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reached the police, for some reason preferring a police raid to the federal raid. The police arrived just before agents from the New York special agents' office.

While officials in charge of yesterday's raid in Wilson avenue said they had traced Porto Rico molasses shipments to the plant and had learned alcohol was shipped out in tank cars, the independent action of the New York agents and agents from the Newark office indicated that some one had been tipped off. The activity of the New York special agents is causing much comment. They have been in on each of the last three big distilling raids here. This has given color to the tip-off stories and the tales of an interstate bootleg war.

The raid on the ship in New York, a surprise attack made soon after the boat docked and before any of the liquor had been trucked away, indicated that again the owners had been sold out by some one in the underworld.

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Another bit of evidence was a report a short time ago that a New Jersey boatload of liquor destined for the Port of Newark failed to land here because the owners feared it would be seized. It was taken into New York where sufficient money—said to be $20,000—was paid to allow it to land. Some of the liquor found its way to Newark.

This handing up of one group by a rival is not new among bootleggers, but it is believed to have increased because of the depression which has hit the alcohol market along with other businesses.

It is also believed to be part of a fight which is on in this state for domination by the Waxy Gordon mob. Gordon, known as a big time racketeer with connections with the Capones, is cementing his New Jersey connections and is already said to control the beer supply.

Yesterday's raid in Wilson avenue was made after special and local agents unknown to each other, it was said, had been watching the plant for some time. The Newark agents were ready to enter and had sent for reinforcements when the special agents arrived. A siren sounded as they entered and the workmen escaped. The building is one of the group formerly owned by the Heller & Merz Co., adjoining the Bears' Stadium.

Police Seize Big Alcohol Plant

JERSEY CITY (AP)—Police today seized an alcohol distillery valued at $100,000. The plant was in a three-story brick building at 245-47 Cornelison avenue.

Although the plant gave evidence of having been in operation a few minutes before the raid, no one was there when the police arrived. A burglar alarm system was discovered in the distillery.

The plant, believed to have been in operation not more than a week or ten days, was made known to the police through suspicion of Andrew Boyle, an inspector of the Bureau of Ash and Garbage Removal, authorities said.

Police said it was the biggest still seized in Jersey City since prohibition went into effect.

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