

SILVER STAR IS AWARDED ROGUE RIVER SOLDIER

Somewhere in the Southwest Pacific: Because he crawled along a beach under shallow water open to enemy fire in order to locate and kill an enemy sniper holding up the advance of his troops, the commanding general of the First Cavalry division awarded the Silver Star to Private Gervin O. Preslar, son of Mrs. Josephine Preslar, Rogue River, Oregon. Private Preslar was decorated for his outstanding heroism and gallantry in action above and beyond the call of duty during the campaign which gained control of the strategic Admiralty Islands.

The incident for which Private Preslar was decorated was described as follows in the citation awarding him the Silver Star:

"His troops were suffering numerous casualties inflicted by an enemy sniper who could not be located in the dense jungle. Private Preslar, disregarding the great risk to his own life,

crawled along a beach under shallow water and subject to observation by the enemy, until he reached a point where he could observe the enemy sniper, whereupon he killed him. Private Preslar's gallant action reduced casualties in his troop and facilitated the defeat of the enemy."

Medford WAC To Take Training At Fort Des Moines

Mrs. Ardis Dae Orr, daughter of Mrs. Nora Hansen, Post Office Box 321, requested a job in which she could be of the most service to her country when she enlisted recently in the Women's Army Corps in Portland, Oregon.

Two of the members of her family are now in the armed forces; her husband, Seaman, 1st Class, Ira V. Orr, stationed in Chicago, and her brother, Sgt. Norman R. Hansen, in the Air Forces stationed in Italy.

At the completion of her basic training course at Fort Des Moines, Iowa, Mrs. Orr will be sent to Great Falls, Montana, for duty with the Air Transport Command.

Mrs. Orr contacted the local recruiting office in the Post Office Building for information about the WAC enlistment.

Brownsboro

Brownsboro, Nov. 9.—Mr. and Mrs. Dick Richards of San Francisco spent their vacation here recently with Mrs. Richards' parents, Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Messal, en route to their new home in Vancouver, Wash.

Cpl. Charles Stanley who recently visited his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Tom Stanley, is now at Fort Benning, Ga., for garrison training.

Mr. and Mrs. John Walch of

Hyde Park Neighbors Celebrate



President Roosevelt appeared on the porch to greet a torch-bearing crowd of his Hyde Park neighbors on election night. Smiling and waving, the successful candidate is shown above surrounded by a large group of friends and high government officials. At left he is shown with his daughter, Mrs. John Boettiger, and Mrs. Roosevelt.

Lake Creek gave a chicken dinner Thursday evening in honor of Ensign W. H. Wright and Miss Lois Wright of Portland, who were visiting with their parents, Mr. and Mrs. H. W. Wright.

A hard time Halloween party was enjoyed by most of the Brownsboro young people Monday night, October 30, at the home of Mr. and Mrs. A. R. Rutledge. A prize was given to the tackiest person attending which went to Jimmy Trammell. Various games were played followed by refreshments enjoyed. Attending were: Lucille Lenhair, Delora Beany, Betty Caldwell, Ethel Caldwell, Dorothy Wright, Kenneth Walch, John Wilson, Jack Steel, Roney Renfro, Dell Wilson, Bob Buch, Jimmy Trammell, Benjamin Martinez, Adolf Vallejo, George Ortiz, Henry Campos, Evelyn Rutledge, Ruth Rutledge and Phyllis Cahall of Eagle Point.

Miss Eileen Buck of Medford spent the week-end here with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. F. Buck.

Mr. and Mrs. Cook and three children of San Diego, Calif., have purchased the Ed Fernland ranch, and expect to make their home here.

Mr. and Mrs. Kermit DeHaas of Brownsboro were evening guests at the A. R. Rutledge home November 3.

Mr. Beany who recently purchased the Reed Charley ranch just returned from a business trip to Elko, Nev.

Floyd Charley left November 6 for Long Beach, Calif., where he will visit his son, Eldred Charley, who has just arrived from Puerto Rico.

Mr. and Mrs. Gerald Hansen were dinner guests at the Walch home in Lake Creek November 5.

Mr. and Mrs. John Keenney of Stockton, Calif., are visiting at the Pillon home. Mrs. Keenney is Mrs. Pillon's sister.

Miss Lois Wright and Mrs. H. W. Wright were hostesses at a tea Thursday. Present were Mrs. Clark and daughter, Mrs. Mary Connor and children, Jo and Walter, Mrs. Dorothy McCormick and daughter, Barbara, all of Medford. Mrs. Almeda Horsely of Antelope and Mrs. Marie Walch and daughters, Betty Lou and Shirley.

A Halloween pie social was held in the Brownsboro school house October 31. Students of



the Brownsboro school presented a program also other members of the community. Following the program the pies were auctioned off.

Mr. and Mrs. C. H. Hanscom have received word that one of their sons, Pvt. Thomas C. Riggsby recently graduated from the infantry and Browning automatic rifle school at Camp Pendleton, Oceanside, Calif. Other sons also serving in the armed forces are: Roy L. Hanscom who is in an army hospital at Fort Lawton, Wash., John Riggsby of the navy, serving in the south Pa-

cific, and Clyde Riggsby, also of the navy.

We now have a new addition to the community, a son born November 5 to Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Glass.

Los Angeles, Nov. 9.—(U.P.)—The late Harry Chandler, former publisher of the Los Angeles Times, expressed the desire that his publishing interests be kept in the family and left his entire estate in trust for his widow and children, according to his will filed for probate today.

MEDFORD AIRMEN AT SANTA MONICA

Santa Monica, Calif., Nov. 9.—There are 13 young men from Oregon and Washington in the Santa Monica Army Air Forces Redistribution station now, all veterans of overseas service, all well decorated with medals and service stripes.

On the list are the names of two men from Medford. First Lt. Robert Wilcox, son of Mr. and Mrs. L. A. Wilcox, Rt. 2, chucked bombs on Italy as B-26 bombardier. His 50 missions include one ditching. He wears the Air Medal with four clusters.

Staff Sgt. Donald Lawrence, son of Mr. and Mrs. Donald Lawrence, 1017 W. Main street in Medford, married Audrey Janice Lawrence in England. Gunner on both B-17's and B-25's, Sgt. Lawrence had 16 missions in the Aleutians and 31 in England. He has received the Distinguished Flying Cross and the Air Medal with three Oak Leaf clusters.

PRAYERS FOR PEACE AT CATHOLIC CHURCH

Sacred Heart Catholic church of Medford will hold special "Community Prayer for Peace" services on Armistice day as petitions to God for an early vic-

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tory and a just peace, it was announced by the church pastor today.

The exercises will consist of a Holy Hour on Friday at 8 p. m. and special masses Saturday at 6:30 a. m. and 8 a. m.

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