

Card of Thanks
To all my friends and neighbors, who so kindly remembered me in my recent bereavement, with beautiful flowers, cards and words of comfort and cheer, I am deeply grateful.
Mrs. Virginia Moss

LeRoy Gilbert A Flight Instrument Instructor



A local Marine, Second Lieutenant Harold LeRoy Gilbert, 21, son of Mr. and Mrs. Carl L. Gilbert of Coquille, has been assigned to the Marine Corps Air Station, El Centro, Calif., as a flight instrument instructor.

A football and basketball letterman at Coquille High, Lieutenant Gilbert enlisted in the Marine Corps in September, 1942, and received his commission in June, 1943.

Lieutenant Gilbert's wife, Mrs. Marian H. Gilbert, resides at El Centro. His brother, Ensign Carl Louis Gilbert, is a pilot with a Naval fighter squadron at Klamath Falls, Ore.

Ray Kirkendall Home On A 30-Day Leave

Ray I. Kirkendall, M. M. 2/c of the U. S. Navy, son of Mr. and Mrs. A. B. Kirkendall of 809 North Coulter street, arrived home last Wednesday from San Francisco on a 30-day leave. Ray has seen a lot of the Pacific ocean during the months he has been in the Navy, all the way from the Aleutians to Australia, and the ocean isn't all he has seen, either, but he did not report on what actions his vessel had been engaged. He looks well and as though the Navy was not stinting him on food.

If it is insurance, see me.—F. R. Bull.

Lt. E. E. Detlefsen In Florida, Says Wife's Letter

Mrs. Maxine Detlefsen, the former Maxine Knight, writes from Eugene, Ore., that her husband, Lieut. Ernest E. Detlefsen, now located at Camp Murphy, Florida, where he is with the 46th Signal Heavy Construction Battalion, has just completed a six weeks' course at Fort Monmouth, and adds:

"Lt. Detlefsen is now a 'pole-line officer.' He is in charge right now of a platoon building 'Long Lines Outside.' I just recently returned from a six-weeks' visit with him at West Palm Beach, Florida. But since Michael was here in Eugene with his grandparents, I had to return; but we really had a nice time.

"Ernie was a 'Supply officer' before this last schooling. Although, the engineers school was hard, Ernie likes working with his men outside, better than inside an office building.

"While in Florida we visited Bob, Hallie and Bobbie Reed in Jacksonville. Bob is now attending Naval school at the base there. Hallie has an apartment in Jacksonville and Bob gets to spend week-ends home. Hallie plans to go to Shelbyville, Illinois, in November and wait there for Bob until he changes stations. He plans to be in Oregon for Christmas.

"We also went over to Pensacola to visit Jack and Gretchen Laird. Jack is now going to a specialty school but arranged for Ernie to go up in a PBY. Don and Frances Estes showed us through the Photographic school there and the six of us went for a "Steak Fry" later. Jack and Gretchen plan to change stations something in November.

"Ernie really enjoys reading about the local boys in service, so thought you might like to put parts of this letter in your paper. It really is a letter from home."

Mrs. Detlefsen adds another item of interest, when she says her sister, JoAnne Knight, is attending the University of Oregon this year. She is majoring in Business Administration and has pledged the Gamma Phi Beta sorority house.

Jim Hanna's Letter To His Mother

Jim Hanna, graduate of Coquille High in 1942, a T-5 corporal in Headquarters Battery, 385th Division in France, writes on Sept. 20, 1944:

"Dearest Mom and Chuck: I hope you received my V-mail letter and could read it. I'm getting along fine and you needn't worry about me, especially if you don't hear from me for a long time as mail service takes longer going back to the States than coming over. Also I won't have as much time to write as I did in the States. I'm no longer living in an apple orchard taking life easy. I've really seen a lot over here but I'll have to wait till I get back to tell you most of it. I'm (censored) now and I've seen the outskirts of Paris, also the place where St. Lo had been. I didn't realize such devastation was possible.

"My French is still lacking but I do know a few phrases.

"It seems strange to see the children, seven or eight years old, smoking cigarettes but all of them smoke over here. Whenever we stop there is a flock of them around asking for food or cigarettes. Some are clean and well mannered, others are regular little beggars. At one stop a boy about ten came out and I gave him some candy, crackers and sugar. He took it in the house and after he came back his sister came out with two peaches, which he gave to me.

"Almost all the people wear shoes with wooden soles and some have GI shoes. It's fun to watch these French. Almost every one of them is wearing one or two articles of GI clothing mixed in with their own costumes. All the little boys here wear short pants and many wear a sort of smock-like dress, so it is rather hard to tell boys from girls.

"Well, I'll try to write again soon but don't worry about me. I've got a soft job compared to the job the boys in the front line have. Love, Jim."

Coquille Soldier Awarded Bronze Star Medal

Award of the Bronze Star Medal to Tech. 4th Grade Irwin E. Henagin, Fairview Route, Coquille, for keeping automotive vehicles of his company in constant repair during 14th Corps combat operations in New Georgia and Bougainville, Solomon Islands, from August 21, 1943, to April 19, 1944, has been announced by the War Department.

Sgt. Henagin is chief mechanic of a company of the Corps of Military Police, which is observing its third anniversary as a separate service this week.

"Through his resourcefulness, initiative, ability to improvise, and devotion to duty, he kept the vehicles of his organization in constant repair at a time when they were vi-

tally necessary in the control of traffic during combat operations," the citation states.

V-Mail Letter From Mark Seely In France

The following letter, dated Sept. 18 and written somewhere in France, tells of the meeting of two Coquille boys over there in the combat area:

Again Keith Holverstott and I have met. This time the event occurred in France. But until we happened upon each other we had no idea we were both located in the same district. That is, I had no idea until I went to the Red Cross Club in the city near to where I am stationed and, in consulting the register, found Keith's name on the Oregon page. This was yesterday, 17 September, and the date of his signature was the same. Immediately I looked around the club but Keith was not to be found.

The funny part of the coincidence occurred a few minutes later. Down the street in a cafe lounge I met a group of the men of my organization to whom I told my discovery. This I did in rather clear tones while talking through the open window from the sidewalk. My pal and I decided to go in and join the fellows and it was then that I found Keith. I had to crowd past a nearby table in such a way that the chap whose back was to me had to move. The chap was Keith.

Keith told me that Jack McCarthy is stationed not far away and I have written to him today.

As yet I haven't found Everett. He is probably quite distant from me in an area where history is being made, or continuously on the move.

Mark.



Watch for "THE JOKER" Sold Adv. The Anti-Prohibition Committee of Oregon, G. J. McPhee, Chairman, Pearson 4th Ave. Bldg., Portland

Mrs. Elton Schroeder Now Postmistress At Myrtle Point

There was a change in the sex of the postmaster at Myrtle Point on Sunday this week, but no change in surname of the one in charge of the office.

Elton A. Schroeder, who has been postmaster there for the past ten years, resigned recently in order to assist his father, H. A. Schroeder, in the furniture and undertaking business, and his wife was sworn in Sunday as postmistress, taking charge of the office temporarily on Oct. 1.

Three Divorces Granted

Judge Dal King granted divorces to the plaintiffs in the following cases which were heard by him in Circuit court on Tuesday: Bertha B. Dean vs. James E. Dean, Ruth Pettit vs. Bluford Pettit, Jas. A. Pratt vs. Nora Mae Pratt.

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Insurance specialist, F. R. Bull.

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- ASPARAGUS Garden Brand - - - No. 2 tins 19c
- WALNUT MEATS Large White Halves 8-oz. cello 49c
- CANDIED FRUIT MIX Fine quality containing Almond Meats Lb. 45c
- RAVIOLAS Armada, Chicken Raviolas - 16-oz. jar 33c
- BUTTER Swift's Brookfield Grade A - - - lb. 47c
- TEA Lipton's Orange Pekoe Black 8-oz. pkg. 49c lb. 98c