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# WASHINGTON GOSSIP

## Your Uncle Sam Is Watching Mexico



WASHINGTON.—So menacing have conditions on the Texas border become that a patrol of United States troops has been established on the Rio Grande to co-operate with the civil authorities in the enforcement of the neutrality laws. Secretary of War Stimson has authorized General Duncan, commanding the department of Texas, to enforce the laws with vigor and to move the troops under his command within divisional limits without waiting orders from the department. The United States has 5,000 troops on the border and it is not probable more will be sent south. Orders to mobilize 25,000 men in the zone paralleling the northern boundary of Mexico have been issued by the war department of Mexico to capture any bands of revolutionists who may be successful in crossing the border from Texas and to suppress any trouble that may arise.

The arrest of Gen. Bernardo Reyes at San Antonio, Tex., on charge of violating our neutrality laws, and other steps taken by the United States authorities to prevent the organization

of another revolution on American soil, indicate the attitude of Washington. The steps were dictated as much by domestic economic considerations as by regard for the stability of the Madero regime in Mexico.

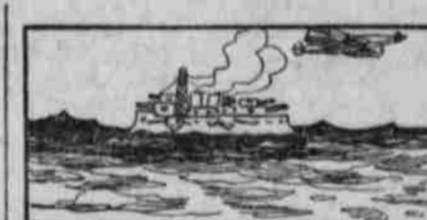
The United States does not want another war in Mexico. The last revolution, which lasted about nine months, cost the United States about \$20,000,000, not including the damage done to American property in Mexico. American capitalists who have invested in the neighboring republic do not want to see another series of disorders.

Federal authorities have seized great quantities of arms and ammunition at Laredo, Tex., and other points along the border. The officers were led to the cache by Juan Meriga, shortly after his arrest on the same indictment as that found against General Reyes. He confessed the arms were collected in Texas and were to have been used in a revolt against Madero. He stated the revolution was to be in behalf of General Reyes and that the general was the leader of the plot. Three other alleged Reyesists were arrested at Laredo and all confessed they were implicated in revolutionary plots.

The Mexican authorities are still sceptical about the threatened revolution, but President Madero and his cabinet are taking every precaution against letting it get a start in the border states.

## Each Ship May Carry Own Aeroplane

ANOTHER year will see the hydro-aeroplane developed to such an extent that each battleship of the American navy may have its own flying machine, in the opinion of Capt. Washington I. Chambers, who has charge of the aeronautical work of the navy department.



Captain Chambers believes that as soon as a solution is found for the motor problem, on which practically all aviation experts now are working, the installation of hydro-aeroplanes as a part of the equipment of battleships will be begun.

It is not considered probable that the navy aeronauts will follow the plans of the army and move their equipment south for practice during the winter. When the weather at Annapolis, where the navy hydro-aeroplane experiments are carried on, becomes too disagreeable for flying purposes, the aeronauts will give attention exclusively to motor problems. They believe that by the time the flying season opens again in the spring they will have perfected a motor peculiarly adapted to their purposes.

Free entry into this country for experimental purposes is being sought by the navy department for an instrument designed to indicate the direction from which wireless telegraph messages are coming. Although the navy would be willing to pay for a set of these instruments, it has balked at the heavy duty and is looking to the treasury department for relief.

In time of war, naval officers say, this instrument would be invaluable. Although messages being sent by an enemy would be in code, it is said that it would be possible to ascertain whether the waves going through the air were from the enemy's vessels, and with the indicator pointing the direction, it would be comparatively easy to locate a hostile fleet.

## Nation's Great Annual Loss by Fire



PRESENT indications are that the fire losses in the United States and Canada for 1911 will exceed \$260,000,000. The figures for the first seven months of the year show a total of \$154,992,900, as compared with \$126,067,800 during the same period last year. The losses for 1910 were \$234,496,650, and if the present ratio of increase continues throughout the year, the 1911 losses may approach \$300,000,000. This will exceed any year in the history of the country except those of the San Francisco and Baltimore conflagrations.

Government officials, underwriters and firemen agree that the majority of these fires are due to carelessness and are easily preventable. All of the recent fires, which have attracted pub-

lic attention because of the heavy loss of life with which they were accompanied, were due to the carelessness and indifference of the owners, occupants, or municipal authorities.

New York has been spending \$10,000,000 a year for fire extinguishment and only \$10,000 for fire prevention. The recent shirt waist factory fire aroused the public and the authorities, and fire prevention is to be made much more prominent hereafter.

The most important consideration is the development of a sense of personal responsibility on the part of property owners for the excessive fire waste, which is draining the resources of the country and weakening its insurance capital. A score of fire insurance companies have retired from the field already this year, because of the heavy losses last year and the unfavorable outlook.

## Army's Many Useless Hitching Posts

IN the United States proper, we have approximately 30,000 mobile troops, half of whom have been in the army long enough to have become trained soldiers. Unfortunately the system under which the government manages the army permits of no such efficiency. This dissection is accomplished by putting small garrisons in the "forts" or posts, which are scattered throughout the length and breadth of the land, chiefly at points were absolutely no excuse for the presence of a military force exists.



Some of these posts were erected to meet military exigencies incident to the war of the revolution; some were established as temporary cantonments for troops during the war of 1812; some are relics of the Mexican war; others were built along the frontier to give protection to the western settlers against Indian depredations. The military necessity for these posts (irre-

erently called "Hitching Posts" by the army) has long since expired, but few have been abandoned. Around these garrisons, during the long years of their existence, settlements and towns have grown up which are principally dependent upon the pay of the soldiers.

Every effort by the army to have these useless and expensive establishments abandoned has been bitterly contested, and in most instances sufficient pressure has been brought to bear to defeat every effort to withdraw the troops. Apart from the treasure waste incident to the erection and up-keep of these properties, they are the chief source of inefficiency in the army.

## WEST INDIAN BANANA FREAKS

Man Long in Fruit Business Sends Photograph of Two Remarkable Formations.

New York.—From Kingston, Jamaica, comes a photograph of banana freaks, sent by W. N. Livingston, who says:

"In the accompanying picture are depicted two freaks. One a monster banana of the Martinique variety, weighing 135 pounds, containing 15 hands, averaging 18 fingers to the hand, and a freak of the same variety, both known to botanists as the *Musa Sapientum*, with 33 laps or hands weighing 26 pounds, both well matured and cut from the same property. It is the most perfect freak that I have seen after an experience of over 25



Banana Freaks.

years in the fruit business. This happened just after storm of 1903 that laid waste the banana cultivations of this island. In going through the fields chopping down the fallen trees this one appears to have been left standing, with just the limbs or branches lopped off with the result that the fruit shot right through the open cavity bearing the peculiar formation as shown in the accompanying illustration on the right."

The Jamaica banana predominates in the markets of the United States. This predominance is the result of a combination of circumstances and intention. The banana grown in Jamaica was not indigenous to that island; or, in other words, it was imported from another part of the tropics to find nourishment and cultivation in Jamaica. The banana so widely known as the Jamaican in the markets of the United States, was born in Martinique, reared in Jamaica and sent to school in North America. It is true that bananas may be induced to grow in Florida, and that Cuba has made commendable, if not always profitable, efforts in the direction of cultivation; but in the island of Jamaica, the climate, the annual rainfall of 55 inches, a stable British protectorate assuring the obedience of a sufficient number of laborers has made it a success.

## WORLD'S OLDEST RAIN GAUGE

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Chinese Rain Gauge.

instrument made to measure the rainfall. It was a vase resting on a stone base and was placed in the observatory. Every time it rained he had his servants measure the water in the vase and report to him.

**Lure to Shoot in Her Hat.** Leighton, Pa.—The lure of the plumage which she wore in her bonnet was responsible for the fact that Mrs. Robert Rex has a bullet in her hip. Mrs. Rex and a number of ladies were walking along the Mahoning mountain, near Leighton, wearing gaudily feathered fall hats. They chanced to pass a group of boys with a toy rifle, when one of them remarked: "Let's shoot them in the hat." The bullet, however, missed the hats, but struck Mrs. Rex.

**Gives Causes of Swearing.** Minneapolis, Minn.—A. N. Gilbertson, department of psychology at the University of Minnesota, says swearing is resorted to generally by people who are not educated enough to express their passion in literary style.

## A Born Quibbler.

"Didn't I tell you not to shoot any quail on this place?" "Yassah," replied Uncle Raspberry. "You done told me an' I done heard you. Dis ain't no quail. Dis is a partridge."

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