### Mr. Cripps’ Notes

#### Pearl Harbor
- December 7, 1941
- Half the U.S. fleet was destroyed
- “A date that will live in infamy”

FDR - Every man, woman and child would have to help win this fight
- The war united the country like never before

4 days after Pearl Harbor, Nazi Germany and Fascist Italy declared war on U.S.

Axis Powers had to be defeated so “everybody” joined the armed forces
- Sent to battlefields within six months
- Tremendous pride in the soldiers
- Army swelled to 15 million people from 300,000

February 3, 1942
- President FDR tried to calm America through speeches
- Had people follow the speech on a map
- DFR was a beacon of light

Propaganda to encourage American industries
- Had to supply us and our allies
- People stepped up to the task
- Detroit car industry switched to war production in nine months
- Ships were made in less than 3 weeks rather than a full year

Women stepped in to replace men who had gone to the war
- Men at first were resistant but by 1942 it changed
- Women work force rose 460% up to 19 million

People felt they had to do something for the war effort
- Celebrities became pitchmen for war bonds
- Rationed items (gas, rubber, food)
- Propaganda films (newsreels) united U.S. hatred against our enemies

Japanese Americans
- Hatred for Japs
- Evacuated from the Pacific Coast
- Sent to camps (executive order 9066)
- 120,000 taken to internment camps
- One of the greatest civil rights violations in U.S. history

**Families on the homefront**
- Didn’t get a true story of what the war was really like
- Soldiers didn’t tell the whole story because they didn’t want to make family unhappy or scared

**Casualties of war**
- Always concerned that they would get a letter that their family member had died
- Gold stars were placed in windows of families that had lost loved ones
- Reality of war hit the homefront as the death toll rose

**Spring 1944  D-Day**
- When and where would the decisive battle of the war take place
- Attack on Normandy – June 6, 1944
- Bold gamble – even if successful would result in great casualties
- Allies now fight their way across France
- 2 months after D-Day Paris is liberated

**FDR decided to run for a 4\textsuperscript{th} term as President**
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