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TAMPIO NOT TO HAVE WARSHIPS

United States Will Not Send
Vessels It Was Decided
By Officials.

TRANSPORTING TROOPS

Commission Denied by Govern-
ment to Take Mexican Troops
Across Texas to Attack
the Rebel Forces.

(Associated Press Leased Wire.)

WASHINGTON, Jan. 18.—For the
first time the United States will not
send warships to Tampico to
protect the rights of its nationals
against possible infringement by the
rebel forces of the rebel leader,
General Huerta. After a day of
deliberation regarding the latest
offer of the Mexican government,
President Coolidge and his advisors
have decided that no difficulty is likely
to be encountered in the presence of Amer-
ican naval units.

The cabinet discussion was fol-
lowed by preparations for the issue
of a statement by Secretary
of the navy department but
the time for the announce-
ment was postponed because the secretary said he had
not had time to make
an announcement. Officials also
said it was apparent, how-
ever, that the navy department
had been received by the president to believe
that the warships already sent to
La Brea against encroachment
American interests would be re-
quired to support it.

Several naval forces in some
ports will be nevertheless in that
case they are needed.
The navy department is now
considering the possibility of
sending 278 men from the
cruiser Richmond to the
border at Vera Cruz, the state
department was advised today.
The protection of the American
interests.

(Associated Press Leased Wire.)

EL PASO, Texas, Jan. 18.—Ad-
mission of detaining Mexican fed-
troops at the New Mexico-Mex-
ico border at a distance of eight
miles from the city of El Paso was
announced today following
receipt of information that passage
troops through Texas had been
approved by acting Governor
Kearney.

The troops, it was pointed out,
had been brought to Anapra, New
Mexico, and be transferred across
the international border without
passing through Texas. They would
be then moved to El Paso, where
they would be entrained in
the south for disposition
for the eastern front against the
troops of General Sanchez.

Permit was granted by
Governor Hinkle and Hunt of New
Mexico and Arizona, respectively,
transportation of the troops.

TUCSON, Arizona, Jan. 18.—Gov-
ernor G. P. Hunt, of Arizona, re-
sponded today to a request from
the state of Texas to permit Mexican
troops to pass through that state,
as directed by Washington. He said
he would assist in the restoration
of Mexico, to the ex-
tent of permitting the troops to en-
ter Arizona for transportation to a
port.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 18.—Indica-
tion that warships may be sent to
Tampico to protect American interests
at the blockade port of Tampico was
announced today when it became
known that Secretary Denby of the
department would make an announce-
ment shortly on the subject.
The issuance of his statement,
he declined to talk.

NEW ORLEANS, Jan. 18.—Gen-
eralissimo Aguilar, son-in-law of
General Venustiano Carranza and
son of the late president, was
arrested here at noon
by agents of justice ag-
ing alleged violation of the neu-
trality laws.

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BIG LUMBER DEAL IN TILLAMOOK CO.

(Associated Press Leased Wire.)
PORTLAND, Jan. 18.—Between
800 million and one million feet of
timber, on two tracts aggregating
5,000 acres have been acquired in
eastern Tillamook county for the
Shanghai Building company, which
intends to erect a modern sawmill
convenient to the timber as soon as
transportation facilities are avail-
able, according to announcement
here today by C. J. Pape, repre-
senting the company, which he said
intends to use the lumber in build-
ing operations in China and other
parts of the far east. About
\$4,000,000 was involved in the deal.
The timber was taken over from
the Hammond Lumber company and
the Michigan-Oregon Lumber com-
pany, and was transferred to the
standard Timber company, which
was organized to handle the transac-
tion for the Shanghai Building com-
pany of Shanghai, China, said Pape.
The timber brought about \$4 a
thousand feet.

GAS POISONING CAUSE OF DEATH

Further Particulars Received
Regarding Death of Mr.
and Mrs. Signor.

LEFT HEATERS BURNING

Two Gas Heaters in Closed
House Depleted Oxygen
and Caused Monoxide
Gas Poisoning.

Further details concerning the
death of Mr. and Mrs. John Signor,
former residents of Roseburg, who
were found dead in their home at
Compton, Cal., have been received
from Mrs. H. G. Wilson, at Long
Beach, and also from the coroner at
Los Angeles, Cal.

Mrs. Wilson writes that the sad af-
fair was the result of allowing gas
heaters to burn in a closed room. The
evenings were cool, she states, and
Mr. and Mrs. Signor had two gas
heaters burning in their home. Mr.
Signor was reading and Mrs. Signor
was lying on the bed.

The heaters apparently used up all
of the oxygen in the rooms and filled
the house with gas fumes, causing the
death of Mr. Signor as he sat at the
table. Mrs. Signor was found un-
conscious and died in the hospital
three days later without regaining
consciousness.

Neighbors noticed the lights burn-
ing day and night for two or three
days, and as no one was seen around
the house, they became alarmed.
They were in the habit of seeing the
Signors up early and working about
the house and yard, and when they
failed to appear, and the lights re-
mained on steadily, the neighbors
forced open the doors and entered
the house. The gas heaters were
still burning and the rooms were very
warm and full of gas fumes. Mrs.
Signor was still breathing and was
rushed at once to the hospital.

The address of a niece residing in
Hollywood was found in the house,
and the niece was notified and she at
once got in touch with Mrs. Signor's
son and daughter, and Mrs. Signor's
sister. The bodies of Mr. and Mrs.
Signor were buried at Compton.

"Concerning the deaths of John
Charles Signor and Lenore Signor,
his wife, I wish to advise that they
came to their deaths from Carbon
Monoxide Gas Poisoning. Our in-
vestigation disclosed that Mr. Signor
died on December 15th at about 2:30
p. m. at his home No. 709 Colwell
Street, Compton, California. At the
time he was discovered there un-
conscious and the house was tightly closed
and the house was very warm. His
wife was removed from the house to
the hospital of Dr. Palmer at Compton,
where she died on the 18th day of De-
cember, from the same cause. After a thor-
ough investigation we determined that they
had been overcome by carbon mon-
oxide gas while endeavoring to keep
their house warm by means of gas
heaters during the cold weather, and
that their deaths were purely ac-
cidental.

"The bodies were buried by the
undertaking firm of Neale and
Towns of Compton, California. There
was no indication of suicide in con-
nection with these cases.

Yours very truly,
FRANK A. NANCE,
"Coroner, Los Angeles County."

Forest Supervisor Carl B. Neal
left today for Tillamook to spend a short
time attending to forest service mat-
ters.

AIRSHIP'S TRIP WAS GREAT FEAT

Skeptics Convinced That
Shenandoah Will Be Able
to Take Polar Trip.

HAD NARROW ESCAPE

Ship Was Almost Crashed
When Torn From Moor-
ings—Quick Action
Saved Dirigible.

(Associated Press Leased Wire.)

LAKEHURST, N. J., Jan. 18.—
Even the skeptics have been con-
verted. The Shenandoah's remark-
ably successful flight against one of
the most severe gales that ever
struck the Atlantic coast, despite the
fact that her nose was torn away
and she was otherwise battered, has
won for her the commendation of
those naval officers who were in-
clined to doubt the practicability of
building ships of her type and size.
That battle of Wednesday night
and early Thursday morning in a 72
mile wind which carried her to Sta-
tion Island before she could be turned
about, has convinced virtually every
officer at the naval station that the
Shenandoah could successfully nego-
tiate the planned trip to the north
pole.

There was evident gratification
when it was learned that the Sec-
retary of the navy and Rear Admiral
W. A. Moffett, chief of the naval
bureau of aeronautics had predicted
that the accident to the Shenandoah
would not prevent the proposed
voyage.
Echoes of the praise for the cool
and quick work of Captain Heinke
and the other officers and men
aboard the ship when she was set
adrift resounded over the station to-
day. A fact that had not gener-
ally been known until last night was
the topic of considerable gossip.
This was the assertion that the Shen-
andoah when that one great gust of
wind tore her from her moorings
was only about six feet from the earth
when she started to rise again and
float away.

Three officers, Captain Heinke,
Lieutenant-Commander Pierce and
Lieutenant E. H. Kincaid, leaped
for the levers that release the bal-
loon, dumped out 5,000 pounds of
water and thus averted disaster for
the pride of the navy. Had their
instruments failed them in the critical
moment, the giant ship probably
would have crashed to the ground,
a huddled heap of ruins.

GERMAN BANKER TO TALK TO EXPERTS

(Associated Press Leased Wire.)
PARIS, Jan. 18.—Dr. Schacht,
president of the Reichsbank and gen-
eral currency commissioner, who has
accepted the invitation of the repara-
tion experts to come here for consul-
tation, in connection with inquiry in-
to Germany's finances, is expected
to arrive Sunday.

The technical advisers attached to
the expert committee continued to-
day their study of the documents
concerning the German note circula-
tion and general finances in prepara-
tion for drawing up a questionnaire
for General Schacht.

JEWISH CHURCH IS CONGRATULATED

(Associated Press Leased Wire.)
CINCINNATI, Jan. 18.—President
Coolidge has sent congratulations to
Bee Israel congregation of Cincin-
nati, the oldest Jewish congregation
west of the Atlantic seaboard on its
100th anniversary. In a letter to
Rabbi David Philippon, the presi-
dent states:

"I wish you would communicate
to the members of your congregation
my congratulations on this really
notable anniversary and my good
wishes for the continued prosperity
and spiritual service of the temple
and congregation. To the long estab-
lished agencies of the American
sentiment and patriotism our coun-
try is deeply indebted, and we must
all unite in maintaining and ex-
panding their usefulness."

DISABLED VETS TO BE TAKEN CARE OF

(Associated Press Leased Wire.)
WASHINGTON, Jan. 18.—Direct-
or Hines of the veteran's bureau out-
lined to the house public buildings
committee today a program for im-
provement of facilities for disabled
veterans based on passage of the
Langley bill providing \$6,500,000
for the purpose.

Erection of a national volunteer
soldiers home at Sawtelle, Calif.,
with 500 beds, costing \$1,500,000
was included.

HENRY FORD BUYS LITTLE SCHOOL HOUSE

(Associated Press Leased Wire.)
DETROIT, Jan. 18.—The
little red school house, where
Henry Ford picked up what lit-
tle "book learning" his youth
yielded him, has been purchased
by the Detroit manufacturer. It
was learned today.
The school, typical of hun-
dreds of others in use 50 years
ago, with sharp sloping roof,
bell cupola in front, and short
steps leading to the door that
is set primly in the front, has
not been in use for two years.
It was not explained what
Mr. Ford plans to do with it.

FINANCIAL NEEDS OF NATION EXPLAINED

(Associated Press Leased Wire.)
WASHINGTON, Jan. 18.—With
the end of its hearing on revision
of the revenue act in sight, the house
ways and means committee today
called upon experts to explain the
government's financial needs for next
year and also heard further appeals
for cuts in the rates affecting vari-
ous interests.

The committee is planning to be-
gin work on the rate sections of its
new bill next week, but determina-
tion of its program for determining
these troublesome details has been
held up pending completion of the
hearing and settlement of the dis-
pute over rules amendments in the
house.

Time had been allotted at today's
session of the hearing to representa-
tives of several organizations, includ-
ing the American Bankers' League,
which held a meeting this morning
to discuss the Mellon bill and other
proposals before sending its delega-
tion before the committee.

The treasury secretary's proposals
were endorsed by the league. Chas.
Chalbourne of New Orleans, its presi-
dent, declared that 25 per cent of
the profits of any individual or com-
pany was the limit which the govern-
ment could exact without killing off
productive industry. Saying he was
authorized to speak for the presi-
dents of 21 state bankers associa-
tions and 25 national bankers associa-
tions, he asserted that "sur-taxes and income
taxes must positively determine the
interest rate or point a way capital
will flow into productive industries
instead of in tax exempt securities.
Any rate higher than 25 per cent,
he said, "will bring less revenue
than a lower levy."

"If congress adopts the Mellon
plan of tax reduction," he said, in
his prepared statement, "the bank-
ers can finance the productive in-
dustries of the nation, but unless it
is adopted in substantially the form
submitted, then we do not know
where capital can be secured to take
care of the agriculture budget of the
nation and to maintain and develop
our productive enterprise on a sound
and stable basis."

DRINKWATER'S WIFE IS GRANTED DIVORCE

(Associated Press Leased Wire.)
LONDON, Jan. 18.—Mrs. John
Drinkwater, was granted a divorce
here today from the author of "Ab-
raham Lincoln," "Robert E. Lee,"
and other historical plays. The de-
gree was awarded on statutory
grounds.

AGED MAN TO AGAIN ATTEND CONVENTION

NEW YORK, Jan. 18.—John R.
Voorhies, 94 year old grand sachem
of Tammany Hall, the only man now
living who attended the last demo-
cratic national convention in New
York in 1868 when Horatio Key-
more was nominated, will be pre-
sent when the 1924 convention meets
here June 24.

PORTLAND DENTIST COMMITTS SUICIDE

(Associated Press Leased Wire.)
PORTLAND, Jan. 18.—The body
of Dr. Carl Osgood, dentist, was
found last night strangled in his own
dentist chair, by Mrs. Dora Reich,
his mistress. The physician had placed
the rubber tube of the anesthetic gas
tank in his mouth and had turned on
the gas with his elbow, said the
police, who expressed the belief that
financial worries had caused the
dentist's deed.

PART OF TACOMA CREW GOES ASHORE

WASHINGTON, Jan. 18.—Part of
the cruiser Tacoma, stranded on a
reef near Vera Cruz was put ashore
yesterday, according to a message to
the navy department. The remain-
der of the crew and the commander
were still on the ship last night.
The cruiser Richmond, ordered to
the relief of the Tacoma, was ex-
pected to reach the scene today.

MARINES WIN IN MIMIC WARFARE

Fort Randolph, Defensive
Work of Panama Canal
Is "Captured."

LAND IN SMALL BOATS

Only in One Instance Did the
Marines Fail When Small
Detachment Is Cap-
tured at Air Station.

(Associated Press Leased Wire.)

COLON, Canal Zone, Jan. 18.—
Fort Randolph, the defensive work
that guards the Atlantic entrance to
the Panama Canal on the northeast,
is in "enemy hands" today. So are
the air station and the submarine
base at Coco Solo.

To the marines of the Atlantic
Fleet belong the glory and the spoils.
Landing in small boats yesterday
from the "black" squadron that re-
presents a hostile navy in the mimic
warfare, now in progress in the zone
to determine the effectiveness of the
canal in the time of real war, the
"devil dogs" swarming upon Fort
Randolph and captured its home gar-
rison of 170 men.

Simultaneously, another landing
party came ashore at Coco Solo and
"overpowered" the 70 aviators and
mechanics left to defend the air sta-
tion and submarine base, took over
those works.

Unofficial observers were of the
opinion that the comparative ease
with which the marines solved the
problem set for them in yesterday's
maneuvers indicated what a real en-
emy might be able to do, although
it was pointed out that there were
only skeleton forces in the units of
defense system prepared.

In only one instance did the mar-
ines fail. A small detachment sent
to "seize" the army air station at
Francis field was captured by the In-
fantry unit guarding that post.

The landing operations were car-
ried out with clock-like precision.
Under cover of a smoke screen laid
down by the auxiliary "black" fleet,
400 marines left their ships in 50
boats, slipped across Limon Bay to-
ward Fort Randolph. At the same
time another detachment of 500 men
left their vessels for a point south of
the fort and while the garrison was
speculating as to the "enemies" in-
tentions, it found itself surprised
and in a trice eliminated from the
problem of the day.

Three hundred marines took part
in the operations at Coco Solo.
The official umpire accompanying
the landing parties said the opera-
tions contained a lesson for the army
in the possibilities and defects of the
canal defense system.

NEWT BAKER MAY BE A CANDIDATE

(Associated Press Leased Wire.)
ST. PETERSBURG, Fla., Jan. 18.—
Milton Young, formerly secretary to
Newton T. Baker, when he was
mayor of Cleveland, stated today
that Baker would be a democratic
candidate for president.

CLEVELAND, Jan. 18.—Newton
D. Baker, former secretary of war,
laughed when he read a dispatch
from St. Petersburg, Fla., that he
will be a candidate for the demo-
cratic nomination for president.

"Nothing is further from my
thoughts than a candidacy for any
political office," he said.

The St. Petersburg dispatch gave
Milton Young, Mr. Baker's former
secretary as authority for the story.
Mr. Baker issued the following
statement:

"Mr. Young was my secretary
when I was mayor of Cleveland, not
at present."

"He and I are warm personal
friends, but I have no communication
with him of any kind for a year."

"Nothing is further from my
thoughts than a candidacy for any
political office."

MABEL NORMAND'S NERVES SHATTERED

(Associated Press Leased Wire.)
LOS ANGELES, Jan. 18.—Mabel
Normand, film actress, witness of the
shooting of Courtland S. Dines, Den-
ver oil man, New Year's night by her
chauffeur, Horace A. Greer, was "in
a state of complete nervous collapse"
and was unable to attend Greer's
hearing here today, according to a
certificate signed by her physician,
Dr. Dudley Fulton.

THREE ARE INJURED IN AUTO ACCIDENT

(Associated Press Leased Wire.)
SALEM, Jan. 18.—Russell Beck-
ett of this city is hovering between
life and death in a local hospital
with a fractured skull, and Harry
Rich and Walter E. Klein, also of
Salem are nursing painful bruises
and cuts as a result of the collision
of the automobile in which they were
returning from Portland with a truck
on the Pacific highway about 7 miles
north of here at 2 o'clock this morn-
ing.

An unidentified fourth party in the
automobile, whose name has been re-
ported as both Miles and Niles, also
suffered slight injuries.
According to H. Shavilin, the driver
of the truck, he saw the automo-
bile approaching him at a high rate
of speed and sagging from one side
of the road to the other. He says
he pulled his truck to the side of
the road and stopped, and that the
machine crashed head-on into the
side of his vehicle.

WEST DOES NOT ASK FOR FAVORS

Representatives From Idaho
and Arizona Announce
Stand on Reclamation.

NEEDING MORE WATER

Irrigation Conference Is At-
tended by Over 300
Delegates Who Hear
Addresses Today.

(Associated Press Leased Wire.)

SALT LAKE CITY, Jan. 18.—
Nearly 300 delegates from Western
Irrigation states yesterday heard the
representatives from Idaho and from
the Yuma, Arizona, reclamation pro-
jects stoutly disclaim to the federal
fact-finding committee any desire
for paternalism, "donations," or "fa-
vors," from the national government
and ask only for an opportunity to
work out their own salvation under
a business management. Morator-
iums of three or five years, abolish-
ing of penalties imposed for delin-
quent payments, and a definite and
systematic policy by the reclamation
service were the plans offered for
rehabilitation of the projects.
Some voiced their belief that pro-
jects should be based upon thirty
year payments and a few hint at a
longer time. Others suggested that
the present plan for paying at the
rate of six per cent per annum be
changed to a longer time, payable
at five per cent.

The basic complaint of the settlers
is that the actual cost of construc-
tion has increased many times the
estimated cost but that the time limit
for payment has not been reduced
a particle. Added to this the farm-
ers have many reverses over which
they had no control, the dele-
gates maintained.

When, as in one project, the cost
of construction was estimated at
\$30 per acre, and proved to be over
\$100 per acre, and since the 20 year
payment plan was based upon lower
cost of production the delegates
claimed an extension of time would
no more than equalize the greatly
increased costs.

There was no bitterness in the vari-
ous complaints registered by the
farmers and their representatives.
There was no expression of lack of
faith in the government's ability to
carry out its work. Any criticism
which was made was made with a
view of obtaining a remedy.

Records were produced to show
that the percentage of delinquents
was increasing yearly and that the
expenses were far greater than the
government had first anticipated.

William Elmer, the spokesman,
for the Yuma, Arizona project, stated,
"that the banks will loan us
money to buy mules, but they will
not loan us money to buy water. In
the first case the money stays in the
west; in the second it goes to Wash-
ington."

The reason why the projects have
fallen into the present "bad financial
condition" were given by J. E. Rice
of Idaho, "as the lack of water and
reasonably enforced policy on the
present government; failure of the
government to construct a system;
the failure of the government to set
up an efficient organization for op-
eration; and to economic conditions
over which the settlers had no con-
trol."

MAN STRUCK BY CAR DIES OF INJURIES

PORTLAND, Jan. 18.—A fractur-
ed skull, suffered from when he was
struck by an auto last night proved
fatal early today to M. Gargoff,
about 45.

LOCATION OF BIG STILL IS FOUND

Officers Uncover Eight Bar-
rels of Mash and Moonshine
Equipment Near Leona.

WELL CAMOUFLAGED

Operators of Still Had Form-
ed Chamber in Log Jam
Across Narrow Gorge
and Defied Detection.

Expertly camouflaged so that the
location would not be discovered, ex-
cept by accident, eight barrels of
mash, and other material and appar-
atus for the manufacture of moonshine,
were found last night by Sheriff
Starnes and deputies Ed Sterling and
Joe Benton, on Rock creek, three
miles northwest of Leona. The still
itself was not located, and the officers
are today searching for the still,
and a cache of liquor supposed to be
buried somewhere in that vicinity.

The mash, furnace, hose, and other
parts of the moonshine plant were
found securely hidden in a commo-
dious room camouflaged so that a
person would pass within a few feet
of the place and never find it.

The site of the booze factory was
located in a narrow gorge cut out by
a small tributary of Rock Creek, at a
point about three miles from Leona.
Two logs had fallen across the gorge,
one breaking off and dropping down,
while the other fell from the other
side. These two logs were about fifteen
feet apart, and about ten feet
above the floor of the canyon.

The operators of the still had covered
these logs with drift wood and
brush, and on each side had thrown
in logs, brush and bark, making it
appear that a jam had occurred and that
the debris had been left blocking the
gorge. So well was the work done that
even in the day time a person would
have passed by without suspecting the
log jam of being the hiding place of a
most complete still.

Sheriff Starnes and his two deputies,
Sterling and Benton, in some way
obtained the approximate location of
the plant, and yesterday evening
started on a search for it. They
reached the location about midnight
and were in the act of climbing
around the log jam, when Sheriff
Starnes pulled away a piece of bark
covering an opening. As he did this
his flashlight disclosed the fact that
there was a space behind the hole
which the bark had uncovered, and he
threw the light into the room, disclos-
ing a chamber about 12 by 15 feet
square.

The room had an improvised floor,
the stream having been tunneled un-
derneath, showing that considerable
work was required in perfecting the
location.

The operators of the plant appar-
ently made their plans most thoroughly
and spared no work in providing
equipment. A huge brick circular
oven was built up to a height of about
four feet, the oven showing that a
circular still of large capacity had
been used. Evidences pointed to the
fact that the plant has been in use
for many months and that large quan-
tities of liquor have been run off
there. It is apparent that the still
was in operation quite recently, as the
mash discovered was quite fresh, and
evidently one batch had been run off
a few days ago, and a new one start-
ed.

The still itself had been carried
away, and probably is located in the
immediate vicinity, where it will be
difficult to find. The officers, however,
are making an effort to locate the
still, and also a quantity of liquor
which is understood to be buried
somewhere nearby.

Several hundred feet of 2 1/2 inch fire
hose, evidently carried away from the
Leona Mills, was found neatly coiled
in the room, and had been used to
convey water from a spring further
up on the hill down to the location of
the still. Altogether the evidence
pointed to one of the most completed
stills ever located in the county. That
it has been in operation for a num-
ber of months has been known by the
officers as they have been endeavor-
ing for some time to trace the source
of the liquor which was appearing so
regularly in the Drain and Leona dis-
trict.

As the still itself was not found,
and no evidence connecting any per-
son with the manufacture of liquor
has been found, there have been no
arrests as yet. If, however, the still is
found, and the liquor can be located
prosecutions will probably follow.

fatal early today to M. Gargoff,
about 45.

He died at a hospital.
Gargoff was struck, police said,
by the machine of E. L. Cameron, as
he started across the street.