

REFUGEES IN UNOCCUPIED FRANCE.

This is life, as it is lived by some of the world's unfortunates in this year of grace 1941. This is a brief lifting of the veil that shrouds from the gaze of the free world the awful conditions that exist in France to-day. These were refugees from the Nazi terror - but the terror overtook them. We may guess that if these pictures have been allowed to leave the country, they paint a ~~very~~^{roy} picture by comparison with most others in that unhappy land.

You will remember that in the days when France was still in the fight, Gaumont British News produced this unforgettable record of refugees upon the roads of France. The families who fled from the battlefields could not imagine then how their plight could ever be worse; But worse it is. There are many families in Britain to-day without homes: but these are families without homes and without hope unless they can escape to the free world. They must work not for themselves but for a foreign master who ^{hates &} despises them. They are slaves - something hardly better than the beasts of the field.

Once they were men and women, proud and happy in their native France: but you are looking now at human beings who have no more privilege than a dog: that's what it means to be conquered by Germany.

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