

Vocabulary Ch17

George Marshall Army chief of staff during World War II

Philip Randolph Important African-American labor leader

Nisei Japanese Americans born in the United States

Office of Price Administration (OPA) Agency of the federal government that fought inflation

War Production Board (WPB) Government agency that decided which companies would make war materials and how to distribute raw materials

rationing Restricting the amount of food and other goods people may buy during wartime to assure adequate supplies for the military

Dwight D. Eisenhower American general

D-Day Allied invasion to liberate Europe

George Patton American general

Harry S. Truman 33rd president of the United States

Battle of the Bulge German counteroffensive in December 1944

V-E Day Victory in Europe Day, May 8, 1945

Douglas MacArthur American commander in the Philippines

Chester Nimitz Commander of American naval forces in the Pacific

kamikaze Japanese suicide plane

Manhattan Project Secret project to develop the atomic bomb

J. Robert Oppenheimer Scientist who led the Manhattan Project

Hiroshima City that was the site of the first atomic-bomb drop in Japan

Nagasaki Japanese city that was the site of the second atomic-bomb drop

Yalta Conference Meeting of Truman, Churchill, and Stalin in 1945

United Nations (UN) International organization formed in 1945

Nuremberg Trials Tribunal that tried Nazi leaders for war crimes

GI Bill of Rights Law passed by Congress to help servicemen readjust to civilian life

James Farmer Civil rights leader who founded the Congress of Racial Equality

Congress of Racial Equality (CORE) Interracial organization formed to fight discrimination

Japanese American Citizens League (JACL) Civil rights group formed by Japanese Americans