

SHIP EXPLODES - 38 DIE

TEXTILE WORKER SLAIN BY POLICE; THREE WOUNDED

Crowd of Strikers Fails to Disband When Told. Mayor Orders Police to Fire.

Pawtucket, R. I., Feb. 21.—Joseph Assenon, a striker, was killed and several persons wounded today when police with riot guns fired into a crowd of textile workers near the Jenckses Spinning company.

Four Workers Fall. The order to fire was given and a volley was poured into the helpless strikers.

Anticipation of further trouble the authorities were preparing to meet.

Cavalry Patrols Valley. Pawtucket, R. I., Feb. 21.—State cavalry patrols Pawtucket valley today following attacks by striking textile workers on cotton mills in the district.

MOTHER, 3 CHILDREN ARE BURNED TO CRISP

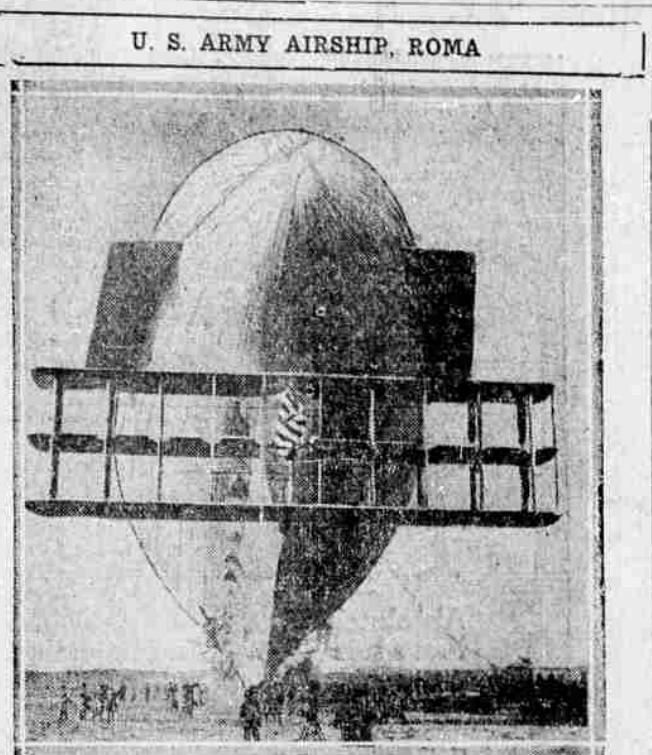
Alma, S. C., Feb. 21.—Trapped by flames, Mrs. C. E. Moutz and three of her children burned to death in their home today before the eyes of the husband and father who made desperate efforts to fling himself through a wall of fire to rescue them.

League Will Ask Nations to Bare Minimum in Arms Need

Paris, Feb. 21.—Nations of the world will be asked by the league of nations to reduce their armaments to a bare minimum.

R. C. Chalmers Jones Is Dead at New York

New York, N. Y., Feb. 21.—R. C. Chalmers Jones, former director of the New York insurance bureau, died here today of heart disease.



This striking photograph shows the Roma, which carried many men to death in Virginia today, arriving at Bolling Field, Washington, D. C., after a record breaking flight from Langley Field, Virginia.

SCIENCE FINDS WAY TO MAKE CRIMINALS TELL TRUTH; DRUG PUTS STOP TO LYING

By CHARLES R. LYNCH (United Press Staff Correspondent) Dallas, Texas, Feb. 21.—Science for the first time has triumphed over the cunning of criminals.

Dr. Smith, accused of murder, was placed under the influence of the drug. He denied killing a man. Police released him when persons who identified him refused to take the scopalamin test.

At Ft. Worth, John C. Miller, wounded in a battle between police and alleged bandits, was placed under the drug and police declared he answered questions straightforwardly as to an alleged bandit gang.

Smith was questioned at length. He denied throughout any knowledge of the death of Cottrell Lee, another negro, for whose death he had been tried today. Officers, however, were able to gain from him statements of his movements for the last ten years.

Work on the upper McKenzie road is expected to start March 15, or sooner if the weather is good.

Washington, D. C., Feb. 21.—An army board of inquiry to investigate the Roma disaster probably will be appointed tomorrow, it was learned today.

Salem, Ore., Feb. 21.—Leon R. Edmondson, Eugene attorney, against whom the Lane county bar association instituted disbarment proceedings a few months ago, has been disbared from further practice of law in Oregon.

Pawtucket, R. I., Feb. 21.—Two men were killed and a score injured in a pitched battle between textile workers and police here today.

Plan City Beautiful.—Beauty loving Eugeneans are planning concerted action for the systematic beautification of the Lane county capital.

Vas Wyck Brings Family.—Claude Van Wyck, who operates the auto stage line between Eugene and Roseburg, returned last evening with his wife and children from Everett, Washington.

The weather.—Tonight and Wednesday rain with variable winds.

RESERVATION TO NEW PACT IS CERTAINTY

Senator Brandegee Offers Reservation in Committee. Adoption Is Held Near.

By LAWRENCE MARTIN (United Press Staff Correspondent) Washington, D. C., Feb. 21.—Adoption of a reservation to the four power Pacific treaty by the senate foreign relations committee became a virtual certainty today.

Senator Brandegee, Connecticut, offered a reservation in the committee and ensuing discussion indicated that it would be adopted, though some modifications may be made.

The reservation prevents the United States government being bound by any agreement under the treaty regarding reservation of other nations' rights in the Pacific islands, without the specific sanction and approval of congress.

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Big Creek School Has Club in Camp Cookery

On Big Creek in the heart of the Coast Range mountains, where transportation is by foot or horseback, is a little log school. Even if they live in the backwoods the pupils in this school have ideas of modern methods.

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SCHROFF CHAMBER LUNCHEON SPEAKER

Organization of New Party to Be Held Up

Chicago, Feb. 21.—Organization of a national farm-labor political alliance was postponed today until the second Monday in December by the conference between the two groups' representatives here.

Despite the variety of political opinion and the breadth of view of some of the speakers, the meeting was uneventful.

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GIANT AMERICAN DIRIGIBLE BURSTS OVER NORFOLK, VA.; 20 BODIES ARE RECOVERED

Craft Purchased from Italian Government Meets Disaster When Tail Strikes High Voltage Wires Short Distance Above Flying Field. Intense Heat Radiates from Wreck.

From 28 to 38 army flyers were reported killed today when the giant dirigible Roma, purchased from the Italian government, exploded near Norfolk, Va.

Advices to government officials said 38 were dead. Dispatches direct from Norfolk, however, placed the total casualties as low as 28.

The Roma, said to have been filled with inflammable instead of Helium gas for a speed test, blew up about two hours after leaving the aviation base at Langley field.

Norfolk, Va., Feb. 21.—Forty army flyers and civilian observers were reported killed today when the huge government dirigible Roma exploded near Norfolk.

Other estimates of the dead made at the army base where the disaster occurred ran as low as 28.

It was reported the non-inflammable helium gas was removed and stored as it was the only gas of the kind in the country.

Officers at the base near here expressed the belief the great air-cruiser became unmanageable while flying low.

Eight Survivors Listed. The war department at 4:15 announced a list of eight reported survivors but in several instances first names were not given.

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