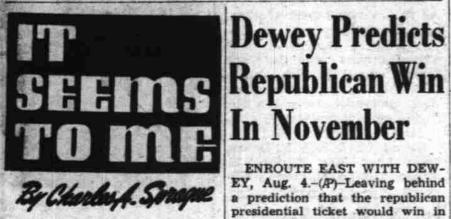
## **Drive Through Wreckage**

Wrecked German vehicles clutter a street in Avranches, France, through which American troops picked their way in their advance in the invasion fighting. (AP Wirephoto from signal corps)



A great deal of the discussion with reference to postwar planning has dealt with war plants and with commodity surpluses which the government will own ing" meeting of the nation's GOP when the war ends. But there are governors.

vital human problems which cannot be ignored. You can lock up a powder factory or Willow Run, and let it stand for months without great sacrifice.

But you can't put the thousands and put them in cold storage for can governors, the GOP nominee miles northwest of outflanked Of Nazi Army members of the armed forces. So present.



NINETY-FOURTH YEAR

Advance 27 Miles Reds Draw Near Krakow on Pard is in "full retreat" from Geervin bay and the upper Vogelkop pe-ninsula-totalling nearly a third of all New Guinea-Gen. Douglas MacArthur announced today. To Germar 25 id

LONDON, Saturd 5-(P) Russian troops in ctacular Russian troops i 27-mile break-th 0.6 chind the enemy's shatter 0 cula river defenses yeste. 9 sept south-Guinea. ward to within . niles of Krakow, Poland's fifth city and last big German stronghold barring the

invasion road into Germany itself. rolling across open plain country in great strength now were only 77 miles from German Silesia, flow-Republican Win ing westward and southwestward from a Vistula river bridgehead which has been expanded quickly to a width of 40 miles in two days. Inside besieged Warsaw, nearly

In November 150 miles to the north, Polish patriots were reported to have seized ENROUTE EAST WITH DEWthe heart of the city in a battle EY, Aug. 4 .- (AP)-Leaving behind against German tank units, while a prediction that the republican Marshal Konstantin K. Rokossovpresidential ticket would win in sky's first White Russian army November, "regardless of the war was locked in a fierce struggle just news," Gov. Thomas E. Dewey east of the Polish capital. headed home tonight for a week-

Moscow's bulletin did not menend rest after a "precedent-maktion the Warsaw zone, but Berlin said the Russians had thrown three other bridgeheads across the

The presidential candidate's Vistufa, one of them only 30 miles campaign train left St. Louis at southeast of the capital. 6:03 p. m. (CWT). He will go to The swift surge of the Russians Albany and then to his Pawling, toward Krakow threatened to cut off the retreat of huge German

Winding up a series of politi- forces caught in the area east of of workers who were engaged in cal conferences after a two-day the Vistula, between that river and producing powder and airplanes meeting with the other republi- the San. Nowy Korczyn is 22 a few years. They must eat the told a news conference a complete Tarnow, rail station on the Rzesday after the plants close, and they unity of thinking had been zow-Krakow trunk railway, and must continue to eat. The demo- achieved as between 26 points of another Soviet column pushing bilization of war workers will oc- views represented by the heads of westward captured Sedziszlow, 31 cur simultaneously with that of the state governments who were miles east of Tarnow, in this pin-

cers movement. The governors issued a policy

Strikers Japan Army Resist **Starts Retreat** GENERAL SOUTHWEST day, Aug. 5 - (P) - Battered and hammered, Japan's second army is in "full retreat" from Geelvink **US** Army

10 PAGES

**Only Handfull Workers** Report **To Move Cars** The Japanese were deserting strongholds along \$ 700 - mile sweep of coastline, and apparent-

PHILADELPHIA, Aug. 4 -(AP) ly were withdrawing to the south The army's attempt to restore serand west in the hope of evacuat- vice on Philadelphia transportaing survivors from western New tion lines faced collapse tonight as most night shift workers re-MacArthur said, "The practical fused to relieve the few operat-

ing an end."

cruisers.

cannot fail to be calamitous."

The Japanese were withdraw-

ing from Manokwari, former

strongpoint 50 miles west of Am-

erican-held Noemfoor island, and

Nabire, an aerial center some 200

miles southeast on the lower

reaches of Geelvink bay. Manok-

wari harbor can accommodate

**Hitler Orders** 

**Ruthless** Purge

LONDON, Aug. 4 - (AP) - Adolf

Hitler tonight ordered a "ruthless

purge" of the German army as an

aftermath of the Junker Generals'

cast by Berlin named a total of 23

officers as implicated in the revolt.

more than half of whom had not

effectiveness of the second Japa- ors who moved cars today. nese army, commanded by Gen. The last subway train guit ope-(Fusataro) Teshima, which is rating on the Broad street line at Tank-tipped Soviet spearheads charged with the defense of Dutch 6:30 p.m. (EWT) as strikers con-New Guinea, is rapidly approachtinued to shout defiance and resist the army's efforts to end the The prospective escape route

four-day tie-up. leads through forbidding terrain. Partial service continued on the "The natural difficulties of his Market street subway-elevated Market street subway-elevated line and a trolley moved occa-cionally over a single route. For Cleanup movement are great," a communique said, "and with the added hazards of our ground, naval and At the 5 p.m. rush hour only air activities, his losses at best

7.3 per cent of the normal num-- 31 six-car subway-elevated trains and one trolley.

Usually at that hour there are 77 trains, 1529 trolleys and 462 buses in operation. Reports that attempts were be ing made to stir up a sympathy strike on the suburban Red Arrow lines caused the board of commissioners in nearby Upper Darby to order the closing of liquor

stores and taprooms. J. F. Hammond, superintendent of the Red Arrow lines, which carry 90,000 passengers daily, said an investigation indicated the company's 300 operating employes lished complete control of all were planning no walkout. The Philadelphia strikers' gen-

eral committee voted late today to continue the stoppage. (See picture on page 2.)



CHUNGKING, Aug. 4-(AP)-He-

role Chinese defenders of battered

Salem, Oregon, Saturday Morning, August 5, 1944

The Oregon Statesman

## Nazi Rocket **Might Start** Planet War

LONDON, Aug. 4-(P)-A ru-mor that the Germans had man-aged to launch a new stratosphere rocket a fortnight age but hadn't yet heard from it, moved the Weekly Tribune today to speculate facetionaly it might have dropped on another planet and might result in an interplanetary war.

"If that world (hit by the runaway rocket) happens to be in-habited by people who have reached our own level of 'civilization'," said the Tribune, "they may regard it as an act of hostillity and be even now getting ready to send us a note about it. Are we therefore on the eve of war between worlds before we have got ourselves tidied up on earth?"

## Yanks Prepare

7.3 per cent of the normal num-ber of vehicles were in operation Drive on Guam US PACIFIC FLEET HEAD-

QUARTERS, Pearl Harbor, Aug. 4.-(AP)-Preparing for a cleanup drive against the Japanese on Guam, American troops won control of Mount Barrigada dominating the flat northern plateau of the island, Adm. Chester W. Nimitz announced today.

Last Japanese resistance was wiped out on the 674-foot peak near the center of the line. The eastern flank advanced to a point about a mile south of Point Sassayan. The western flank estabroad junctions in the vicinity of Finegayen.

Carrier task force planes poured them back into the northern pla- side of the St. Malo estuary. Each

as ground forces steadily pushed peninsula, one moving up on each

raced to within 38 miles of St. Nazaire today and other armored forces were within 75 miles of the great port of Brest while comrades guarding their flank swept eastward unopposed across the plains in a new drive toward Paris. Two columns were approaching the nazi U-boat base at St. Nazaire and also the Loire river port of Nantes. One of the columns was 38 miles from St. Nazaire in the vicinity of Derval, the other, 40 miles from the base, was west of Cha-Edward D. Ball, Associated Press correspondent, in a battle-field dispatch said the American advance southeastward had en-

**Yankee Forces** 

**Drive** Closer

To St. Nazaire

**Other US Armored Forces** 

Within 75 Miles of Brest;

**Nazis Admit Great Setbacks** 

SUPREME HEADQUARTERS ALLIED EXPEDI-

TIONARY FORCE, Saturday, Aug. 5.-(AP)-US tank

columns dashing across Brittany to sever the peninsula

LONDON, Saturday, Aug. 5. -(AP)-The Vichy radio, in a broadcast heard today by the ministry of information, said an American armored spearhead was only 17 miles from Nantes. Latest dispatches direct from the front, however, reported this spearhead still 38 miles away from the Loire river port.

teau-Briant.

gulfed Fougeres, 23 miles southeast of Avranches and 27 miles northeast of Rennes.

The other American forces were bombs, rockets and machine gun moving on St. Malo, port on the fire into the Japanese defenders northern coast of the Brittany

**Allied Troops Send Patrols Into Florence** 

No. 118

ROME, Aug. 4.-(AP)-Allied troops hammered through the last German defenses before the great Tuscan art center of Florence today and sent patrols stabbing into the heart of the historic city as far as the Arno river, beyond which the nazis had withdrawn after destroying five or six brid-

ges spanning the wide stream. The only bridge spared by the nazis was the historic Ponte Vecchio-"Old Bridge"-which they

the country laces the su den augmentation of manpower when statement on 14 points, took a ti- Ivan Cherniakhovsky's troops, government contracting is draw- nal swing at the new deal and rapidly deploying on a broad front, ing to an end. Right now although new government contracts are be-ing placed at the rate of two bil-newsident in the future to avoid on both sides of the highway leading placed at the rate of two bil-lion dollars worth a month, work is being completed on contracts at "costly misunderstanding." on both sides of the highway lead-ing to Konigsberg, East Prussian is being completed on contracts at

the rate of five billions. It is plain to see that before many months jobs will run out for lack of new Robot Barrage contracts.

...

The congress has enacted the GI bill of rights which is designed to meet all the immediate, legitito meet all the immediate, legiti-mate needs of discharged service Lowest Point men and women. What about war workers? Some five million persons have migrated to war industrial areas in recent years. Can they be employed in their new homes? Can they be employed if hours today, but a clear night sky they move elsewhere or "back enabled defenders to spot them home?'

(Continued on editorial page)

Robert McLeod of W rage. **Killed** in War

First Lt. Robert W. McLeod, son of Mr. and Mrs. William McLeod of Salem, was killed in action at been notified by the war depart- the projectiles. ment

Lt. McLeod joined the national guard at Bend in 1940, was commissioned in federal service with the 41st division in 1941. In Mt. Vernon, Wash., where he was stalowing Pearl Harbor, he met Carolyn Ann Higgins, and on Feb. 24. 1942, married her at Fort Ord, Calif., sailing for Hawaii the following March. He participated without injury in the Makin island

In addition to his widow and parents, he is survived by a sister, Bonnie, Portland.

**Dies in Action** 

Sputters to

NY, farm.

LONDON, Saturday, Aug. 5-(AP) -The Germans sent flying bombs over southern England in a brief spurt during the early morning before they got far inland.

Some damage and casualties were reported, although far short of Wednesday night's record bar-

The Germans' robot bomb attack in daylight yesterday sput-

tered to its lowest point since it broke nearly eight weeks ago. Allied bombers pounded the rocket Saipan island in the South Paci- lairs for the third straight day. fic, members of his family have and home defenses knocked off

> **Sheridan Officer Wins Coveted Silver Star**

WASHINGTON, Aug. 4 -(AP) tioned with an infantry unit fol- First Lt. William D. McIntyre of Sheridan, Ore., has been awarded the silver star for heroism, the war department announced today.

On the East Prussia front Gen. opening move ousted 12 officers Chinese Hold and marked them for early trial as "traitors" by the feared people's court, the death-dealing Nazi star chamber. Official announcements broad- In Hengyang

capital, and southwest of Mariam-**Byrnes Sets Rigid Ceilings** 

**On Employing** 

WASHINGTON, Aug. 4-(AP)-To gain the last ounces of production needed to finish an enemy whose "knees are buckling," War Mobilization Director James F. Byrnes today ordered rigid employment ceilings on civilian plants in 181

labor scarcity areas. His aim was two-fold: To free excess workers for war jobs, and to dry up civilian job openings for workers now tending to drift away from the war industry.

Local groups, the manpower priority committees which exist in all shortage areas, will fix the ceilings for individual plants.

war powers never before employed for manpower purposes - the

chocking-off of materials, equipment, fuel, power or transportation from an employer who exceeds his labor quota.

Service Ballots

such requests are anticipated.

Seriously Injured

Pfc. Donald Waller

**Off Japanese** 

were being hunted down on Saipan island, northward in the Marianas, where the enemy's organ-ized resistance ended a month ago.

A average of 50 Japanese soldiers are being "eliminated or trucks bearing the infantry. taken prisoner" each day in probing Saipan's caves and ravines. Germans, admitting set backs

fighting, aroused a fresh surge of hope in the Chinese capital to- Finns to Get the entire Canton-Hankow rail-way would be shattered on the Peace Chance

NEW YORK, Saturday, Aug. 5osed of his most trusted men at bing at the encircling Japanese (AP)-The London radio, without the top of the army to execute the ring around the key rail city, the giving any source for its informa-purge. Hitler, said the Berlin an- defenders beat off wave after tion, said today that "it has become known that the Russians decisions, and men purged from high command announced, and have proposed to Finland that before resumption of the offensive on the Karelian isthmus 12 days Japanese must take Hengyang would be given to consider peace to succeed in their campaign to negotiations."

The CBS short wave listening station recorded the broadcast. Dispatches from Stockholm said Mannerheim took office yesterday as Finland's new president, and that Premier Edwin Linkomies'

on the night of August 11-12, the PORTLAND, Ore., Aug. 4 -(P) stroyed today in a fire which war department announced today. At New Georgia on July 16, 943 he grawled under erawled erawled under erawled under erawled under erawled under erawled er 1943, he crawled under exposure noon today at the Neift place ad- will be accepted by county clerks presidenty of the senate at the to enemy machine gun fire to give first aid to a wounded soldier, the citation said.

column gained six miles yesterday blocked effectively by demolish-Scattered Japanese soldiers and was only seven miles from the port city.

which fell only yesterday, and

were within 75 miles of Brest, the

As one column headed south-

west from Rennes toward the

nazi U-boat base of St. Nazaire a

parallel force broke into Chateau-

Briant, 30 miles southeast of

Rennes, and drove on down the

last 35 miles toward the Loire

But the surprising developmen

of the day came when American

Canadian forces along the Orne

**Holman Rites Held** 

Tech. 4th Gr. Ervin Su

"I haven't hardly had a

forces, moving to guard the left

second port of France.

river port of Nantes.

not there.

river.

ing houses at both ends. The bridge, regarded as a priceless ex-Tank spearheads thundered ample of Tuscan building, is lined through ripped-open defenses of on either side with craftsmen's Brittany so fast that they were a shops and is familiar to thousands good 24 hours ahead of all offiof tourists from all over the cial reports, and they were folworld. lowed by speeding columns of

Incensed at the destruction of the bridges of the city after the nazis had declared it open, allied wholesale, said the Americans had headquarters issued an official reached a point 60 miles west of statement saying: Brittany's capital of Rennes,

"The enemy has taken advantage of the situation, knowing full well that our undisputed air power could not be used to destroy the bridges in Florence behind him (while the Germans still were on the south bank of the Arno) without damage to archi-

Pfc. Smelser **Killed** in War

tectural buildings of the city."

flank of this great force pouring down from Normandy, ranged out AUMSVILLE, Aug. 4-Pfc. Elmer E. Smelser, US marine corps, southeast of Avranches feeling for a German western flank that was was killed in action, according to information received by his par-The Americans apparently had

ents, Mr. and Mrs. Guy Smelser, two choices, both possibly disasfrom the war department. trous for the Germans: to head He had been over seas for 21 directly eastward toward Paris, months and was with the marine or to strike northeastward and corps at Guadalcanal and Tarawa. cut behind the Germans who have He was home in September, 1942. been containing the British and He was 25 years old.

**Fire Burns Equipment** 

OTTAWA, Aug. 4-(/P)-Military equipment and vehicles were de-

Thumbnail

Of War! Invasion front-Yanks open

new drive toward Paris as armored columns push across Brit-tany to within 38 miles of St. Nazaire and 75 miles of great port of Brest.

Italian-Allies penetrate into Florence as far as Arno river. minn-Reds sweep far beyond nazi's Vistula river defenses to within 37 miles of Krakow, Poland's fifth city; tank spearheads 77 miles from Ger-man Silesia; Polish patriots seize heart of Warsaw,

German home front-Hitler

rders ruthless army purge. Aerial-More than 1200 American heavy bombers attack Germany's secret weapon exper-imental laboratories 100 miles north of Berlin, oil refineries flying bomb installations and coastal batteries.

Panific-Japanese fiee northwestern New Guines strong-

Guy Haymond Six of Salem's Own 41st Division Home From War in Pacific Sgt. Dana E. Benson of the artil-lery, who will spend his leave with his wife, Mrs. Mary E. Benson, of The one-time national guards-Stx of "Salem's own"-the boys men, jerked from their homes four of the famed 41st division-were Pfc. Guy A. Haymond, whose years ago next month, are on 21home or nearing home today for a wife (Evelyn Kearns) makes her brief respite from 21/2 years of day stays, under the army's furroute seven, Park Lane; Staff Sgt. lough rotation plan. They will re-Louis L. Osborn of the infantry, now with his father; Louis L. Osport to a southern base for re-assignment at the end of that time. born, sr., at 652 North 14th street; born, sr., at 652 North 14th street; Tech. 4th Gr. Ervin R. Smith (ser-geant), visiting his wife on route seven; and Pfc. Theodore Rope of the coast artillery, visiting his par-ents, Mr. and Mrs. Theodore R. Rope, on route two, Cpl. Don W. Schaefer, field artilleryman in the 32nd, traveled home with men of the 41st and is with his wife at 1547 Mill street. Pfc. Waller was visiting his wife, Mrs. Rachel M. Waller, of 1079 Seventh street. All were under wartime restric-tions as to specific comments on the military, the enemy and their specific activities. But from all indications, none was under any furlough. Son of Rev. and Mrs. F. S. Hay-mond of Clarksburg, W. Va., he regret, as voiced by slender, darkillusions as to the hard row yet to be hoed in the Pacific war.

1079 Seventh street

The first of the group to be lo-cated by newsmen, Waller hadn't been home long enough to know war-time Salem, but he came through with a smiling, masterful understatement - "Boy, are we

received his training at Fort Lewis haired Pfc. Donald Waller, star nd was later stationed at the halfback of the Salem high grid state fairgrounds here.

On July, 1943, at Riverside, Calif., he married Miss Kearns, who received notification from the war department this week of his death.

## Weather

St. Lo area.

mperature Frima 58; day 34 degrees; B no rain; river -3 fi. 8 in. Clear Haturday and Sunday but forgy the veteran homecomers their own There was Tech. Sgt. Richard glad to be back!" And he left no

ome at 615 Bieber street in Sa-in with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. west Pacific. A seventh, from the A. R. Kearns, was killed in action 32nd, one of the few Oregon men in France, July 13. It is believed in that guard division which is here that his death probably oc-serving with the 41st, completes curred during the campaign in the the roster of those on rotational

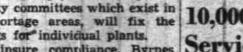
team of 1939:

"If only we could have brought the rest of the boys with us." Month after month in the jungles and mountains of New Guinea had left their mark-the mark of age and wisdom.

But the eagerness, animation and hope of youth still was therethe answer to the hopes and pray-

10,000 Apply for To insure compliance, Byrnes directed that the war agencies use

More than 10,000 applications for absentee service ballots today had been received at the office of



martial The people's court generally decrees death for defendants convicted of treason.

cated. Hitler selected a hand-picked, battlefields of Hunan province. five-man "court of honor" com-

included four lieutenants and a Japanese after 40 days of bitter captain-all of aristocratic names -suggesting that the revolt may have gone farther down through

night that enemy plans to conquer the ranks than previously indiway would be shattered on the

been identified previously. They Hengyang, still holding off the

With relief columns now stab-

nouncements, is to pass on their wave of attackers, the Chinese the army are to be tried "togeth- their stand is becoming a new

er with other traitors" by the peo- symbol in Chinese resistance. ple's court instead of by courts

complete conquest of the Canton-Hankow railway, split China in two and open a line of communisouth China sea.

> **Thomas Mahoney May Enter Judge Contest**

Thomas R. Mahoney, democrat and state senator from Multnomah county, is considering entering the Secretary of State Robert S. Far- contest for circuit judge in the Stage Annual Show rell, jr. Between 30,000 and 40,000 fourth judicial district to succeed

the late Robert Tucker. Applications are sent on to Mahoney announced that he

county clerks as fast as they are might be a candidate for the bench received and ballots will be mail- when he arrived in Salem on Fri-

cations from Manchuria to the Field Marshal Baron Carl Gustaf government had handed its resignation to him.

August Meteors Will

WASHINGTON, Aug. 4 -(AP) The Perseid or August meteors will stage their annual big show

The list of the persons each was visiting in the Salem area was provided by the army service for-ces of the 9th service command,

but their furloughs by no mean

were being spent in one place. Most of the men have many rel-atives in this area.

One, Sgt. Benson, had a new on

to visit here—the wife to whom he was married in Australia, and who came to the mainland last April to be with her new mother-in-law,

Mrs. G. H. Bicktord. They're being kept busy, these them commented with a grin. Ind resistance in Myitkyina. at; warmer is the in-and sweethearts, still far away. R. Smith of the infantry, visiting his wife at 1665 A street; Tech. by to return to his home town and of 1940. er Mrs. G. H. Bickford.

Tech. Sgt. Richard Smith