

Re: OT: Historical Amnesia

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Repeating Rifle wrote:

> *I understand that. But if you cannot tell the difference between venomous*
> *and non-venomous snakes, you lash out at all serpents.*

If all the snakes are killed the bad ones are taken care of.

One of the infellicities of modernn warfare are the collateral casualties. In WW2 (the Good War) the Allies killed 500,000 civilians in Europe and at least that many in Japan. It was a necessary evil.

A worker in a war plant is as much a weapon of the enemy as a cannon or a plane.

In Japan industry was somewhat dispersed into residential areas. Machinists put lathes in their houses. That makes them legitimate targets. Too bad the wife and kids life there too. Shit happen.

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