

traditions of independence and self-reliance, Marylanders of the 20th century would be unworthy successors of their forebears of past centuries if they did not protect inviolate the heritage of freedom so nobly won for them in the past.

Today's guardians of "Ye Great Seal of the County Kent" must give evidence of their real fibre. They must demonstrate that the American system of government is capable of meeting every challenge from without or from within. They must repay in part the debt that, as free citizens, they owe to this land of freedom by striving to the utmost to uphold Democratic institutions and well-ordered government. When the threat to the security and future of America is so grave, there can be no delay in response to the call. That call is to be "up and going" for America's sake and for the sake of our families and those to come after us.

Our citizens may well thank the Almighty for the vast repository of favors and benefits showered upon a blessed land. That thanks can be registered in action, as well as in word, by a defiant stand taken unflinchingly and courageously - if need be to the death - rather than to submit to the inhuman demands of barbarians.

But the history of the Eastern Shore of three hundred years gives assurance that the Nation's call will not be in vain. Eastern Shoremen have never failed in their duty and, By the Eternal, the 1942 representatives will show themselves worthy to be called the sons and daughters of the Kent Settlers.

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"PROGRESS OF THE WAR AND MARYLAND'S PARTICIPATION  
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At the request of Senator Tydings, it is my pleasure to address this radio audience during the period reserved by our distinguished Maryland Senator for his weekly discussion.

Obviously, no other topic requires such constant attention as the progress of developments in the World War. Furthermore, the public is entitled to have straight-forward discussion of various aspects of the present situation. This is so because the nature of the war in which we are now engaged, places upon every man and woman the duty of performing a vital part. The citizens will be willing to render services, we may be sure, if they are informed of the need and the seriousness of the present-day peril.

The war now raging on four continents and which has already engulfed so many nations, has brought our Country to the crossroads of its destiny. In one direction, lies its safety, and the continuation of that way of life which we have heretofore known and enjoyed. In the other direction, lies