the Dutch, Scotch-Irish, French, Germans, Swedes and Jews; all these, except the Scotch and Irish, retain, in a greater or lesser degree, their native language, in which they perform their public worship, converse and transact business with each other. The time, however, is anticipated ... when the language, manners, customs, political and religious sentiments of the mixed mass of people who inhabit the United States, shall have become so assimilated as that all nominal distinctions shall be lost in the general and honourable names of Americans."

More than 200 years later, the degree of assimilation that Morse expected has not occurred, so that the reality is closer to Kallen's notions than to his.

SEE ALSO
Acculturation; Americanization; Anglo-conformity; Ethnic enclave; Melting pot; Multiculturalism; Triple melting pot

FURTHER READING

Cypriots

- 1990 Ancestry: 4,879
- Immigration, 1986–96: 2,837
- Major periods of immigration: n.a.
- Major areas of settlement: n.a.

Cypriots are natives of an island of 4,867 square miles in the Eastern Mediterranean, home to persons of Greek and Turkish ethnicity and scene of intermittent fighting between these groups since 1974. Since that time the island has been divided politically between Greek and Turkish republics with a cease-fire policed by the United Nations. The larger Greek republic has a population of about 750,000, 78 percent Greek and 18 percent Turkish; the smaller Turkish republic has a population of about 135,000, 99 percent Turkish. Prior to World War II Cyprus had a long and complicated history: between 1878 and 1960 it was ruled by Great Britain. Greek dominance of an independent Cyprus produced a secession movement by the island's Turks supported by Turkish government troops which led, after 14 years of fighting, to the present partition.

In earlier times Cyprus had been ruled by the Byzantine Empire and Venice. Shakespeare's play, Othello, takes place on Cyprus. Until the 1970s almost all Cypriots who have come to the United States were Greeks who blended into the larger Greek American community. Current immigration data does not differentiate Cypriots of Greek and Turkish ethnicity.

SEE ALSO
Greeks; Turks

FURTHER READING

Czechs

- 1990 Ancestry: 1,611,696 [includes 315,285 who answered Czechoslovakian]
- Immigration, 1994–96: 248
- Major period of immigration: 1848–1914
- Major areas of settlement: Chicago, New York City, Cleveland, Wisconsin, and Texas

The Czechs are the most western branch of the Slavic peoples. They come from