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**PLANS OF NAVY FOR 1920 ARE GIVEN OUT BY REAR ADMIRAL**

WASHINGTON, Dec. 11.—Twenty-nine battleships, manned by 40,000 men, will be maintained in active service after next March 1, according to the plans of the navy department as disclosed by Rear Admiral Coontz, acting chief of operations, in testimony before the house naval committee in connection with the 1920 naval appropriation bill. Eight cities, battleships will be held in reserve, he said, and will be manned by a two-thirds complement. Other units of the navy to be in commission after March 1 were given by Admiral Coontz as follows:

Seventeen cruisers for active service, with two or five in reserve and manned by 12,000 men; 24 yachts in the patrol force, including gunboats and other craft, for which 3,900 men would be required; 168 destroyers, 29,600 men; 50 submarines, 4,500 men; 14 supply boats, 2,498 men; 168 submarine chasers, 5,400 men; 37 eagle boats, complement not given; 42 transports, 58,000 men; 37 mine sweepers, 2,400 men; 18 submarine and destroyer tenders, 6,200 men.

An aviation force of 6,000 men including aviators, ground officers and mechanics, is also planned after March 1, the admiral said, while the force of miscellaneous employees, including radio men, would number 20,000. Thirty thousand apprentice seamen will be in training under the navy's plans.

Discharges are being made at a rapid rate, Admiral Coontz said, and it soon will be necessary to recruit the personnel of the navy at 350,000, at which it is planned to be held during the 1920 fiscal year. He said 220,000 men would be required for operating the navy vessels and another 130,000 for the merchant ships.

America's merchant fleet, he said, is fast growing, and by July 1, next, will number 725 ships under the operation of the navy. "Thirteen hundred other merchant craft, he said, will be added during the 1920 fiscal year."

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**NAPOLION AND WILSON IN**

PARIS, Dec. 11.—When President Wilson starts work in his study in the Murat mansion he will be surrounded on all sides by the likeness of Napoleon. A marble bust of Napoleon is on a pedestal directly in the rear of the desk at which President Wilson will work. Every wall panel has upon it a painting either of Napoleon or one of his generals, or of their families.

Many priceless works of art, removed during the long range bombardment of Paris, have been returned to the mansion. In every room, in every hall, there is some object to recall the days of Napoleon.

The president's study on the second floor has a large bay window and a few chairs which sit in the window. The room is furnished in red and white, and a low row of book cases on one side. In the center on heavy wood pedestals are a large golden eagle and a bronze statue of a charging French dragon.

The president's bedroom adjoins his study. It is large and bright, and is furnished with a bed which is shaped like a gondola. The bedroom also contains pictures of Napoleon, principally when he was in military uniform. The bed is an American electric light and a modern American telephone.

These American instruments look strangely out of place amid the furnishings, many of which come down to the president from Napoleon's days.

In the president's suite in the dressing room adjoining the bedroom is a large bath. The floor is covered with carpets of great thickness and there are pictures on the walls. The president's suite occupies nearly the entire second floor of the house.

The Princess Murat's maid is sitting on finishing touches for the reception of President and Mrs. Wilson. When the president enters the mansion the first thing which he will see will be the French dolls, called *Aisace* and *Lorraine*, in the room.

The other rooms and salon on the first floor are decorated with beautiful tapestries which were made by the Murat family and gold tapestries. The room is furnished with a large golden eagle and a bronze statue of a charging French dragon.

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**KANSAS CITY CARS STOPPED BY STRIKE**

KANSAS CITY, Dec. 11.—Kansas City's street railway system was completely tied up this morning as a result of a strike of the food products company employees, called at 4 o'clock. No effort was made to run any cars during the early rush hours. In addition, part of the residence district was without electric lights.

At Leavenworth, Kan., a car strike also became effective at 4 o'clock this morning, which not only stopped all city cars, but tied up the interurban line between Leavenworth and Kansas City.

The strike at Kansas City resulted from a controversy over wages. The federal war labor board recently ruled an increase in the wage scale dependent, however, on the financial ability of the Kansas City Railway company or the possibility of the company being able to charge an increased fare. The federal court here refused recently to grant an injunction which would permit the street car company from applying a 3-cent fare and charging 1 cent for transfers. Company officials say the present 6-cent fare is not sufficient to justify the wage award.

The situation at Leavenworth is said to be similar to that at Kansas City. There are 100 cars in the city and 100 jitney cars handed part of the street car patrons while others were compelled to walk to work.

**LABOR MEN UNITING TO WELCOME WILSON**

PARIS, Dec. 11.—The general labor federation has sent out the following notice to its adherents:

"In view of the coming of President Wilson and to answer underhanded intrigues directed against him and his conception of a peoples' peace, the labor movement in this country is organizing a committee to greet the president on the day of his arrival, wishes to associate itself with the general labor organizations. It asks them to organize meetings at which resolutions may be adopted to be forwarded to President Wilson through the American embassy. This double manifestation on the part of the workers of Paris and the provinces will give President Wilson needed help to bring about a triumph for his conception of a peoples' peace."

**GRAIN MAN DIES ON WESTERN RANCH**

SANTA BARBARA, Cal., Dec. 11.—William H. Bartlett, for many years head of the board of trade firm of Bartlett, Frazier & Co. in Chicago, died suddenly at his ranch at Vermejo Park, N. M. Bartlett retired some 14 years ago and had made his home on his ranch, an estate of some 300,000 acres in Northern New Mexico.

**MASON FINED \$50.**

E. E. Mason, merchant of Carthageville, Mo., arrested Monday night on a charge of interfering with a jury, was fined \$50 by Judge Fitzgerald Tuesday afternoon. Mason is also under indictment for violating the liquor law, having been arrested with Patrolman S. D. Northcutt last week with 25 cases of liquor.

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**AMERICAN OFFICERS GET FRENCH DECORATIONS**

TOURS, Tuesday, Dec. 10.—Major James G. Harbord, head of the supply service of the American expeditionary force, and six aides, Capt. H. Norris Williams II, of Philadelphia, former national lawn tennis champion, and Capt. Fielding Robinson of Norfolk, Va., were decorated with the French war cross by Gen. Brumley under his own auspices and his staff, the prefect of the department, the mayor and a large crowd of citizens gathered to witness the ceremony.

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**LAWRENCE "OVER THERE" TELLS OF ACTIVITY AT BREST**

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ing them into a rapid outgoing body. It is estimated that 100,000 troops will leave here monthly. The rate of arrival was recently as high as 30,000 daily, but the British, French and Italian governments are requiring their own vessels now for transport purposes and have been canceling the charters of the merchant ships.

The situation makes necessary the building of large camps here in order to accommodate the troops waiting ships to take them home. It is the intention to accommodate at least 25,000 troops here at one time, and provide adequate hospital facilities for them, although it is thought that the sick rate will be very low. Every effort is being made by Gen. Helmick to give comfort to the returning soldiers, and while it is impossible to furnish them with everything that might be desired, conditions will be infinitely better than upon their arrival.

In this connection, my own impression is that the American people ought to free the necessity of sustaining the splendid policy of Secretary Baker and Gen. March in declining to permit political influence of any sort to govern the selection of the home-going contingents, and in more exaggerating the thousands of veterans after a year in the trenches than to see a newly arrived regiment ordered back to America through special influence. Troops should go back to the United States in the regular way, and not be sent to France to be held in camp, already being given preference, but of course, the troops are required to carry these men and it is the natural desire of all the others to be the first ones to start for home.

Secretary Baker throughout the war has given Gen. Pershing and his overseas officers the greatest leeway and absolutely no political pressure has been permitted. Therefore he has the confidence of the overseas troops who would a similar policy will be followed hereafter. Because this is a deep-water port, most American soldiers will say good-bye to France here. There will be no such big camps of embarkation as there were at Lige and Merville, at home but as rapidly as possible the arrangements are being made for sending the men back.

Until recently Gen. George Harris, of Washington, was concentrating his attention upon getting troops for the battle front, undisturbed one day and on route by the railroad the next. His work was recognized when he was appointed by Gen. Pershing as a member of the American people's committee, which was never expected that the work of evacuation would have to begin so soon, but Gen. Harris has done a splendid job, a large force constructing shelters for the troops that are coming back.

The town is filled with American heroes from the battle front who have to catch a glimpse of their commander-in-chief, whose greatest job, peace, is ahead. While they most and merit, it was never expected that the work of evacuation would have to begin so soon, but Gen. Harris has done a splendid job, a large force constructing shelters for the troops that are coming back.

**TAKES PISTOL FROM MAN, THEN KILLS HIM**

BYHALIA, Miss., Dec. 11.—A negro, Brumley, white, was clubbed to death by Ben Ingram, negro, 10 miles south of here late yesterday afternoon. Brumley was a member of the United Negro College, which Ingram wrested from Brumley after the latter had shot at him several times. The killing is the culmination of trouble of several years standing. Brumley was overpowered after a severe scuffle and Ingram beat out his brains. Ingram voluntarily surrendered to officers.

Brumley killed a \$200 mule, owned by Joe Aigee, while scuffling at Ingram.

**NYOMING MOB HANGS NEGRO WHO SHOT MEN**

GREEN RIVER, Wyo., Dec. 11.—A mob of 500 persons lynched "Doc" Woodson, a negro, hanging him from a telephone pole in front of the court-house here after he had shot Albert Miller, a white man on the Union Pacific railway, killing him instantly, and wounding another railroad man.

The shooting followed the ejection of the negro from the dining room at place for several minutes, when one of the men reached through the opening and struck him with a blunt instrument.

**TAMALE VENDOR ROBBED OF \$10 BY FOOTPADS**

J. M. Lucas, tamale vendor, 1562 Latham street, was knocked unconscious by two negro footpads Tuesday night at 10 o'clock in his stand at Latham street and Cambridge avenue, and robbed of \$10.

Lucas reported the robbery to police headquarters when he revived. His two assailants had been loitering around the place for several minutes, when one of them reached through the opening and struck him with a blunt instrument.

**NAVAL BASE POWER PLANT IS DESTROYED**

NORFOLK, Va., Dec. 11.—Fire last night destroyed the power plant at the naval operating base on Hampton road, with a loss estimated at \$500,000. The fire broke out at 11:30 p. m. and was caused by a strong northerly wind. The fire for a time threatened the entire base. The base fire department, however, succeeded after half an hour's fighting in confining the flames to the power house. The origin of the fire is not known.

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