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Extract of letter from M.W. Fodor, dated March 21, 1940.

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Though I am still firmly convinced that the Allies will win the war, now they are paying for their blunders of sacrificing Austria. After all, Vienna was a key position and with her the last bastion had fallen. It opened the way to Hitler in South Eastern Europe, it brought down Czechoslovakia and Poland. How slow, selfish and unwise were all these nations! Czechoslovakia did not intervene when Austria was endangered, Poland helped even the carving up of Czechoslovakia, just as now the Scandinavian countries had brought down Finland by their selfish attitude.

I would despair if I would not know that Germany is in great straits with two things: gasoline and iron. If the Allies would play a clever game, this alone can strangle her. Food she has enough, at least enough that she must not starve -- the access to South Eastern Europe assured her food. But according to all what I can obtain in information Germany is left with only about two to three million tons of gasoline. For a big offensive they would need about four million tons per month and if opening an offensive in the West, they would require at least supplies for two months. Now even with the Danube open the supplies will be limited because with utmost effort the Danube tankers can carry only about a half-a-million tons of gasoline per month. Which means that even if the Germans are bent on an offensive they hardly can have the necessary gasoline before July or August.

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