

LESSON: History Unfolded: Black Press Coverage of the Holocaust

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Historical Information on Black Newspapers

The following descriptions provide background information for the primary sources found in this packet. Continue reading the packet to find images and text for each primary source. As of 2020, all of the following newspapers were still in existence.

The Journal and Guide

The Journal and Guide is a Black press newspaper located in Norfolk, Virginia. Founded in 1922, it was a weekly newspaper with a circulation of over 80,000 by the mid 1940s.

The New York Amsterdam News

The New York Amsterdam News, founded in 1909, is based in New York City. It was a weekly newspaper in the 1930s. In the 1940s, it changed its name to the *New York Amsterdam Star-News* and by 1945 had a circulation of over 65,000.

The Chicago Defender

The Chicago Defender, founded in 1905, is based in Chicago, Illinois. Along with *The Pittsburgh Courier*, it became one of the most prominent and influential newspapers of the Black press, with a national readership. Ida B. Wells, Langston Hughes, and Martin Luther King wrote columns printed in the paper. It was a weekly newspaper in the 1930s and 1940s.

The Pittsburgh Courier

The Pittsburgh Courier, founded in 1907, is a prominent newspaper published in Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania. It competed with *The Chicago Defender* as the most prominent Black weekly newspaper in the 1930s and 1940s, and it had the highest circulation at the time.

The Atlanta Daily World

The Atlanta Daily World, founded in 1928 in Atlanta, Georgia, was the only daily Black newspaper in the 1930s and 1940s.

The Philadelphia Tribune

The Philadelphia Tribune was founded in 1884 in Philadelphia, Pennsylvania. It printed weekly at the time.

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Primary Source Assignment 1: *The Journal and Guide*

Historical Background for Primary Source

In March 1933, the SA (Storm Troopers) in Nazi Germany attacked Jewish-owned department stores in German cities in an attempt to segregate Jews from the rest of society. International Jewish organizations and the press, which urged a boycott of German goods, publicized these attacks. In response, the Nazi organized the April 1, 1933 nationwide boycott of Jewish businesses in Germany, blaming Jews for the anti-German tone of the international press.

In 1933 in the United States, public facilities, churches, and schools were racially segregated. 24 Black Americans were lynched during this year. The United States continued to limit immigration, especially by people of “undesirable” national origin, including eastern European Jews.

Additional Background on Historical Event

[Nazis Boycott Jewish Businesses](#)

Journal and Guide, (Norfolk, Virginia) April 8, 1933, page 1.

Sword Of Death Over His Head



History was said to be made by the sword after the armistice had been signed. The man in the picture is a soldier who was killed in the battle of Verdun. He was found in the front line, his head resting on his sword, which was stuck in the ground. The sword was found with him, and it is believed that he was killed by a bullet in the forehead. The sword was found in the front line, and it is believed that he was killed by a bullet in the forehead. The sword was found in the front line, and it is believed that he was killed by a bullet in the forehead.

New Victory Life Ins. Company To Be Built On Ashes Of Old Concern

Court Gives Permission For Stockholders-Policy-Holders Committee To Reorganize; Wants Business To Remain Colored

MEMPHIS, Tenn., (AP)—The New Victory Life Insurance Company, which was organized in 1912, has been reorganized as a new concern, the New Victory Life Insurance Company. The new company will be organized in the city of Memphis, Tenn., and will be controlled by a committee of stockholders and policyholders. The new company will be organized in the city of Memphis, Tenn., and will be controlled by a committee of stockholders and policyholders. The new company will be organized in the city of Memphis, Tenn., and will be controlled by a committee of stockholders and policyholders.

Virginia Asks 'Bama For Aid In Crawford Extradition Move

Famous Ex-Gen. Lee And Wife Princess 'Hinder' Cases Up Again; All Involve Alleged Slaying Of Whites In South

RICHMOND, Va., (AP)—The Commonwealth of Virginia has asked the State of Alabama for aid in the extradition of Gen. Robert E. Lee and his wife, Princess Alice. The Commonwealth of Virginia has asked the State of Alabama for aid in the extradition of Gen. Robert E. Lee and his wife, Princess Alice. The Commonwealth of Virginia has asked the State of Alabama for aid in the extradition of Gen. Robert E. Lee and his wife, Princess Alice.

SELECTION OF SCOTTSBORO TRIAL JURY BRISTLED WITH CLASHES

By WILLIAM E. BROWN
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Cheating Wife Is Killed By Enraged Husband Who Comes Home Too Soon

Journal and Guide

★ ★ ★ A Newspaper that is FIRST in its Field - in Readers - in News and in Advertising ★ ★ ★

MOB OF 200 THREATENS DECATUR JAIL, EXTRA GUARDS ORDERED OUT

DEAD WOMAN FORMERLY OF NEWPTNEWS
Man in Her Arms Also Cheating On His Mistress

IMPORTANT POINTS WON BY DEFENSE
Introduction Of Secret Jury Roll Adds To Advantages

SEE MACHINE GUNS THREE TIMES A DAY
WHITES ARE DISPERSED BY SHERIFFS
Squad To KID In Order Given At Scottsboro Trial



They held up the Scottsboro boys' trial. The men in the picture are the members of the mob that threatened the jail in Decatur, Ala., on April 7, 1933.

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CAMERAMAN TAKES SHOT AT GUIDE REPORTERS
The cameraman who was shot at by the guide reporters in Decatur, Ala., on April 7, 1933, was identified as John J. ...

NEWARK, N. J., Gets Ready To Elect Roger Yancey Its First Commissioner
The city of Newark, N. J., is preparing for the election of its first African American commissioner, Roger Yancey. The city of Newark, N. J., is preparing for the election of its first African American commissioner, Roger Yancey.

WHAT ROOSEVELT HAS BROUGHT IN 4 WEEKS
The President's record in his first four weeks in office has been highly praised. The President's record in his first four weeks in office has been highly praised.

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Journal and Guide, (Norfolk, Virginia) April 8, 1933, page A6.



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Primary Sources Assignment 2: *The New York Amsterdam News and Chicago Defender*

Historical background for Primary Sources:

In 1931, the International Olympic Committee awarded the 1936 Summer Olympics to Berlin. After Hitler took power in 1933, some in the United States called for a boycott of the Olympics, pointing out that Germany had broken Olympic rules forbidding discrimination based on race and religion. The Amateur Athletic Union (AAU) voted to send a US team to the Olympics after a close vote in December 1935 and the boycott movement failed. Still, some people continued to oppose US participation in the Games.

During the boycott debate, Black American and Jewish athletes faced pressure from within their respective communities to take a moral stand against Nazism. Some resented being asked to protest the discrimination against Jewish athletes in Germany while America had its own pervasive and segregationist Jim Crow laws. Eighteen Black American athletes participated in the Games and dominated the track and field events. Their victories abroad, however, did little to diminish racial discrimination and segregation at home.

Additional Background on Historical Event

[Amateur Athletic Union Says “Yes” to Berlin Olympics](#)

New York Amsterdam News (New York, New York), September 21, 1935, page 1.

Mississippi Man Lynched While Jury Weighs

BROOKLYN LONG ISLAND WESTCHESTER NEW JERSEY

NEW YORK Amsterdam News

METROPOLITAN EDITOR

Published every Saturday by The American News Company, Inc. Second-class mailing post office, New York, N. Y.

NEW YORK, SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 21, 1935

WILL ASK STATE TO REVOK PLAYLAW CHARTER FOR BI

MAN LYNCHED WHILE JURORS DEBATE FATE

in Mississippi Victim From County Jail

OPPORTUNITY, Miss., Sept. 20.—The lynching of a Negro man, while the jury in the case of the lynching was deliberating, has been reported from Oxford, Miss., where the victim was held in the county jail.

Presents Evidence



The evidence presented in the case of the lynching of a Negro man in Mississippi, while the jury was deliberating, has been reported from Oxford, Miss., where the victim was held in the county jail.

BUDGET SEEKS 1,200 BEDS IN HOSPITAL HERE

Other Facilities Asked for Harlem — Pay Is Sought for Internes

An additional 1,200 beds for the hospital in Harlem, N. Y., is being sought by the board of directors of the hospital, which is now in the process of raising funds for the new building.

Man Held for Threat To "Expose" Actress

Harlem Porter Pretended He Was Husband of Helen Chandler—Wanted "Hush" Money

Harlem, N. Y., Sept. 20.—A man who pretended to be the husband of the actress Helen Chandler, and who was held for a threat to "expose" her, was released today.

JOHNSON WILL MAKE RACE AS "INDEPENDENT"

Alderman Made Great Bid for Nomination Through "White-In"

The first showing by a local candidate in the race for alderman in the 11th ward, which is held in the name of the "white-in" race, was made today.

To Fight On



Alderman Johnson

GROG FIGHT VER.

Seek Arrest "Higher-Is" Public 1

Discussions to push a motion picture which is being made in the city, and which is being made in the name of the "higher-is" race, are being held today.

369TH TO BREAK CAMP TOMORROW

Lehman, Record Crowd Regiments

The 369th Central Postal Directory, which is being sent to the front, will break camp tomorrow.

3,871 RESIDE IN 1 HARLEM BLOCK

Concentration Is Four Times the Normal

Harlem, N. Y., Sept. 20.—The concentration of Negroes in one block in Harlem is four times the normal, according to a report from the police department.

UPSETS FEATURE HARLEM PRIMARY

Regular Candidates Take Many Losses

Harlem, N. Y., Sept. 20.—The primary election in Harlem today was a surprise to many of the regular candidates, who lost many of their seats.

NEGROES ATTEND UNION CONFERENCE HERE

Summer School Held Despite Protest

Harlem, N. Y., Sept. 20.—A conference of Negroes in Harlem today was held despite the protests of some of the regular candidates.

HARLEMITES ATTEND ATHLETE LANDS CITY OFFICE JOB

Bank Brokers and His Employer, Who Was Killed in the Attack on the City Office, Will Attend the Conference

Harlem, N. Y., Sept. 20.—A conference of Harlemites in Harlem today was held to discuss the attack on the city office.

NURSES FOR SICK SUPPLIED BY WPA

\$146,251 Appropriated For New Project

The Federal Works Agency has appropriated \$146,251 for a new project to supply nurses for the sick in Harlem.

MARVA TROTTER HERE FOR FIGHT

Joe Louis and Lass to Fight Wednesday

Harlem, N. Y., Sept. 20.—Marva Trotter is here in Harlem for a fight with Joe Louis and Lass on Wednesday.

BROOKLYNITE WINNER OF GRANT BY LEAGUE

The National Three Leagues from the city of Brooklyn, N. Y., have elected a Brooklynite as their winner.

Magistrate Frees Only Man Arrested in Primary Fight

He Was in Harlem County Jail, Where He Was Arrested in the Fight

Harlem, N. Y., Sept. 20.—A magistrate has freed only one man who was arrested in the primary election fight in Harlem.

Roommate Injured in 123d St. Mishap

Man Was Killed in the Accident, Which Occurred in the Street

Harlem, N. Y., Sept. 20.—A roommate was injured in a mishap in the 123d street in Harlem today.

STILL EXPLOSION KILLS HARLEMITE

Man Was Killed in the Explosion, Which Occurred in the Street

Harlem, N. Y., Sept. 20.—An explosion in Harlem today killed a man.

HARLEM MUSICIANS TO GET WPA FOG

Man Was Killed in the Explosion, Which Occurred in the Street

Harlem, N. Y., Sept. 20.—Harlem musicians are to get a WPA fog today.

Amsterdam News

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Just for the Taking

RECORD leadership in the coming year in the Democratic party, it will come only as the result of a coalition between the liberal wing of the party and the Negro vote. The Negro vote is the key to the Democratic party's success in the coming year. It is the only vote that can be counted on to elect a Democratic President in 1936.

Don't Take for Granted

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This Week's Guest Editor Says:

There's some good in everything. I have seen my privilege in travel recently through a number of Southern states, and during this time it was very interesting to listen and observe the many lessons in economy, business and education that most of us have learned and are making a part of ourselves. In my mind we are becoming realists and more intelligent, and not automaton in thinking and acting for ourselves, which is a very healthy sign.

Sketchbook

Man With a Bad Dream
The Power of Oil
If Duce's Neighbors
Kind Words For Russia
BY THEOPHILUS LEWIS

THE TERRIBLE SITUATION in the League of Nations would be helped a lot if one of the more liberal European states like France or Great Britain would lead the way in a good hard shoving.

Unfair to White Women

DISCRIMINATION is discrimination. The American Negro woman, and for that reason she is entitled to the same rights as the white woman. The American Negro woman is not a second-class citizen. She is a citizen of the United States and she should be treated as such.

Prepare for His Now

DOWN AT OXFORD, Miss. the other day, E. D. White, a Negro, was on trial for the shooting of a white man. The Negro was charged with the murder of a white man. The Negro was charged with the murder of a white man.

Mildly Encouraging

ALTHOUGH President Roosevelt's decision to accept Negro reserves officers for service with the Civilian Conservation Corps is a step in the right direction, it is not a step that should be taken without further action. The Negro reserves officers are a step in the right direction, but they are not a step that should be taken without further action.

Pre-Convention Rumbling

THE C. O. P. is stirring. "Oras" meetings are being held in various parts of the country. The C. O. P. is stirring. "Oras" meetings are being held in various parts of the country. The C. O. P. is stirring. "Oras" meetings are being held in various parts of the country.

The Big Ditch

By CHASE



Letters From Readers to the Editor

Hilder vs. Anna's Reply
The Editor of the Amsterdam News: Dear Sir—In reply to your letter of the 18th inst. regarding the article on the Hilder vs. Anna case, I am glad to hear that you are so interested in the case.

Refusing Hilder
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Touting the News
Medicine Man of Example
Aid for the Wounded
By A. A. JOCKER

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New York Amsterdam News, (New York, New York) September 21, 1935, page 10.

Rebuffing Hitler

To the Editor of The Amsterdam News.

Dear Sir—I read your open letter to Owens, Peacock, Metcalfe, Johnson, Ward, and others, all potential participants in the 1936 Olympic games in Nazi Germany, urging that they refuse to participate in the forthcoming Olympiad.

I think the stand is a very intelligent and progressive one, and if adopted by Negro athletes it will be one of the most significant things ever to have happened in the world of Negro athletes.

Hitler's terror against the Jews and his race-baiting antics are exceeded only in these United States where a reign of Fascism—springing from economic forces similar to those in Germany—has historically existed against Negroes. A direct blow against Hitlerism will strike an indirect blow against Fascism in the states against Negroes. Certainly 204,000 Negroes in Harlem and 12,000,000 Negroes in America are interested in the striking of this blow. None are more qualified at the moment to strike this blow than Negro athletes.

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The Chicago Defender, (Chicago, Illinois), June 6, 1936, page 1.

HOW BLACK TROOPS WON WAR FOR ITALIANS EXPOSED BY COL. ROBINSON IN SPEECH HERE

Prexy Calls Coed Skunk



Miss Dr. J. B. Watson, right, president of Arkansas State college and for 15 years an educator, called Miss Irene White, a member of the coed class and on her student "Dirty Little Skunk" and a "pig" by her graduation...

Kidnaped Klan Victim Talks

Relates How Another Was Flogged Into Insanity By Bullet Club

ARK. STATE STUDENTS IN OPEN REVOLT

Dr. Watson's Resignation Demanded; Called Coed 'Skunk' and 'Liar'

The revolt made by Prof. J. B. Watson, of A. M. and Dr. Watson, to Miss Irene White, who was a member of the coed class and on her student "Dirty Little Skunk" and a "pig" by her graduation...

Railroad Must Pay Youth \$7,500 For Yurture Injuries

JACKSON, Miss., June 5.—The court today ordered the Missouri Pacific Railroad to pay \$7,500 to a young man who was injured by a train while riding on a freight car...

Improving



JOE LAYTON, former member and leading member of the "Improving" club, who was a member of the club for several years, is shown in the photo...

Chicago Defender logo and publication details: CHICAGO, ILL., SATURDAY, JUNE 6, 1936. PRICE 10c.

Prexy Insults Coed; Students Riot FIGHT FOR G.O.P. SEATS

Capt. Turpin, Left \$1 By Dad, Fights To Break Will

Propaganda Of 'Black Legion'

EVERYTHING TO GAIN For Home - School - Good Citizenship The Future Of Your Children

The letter is sent you with the understanding that you are a White American citizen and are entitled to the rights of all American citizens.

Advertisement for 'Black Legion' propaganda, including instructions and a warning not to sign names on letters.

DUCE'S MEN LAG BEHIND AS COWARDS

Force Blacks To Carry Attack In Battles Against Brothers

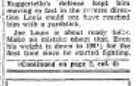
Lastly cheered by a crowd that lined the roadway of the newly built De Sable high school, Col. John Robinson, the fascist who has just returned from vacation in Italy, gave a stirring account of the incident, and expressed his confidence in the Italian intervention of the Italian invasion...

Traditional Contest of Lily-Whites Begun; Race In Action

Bomber Hits Stride; Back In Old Form

Univ. of Missouri Denies Race University

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News Summary

ALABAMA (State News) ... LAKEWOOD, N. J., June 5.—The world because the big news feature reported that when...

Louis-Braddock Bout Likely In Fall; Champ May Quit The 'Garden'

Break Will Shift Title Go To Arena In Philadelphia

Social Workers Meet In Seattle In 1938

On Your Vacation

Chicago Defender logo and publication details.



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The Chicago Defender, (Chicago, Illinois), June 6, 1936, page 7.

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Domestic Workers Launch Drive For 2000 Members

SOCIETY

PHILADELPHIA, Pa., June 5.—The National Domestic Workers Union, which has 1,500 members in Philadelphia, is launching a drive to increase its membership to 2,000 members by the end of the year. The union, which is affiliated with the American Federation of Labor, is the largest of its kind in the city. It represents domestic workers in the home, who are often paid less than minimum wage and have no benefits. The union is currently negotiating with employers for better wages and conditions. The drive for 2,000 members is part of a larger effort to organize the domestic workers in Philadelphia and across the country.

Senator Wagner On Program of NAACP Meeting

NEW YORK, June 5.—Senator Wagner today announced that he would attend the annual meeting of the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People (NAACP) in Philadelphia. Wagner, who is a member of the NAACP, said that he was pleased to see the organization's program of work. He said that the NAACP's efforts to improve the lives of African Americans were commendable and that he would do his best to support their work. Wagner's attendance at the meeting is seen as a sign of the NAACP's growing influence in the political arena.

NUMEROUS ACTIVITIES OF NORTH ALLIED COMMITTEES

PHILADELPHIA, Pa., June 5.—The North Allied Committees are active in various ways to help the war effort. These committees are made up of citizens from different parts of the city and are working to collect supplies, provide food, and offer other forms of assistance to the military. The committees are also involved in educational programs and community events. Their efforts are being praised by the military and the government for their dedication and hard work.

Philly News Condensed

PHILADELPHIA, Pa., June 5.—The Philadelphia Police Department today announced that it had arrested a number of individuals suspected of being involved in the recent riots. The police said that the arrests were made as part of an ongoing investigation into the events. The individuals were charged with various offenses, including rioting and destruction of property. The police department is continuing its efforts to bring all those involved in the riots to justice.

Mullica Hill, N.J.

PHILADELPHIA, Pa., June 5.—The Mullica Hill, N.J., branch of the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People (NAACP) today announced that it had elected a new executive committee. The new committee will be responsible for the branch's activities and will work to improve the lives of African Americans in the area. The election was held in a public meeting and was attended by a large number of members. The new committee is expected to begin its work soon.

Bethel Observes Children's Day

PHILADELPHIA, Pa., June 5.—The Bethel Church today observed Children's Day with a special service. The service was held in the church's sanctuary and was attended by a large number of children and their families. The service included songs, prayers, and a special message from the pastor. The church is committed to providing a safe and nurturing environment for its children and is proud to celebrate their achievements.

PHILADELPHIA-- The Cradle of Liberty

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IN NEWS ON THE FIRST NEWSSTANDS "People and Events" "Personal Philosophy" Other News That Will Keep You Informed

PEOPLE AND EVENTS

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Dr. Edgar C. Young Speaks At Berean Commencement

PHILADELPHIA, Pa., June 5.—Dr. Edgar C. Young, pastor of the Berean Church, today spoke at the commencement exercises of the Berean High School. Dr. Young's address was one of inspiration and encouragement, as he urged the graduates to continue their education and to work for the betterment of their community. He said that the graduates were the future leaders of the city and that they had a responsibility to use their talents for the benefit of all. The commencement was a grand affair, with a large number of guests in attendance.

With Philadelphia Famous Women

PHILADELPHIA, Pa., June 5.—The Philadelphia Women's Club today held a luncheon in honor of some of the city's famous women. The luncheon was held at the Ritz Hotel and was attended by a number of prominent women from the city. The women who were honored included Dr. Edgar C. Young's wife, Mrs. Edgar C. Young, and several other women who have made significant contributions to their community. The luncheon was a social event and provided an opportunity for the women to share their experiences and insights.

PHILADELPHIA PREPARES FOR DEM. DELEGATES

PHILADELPHIA, Pa., June 5.—The Philadelphia Democratic Party today announced that it was preparing for the arrival of delegates to the national convention. The party said that it was holding a series of meetings and rallies to mobilize its members and to elect delegates to represent the city at the convention. The party is also working to increase its visibility and to attract new members. The national convention is expected to be held in Philadelphia in the near future.

PENN. COMISH IN PRAISE OF THE DEFENDER

PHILADELPHIA, Pa., June 5.—The Pennsylvania Commonwealth in Philadelphia today issued a statement in praise of the Chicago Defender. The statement praised the newspaper for its commitment to the rights of African Americans and for its role in the civil rights movement. The Commonwealth said that the Defender was one of the most influential newspapers in the country and that it was proud to have it in Philadelphia. The statement was a sign of the Commonwealth's support for the Defender and its mission.

400 Dine At Banquet For Pastor Of Philly Church

PHILADELPHIA, Pa., June 5.—A banquet was held at the Ritz Hotel today in honor of Dr. Edgar C. Young, pastor of the Berean Church. The banquet was attended by approximately 400 guests, including members of the church, friends, and community leaders. The event was a celebration of Dr. Young's leadership and his contributions to the church and the community. The banquet featured a variety of dishes and a program of entertainment. Dr. Young gave a speech during the banquet, in which he thanked his supporters and expressed his gratitude for the honor.

Democrat Plum Goes To Walton

PHILADELPHIA, Pa., June 5.—The Democratic Party today announced that it had elected a new executive committee. The new committee will be responsible for the party's activities and will work to improve the lives of African Americans in the area. The election was held in a public meeting and was attended by a large number of members. The new committee is expected to begin its work soon.

Charge Discrimination At State Employment Bureau

PHILADELPHIA, Pa., June 5.—The Philadelphia branch of the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People (NAACP) today filed a charge of discrimination with the State Employment Bureau. The charge was filed on behalf of a number of African Americans who had been denied employment opportunities. The NAACP said that the State Employment Bureau was discriminating against African Americans in its hiring practices and that it was violating the state's anti-discrimination laws. The NAACP is seeking a court order to force the State Employment Bureau to hire the individuals who were denied employment.

Marriage Licenses

PHILADELPHIA, Pa., June 5.—The Philadelphia City Clerk today announced that she had issued a number of marriage licenses. The licenses were issued to a number of couples who had applied for them. The City Clerk said that the licenses were issued in accordance with the law and that she was pleased to see the couples getting married. The licenses were issued to couples of various ethnicities and backgrounds, and the City Clerk is committed to providing equal service to all.

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Church Of Immanuel Ready For Assembly

PHILADELPHIA, Pa., June 5.—The Church of Immanuel today announced that it was ready for its annual assembly. The assembly is a major event for the church and is held each year. The church is preparing for the assembly by cleaning the sanctuary and by preparing the program. The assembly is expected to be held in the near future and will be a time of worship and fellowship for the church members.

Miss Bernice Greene To Wed C. Williams

PHILADELPHIA, Pa., June 5.—Miss Bernice Greene today announced that she was engaged to be married to C. Williams. The couple was engaged in a ceremony at the home of the bride's parents. The wedding is expected to be held in the near future. Miss Greene and Mr. Williams are both members of the church and are well-known in the community. The engagement is a happy occasion for both families.

Quaker City Church Guide

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The Chicago Defender, (Chicago, Illinois), June 6, 1936, page 7.

FOR OR AGAINST NAZISM

As a member of the Negro race, I wish to take this opportunity of expressing my deep regret and protest against the participation of some of our Negro brethren in the coming Olympic games to be held in Germany.

My reason for said protest is prompted by the knowledge of what a great Jew, by the name of Julius Rosenwald, has done for our race in the nature of his benevolent acts in the building of schools throughout the South for the education of our youth.

The Jews are being mercilessly persecuted in Germany, and for our boys to engage in the coming Olympics is an endorsement of Nazism.

In the hope, therefore, that this protest will not be made in vain, I hereby offer my prayer.—Charles W. Harris, 240 W. 112th street, New York City.

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Primary Source Assignment 3: *The Pittsburgh Courier*

Historical background for Primary Source:

On March 12, 1938 German troops entered Austria, and Austria was incorporated into Germany the next day. Widespread antisemitic actions and political violence followed quickly on the heels of the *Anschluss* (“union” in German). Tens of thousands fled Nazi persecution, adding to the number of European refugees looking to immigrate to the United States.

In the United States, more than 100 Black Americans had been lynched since 1930. Most Americans wanted to keep refugees out of the United States. Two-thirds of Americans believed German Jews were either “entirely” or “partly” to blame for their own persecution. The Johnson-Reed Act of 1924, (sometimes known as the Immigration Restriction Act) set limits (or quotas) on the maximum number of immigrant visas that could be issued per year to people born in each country. These quotas were designed to limit the immigration of people considered “racially undesirable,” including southern and eastern European Jews.

Additional Background on Historical Event

[Germany Annexes Austria](#)

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The Pittsburgh Courier, (Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania) April 16, 1938, page 1.

[Front page not known to be preserved on microfilm]

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The Pittsburgh Courier, (Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania) April 16, 1938, page 10.

"STRANGE INTERLUDE"

Illustrated By Holloway



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Primary Source Assignment 4: *The Atlanta Daily World*

Historical background for Primary Source:

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On November 9-10, 1938, violence against Jews broke out across the German Reich. It appeared to be unplanned, set off by Germans’ anger over the assassination of Ernest vom Rath, a German embassy official in Paris at the hands of Herschel Grynszpan, a Jewish teenager. In fact, the Nazis carefully organized the pogroms. Units of the Nazi Party’s SA militia and Hitler Youth destroyed hundreds of synagogues and thousands of Jewish-owned shops. Nearly 30,000 Jewish men were arrested and sent to concentration camps. This event became known as *Kristallnacht*, or the night of broken glass.

American newspapers covered the Nazi terror attack against Jews in banner headlines on their front pages, and articles about the events continued to appear for several weeks. Polls conducted several weeks after the Kristallnacht attacks found that Americans overwhelmingly disapproved of the Nazi treatment of Jews, but most did not want more Jewish refugees to immigrate to the United States.

Note: The author in the piece below expresses antisemitic stereotypes against Jews. Please see <https://encyclopedia.ushmm.org/content/en/article/antisemitism-in-history-the-era-of-nationalism-1800-1918> for more background on antisemitism and stereotypes against Jews during the period leading up to the Holocaust.

Additional Background on Historical Event

[Anti-Jewish Riots Convulse German Reich \(*Kristallnacht*\)](#)

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Atlanta Daily World, (Atlanta, Georgia) November 20, 1938, page 1.

Morehouse - - - 8	Florida - - - 20	Lincoln - - - 7	Va. Union - - - 13
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Miss Maroon And White



Whose Side Gladys Fields of Houston, Texas, is shown in top photo as she looks for her son in "Miss Maroon and White" at the Newbern-Alabama State chieftain Saturday during the biennial convention held between Jackson, Birmingham and St. Louis.

Placed below are her attendance, left to right, Gladys Fields South of Houston, Texas, and Julia Williams of Valdosta, Ga. Fields' mother failed to appear at the old Morehouse sports—(SWS Staff Photos.)

Halts Church Service To Make An Arrest

ATLANTA, 19.—(AP)—A church service was halted here today to make an arrest of a man who is accused of being a member of the Ku Klux Klan.

The church service was held at the First Baptist Church of Atlanta.

Temperature May Fall To 38 Today, Says Weatherman

A high rise in expected this morning, when the local temperature is predicted to fall to 38 degrees.

Twelve Suspects Nabbed In Raid

Police nabbed a house in 30 DuSable St. Saturday night, according to reports from the police.



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Race Groups Hit Treatment Of Jews

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Even The Indians Can Vote

Carolinians May Take Case To Supreme Court

DURHAM, N. C.—(AP)—David Ballin in the general election of Nov. 8, although duly qualified and registered, several of the most prominent Negro residents of Clinton, N. C., in Sampson county, are fighting with the federal district court against election officials and attorneys through their attorneys, C. Jerry Coffey and E. B. Ayers of Durham, that they may enjoy the franchise for the 1940 election.



Dega's lovely queen

Editor Dunjee Is Visitor In City

Editor Dunjee, editor of the Atlanta Daily World, was in Atlanta today on a visit to the city.

Seven Killed As Army Bomber Falls In Georgia

A B-24 bomber crashed in a wooded area near LAGRANGE, GA., Saturday night, killing seven crew members.



LAGRANGE, GA.—Wreckage here is the wreckage of the U. S. Army Bomber B-24 that crashed some miles north of here Friday night. Seven crew members were killed and one seriously hurt.

Atlanta Daily World, (Atlanta, Georgia) November 20, 1938, page 4.

Seeing and Saying • By William A. Fowlkes

What Then, Black Americans?

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America, have subscribed to the theory. Even interracial meetings have assured me of the fact more. Sheer assurances, however, have failed to prove the truth, which really sets one "free." Germans in Europe, and majorities, in other lands, have taught me something else.

Ever since the Jews wandered around in the wilderness on their way from the land of enslavement to the promised land their leaders have taught them to beat the Gentiles to the economic draw. They have invaded country after country building up their units in trade and money circles until they have been recognized as financial leaders, more or less, mostly more. Time and again, they have been thinned out by racial groups in power who respected their money but feared its power, and later, getting the chance, used the hatred against them. The Middle Ages featured the greatest purges, but the Twentieth century sees more, despite the thought by the student of history that those days of barbarization should be far gone. Money has not proved security for the Jews, though it has given them temporary power, prestige and strength; Would it prove security for darker Americans should another real day of insecurity come for the masses of all the nation's citizens? Leaders, you might suggest a change in

tactics, for your followers need it.

GEORGIA PUNISHES MOBSTERS

In Cobb County, Georgia, last week, a reactionary Grand Jury indicted some two dozen young white men for participating in riots aimed against colored citizens and their property in a small community. One of the alleged mobsters confessed chasing a colored man down the street with something in his hand resembling a butcher knife and was sentenced to the public works camp for one year. Convictions loom for the others.

This is a new day of interracial thought in the South, when mobsters are made to pay for their sins. There is no doubt that fear of passage of the federal anti-lynching bill had something to do with the clamping down of the law on those who flagrantly broke its statutes. Destruction of white people's property also had its influence. Walter White's and the NAACP's efforts in Congressional lobby halls have not proved in vain. Indictment and conviction of those who incite and participate in anti-Negro riots, mobbings and lynchings will spread to those inland, more uncivilized and uncouth communities. The new world indeed will offer new hope to suffering groups. The process is exceedingly slow, however, and men want to live freely NOW.

WHAT WILL HAPPEN IN '39?

With the coming of World Baptists to Atlanta in 1939, one begins to hear from many quarters the query, "Will the South show its true self during this meeting?" There have been assurances from some quarters that prejudices will be thrown out of the window and that there will be a bit of free movement and business transaction with regards to all racial groups at the conference. We naturally won't believe it until we see it. We're sure the delegates from foreign countries will be surprised at some of the discriminations and practices here. There may be many embarrassments. Out of such a meeting, good must come, however. Surprises and embarrassments have awakened and changed many institutions.

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Primary Source Assignment 5: *The Philadelphia Tribune*

Historical background for Primary Source:

On September 1, 1939, Nazi Germany invaded Poland. Great Britain and France declared war two days later. President Roosevelt reassured Americans that the United States would remain neutral in World War II. In the 1930s, celebrated aviator Charles Lindbergh was one of America's best known heroes, famous for his daring solo flight across the Atlantic Ocean in 1927. However, by 1940, at a time when many Americans feared being drawn into another world war, Lindbergh was also known as a spokesman for the America First Committee, an organization prominent in the isolationist movement.

On September 11, 1941, Lindbergh delivered a speech in Des Moines, Iowa, in which he identified groups that he believed were conspiring to force the U.S. into war against Germany: "The three most important groups who have been pressing this country toward war are the British, the Jewish [sic] and the Roosevelt Administration." The speech was criticized in newspapers across the country, and politicians across the political spectrum denounced it.

Additional Background on Historical Event

[Charles Lindberg Makes 'Un-American' Speech](#)

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The Philadelphia Tribune, (Philadelphia, Pennsylvania) October 18, 1941, page B1.

'Now We Think-----'

Mr. and Mrs. Public Report To The Tribune's Inquiring Photographer

By GASTON DeVIGNE

Question of the Week: What Do Think of Lindbergh's Attitude on This Country and Hitler?

Where Asked: Vicinity of 41st and Powelton avenue.

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Primary Source Assignment 6: *The Pittsburgh Courier*

Historical background for Primary Source:

On December 7, 1941, Japan launched a surprise aerial assault on the US Pacific fleet at Pearl Harbor, Hawaii. The United States declared war on Japan and shortly after Germany declared war on the United States. In 1942, nearly half of Americans believed that Jews had “too much power and influence” in the United States. The US military quickly grew to nearly four million troops. The US Army, however, was racially segregated.

The two-fingered "V for Victory" sign first flashed by British Prime Minister Winston Churchill became a symbol of hope and unity for Allied leaders and their peoples throughout World War II. On January 31, 1942, James G. Thompson of Wichita, Kansas, a reader of the prominent Black American newspaper, *The Pittsburgh Courier*, addressed a letter to the editors in which he offered his thoughts on this gesture and the questions it raised for him.

The letter inspired the editors of the *Courier* to take action. The paper soon announced that it had "introduced its war slogan—'double V' for a double victory to colored America." The campaign's logo—two Vs surmounted by an eagle—stood for victory abroad over fascism and victory at home over racism.

Additional Background on Historical Event

[“Should I Sacrifice to Live ‘Half-American?’”](#)

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The Pittsburgh Courier, (Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania) January 31, 1942, page 1

World TODAY

GEORGE E. SCHUYLER

FLOYD COVINGTON, Los Angeles Urban League head, said the Navy last week by passing a poster depicting a white-topped U-boat woman with the phrase, "A ship like this may sink a ship," honor at the expense of the Negro. Considering the discrimination practiced by the Navy against Negroes, this is a laughing matter. Our Negro friends do not always seem to be very SMART.

THE AMERICAN RED CROSS is being very smart in its policy of refusing to accept the international and national Red Cross medals from the Navy. It is not only a matter of honor, but it is a matter of principle. It is not only a matter of honor, but it is a matter of principle. It is not only a matter of honor, but it is a matter of principle.

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MANY OF OUR WOMEN who are in the armed forces are being treated as second-class citizens. It is not only a matter of honor, but it is a matter of principle. It is not only a matter of honor, but it is a matter of principle.

Col. Howe is dead! In his place the 73-year-old South Carolina native was awarded the Medal of Honor. It is not only a matter of honor, but it is a matter of principle. It is not only a matter of honor, but it is a matter of principle.

AFRICANS in Gen. Hester's army should be treated as equals. It is not only a matter of honor, but it is a matter of principle. It is not only a matter of honor, but it is a matter of principle.

I. S. Senators and Representatives will be able to report on the situation at the age of 18. It is not only a matter of honor, but it is a matter of principle. It is not only a matter of honor, but it is a matter of principle.

THE WAR will bring more and more of our Negro citizens into the armed forces. It is not only a matter of honor, but it is a matter of principle. It is not only a matter of honor, but it is a matter of principle.

HALLE SELASSIE, Emperor of Ethiopia, is out of the picture. It is not only a matter of honor, but it is a matter of principle. It is not only a matter of honor, but it is a matter of principle.

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BLAME MP's, POLICE FOR LA. RACE RIOT

Blocks Segregation in Philly Army Post

PHILADELPHIA, Jan. 29.—(AP)—A report from the week in the Philadelphia Army post that the segregation of Negroes in the post is being investigated by the Army Signal Corps. The investigation was announced by the Signal Corps.

"ARMY REFUSES TO TALK"

Prattis Says People Should Be Told Truth About Trouble In Dixie Camps

MGM Signs Lena Horne For Hit With George Raft

Roberts' Report Reveals 24th, 25th In Action At Pearl Harbor

WASHINGTON, Jan. 29.—According to the report of the Roberts committee which investigated responsibility for the disaster at Pearl Harbor when the Japanese struck December 7, the 24th United States Infantry regiment, formerly stationed at Fort Benning, Ga., and the 25th U.S. Infantry Regiment, formerly stationed at Fort Huachuca, Ariz., had been transferred to Hawaii before the attack.

Justice Roberts reported that both regiments were on the island and that when the attack came, 90 per cent of the effectives of the units were prepared to go into action.



Pittsburgh's Lena Horne received a six-month contract with Metro-Goldwyn-Mayer Pictures this week and will start work on "Panama Hattie" with George Raft, in the near future. Lena Horne's entry into movies is the highlight of a career that has carried her into the nation's top theaters and has given her almost international repute.

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RED CROSS DROPS BLOOD BAN

CAPT. DAVIS TO COMMAND 99th SQUAD

WASHINGTON, Jan. 29.—(AP)—The 99th Central Postal Directory, which will be commanded by Capt. Davis, is being organized at the Red Cross headquarters in Washington.

ARMY'S GEN. MAGEE INSISTS BLOOD MUST BE KEPT SEPARATE

WASHINGTON, D. C. Jan. 29.—(AP)—Red Cross headquarters here has issued a statement that it will accept donations from Negro and white blood donors. The blood will be processed separately, so persons receiving transfusions will get plasma from their own race.

WINS COURIER TITLE!

Two Full Page Photos of 99th Central Postal Directory

Southerners Attack 'Black Cabinet'; Call Advisers Special Propagandists

WASHINGTON, Jan. 29.—Negro advisory set-ups in the various government bureaus and agencies here have come within range and are under fire from Southern politicians who knock them out completely if their own people do not organize to support them. Some of the lines of defense against the encroachment of discrimination in various fields of national effort.

ANGRY MISSOURI GOVERNOR ORDERS ARREST OF LYNN FIENDS

SIKESTON, Mo., Jan. 29.—The Sunday lynching of Clio Wright, 18, and the resultant lack of any arrests amid the anger of Governor Forrest Donnell, who ordered the immediate arrest and prosecution of the guilty party. Wright, semi-conscious from three bullet wounds in the abdomen, chest, and arm, was taken from the jail by a fire truck with 500 persons, tied to the bumper of a car, and dragged through the colored section of the city at 30 miles per hour. The body was then taken to the grounds of a colored school, saturated with gasoline, and burned.

HASTIE MAY QUIT

Remored that War Secretary Aide is Displaced With Army's Ignoring of Recommendations

WASHINGTON, D. C. Jan. 29.—Although he has not officially submitted a written resignation, Judge William Hastie, civilian aide to the Secretary of War, has expressed his disagreement of the War Department's handling of the court-martial of the late Brig. Gen. William H. B. Hester, who was killed in action in the Philippines.

SWIVEL-CHAIRED GENERALS IGNORE PUBLIC'S DEMANDS

By P. L. PRATTIS
(Executive Editor)

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Brilliant Young Engineer Is Arrested For Impersonating U. S. Army Air Corps Officer

DAYTON, O., Jan. 29.—Arrested by Federal authorities last Saturday and held on charges of impersonating an Army officer, Franklin Peterson, prominent Philadelphian and son of Rev. and Mrs. W. P. Peterson, is awaiting the action of the Federal grand jury. Peterson was arrested while at work as a civilian employe in the instrument division of the Army Air Corps at Patterson Field.

WALLER LOSES APPEAL CASE

RICHMOND, Va., Jan. 29.—(AP)—The Supreme Court of Virginia has denied the petition of O. W. Waller, a white man, for a writ of habeas corpus. Waller, who had been arrested by the Federal Bureau of Investigation, had been held in custody for several days.

ETHERIDGE READY TO RESIGN FEP

WASHINGTON, Jan. 29.—(AP)—Major General W. H. Etheridge, chief of the Army's Civil Control Administration, is ready to resign his post as chairman of the Federal Employment Project (FEP) committee.

CAL SHIPYARDS HIRE NEGROES

WASHINGTON, Jan. 29.—(AP)—The California Shipbuilding Corporation has announced that it will hire Negro workers in its shipyards.

BLAME MP's, POLICE FOR LA. RACE RIOT

PHILADELPHIA, Jan. 29.—(AP)—The Philadelphia Police Department has announced that it will blame the riot in Philadelphia on the actions of the Metropolitan Police and the actions of the members of the Ku Klux Klan.

Blocks Segregation in Philly Army Post

PHILADELPHIA, Jan. 29.—(AP)—A report from the week in the Philadelphia Army post that the segregation of Negroes in the post is being investigated by the Army Signal Corps.

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Should I Sacrifice To Live 'Half-American?'

**Suggest Double VV for Double Victory Against
Axis Forces and Ugly Prejudices on
the Home Front.**


(EDITOR'S NOTE: A young man, confused and befuddled by all of this double talk about democracy and the defense of our way of life, is asking, like other young Negroes, some very pertinent questions. We reprint this letter in full because it is symbolic.)

DEAR EDITOR:

Like all true Americans, my greatest desire at this time, this crucial point of our history; is a desire for a complete victory over the forces of evil, which threaten our existence today. Behind that desire is also a desire to serve, this, my country, in the most advantageous way.

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Being an American of dark complexion and some 26 years, these questions flash through my mind: "Should I sacrifice my life to live half American?" "Will things be better for the next generation in the peace to follow?" "Would it be demanding too much to demand full citizenship rights in exchange for the sacrificing of my life? Is the kind of America I know worth defending? Will America be a true and pure democracy after this war? Will Colored Americans suffer still the indignities that have been heaped upon them in the past? These and other questions need answering; I want to know, and I believe every colored American, who is thinking, wants to know.



Jas. G. Thompson

This may be the wrong time to broach such subjects, but haven't all good things obtained by men been secured through sacrifice during just such times of strife.

I suggest that while we keep defense and victory in the forefront that we don't lose sight of our fight for true democracy at home.

The V for victory sign is being displayed prominently in all so-called democratic countries which are fighting for victory over aggression, slavery and tyranny. If this V sign means that to those now engaged in this great conflict then let we colored Americans adopt the double VV for a double victory. The first V for victory over our enemies from without, the second V for victory over our enemies from within. For surely those who perpetrate these ugly prejudices here are seeking to destroy our democratic form of government just as surely as the Axis forces.

This should not and would not lessen our efforts to bring this conflict to a successful conclusion; but should and would make us stronger to resist these evil forces which threaten us. America could become united as never before and become truly the home of democracy.

In way of an answer to the foregoing questions in a preceding paragraph I might say that there is no doubt that this country is worth defending; things will be different for the next generation; colored Americans will come into their own, and America will eventually become the true democracy it was designed to be. These things will become a reality in time; but not through any relaxation of the efforts to secure them.

In conclusion let me say that though these questions often permeate my mind, I love America and am willing to die for the America I know will someday become a reality.

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Primary Source Assignment 7: *Chicago Defender*

Historical background for Primary Source:

On December 7, 1941, Japan launched a surprise aerial assault on the US Pacific fleet at Pearl Harbor, Hawaii. The United States declared war on Japan and shortly after Germany declared war on the United States. The US military quickly grew to nearly four million troops. The United States spent most of 1942 fighting Japan in the Pacific and preparing to battle Nazi Germany. The US Army was racially segregated, and Black Americans launched a “Double-V” campaign to fight for victory against fascism abroad and against racism at home. Nearly half of Americans believed that Jews had “too much power and influence” in the United States.

In November 1942, Americans learned about the Nazi plan to murder all the Jews of Europe. On December 17, 1942, the United States, Britain, and ten other Allied governments issued a Joint Declaration by Members of the United Nations denouncing Nazi Germany’s plan to exterminate the Jews of Europe. The declaration warned that “those responsible for these crimes shall not escape retribution”.

Additional Background on Historical Event

[Allies Denounce Nazi Plan to “Exterminate” the Jews](#)

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Defender Platform For America

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PEACE AND JUSTICE FOR ALL

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It is humanity in herding profusely today, the cause may well be sought in the painful circumstances that have led us so far from the principles of justice, freedom, and democracy.

GOOD NEWS FROM AFRICA

That of Africa has come an extremely significant war note, Lieutenant General Eisenhower's headquarters has issued a pamphlet warning against any expression of racial prejudice.

A STEP FORWARD

Tarrant Field sub depot at Fort Worth, Texas, has announced its first camp for Negro women mechanics. This was done following the issuance of the Army Air Force policy to mobilize all available civilian manpower and "keep 'em flying."

THE FOUR FREEDOMS

Wendell L. Willkie has come forward yet another time to give world leadership and to state in no uncertain terms the tasks and responsibilities of the people in this global war and in the preparations of a people's peace.

WHERE DOES MR. HULL STAND?

Secretary of State Cordell Hull is a bitter disappointment to those who look to members of the President's cabinet for clarification of the humanitarianism which the United States has pledged to the world.

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