In Memoriam

It is difficult indeed for us to write coherently about our old associate, the late Mr. P. K. Chu, whose remains were recently identified in Manila by representatives of the National Government. In the hands of the Japanese he died in the service to his country. Though his fate was more or less unknown to us for sometime, we had hoped, apparently against hope, that the sad news was erroneous, but the latest report has left us no longer in doubt of the great loss sustained by China and particularly by us. From its very inception this journal had enjoyed the benefit of his invaluable guidance, until it became necessary for him to leave Shanghai to devote himself to our national cause. As consul in the Philippines he was known to have earned the admiration and gratitude of the overseas Chinese whose interests he endeavored to promote. When the Pacific war broke out, he could not help giving full expression to his patriotic spirit and in consequence incurring the wrath of the Japanese invaders. Details of his death are yet unavailable, but there can be no doubt but that, as he breathed his last, he had the satisfaction of giving his life for his beloved motherland. One of the oldest members of the Tung Ming Hui from which the present Kuomintang sprang and a close friend of Dr. Sun Yat-sen, he had labored consistently for the welfare of the nation. And as the secretary of the World Chinese Students' Federation he had assisted batch after batch of Chinese students seeking knowledge in both America and England. As a noted resident in Shanghai he had served civic organizations without number. Even though he was popular socially, he had all his life abstained from drinking and smoking. He spoke well of all people even as people spoke well of him. A public servant he was born; a public servant he died. A human being he was mortal; a patriot his life is immortal. We salute him not alone; the whole nation salutes him.

Chungking And Yenan

In the midst of suppressed whispers it is indeed most heartening to read of the visit now being paid to Chungking by Mr. Mao Tze-tung, together with Mr. Chow En-lai, prominent leaders of the Chinese communist party. Their visit was at first suggested by Generalissimo Chiang Kai-shek and was finally brought about through the good offices of the American Ambassador to China, Major-General Patrick Hurley. The conferences now proceeding in the national capital are wrought with unusual significance, in view of the multitudinous tasks which the nation has to tackle in the immediate future. This point was well appreciated by Mr. Mao when in an interview with the press he declared: "Now the war against Japan has been brought to a victorious end, and China will shortly enter upon a period of