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### A Challenge

Fall of Corregidor this week gives a new challenge to patriotic Americans. It means the releasing of a good sized portion of the Japanese war machine to further efforts of conquest in the far southwest Pacific or elsewhere, and therefore means faster strengthening of this nation's war machine to meet the new threat, and to stop it as early as possible so that the tide of war may be turned and lives of more brave Americans saved.

No mere words can pay just tribute to the heroes of Bataan and Corregidor, who in frustrating what Japan had hoped would be a quick and easy campaign, actually turned defeat into victory for the United Nation's cause, proved the metal of true Americans and instilled hope and bravery in hearts of their countrymen and allies the world over.

Tears may not now be shed for loved ones, even from our own homes, the fate of whom has not yet been determined, but there is cause for a renewed resolution and prayer that Corregidor, Bataan, and other free lands that have fallen to greedy conquest, will again be under the flags of the free nations.

Morrow county's record stands high among counties of the nation in all war efforts. This record will not fall. More of our men are going forward to bear arms against the enemy, and they will give a good accounting, as have those who have gone before. Our people are welcoming opportunity to ration that the armed forces may be the more effective, they are producing victory gardens and the wheat and wool so vital to sustaining the army, navy and marines—and they are purchasing war savings bonds.

It is in the latter matter that all must dig a little deeper now. This county's quota for May is \$29,400, substantially more than the average purchased in recent weeks, which means more people must buy bonds, and continue to buy them until the war's end. Only in event of victory will the people of America escape the dictator's heel and be maintained in security of their resources—in which event they will be able to redeem their bonds at face, and have a reserve against the trying times of reconstruction ahead.

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### Events of Interest

(This space available free for any announcements of general public interest where remuneration is not a consideration.)

All interested mothers and daughters are invited to attend the B.P.W. dinner at the Church of Christ Monday evening. Tickets at Humphreys.

Primary nominating election coming May 15. Prepare to vote.

School closing set for Friday May 22.

Special Mother's Day services at Heppner churches Sunday.

Decoration Day coming Saturday, May 30.

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### Week of the War

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registered if they are plainly marked.

The OPA announced appointment of 60 specialists to OPA offices throughout the country to serve as technical aides in handling problems arising from the sugar rationing program. Motor vehicles in essential services may not have new tires if recapped ones will serve their purposes, the agency said. New and used typewriters are not under quota restrictions but are available to eligibles who can establish their need for them, OPA reported.

#### War Strategy

The President in a radio address said American warships are in combat in the Arctic, Mediterranean and in the North and South Pacific. American troops are at stations in South America, Greenland, Iceland, the British Isles, the Middle East and the Far East, the continent of Australia and many islands of the Pacific. American planes manned by Americans are flying in actual combat over all the oceans and all the continents, he said, and flying fortresses will soon be fighting for the liberation of Europe. Australia, New Zealand and much other territory will be bases for offensive action, the President said.

#### The War Front

Admiral William Stark, commanding U. S. Naval forces in European waters, said the submarine menace off the U. S. Atlantic coast is being beaten. Gen. MacArthur's headquarters in Australia reported a six-day aerial offensive by United Nations bombers against Japanese bases north of Australia destroyed more than 50 enemy planes, sank one transport and inflicted heavy damage on enemy ground installations. Air raid alarms on Corregidor Island passed the 250-mark, but the attacks began to lessen in intensity. U. S. gunners in the Manila Bay forts shot down five bombers and damaged two others, sank an armed Japanese vessel and scored hits on troop and truck columns and supply dumps.

#### Army and Selective Service

The War Department established an eastern military area, including all of the Atlantic seaboard. Secretary Stimson said no mass evacuations of citizens are contemplated, but vital areas will be policed to prevent potentially dangerous persons from entering them. The Army announced establishment of "Port Agencies" in principal U. S. seaports to coordinate and speed shipment of war supplies to all United Nations. Mail to American prisoners of war in the Far East whose names have appeared on official lists of the Provost Marshal General may be sent postage free, the Red Cross said.

College students enrolling in advanced ROTC courses will be required to enlist in the Army Enlisted Reserve Corps if they have reached the age of 18, the War Department said. The department reported 327 negroes are now enrolled in Officer Candidate Schools. Selective Service Director Hershey said men who registered last February 16 will be included in June calls of every local board.

#### Navy

The Marine Corps announced its maximum enlistment age is now 33 instead of 30, and height requirements range from 63 to 75 inches, instead of 64 to 74. The first submarine completed in the Great Lakes was launched at a Wisconsin port. The Navy Department report-

ed Navy, Marine Corps and Coast Guard casualties from December 7 to April 15 totaled 6,393, including 2,991 dead.

#### Production and Conversion

War Production Chairman Nelson said although the U. S. is "over the hump" in war production and United Nations output exceeds that of the Axis by a considerable margin, the real production war has just begun because of the head start of the Axis. More than 1,000,000 men and women are working in war plants where joint labor-management production drive committees have been set up, he said. The War and Navy Departments announced jointly the establishment of a Price Adjustment Board in each department to review financial setups of war contractors whenever there is reason to believe excess profits are being made.

#### War Labor Supply

President Roosevelt said plans to register women for war work have been abandoned for the present because there are more women workers now who want jobs than there are jobs available. He said any woman wanting to get into war work may register at a U. S. Employment Service office. War Manpower Chairman McNutt said the number of persons employed in war work by the end of 1942 may reach 17,500,000 compared with 15,000,000 at the beginning of 1941. He said a million or more additional women will be employed in war industries this year. Mr. McNutt issued directives to the 1,500 Employment Service offices in regard to the placement of women and men over 40.

#### War Bonds and Stamps

The President told his press conference he hoped people would buy War Bonds and Stamps out of current earnings rather than from cash reserves. Treasury Secretary Morgenthau said investments of employees in firms operating under the payroll savings plan must be raised at once to a minimum of 10 percent of the gross payroll. He said the number of employees purchasing bonds regularly must be doubled, and average purchases raised from \$7.50 to \$20 a month.



## From where I sit . . .

by Joe Marsh

MAYBE I shouldn't admit it, but there are a few things about this writing job I really like.

For instance, I like the part where . . . after all the writin' and the routine is done . . . I just set back and think about things in general. (Oh, yes, that's part of the job, too.)

Doesn't matter much what I think about. Sometimes I concentrate on one thing. Sometimes I think of lots of things, one right after the other.

After all . . . when you stop to think about it . . . beer is a simple, natural thing. I read somewhere that all it's made of is good, wholesome farm grains and water and a little yeast . . . with hops for flavor. Nature's process of fermentation and the age-old art of the brewer does the rest.

I guess that's why beer is so wholesome. It really is the beverage of moderation. You just can't imagine anybody getting into trouble drinking a few glasses of beer.

Usually, when I get to thinkin', I send down for some beer. Seems a glass of beer not only touches the spot but it also sort of helps the thinkin' mood along.

It's such a peaceful, friendly beverage. Sort of honest and human. And it tastes good.

I like to hold my glass of beer up to the light and look through it. That beautiful, golden-amber color kind of fascinates me. Reminds me of the sunny barley fields where beer gets its start.

Well, here I am . . . going on and on thinking and talking about beer. Probably could go on for hours. That's the way I am when I set back and get to thinking about things.

And by the way, taking it easy and "just thinkin'" is fun. Try it sometime . . . quiet and comfortable like.

Joe Marsh

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#### Transportation

Transportation Director Eastman asked the 48 governors and the mayors of all cities of 10,000 population or more to institute systematic staggering of business, school and working hours, planned group use of private cars, and improved regulation of local traffic to increase efficiency of passenger vehicle move-

ment and mass transportation. President Roosevelt asked departmental and agency heads to draw up a transportation program for employees that will "substantially reduce" the number of cars necessary to take men and women to and from work. He asked that similar programs be planned by state and local governments.

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