



## **Crisis: United States of America**

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### **IV. Character Profiles**

Aaron Neville -

Aaron Neville is an aspiring jazz musician and singer. Through these war times, his soulful American music has united the American people. The trials of the war have been extremely hard emotionally on Americans and Mr. Neville gives them hope for a peaceful future. He believes that we should pull out of the aggressive war, but still be diplomatic in the sense that we go about making treaties and agreements with France, Britain, and Germany. We should not take or regulate territory in Europe because this will only create further aggression, but we should instead promote love and peace throughout the international community.

Patricia Ster -

As a woman's rights activist, Patricia Ster wants equality in the United States and all over the world. Patricia feels it is important the United States works towards helping to end the war, and ultimately evenly distribute wealth and land among the European countries. She also feels women don't have as much of a say in this matter as they should. As the CEO of her company, she gives



lots of authority to women and feels they are more level-headed and fit for leadership roles than males. Beyond her company, she feels women should be generals out in battle and in charge of more things. She also feels women should use their more logical sense of reasoning and take responsibility over the distribution of land post-war. She personally believes that during reconstruction all countries should be given back their land that they started the war off with, in an effort to try to maintain the boundaries of the map of Europe during 1914 and lessen European tensions.

Taylor Ster -

Taylor Ster is the sibling of Patricia Ster. While valuing her sister's opinion, she feels quite opposite of her counterpart. Taylor feels we need to allow the war to continue on its natural course, however, what happens happens. Taylor believes that if a country conquers land and decides to keep it, that is their decision and other countries can try to oppose them to whatever degree they choose. Taylor believes the United States can continue its minor involvement in the conflict, such as sending in supplies, but it is not necessary to send in troops, for it is not the United States' battle. The United States should only get involved only if the war reaches them. Ster feels this is the best course of action because it is not worth it to put innocent lives on the line for a cause that won't benefit us. We must keep our noses out of the European's business and let the Europeans destroy their continent on their own.

Makena Mannington -



Makena Mannington feels indifferently about the war. She is more focused on the well being of our country itself during this time. She feels that despite the disputes regarding the war, it is most important to remain united as a nation. Whether we supply other countries, send troops in, or pull out of the war, she will feel indifferent as long as we remain united. Her values lay in the foundation of the United States' beliefs. Throughout the arguments she has found herself in regarding the war, she is consistently attempting to bring peace to the conversation and, ultimately, try to not let disputes wedge a gap between the people of the United States. She believes in George Washington's idea of "avoiding entangling alliances and dangerous foreign affairs", feeling that his warning applies very practically to the war.

Cameron Evans -

Cameron Evans is a businessman and feels it is necessary to station US troops in Germany in order to ensure security of the land. He also feels that, if it is necessary, we must draft soldiers to send over, and to continue to fight alongside the Germans against the intrusive French and English. Cameron Evans believes the United States of America is solely existent as a beacon of freedom and justice, and that we should in turn help other countries to remain as such. If the United States can help the German nation-state remain sovereign, he foresees positive diplomatic ties with Germany that will aid the United States in the future if we are ever in need of assistance during peacetime, or wartime.

Matteo Russo -



Matteo is a first generation citizen in the United States. His parents moved here from Puerto Rico to start their new life and business, a cleaning and tailoring service for clothes. Russo works hard everyday to fulfill his american dream and sees the war affecting his business negatively. With war rations in place, people have stopped coming into his family's shop in order to save money.

Tailoring and cleaning services are just not in as much a demand due to the total war economic status of the United States. He believes that the United States should pull their supplies, money, and troops out of the European conflict in order to restore the economy. There is no place for the US to control policies in Europe anyways.

Jackie Davis -

Jackie Davis has dreamed about becoming a pilot all her life, however, in light of the fact she is poor and a woman, she is unable to do such things. Her dream is to help fight in the war. She hopes they will continue on with the war and go to a draft. Hopefully being so in need of air force troops that they will take to take her. She will never admit that she is only for the war because of her own selfish reason of wanting the United States to need more soldiers. Davis continues to support the continuation of the war against Germany and sending all our manpower. She, alongside her dream to fly, also wants there to be peace and unity in the world after this whole conflict is over and the Germans are defeated. She is not fond of the idea of such terrible battles, and she wants there to be lasting peace all over the planet after this war is all over and done with.

Maximus Jones -



Maximus is an ex-soldier. He and Warren Peace knew one another when they were stationed in the Paris together; however, they have not seen each other since Peace was airlifted out after the Paris bombings in 1919. Jones is an all-american soldier that would readily go back into battle. He lives out his values of fighting for freedom. He also is an adrenaline junky which is a trait that causes him to be spontaneous on the battlefield. Maximus is honest and well respected by fellow soldiers. He smiles upon the continuation of the war against the Germans ,as well as increased monetary funds and supplies to the US infantry soldiers stationed in Europe.

Jay Walker -

Walker grew up in a poor home and ran a dog walking business to make money. As a dog walker, he spends large amounts of time walking the streets. He constantly sees protests against the war, however he will not budge from his view. He feels the war needs to occur in order for his family to be pulled out of poverty. In the hypothetical instance the United States choose to continue on fighting in the war, Walker believes we will create stronger alliances with Great Britain and France that will bring in more money for the citizens of the United States. Walker doesn't care about the means of obtaining money for the citizens, he simply values providing for his family. Not only does he feel the government abuses taxes, he feels that the upper class have special privileges which allow them to obtain more money than the lower class. This, he feels, pushes the poor to poorer. Walker wants to change this by any means necessary.

Hayden Hite -



Reverend Hite, a renowned preacher from Texas, is known to have strong opinions on social and economic topics, as well as the war. He believes that the United States military is completely justified to enter the war and fight alongside our allies as we have been helping them with supplies and troops in the years prior. As tensions and mortality rates of our own citizens rise, he and others have questioned the original intentions. Hite believes we can still assist our allies while easing the deaths in Germany. If we unite in first concluding German aggression, then we can help Germany in spreading democracy over their soil. Once we have control over their land and government, we can build our economy even more in Europe, but we will not take land that is not permitted. We will rebuild Germany with free-market economy and democratic ideology.

Jim Parker -

Jim Parker was top of his graduating class and has a holistic view on this war. He sees everyone's points of views and feels that, in the long run, it is necessary we continue to assist the Entente in anyways possible to finish off the Germans. Taking resources into account, however, he wants to ensure we do not waste everything we have on this war. If at all possible, though, ending this war is the most ideal. In the hypothetical instance that the United States backs out, he foresees the war growing and reaching parts of Northern Africa and Western Asia. He feels that at this rate it could potentially engulf the Eastern Hemisphere. Logically, in order to preserve the most lives, we should assist to finish the war now before it gets entirely out of hand.

Nicole Gray -



Nicole Gray, an elementary school teacher, values the safety of children and families through this time. She feels the United States' main priority should be protecting America's future. While fighting a war may help, she feels peace is more necessary to preserve lives. On top of this, she strongly opposes Germany's ideas of child soldiers and the weaponization of chemical gases. She is for human rights and feels it is vital that American citizens have a right to refuse fighting in the war. She also feels that, despite the fact the United States could potentially end the war, we should take no part in it. If we withdraw ourselves from the conflict now, we can continue to prosper apart from the chaos across the Atlantic. Nicole plays a large role in her local community promoting peace, not war.

Robyn Banks -

Robyn Banks is an infamous US convict. He has just finished serving his jail time and is slowly integrating back into society. He has learned about the United States current position of being involved in Germany, and does not agree that we should have such influence within Europe. He believes that the US does not need to waste their time or money on such a lost cause. Banks was not fully aware of possible outcomes, but learned that many lives are being sacrificed in the war effort and, therefore, believes the United States should pull out. Some citizens may argue that Banks opinion is invalid because of his criminal status, building a strong credibility may be difficult as he tries to communicate and resolve the conflict for a better America.

Kristine Miller -



Kristine Miller is an aspiring olympic athlete in track. Miller comes from a comfortable background with a strong family, but that does not mean she is blind from world politics and has not educated herself about the happenings of the war. Due to her Olympic goals, knowing about international happenings of the world are important to her. She, as most women, see the war as a time for women to step in and run the country while US troops battle in Europe. She wants the troops to remain safe, but also is using the opportunity to gain women's civil rights. This important movement has only just started. If she can be a part of allowing more women in the Olympics, then her own dreams would come true. Miller hopes the war would end with a victory for the United States, and believes this can should be achieved diplomatically with Germany. We must accept the German request for an armistice as this will help them, and us, in the long term. The selfish motivations of Great Britain and France should not stop us from doing what we deem is beneficial to us and the international community. We must take action now.

Justin Thyme -

Owner of a small watch and clock business, Justin is all about the isolationist ideology. Being very independant from a young age, he has learned the tough lesson of self reliance and does not encourage the United States poking their heads into foreign affairs where they are not needed. He believes that helping allies with money and supplies is one thing, but to risk millions of American lives is simply not worth it. He is a family man and does not want to see his 18 year old twin sons grow up only to be shipped off into this unnecessary conflict. Pulling back in war happenings would benefit our own people, yet still stimulate our economy with the economic demand of our allies.





Casey Surch -

Casey Surch is a revered jeweler of the United States. Surch Jewelers is an industry that is recalled to be as “American as Apple Pie” by American citizens as it had been a industry passed through generations of the Surch family. In terms of the World War, Mr. Surch believes that the U.S. should take full advantage of the current diplomatic turmoil in Europe and conquer as much territory in Germany as possible, and specifically colonize in southwestern Germany where rare jewels and crystals have been extracted for decades. The reason why Surch has such strong passion toward colonizing this area is because if he can expand his company abroad he can gain new access to valuable German crystals and diamonds, and expand to newer European markets.

Warren Peace -

Warren Peace is an ex-soldier. He fought in the war alongside Maximus Jones up until he lost his leg in battle due to a Paris bomb raid in 1919. He, from prior experience, despises the war and the idea of losing American soldiers in this European conflict. He had lost many fellow friends in battle, and does not feel it is necessary to continue fighting in this war. He views it as a lost cause. The amount of lives put into this war are not worth the possibility of ending a war that isn't directly affecting the United States. The German armistice must be accepted by the United States at all costs, and the United States must pull all forces back home no matter what repercussions it has on the United States' diplomatic relations with France and Great Britain.

Gregory Anderson -



Gregory is a scholar currently in med school; however, a majority his classes are being cut because the army is recruiting students and the United States is attempting to gain more funds from universities to send over to Europe. He is angry that he may be unable to continue to pursue a career doing what he loves if he is drafted or cut from the medical program. Anderson spends his time writing letters to authorities requesting they reconsider being in this war. Even more so he requests they reconsider cutting medical school funds. He feels more doctors are of the utmost necessity. He wants to be a surgeon and he would hate it if funds went towards this unpredictable war, as opposed to his career. The United States must pull out of this war for its own benefits. This was not their war to begin with and further involvement in the conflict across the Atlantic is foolish.

William Pless -

Mr. Pless is an owner of a weaponry. He specializes in making guns and fully supports this war. He hopes the United States will continue to fight, regardless of the side they take. His goal is to provide for the US infantry and navy with advanced weaponry and reap as much profit as possible. He sees this war as an opportunity to drag his family up from the lower-middle socioeconomic class, while also having the freedom to experiment with new technologically advanced weaponry. He hopes he can play a large role in helping the United States win this war. He feels, as a result, he may be honored and receive recognition for all the hours he has put into his work. Pless wants to one day serve the military as a weapon maker.

Quinn Hart -



Quinn Hart is a local merchant. He is not very wealthy and has to provide for his family through a little hole-in-the-wall pawn shop that he owns. He is upset at the lack of distribution of funds throughout the United States. He feels that the United States pouring money into a war across the Atlantic is the last thing this country needs. He wants the United States to put their many lower class citizens before the European war. Funds going to the war could better be diverted to improving the nation's school systems or providing food stamps to the lower class who are being heavily affected by the United States' current total war economy. At this point a peace treaty, or a cease fire agreement with the Germans is as valuable as a piece of paper. The United States don't even have to necessarily openly accept the German request for armistice to exit the war, they just need to decisively pull out all troops, supplies and monetary funds from Europe.

Devin Smith -

Devin Smith is a butcher in New Jersey. Smith lives in a downtown district with an extremely high population of German immigrants. His privately owned a deli has a majority customers who are of a German background. Smith's customers are concerned with the current political atmosphere and fear for their relatives in their home country. Many customers want their families to join them in the United States, meaning they want an end to the war or have complete neutrality of the US. Smith, of course, wants the best for his customers and his business. Smith believes that having the US pull back on European influence will lead to the war slowing down, and be better for his overall business as he could possibly have hundreds more German customers. This will only happen though if the US ends its involvement in the war.



Margaret Hamilton -

Margaret Hamilton is a full time student at university where she studies political science and economics. Her comfortable family background has not stopped her from wanting to know all about foreign affairs. She is firm in her stance on the benefits of allowing the World War to continue to take its course. If the United States can have order in their government and resources then it will help us. We should slowly back our troops out of this conflict but continue to sell our goods and maintain the supply trade in Europe while the fighting is still going on. This will continue to boost our economic status and positively affect our nation's trade balance. Eventually, allowing Europe to return to peace is ideal, but we must first take advantage of the conflict in Europe to make the United States the economic powerhouse of the world.

Alexander Brown -

Alexander Brown is a typical factory worker. He has a small family with limited assets. Brown does his best to stay educated with the war, but most of the news he hears is clamor around the textile factory. He understands that the economy is being stimulated by supply and demand for the war, which benefits his job, but only for short term. Brown would like to discuss ideas and options for the amount of influence the United States has in Europe, and more specifically Germany. If controlling industry in Germany means his company won't be competing with German industries then he is all for it. The United States must negotiate to the point where the United States has a stronger relationship with the German economy, and so that we can then have control over the feeble German economy.



Frank Wills -

Frank Wills is a surgical doctor in the big city of New York. He has worked hard to get where he is at and now can see first hand the hardships that result from the war, as dismantled men return from the war to his hospital. He takes a very nationalistic approach when discussing the progression of the war because of the horrors he has seen. Having the United States as a power figure in the war may be important to our allies in the Entente, but Wills believes our manpower sacrifice is unnecessary. Recognizing the economic advantages for the continuation of the war, Wills proposes we pull out of the war and serve as an ally to all parties still involved in the war. This way the United States continues its economic prosperity, but does not lose any more American lives in this European conflict.

Cassidy Ross -

Daughter of a popular singer, Cassidy Ross has chosen to follow in their footsteps by creating music that encourages the spirits of citizens and soldiers of the war. She provides hope for the men over sea that soon the war will end with the defeat of the Germans. Ms. Ross has been greatly impacted by the war with a group of her hometown friends dying from chemical attacks by the tyrannical nation of Germany. The United States must fight alongside its fellow Entente members to annihilate the evil German empire. The Germans have not only fought the war unethically, but they are the reason that the war has escalated to the point it is at now. The United States should laugh at their pitiful request for an armistice, and put down the German rats by continuing on with total war in America.