

GUNBOATS LEAVE TAMPICO IN HURRY

Tampico, Mexico, April 23, via Vera Cruz, April 24.—There is great apprehension here today. Shortly after an order had been issued advising all Americans resident in Tampico and vicinity to leave immediately the scout cruiser Chester cleared for action and steamed down the river. The gunboat Dolphin also cleared for action and followed her. Both vessels notably saluted the British cruiser Hermione as they passed. Later the

Des Moines steamed away with her gun crews standing ready. The three vessels disappeared round the bend of the river and passed out to sea. It is understood the Des Moines would remain off port while the rest of the American vessels proceeded to Vera Cruz. The disappearance of protecting ships caused astonishment and dismay among Americans, who were unable to believe they had been deliberately abandoned on what appeared to be the eve of hostilities in the midst of a population known to cherish feelings of hatred against Americans. Advice since the above dispatch was filed told of Americans being taken to ships by British and German cruisers.

SAILING ORDER TO 2 DREADNOUGHTS

New York, April 24.—Rear Admiral Cameron Winslow today raised the flag on the new super-dreadnought New York, flagship of the special service squadron, which yesterday was ordered to Mexican waters. The New York and her sister ship Texas leave tomorrow or Sunday. Two hundred marines have been ordered to join. The New York has just been placed in commission, and as yet has not had

her "shaking-down," but today, after a test, engineers reported the engines in perfect order. All heavy ammunition has been stowed away and small ammunition will be transferred to the vessel from the Arkansas in Mexican waters. The cruiser Washington, which has been the receiving ship at the navy yard, will be placed in commission today, and rush orders given to have her made fit for sea duty. The battleship Wyoming was designated as temporary receiving ship. Late this afternoon from Boston to take on ammunition the battleship Nebraska was due preparatory to steaming for Vera Cruz.

Will Direct Air Fleet in Mexico



Brig. Gen. George P. Scriven.

Brig. Gen. George P. Scriven is chief of the United States army signal corps. Together with Lieut. Col. Samuel Reber, chief of the division of aeronautics, he will direct the operations of Uncle Sam's aeroplane fleet in Mexico.

War News Names

Here are some of the names with which Americans are or may soon be come familiar, and the pronunciation: Huerta—Oo-ER-tah. Villa—VEE-yah. Zacatecas—Zac-ah-TAY-cas. Tamulipas—Tah-y-mo-LEE-pas. Queretaro—Kay-RET-a-roh. Jalisco—Hat-LEES-co. Guanajuato—Gwah-nah-HWAH-to. Oaxaca—Wah-HAH-kah. Texcoco—TES-co-co. Tehuantepec—Tay-WAHN-tay-pec. Tampico—Tam-PEE-co. Torreón—Tor-ray-OWN. Hidalgo—Ee-DAH-geh. San Luis Potosí—Sahn-Loe-EES-Po-to-SEE. Coahuila—Co-ah-WEE-lah. Aguas Calientes—AH-gwas Cal-eh-EN-tes. Guerrero—Gher-RARE-o. Tlaxcala—Tlas-KAH-lah. Tuxpan—TOOS-pam. Chihuahua—Chee-WAH-wah.

Selfish Etiquette. Some rules in an old-book on etiquette seem to encourage a practice commonly called "looking out for No. 1." Here are two of them: When cake is passed do not finger each piece, but with a quick glance select the best. Never refuse to taste of a dish because you are unfamiliar with it or you will lose the taste of many a delicacy while others profit by your abstinence, to your lasting regret.

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To the lady or miss looking for her Spring and Summer suit we have news of great importance.

The newest of all the new thoughts in authentic Spring and Summer modes are embraced in our collection of women's and misses, coats and suits—new not only in the lines on which they are cut, but also in the weaves, designs and colorings of the cloths. Women who demand "individuality" in outer garments will find it here in the broadest sense of the word. Thus do we uphold the prestige of this store of fashion. As we employ an army of buyers who do nothing else but scan the market for the newest and best garments and buy in such enormous quantities for our chain of 115 stores, that's why we sell for less.



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These suits are the season's latest styles and cloths.

A Sale of Regular \$15 Coats at \$8.98

We place on sale over fifty new Spring Coats, all latest colors, in tango, Copenhagen, blue, King blue, gray and black, guaranteed silk peau de chine, lined throughout, tomorrow all day, these \$15.00 Coats go at **\$8.98**



Special in Women's House Dresses at

85c

We received some excellent Gingham Dresses that would readily sell at \$1.25, beautifully trimmed kimona shoulder, good fitting dresses, well made; we place these dresses on sale tomorrow **85c** at.....

Millinery Specials for Saturday



We select one hundred hats, beautifully trimmed, all latest styles and shapes, up to \$7.50 none worth less than \$6.50, go tomorrow at.....**\$4.98**

Some very special values are on sale at **\$3.98** and.....**\$2.95**

Colonial Pumps

in satin, patent, bronze and dull kid. The easiest way to spoil the effect of an elaborate costume is to wear the wrong shoes with it. Dorothy Dodd Shoes are made in such a wide variety of styles that you can find a shoe for any dress. This is very important to women who keep up with the fashions. Will you let us help to complete your new costume? Baby Doll Pumps with the low flat heel and broad toe in patent and dull leather, all sizes, at.....**\$2.75** Children's Oxfords, tan, lace Oxfords, sizes up to 10½, at.....**98c**

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Bargains in Men's and Boys' Shirts

New French cuff soft Shirts, made of fine imported madras and percales, at **\$1.50** and.....**98c** Boys' soft Shirt, French cuffs, all styles, plain, cream, white, light blue or fancy patterns, all sizes.....**49c** Men's fine Balbriggan Shirts and Drawers, all sizes.....**25c** Men's Union Suits, summer weight, 49c and.....**49c** Boys' Summer Underwear, Shirt and Drawers, or Union Suit, 49c and.....**25c**

We Continue the Big Rug Sale Saturday READ! READ!

We offer for immediate sale near 100 Rugs. Axminster Rugs, 9x12 size, at **\$20.60** Body Brussels Rugs, 9x12 size, **\$23.50** Tapestry Rugs, 9x12 size, at **\$13.50** Best Wilton Rugs, 9x12 size, at **\$33.00** We will lay aside any rug for you on the payment of **\$2.00**.

Specials for House Cleaning Days
Electric Wall Paper Cleaner, 10c size, **7c** per can.
Bon Ami for cleaning windows; paint kitchen utensils, etc., 10c size, per cake, **7c**
Wright's Silver Cream, 25c size, per bottle, **17c**
Liquid Veneer, makes old things new, 25c size, per bottle, **19c**
Amonia, pint bottle, each, **4c**
Quart bottles, 7c each.
Moth Balls, best quality, worth 10c, per lb., **5c**
Kitchen Kleanser or Light House Cleanser, per can, **4c**
Twenty Mule Team Borax, 10c size, per pkg., **7c**
Gold Dust, per pkg., 18c and..... **5c**
Carbena Cleaning Fluid, 25c size, per bottle, **17c**
Eko Spot Remover, 25c size, **17c**
Bowman's Etalain Gloss Furniture Polish, 25c size, **17c**
Morgan's Hand Sapolio, 10c size, per cake, **7c**
Saturday Specials
Wall Paper At **4½** a roll, neat Kitchen Paper. At **5c** a roll, pretty Bedroom Paper. At **15c** a roll, Two-tone Oatmeal Paper. **5 lbs. Muresco, 38c**

Fruits and Nuts in the Foreign Trade

Washington, D. C., April 24.—More than half a billion dollars' worth of fruits and nuts passed into and out of domestic ports during the last decade, \$365,000,000 being imports and \$220,000,000 exports. The trade in each direction has about doubled in the last decade. Imports having risen from twenty-four and one-half to forty-eight and three-fourths million dollars and exports from nineteen and three-fourths to thirty-three and three-fourths million dollars in the period from 1903 to 1913. The opening months of 1914 show, according to statistics compiled by the bureau of foreign and domestic commerce, department of commerce, increased imports and diminished exports of fruits and nuts as compared with January and February of last year. Imports during the first two months of this year aggregated over six million dollars' value, or 20 per cent more than those for a like period of 1913, while exports amounted to four million dollars, or about 30 per cent less than a year ago. The sharp decrease in exports reflects the shortage of crops during 1913 on the Pacific coast, where, it is reported, stocks of all kinds of dried fruits on hand at the present time are at the lowest point ever recorded. Our domestic food supply was supplemented last year by 32 million dollars' worth of fruits and 16 million dollars' worth of nuts from foreign countries and, in addition over four million dollars' worth of fruits and nuts from Hawaii and three and one-half million dollars' worth from Porto Rico. A comparatively small number of countries supply most of the fruits and nuts, other than those of domestic production, consumed in the United States. Bananas are exclusively from the British West Indies and Central America; last year's imports were valued

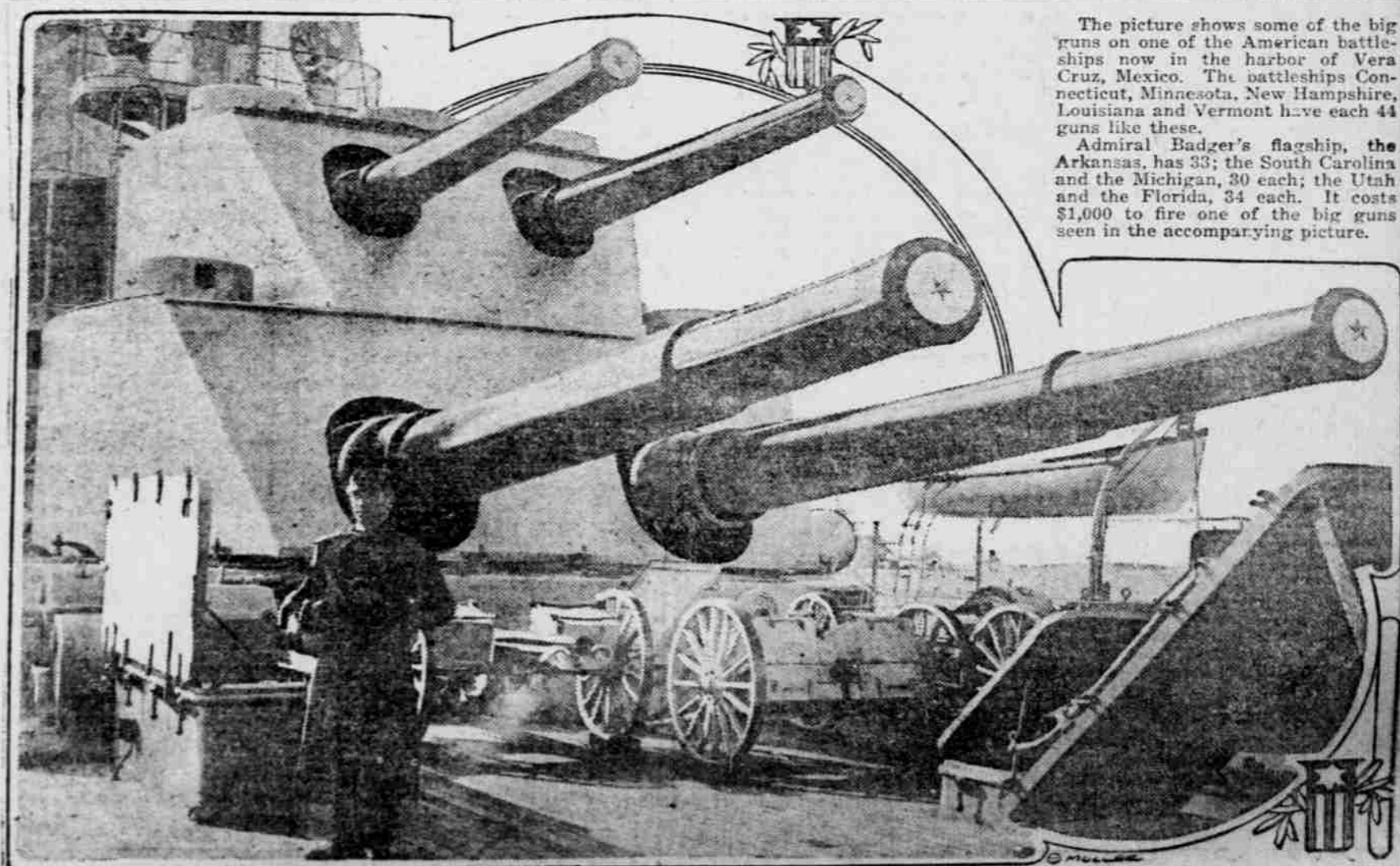
at 15 million dollars, or almost double the figures of 1913. Sicily supplied most of the six and one-half million dollars' worth of lemons imported. We now import over 40 million pounds of dates annually, chiefly from Asiatic Turkey. Currants come principally from Greece, from which country we import from 30 to 40 million pounds annually. Most of the 20 million pounds of figs imported annually come from a strip of land near Smyrna about 90 miles long and less than one mile wide, this being the world's chief dried-fig district. We also import from one to two million cubic feet of grapes, nearly all from Spain. Spain rivals Asiatic Turkey as a source for our imported raisins and exceeds Greece and Italy in shipments of olives to the United States, though Italy still supplies most of our imported olive oil. The domestic orange has almost entirely supplanted the imported fruit, the few oranges still being imported coming chiefly from Jamaica. Mexican oranges are no longer imported, having been excluded by plant-quarantine order. In Hawaii the pineapple is becoming an important industry, that island having sent us last year four million dollars' worth, or forty times as much as in 1903. Cuba is also an important source, while pineapples are received from Porto Rico in rapidly increasing quantities. The so-called English walnut is almost exclusively the product of France, from which country we import from 15 to 25 million pounds annually. Our imported almonds are mostly from Spain and Italy; our filberts from Brazil; coconuts in the shell, from Central America and the West Indies; coconuts meat, or copra, from the Philippines and other oriental islands; and peanuts, from Japan, Spain, China and in lesser quantities from various countries in Europe, Asia, and North America.

While domestic consumption still absorbs our rapidly growing production of fruit, the exports of that class are distributed in all parts of the world. Europe is the principal customer for all our exported fruits except oranges, lemons, and raisins. Germany takes about one-half of the dried apples and the United Kingdom a like proportion of the green apples exported. Nearly one-half of the apricots went last year to France, Germany, and the Netherlands, while the United Kingdom alone took one-third of the total. Nearly all of the oranges, over three-fourths of the lemons, and over one-half of the raisins exported went to Canada. Germany and Canada each take about one-third of the dried peaches exported, the remainder going to about 50 different countries. Out of 94 million pounds of prunes exported last year, 34 million went to Germany, 14 million to France, 11 million to the United Kingdom, and 12 million to Canada. Fruits and nuts exported last year included: Apples, green or ripe, seven and one-half million dollars; dried apples, two and three-fourth million; prunes, five and one-half million; oranges, 2 two-thirds million; apricots, two and one-third million; pears, one and one-half million; raisins, one million; berries, two-thirds of a million; and peanuts, lemons, and peaches, each one-third million.

Americans Owners of Most of Mexico

Estimates made today in financial circles of the amount of interest held in Mexico by the United States, as compared with other powers, show: Property owned by Americans.....\$1,057,770,000 Property owned by Mexicans.....793,187,242 Property owned by British.....750,525,000 French financial interest (estimated).....1,000,000,000

HERE ARE SOME OF THE BIG GUNS THAT SWEEP THE CITY OF VERA CRUZ



The picture shows some of the big guns on one of the American battleships now in the harbor of Vera Cruz, Mexico. The battleships Connecticut, Minnesota, New Hampshire, Louisiana and Vermont have each 44 guns like these. Admiral Badger's flagship, the Arkansas, has 33; the South Carolina and the Michigan, 30 each; the Utah and the Florida, 24 each. It costs \$1,000 to fire one of the big guns seen in the accompanying picture.