

ERROL FLYNN in "Objective Burma", Jan. 26, 1945.

"When the last shot has been fired, when the final cross has been placed in the last cemetery, once again there will be those to whom profit is more important than peace, who will insist, with the voice of sweet reasonableness and appeasement, that it is better to trade with the enemies of mankind than, by crushing them, to lose their profit.

"To you who sleep here silently, we give our promise: We will not listen. We will not forget that some of you were haunted with oil that came from American wells, that many of you were killed by shells fashioned from American steel. We promise that when once again men seek profit at your expense, we shall remember how you looked when we placed you reverently, lovingly, in the ground.

"Thus do we memorialize those who, having ceased living with us, now live within us. Thus do we consecrate ourselves, the living, to carry on the opportunity to remain on the beach. Too much blood has gone into the soil for us to let it lie barren. Too much pain and heartache have fertilized the earth on which we stand. We here solemnly swear: This shall not be in vain. Out of this, and from the suffering and sorrow of those who mourn this, will arise the birth of a new freedom for the sons of men everywhere. Amen."

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