SÃO PAULO NEWS NOTES

A Digest of the More Important Happenings in the Brazilian Coffee Trade and Industry in the Past Month

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DR. ARMANDO SALLES, the new Federal Agent, has desired his predecessor, General Daltro, commander of the Military Region, to preside over the inquiry at the São Paulo Coffee Institute, which is investigating the responsibility of Murray Simonsen & Co. The General has replied that his duty as a soldier leads him to accept this post.

INVESTIGATION OF THE INSTITUTE

O Estado de São Paulo points out that the revenues of the Institute for 1932 diminished considerably, as compared with the preceding year. Thus:

Revenues	1931	1932_
Gold tax Interest earned Dividends Sundry income	9,015	63,598 9.064 1,562 4,744
Round totals	115,480 ontos.	78,970

The principal expenditures were as follows: 1932 Interest on the Loan, first and second

semesters Sundry expenditures 54,327 5,839 7,299 39,701 4,744 3,918 3,946 Propoganda Operation of warehouses

Dr. Noah Azevedo, writing as counsel for the directorate of the Institute deposed by General Waldomiro in A Folha da Manhā, says the Committee of Investigation now sitting (at the head-quarters of the Second Battalion of Infantry) is the most grandiose and elaborate apparatus ever organized in Brazil to investigate any subject, and to judge from its first four or five sittings, is in a way to prolong its activities for years.

A decree has been issued cancelling all appointments of officials and employees made by the recent directorate of the institute (in great numbers) and promotions and increases in salary during the same period. It is estimated that at least 200 contos will be saved in payrolls. On the other hand,

General Daltro Filho, who is to preside over the investigations in that department, has issued a Regulation in eleven articles and numerous paragraphs covering the subject, whereby his committee will be composed as follows: president, first secretary, second secretary, first special delegate, second special delegate, juridical consultor, second juridical consultor, first accountant, second accountant, and clerk. He has sent invitations to the federal agents in the states of Baria and Rio, and to the president of Minas Geraes, to name expert accountants to participate in the investigation. This in the name of "his severe and unsuspected impartiality." The General has sent out a number of declarations and telegrams in connection with this affair, including the Minister for War at Rio Janeiro, in which he states that the investigation will be "under the hard protection of that inflexible morality with which he has invested all his acts"

NAVAL EXPANSION FOR BRAZIL

Large headlines in Rio papers announce that Brazil is going in for a program of naval expension. Beginning December 15 proposals for the Sion. Deginning December 19 proposals for the new constructions will be opened from London, Washington, Paris, Rome, Tokyo, and other points. No details are given out. This is confirmation of the dispatch from Tokyo on page 260 of the preceding issue of The Tea and Coffee Trade Journal. which stated that bids would be opened December 15 at the Brzilian embassies at Tokyo and seven other capitals for the construction of 30 warships to be paid for in coffee, manganese, and other Brazilian products.

The National Department of Coffee has issued

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