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## Our Men In Service

### TRANSFERRED

Members of her family have been advised that Lt. Hazel Adkins has been transferred from Ft. George Wright, Spokane, to Sioux City, Iowa.

### JAMES ADKINS WOUNDED

James Adkins, son of Ralph Adkins, was injured in a naval action somewhere in the South Pacific recently, according to information received here from members of his family. Extent of his injuries was not disclosed.

### JOINS NAVY

Donald Peterson, son of Mr. and Mrs. Oscar Peterson of Ione, has been inducted into the navy. He left with the group from Morrow county last week.

### CPL McCURDY TAKES BRIDE IN CALIFORNIA

Cpl. Harlan D. McCurdy, Jr. and Miss Donna Marie Nelson, daughter of Mrs. Palma Nelson of Wase-Savior Lutheran church in San Diego, Calif., Nov. 2. Rev. Towe, pastor of the church, performed the ceremony at high noon.

The bride was beautiful in a white satin gown with long train, a finger tip veil with coronet of orange blossoms, and carried a shower bouquet of white cyclamens and bouvardia. The bride was attended by her sister, Miss Eunice Nelson, who dressed in light blue with shoulder veil of pink and carried a bouquet of pink roses. Mr. Len Gilman, brother-in-law of the groom, was best man.

After the ceremony the wedding party adjourned to the Chula Vista Country club for luncheon. The wedding cake was topped by a soldier and bride and contained a tiny music box which played the wedding march as the party entered the dining room.

For going away the bride wore a tweed suit with brown accessories and corsage of talisman roses.

The groom's parents, Mr. and Mrs. H. D. McCurdy of Heppner, who left for Chula Vista two weeks ago, were in attendance at the wedding.

### ANOTHER MORROW SOLDIER TAKES BRIDE IN EAST

Writing from Hutchinson, Kan., T/S Sam G. McMillan of Lexington informs the Gazette Times that he has joined the ranks of soldier benedicts. Sam was extremely brief in his announcement, merely stating that he was married recently to Miss Anabel Strodtman of Emporia, Kan.

### STUDYING AIR MECHANICS

The importance of women's participation in the nation's all-out war effort becomes more clearly evident each day to Pfc. Erma Van Schoiack of the Women's Army Corps, currently on active duty at the airplane mechanics school and basic training center of the army air forces eastern technical training command at Gulfport Field, Miss.

Pvt Van Schoiack, the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Cleve Van Schoiack of Heppner, travelled through many states for the first time since joining the WACS and is continuing to broaden her general knowledge and experience of Uncle Sam's winged fighters while performing an essential job in base personnel headquarters.

### AT CANTWELL HOME

Sic Alton B. Christensen, guest at the M. L. Cantwell home this week has seen a lot of action in the Pacific. While discussion is limited due to military restrictions and a reluctance to talk about his experiences, Alton admitted to

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## Sign Board and Mailbox Labels Is Club Proposal

### Organization to Sponsor Project In Rural Districts

A program to label mail boxes and country roads and lanes over the county was launched Tuesday evening by the board of directors of the Heppner chamber of commerce. Lack of such labels or sign boards proves embarrassing to those unfamiliar with the rural districts, it was pointed out, and it was felt that the chamber of commerce would be acting in the best interests of the public in sponsoring such a movement.

To get the project underway, the secretary was instructed to acquire a stencil set with which mail boxes and road signs may be painted at reasonable cost. An effort will be made to cooperate with the granges and with individuals in securing names and other data in making up the directive material. In the meantime, it is hoped that unlabeled mail boxes may be taken care of by the possessors.

At the Monday luncheon Betty Coxen and Joe McLaughlin, high school seniors, were featured speakers. This was part of the students' contribution to national education week. The young people acquitted themselves like veteran after dinner speakers.

## Mustangs Too Wild For Condon's Devils

Determined to show everybody that their win over Arlington was no fluke, the Heppner Mustangs scored their second successive victory last Friday over the Condon Blue Devils, 6 to 0, on the latter's field.

Threatening in the first quarter when they advanced to the Condon 10-yard line, the Mustangs hit pay dirt midway through the second quarter, following a powerful ground offensive that started from the Blue Devil's 40-yard line and concluded with a three yard plunge over the goal line by Runion. Try for point was unsuccessful.

At the opening of the second half the Condon eleven uncorked a dazzling attack that died on the Heppner five yard line. At no other time in the game did the Blue Devils even remotely threaten to score.

Late in the last quarter the Mustangs again powerhoused their way down the field and narrowly missed a second touchdown by the margin of one foot. Condon took the ball over on downs practically on their goal line and kicked out to safety just as the final gun sounded.

After meeting Hermiston at Hermiston, Armistice Day, the Heppner boys close their season with Condon on the local field Friday, Nov. 19.

### IOOF DISTRICT CONVENTION SCHEDULED FOR NOV. 19

Lexington lodge I. O. O. F. will be host to the lodges of the county in district convention Friday evening, Nov. 19, according to George N. Peck of Lexington who was in town Wednesday. Grand Master Ray W. Comstock of Baker will attend the session in his official capacity.

A dinner served by the host lodge will precede the lodge session, which will be participated in by Morgan, Ione, Lexington, Heppner and Hardman.

### GUEST AT HUSTONS

Mrs. E. R. Huston who recently returned from a week's visit in the Willamette valley was accompanied home by her sister, Mrs. F. E. Bloom of Albany. Mrs. Bloom is enjoying better health here and she may remain for some time.

## Fred Ritchie Phones Sisters He'll Be Home For Christmas

By MRS. OMAR RIETMANN

Mrs. Franklin Lindstrom and Mrs. Clifford McCabe received a phone call from their brother, Fred Ritchie, last Saturday morning. Although he could not tell them where he was other than that he had reached the New England states, he said he would be home for Christmas. This is his first visit home in over two years that he has been in the service. Most of this time has been spent in the Canal Zone.

Mrs. Nettie Lundy of Portland is making a week's visit in Ione. She is visiting her three sisters and brother, Mrs. Clara Kincaid, Mrs. Ed Buschke, Mrs. Martin Cotter, and Bert Ma'p'n.

Mrs. Herman Havercoast and son Pete of Summerville, Ore. spent a few days in Ione last week visiting relatives and friends. Pete is on leave from the navy where he is training to be a gunman.

Mrs. Minnie Forbes left Tuesday of last week for Oakdale where she plans to spend the winter with her daughter and family the John O'Steens.

Mrs. Orlow Martin and two sons of Moro spent the week-end at the home of Mrs. Martin's mother, Mrs. Anne Smouse.

Rev. H. N. Waddell of Nysa will conduct the morning services at the Ione Cooperative church next Sunday, Nov. 14.

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## 43-44 Tax Collections Lead Previous Years

Collections on the 1943-1944 tax schedule are out ahead of those of previous years, according to Sheriff John Fuiten. While levies in almost all instances are lower and the total is about \$39,000 less than last, more individuals have paid, and this accounts for the good record. The collection number was the same on Nov. 9 this year as it was Nov. 13 of last year.

The 1942-43 levy was \$216,000 and the 1943-44 levy \$177,000. This year the state school support fund of \$24,173.83 was taken into consideration, but it was deducted before the levy was made.

Sheriff Fuiten stated Monday, Nov. 15 is the last date upon which the three percent discount will be given.

### TAKING POSTMAN'S HOLIDAY

Manager B. C. Pinckney of the Heppner branch of the First National bank of Portland is taking a vacation from the bank for two weeks. That is, "Pinck" thought he was taking a vacation, which started last week, but he was called back to the bank so many times he began to think it was just a postman's holiday. He got out from under after two or three days and this week has been doing some of the things he laid out to do the last time he took a vacation. One of those things was to fertilize garden and lawn. He arranged with Harold Cohn to get some sheep fertilizer at the Cohn corrals. Cohn even loaned him a pickup to haul the manure, but there was a catch to that—the pickup was loaded with hay which "Pinck" had to unload. He survived this in pretty good shape, so good, in fact, that when he got the fertilizer loaded Cohn accused him of overloading the truck. Well, anyway, "Pinck" thinks one load will suffice.

### COMING ON VISIT

Lt. Rose Leibbrand is expected to arrive in Heppner Friday for a week's visit with friends. Lt. Leibbrand is a member of the Women's Army Corps and has been stationed at Stout Field in Indianapolis, Ind. She is due for a transfer to relieve one more fighting man for overseas duty. While in Heppner she will be the guest of Miss Leta Humphreys.

## Boys at McCaw General to Receive Christmas Boxes

By MRS. RALPH THOMPSON

Christmas is several weeks away but plans are going forward at this time to provide a joyful day for the patients in McCaw hospital, the hospitals at Pendleton field, Walla Walla air base and Pasco naval base. Anyone wishing to fill Christmas bags for these patients will find a supply at either drug store in Heppner with a list of gifts as suggested by the Red Cross field director. We are very grateful to the Ione and Rhea Creek granges for taking 25 bags each. We are also most grateful for a gift of \$30 from Mrs. Frank Anderson of Eight Mile with which we are to buy candy, nuts or anything else needed to help make these patients enjoy a happy day away from their homes and friends.

The gift box for the November meeting has been supplied by the 6th, 7th, and 8th grades of the Lexington school under the direction of Mrs. Frank Turner. The children have collected 12 phonograph records, 15 books, 15 jig saw puzzles, 12 decks of cards, 24 mounted pictures, thumb tacks, Christmas paper, wrapping paper, twine and pins. The last items were requested for use in helping the boys send gifts home. The Lexington pupils in these grades are writing to a patient at McCaw and sending him little gifts.

## Morrow Places 4th In Individual Sales

Morrow county held close to its buying record in the recent Third War loan campaign, the final tabulations showing that a total of \$447,078 was invested by individuals giving the county fourth place in the state in that group.

According to figures released by the state committee, the \$447,078 represented purchases in the amount of 209.4 percent of the individual quota. Grand total of all sales was 144.4 percent. In cold cash this represented \$531,233.

A quota of \$32,000 has been given Morrow county for the month of November.

### REV. NOBLE BUYS HOME

Rev. Clifford Noble, pastor of the Assembly of God church, has purchased the residence property of Mr. and Mrs. Glen Hayes and will take possession early next week. Mr. and Mrs. Hayes will leave Tuesday for Santa Barbara, Calif., for a vacation and to visit their son Clarence who anticipates shipping out soon. Clarence's wife and little daughter Janis, will accompany his parents south. They will be gone two weeks. Mr. Hayes will resume his work at Heppner Lumber company but Mrs. Hayes, who has been with the Heppner office of the Pacific Telephone and Telegraph company for 17 years, is resigning Friday and contemplates following the career of a housewife from here on.

### AT SCHOOL CONFERENCE

Mrs. Lucy E. Rodgers, county school superintendent, left Sunday for Salem where on Tuesday and Wednesday she attended a conference of school administrators, headed by Rex Putnam, state superintendent. Like the 1942 conference, the session this year dealt with problems arising out of the war, including professional problems, goals in post-war planning, and problems growing out of current trends towards delinquency and irregular attendance on the part of the school-age youth.

### RETURNS TO WORK

Miss Sibyl Howell departed for Portland Sunday after enjoying a week's vacation and rest at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Lee Howell, who took her to Arlington. Miss Howell works in the legal department of the Vancouver branch of Kiser Shipbuilding Corporation.

## 3540 People Receive Ration Book Number 4

### Tabulations By Districts Released From Local Office

Figures released by the Morrow county rationing office this week disclose that a total of 3540 copies of book No. 4 were issued in the county in the recent distribution period. Broken down by districts, registrations for ration book No. 4 show that 1838 were issued at Heppner; 566 at Ione; 370 at Lexington; 333 at Irrigon and 441 at Boardman.

Many people of the county were unable to make application at the school houses on Oct. 26-28 and the total count will be raised materially. Opportunity will be given all unregistered persons to make application through the rationing office after Nov. 15.

The local board started issuing Monday of this week but found there was an error in the date and discontinued any further issuing of book No. 4 at once. However applications will be received any time and issuing of the books will be resumed on the 15th, at the local rationing office in the Heppner hotel building.

### WHO KNOWS WHEREABOUTS OF JAMES McNAMEE?

Good news awaits James McNamee, native of Ireland, if he will get in touch with Local No. 1, Morrow county selective service board. He is not to be drafted, the board assures, but if he will contact the local office he will learn what is in store for him.

Says the board: "Any person knowing the present address of James McNamee, 52, white race; height approximately 5 feet 10 inches, weight, approximately 171 pounds, blue eyes, brown hair, ruddy complexion, scar on center point of chin, please notify Morrow county local board of selective service at Heppner, Oregon immediately."

It is understood that the registrant has a brother at Hermiston.

## Book Delinquencies Forgiven for Time

Borrowers who are overdue with books at the Heppner library will have an opportunity to reestablish their good standing during the period Nov. 15-29. The library association has arranged to receive the books without assessing the usual fines, and there will be no questions asked. George A. Corwin, president of the association, expressed the hope that all persons holding overdue books will respond to the appeal.

In view of the fuel situation, the board has decided to limit the library service to three afternoons a week. It will be open from 3 to 5 p. m. Monday, Wednesday and Friday afternoons.

### PORTLAND VISITORS

Mayor and Mrs. J. O. Turner drove to Portland Monday on a business mission. They were accompanied by Mrs. Nellie Anderson who will return with them today. Mrs. Anderson again expects to make her home in Heppner.

### BRINGING WIFE HOME

Lonnie Ritchie expects to bring Mrs. Ritchie home from the Hermiston hospital Sunday where she has been a patient several weeks. Her condition is reported considerably improved after suffering serious injury to a hand.

### VISITING SISTER

Mrs. Jean Lyons of Portland is spending two weeks at the home of her sister, Mrs. Leo Gorger and family.