

# **137<sup>th</sup> SPRUCE SQUADRON**

## **LINEAGE**

Organized Aug 1918  
Demobilized, Sep 1918  
Organized Oct 1918  
Demobilized Jan 1919

## **STATIONS**

**Port Orchard, WA**  
Vancouver, Barracks, WA, Oct 1918  
North Portland, OR, Oct 1918  
Vancouver, Barracks, WA, Dec 1918

## **ASSIGNMENTS**

## **COMMANDERS**

## **HONORS**

**Service Streamers**

**Campaign Streamers**

**Armed Forces Expeditionary Streamers**

**Decorations**

## **EMBLEM**

## **MOTTO**

## **NICKNAME**

## **OPERATIONS**

The 137th Spruce was formed in Port Orchard, Washington in August 1918. They were assigned to Belfair, Washington, but when the intended logging facility was found to be unsanitary by the Army inspectors, the unit became available for re-assignment. Due to the requirement for men to operate a newly-opened mill in North Portland, Oregon, this unit was reformed in September 1918 at Vancouver Barracks, and commuted daily to work on construction at the Monarch Mills, North Portland. Note that this mill was located across the river from Vancouver Barracks.

Squadron was officially moved to North Portland, Oregon in October 1918. In December 1918, they returned to Vancouver Barracks, and were mustered out of the Army in January 1919.

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