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"THE TRUTH WILL SET YOU FREE"

SHAKE OUT THE LEAD, FOLKS, AND KEEP ASHLAND'S THUMB TURNED UP!

Most folks in a community like to think of their Chamber of Commerce as a virile, aggressive, bustling beehive of activity, where great things are accomplished every week—at no effort or botner to themselves. That is a pretty dream and a desirable situation, but such paradoxes do not exist.

The up-and-doing chambers of commerce are the ones which have up-and-doing memberships. To expect a few persons to pull the whole load without enthusiastic cooperation from members is like asking the steering wheel to propel the auto.

Although no criticism is being heard of the efficient, busy Ashland Chamber of Commerce, there is room for much greater energy here on the part of members of the booster club. Turnouts at important meetings, forums and executive sessions are not what they should be, and The Miner believes it is not due to a lack of progressive spirit in Ashland, but more to an unthinking indifference.

True, Ashland business and professional men come in for more than their share of civic duties here, with the many summertime activities in the city, the heavy fall schedules of both the public schools and college, and the many worthwhile charitable drives, but that is not ample reason for Ashland folks to crawl into their shells of diffidence.

Ashland is and always will be a progressive, aggressive, proud city eager to promote the welfare both of this community and all its people. We are making headway and we are driving forward. But we still have a long way to go and the getting there depends entirely upon ourselves.

Soon will come the inter-community dinner with the Talent Grange, then follows the annual Christmas opening, among other events. Each offers opportunity for Ashland residents to show the alert, optimistic stuff they're made of, and each is a challenge to the civic consciousness of every resident.

Let's fire up a full head of steam and keep the drivers going! The good old Ashland spirit is not legendary but a live, virile force that can do great things for us. Let the bellyachers, the don't-cares and the ho-hummers stay behind—we're going to make something of this town if we do every little job as it comes along with enthusiasm and effectiveness. Great heights are reached by small steps, but those steps have to be taken, one after another.

Ashland has the stuff to go places but lead in the hip pockets is not a part of it—so let's shake it loose and be on our way!

APPEASEMENT, UNDER THE GUISE OF FEEDING HUNGRY EUROPE, IS NO GO!

With more and more being heard about feeding the "starving millions" of Europe, big-hearted Uncle Sam is being given the touch again and expert international panhandlers—among them several of our own prominent—are putting on the pressure. Sob-stories, gush-gush sentimental persuasion and other smoke-screen tactics are being employed to awaken within the characteristically soft American heart a spirit of sweet generosity and meddling.

Answering England's accusation that such feed-Europe plans would break the British blockade and help the totalitarian powers win the war, the appeasement group argues that food and clothing would be sent there to be distributed only under strictest rules guaranteeing that the nazis would not divert them to their own use, or drain off domestic foodstuffs in place of them.

But as far as rules are concerned, no matter how pretty-sounding they may be, we must remember that they mean nothing to Hitler. Promises? Where has belief in them led the democracies except to their own slaughter?

The American people, in their own self-interest, are pledged to a policy of increasing assistance to Britain,

OUR DEMOCRACY — by Mat

WHO OWNS AMERICAN WEALTH?

300 YEARS AGO—
A CLEARING OF LAND
REPRESENTED A
COLONIST'S WEALTH.

200 YEARS AGO—
HOMES, FARMS,
SMALL MILLS AND
SHOPS, OPERATED
BY INDIVIDUALS,
REPRESENTED
WEALTH.

100 YEARS AGO—
THE STEAM ENGINE
EXPANDED PRODUCTION,
INDIVIDUALS POOLED
CAPITAL TO OPERATE
THEM, INCREASE
WEALTH.

TODAY MILLIONS OF INDIVIDUALS POOL THEIR WEALTH TO PROVIDE CAPITAL FOR VAST ENTERPRISES. THE NATION'S 64,000,000 LIFE INSURANCE POLICYHOLDERS HAVE A BIG STAKE IN U.S. INDUSTRY THROUGH THE INVESTMENT OF ASSETS WHICH ARE THE SECURITY BEHIND THEIR POLICIES.

and feeding her enemies to make them strong and productive would be defeating our own purpose. And as far as the pity of letting Hitler's victims go hungry, who can say but what that may not be the most humanitarian service we can perform in the long run? Had the allies been less merciful at the signing of the armistice in 1918 and marched on to Berlin perhaps millions now would not be suffering.

The policy of appeasement of the dictators has been proven to be a vicious circle from which there is no escape, and filling the bellies of men and women under the dictators' thumbs would be the worst kind of appeasement.

Yes, America's heart bleeds for the unfortunate of Europe, but the hemorrhage has not yet weakened our brain. The back-door appeasers who would break the

Methodist Episcopal Church

Dr. George W. Bruce, Minister

The Sunday church school at 9:45 a. m. is a place where the Word of God is read and discussed in an effort to discover how to apply it to daily living. Allen O. McGee is the general superintendent. At 11 o'clock the sermon subject is "The Legacy of Our Pilgrim Fathers." The adult choir will sing an anthem appropriate for Thanksgiving.

The Epworth and Wesley Leagues meet at 6:30 p. m. for worship. The evening sermon at 7:30 o'clock on the subject "Satan Hath Desired to Have You." The young peoples choir will sing "Journeying Ever On" (Wildermere). A duet, "The King of Love My Shepherd Is" (Shelley), Mrs. Ora Bruce and Miss Lois White.

Prayer meeting is held Wednesday evening at 7:30 o'clock and the book of Revelation is being carefully investigated.

- Mrs. W. C. Bevington visited during the Armistice week-end at the home of her daughter, Mrs. Roland Parks, in Sprague River.
- Marion Mann spent last week-end in Eugene visiting with relatives and attending the University of Oregon homecoming activities.
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CHILI SEASON IS HERE!

and ours is "all there" try a bowl today!

Pete's Lunch

EARL D. (PETE) NUTTER

English blockade are not going to get much of an audience in the United States this winter, despite the tear-jerking pleas of the Herbert Hoovers and Colonel Lindberghs.

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