

means of their President, their elective Senate the and their house of Representatives. So perfect boy, was this form of Government found to be, that peace since the date of its establishment in America, contrary to the principles upon which it is founded have revolutionized the whole of the civilized world; and to day, with the exception of Russia, there is not a country in Europe wherein responsible Government based upon the sovereignty of the people, has not been accepted and is not actually put into active operation.

COMRADES, it is our pride to have contributed to the defence of the constitution framed by the founders of the American Republic and, by maintaining the Union, we may confidently affirm that we have saved those principles which are dear to every lover of freedom from being cast aside, and republican government based upon Democracy, from being swept away from the face of the earth. This, Comrades, is the work we have accomplished. It is by this work in the past that we have helped the hand of Providence in preparing the happy future which we desire our children to enjoy.

The war once over, the deadly strife once ended, every member of this immense army from