

As Americans, in unison with our fellow-citizens, we pause on this national Memorial Day to reflect upon the great achievements of those who have made the extreme sacrifice for their country. We remember at this moment the thousands of brave soldiers who gave their lives on the battlefields of the Civil War, the Spanish-American War and the World War. On these battlefields, we Jews fought not as Jews but as Americans, as men imbued with the spirit of American ideals. We pray Thee, Almighty Father, to bind up the souls of them that have fallen in battle, with the souls of the living, so that the bigotry and hatred, the narrow-mindedness and lack of understanding that have of late desecrated the soil of our beloved country and endangered its free spirit. ~~They~~ may be removed for ever from our midst. ~~May~~ they, who lack in vision, see the light. ~~May~~ they realize that all our people, of all races and creeds, even those who came to our shores but recently, have helped make this country the powerful factor in the concert of nations, that it is today. Without the co-operation and self-sacrifice of the men and women who came here from distant shores, America could not have developed in so short a period, to the position of greatness and honor that it holds today in the heart of mankind.