

organizations. The same spirit explains the enrollment of 12,000 Maryland Minute Men, already to fight to the last ditch, for the protection of their homes and their loved ones.

Truly, therefore, Maryland has become an Arsenal of Democracy. But the success of the arsenal depends upon the men and women working steadily and efficiently to increase production, week by week, month by month. Such production will even be more important during the next few months when decisive developments in the war will occur. During this period, America must regain lost ground and carry the fight to the enemy on a front so that America's honor can be maintained.

America will not lose because it is impossible to believe that America's spirit can be killed. It cannot lose if the redblooded men and women, who are America, march shoulder to shoulder in a parade of increased production. Labor and management are to be congratulated upon the attitude already displayed. There is now a unity of action and purpose while we fight to maintain a system of Government guaranteeing the right of workers to organize and to have decent working conditions, and also guaranteeing the right of free enterprise and of individual initiative. Bendix has furnished such an example and we glory in the success which it has attained.

It is to preserve a Country that makes such things possible that we must carry on and struggle through to victory. No! America will never give up this fight until freedom has been restored throughout the world. It is a solemn obligation that has been laid upon us, not only to maintain our own security but to help restore to enslaved millions everywhere, the freedom that is rightfully theirs.

One hundred and thirty million Americans are united today in the patriotic determination to win through to Victory in this war, no matter what the cost. Only thus can the menace of Hitler and his perverted ideologies be destroyed; only thus can there be reestablished throughout the world the principles of decency and humanity that are so essential to world happiness and to hope for maintenance of peace upon the earth.