

Chapter 26: America @ War

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#8 Response to Holocaust by State Dept.

A. Conservative Protestants controlled

1. Hated E/S Europe & JEWS (anti-immigration)

2. US/Brit didn't allow Jewish immi

B. "Underground movement... to let Jews be killed"

1. minimal interest by Sec of State

2. Assistant Sec State said "unproven"

3. Closed US as asylum

Others:

A. FDR Response @ urging of wife after 14 months knowing 1944

1. got telegram from Warsaw Ghetto extermination

2. Political lack of response?

B. Public Response, extreme hate

1. many think Jews deserved (42%) some ignored it

2. pity (Jews) for Jews bunker, hate for econ problem

C. Response by US Congress

1. continued limited immigration

2. Southern Dems blocked all aid efforts

D. The American Youth most anti-Semitic

1. Vandalism & attack Jews

2. Violence esp. in NE & Poor/Unedu

E. Jews divided over helping Germany

1. penniless after Depression to help

2. many didn't advocate for refugee over fear discrimination

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War on Two Fronts

I. America United

II. Containing the Japanese

A. Japanese expansion counter w/ 2 offensives

1. McArthur from Auss, New Guinea, Phillipines (\uparrow)

2. Nimitz from island \rightarrow island (\leftarrow)

B. US regain control @ Midway (Nimitz) June 1942

C. US gained control of S @ Guadalcanal (mny dead) August 1942

III Holding off the Germans

A. First push US-Brit in N. Africa (Stalin Σ)

1. US Patton & Brit Rommel

B. Germans pushed away @ Stalingrad 1943 spring

1. 20 mil Russ dead

C. Invasion of Sicily 1943 July (Churchill kept delay D-day)

D. Bitter dispute of 2nd Front (Soviet vs. US-Brit)

IV America & the Holocaust

A. few attempts to stop camps (unfeasible)

B. Official Anti-Semitism

1. immigration bans before & during war

The American People During War

I Prosperity

A. War-Induced Economic Recovery (Federal spend)

1. 9 bill new deal \rightarrow 100 bill (1945)

B. no consumer goods: Money \rightarrow savings, postwar spending \nearrow

II The War & the West

A. Naval launch point & manufacturing boom

B. Aircraft, shipping, high industry

C. Raised for Post-War growth

III Labor & the War

A. decrease unemployment (youth, elder, & WOMEN started work)

B. Union GAINS

1. "no strike" pledge & 15% wage inc. cap^{for exchange}
2. all workers automatically joined union

IV Stabilizing the Boom

A. Office of Price Administration (stopped inflation)

1. Congress Anti-Inflation Act (begrudgingly)
2. disliked by public (controlled prices, agri. goods, wage)

B. Federal spending twice all spend so far (321 bill)

1. increased tax (all, 94% for top)
2. bonds to people & financial institutions

V Mobilizing Production

A. Weak War Production Board (comp WW I)

1. Army/Navy often went by the Board

B. Met all requirements, set up huge factories, goods ↑

1. 2x Axis production, still only military goods allowed

VI Wartime Science & Technology

A. National Defense Research Commission (10 mil, 4x all 1900 research)

1. Axis initial advantage v US mass production

2. Allies caught up 1942 late (tank & submarine)

B. Radar & Sonar (Allied) destroyed submarines & mines

C. US & Brit Bombers crossed Germany (cliff danger) (so high)

D. Brit "Ultra" decrypted Axis commun.

1. "Bombe" computer 1940 spring → end of war

E. US "Magic" decrypted Japan comms.

VII African Americans & the War (700k)

A. FDR capitulates demands: Fair Employment Practices Commission (FEPC)

1. AA wealth & tension in N cities

B. Congress of Racial Equality (CORE) fought segregation

1. contin. post-war civil rights

C. Military Segregation started ended

VIII Native Americans & the War (25k)

A. "Code talkers"

B. 70k+ moved to factories & US capitalist life

C. Public wanted Natives to assimilate into white society

IX Mexican American War Workers (300k mil)

A. Immigration allowed to fill S & W jobs

B. Employment Gains

C. Zoot-Suit (baggy-cloth gongs) Riots in LA

X Women & Children at WAR

A. drastic ↑ female Employment (Δ 60%)

1. Replaced soldiers in factories

2. "Rosie the Riveter" eroded stereotypes

3. Mostly in service & govt war industries tho

B. Limited child care (left @ home or work)

1. crime

C. Beginning of the "Baby Boom"

XI Wartime Life & Culture

A. Economic Good Times ↗

1. 1/2 pop watched weekly mov, mag + radio ↗

2. Dance halls, amenities boomed

B. Fighting for future prosperity

C. USD recreation for army (women)

XII The Internment of Japanese-Americans

A. Ethnic distinctions blurred (Italians, Germans)

1. Exception: Japanese ("cruel, derisive people")

B. Anti-Japanese prejudice (they can't assimilate)

C. Californians tolerant, federal gov wasn't (Feb 1942)

D. "Relocation Centers" for 100k on West coast (Prison)

1. little response from public ("free land!")

2. Some allowed to move back or East (factories)

3. ended late 1944 - 1945

E Ruled legal Korematsu v. U.S. if not "loyal"

XIII Chinese Americans & the War

- A. Social, econ position improved
- B. Chinese Exclusion Act repealed (citizen allowed)
- C. 22% off to war, highest

XIV Retreat from Reform

- A. Congress dismantled the new deal (1942-44)
 - 1. CCC & WPA by Repub/conser support
 - 2. FDR in order to get war support
- B. 1944 Election FDR/Ram Victory 55%
 - 1. He frail? Nah he good.

The Defeat of the Axis

I The Liberation of France

- A. "Strategic" Bombing 1944-45
 - 1. industry 2 cities hundreds k dead
 - 2. Luftwaffe weak
- B. D-Day June 6 1944
 - 1. got foothold, broke though FR in 1 month
 - 2. mid-sept Free France
- C. Counter-attack @ Battle of the Bulge mid-Dec (US vict)
- D. Soviets pushed from East, crushed Germany
- E. Hitler shot himself & Nazi capitulation May 8, 1945

II The Pacific Offensive

- A. Tide fully turned by 1944 dawn
- B. J Navy destroyed @ Battle of Leyte Gulf (MacArthur)
 - 1. largest naval battle ever Oct 20 1944
- C. Okinawa & Iwo Jima Pacific (50k US dead, J 100k)
 - 1. Kamikaze, but US won
- D. US on J shores July 1945, bombing targets
 - 1. Emperor wanted surrender, military wouldn't allow
 - 2. 100k civilians dead firebomb Tokyo March

III Manhattan Project

- A. Enrico Fermi discovers uranium & fission ^{Italy} & Berkeley
- B. Massive Undertaking Dec 1942 - Jul 1945 2 bill \$
- C. Trinity Bomb July 16 1945, & Plutonium

IV Atomic Warfare

- A. U.S. asked unconditional surren, Jp said ~~"only. until emperor kept"~~
- 1. Emperor must stay, US declined
- B. Debate the Bomb's use
- C. Truman showed no hesitation: Hiroshima & Nagasaki
 - 1. AUGUST 6 & 8, 100k dead each
 - 2. J surrender Sep 2 1945
- D. Most catastrophic war in History ~ 60 mil dead
 - 1. 10-20 soldiers, ~ 40 mil civil
 - 2. US suffered few casualties
 - 3. US & Soviets in power post war

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Get 600 words from OpenSho Digital Repo.
(Japanese internment camps)

Read

#43 600 words

- A, B, C, internment documents

The Home front

A. Roosevelt Beacon of Light

B. All men, women, child required to support war

1. military sign ups skyrocketed
2. War materials all to allies & military
3. 24 hours industry, cars → military production
4. Women fill factories ($\frac{1}{3}$ of civilian work force)
5. Production boomed

C. Japanese internment

1. "only good is dead Jap" complete hatred.
2. Japanese-American might help Japan invasion

D. Culture

1. Teenagers grew up faster (military)
2. Dance halls & music grew
3. Children played war games & got souvenirs
4. Turned sour as deaths came in
5. Large events sent scores across US

E. Roosevelt loved by all but Repubs

1. death shattered country
2. German defeat month later

F. Japanese Defeat

1. Kamikaze pilots seem like war wouldn't surrender
2. Atom Bomb forces Japan to surrender
3. Leveled entire cities

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A. ~~Problems~~, Concern A Protecting Against Enemy Collaborators

1. Japanese spies blamed init. Pearl Harbor
2. J, Germ, Ital fascist groups in US in 1930s
3. Enemies living in US due to immigration?

B. Concern B: Carrying out internment of Japanese

1. Start Feb 1942 by FDR order (only main land Js) (SC agreed)
2. 100k shifted into prison like conditions
3. "A Jap's a Jap, (doesn't matter if citizen)"
4. Possessions sold for fractions of their worth

C. Concern C: The Question of Apology & Reparations

1. Cabinet members convinced FDR to end in 1944
2. No J spy ever discovered
3. Congress 1980 decided greatest civil rights violation during war

D. Henry Nishi # 43 interview

1. Florist Parent; immigrated 1905 (mid-classish)
2. Involved communities (J newspapers, ect, for Uncle)
3. High school parents, no English (Little Tokyo)
4. Parents got green card greenhouse
5. Depression was difficult
6. Got UC Davis (3 years)
7. Dad got loan land next to VA (connections)
8. Internment FBI were just doin job (not mean)
9. Donated land back to VA
10. Not great barracks, not complete
11. built nursery in camp (liberal officer)

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A. Senator Nye

1. "little interest in war, don't want waste money" - business people
2. Nye investigated "Merchants of death"
3. Enormous cash off federal spending

B. Neutrality Acts (except when profitable)

1. Spanish Civil War
2. Japanese invasions
3. Axis Powers Consolidated

C. Japanese invasions & War Cramps (millions slaughtered)

D. FDR Quarantine Speech

1. America wants peace, but can go to war

E. Miracle of Dunkirk (May-June 1940)

1. France fell June 1940
2. followed Battle of Britain rest of 1940

F. Destroyers for Bases Sept 1940

G. Peacetime draft Sept 16, 1940

H. Election of 1940 (3rd term)

1. Restrained rhetoric (little war discussion)

I. Limits on Presidential Admin.

1. Anti-Semitism harmed native & Euro Jews

2. Fight for freedom Caucus

3. America First Committee

- a. Isolationism, fascists, conservatives

J. Arsenal of Democracy (Dec 1940)

1. Lend Lease \$50B (Mar 1941)

K. Atlantic Charter (US/Brit)

1. no territory gain / No territory change w/o consent of gov

2. promise to make war

L. Japanese Invasion always coming

1. Freeze assets, support China, Pearl Harbor base

2. FDR provoked using general's guidance