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"We are now in a fighting epoch. We shall have to fight every inch of the way—fight to defeat the Axis; fight to achieve the promise of democracy; fight to keep industrial imperialism from plunging the world into another war; fight to save the people from exploitation by special privilege and corrupt politicians; fight on behalf of planning and good schools and full employment; fight against selfishness and indolence within our own lives; fight even as our forefathers fought to conquer the wilderness and achieve a better life for themselves and their children.

"But we do not fight without hope . . . The people are on the march. They may be delayed, but they cannot be stopped. They will win in the end, for the ideals of truth and opportunity and justice and democracy are mighty allies.

"An old world is dead. A new world is being born amid struggle and sacrifice. This new world gives to education a great task—to replace violence with reason and the humane and generous spirit. To that end let every pupil learn; every scholar think; and every teacher teach. Humanity faces a great challenge. New meaning has come into life. Powerful spiritual forces are at work in the world. It is a great time to be a teacher."

—JOY ELMER MORGAN