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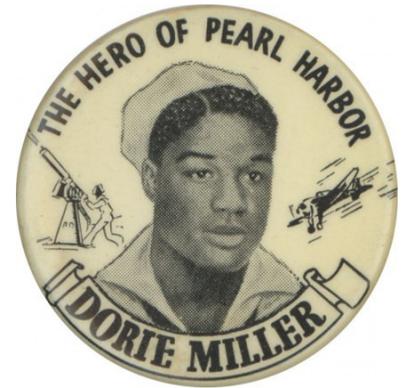
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- **African Americans at War**
- US military still has policy of segregation, but nearly 1 million served
- At first served in transportation and service roles but eventually allowed into combat
- *Doris Miller* was first to win the Navy Cross for actions at Pearl Harbor
- The *Tuskegee Airmen* was an all-black squadron of fighter pilots and never lost an escorted bomber
- The *761st Tank Battalion* was also a highly decorated unit that received the Presidential Unit Citation



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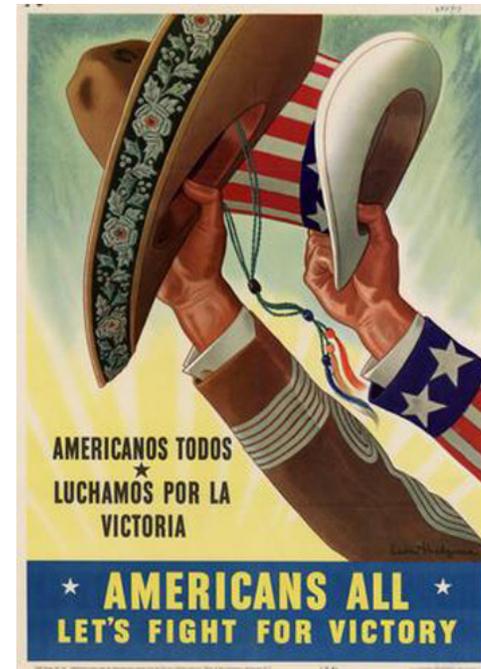


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- The United States Marines developed a code for communicating based on the *Navajo* language.
- Used in the Pacific theatre of the war against the Japanese
- Mainly to send tactical messages over radio or military telephone
- Other groups that were employed were the Lakota and Comanche



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- **Hispanic Americans and the War**
- Between 250,000 and 500,000 served during World War II in combat and civilian roles
- 17 Latinos who fought in World War II have received the *Medal of Honor*
- In 1942, the US passed the *Mexican Farm Labor Agreement* with Mexico to fill the farm labor shortage
- Known as the *Bracero Program*, it eventually employed 5 million



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- **African Americans at Home**
- A wave of migration again, this time to states out west like California, Oregon, and Utah
- African Americans during WW2 were not only accessing jobs critical to the war,
- they were also fighting in combat roles as well.
- Many advocated for the *Double V* (victory)
- Victory in the war against Hitler (racism abroad) and victory against prejudice and racism in the US (equal rights)



