## MARINES EXONERATED OF HAITI CHARGES

Homemade Cider With "Kick" Lawful, Rules Palmer BARNETT'S "INDISCRIMINATE

# TO SECTION 29 **ONFRUIT JUICES FARM TARIFF**

Congress Intent Was to Prohibit Sale, But Not Manufacture in Home.

Decision Is in Direct oCnlfict With Internal Revenue Regulations. Conflict With Internal

Washington, Dec. 18.—Use of cider in the home by its manufacturer, even after it has become intoxicating by fermentation, is lawful, and without the bounds of the prohibition enforcement act, according to an opinion submitted to the secretary of the treasury by Attorney

Saturday.

The opinion is in direct conflict with regulations of the bureau of internal revenue, which states that homemade cider must be "non-intoxicating in fact" although not necessarily containing less than one-half of one per cent alcohol.

Opinion Given Houston. Opinion Given Houston.

Secretary Houston asked for an opinion as to whether the term 'mon-intoxicating cider and fruit juices' meannon-intoxicating in fact or containing less than one-half of one per cent alcohol. The phrase occurs in section 29 of the prohibition act, which permits the manufacture of non-intoxicating cider for use in the home without a permit.

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"In view, however, of what I understand section 29 to mean, I am sure it would be misleading for me to content myself with this direct answer to your question."

Prohibit Sale; Not Making.

Congress intended by section 29 to prohibit the sale, but not the manufacture of intoxicating cider for use in the home, the opinion said.

Congress seems to have recognized the peculiar nature of cider," the attorney general declared. "When the juice of apples is pressed out the immediate result is cider. When this is done an intoxicating liquor, even within the definition of the prohibition act, has not been produced. But fermentation very shortly sets in, producing alcohol and all that is necessary to convert the cider into an intoxicating liquor is the lapse of a short time. Section 29 has manifestly sought to make it clear that it was not intended that one who manufeature cider and kept it in his home for beverage purposes until it fermented would be guilty of possessing intoxicating liquors unlawfully," the opinion stated.

Clara Smith Hamon

Hidden Near Ardmore

Report in Oklahoma

Ardmore, Okla, Dec. 18.—A report

Ardmore, Okla., Dec. 18.—A report said to originate with a close friend of the late Jake L. Hamon, Republican national committeeman, to the effect that Clara Smith. sought in connection with the death of Mr. Hamon here November 26, is in seclusion near Ardmore and will surrender following appointment of Mr. Hamon's successor, was current here today.

No official conformation of the report could be obtaind.

A warrant charging Miss Smith with

could be obtaind.

A warrant charging Miss Smlth with
assault with intent to kill several days
after the death of Mr. Hamon was
changed by the county attorney to one
of rounder.

of murder.
The Republican state central commit-tee meets in Oklahoma City Menday to make recommendations to the national committee as to Mr. Hamon's succes-

#### Reds Order Yankee Relief Workers Out of Armenian Republic

Constantinople, Dec. 18.—The Armenian government, acting on orders from Moscow, has notified the administration of the American commission for tration of the American commission for relief in the near East to withdraw from Erivan the Armenian capital, it is de-clared in advices reaching here Saturday. New York, Dec. 18.—The American relief detachment in Erivan, the capital of Armenia, ordered withdrawn by the Armenia, ordered within will be cable messages Saturday is comprised of three workers with a small supply store, it was announced here Friday night at headquarters of the near East relief.

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It was stated American workers are under protection of the Turkish national-ist government.

#### JERUSALEM CELEBRATES LIBERATION ANNIVERSARY

Liberation Anniversally
London, Dec. 18.—(Jewish Telegraphic Agency.)—Jerusalem Saturday celebrated the third anniversary of its liberation by General Allenby, says a despatch from Jerusalem. Sir Herbert Samuel, the high commissioner for Palestine and all leaders of the various faiths participated in a review held in St. George's cathedral.

### SINN FEIN-BRITISH CHRISTMAS ARMISTICE NEGOTIATIONS END

# STATE FRAMERS

Wool and Wool Products Mutton, Lamb, Cattle, Included in Measure.

Washington, Dec. 18.-Framing of an emergency tariff designed to protect 20 farm products was completed late Satur-General Palmer, made public day by the house ways and means committee. The measure probably will be presented to the house Monday with a request for action on it the following day. The bill was designated as the Ford-ney emergency tariff. As drawn it would be effective for one year from date

of passage.

The measure was agreed to after six hours of discussion by the full membership of the committee which elected to honor its chairman by giving the bill his name. Mr. Fordnay will prepare and introduce the formal draft.

Scope Made Wider.

The committee broadened the original

Proposals to include sugar, hogs, frozen beef, vegetable seeds, barley, flax butter and potato flour and potato starch in the list were voted down.

#### Philadelphian Swells Conscience Fund by \$2,250 Owing City

Philadelphia, Dec. 18.—A troubled conscience Saturday resulted in the sending of a typewritten anonymous note to the receiver of taxes with \$2,250 in cash. "For back personal taxes improperly made out, due the city and state," the note read.

This is the equivalent of taxes at four mills on an excess of \$500,000 of personal property.
No conscience has ever before been so troubled as to pay that amount owed the city without the

prospects of detection. JEWISH RELICS UNCOVERED.

### DIRECT PARLEYS WITH "OFFICIAL PRESIDENT" ONLY WAY TO PEACE, DECLARES FATHER O'FLANNAGAN

Intermediary's Attitude "Closes Door to Counsels of Good Will Which You Invoked", Replies Lloyd George to Priest. "Allow Constitution to Senators Reed, New, and Function and Violence Will Be Rare," Answer.

London, Dec. 18.—The correspondence which has been going on between Prime Minister Lloyd George and Father Michael Passage Before Christ-O'Flannagan, "vice president of the Irish republic," in an effort mas Recess Indicated to bring about a truce between England and the Sinn Fein organization apparently has been brought to an end. Father O'Flannagan by House Members. in his latest message to Premier Lloyd George, declared the only way to reconciliation was by "direct negotiations with the official head of the Irish nation, President De Valera."

Door Is Closed. In his reply sent Saturday, the prime unister said:

#### Two Pair of Pants Fools Highwaymen; Loot Escapes Them

Paterson, Dec. 18.—Louis Tenor Saturday accidentally discovered an antidote for New Jersey's crime wave. "Put on two pairs of trousers" is his formula.

A chill wind was blowing early in the morning when Tenor had to rush from his home to summon a doctor for his sick wife.

"Two pairs of trousers will not come amiss" sald Tenor to himself. In front of the public library two of the state's many highwaymen urgod him with revolvers drawn, to throw up his hands.

"Search me" cried Tenor, confident of the immunity of his double barroled trousers.

The robbers left him, provoked, after finding nothing in his outside trousers.

Launch Springs Leak and Ferry Capsizes

niles below Augusta Saturday n

The boat, which was used at the government dam at Shilo, Ohio, was bringing 21 persons to Augusta. The launch was in sight of Augusta when the engineer discovered a leak in the side of the craft. He started the pumps but the

#### Picks Up Old Friend in Second Hand Shop

London, Dec. 18.—(Jewish Telegraphic Agency).—An ancient synagogue and numerous other articles of historic value have been uncovered by archeologists headed by Professor Slustch at Tiberias, says a Jerusalem dispatch today. They date back to the Talmudic period of the Jews.

Perth Amboy, N. J., Dec. 18.—Howard Tappen, an overseas veteran of the world war, purchased a cap in a local renovated army goods store here today and discovered it was the one he had discovered it was the one he had discovered it was the one he had discovered it was the new today. On the inner band was his name written in his handwriting.

#### WIFE BURNS HIS WOODEN LEGS, "MOONSHINER" ESCAPES ARREST; OFFICERS REFUSE TO CARRY HIM

Huntington, W. Va., Dec. 18.—
One of the biggest "moonshine" raids in the history of southern West Virginia extending over a period of nine days, and centering in Logan county, was reported here Saturday night by Frank Adkins, state prohibition officer.

Seventeen prisoners were taken and 20 stills, 100 gallons of moonshin, 5,000 gallons of mash and 40 pints of bonded whiskey were confiscated.

How a man escaped arrest be-

cause the officers refused to carry cause the officers refused to carry him from his home in the mountains, after his wife had burned his cork leg was recited by Mr. Adkins. The raiders, he said, found a still and 200 gallons of mash in the house occupied by Bill Collins, far up the mountain side above Yolyn. While the officers were busy with the still and mash Collins wife unscrewed his cork legs and burned them. Collins was not arrestd, as the agents had no means of transporting him from the mountains.

# ON LEAGUE PACT

Indorse Methods Used. killing" of Haitians.

Little Faith Evidenced Wars Could be Abolished, by Missourian.

Marion, Ohio, Dec. 18 .-President Elect Harding heard suggestions for his association

Door is Closed.

In his reply sent Saturday, the prime minister said:

"This attitude closes the door to those counsels of good will which you invoked by beginning this correspondence."

Pather OFlannigan's message read:

"While sending, through a message, peace and good will to the people of Ireland, your government has intensified their fiendish attacks upon our lives, our liberty and our property.

"How hollow your fair words read in the newspapers sandwiched in between the burning of Cork and the murder of Canen Magnor and Timethy Orwier.

"If you really wish for peace, allow the constitution adopted by the Irish people at the last general election to perform its legitimate functions and actions of the world. Then arrange the terms of a treaty by direct negotiations with the official head of Irish republic. President de Valera. This is the ortpossible road to that reconciliation with the official head of that with moderation and common sense on both sides it might have been possible to reach an understanding which would put a stop to strife in Ireland and pave the way to a reconciliation. You now imply that in your judgment the only road to peace is the recognition of an Irish republic and the negotiation of a treaty with some one designate as the official head of that republic.

"I have never failed to make it clear that there is no possibility of a settlement there is no road to peace so long as an Irish republic and that though I am willing to explore every avenue toward an honorable, constitutional settlement there is no road to peace so long as the Sinn Fein pensits in trying to compleancy settlement by means of assassination and violence. The only way to peace is that the leaders of the Sinn Fein pensits in trying to compleance the compleance and the pensitution of the compleance and the pensitution and t

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### Thousands Starving Snow and Colder

## water came in too fast. In less than five minutes, and before the passengers were aware of their peril, it was said, the boat listed and went under. New York, Dec. 18.—Thirteen thousand Greek refugees, who for four months were near starvation at Batum, republic of Georgia, have been removed to Greece by the new Greek government, it was announced in a cablegram received at an annumber of dead as a result of the Kanawhar iver ferry boat accident Saturday, was set at five by county officials Saturday, was set at five by county officials Saturday, after checking the boat's occupants, it was announced that when the ferry capsized, the craft was carrying 16 passengers. Eleven have been accounted for. None of the bodies had been recovered Saturday night. New York, Dec. 18.—Thirteen thousand Greek refugees, who for four months were near starvation at Batum, republic of Georgia, have been recovered georgement, it was announced in a cablegram received at the headquarters of the Near East relief here Saturday. The lives of hundreds, the message said, were saved through American relief before saturday is from Mendoza province late Saturday night estimated the dead in the earthquake at 150. INTENSIFIED WAR INTENSIFIED WAR SHOW as and Colder This Week's Guess Washington, Dec. 18.—Weather predictions: Rocky mountain region: Cold sand generally fair but with occasional snows in high regions. Buenos Aires, Dec. 18.—Reports from Mendoza province late Saturday night estimated the dead in the earthquake at 150. INTENSIFIED WAR SHOW as and Colder This Week's Guess Washington, Dec. 18.—Weather predictions: Rocky mountain region: Cold sand generally fair but with occasional snows in high regions. Buenos Aires, Dec. 18.—Reports from Mendoza province late Saturday night estimated the dead in the earthquake at 150. INTENSIFIED WAR SHOW AND COLDER TO THIS WEAK TO THIS W under any circumstances, have a harm-ful effect he said. Representative Stevenson, Democrat, South Carolina, denied that the measure was class legislation. Lafayette Wireless END OF BAD WEEK

Dublin, Dec. 18.—Intensified warfare—the usual accompaniment of peace parleys—marked the close of an eventful week in Ireland. Extensive raids and wholesale arrests by police and military and increased activity of the Irish republican army in attacking crown forces will make up the news in the Irish papers Sunday. Little will be published about the efforts of peace makers to bring about a settlement, but if optimistic predictions of the principal intermediaries are fulfilled, a truce is near at hand.

"Martial law circular No, 1" issued over the signature of General Sir Neville MacReady says that all the forces of the crown may rest assured that so

Greeks Repatriated

by New Government;

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Bordeaux, Dec. 18.—Rear Admiral Thomas P. Magruder, naval attache to the American embassy in Paris, on behalf of the American government Saturday delivered to the French government the LaFayette wireless station built by the American navy department at Croix d'Hins during the war to provide better communication with the United States and presented by the United States to France. The station is the

"Any person subject to military or declined to give assistance to the court. mony.

# GROUNDLESS, COURT FINDS

Ill-Considered, Regrettable and Thoroughly Unwarranted Were Reflections, Declares Naval Inquiry Court Report, Presided Over by Rear Admiral Mayo, After Survey of Conditions.

Washington, Dec. 18 .- (By The Associated Press) .- The naval court of inquiry which investigated the conduct of marines in Haiti reported to Secretary Daniels Saturday that there "had been no proper grounds" for the statement by Brig. Gen. George Barnett, former commandant of marine corps, that the American Nicholas Murray Butler occupation forces had been guilty of "practically indiscriminate

After careful survey of conditions, the court, presided over by Rear Admiral Henry T. Mayo, found that General Barnett's charges were ill considered, regrettable and thoroughly unwarranted reflections" on the work of the marine corps in Haiti, adding that the corps had pering the court, which declined to recommend trial My court martial of

Solicit British Envoy

for Funds Unawares

Philac I lphia, Dec. 18.—When Sir Auckland Geddes, British ambassador to the United States, arrived at a hotel here Saturday night, where he was scheduled to speak at the New England society dinner, he was greeted by 150 placards telling of the alleged conditions in Ireland during occupancy of the "black and tans." The pasteboard banners were carried by women describing themselves as American citizens."

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As the ambassador stepped from an automobile he was forced to make his way through a column of Irish sympathizers, who failed to recognize him. Several of the women, members of the Irish Rellef society, under whose auspices the demonstration was held, solicited him for money.

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Irish Sympathizers

The marines virtually were given a clean bill by the court, which declined to recommend trial My court martial of Freeman Lang of Los Angeles and Roras Williams of Birmingham, Alabama, chargwiniams of Dirmingnam, Alsoama, coars-ed by native witnesses at the Port au Prince hearing with the murder of Hait-ians. Indeed, the Lang and Williams cases were not mentioned, and naval of-ficers explained that this meant that evidence against them was not documed sufficient to demand criminal prosecution.

"In all such cases" of unjustifiable conduct by marines the court found that disciplinary action already had been tak-

The findings as made public were approved by Secretary Daniels and Major Jen. John A. Lejeune, commandant of

the marine corps. Text of Court's Findings.

The text of the court's findings follows:

"The court finds that two unjustifiable homicides have been committed, one each by two of the personnel of the United States mayal service which has served in Haiti since July 28, 1915, and that 16 other serious acts of violence have been perpetrated against citizens of Haiti during the same period by individuals of such personnel.

"The court finds further that these offenses were all isolated acts of individuals and that in every case the responsible party was duly brought to trial before a general courtmartial, convicted and sentenced.

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"This jury has found no evidence of the commission of any other unjustifiable homicides or other serious injustifiable acts of oppression or of violenc against any of the citizens of Hait, or unjustifiable damage or destruction of their property caused by any of the personnited are those wherein disciplinary action has already been taken and where no further proceedings could he had in the matter, the court has not deemed it necessary to report further upon the question of responsibility.

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The house struck out two of the senate resolutions stating the opinion of congress that federal reserve banks. The vote was 132 in favor, to 20 against on the motion to strike out.

The final vote came after five hours of debate. Chairman McFadden, of the danking committee, leading the opposition. He characterized it as class legislation which would lead to inflation. Representative Mann, Republican, of Illinois, supporting the bill, said he did not see how it could do harm and probably would do some good. Representative Mondell, Wyoming, majority leader, said the bottom had fallen out of business because private institutions had not been able to extend the required retief. Revival of the finance corporation would help the situation and could not, under any circumstances, have a harmful effect, he said. human character, such defects as result in the commission of similar offenses in the United States and elsewhere in the best regulated communities.

Quiet After Century "The general conduct of our troops of cocupation can be fairly judged by the results of that occupation.

"Now, for the first time in more than 100 years tranquility and security of life and property may be said to prevail in Haiti.

France by America

Haiti.

"The Haitian people themselves welcomed the coming of our men and are unwilling to have them depart.

"The establishment and maintenance tranquil conditions and them of security of life and property all over the republic of Haiti has been arduous and dangerous and a thankless task. That task our marines have performed with fidelity and great gallantry.

"The court cannot refrain from recording its opinion of the reflections which have been made upon the officers who have served in Haiti.

Rank and File Attitude.

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