

TALENT SOLDIER PRESENTED FOUR OVERSEAS BARS

With the Air Service in North Africa — Presentation of four gold overseas service bars to Corporal Claude E. Atkins, P.O. Box 22, Talent, Oregon, in recognition of two years overseas service was announced today by his North African-based Air Service Command Squadron. Cpl. Atkins, a native of Ster-

ling, Colorado, enlisted Dec. 13, 1941 at Medford, Oregon and before coming overseas Jan. 14, 1943, was stationed at Jefferson Barracks, Mo., Fort Lewis, Wash., Middletown Air Depot, Middletown, Pa., Columbus, O., Baer Field, Ind., Camp Kilmer and Fort Dix., N. J. At the present time he is a heavy automotive equipment operator for his Air Service Squadron.

The 22-year-old soldier is the son of Mr. and Mrs. George W. Atkins, Talent, and attended Medford High school where he participated in basketball, track and softball. Before entering the army he was employed as a fruit packer by the S.O.S. Packing Co., Medford, Ore.

A brother, Dale J. Atkins, is

Yanks Free Thousands in Prison Camp



Within little more than five hours after First Cavalry Division Elements thrust their initial spearhead into Manila, the Yanks were in complete control of the Santo Tomas concentration camp, rescuing thousands of internees. Their mechanized equipment fills the courtyard of the former university.

...serving in the Hawaiian Islands with a military police battalion. Cpl. Atkins, in addition to having the European African Middle East Theater and Good Conduct Ribbons is also authorized to wear the Army Truck Drivers Medal, awarded to him for daily proficiency displayed while hauling heavy truckloads of supplies over treacherous African roads.

Rogue River

Rogue River, Feb. 13 — Mr. and Mrs. William Eininger of San Francisco are visiting Mrs. Eininger's brother, Reed Carter, and family. This is their first trip here in over ten years.

Mr. and Mrs. Davis of Eugene were recent visitors in Rogue River. They have purchased the Tilden property on Cedar street.

Mr. and Mrs. Glen Nourse have their two little grandchildren of Portland visiting them for awhile.

Mrs. Tom Wilson slipped and fell while returning from the store and broke her right hip. The ambulance was called and she was taken to the hospital in Grants Pass. Mr. Wilson is staying with his brother and family

in Grants Pass to be close to the hospital.

Mr. and Mrs. George Wittick and Miss Barbara Scott of Coos Bay were Rogue River visitors over the week end. The Witticks visited Mrs. Wittick's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Fred Dengler, while Miss Barbara visited at the home of her grandmother, Mrs. James Whipple and husband.

Mr. and Mrs. M. F. Day of Shasta City were recent visitors at the home of Mrs. Day's uncle and wife, Mr. and Mrs. A. T. McIlvain.

Mrs. Mae Shults returned last week from Jacksonville where she spent some time visiting her daughter, Mrs. R. C. Cummings and family.

Mrs. Myrtle Whipple was a dinner guest Wednesday at the St. Johns' home on highway north. Mrs. M. Patterson of Grants Pass was also a guest.

Mrs. Lulu Trotter has received word of the serious illness of her brother at Kansas City and expects to leave soon to visit him.

Mr. and Mrs. Hilger are enjoying a visit from their son who is on a furlough after three years overseas.

Mr. and Mrs. Sullivan returned last Saturday from a business and pleasure trip to Salem. One pleasure was seeing for the first time a little granddaughter who arrived at their son's home in January. Mr. Sullivan is owner of the Sullivan lime plant here.

Mrs. Edna O'Kelly is at the Josephine hospital where she is taking medical treatment. Mrs. Elizabeth Fowler spent a few days last week in the hospital. She was threatened with pneumonia.

think I imagined the letter, I've kept it on file; perhaps in the hopes that this man will prove to be the last of his kind.

Less Meat Ahead Civilians Warned

Washington, Feb. 13 (AP)—War food administration officials warned civilians today that more meatless days are ahead.

The meat scarcity, they said, will grow progressively worse in the next few months and by August civilians probably will experience the shortest supplies in ten years. More stringent ration of meat appears inevitable.

Major reasons for the meat scarcity are a sharply slackened production and large government purchases for war purposes.

More than a score of Oklahoma towns were named for officials of the railroads which run through them.

National Forest Timber For Sale

Sealed bids will be received by the Forest Supervisor, Medford, Oregon, up to and not later than 2:00 P. M., February 23, 1945, for all the live timber marked or designated for cutting and all merchantable dead timber located on an area embracing about 160 acres within Sec. 22, T. 38 S., R. 3 E., W. M., Rogue River National Forest, Oregon, estimated to be 500,000 feet B. M., more or less, of live and dead white fir, 500,000 feet B. M., more or less, of live and dead Douglas-fir, and an unestimated amount of other species of saw timber to be cut at the option of the purchaser. No bid of less than \$1.75 per M feet for white fir, \$3.75 per M feet for Douglas-fir, \$5.75 per M feet for ponderosa pine, \$8.75 per M feet for sugar pine, and \$1.50 per M feet for incense cedar will be considered. In determining the high bid, the rate for Douglas-fir and white fir only will be considered. Bids with rates in excess of those permissible under MPR 460 will be reduced to the allowable maximum in making the award. In addition to the price bid for the stumpage, a cooperative deposit of \$0.50 per M feet B. M. to be used by the Forest Service for paying the cost of slash disposal, and a cooperative deposit of \$0.25 per M feet B. M. to cover the cost of tree planting, seed sowing and timber stand improvement work on the area cut over, for the total cut of timber under the terms of the agreement, will be required. \$1,500.00 must accompany each bid, to be applied on the purchase price, refunded or retained in part as liquidated damages, according to conditions of sale. The right to reject any and all bids is reserved. Before bids are submitted, full information concerning the timber, and conditions of sale and submission of bids should be obtained from the Forest Supervisor, Medford, Oregon.

applications. I really feel this man makes unnecessary demands. For one thing, he could marry a fat woman and in no time at all, married to a man like him, I bet she'd be honed down to movie actress specifications. But I am not surprised that he wants one young and healthy. Even so, I imagine she would be, as he says all women are "through" at 40.

His letter was sincere, believe it or not, and repeatedly he asked that his name be kept confidential. Which it is. The conceit of the man was so utterly stupendous, it practically knocked the wind out of me. Since considering it, I've wondered if he is a lone specimen or if there may be others of his kind. Which is why I've considered the letter worthy of notice. I do not consider it worth a personal answer.

But I confess I would like to get the reaction of other women than myself to this expression of bloated ego. Personally, I've known more women who were biologically conceived than I have men. But maybe this man represents a larger group than I think for. So, girls, let me hear how you would answer such a letter. It will at least be entertaining to me to see what you think. And goodness knows I've a little entertainment coming after that epistle. Lest some

VICTORY THEME

The Pallas Athene of the Women's Army Corps and the Caduceus of the Army Medical Department are working side by side in the job of helping our wounded fighting men back to health. It's another typical example of the cooperation between the services which will eventually mean victory. But thousands more qualified women are needed, and needed urgently, in the Women's Army Corps to serve as medical and surgical technicians. Will you help, too?

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Olive Barber's Observations

I realize I reached my neck out the day I wrote the column expressing the wish that the men and women who wished to marry, but hadn't managed to do so, could be brought together. So I deserved the letter I got from a man asking my help in his search for a mate.

Judging by both his handwriting and antiquated ideas, he must be a man of 50 or more. Yet his specifications for a wife are: She must be 25 or thereabouts, healthy, energetic, smart, slim, and with no interest in movies. He doesn't insist she have any money, but if she does have this will not disqualify her.

Regarding her age, and his, he says that women are no good after 40, but a man is just beginning to live at that age and many a man can "kick up a dust" at twice that age. He said that just in case no single girls applied, he might consider a young widow.

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