

# Heppner Gazette Times

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## News From Rainfall in 1944 The Boys at Lags Behind Three The Front Previous Seasons

GRADUATION DATE  
SEPT. 26.

Marion G. Krebs of Cecil Ore. was commissioned a second lieutenant in the Army Sept. 26 upon successful completion of the officer candidate course at the infantry school at Fort Benning, Ga. Lt. Krebs is the son of Mr. and Mrs. George C. Krebs of Cecil.

The new lieutenant enlisted in the army on March 29, 1943 and served with the ROTC at Oregon State college and took basic at Camp Roberts Calif. before going to Officer Candidate school four months ago. He held the rank of corporal before being commissioned. He is a graduate of Arlington high school and attended Oregon State college for three years where he was a prominent member of Sigma Chi fraternity.

### ON WAY HOME

Mr. and Mrs. Glen Hayes were surprised Wednesday evening with a telephone call from their son T-4 Richard T. Hayes, who called from a California point. He stated that he would be home in less than nine days, coming from Fort Lewis where he will receive his furlough orders. Rich, as he is familiarly known to the home folks, has been in the "down under" territory for 30 months, going first to Australia and then on to New Guinea where he has been in combat service the past 12 months. He told his parents that the good old USA sure looks good to him.

### DISCHARGED FROM SERVICE

CPO Chester Brown was given a medical discharge from the Seabees the past week and he and Mrs. Brown returned to Heppner Wednesday from Pleasanton, Calif., where they have been living most of the past year. They plan to spend the winter near Monument for the benefit of Mr. Brown's health. Mrs. Brown's son, Frank Christensen, has signed up with the air corps which he will join upon completion of high school. Pete Christensen has been seeing plenty of action in the south Pacific—Saipan and other recent battles. Major Chet Christensen has been granted a leave and is expected home soon, and Duane Brown has been in the south Pacific over two years and participated in numerous major battles.

### MISSING IN ACTION

Mrs. Mabel Davidson received a message from the war department Sunday stating that her son, Staff Sgt Herbert R. Davidson has been missing since Sept. 13 when he was engaged in a flight over Germany. Mrs. Davidson has not given up hope that Herbert is still alive, although possibly a prisoner of the Germans.

### SERVICE MEN ENTERTAINED WITH PARTY WEDNESDAY

More than 50 young people gathered at the parish house of All Saints Episcopal church Wednesday evening to honor service men home on leave or furlough. The party was sponsored by women of the church and invitations were extended to high school students and other young people of the town.

Dancing was enjoyed for a couple of hours, during which time light refreshments were served.

### BURKENBINE BOYS HOME

Among the numerous service men on leave and on furlough this week are Reece and Merle Burkenbine, sons of Mrs. A. E. Burkenbine. The boys have been together the last several days and feel very fortunate in being allowed to visit home together.

### Showers Few and Far Between, Rain Chart Discloses

Jules Pluvius will have to give down regularly the next three months if he intends to put the year 1944 in a class with the years 1941, 1942 and 1943. He is behind schedule in Morrow county as of October 1 and although light showers fell yesterday and during the night there is nothing to indicate that he will catch up before the year wears away, unless—

Searching the records as kept by Len Gilliam it is found that the first seven months of 1944 have gotten along with a precipitation of 5.49 inches. There was nothing recorded in August, and Gilliam's record for September has not been posted but may have been sufficient to bring the record up to six inches. Recorded by months the figures stand: January .31; February 1.36; March .59; April 1.52; May .49; June 1.20 and July .02.

Compared with previous years, this is not quite so good. Seven months of 1943, January-July, 7.50 inches; 1942, 8.70 inches and 1941 11.38 inches.

September 1941 was the wettest month of the three-year period, registering 2.18 inches; 1942, 1.18; 1943 1.02.

These figures are for Heppner and vicinity. It is possible that V. L. Carlson can make a better showing for the Gooseberry section, particularly since that region was visited by a heavy shower recently that amounted to nothing more than a trace in town.

### P-38 Makes Forced Landing Near Ione

Losing his bearings while flying over the north end of the county late Monday, the pilot of a P-38 from Redmond airbase made a wheelless landing in Werner Rietmann's stubble field near Ione. The pilot, an officer, was flying alone.

Although the pilot was uninjured, the plane was considerably damaged. Before leaving for help the officer stripped the instrument board to remove any evidence of new gadgets that might be of use to the enemy.

The P-38 will be taken back to the base, not for repairs but to be stripped for parts in repairing other planes.

### Scouts Collect Five Tons Waste Paper

Five tons of waste paper were collected Saturday morning by Boy Scouts and their counsellors of Heppner and Lexington, according to George Corwin, who drove the big truck used to haul the salvage to Stanfield Saturday afternoon.

Five tons of paper were gathered in Heppner and one-half ton in Lexington. It took Corwin and four scouts two hours to unload the cargo which was carried into the car on the siding at Stanfield.

### MRS. JAMES WILSON PASSES AT OAKLAND

Relatives in Heppner have been informed of the death of Mrs. James Wilson at Oakland, Calif., Sept. 23. Her passing followed several months' illness. She is survived by the husband, and two children, a son in the marines and a daughter, by a former marriage, and one brother residing in Oakland.

Mrs. Wilson spent two weeks here last summer with her husband.

## Morrow County 4-H Beef Mayor and Council Show to Be Held Monday To Ask Return for A. M. at Fair Pavilion

Ten o'clock Monday morning is the time set for opening the Morrow county 4-H beef club show, which is to be held at the county fair pavilion. The show is being held as a pre-view to the Portland stock show to which point the 14 or so animals to be shown here will be taken late Monday afternoon. The showing at Portland spells fitness to most of the animals as they are put on the auction block following the exhibition.

The program for the day has been arranged as follows: 10 a. m., all livestock should be at the fair pavilion as the judging contest is scheduled to begin at that hour; 11 o'clock, showmanship contest; 1 p. m., judging of heifer classes, and 1:30 p. m., judging of steer classes, following which the animals will be loaded onto trucks for shipment to Portland. All beef animals that

ished will be taken while those that are fat enough and properly finished are not good enough must be left at home for further feeding.

Four classes will be judged. Class 1, Hereford steer, heavy; class 2, Hereford steer, light; class 3, Short horn steer, and class 4, beef heifer. Suitable prizes will be offered.

Several club members and parents will accompany the livestock to the Portland show which is being held for club members as a substitute for the Pacific International exposition, discontinued for the duration.

Audrey and Patty Majeske, winners in the home and garden exhibits two weeks ago, will take their display to Portland where it will be shown at the Meier and Frank company 4-H club fair put on in conjunction with the Portland stock show.

### Mustangs Lose to Honkers 7 to 0 in Opening Contest

By LaVern Van Marter Jr.

In their opening football game of the 1944 season Heppner high school's Mustangs went down to defeat Friday afternoon 7 to 0, at the hands of the Arlington high school Honkers.

Playing through intermittent showers on the Rodeo field before a moderately large opening day crowd, the two teams struggled through three scoreless quarters before a blocked Heppner punt in the last period provided Arlington with the break needed to score what proved to be the winning touchdown.

The fateful kick came after the Mustangs took over the ball on their own 20 yard line after an Arlington punt rolled into the end zone. The Mustangs lost five yards on an end run then elected to kick on second down. Arlington's fast charging line swarmed through to block Ulrich's kick before he could get it away and an alert Honker fell on the ball on the Heppner 12 yard line.

In two plays Arlington scored. Using a T-formation offense that up to this point had been held to short gains, the Honkers struck through the Heppner line on the first play to the 2 yard line. Wetherford, Arlington fullback, plunged over on the next play. The conversion was also made on a line smash.

With only minutes remaining in

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### Can You Spare A Typewriter?

Over in McCaw General hospital are numerous boys who are unable to write with pencil or pen and ink. They have suffered injuries that have paralyzed hands or arms or otherwise handicapped them so that correspondence by long-hand methods is out of the question. But they can, by employing the hunt and peck system, carry on correspondence by use of a typewriter.

Those boys suffered their injuries by offering their services in fighting off cruel enemies who would conquer and destroy us. They would rather do their own letter writing and should be privileged to do so. Can we not add to our splendid record in Morrow county by donating a portable typewriter or if one is not available, providing funds for the purchase of one?

### REGISTRATION BOOKS CLOSE SATURDAY EVENING

To accommodate late registrants, County Clerk C. W. Barlow announces that his office in the court house will remain open until 8 p. m. Saturday, Oct. 7. The office opens at 8 a. m. and the clerk urges those not registered to call as early in the day as possible.

Remember—Saturday is the last day to register before the fall election. Be a good citizen—register and vote!

### Hunters Get Into Difficulties Here

Harry Neal Browning of Hermiston paid a fine of \$25 and costs when he appeared before Justice J. O. Flager Monday morning and pled guilty to a charge possession of an illegal deer. The charge was preferred by Special Officer Eldred L. Wright, who stated that the animal in question was minus the forked horns specified in the state game law.

Ain Roscoe Boyd paid a fine of \$5 and costs in the same court Monday for driving a car without proper operator's license. Boyd, a native of Missouri, is employed at the Frank Wilkinson ranch. He went hunting Sunday and was picked up by the state police. Since he did not have an Oregon driver's license the law could have been applied to consider him an out-of-state hunter but the justice decided to invoke the automobile provision instead.

Officer Wright is from Lincoln county and has been assigned to this district as special game warden during the hunting season.

### NO BEAUTIES IN NEW GUINEA THAT HE'S SEEN

If there are any bathing beauties or other types among the natives of New Guinea, he missed them during his stay in the islands, Charles Cox told the chamber of commerce luncheon group Monday. He said there are Javanese, Melanesians and other tribes of South Sea islanders in Guinea but none of them have any special claim to beauty.

Cox said he did not want to paint too bad a picture of the country, but he like all other service men feels that if it were the land they were fighting for it would not be worth the battle. The main object with the fighting men is to run the Japs out and after that they don't care who takes over.

### ON BOOT LEAVE

Delmer O. Crawford has finished his boot training at Farragut and is spending his leave with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Waite C. Crawford at Ione.

### Petitions Signed This Week to Place Names on Ballot

City officers whose terms expire this year have tossed their collective tiles into the ring for another period of service. Petitions for Mayor J. O. Turner, councilmen D. A. Wilson, L. D. Tibbles, L. E. Bisbee and Charles Vaughn, and Recorder Huston and Treasurer Dix were circulated early this week, opening the campaign as far as city politics is concerned. So far no opposition has shown up and no interest has been manifested.

Due to the invasion of the Blue mountains only one councilman was present at the regular monthly meeting of the council Monday evening. Councilman Ferguson and Mayor Turner sanctioned payment of bills and that was the extent of business transacted aside from instructions to Marshal Bill Morgan relative to complaints registered about keeping livestock within the city limits. Text of the complaints indicated that the aroma accompanying the presence of livestock, rabbits, poultry and hogs is becoming an extreme annoyance to neighbors, who would like to have the city fathers do something about it.

Mayor Turner reiterated his desire to get a new well, stating that he is anxious to have the city take up the offer made by A. M. Edwards last spring to drill for water on the Barratt property above the Frank Monahan residence. Tests made in the spring indicated that a well at that point would bring in around 200,000 gallons daily. That amount added to present supplies would guarantee a plentiful supply for the present population and take care of possible growth.

### Study of School Support Measure Asked by Speaker

Hope that voters will study the school support measure so they may vote intelligently on the constitutional amendment on the November ballot was expressed Monday by Dr. Ray Hawk to members of the luncheon group of the Heppner chamber of commerce. Dr. Hawk, who was representing the Oregon State Teachers' association, is visiting eastern Oregon counties in the interest of the amendment and made several talks in the county the first of the week.

"I have no doubt about the outcome of the measure if the voters will study it thoroughly and have a complete understanding of its aims and purposes," Hawk stated. He pointed out that Oregon is behind other Pacific coast states in the matter of support, calling attention to the fact that the state land law is still in effect but that there is no state land left to speak of. The proposed constitutional amendment will not necessarily create an additional burden on the tax payer but will make for a better distribution of funds in which the public schools will enjoy a more bountiful share. He also added that while teachers are supporting the amendment it is not with expectation that they will directly benefit any more than that a stabilization of school funds should tend to create a corresponding stabilization of jobs and salaries.

Frank Hulbert, a guest, spoke briefly urging support for the measure. These are days of specialized jobs, he said, and every opportunity should be given the youth of today to prepare for these jobs.