There will be general rejoicing oicing in Salem, over news that the Portland high schools will rejoin the state high school athletic association, making possible re-newal of competition between the high schools in Portland and those upstate. Salem's special interest lies in the basketball tournament, which for many years past has lacked the spark of Portland com-

It was just one of those disputes in which each side felt it was right, and refused to budge. The result was a division between Portland and the rest of Oregon that was disappointing both ways. While the Portland high schools are larger than those upstate, still there was real competition when teams from the city and the country met. The fact is, there are some good-sized high schools upstate, like, Salem, Eugene, Klamath Falls, Medford, schools which have for years turned out fine athletic outfits. The last time Portland participated in the basketball tournament little Bellfountain with its team of finished players beat Lincoln high for the title. That was in 1937.

There is no question but what there will be greater interest and larger attendance with Portland represented in the basketball tournament. The short distance between Portland and Salem enables hundreds of Portland basketball fans to get up for the games, particularly if Portland has a top-notch team. And with Portland schools holding out, any championship title would have a one-third nick in it.

The reunion will be a good thing for Portland too, helping to acquaint the metropolitan schools with the "hinterland." The city kids get something besides a knowledge of geography when they go up against their country cousins. And the Portland school that can top its city championship title with a state title will know that it must be good.

This year is a good time for interscholastic competition to be resumed, because with college football perforated with enlistments and inductions the high schools can capture most of the land. One large freighter-transpublic attention. The time would port was set afire, a tanker was this fall for the state football

Just what the terms of the treaty took a world war to reconcile the two scholastic groups. It is to be hoped that peace—and the return of a few Portland coaches doesn't

R. Harrington Dies in Action

The death of Staff Sgt. Robert T. Harrington, 19, Salem youth in the air corps in North Africa, became known here Monday when his mother, Mrs. Martha A. Harrington, 594 North Liberty street, received a telegram from the secretary of war stating Harrington had been killed in action July 16. It was presumed the youth died to his mother and sister dated

Harrington was born Septem-Mrs. Harrington and the late C. T. Harrington. The family moved to Salem in 1925 and he attended er his original term expired, school here. He was a member of Claude E. Murphy will be reapthe national guard until 1939 and pointed state real estate comm the army air corps in 1942. The the governor said Monday. boy received his training at Shep- The term to which Murphy was

sires his mother is a sister, Doris. to remain in the office.

Advance Made Upon Munda Salamaua Is Hit

NINETY THIRD YEAR

Significant

By Yank Artillery **And Aerial Bombs**

THE SOUTHWEST PACIFIC, Tuesday, Aug. 3.-(AP)-American ground forces drove forward 500 to 1200 yards along the Munda, New Georgia, front yesterday as allied artillery for the first time brought the Japanese base at Salamaua, New Guinea, under fire. Reports from the south Pacific

command of Admiral William F. Halsey, jr., gave no details about the manner and direction of the first gains against the Munda airbase recorded in several days, except that "considerable quantities of material" had been cap-

Communique from allied headquarters said a general advance of from 500 to 1200 yards had been made "along the whole line." The last previous position report said the Americans were within 1900 yards of the airport. The new gains thus would have brought them to within not less than 1400 yards at one point and perhaps as close as 700 yards.

The artillery fire on Salamaua was directed at the enemy airdrome there. Planes caught on the ground were destroyed and a 60foot section of the Francisco river bridge was knocked out.

Matching the intensified ground attacks on Munda, American army and navy planes delivered punishing blows at the enemy's base on nearby Bougainville is-

"At Kahili," the commun said, "More than 500 bombs were dropped on a large concentration of enemy aircraft on the airdrome, ing large fires."

The artillery bomba the Salamana airdrome was accompanied by a heavy bomber assault on the town itself. Flying Fortresses dropped 84 tons of bombs on defenses and installations in the area, starting numerous fires and causing heavy damage. The bombers also hit Lae, about 10 miles up

tacked and set afire by a night New Britain, while on the island fighters attacked the Gamata airdrome. Then the warplanes swept (Turn to Page 2-Story E)

during the Sicilian raids. Letters Murphy to Retain by other considerations. July 11 had just been received. Real Estate Post ber 21, 1923, in Tillamook, son of Is Latest Report

was employed at the Don Cannon sloner today or Wednesday by service station when he entered Gov. Earl Snell, a close friend of

ard Field, Texas, Las Vegas, Nev., appointed by Gov. Charles A. and Gowen Field, Boise, Idaho, Sprague expired June 4. Many the Royal House of Savoy now where he took engineering. He real estate brokers throughou was stationed at Casper, Wyo., Oregon have urged his reappoint-Salina, Kan., and in Florida be- ment but it was reported, shortly Harrington had been home on Murphy was considering other furlough last April. Surviving be- opportunities and was not anxious

Pre Pearl Harbor Fathers Due for Draft After Oct. 1

WASHINGTON, Aug. 2.-(R)- ber 1 if they are maintaining a Local draft boards were author- bona fide home relationship with ized by selective service today to children born before last Septemafter October 1, but only to the activities classed as non-defer

that only some 300,000 fathers living with and supporting children born before last September 15 and not engaged in non-deferrable

will be put into uniform in 1943. as "essential" in agriculture or the 744,000 fathers regularly dustry or unless their induction and the statement of the stat

call up pre-Pearl Harbor fathers ber 15, and are not workers in the

ground for deferment and to make reclassifications out of the fath work would actually be inducted ers' group, 3-A, "only as needed to meet the demands upon a local board for men for military service."

Victory Is Near in Sicily; Salem Fires Bring Losses Italy Bombing Renewed Of \$75,000

The Oregon Statesman

Sciem, Oregon, Tuesday Morning, August 3, 1943

ples Attack By C. YATES MCDANIEI S Unctuates **New Warnings**

> Delay by Badoglio Assailed: Yanks Take San Stefano Associated Press War Editor

By RICHARD McMURRAY Allied armies advanced in general offensive against the final axis defenses in Sicily Monday night while their air and sea power struck softening blows at emporizing Italy which was solemnly promised imminent invasion with all the scourges of cruel

San Stefano fell to the Americans, shattering the Germans' right flank anchored on the Tyrrhenian sea. The British Eighth army repulsed counterattacks and gained important positions before Catania. The Americans captured 10,000 more prisoners, mostly Germans at Mistretta. The total rose above 90,000. A dozen towns fell. The Canadians pushed forward in the high center against suicidal nazi foes.

Naples rocked anew to the thud of Flying Fortress bombs. Allied men of war bombarded Crotone, Valentia Marina and a railway bridge across the Oliva river. All are on the Italian mainland. American naval units added their shells to the artillery curtain laid before Patton's

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Hull Suggests To Military

WASHINGTON, Aug. 2-(AP) Secretary of State Hull, asked about reports of apprehension in England over American policy toward Italy and the Badoglio government, suggested today that it would be better to give attention instead to the actual fighting The main purport of what he has been hearing from United Na-

tions quarters, he told his press conference, is that the military should be given a chance to fight the war without being hamstrung Hull previously has indicated

that he relied on the judgment of General Dwight D. Eisenhower in the Italian situation and President Roosevelt said Friday that when as he is not a member of the fascist party. Asked whether he so regarded Premier Badoglio, the president said he was not going

to discuss personalities. Badoglio, who fought Benito Mussolini's Ethiopian war, constitute the Italian government

What prompted the press conported desire among Englishmen ing class must not emerge of the type which Lord Vansittart, former chief diplomatic adviser to the British foreign office, described in a weekend broadcast thusly: "Sort of a backstop, half-repentant, semi-benevolent totali-

Such criticism of American policy toward the French, generally has drawn statements from Hull —that military matters and the saving of soldiers' lives should get first consideration.

US Plane Sets Dive Record

Allied Bombers Revisit Devastated Naples

Order Restored After Harlem Riots; 5 Dead, 543 Hurt



General Eisenhower's promise of resumed bombing of Italian cities, allied bombers Monday pounded Naples anew. Photo shows how the city looked to returning airmen after the last raid by 500 RAF and US bombers. Shown are: (1) Royal arsenal, all buildings damaged. (2) Torpedo The service station was in opera-works, all buildings damaged. (3) Railroad tracks twisted and torn, roadbed filled with craters. (4) Freight and passenger trains burning and destroyed. (5) Engine round houses, repair sheds, heavily damaged; countless hits on tracks and coal dumps. (6) Oil tanks destroyed, some still burning. (7) Factory destroyed. (8) Tracks severed and large building destroyed at north exit of yards. and aircraft factory. (AP photo from army. AP Telemat)

Berlin Radio Reports Policy Be Left Reds Fighting in Orel

LONDON, Tuesday, August 3-(AP)-The Berlin radio was heard announcing today that the big Russian offensive against the eastern front bastion of Orel had carried the Red army into the city itself, and although indications were that the broadcast might be in error, it appeared that the nazis were preparing to give up Orel to the Soviet forces closing in from seven directions,

The German radio as heard by several London morning newspapers and the Reuters news agen-

y said: "The center of fighting oregonian in New attacked with great violence, especially in the southwestern part Navy Casualties

Although this same quotation was heard by several listeners there was no other confirmation and it seemed that the announcer may have made a slip of the tongue or read a faulty English that fighting was especially heavy southwest of Orel. Nevertheless, while the Rus-

sians were announcing in another populated places had been taken from the Germans in advances of (Turn to Prge 2-Story G)

WASHINGTON, Aug. 2 -(AP) The navy announced today 92 casualties, including 3 dead, wounded and 77 missing.

This brings to 27,649 the total translation while intending to say guard casualties reported to next of kin since December 7, 1941 The total includes 8769 dead, 10 Killed in 4166 prisoners of war. The casualties announced today

Neill Sheldon Walker, miss from four to six miles on the Orel Mother, Mrs. Armilda C. Parker,

terence question today was a refor assurance that an Italian rul- Fall From Horse in Seattle

SEATTLE, August 2-(P)- Luther M. Ramage, 57, of Salem, Ore., died Monday night in King county hospital of injuries re-ceived Sunday as he participated in the great western horse show. escaped with minor injuries. Both were members of the Sa-

Mr. Ramage, who served Mar-ion county in the house of repre-sentatives during the recent state

special farm labor committee of the Salem chamber of commerce at the time of his death.

For the past 20 years, since bringing his family here from Montana, he had operated a bev-erage bottling establishment in Sa-



Dow Lovell **Wounded Says** Japs Worsted

SOMEWHERE IN NEW GUIN-EA. August 1 - (Delayed) (AP)Capt. ospital here, relates how "We acwe lost," when his outfit encountered a Jap trap near Boisi vilage on the Salamaua battlefront.

Lovell wears an elaborate cast because his upper arm was fractured by a bullet. Two miles south of Tambu bay, his outfit took an observation post and then moved forward with other units to secure The Americans stopped short of

the trap, silencing their mortar fire within two minutes, Lovell de-

Glider Crash

ST. LOUIS, Aug. 2.-(P)-The crash of an army glider, which lost its right wing and plummeted its 10 passengers to death Sunda afternoon, was under investiga-tion today by at least five groups

Mayor William Dee Becker, sev officers and Maj. William B. Robertson, whose manufacturing com-pany built the glider, were among those killed. The official army investigation

of the crash, reported to be the first since the army undertook glider operations two years ago is in the hands of a seven-man board of officers from Scott Field, Ill. The FBI aided them. The board met today to com-

plete its report, to be submitted to the war department in Wash-ington, which will announce later

group includes three officers and Francis Aicre, vice president of Waco Aircraft corporation, who designed the glider.

coccupational reasons.

Preparatory classifications may begin at once, but local brands were forbidden to order fathers to report for induction before Octo-

Salem Supply Firm Building, Doolittle Service Station Burn

Two fires which broke out with-in a 26-hour period darkened two sections of Salem Sunday and Monday and caused still untallied volunteers patrolling the debrisages variously estimated at strewn streets. from \$75,000 to \$100,000.

light bulb and a truck's gasoline tank was said to have caused the Monday night blaze which almost leveled the sheet iron building of the Salem Supply company on East

The only activity other than Hoyt street south of the city limits near 22nd street.

Origin of the fire which apparently had its start in the stockice station at Center and North Commercial streets was undetermined. There, would-be helpful onlookers added to the damage of fire and water by breaking plate glass windows and tearing out fixtures of the smoke-filled Tour-

Loss in the late Sunday afternoon blaze was estimated at \$35,-000, much of it in tires, and all covered by insurance with the exception of equipment of the cafe, which is operated by Mrs. Odessa Carter. A one-story building owned by the T. B. Jones estate was badly damaged, as were the Doolittle tire shop and the restaurant kitchen.

A loaded gasoline truck stood near the alley entrance to the shop when the fire was discovered, residents of the neighborhood said. tion Monday, and Frank Doolittle, proprietor, who estimated his place's damage at more than \$20,- tional Association for the Ad-000 said tire recapping would re-

from South Salem battled the flames at the supply company plant for more than five hours

Oil, tar and equipment went up in the hot black smoke and leaping flame, they said. The fact that there was plenty of water on the premises aided them in finally quenching the flame but could not help save the plant, firemen de-

The supply company fire had its start between 6:30 and 7 o'clock when Charles Chittick, truck driver, tossed a lighted bulb sition where it would help him

When the globe broke or the and nearly passed from half cord cracked the feed line took wakefulness into complete unflame, the gas tank exploded, burning Chittick severely, and the nearby plant stocks took fire, they Chittick, resident of 2342 Adams

street, received first, second and third degree burns on both arms and his right side. First aid men took him to Salem Desconess hos-

Fires at the Spaulding log dump on the Salem riverfront and at 2360 State street, where trask was burning, also called out firemen

Chicago Banker Dies CHICAGO, Aug. 2-(AP)-A. J.

Mulroney, 45, vice president of the Federal Reserve Bank of Chicago, and former second deputy the morning paper in which she comptroller of the currency, died would see it all in black and

Damage Runs Into Millions

'Not a Race Riot,' Says La Guardia: False Rumor Blamed

NEW YORK, August 2 -(A) Order appeared restored in Harler Monday night after an earlier outbreak of rioting that resulted in the deaths of five negroes, injuries to 543 persons, 500 arrests and property damage estimated at \$5,000,00

At an hour when ordinarily th taverns are busy, the theaters full and the streets crowded, the resi-

dents of the nation's largest negro

that of the patrolling police was the repair work being done under floodlights on store fronts damaged during looting last night and

As the situation became more relaxed, police disclosed that one death victim, previously listed as unidentified, had been found listed among the identified dead, thus reducing the previously announced toll from six to five.

A force of 6,000 police was duty in the area to keep the peace. Meanwhile, at 6 p. m., Major General William Ottmann, head of the state guard, ordered the 8000 members of the organization in New York City's five countie and the suburban counties of Suffolk, Nassau and Westchester to report immediately to their armories for drill.

Governor Thomas E. Dewey, in the city on state business, said no formal request for mobilization had been made but it was reported that various officials agreed it would be wise to have the men on duty.

The mayor was joined by Walter White, secretary of the Nathe Rev. A. Clayton Powell, par-tor of the Abyssinian Bentlet church and a member of the cit council, in asserting that the b

break was "not a race riot.
Said Mr. Powell:
"It is a blind, smouldering as unorganized resentment again Jim Crow treatment of negro me in the armed forces and the usua high rents and cost of living (Turn to Page 2-Story B)

\$1000 Radio Award Is Won

is the Pot of Gold program and Mrs. Sharpnack, you've just won

tian church; Bud, 19; Betty, 17, and Wilma, 15, had planned to the last detail just how the would remodel their home at 28 Evergreen avenue and just how

Mrs. Sharpnack has listened to the Pot of Gold several times bu

Phillips Elected to Water Board; Moore Resigns Council

cil session, which also tossed the bicycle licensing problem back into the hopper, argued the establishment of a junkyard on the river front and accepted the resignation of Alderman Lloyd Moore, sixth ward.

addition, a source of fair revente.

Doughton settled a tie vote in the junkyard argument, taking the side of the group that wanted any decision postponed until at least the next meeting of the council. Philip Steinbeck, applicant for permission to erect a high

Moore, employed by a firm wooden fence on waterfront property back of the Salem boathout to enclose metal scrap piles and any port in this area but that he and his family hoped to make Salem their home at the close of the war. Councilmen applauded he had purchased this land.

Not only would the board fer be a violation of the city's but ing code, but existence of