

**IN THE...
★ Nation's Service**

Silver Star is Presented to Albany Mother

CAMP ADAIR, Ore., Oct. 27—Posthumously awarded to T. Sgt. Earl L. Reynolds, by direction of the president, the Silver Star decoration was presented to his mother, Mrs. Stella Will, route 2, Albany, Thursday, October 25.

The citation read: "For gallantry in action on Oct. 27 April 1945. During an assault on a strong enemy position Sergeant Reynolds, a platoon sergeant, observed that Japanese automatic weapons were firing with telling effect upon a flank of a squad which was advancing up a hill. Realizing the seriousness of the situation, Sergeant Reynolds immediately moved one element of his platoon to a vantage point on a ridge and attempted to neutralize the enemy fire. Upon noticing that this group was immediately subjected to withering enemy machinegun and mortar fire, Sergeant Reynolds ordered his men to take cover. Then he, with utter disregard for his own safety, remained in an exposed position and fired accurate and sustained automatic rifle fire upon the enemy position. During this action Sergeant Reynolds was killed by an enemy mortar shell, but his gallant, single-handed attack was responsible for silencing the Japanese automatic weapons and a material factor in the success of the local action."

The Silver Star decoration was presented to Mrs. Will by an officer on the staff of Col. Lewis S. Norman, commanding officer, Camp Adair, in a private ceremony witnessed only by relatives and friends of the family.

Francis Twins Back At Work and College From Overseas Duty

The Francis twins, sons of Mr. and Mrs. Carl Francis, route 3, Salem, are at home after a combined overseas army service of 33 months. Approximately 30 friends and relatives gathered at the family home last Sunday afternoon to welcome them.

Roy D. Francis has returned to his post as guard at the state penitentiary here following four years in the army, 24 months overseas. He brought with him a Presidential Unit citation with Oak Leaf Cluster, South Pacific ribbon with one battle star, Mediterranean theatre ribbon with nine battle stars, pre-Pearl Harbor and Good Conduct ribbons.

Roy G. Francis is attending Linfield college after three years and six months in the army, 19 months overseas. He came home with a Presidential Unit citation with Oak Leaf Cluster, Mediterranean theatre ribbon with nine battle stars and Good Conduct ribbon.

Armstrong Brothers Get Discharges

S/Sgt. Robert Armstrong, veteran of four years in the army and 30 months in Alaska and the Aleutians, and his brother, Cpl. James Armstrong, who spent three years in the army and 27 months in the African, Italian and middle-east theatres, have received their discharges and have returned to Salem.

They are the sons of Mr. and Mrs. Carl B. Armstrong of route 4, box 85C, Salem. Another son, Donald, is stationed at Jefferson barracks, Mo. Robert Armstrong now is in government work, with headquarters here, and James Armstrong is associated with his father in the sheet metal business.

Milton Crimmins, 35, motor machinist's mate, first class, of route 2, McMinnville, now at the amphibious base, Little Creek, Va., is being discharged from the navy after 39 months of duty.



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LT. COMDR SPRAGUE IN U. S.
Lt. Comdr. Wallace A. Sprague, USNR, who has been attached to navy headquarters in London for 18 months, arrived in New York Saturday, having crossed the Atlantic on the aircraft carrier Lake Champlain. He will report to Washington for further duty.

Donald Eshelman Home From Jap Prison Camp

Sgt. Donald Eshelman, U.S. marine corps, is spending a few days with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. S. B. Eshelman, 494 South Winter st., following his return after three years in a Japanese prison camp.

He arrived in San Francisco on the U.S. Catron and after the brief time at home will be at the Corvallis naval hospital. He was taken prisoner following the fall of the Philippines where he was with the Fourth Marines. He enlisted in the corps in 1939 and went to the islands from China just before the outbreak of war.

Another son of the Salem couple is Samuel Eshelman, who has just been discharged from the U.S. navy and is now driving west from the east coast.

Lynch Due to Go To Bremerton For Separation

Now completing his last cruise in the Pacific aboard the USS Bingham, Archie K. Lynch, Brooks, Ore., will soon be transferred to the personnel separation center, Bremerton, Wash. Lynch, who is a coxswain, has the required number of points for discharge.

As a member of the crew of the Bingham for the last seven months, Lynch has been on transport duty and took part in the last days of the campaign to secure Okinawa for the allies. For this action he received a bronze star for his Pacific-Asiatic campaign ribbon. The 15,000 ton transport, commissioned in late December of 1944, has carried American navy, army and marine personnel to forward areas.

As a member of the crew of the USS Portland, a heavy cruiser, Lynch was in the Guadalcanal invasion and others fighting in the Marshalls and Gilberts. His ship took an enemy torpedo

Story of Ledo Road Journey Told in Letter

Running out of gasoline on the Ledo road at night in a trainstorm in the heart of the jungle was the experience which Sgt. Norman McDonald wrote to his parents about recently. The letter, written to Mr. and Mrs. V. C. McDonald of Independence, tells of other experiences which their son has had in Burma and China. He has been in the service for two years as a medical technician. He attended Livingston school in Salem and Laurelwood academy before entering the army.

Young McDonald was in a caravan of two and one-half ton trucks which started from Ledo, Assam, at the beginning of the Stillwell road during the monsoon season. His letter describes the road as muddy and steep, in the heart of high mountains which



Sgt. Norman McDonald

necessitated traveling in low gear. At times, the letter says, he looked down through the clouds to the last of the convoy, in the place his own truck had passed hours before.

He ran out of gasoline and waited hours for a gasoline truck. Later on the trip, McDonald's truck developed battery trouble and he had to travel on the dangerous road without lights. Armed guards came along to protect him against guerrillas.

A carton of cigarettes, McDonald stated, is worth seven dollars and an abarine tablet sells for one dollar in the black market.

Former Marion 4-H Club Agent Home on Fillmore

ABOARD THE ATTACK TRANSPORT USS FILLMORE IN THE PACIFIC—(Delayed)—Amos Wilbur Bierly, Rdm 3/c, USNR, 280 Vista ave., Salem, Ore., was home for Navy day, yesterday, with the crew of this ship, which has lately been engaged in transporting personnel from the Pacific to the state for discharge from the naval service.

He came in on the Fillmore to San Francisco with 45 officers and 1006 enlisted personnel as passengers, all slated for release from the service.

During the seven months she has been in action she has covered 26,000 miles, taking part in the campaigns for the New Hebrides, the Philippines, New Guinea, the Carolines and Marshalls. At northern Honshu she helped put troops ashore for the occupation.

ON THE USS HALLORAN—Ens. James Orville Sparrow, USNR, 17 Sunset ave., Salem,

Ore., serving on this destroyer escort, helped open a strategic harbor in the Philippines to allied shipping and seaplanes shortly before the end of the war. The vessel picked her way through the thick minefield as her crew, veterans of campaigns in the Palau, the Philippines, Iwo Jima and Okinawa, destroyed 48 mines by rifle and machine gun fire.

S. H. Weitman Home
AUMSVILLE—Stanley Hugh Weitman, who has just received an honorable discharge, is now at the home of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Joe Weitman. He was serving on the 23-year-old light cruiser USS Detroit as it stood by the USS Missouri while the peace terms were signed in Tokyo bay.

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