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THE WAR and THE NEGRO PEOPLE The Japanese "Darker Race" Demagoguery Exposed

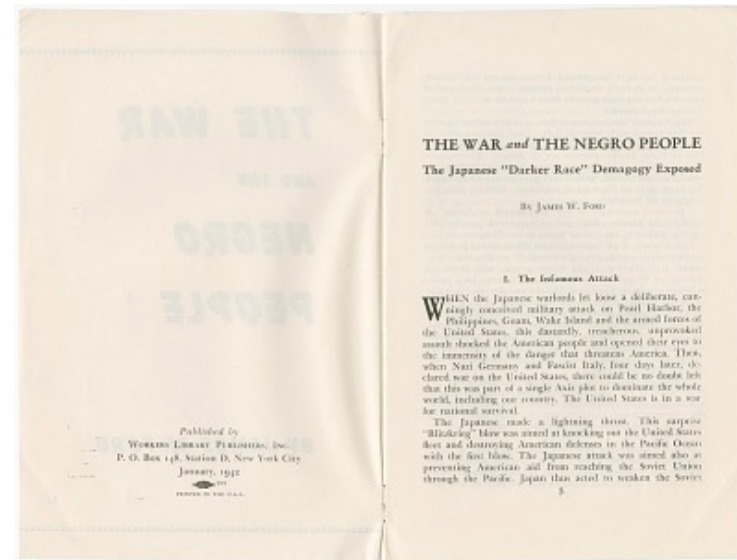
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I. The Infamous Attack

WHEN the Japanese warlords let loose a deliberate, cunningly conceived military attack on Pearl Harbor, the Philippines, Guam, Wake Island and the armed forces of the United States, this dastardly, treacherous, unprovoked assault shocked the American people and opened their eyes to the immensity of the danger that threatens America. Then, when Nazi Germany and Fascist Italy, four days later, declared war on the United States, there could be no doubt left that this was part of a single Axis plot to dominate the whole world, including our country. The United States is in a war for national survival.

The Japanese made a lightning thrust. This surprise "Blitzkrieg" blow was aimed at knocking out the United States fleet and destroying American defenses in the Pacific Ocean with the first blow. The Japanese attack was aimed also at preventing American aid from reaching the Soviet Union through the Pacific. Japan thus acted to weaken the Soviet

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