

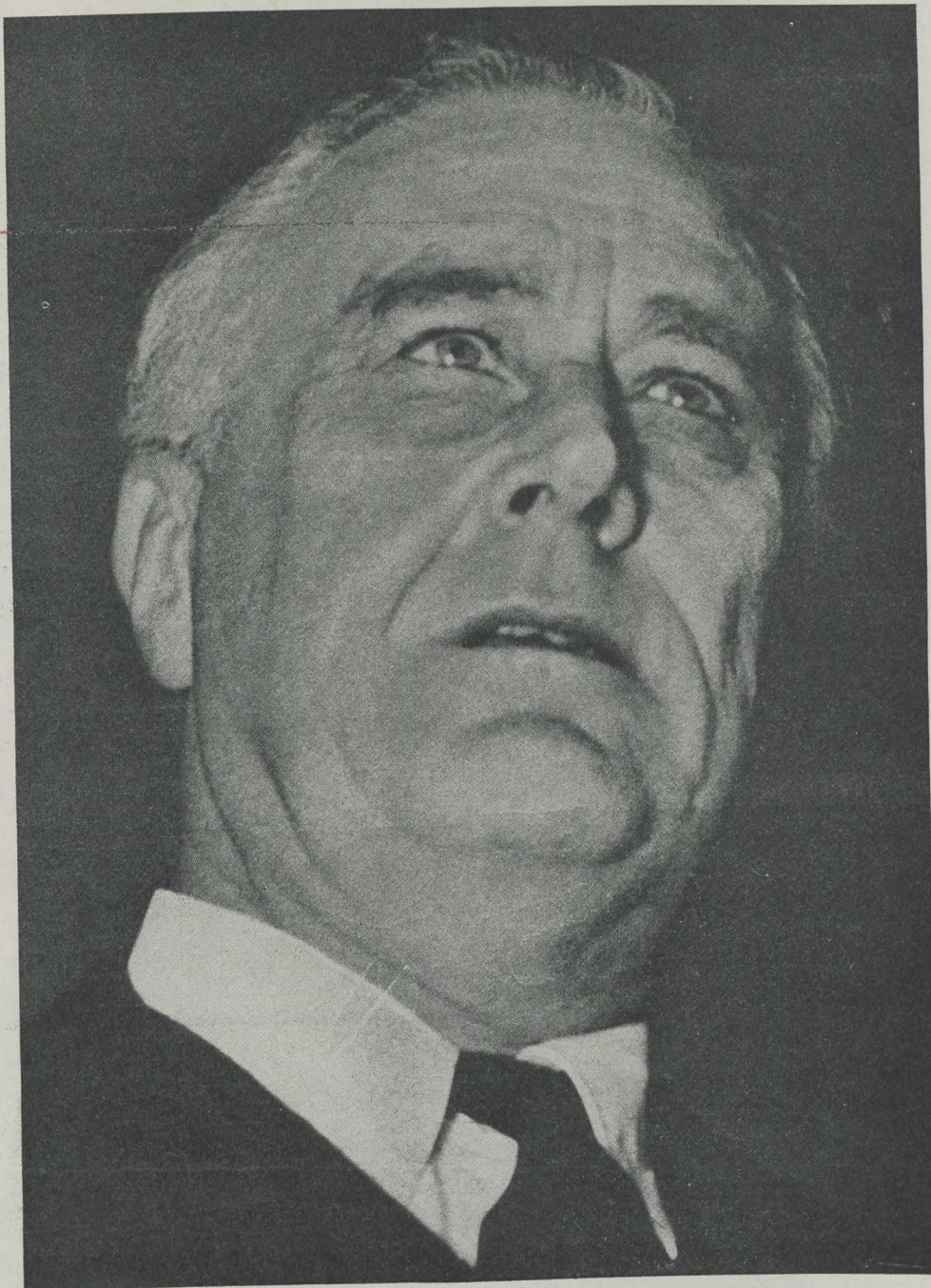
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**"AHEAD THERE LIES SACRIFICE FOR ALL OF US"**

"On the road ahead there lies hard work—gruelling work—day and night, every hour and every minute . . . ahead there lies sacrifice for all of us.

"But it is not correct to use that word. The United States does not consider it a sacrifice to do all one can, to give one's best to our nation, when the nation is fighting for its existence and its future life.

"It is not a sacrifice for any man, old or young, to be in the Army or the Navy of the United States. Rather is it a privilege.

"It is not a sacrifice for the industrialist or the wage earner, the farmer or the shopkeeper, the trainman or the doctor to pay more taxes, to buy more bonds, to forego extra profits, to work longer or harder at the task for which he is best fitted—rather is it a privilege.

"It is not a sacrifice to do without many things to which we are accustomed if the national defense calls for doing without it."

*Franklin D. Roosevelt*

This ad contributed by **The Jewish Veteran.**

# THIS IS YOUR WAR

By HON. ROBERT P. PATTERSON, Under-Secretary of War

The grim fact that we are at war must in this year 1942 permeate all our thinking, all our action.

We are in a war of all-out proportions, a war against powers which have been on a total war footing for years. America is not conscious of what total war means. In Germany and Japan, total war means that each person in the nation takes his proper place in the war effort; that each person makes sacrifice to the war machine; that the entire energies of all the people and all the wealth and facilities of the nation are devoted to making war.

Total war can mean no less to us. We, too, must wage total war.

A 20% or a 50% America is not enough to do the job. Ours is a land of great wealth, of great productive capacity, a land of healthy, vigorous, intelligent people. But a mere recital of how good we are or how strong we can be when we get started will not defeat our enemies. All America must get started and we must not stop until we achieve victory.

When war in Europe came late in 1939, we started to wake from our slumber, but we remained pretty drowsy.

It took Pearl Harbor really to arouse us to the fact that the Japanese and the Germans were more than unpleasant intruders in someone else's backyard and that every American must do something about it.

What was America doing while Hitler's armies were striking at Russia and Japan was planning its punch at Pearl Harbor? Well, unfortunately many things we were doing did not contribute much to building an Army and a Navy. America was enjoying an almost unprecedented boom in the manufacture and sale of all the articles which make this country so comfortable. Business was *not* going on as usual. *Most* business was better than usual. Materials which today are more precious than gold were consumed in great quantities for decorations on everything from automobiles to baby carriages. Some of our business executives were devoting far too much of their energies to perfecting the better mousetrap, unmindful that the real rodents we had to snare were Hitler and his fellow gangsters. We had strikes and walkouts over trivial issues, causing the loss of thousands of valuable man-days work on munitions contracts. Japan, oh yes, that is where we get our silk, and we had a mad rush to buy silk hosiery. And the War Department and other agencies, we made mistakes too.

Even with our diversions and errors, we did get under way a vast program, and we are producing munitions of war on a large scale. But no one can question that America was devoting far less than its full potentialities to its rearmament program.

Well, all that is past today. We need not blame the leaders of industry, the leaders of labor, or governmental officials. All America was to blame. Now is no time for

recriminations and bickerings about the past, but it is against a background of our experience and mistakes that we chart our course for the future.

We have a job to do that dwarfs anything ever before undertaken by this country. In the last World War our armies were equipped and armed by our allies. This time it is the other way round. We must equip and arm our own Army, and we must help in equipping and arming the armies of our allies. That is the size of our task. One big job will be on the fighting front, where we will have American soldiers the equal of any fighting men in the world. Our other big job is on the home front, where we must produce the machines and guns which will enable our soldiers to gain victory in battle.

The 10 billion dollars which have been appropriated since December 7th are merely the forerunner of many more billions which must be turned into guns, airplanes, tanks and other munitions, and turned quickly. We will use as much of our national income as is necessary to win the war. Our present program will be increased fourfold.

This is the prospect for 1942—work, and more work.

Remember that the men who are fighting in the Philippines are not looking at the clock. Our soldiers have the right to expect us to work as hard and as long as we can to provide them with the implements of war with which we shall defeat our adversaries. I know we shall not disappoint them.

The speed-up of production can be obtained only if each man at the lathe or at whatever task he has works harder, works longer and works more efficiently. Each one of us has a job to do and in that job each one of us must contribute to the limit.

This is every American's war—every American man's, every American woman's, every American child's. It can be won by the united effort, the united determination, the united sacrifice of a united America.

## IT'S "OUR AMERICA" . . . LET'S KEEP IT FREE

A Message to You by the Author of "Berlin Diary," Who Saw With His Own Eyes What Happens to a People When They Lose Their Freedom

By WILLIAM L. SHIRER

Perhaps you know America best when you've been away for awhile, as I have been. Perhaps you can see it clearer that way—its grandeur, its hope, its promise. Here at home, I fear, we Americans, busy with the many details of our daily lives, have taken too many important and beautiful things in life for granted. Do we really appreciate our priceless freedom?

To the average American family, the exercise of freedom is as natural as breathing free air. But across the Atlantic in Europe, from which our forefathers came, freedom is no longer natural. It is not even possible. Darkness has descended over that great continent. Men, women and children—130 million of them—live in chains, Nazi chains. Books are burned, newspapers suppressed, radio stations wrecked, parliaments wiped out and men are hustled to the prisons or the gallows because they dare to speak out as decent, free human beings.

The man Hitler, of course, is primarily responsible. But the once comparatively free peoples of Europe and their leaders cannot escape entire blame. They did not understand, among other things, that "*eternal vigilance is the price of liberty.*" They took their freedom for granted. When it was threatened, they were asleep. When they awoke, it was too late. The Nazi boot had already trampled them down. I saw that Nazi boot stamping out the life of one country after another. For me, as for all Americans, I know that death is better.

But we have a better choice than death or slavery. We can remain free. There's a price to be paid, to be sure. But it isn't much of a price. And for what you get, and hold, it's cheap. The price we will have to pay is—belief in our freedoms, and when they are threatened, as they are now,—vigilance, sacrifice, and a united, determined will to defend them.

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