

morale. The "will to win" that must be achieved in overwhelming measure if we are to be victorious in the struggle that up to now has gone so adversely may well, in the final analysis, mean the difference between victory and defeat.

This National state of mind may be the determining factor between world-wide preservation and restoration of the ideals of human dignity and individual rights, and complete enslavement of the human race.

As we walk to work or crowd the street cars, when we would much prefer to drive our own automobiles; as we cut down on our quotas of sugar and hosiery and woolen clothing; as we find even our use of transportation media restricted so that defense workers may be transported to their places of employment; there will be temptation many times for us to complain, and to stir up our neighbors by voicing complaints.

When such temptations come, we must look beyond the measure of annoyances that beset us and cast our eye upon the condition of the conquered peoples in France, Belgium, Holland, Greece and Poland, where men and women are being executed for listening to radio broadcasts from other countries; where starving to death because the conquerors have absorbed the bulk of the food thousands of helpless children and men and women without number, are slowly supplies; where people, millions in numbers, once free to go and come, once free to read and speak, to assemble and worship as they would, now cower before the mailed fist of totalitarian forces.

No! We are a people devoted to the ideals of Peace. We are a people to whom the luxuries of life have become almost necessities, but back of all that love of ease and luxury, there is the unshakable American determination. Nothing will ever be permitted to interfere with our enjoyment of those free rights won for us during the dark days of the American Revolution. We will preserve those rights at all cost, and count the cost, whatever it may be, a small price to pay.

We shall go forward in this fight for decency. We shall expand our Armies and our Navy. We shall produce war materials in stupendous quantities, far surpassing any previous concept of industrial production anywhere. And we shall not cease in our efforts until once more the world has been made safe for decency, and until those brutal aggressors who would enslave us and all of the world, are destroyed beyond recall.

Truly, in more ways than one, are we on trial. Spiritually must we stand before the bar of the world and before our own consciences, to defend and to demonstrate our right to those blessings and free privileges which a beneficent of natural resources have been unlimited. Our individual freedoms have been Providence has vouchsafed us beyond all the people of the world. Our stores such as no other people of the world ever enjoyed.

Rights and privileges that other countries have dreamed and hoped for, we have possessed by the simple law of inheritance. But just as all those blessings have been ours, so now we stand in solemn trial to be tested on our right to retain them. Out of this test, however, will come, I am confident, our finest