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## News From The Boys at The Front

### IN PREFLIGHT SCHOOL

Cadet Edgar E. Peck of Lexington is taking preflight training at San Antonio Aviation Cadet Center, Tex., according to announcement from that place. Potential pilots, bombardiers and navigators are prepared for aerial instruction and duties as aircrew members in the army air forces. The future fliers are subjected to a rigorous 10-week program of instruction covering physical, academic and military training. Bombardiers, navigators and pilots receive the first five weeks of preflight instruction as a group, then are separated for specialized training. The present class includes 18 from Oregon.

### SOLDIER OK

Judge Bert Johnson reports receiving a letter this week from Larry Ritchie, somewhere out there in the big Pacific area. It had been some time since anyone had heard from Larry but he writes that he is fine and has been real busy.

### FINISHED INFANTRY SCHOOL

Marine Private Ross V. Miles, son of Mr. and Mrs. Frank Miles of Boardman, Oregon, recently was graduated from the infantry school at Camp Pendleton, Oceanside, Calif.

Pvt Miles is awaiting assignment to an infantry battalion of a combat organization.

### SON PHONES PARENTS

Mr. and Mrs. R. G. McMurtry were surprised the past week by a phone call from their son Glen, whose ship had docked at an eastern seaport. Glen had just returned from his first combat duty.

### FLIES FROM BOSTON

Lt. Arthur Bergstrom is spending a 10-day leave at home with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Carl Bergstrom. He came by plane from Boston, arriving in Pendleton where his parents met him early Monday morning.

### HOME ON BOOY LEAVE

Having completed the first leg of their journey towards being stalwart fighting men of the sea, Jim Barratt, Walter Skuzeski, Martin Lovgren and Pat O'Brien are home on the customary 5-day leave from Farragut. The boys entered training July and after the vacation is over will return to that base for assignment to advanced training.

## Ballots Enroute to Service Applicants

Ballots for the general election to be held Nov. 7 were printed Saturday following receipt Friday evening of confirmation from Secretary of State Bob Farrell relative to certification of all candidates. Copy for the ballots was submitted to the printer, by County Clerk C. W. Barlow several weeks ago and was put into type pending changes or additions. During the interval two additional filings were made for president and vice president and this necessitated re-setting the candidate list from number 14 down to justice of the peace.

Since ballots for service people had to be in the mail on Sept. 24, all efforts of the Gazette Times printery, with the assistance of Clerk Barlow, were directed towards getting them off the press and perforated. The job was finally accomplished by five minutes past midnight Saturday.

Clerk Barlow states that he received applications from 109 service people and these went out in the mail Sunday evening. Applications from absentee voters within continental United States are being received and ballots will be mailed to them in due season.

## Redcap Army to Start Offensive Sunday Morning

### Limited Number Doe Tags Issued For Grant County

What Isenhower's men are doing to the Heinies and McArthur's men are doing to the rats in the Pacific is mild by comparison with the contemplations of the "redcap" army which is all set to take the field against the elusive buck in these parts. If ammunition holds out—to say nothing of gasoline supplies—there will be a substantial reduction in the deer population, and the redhats don't mean perhaps.

Red-hatted citizens have been in evidence here and there the past few days and their number will be swelled by Saturday as local and outside hunters move towards their favorite hunting grounds. Guns have been cleaned and oiled, ammunition carefully counted, "A" coupons calculated, camp outfits packed, and no doubt in numerous cases the Knox allotment stingily hoarded in recent weeks just in case one should encounter some poisonous serpents.

This looks like considerable preparation for the chance to bag one deer having not less than forked horns, as the game law provides for, but the boys and some of the girls feel they get their money's worth even if they don't make a sure shot.

To those who prefer doe meat the game commission has issued 3000 tags for this season covering a certain section of Grant county. All hunters in this area, whether hunting for doe or buck deer, will be required to check in and out of the area at stations established for this purpose by the game commission at the following places: John Day, Mt. Vernon, Prairie City, Unity, Sumpter, Forks Guard station, Dale Ranger station and Long Creek. Checking stations will be open from 7 a. m. to 9 p. m. with the exception of Mt. Vernon which will remain open all night. Hunters may start checking into the area on Sept. 29 and the checking stations will remain open through Nov. 1.

## Speaker Scheduled For Farm Bureau

Discussion of measures appearing on the official ballot in the general election will be the highlight of the meeting of the Morrow County Farm Bureau at the regular monthly session Monday evening. Leading the discussion will be Dr. Ray Hawk, representing the Oregon Teachers' association, who will be a visitor in the county the first of the week in the interest of the basic school support amendment to the Oregon constitution. While his subject has not been announced, it is presumed that he will use the amendment as the main topic of his discussion.

People of the county, whether farmers or not, are urged to attend the meeting of the Farm Bureau and learn first hand what those engaged in agricultural pursuits are endeavoring to do. There is an hour of discussion of matters pertaining to the farm, a brief business session from which no one is excluded, and the evening winds up with a social period during which refreshments are served. The meetings are being held at the Lexington grange hall, beginning at 8 o'clock.

### ATTENDING CONCLAVE

Mayor and Mrs. J. O. Turner are in Gearhart this week where the Oregon State Bar association is in session. They expect to return to Heppner Sunday.

## Mustangs Hope to Upset Honkers in Opening Contest

No last cent is being wagered and the boys hope they won't lose their shirts, either, but there is a current feeling among the Heppner Mustang squad that they will feast on roast goose tomorrow (Friday) evening. On the other hand, the honkers may feel that they will ride home on wild horses, figuratively speaking. That is not the intention of Coach Pate and his young huskies, although the strength of the Honkers is unknown.

Coach Pate has announced his probable starting line-up as follows: Left end, Ray French; left tackle, Bob Kelly; left guard, Jim Lynch; center, Tad Miller; right guard, Joe McLaughlin; right tackle, Archie Padberg; right end, Jack Parrish; quarterback, Ted Ferguson; backs, Billy Ulrich, Don Knowles and Jack Edmondson.

Officials: Lloyd Morgan, Ione, Referee; O. Wendell Herbison, umpire.

Those of the football squad who are "men" enough are staging a whiskerino, which they state will continue until the Mustangs win a game. They count on shaving this week-end.

## Help Shortage Met in Change at Scotty's

When Mr. and Mrs. J. L. Hall closed up their ice cream parlor late in August and announced that they would be back after taking a vacation and reopen "Scotty's" with a better service, that was just what they meant. They returned after two weeks rest and spent the most of another two weeks rearranging the place.

The public was kept in darkness until early this week when the privacy was removed by washing the soap screen from the windows and the door unlocked. The change was complete. Every foot of the small room has been utilized to the advantage of the operators. To make the story brief, the help works from the inside out instead of running all about the room as formerly. Counter and booths are on opposite sides to their former positions, the fountain is in front center, the ice cream packers in the center, and sandwich kitchen at the rear of the square. The booths are held in place by being attached to boards forming an inside wall, making them as immovable as the counter. The general effect is pleasing and the step-saving is at once evident, even to a hungry reporter.

## Army Draws Nine of Eleven Recruits

Nine out of 11 men who recently were inducted for service with the armed forces were taken by the army, according to information received at the local office of the selective service. The other two were taken by the navy.

The army draft included Howard Bryant, James Healy and Jack Van Winkle, Heppner; Herman Wallace, Kenneth Klingler and Eugene Majeske, Lexington; Roy Ball Jr., Boardman; Clarence Harris, Ione, and Dorr Mason, Portland.

Alex Thompson, Heppner and Harry Owens, Estacada, now are in the navy.

Recruits listed from outside points reported through the local office.

### NEW GRANDDAUGHTER

A baby girl, Marda Jean, was born Tuesday to Mr. and Mrs. Charles Graybeal at Eugene. Mrs. Graybeal formerly Lois Jones, is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. C. N. Jones of Heppner who are very happy over the advent of the little lady.

## Cox Family to Have Reunion

All things come to an end, even wishful thinking as Mr. and Mrs. W. Claude Cox can happily testify. Last week they received a wire from their son Charles announcing his arrival in the States after an absence of nearly three years. Tuesday of this week he arrived in Heppner and will spend most of his furlough here at the homes of his parents, and his brother, Billy. To make his homecoming complete the rest of the family will arrive this week-end. Clair will meet his brother-in-law and sister, Lt. and Mrs. George Holden in Grand Island, Neb., and all three will drive west together. Clair is in training at Tampa, Fla. and will get an emergency furlough at this time.

## Fire Laddies Have Busy Afternoon

A peaceful afternoon was shattered with the sounding of the fire siren Saturday shortly after lunch. A grass fire in the vicinity of the CCC site called out the department. They were not gone long. They were called a second time later in the day to the same location when the fire flared up again. Little damage was done either time.

About 7:30 p. m. the alarm screeched again. This time the scene of activity was the Heppner Cafe. Grease on the stove had ignited and caused a bit of excitement. However the blaze was soon extinguished with very little damage or cessation in the work.

Prompt action on the part of the local fire department quickly averted any possibilities of a serious fire both in the afternoon and evening.

## Clothing Needed by Liberated Peoples

A call has come for gifts of clothing to be sent to people of liberated areas in Europe. Announcement was made by Archdeacon Neville Blunt in services at All Saints Episcopal church Sunday that due to the near approach of severe weather in the countries affected, it is necessary to make up shipments at once. This allows little time for donors to get clothing assembled and delivered to the parsonage will be given to the appeal.

Any article of warm clothing—men's cast-off suits, overcoats, shirts, etc., not too badly worn and fit to be used upon delivery are desired. Women's clothing of any type to lend warmth and comfort to their cousins across the seas will be welcomed. Shoes, hats and evening clothes will not be accepted. There is one essential regulation—every article turned in must be clean.

Citing the desperate need of many of the people, Archdeacon Blunt said that in the low countries Nazi guards seized workers as they left the factories, stripped them of their clothing and handed them garments made of burlap, a material neither warm nor comfortable. It is claimed that if all the mills of America, Canada and England were to make nothing but clothes for the liberated peoples it would take a year to provide sufficient garments that all might be decently clad.

### DRIVES FROM TEXAS

Philip Cohn is home this week, the first time in 14 months, or just after he enlisted in the navy following graduation from high school in 1943. He has been located at Corpus Christi, Tex. for several months and was fortunate in getting automobile transportation all the way home. An officer at the base was transferring to Farragut and Philip came along on a share-the-ride-share-the-drive basis.

## Farm Machinery Currently Placed on Unrationed Basis

### Order Releasing Equipment Made Effective Today

News of interest to farmers of the county was received this morning by County Agent Arnold Ebert from N. C. Donaldson, state director of the Agricultural Adjustment administration. Donaldson confirmed a news story on the radio earlier in the day stating that all of Schedules I and II, controlling sale cry, had been removed from rationing and distribution of farm machinery used in this county, Ebert states.

"This unexpected announcement was confirmed by telephone conversation with R. B. Taylor, chairman of the state triple A committee, who explained that apparently other states have received much more farm machinery than has Oregon and that supplies on hand together with improving European situation has prompted the release," Ebert said.

Early this week Morrow county received notice of the 1945 allotment of tractors, combines and other farm equipment. The new order displaces this announcement and make it possible for farmers to deal direct with their machinery dealers without authorization from the county farm committee.

Ebert says this order releases wheel tractors but according to present information the crawler type is still under jurisdiction of the War Production board and application for purchase of these machines must be placed through the county triple A committee as in the past.

## Majors to Play at Pendleton October 8

Pendleton went in for major league baseball last fall and liked it so well it was decided to try it again in 1944. As a result, teams from the two A circuits, the American and National leagues, will play an exhibition game on the afternoon of Sunday, Oct. 8 at the Round-Up park.

E. C. Olson of the Pendleton chamber of commerce was in Heppner today putting out window cards and personally boosting the game, which he says will be the only barnstorming game played by the majors in this section.

Last year's game attracted a good many fans from Morrow county, not a few of whom will find it convenient to be in Pendleton on Oct. 8.

### ACCEPTED AT U OF W

Kathryn Turner, member of the class of 1944 at Heppner high school, has been accepted for registration at the University of Washington, Seattle, according to word received this week by her mother, Mrs. Grace Turner. Registration will not begin until in October and Kathryn will be home for a short time.

### HOME ON LEAVE

Pfc James N. McLaughlin of the U. S. Marine corps is enjoying a visit with the home folks while on leave in the Pacific area and is glad leave he has seen some hard service for a chance to get a look at "the hills of home."

### ON 39-DAY LEAVE

Earl Francis McCabe, son of Mr. and Mrs. A. A. McCabe of Ione, is home on a 39-day rehabilitation leave. Earl has been in the thick of things in the European area as a member of an LCI crew.