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Now it is almost four ^{years} ~~years~~ that we - German Europeans, ~~German~~ de-
mocrats, ~~German~~ pacifists, ~~German~~ socialists, German jews and also
many German catholics and protestants - lost our fatherland.
We do not know, when we shall be able to return: it may be tomorrow
or it may be in many years from now. National Socialism can be over-
thrown even under peaceful circumstances; it can even be overthrown
by the death of ~~an~~ one individual man; or it can force all of Europe
to enter the most horrible of wars, which will lead to its own des-
truction. We really do not know, what will take place. We can ~~do~~
~~not~~ nothing but, by means of our own work, to maintain the tradition
of a better Germany - which is to-day scorned in our own country -
and, by so doing, we can prepare the Germany of the future.

~~We have lost Germany~~

We lost Germany; but we still had Europe. - I always considered my-
self more of an European, than a German. - I ^{have} spent a great deal of
my life outside of Germany, even before Hitler came ⁱⁿ to power. There-
for, I never felt homesick, in Paris, Amsterdam, Zürich, Barcelona...

Now, it seems, as though we are going to lose Europe. Things are
coming to a crisis, they are leading to a catastrophe..... War
clouds ~~are darkening the sky~~..... There is a feeling of tension and
hopelessness.... *Wishing for war....*

You would be too bitter, indeed, to lose Europe...

Am I homesick for Europe?..... It is much better to live here. But,
in spite of all: I can't overcome the feeling, that the Continent is
my home - more than one special country. *than... otherwise.*

Memories. (Perhaps it would be interesting, to relate some of the me-
mories, that I have carried away with me - memories of the last
months I spent in Europe.)

Summer 1935: PEN-Club-meeting in Barcelona. Nervous tension. - Difficulties between Catalonia and Andalusia. The President of PEN had just come out of the prison. - Session of the Club. My proposition (protest against the ~~concentration~~ imprisonment of Ossietki etc in Concentration-camps.) - The Swiss representatives of the Club were not present. Dutch people disapproved the protestation. - The American representative Canby. - Marinetti and the freedom of ~~spirit~~ ^{thought} in Italy. (Croce.) A year later: Mallorca.... The general strike in Palma; (one day.) The sympathy of the hotel-owner (with the fascist.) The shooting of socialist delegate in the town-hall. (One killed.) - Conversations with English people. "We don't like France very much; but nevertheless, we have to cooperate with France." Tension between England and Italy at this moment. Danger of war. Our plan to stay in Mallorca. Friends who ~~now~~ did stay, suffered rather gruesome experiences, and were later sent back to Germany by force. (Count Treuberg.) ^{with a 1st Lt. Hungarian} (Not really Hungarian. A dash at a friend's, ~~with a 1st Lt. Hungarian~~)
Arrival in South of France. The general strike in Marseille. The closed hotels and restaurants. My sister's broken car. (The fellow with the hands in his pockets, the barret on his head. Excitement of the patronne.....) Was really harmless. Nothing to fear.) The army-officer and his map. "So ashamed that you see France under the red flag."
Back to Switzerland. Too peaceful. - ~~A real feeling for~~ There still remains an attitude of real ^Wdemocracy; but there is also present a fear of the outside forces. (Germany.) - Neue Zürcher Zeitung. Basler Nationalzeitung. - - The case of Berthold Jacob, kidnaped by the Nazis; the strong reaction of Sw. toward this criminal action. ~~Forced~~ Compelled Nazis to send Jacob back. (Huxley incorporated the story into his novel "Eyeless in Gaza".) Assassination of Gustloff,

