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shifts or the increase of the productivity of labour or any other measures of a rationalization nature required in order to supply the tools of war that have to be supplied, I fully and wholeheartedly support all those measures. I believe too that all questions of conscription and important matters of this kind largely need to be determined not by any party on political considerations but rather by war considerations. I am just expressing an opinion, but I am not sure that they are not your impression of the various problems involved. We have many problems. We all realize that the situation in the world and the war situation is very serious at the present time and we have not very much time to catch up in order to finish the job as speedily as possible; and it calls for tremendous sacrifices, and I, as the men with me in the camp and others that are still being hounded all over the place, would like if we were given the opportunity to make a contribution to achieve some of these things that must be done. We are not a very large group but we can help. We enjoyed some influence in our various circles and we can improve the situation. I can imagine, for instance, just to give an example, a number of workers in a job who have known me, for instance, know my anti-fascist record, know that had I had the opportunity I was willing to go to Spain and fight there because I felt that our fight was being fought there though partially.

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