student exactly feel bored to be able to reading. If their teacher inquired them to go to the library or even make summary for some publication, they are complained. Just little students that has reading's heart and soul or real their pastime. They just do what the trainer want, like asked to the library. They go to there but nothing reading seriously. Any students feel that reading through is not important, boring and also can't see colorful pictures on there. Yeah, it is for being complicated. Book is very important for you. As we know that on this period, many ways to get whatever we would like. Likewise word says,

many ways to reach Chinese's country. Therefore , this The War That Ended Peace: The Road to 1914 can make you experience more interested to read.

Download and Read Online The War That Ended Peace: The Road to 1914 Margaret Macmillan #0EAV37SG6FD

Read The War That Ended Peace: The Road to 1914 by Margaret Macmillan for online ebook

The War That Ended Peace: The Road to 1914 by Margaret Macmillan Free PDF d0wnl0ad, audio books, books to read, good books to read, cheap books, good books, online books, books online, book reviews epub, read books online, books to read online, online library, greatbooks to read, PDF best books to read, top books to read The War That Ended Peace: The Road to 1914 by Margaret Macmillan books to read online.

Online The War That Ended Peace: The Road to 1914 by Margaret Macmillan ebook PDF download

The War That Ended Peace: The Road to 1914 by Margaret Macmillan Doc

The War That Ended Peace: The Road to 1914 by Margaret Macmillan Mobipocket

The War That Ended Peace: The Road to 1914 by Margaret Macmillan EPub