

SPRUCE MILLS IN NORTHWEST COMMANDERED

Oregon and Washington Factories Taken Over to Speed Production.

AIRCRAFT WORK IS BEING HURRIED UP

Training of Flyers and Shipping of Airplanes Also Hastened.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 27.—It is announced the government has commandeered spruce lumber supplies and mills in the northwest...

To eliminate airplane collisions in training camps, the government is resurveying tracts for landing stations...

FARMERS HAVE PLAN FOR CONSOLIDATION

MILLION DOLLAR WAREHOUSE PROPOSAL WILL NOT AFFECT LOCALLY.

SPOKANE, Wash., Feb. 27.—Plans for the consolidation of the farmers' unions of Washington, Oregon and Idaho...

The above outlined plan will not affect the local situation, according to W. W. Harrah, prominent leader in the Farmers' Union...

ATHLETIC CLUB IS FORMALLY ORGANIZED

Meeting Held Last Night When Organization is Finally Perfected.

Formal organization of an athletic club to take over the armory of the Umatilla County...

The club last evening elected Merle R. Chessman as president and W. C. McKinney as secretary-treasurer.

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RUSSIANS HURL BACK GERMANS; PSKOFF IS HELD AFTER ALL NIGHT FIGHT; ENTHUSIASM TO DEFEND NATION GROWS HOURLY; MEN STREAM TO FRONT

Moscow Sends 70,000 Men; Large Detachment Halts Huns at Luga; Executive Committee Issues Proclamation Declaring Heroic Defense of Russia is Imperative...

PETROGRAD, Feb. 27.—An all night battle for Pskoff was won by the Russians, who have removed vast stores to the interior. Reval was captured by the Germans only after a bitter battle.

PETROGRAD, Feb. 27.—The executive committee today issued a proclamation saying "Despite our readiness to sign a German peace of usurpation, the enemy continues to advance..."

(JOSEPH SHAPLEN.) PETROGRAD, Feb. 27.—The Germans have been hurled back at Vitebsk, 300 miles south of Petrograd, where the Russians made their first stand for the defense of Petrograd after delaying the German advance to there.

Firing Borissoff, forty miles north-east of Minsk, the Germans advanced towards Oshia. The Russians made a sortie and beat the Germans back 15 miles from the city...

BULLETINS

GRANDSTAND FALLS, 600 DIE. WASHINGTON, Feb. 27.—Secretary Lansing advised over 600 were killed when the grandstand collapsed at the annual race meeting at Hong Kong.

MRS. CUMMINS DIES. WASHINGTON, Feb. 27.—The senate adjourned this afternoon so members could attend the funeral services for the wife of Senator Cummins, who died here this morning.

INCENDIARY FIRE LOSS HEAVY. WINNIPEG, Feb. 27.—Seven hundred and fifty thousand bushels of wheat have been destroyed with a property damage of half million besides the grain loss...

MAY BE TRAIN ROBBER. SEATTLE, Feb. 27.—The police today are inclined to doubt whether Harry Matthews, alias Wade, arrested in the Chicago vice crusade is the man implicated in the robbery of the Great Northern train near Stanish, Wash., in 1911...

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MRS. HUTCHISON OF PILOT ROCK TAKEN BY DEATH

Mrs. Sarah L. Hutchinson died last night at the home of her son, Ernest E. Hutchinson, in Pilot Rock, Neb.

Mrs. Hutchinson, who was 72 years old, was the wife of H. C. Hutchinson, brother of S. P. Hutchinson of this city. Her husband died several years ago...

Funeral services will be held tomorrow afternoon at 2:30 at the Brown chapel and the body will be taken east on No. 18 tomorrow, it was announced late this afternoon.

M'NARY CONFIRMS NEWS REGARDING NEW WHEAT PRICE

In a letter to W. W. Harrah, Senator Charles L. McNary says in relation to the new northwest wheat price:

"I feel that much has been accomplished with respect to the wheat crop of this year. Yesterday afternoon final arrangements were made whereby the growers were guaranteed a primary market for this year's wheat crop..."

Messrs. Nelson and Booth, farmers union representatives who were at Washington, were here night before last and both confirmed the reports of the arrangement whereby northwest men will obtain the Chicago price this year.

ATTEMPT TO WRECK SHIPYARD IS FOILED

NEWBURGH, N. Y., Feb. 27.—An attempt to dynamite the compressor in the local shipyard was frustrated when William Hogan, guard, was hit on the head and knocked senseless by a man tampering with the compressor.

Bartholdt Will Appear Before Probe Committee

WASHINGTON, Feb. 27.—Former Congressman Bartholdt, of Missouri, has been asked to appear Saturday before the senate committee investigating the German-American alliance.

JAPAN WILL ACT

LONDON, Feb. 27.—Should the Russian-German peace be actually concluded, it goes without saying that Japan will take most decided steps.

MEXICAN BANDITS GET \$3000

CALEXICO, Feb. 27.—Two Mexicans, formerly employed by a mining camp company near here, early today held up and robbed the paymaster of the ranch and a Mexican policeman accompanying him and escaped with \$3000.

LATEST PHOTOGRAPH OF NEWEST AMERICAN PRINCESS



This latest photograph of America's newest princess has just reached the United States from London. Before her marriage to Prince Christopher of Greece...

RETAIL FOOD PRICES ADVANCE 2 PER CENT IN MONTH JANUARY

WASHINGTON, Feb. 27.—The labor department announced retail food prices increased two per cent for the month ending January fifteenth over the preceding month.

HENRY ROSENBERG HOME WAS BURNED WITH \$5000 LOSS

Fire last night destroyed the home of Herman Rosenberg on his ranch 16 miles southwest of Pendleton, causing a damage estimated at \$5000.

GERMAN PRISONERS WORK FOR UNCLE SAM



Most of the reconnoitering labor in the building of Uncle Sam's military railway in France is performed by German prisoners of war, working under the direction of American Engineers officers.

HUMAN BUNCH GAS ATTACKS AMERICAN SECTOR KILLING 5 AND GASSING 61

30 LOST WHEN TUG FOUNDERS

Naval Tug Carrying 40 Officers and Men Goes Down Off Atlantic Coast.

HOSPITAL SHIP SUNK, VICTIMS RESCUED BY AMERICAN DESTROYER

LONDON, Feb. 27.—An American destroyer brought in the survivors of the hospital ship Glen-Castle, sunk in the British channel yesterday.

TELEPHONE TO TAKE PLACE OF TELEGRAPH

O-W. R. & N. Offices Are Equipped for New Service as Result of War.

Indications are that the telegraph will give way to the telephone at O-W. R. & N. offices as a result of the war. Yesterday telephone workers arrived in the city and installed telephone headpieces in the local office...

Victims Include Men From Washington, New England, Indiana and Southern States.

SUFFERINGS OF MEN ARE HEARTRENDING Delay in Getting on Gas Masks Results in Fatalities.

(Fred E. Ferguson) AMERICAN FRONT, Feb. 27.—Sixty one American soldiers, gas victims are in a hospital today after a night of horrors. Five others were killed as the result of a gas attack yesterday.

Whole Army 'Sees Red'

During the first gas attack three officers ran into a dugout and closed the door so tightly they narrowly escaped asphyxiation from the fumes of their charcoal fire.

CONGRESS WORRIED OVER MONEY WASTE

Salaries of Some Federal Officials Declared to be Way in Excess.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 27.—Congress is worried about money and wants "criminal waste" eliminated from the war government.

POTATOES ROTTING FOR LACK OF CARS

ST. PAUL, Feb. 27.—Thirteen million bushels of potatoes in northern Minnesota are doomed to rot, unless cars are provided to bring them to market.

Guatemala Is Again Shaken

SAN SALVADOR, Republic of Salvador, Feb. 27.—Telegraphic communication with the interior of Guatemala is interrupted as a result of earthquake shocks of a violent character.