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So Little Is Asked of Us

FOR nearly 10 years the German people have lived on a closely rationed and curtailed diet. They have lived without automobiles (on anything comparable to the scale on which they are used here). They have been forced to scrimp and save and sacrifice.

Why? In order that the great military machine might be built which is now overrunning civilized Europe.

For more than 10 years the Japanese people, whose living standard has always been pitifully poor, have lived on bare subsistence, cutting deeper and deeper each year into a scale of living beside which that of an American family on relief is regal.

Why? To build the ships and planes that struck at Pearl Harbor. To build the ships and planes and equip the men who now run amok in Malaya, the Dutch Indies, and the Philippines.

For nearly 20 years the Italian people have been ground beneath a tyranny which has constantly taken more and more from the daily living of a people already by American standards desperately poor.

Why? To build the planes that bombed the Ethiopian natives, the tanks that rolled across Libya, the ships that bedevil the Mediterranean.

Now the world faces the result of all that sacrifice and denial, faces the weapons forged from the people's daily bread. We are in deadly conflict with all that, as it is now plain we must sooner or later have been anyway.

Now we can't get new cars and tires. It may be a little difficult to get all the sugar one wants. Sometimes pay lags somewhat behind a rising cost of living. Profits aren't what they were. Every body is asked to work harder and longer. It may not be easy to get gasoline for "Sunday driving." We are asked to lend (not give) our savings; pay higher taxes.

Yet one hears occasional grumbling and complaining. Not from the two million men already called to arms; not from the two or three million men to follow; generally speaking they are ready to do what is necessary to be done.

Complaints come usually from those least hurt, and the violence of the complaint is usually in inverse proportion to the amount of sacrifice.

In Greece, the children starve in the streets. In France, a proud people have been made to ask for scraps. In Norway and Czechoslovakia, free and upstanding folk cope daily and unarmed against a greedy invader in their midst. In Poland and Yugoslavia, people are hunted down like animals. In Britain, peaceable folk have seen their homes tumble about their ears while the bombs took horrible toll.

It is to avert these things that we are asked to sacrifice. In comparison with them, so little has been asked thus far.

Danzig Still Not German

IT all started over Danzig. The German Fuehrer, weeping and pounding his chest, insisted that there could be no compromise between Germany and Poland on Danzig. Danzig was German, German by heritage and by present population. No compromise. So there must be war.

Now the Koelnische Zeitung is quoted as telling of the German difficulty in "Germanizing" the territory around Danzig. It seems that Germans in West Prussia are actually in a minority, to the distress of Gauleiter Forster. They

insist on speaking Polish, resisting "Germanization."

On such grounds as these, Hitler plunged a world into war.

He Who Got Slapped

THE very least R. J. Thomas, head of the United Auto Workers, could do was to order back to work men who have halted production of essential bomber parts because somebody got mad and slapped somebody else. Thomas did order them back, and they went.

Yet so childish a performance makes the heart sick at a time when men are dying, literally dying, for the lack of aircraft whose production was thus held up. The U. A. W. is not directly to blame, of course, for no responsible union official would countenance a stoppage in days like these for so infantile a cause. But it does prove that the "business as usual" psychology is common to all groups. It was not an auto workman who got slapped in this little tragedy-comedy. It was some soldier, crouched in a fox-hole in Eataan.

Editorials on News

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clouds of Jap bombers are the great need.

These Java reports say the reinforcements that have arrived are jubilantly greeted by the embattled Dutch but are small.

THE Japs have Singapore. If they get the Dutch island of Java (along with adjoining Sumatra) they will have an open and unobstructed road into the Indian ocean. The Indian ocean is the broad highway to India and the back door of the Middle East.

A little while back Navy Secretary Knox told us flatly that Hitler is our No. 1 enemy. Do you suppose he still thinks so?

IN Washington, the senate takes the first step toward repealing the bill by which congress voted pensions to its own members. The house is expected to follow along swiftly.

Why all this speed? The answer is simple. The public is angry. And it is FROM THE PUBLIC that both senators and representatives will have to obtain the votes necessary to KEEP THEM IN WASHINGTON.

When the public gets MAD ENOUGH it gets results—quickly.

LANDIS, new head of OCD (Office of Civilian Defense) has also heard from the public. He announces that OCD "must be streamlined for maximum efficiency."

As a part of the streamlining, he drops Myrlis Chaney, who was to improve our morale by teaching us new dance steps. He drops the outfit headed by former Mayor T. Seemes Walmsley of New Orleans. He scraps the "know your government" division headed by a FORMER something-or-other at \$8,000 a year.

Former Socialist Mayor Daniel W. Hoan of Milwaukee gets the ax somewhere along the line. OCD seems to have been a happy and comfortable catchall for "formers" of various kinds.

LANDIS explains that the abolished "know your government" division was formed in the first place for "educational and morale" activities.

Nothing is so good for morale as HARD WORK—especially the kind of honest physical labor that leaves one too tired at night to get all worked up over the bad things that might happen.

If these former mayors and former this-and-thats who are being ousted from their OCD berths will try the hard work recipe on their own account, they will not only acquire callouses but will earn something genuinely useful about morale.

WHY is all this cleaning being made in OCD? Again the answer is simple. The public GOT MAD.

Future Farmers Chapter Sponsors Annual Banquet

The annual banquet for parents and sons, sponsored by the local chapter of Future Farmers of America, was held in the home economics room of Roseburg senior high school Friday night. The banquet was followed by an interesting program, with Emil Olsen as master of ceremonies, the program including piano selections by Mrs. Homer Grow and vocal solos by Leroy Hiatt. The principal address was given by Don Roland, a nephew of Mrs. J. Roland Parker. The local chapter, in closing its program, presented honorary memberships to Homer Grow and O. D. Rawlins, former and present agricultural instructors in Roseburg high school.

Your Federal Income Tax

No. 42 Deduction for Tax On Motor Gas If an automobile is used for both business and pleasure, those maintenance and operating expenses which constitute allowable deductions for federal income tax purposes should be allocated to the two uses on the basis of the time the car is used for each. For example, if the total expense of operation and main-

OUT OUR WAY



BORN THIRTY YEARS TOO SOON

Plan to Organize Carpentry Class Here Postponed

Plans to organize a class in carpentry here to prepare men for work at the Medford and Corvallis army cantonments have been indefinitely postponed, it was announced today by Bruce A. Mellis, vocational coordinator in the Roseburg schools. Although the class had been approved by the state and federal office of vocational education, postponement was necessary because of a misunderstanding in the selection of a local instructor and a question of approval by the state labor council, Mr. Mellis said.

Because 55 men had registered for the course, it is hoped that the class may yet be started. However, those who can qualify may join with the Medford Carpenters local and secure priority in the employment for the work that is getting under way at the present time.

The Rural-Urban defense, No. 4 program, for young men between the ages of 18 to 25, under the supervision of O. D. Rawlins, Smith-Hughes instructor at the senior high school, will get under way as soon as the welding equipment is secured. This will be a class in metal working and welding.

"Because of the large number of persons showing interest in such courses, it is hoped that more classes of an adult educational type may be offered in the future," Mr. Mellis said today. "Roseburg, he explained, "has been handicapped in the securing of such courses, due to the very limited equipment and shop facilities available in our schools."

Employment Office Here to be Open Feb. 23

The Roseburg office of the United States employment service, located in the court house, will remain open next Monday, Feb. 23, according to Frank Chase, manager, who announced that cancellation of the holiday in observance of George Washington's birthday is in line with federal government's drive to speed up production.

No claims for unemployment compensation will be accepted on Monday. Cancellation of the holiday is to give continued service to employers on war contracts.

Rev. Carl H. Faulkner On Way Back to Roseburg

Rev. Carl Henry Faulkner, son of Mrs. Ella Harris of this city, has arrived in New York and is on his way home to Roseburg, according to a message received today by Mrs. Harris. The Rev. Mr. Faulkner, a missionary sent by the Baptist board of missions to work among the Jews in Poland, was in Warsaw at the time that city was attacked by Germany, Hungary, and only recently left that city to return to the United States.

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Roosevelt's Broadcast To Present War Status

WASHINGTON, Feb. 20 (AP)—The address President Roosevelt will make to the nation Monday night, the White House said today, may touch on strategy but probably will be directed principally to the presentation of a picture of a world at war, as Mr. Roosevelt sees it.

The president's press secretary, Stephen Early, told reporters today: "I think when he has finished the speech it will be made very clear that the oceans on each of our coast lines are no longer the savings or the protection of the country they were said to be by one or two so long ago."

"Also I think that it will show that military actions and naval engagements wherever they are fought thousands of miles from here, have a definite effect on such little community, on each man in a workshop, on the production lines."

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10 Beverage.

11 Perish.

12 Also.

13 Over (poet.).

15 Value.

17 Gem carved in relief.

19 Portland.

20 Whether.

21 Garden tool.

23 Cravat.

25 District attorney (abbr.).

26 Insect.

28 Writing fluid.

30 Aged.

31 Finishes.

33 Bear.

34 Plunder.

35 Type of sailing vessel (pl.).

37 Printed cotton fabric (pl.).

39 Therefore.

41 Him.

42 Half em.

43 Type measure.

44 Tree.

46 Acetiform fluid.

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