# CANNING MERGER DECISION IS MADE \$50,000 BLAZE AT MIKKALO.

\$10,000,000 Corporation Promised Soon.

Marketing Is Forecast.

AID TO GROWERS SEEN

Financiers and Business Men Take Definite Action at Portland Meeting; Canneries Included.

The organization of a giant corporation, capitalized at \$10,000,000, for held at the Benson hotel here yester-

The merger of the canning and preserving industries of the two elevator will probably be rebuilt. states, into this concern, to be known the Oregon-Washington Canning FLIGHT RESTORES VOICE and Preserving company, it was declared, will insure machinery sufficient to market the products of the company all over the world. Farmers and growers will be insured a ready outlet for their fault, it was further

#### Articles Are to Be Filed.

Articles of incorporation of the ware were ordered filed by teleto function immediately.

and organizers an- talk or not." nounced that every effort, consistent with conservative financing and this work with the greatest efficiency | result. and the largest returns to the growers and producers. It was admitted, service and Dr. C. E. McEneguey prehowever, that it would take probably scribed an air flight to high at liude a year to complete the merger and It was the first case of the kind on organize the concern upon the scale record, officials stated.

#### Board Is to Be Chosen, A board of directors consisting of

16 men, eight from each state, will be chosen to direct the affairs of the corporation by the men comprising the organization committee. In a statement given out yesterday, it was announced that:

"The purpose of the new company is to develop the fruit growing and packing industries of the two states as a unit, to stimulate berry growing and to facilitate the manufacture and marketing of berry and other fruits of Oregon and Washington."

Will L. Finch of New York who met with the organization committee yesterday, declared that the magnitude of the new concern would make possible a vast reduction in overhead expense. He also declared that it would assure the widest distribution of products as a result of a worldwide selling campaign.

### Growers' Benefit Is Seen.

"The growers," he declared, "will benefit as a result of the ready mar- ance. ket the new concern will give them for all kinds of fruit products." The conference yesterday was the culmination of a series held in the two states in the hope of putting the Thieves Escape After Felling Cashfruit industries on a solld foundation Twenty thousand growers in the belt from the southern Oregon line to the northern boundary of Washington will be benefited by the centralizatwo states receive a big impetus, it was declared.

Oregon not only has a large acreage in berries now, but has an immensely greater area of potential powerful business backing and the but were not otherwise molested. marketing falent that can be obtained, it was declared, heralds a and notified the police. new period of substantial progress an all-year industry such as contemplated by the new concern.

### Canneries to Be Taken Over.

The concern, according to Mr. the midway district between St. Paul Finch, contemplates taking over va- and Minneapolis. rious canneries now established in the two states, especially those in strategic positions. With this in view, he said, offices would be established soon in the leading citles of the sec- Unemployment in London Theatertion.

He said that the Rupert & Co. organization probably would have an opportunity to be included in the ment in theateriand, like that in new concern as soon as the affairs other professions and trades is wideof that company could be put in there were more than 2000 chorus neries in Oregon and one in Wash- girls and actresses out of work.

H. F. Davidson of Rupert & Co. said that his concern would be glad to consider being taken over by the new corporation as soon as matters NEWLY-WED PRINCE ILL could be arranged for such a transaction. He explained, however, that his company had not yet received an invitation to be included in the new corporation, but that he understood such an invitation would be ex-

The directors of the new concern tt was announced, probably will be ex-Princess Elizabeth of Roumania, named today or tomorrow so that the who has been ill for the last few (Concluded on Page 2, Column 2.)

# ELEVATOR AND GRAIN STORE LOST BY FIRE

BUCKET BRIGADE FUTILE.

Women and Children Join With in Storage for Higher Prices.

THE DALLES, Or., March 29 .-(Special.)-Fire of unknown origin last night completely destroyed a OREGON, WASHINGTON JOIN large farmers' co-operative grain ele- STORM RUMBLING IS HEARD pital. Dr. W. L. Chapman of Brookator at Mikkalo, a Sherman county town east of The Dalles, together with approximately 25,000 bushels of World-Wide Campaign for wheat stored in the elevator. The Roads, Employes and Public less is estimated at about \$50,000, only part of which is covered by insurance.

The entire populace of the town organized to fight the fire, wome and children working with the men in the formation of bucket brigades. PROFITS HELD LACKING the elevator was located in the out skirts of the town and a strong constantly veering wind showered the business and residence districts with sparks and flying embera. It was soon realized that the elevator could not be saved, and the attention of the fighters was devoted to extinguishing roof fires that broke out it different parts of the town. Only by almost superhuman efforts was the fire kept from spreading.

The Mikkalo grain elevator was a the purpose of developing and stab- community affair, owned and oper- conditions was begun by the adgon and Washington was definitely storing their wheat. A large part of definite programme for railway relecided at a meeting of financiers the 1920 wheat crop was still in stor- habilitation. and business men of the two states, age at the time of the blaze, the farmers holding the wheat in hope of higher prices

Residents of Mikkalo said today the

### Wounded ex-Soldier Cured After All Operations Pail.

WASHINGTON, D. C., March 29. An airplane flight at 14,000 feet today restored the power of speech of H. A. Renz Jr., 22 years old, an ex-soldier, ceived. who for eight months had been unnew concern under the laws of Dele- able to speak above a whisper, When he stepped from the army airplane graph so that the concern could begin he was surprised at his own voice, saying "I don't know whetuer I can

stable organization would be pushed he awoke one morning voiceless. In n order to handle at least some of an effort to restore his speech emi- public appealing for better service. the 1921 berry and fruit crop which nent specialists had removed his promises to be one of the largest, if adenoids and tonsils and performed amined in the inquiry, together with casionally when he suffered an at not the largest on record and to do other throat operations without the relation of a healthy transporta-

Renz consulted the public health cial life.

### ANOTHER MAN DISAPPEARS cost than railway-borne domestic

Mysteries at The Dalles Increase. Martin Hansen Latest Victim.

erious disappearance of W. J. One keep service up to standard. local merchant and the more recent today came the announcement of the earnings were increased the whole sen, foreman of a large ranch south

of The Dalles. Hansen was in the employ of Frank Dick, local attorney and was last seen last Wednesday when he came from the ranch to the city to purchase supplies. Wednesday night he obtained room at a local lodging house and then dropped completely out of sight Dick reported the affair to Sheriff

Christman Hansen is known to have had a considerable amount of money on his person at the time of his disappear-

# BANK ROBBED OF \$40,000

ier and Teller. ST. PAUL, March 29.-Five men

walked into the City Bank of St. Paul shortly after 1 P. M. today, tion and the fruit industry of the struck down the cashier and a woman teller with the butts of their revolvers and escaped with cash and bonds valued at \$40,000. The bank is in the center of an

outlying business district. The patrons were lined up against a wall most capable manufacturing and made, but this time a truck driver The usual automobile escape was caught the number of the fleeling car

When a check had been completed and a more stable prosperity through late today it was announced that the robbers' loot was between \$35,000 and \$40,000 in cash and liberty bonds Trail of the bandits' car was lot in

# STAGE FOLK ALSO IDLE

land Is Widespread.

LONDON, March 29 .- Unemployment in theaterland, like that in spread here, it being estimated that It was feared that unless conditions mprove immediately many producers will have to quit.

George of Greece Gets Mumps From Elizabeth of Roumania.

ATHENS, March 29 .- Crown Prince George today was ill with the mumps. He caught them from his bride. ex-Princess Elizabeth of Roumania.

# RAILWAY PROBLEM BULLET TAKEN FROM MAD CONVICT'S BRAIN OCCUPIES HARDING

Men in Saving Town; Wheat | Cabinet Joins Attempt to | Delicate Operation-Other Left Satisfy Everyone.

All Complain.

Wage Reductions Fought by Labor and Better Service Is Demanded by People.

WASHINGTON, March 29 .- A com prehensive study of American railway dollar first was removed and into

President Harding discussed the problem with his cabinet and later announced he would call into consultation soon the chairmen of the nterstate commerce commission and the railway labor board. Conferences with railway managers and employes are expected to follow in time to permit action at the special

session of congress. Discussion at the cabinet meeting was only of a preliminary character, but there were indications that the chief executive and his advisers were much concerned over information re- letting the bullet remain. Dr. Chap-

Rumblings Are Heard.

The administration has heard rumolings of dissatisfaction from many sources, the roade complaining of inadequate income, the employes prorates and in some cases the general and suicidal tendencies." All of these points are to be extion industry to the nation's commer-

interwoven with transportation policies, since some import duties model prisoner." are said to permit foreign products o reach American centers at a lower

pictured to administration officials, THE DALLES, Or., March 29 .- is the apparent inability of the car-(Special.)-On the heels of the mys- riers to make both ends meet and A number of high rallway officials

It has been understood that most 8 per cent to 9 per cent. of those who have presented the car-(Concluded on Page 2, Column 3.) July 15.

CURE INSANITY.

When Danger Is Seen.

OSSINING, N. Y., March 29 .- A bulet was removed from a man's brain oday in the Sing Sing prison hosinvalid and was wheeled to the opcondowski, a prisoner.

The presence of two bullets in the patient's brain was disclosed by X-ray examination, the one removed behind the right ear. When the first bullet had been extracted Dr. Chapnan endeavored to remove the other, which, however, was found to be lodged solidly in the tissue. After consultation of several physicians it was decided not to touch it. The incision was closed and the patient egained consciousness. The operation lasted one hour. A

piece of skull about the size of a Chapman inserted his index finger slowly and carefully so as not to rupture the brain tissue. Deeper and deeper the surgeon probed until his finger touched the bullet. He slowly worked his finger around the object, gradually forced it through the tiesue to the side of the

skull and then half lifted, half pushed it along the wall until it reached the opening.
Thirty minutes later Dr. Chapman made another incision to remove the second bullet. This was found in less time, but was coated with tissue, which would have to be broken. To do so, it was said, presented the danger of scar forming on the tissue which would be worse perhaps than

man decided to leave it. The patient was kept under watch of several surgeons until he was considered out of danger.

"What we hope to do by this opera tion," Dr. J. R. Ross, superintendent testing wage reductions, shippers of the Dannemora hospital, said, "is Infection followed minor wounds and asking for a reduction of freight to cure epilepsy, visual hallucluations The prisoner, he added, normally

was a well-behaved prisoner, but oc "He had hallucinations," he said

Even the tariff question is consid- "that someone was continually press ered by administration officials to be ing or pointing a revolver against his head. We believe now he will be

When he recovered consciousness he was asked how he feit. "I am feeling great," he replied.

# situation, however, as it has been PHONE DIVIDENDS GAIN

Cent Beginning July 15.

AND A LITTLE GAME OF TENNIS WOULD BE ALL RIGHT, TOO.

# TWO MEN CRUCIFIED MAD CONVICT'S BRAIN IN GOOD FRIDAY RITES

RIPPLED PHYSICIAN TRIES RELIGIOUS ORDER SACRIFICES HUMANS ON HUGE CROSSES.

One Piece of Lead Is Removed in Americans Witness Observance of Holy Week by Penitentes in Northern New Mexico.

ALBUQUERQUE, N. M., March 29. -Two men were crucified at the penitente village of Abiquiu in northern New Mexico on Good Friday in who performed the work, is an observance of holy week in rites performed by members of the Hermanos erating table in a chair, propped, in de Luz, Brothers of Light, a religious which he worked. The operation was order, according to B. J. Nordfeldt People of Moderate Means an attempt to cure insanity in Roman and Gustav Baumann, artists of Santa Fe, N. M., who arrived here

today Nordfeldt and Baumann say they were members of a party of two two dozen tourists who witnessed the inches, while the other was lodged crucifixion and flagellation ceremonies connected with it.

For more than a half hour, the artists said, the two human sacrifices were tied to huge wooden crosses. At the end of that time they were taken down, bleeding and exhausted. The condition of the men is said to be serious and their recovery in doubt. The Penitentes, as the Hermanos de Luz are more commonly known, are

Indians with a Mexican admixture. The order has many followers, it is understood, in remote villages of this state. Although supposed to be dying out, the order still attracts wide attention because of the mystery of its ceremonies, which Americans seldom are able to witness. The principles and practices of the

order are said to have come from Italy through Spain and Mexico. Last Friday was one of the rare casions on which Americans were permitted to witness the most solemn ccremonies performed by the Peni-

"The Penitentes formed in a long procession," said Mr. Nordfeldt, "and marching to slow, weird music beat man carried a large wooden cross under the weight of which he fell their share. frequently. The procession ended with the erection of two crosses with members of the order tied to them."

# RADIO AT SHANGHAI PLAN leaders in the campaign some anxiety,

crucifixion.

T. S. Station Will Send Message Across Pacific Ocean.

WASHINGTON, D. C., March 29.-Work on a wireless station at Shanghal, to be the largest in the world, paigns. will begin shortly under an agreement between the Chinese government and the Federal Telegraph comany, an American concern, it wa of commerce. It is to be completed this sort and I desire to notify the within 15 months and will be able to people of Portland here and now that

out relay. Consummation of the contracts The increase will take effect on years in behalf of American commercial interests in the far east.

# DODGERS OF DUTY TO BE RUN DOWN

ginia.

Community Chest Slackers Are Warned.

Are Giving Freely.

MANY WELL-TO-DO REMISS

Result of Two Days of Campaign Not Satisfactory, but Job Is to Be Finished.

With the organization of a community chest council, composed of 75 aviation, and Licutenant B. G. Brad- and storage of fireworks in a manleading business and professional men of Portland, the leaders of the community chest campaign vesterday onned fighting clothes and announced determination to place the allotted \$850,000 within the chest if it takes ill summer to conclude the task.

Results of the first two days solicitation were not satisfactory to Mayor Baker and members of the or-Contributions actually checked aggregated \$187,968. sults not yet checked last night assured a total well above \$200,000.

While this was reasonably credit able, it left a feeling of dissatisfaction with the leaders. An analysis themselves with thorn whips soaked of the situation, they said, showed in brine water to wound themselves as the principal obstruction to rapid and make their wounds smart. One attainment of the goal an evident firmed its tentative action of yesterfailure of citizens of means to do day in naming State Senator O. H. chandise. Chief of Police Fitzmorris

giving freely, the records show, but injunction case. persons who could easily give, say the Penitentes to be selected for rightful proportion of the burden by giving \$5 and \$10.

Leaders Are Optimistic. While this situation causes the they have lost none of their op-

for the splendid organization of field workers has been doing yeoman service and covering the teritory with the same detail and care that marked previous financial cam-

"We don't want anybody to get into his head the idea that the community chest campaign is going to fail," said Mayor Baker, "Portiand has never he was thrown off of a moving train announced today by the department fallen down on any proposition of by two tramps as the O.-W. R. & N. and other explosives was believed to American Company to Pay 9 Per communicate across the Pacific with- we are going to stay on the job if it the Good Samaritan hospital it was and torpedoes were found near the takes us three months.

NEW YORK, March 29.—The Amer- with the Chinese government for this chest by the end of the week be- Thompson, living at 319 Chapman pounds of torpedoes, according to the shooting and robbing of Carl Nelson, have told Mr. Harding that unless lean Telephone & Tolegraph Co. an- and other wireless projects was re- cause every other ciy in the country street, Portland. He was said to have nounced today the regular annual garded by foregin tride experts here, that has adopted the community chest been riding in a gondola when he was hundreds of pounds of gunpowder and sudden disappearance of Martin Han- transportation system faced paralysis, dividend rate would be increased from as one of the most constructive plan has wound up its job in the time thrown out by the tramps, who were dynamic recently had been shipped pieces of work effected in recent specified, but if we are going to miss our mark and fall short of the \$850,-000, which is absolutely needed we are just going to cinch our belta up BAY CITY INDORSES FAIR a little tighter and call in more and new helpers and stay with the game San Francisco Commerce Chamber until it is finished.

Everybody Card Indexed. "No person who can afford to give a dollar to the community chest fund will be overlooked. There will be no chance of escape whatever. We have lists and card indexes on everybody in Portland that ought to contribute and it doesn't make any difference what kind of an alibi or excuse is INDEX OF TODAY'S NEWS hurt. presented we are going to stay by the task until it is finished."

that Portland in the first two days of the drive has contributed well in Revolt in central Germany is waning. excess of \$200,000 for the cause of charity and sickness, helplessness and poverty.

is a huge one and the official figures iscued by Auditor Nevins showed a Marines, on 5000-mile flight, disappear. total return of \$187,968, which in-cluded the Monday's returns from all sources and the results extend all sources and the results gained by the flying equadron Tuesday. John Burroughs, dean of American nature at Twelfth and Halsted streets was These figures, however, did not include the late returns of the colonels who yesterday collected thousands of dollars for deposit in the huge of dollars for deposit in the huge community chest.

Big Subscriptions Reported. The following subscriptions were reported by the flying squadron at 6 o'clock last night:

Big clevator and 23,000 bushels of wheat lost in fire at Mikkalo. Page 1.

Injured Sent to Host

Portland Railway, Light & Power 
 Mr. and Mrs. Franklin T. Griffith
 1,000

 Lipman, Wolfe & Co.
 5,000

 Hirsch-Weis Manufacturing Co.
 1,200

 Colonel E. Hofer, Salem
 100

 Clark-Wilson Lumber company
 1,000

 Ames, Harris & Neville
 2,000

 Mr. and Mrs. Philip Buehner
 2,500

 N. J. Hlagen
 700
 Corbett estate -----Total .....\$22,300

The following three-minute speakers have been assigned to various 

Liberty Walter B. Gleason
Columbia W.F. Woodward
People's Mrs. Thompson
Rivell Arthur Moulton
Star W.D. Wheelwright
Circle Milton A. Miller

# FOUR MARINES FLYING 5000 MILES DISAPPEAR

WHEREABOUTS OF AVIATORS.

Washington, D. C., Left on Jourtended in North Carolina.

WASHINGTON, D. C., March 29 .-The four marine corps aviators who left the naval air station here in two LEADERS DON FIGHTING GARB planes early this afternoon on the TWO ARRESTED; TWO SOUGHT first leg of their 5000-mile flight to the Virgin islands had not been heard from tonight. They had intended to make their first step at Violation of City Ordinances Fayetteville, N. C., 340 miles distant. but did not put in an appearance either there or at Langley field, Vir-

> The disappearance of the aviators was complete, notwithstanding in-quiries. The only fact which served to relieve the anxiety of officials was the improbability that disaster could have overtaken both planes imultaneously. The theory was advanced that perhaps one had been forced down in an isolated spot and the other had descended to assist in

repair work. The craft left at 1:02 P. M., the first being occupied by Major T. C. Turner, chief of the marine corps ley, chief test pilot of the navy and | ner prohibited by city ordinance was marine corps, and the second by Lieu- blamed tonight by city and police tenant L. H. Sanderson, pilot, and Gunnery Sergeant C. W. Rucker,

### Injunction Against Montana Organization Set Aside.

HELENA, Mont., March 29. - The state supreme court today set aside an injunction of the district court forbidding the republican state con tral committee to elect a national house of Well & Co., paper dealers ommitteeman to succeed O. H. P. The central committee, at a meeting earlier in the day, had con-Juned national committeeman, sub- and Fire Attorney High tonight de ject to the court's decision of the

Mr. Shelley was named by the Mon-It is considered an honor among \$100, are attempting to escape their tana delegation to the Chicago convention last June. The recent legislature passed a law providing for the election of the committeeman by the state central committee.

### MAN THROWN OFF TRAIN Raymond Martin Is Hurt When He

Is Ejected by Tramps Raymond Martin, 28, said to have been "beating" his way from Portland to his home in Anderson, Ind., was seriously injured last night when "Of course we ought to fill the Anderson has a lower the best by the said that he prohably would live. Anderson has a sister, Mrs. Mabel In a nearby building were 7000 believed to have attempted robbery.

Approves Portland Exposition. SAN FRANCISCO, March 29 .- The Electric exposition in Portland, Or. The exposition will be held in 1325.

The Weather. Untabulated returns of colonels in the community thest drive showed that Portland in the first two days.

TESTERDAY'S—Maximum temperature, 56 degrees; minimum, 43 degrees, TODAY'S—Fair; northwesterly winds Foreign.

National.

Immigration laxity greatest in years. Page 2. The task of tabulating the returns Railway problems occupy Harding and from house to house caring for the a huge one and the official figures cabinet. Page L injured. Representatives from relief Domestic.

Bullet taken from convict's brain to cure insanity. Page 1. National agreement for railroads argued. Page 5

Pacific Northwest.

Walker suit ends in Jacksonville bank cases. Page 4. Sports. Murphy gets chance at Shade at Milwaukie tonight. Page 10. Seattle ball team is declared strong. Page 10.

Amateur boxing and wrestling tournament here tomorrow night. Page 10. Hard-thrown ball lays Beaver third sack candidate low. Page 10. England's wheat imports on pre-war basis. Page 19. More favorable crop reports weaken Chicago wheat market. Page 19.

Portland and Vicinity. 

meet at 11 o'clock this morning in the assembly room in the basement be built at once. Page 5.

Roads rush plans for big terminal Page 4. Roads rush plans for big terminal Page 4.

# INQUIRIES FAIL TO REVEAL IN BIG EXPLOSION

ney to Virgin Islands-Stop In- TONS OF FIREWORKS RAZE Chicago Warehouse.

by Makers Charged.

SCORES LEFT HOMELESS

Branch Library Is Turned Into Hospital and Relief Is Rushed

From All Parts of City. CHICAGO, March 22 .- Manufacture

killed at least eight persons, injured STATE COMMITTEE SCORES 100 or more, rendered dozens temporarily homeless and damaged many buildings. Two men were held in connection

with the disaster, and two, possibly

officials for an explosion in the west

side tenement district today which

Warehouse Is Wrecked. The explosion wrecked the ware where a dozen men were working Next door was the firm of Singer & Schaffer, dealers in noveity merclared that the Singer & Schaffer firm had manufactured fireworks in violation of city ordinances and that com bustion of tons of the fireworks

caused the disaster. Max Singer and Edward Schaffer nephew and son, respectively, of the partners, were rearrested and placed n jail tonight after they had been

questioned and released today. Two Others Are Sought. The elder Singer and Schaffer were

sought, but it was believed they perished According to Mr. High and Chief Fitzmorris, the two men held admitted that the firm manufactured fireworks and that it had conducted an Illicit trade in this product.

More than a ton of TNT, dyna wreckage.

police, and evidence indicating that have been found.

Only Four Dead Identified.

Only four of the eight persons

cnown to be dead had been identified tonight. The other bodies were badly mangled. Tonight many persons whose homes chamber of commerce today gave its had been so badly damaged as to be indorsement to the proposal to hold untenable received temporary quaran Atlantic-Pacific Highway and ters in the Garfield school house, where 1500 children were attending school at the time of the disaster. The roof of the building was dam-

aged, but the children escaped un-

Bables Are Injured. A dozen babies being cared for in a settlement house were slightly injured by the falling of plaster, and the district nearby was thrown into an uproar for several hours,

Tonight scores of men worked

clearing away the wreckage, while dozens of nurses and pyhsicians went injured. Representatives from relief bureaus supplied food and bedding for the homeless. Effects of the explosion were felt for blocks. A big department store

The neighborhood confusion hampered the police and firemen until the fire lines were established, men and women running about the streets

Injured Sent to Hospital. Of the building where the blast originated there was left only a pile

of broken timbers and plaster. Half an hour after the explosion three bodies were taken from the ruins and four persons, severely injured, were sent to the county hospital. A dozen others were treated at a neighboring drug store.

Two more bodles, taken from the ruins later, brought the known death list to five. Parts of another body were also recovered but the corpses were so badly mangled that the coroner's assistants were uncertain whether this latter discovery actually

increased the death list. - Library Used as Hospital.

Searchers continued to take from the ruins parts of bodies. The upper of aiding the general committee in President may fix embargo on exports. half of a body so mutilated that it meeting the many delicate problems. half of a body so mutilated that It and a mutilated leg was also found meeting the many delicate problems arising out of the campaign, will all night. Page 7.

This council is made up of 75 promi
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United States atterney asks cancellation of gency hospital and 29 men, women gency hospital and 29 men, women and children were quartered there.

