

No shading in the background can obscure the highlight of the Germany which must first be beaten. That Germany can be beaten, and can only be beaten by a combination of many kinds of warfare. That Germany, which has been driven out of Africa, must be pushed back in Russia. That Germany must be made to feel the cumulative might of sustained, repeated, and even heavier bombing from the air. The submarine menace, upon which that Germany counts to disrupt the vital bridge of ships across the Atlantic, must be attacked with every weapon which science and skill and training can make available. That Germany, finally, must be held in suspense, fearful of invasion from not one but from many fronts, until ships are available in sufficient numbers to carry men and materials to the point where invasion can be launched and sustained.

For this picture of the war in 1943 must be read, every line of it, as a prelude to the invasion which will bring about the unconditional surrender of Germany upon German soil. The month of May, 1943, may be taken as a place of new beginning in the onward march to this supreme objective.

The war in 1943 must also be thought of as a vital part of the war of liberation which is already