

# EDITORIAL

## Bluff Won't Turn the Trick

Strange fellows, those Japs and Nazis. With the odds all against them they still try to scare the Allies with threats of secret weapons or dire consequences resulting from reorganization of cabinet or army personnel. They must know they are fooling no one but themselves, for has not the world seen them steadily pressed back from their ill-gotten empires when they were at the height of their glory and power? It is a matter of the enemy getting so close to the seat of empire that the befuddled war lords are just before begging for mercy, but they must keep face before their subjects or fall into disgrace.

There is no reason for the war in Germany going another day except that the Nazi bandits have not made good their escape and must keep the people fighting a rear guard action until they are prepared to issue their last-minute defiance—"Come and get us." It is quite evident the Japs would gladly consider the war a closed incident if it were not for losing face, inasmuch as they are about to lose everything else, so to bolster up their flagging spirits they up and resign their cabinet and announce to the world that a new cabinet of more war-minded men will be formed. This is supposed to scare the Allies but for some reason they are not overcome with fright. Our forces are preparing to carry the battle to the very end, fully realizing the cost of victory for they know the Japs are capable of putting up many hard battles before capitulating.

Both axis powers are constrained to carry on warfare until they feel assured they can salvage something out of their ill-gotten gains at the peace table. They are not yet ready to accede to the Allied demand for unconditional surrender and will have to see their entire house fall about their ears before giving up. Those houses are falling apart rapidly, particularly in Germany, and the cessation of hostilities should be a matter of not more than a few weeks.

## A Memorial Hospital

This newspaper has no desire to jump the gun on the hospital commission, the county court or the folks who will foot the bill, but if and when the proposed county hospital is built it should be a memorial to the youth of the county who have given and are giving their all in the cause of freedom and democracy. If it is not desirable to call it a memorial hospital it should be so named as to imply the same thing. The simplest name in our humble opinion would be Morrow County Memorial Hospital.

Following World War I memorials of different types were erected to the memory of those who gave their lives, or offered them, to drive back the

Hun menace of that age. Those memorials were in the form of arches, shafts and buildings. American Legion halls were erected to the memory of heroes. At Corvallis, students and alumni raised a large fund for the erection of Memorial Hall, which stands as a monument to the lads who went out from college to serve their country. There may have been hospitals built and dedicated as memorials but of these we have no intimate knowledge.

Common sense dictates that money be spent in a way that those who have given their lives will be memorialized in the erection of public edifices that will serve the living, providing the means for making our land a better place in which to live. Our boys are out there fighting for the preservation of democracy—the American way of life—and if we in our humble way would show a measure of our appreciation for what they are doing it should be through something like the hospital or other medium of public service to ever remind us of the sacrifices they made that their loved ones might be safe at home.

The hospital is not a reality as yet and will not be until numerous hurdles are surmounted, but it will be built and it will not be a bad idea to keep in mind that it is to be a memorial to the veterans of World War II.

## Substantial Meal For One Bit

This sounds a bit fantastic—a substantial meal for twelve and one half cents—but it is a reality at the Heppner school where the home economics department is conducting a luncheon program in cooperation with the federal government. It was the privilege of the Gazette Times family to eat with the school folk last Thursday. We were served beef stew with vegetables, bread and butter sandwiches, apple betty and milk. The servings were generous, with second helpings available if you felt the need of them.

It is the object of the home economics department to serve well balanced warm lunches to the school children, an average of approximately 145 of whom patronize the lunch room daily. When the program was adopted last fall Supt. George Corwin instructed Mrs. Carlson, home ec teacher, to prepare to serve 90 youngsters. The estimate was too conservative as they fed between 115 and 120. The daily average continued to step a little higher. Weather conditions influenced the patronage to some extent as on one squally day the number soared up around 170.

The twelve and one half cents covers the entire cost of producing the meals, labor and all, and the project has made a profit. School authorities are now contemplating the installation of facilities for the better handling of food.

## SHOW TICKETS

Tickets for the special show to be given at the Star Theater Tuesday evening, April 10 may be purchased from members of the Eastern Star. Purchases made in this way will be credited to the Star on a percentage basis. Proceeds from the show, which will include the film, "Waterloo Bridge," and 30 minutes of musical entertainment and skits, will be used by the Eastern Star Officers' club in its year's activities. Heppner lodge No. 69, A. F. & A. M. voted Tuesday evening to not call a special meeting on the 10th so that members might attend the show.

## MOVED YET NOT MOVED

Mr. and Mrs. W. C. Rosewall are living at the Hotel Heppner this week while their new home is being readied for occupancy. The house is now receiving the finishing touches that mean the difference between real living and mere existing. The furniture was moved Saturday and the Rosewalls expect to move themselves in the next few days.

## ATTEND FELLOWSHIP MEET

Mr and Mrs. Gus Nikander, Steward Cole, and Rev. and Mrs. Clifford Noble drove to Milton Wednesday morning where they expected to attend a meeting of the Assembly of God church. They returned to Heppner after the services in the evening.

## BACK AT OLD STAND

Mrs. Henry Happold returned to Heppner last Thursday after a month spent in Portland where she visited her daughter and received treatment. Mr. Happold drove to the city to bring his wife home. She is now at work on her job in the local post office.

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Mr. and Mrs. Clyde Denney are back in Morrow county after spending the winter in Portland. Spring plowing necessitated their coming at this time and they expect to return to Portland when they are through as Mr. Denney is actively engaged in the Grain Alcohol Products organization and must be near at hand.



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