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Memorandum for the Secretary of War:

Money for United States troops in Europe.

A meeting was held today at the State Department, attended by Secretary Hall, Secretary Morgenthau and various assistants. I represented the War Department.

Secretary Morgenthau recommended that in the event of opening a second front in Europe, the United States troops serving there be paid in regular currency, the currency however to bear a small identification mark. He suggested that in place of the blue seal on the one dollar bill a yellow seal be used. The money would be identical with ordinary money as to value and currency. The slight identification mark would enable the Treasury, if events turned against us and large amounts of the money fell into enemy hands, to restrict or to destroy its usefulness. Morgenthau's suggestion was stated to be acceptable to the State Department and to the War Department.

Robert P. Patterson,
Under Secretary of War.

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