

Aim: How did the Great War affect Americans living on the Homefront?



• Do Now:

- What was the Constitutional issue in the 1917 Supreme Court case Schenck vs. U.S.?
- What was the Supreme Court decision? Why?

Enforcing Loyalty and Patriotism

- **Laws**

- Selective Service Act – men (21-30) must register for military service
- Espionage Act (1917) – illegal to interfere with the draft or recruitment of volunteers to serve in the military
- Sedition Act (1918) – prohibits speech that casts the government or the war effort in a negative light or interfered with the sale of government bonds

- **Schenck vs. United States (1919)**

- Upheld the Espionage Act
- Government can limit speech if it creates a “clear and present danger”

U.S. Homefront

- **Food Rationing** – “Food will win the war”- “Meatless Mondays”- “Wheatless Wednesdays”
- **Women**
 - Moved into workforce
 - Temperance Movement – against the consumption of alcohol
 - Increased their demands for Suffrage
- **The Great Migration** – mass migrations of African Americans from the South to Northern cities
- **Propaganda** – using information to influence public opinion
 - Enlistment –join the military
 - War Bonds – loan the government money
 - **Change in language**
 - Hamburger -> Liberty Sandwich
 - German Measles -> Liberty Measles
 - Sauerkraut -> Liberty Cabbage



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For sleep when danger's near,
For Ring Old Glory in the heaven—
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Our fathers fought, like heroes died,
For were their blood they gave
That better, better and braver life
Awaited! The country rose!

Our flag for better ever stands
To all the world, to lead the free,
America, our blood and soul,
Is calling, calling free!

Down South to South, down East to West,
From the mountains only,
The men forever shall be free
For they will live and die!

This Ring Old Glory in the main
For we will stand, we will wait
The glory of her side.

The Stars and Stripes shall lead us on
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