



TREASURY DEPARTMENT

UNITED STATES CUSTOMS SERVICE

OFFICE OF THE DEPUTY COLLECTOR

Aberdeen, Washington,

December 12, 1917.

Mr. W. R. Bryon,
Special Agent, Department of Justice,
Portland, Oregon.

Sir:

Referring to our conversation over the telephone on the 8th instant relative to my sending the bill of lading for the arms and ammunition comprising the ANNIE LARSEN cargo on her arrival at this port June 29, 1915, I beg to again state that the Collector, whom I consulted over the telephone, objects to my sending the desired paper when requested as it was. As you informed me that you were to see him on the 10th, you doubtless understand his position.

In accordance with the direction of the Collector I, therefore, did not send the document to the District Attorney. However, I will state for your information that the original manifest of the cargo is undoubtedly on file in the office of the Deputy Collector of Customs at San Diego, and I assume that you can easily secure a certified copy. The vessel cleared twice at San Diego; first about February 6th and next about a month later.

Respectfully,

R. L. Sebastian
Deputy Collector.

To Mr. Puster

From

Bryon
Dec 13, 1917