

## 12b. Allies Day, May 1917, 1917



## I. Related Documents from the National Archives

Note: To access documents from the National Archives Catalog:

- a) Click on the link provided and Select the "Digital Copies" tab OR
- b) Visit <a href="http://www.archives.gov/research/search/">http://www.archives.gov/research/search/</a> and enter the Identifier #

World War I Posters, compiled 1917 - 1919 (291 Photos)

National Archives Identifier 51243

http://arcweb.archives.gov/arc/action/ExternalIdSearch?id=512439

(Note: Click on Includes 291 items in ARC to access all images)

American Unofficial Collection of World War I Photographs, *compiled* 1917 - 1918 (329 Photos)

National Archives Identifier 533461

http://arcweb.archives.gov/arc/action/ExternalIdSearch?id=533461

(Note: Click on Includes 329 items in ARC to access all images)

## Art and Archives



## **II. Suggested Activities**

- 1. Further Research: Explore the Posters of World War I. Find 5 examples that use the American flag as an element in the poster's design. How has the American flag been used by the government to build support for the war effort? What messages does it support through these propaganda posters? How do they compare to Hassam's Allies Day painting?
- **2. Creative Activity:** After researching the painting and the posters of World War I, have students create a poster to build support for World War I using similar symbols and designs. After creating, have students discuss or debate whether these techniques would work on modern Americans. Why or why not? How could they be modified to be effective in the 21st century?