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OLDEST DAILY IN THE STATE.

EVIDENCE SOUGHT OF WASTE CHARGE IN ARMY AFFAIRS

to Persons Having Knowledge of "Irregularities"

SECRETARY PLEDGES FULL INVESTIGATION

fended Against Newspaper Criticism

WASHINGTON, Nov. 16 .- A blanket congress. ment pledged thorough inquiry in every disinclined to talk of the discussions. Collection of disinclined to talk of the discussions. Collection of disinclined to talk of the discussions.

cles referred to charged: First, that the war department bought too many ties, favoritism and profiteering have

armies in France."

Workers Were Protected numulation of material, which if dur.p- of industrial faults. d on the market would have resulted i widespread unemployment with de-

nd America is the only country activeengaged in the war which has up to pril 6, 1919, to June 30, 1920, were of a social crime." pproximately \$25,500,000,000, of which 6.100,000 was expended and \$800,-

al and built its plan to meet the great | war to peace conditions.

Specific charges of irregularity and ployers. foritism made by Major W. O. Watts, rmer executive officer of the surplus the statement declared. More recent try during the fall.

COTTON MEN TO MEET NEXT IN PHILADELPHIA

Selection Made Over Fifteen Other Cities

CHARLOTTE, Nov. 16.—Philadelphia was selected over nfteen other cities idding here today for the 1921 conntion of the American Cotton Manung made by the board of governors of

Other cities bidding included New ork, Atlantic City, Baltimore, Washgton, St. Louis, Richmond, New Oreans, and San Francisco and Seattle. le last convention was held in Richond and the 1907 convention in Phila-

The general situation in the textile dustry relative to time and wages was canvassed, reports showing very on of the mills with an increasing uction in wage schedules. The canof the situation, however, was nfidential and no figures were made

eneral members of the board of vernors were present: C. E. Hutchi-F. Johnston, Greensboro; John atterson, Richmond; M. L. Cannon, nnapolis; Bernard M. Cone, Greens-W. J. Vereen, Moultrie, Ga.; A. W. Freenville, S. C.; R. S. Rhinela.; W. A. Erwin, West Durham; oring to locate other suspects. art W. Cramer, Mayworth; J. D. nett. Anderson, S. C.; Arthur J.

RESIDENT ACCEPTS HONORABY LIFE MEMBERSHIP IN CLUB

NEW YORK, Nov. 16-President Wilship in the National Democratic the machine. His letter accepting the memberrecently tendered by the board of mors was made public today by ub president, John M. Heihle. It

"It is with a sense of very deep and uine appreciation that I accept the nor the National Democratic club has erred upon me by electing me an ce and esteem."

BUSINESS SLOW-UP ONLY TEMPORARY. HOOVER DECLARES

Baker Issues Blanket Invitation Former Food Administrator Tells Views to Labor Federation Council

Hoover, former Federal food adminis- opening for the first time. It did not, trator, was called into conference to- however, evoke any formal reply from the state department, the Western day by the executive council of the government officials, although there Union company, according to officials, Work of Surplus Division De- American Federation of Labor as it was preparing to issue, possibly tomor- government to a rebate, but has claimed continued to face discussion of eco- dow, a formal statement of its attinomic and industrial conditions, pre- tude. sumably for the purpose of framing a to be made by either party. It ex- of rebate fixed as a principal governing policy to be followed by the federation plained the refusal of his company to all future business with the company, in legislation which it will urge on handle any but prepaid messages for

invitation to every citizen having. Mr. Hoover was invited to the meet- shall not "arbitrarily decide what it with the German Telegraph administraknowledge of "any irregularity or mis- ing it was explained, because of his shall pay and when it shall pay for conduct on the part of any agent, em- wide knowledge of economic and in- the use of the company's facilities." ploye or officer of the war department, dustrial conditions in America. It was This order was issued November 10. submit such evidence for investiga- indicated also that the council desired it was said at the department, and in conformity with plans of the state tion was issued today by Secretary Ba- and had obtained from him data which ostensibly applicable to all depart- department for the re-establishment ker in reply to recent criticisms of the eminent engineers have gathered on ments, but it is understood to have been surplus division, apearing in a New questions pertaining to, or affecting enforced only against the state depart-York newspaper. The secretary's state- labor. Members who were in the coun- ment. Officials of that department re-

There was evidence, however, that Declaring that the particular arti- Mr. Hoover's views did not place all blame for conditions now confronting licitor of the department conferred tolabor on employers. the war department bought irregulari- Much data has been gathered by the supplies, and second, that irregulari- federation with respect to economic Much data has been gathered by the sidered legal processes to which the project were at a standstill.

characterized the disposal of surplus conditions throughout the country. It is known also that during today's con- HARDING INVITED "Had the campaign of 1919 been nec- ference, some members of the council. essary," it said, 'the American army while holding employers largely rewould have been greater in numbers sponsible for the present condition acthan the combined French and British mitted that individual groups of workers had "not played fair" in some respects. Mr. Hoover was understood The rapid demobilization of the army, to have told the conference that labor the statement continued, left a vast ac- must do its share in the investigation

Calls Report "Social Crime" Council members said they had been pobilized soldiers and war workers deeply interested in Mr. Hoover's disobless "and the economic conditions of cussion of existing conditions because of it bearing on the federation's search consequent unemployment. It is understood Mr. Hopver was told that btained full employment of labor leaders regarded the action of orditions," it added. Total appropriatione employers in closing plants or Orleans to the Canal Zone. ons for the war department from operation on part time, as "little short

With this view, however, the former food administrator was said not to back to the treasury, have agreed, explaining to the council Deducting bal- that he believed other conditions afaces on hand and amounts realized in fected plant operation more than the ales prior to June 30, it continued, labor leaders realized. He pointed to he net cash outlay to June 30 was credit conditions, the slackening of 15,770,000,000 which credit sales not foreign as well as domestic demand et turned in would reduce to about and certain other related causes, in

As to the future outlook, Mr. other words" the statement said, Hoover made no forecast. He did say, congress provided with an unstinting however, that he believed the existing and and the war department took economic depression was one of a temvery step in its power to prevent a porary nature and that it constituted necessary war mate- a part of the period of transition from

Among labor leaders there was here was no shortage. In spite of all suggestion, that the changing condiis, however, out of a total of \$25,- tions of which Mr. Hoover spoke would 0.000,000 appropriated, about \$13,000,- necessitate change of policies on the 0,000 will be the net cost of the war part of the organized workers and brough the war department and these particularly of its federation. They gures include great and valuable indicated that they were attempting operties and facilities acquired by to arrive at new conclusions, and redepartment and permanently re- shape their policy through the study ained for the use of the military es- of economic and industrial conditions confronting them as well as the em-

Gompers Cites Remedy It developed today that a number of roperty division, have been carefully important conferences between labor evestigated by the inspector general's officials and engineers and economists tepartment and found to be unsupport- were held in various parts of the counharges appearing in the published has been assembling information thus sticles also will be investigated, it obtained for its study now in prog-

> President Gompers is understood t have said to his associates that greater ing must be accorded the "human element in production."-its output to be increased and waste eliminated. His views also were understood to have indicated strongly the belief that better co-operation must be obtained beween organized labor and engineers, holding that the engineers know that organization and co-operation is necessary in order to utilize power-human or material.

The council probably will continue its discussions for several days more organization in the regular fall although it was not believed that other persons would be asked to meet

SUSPECTS ARRESTED IN SLAYING OF ACTRESS

Men Found Who Made Cabaret Tour With Women

CHICAGO, Nov. 16 .- Three men al- towed, but she is in no danger. Ramey and Lillian Inompson, two Sunday, and yesterday coast guard sea- allowed to participate in any form of actresses whose bodies were found in planes were ordered to cruise in the public appearance, such as athletics. Grant park Sunday morning, on a vicinity of Cape Lookout. cabaret tour the night before, were arrested this afternoon by detectives. The police refused to divulge the names

The men were arrested on information supplied to Policewoman Anna L ucez, who told her story to Chief of Police Fitzmorris and was assigned to assist in the case. The police believe incolnton; T. H. Rhennie, Pell the men had company and are endeav-

After questioning the men under arrest they are said to have admitted raper, Charlotte, and W. D. Adams, that they accompanied the women on harlotte, secretary of the association. the night before their death. William Harris, a chauffeur, who sur-

rendered to the police, told them he drove the woman and two men on a joy ride Saturday night, and when the women became boisterous they were has accepted honorary life mem- taken to Grant park and thrown from

SCHOONER IS ASHORE MOBILE, Ala., Nov. 16 .- The fourmasted auxiliary schooner Guanacastea. ashore near Fort Morgan, according to back in the back and it is expected the main air course. advices received here. The vassel was they will suffocate in the thick smoke. drifting ashore during a heavy norther Prary life member. I am proud to while en route here from Cuban ports. ate danger.

State Departs ent's Credit With Western Ui n Is Cancelled; All. Messages Must Be Sent Prepaid

made in New York today by Newcomb against the company. Carlton, president of the Western Union Telegraph company, that the stopped payment to the Western Union WASHINGTON, Nov. 16.—Herbert angular controversy between the company and the department into the

a cable at Miami, Fla. Under-Secretary Davis and the soday, and are understood to have con-

WASHINGTON, Nov. 16 .- Charges department might have recourse

The controversy dates back to Au-

state department had acted arbitrarily for all cable messages. Officials exin dealing with bills for cable service plained that payment had been withrendered it, served to throw the tri- held because the company was withholding the government rebate of 50 per cent on cable messages transmitted from abroad. In correspondence with it was granted voluntarily. Before resuming payment on messages, the Announcement today by the Western the state department as the department Union in New York of arrangements tion for the handling of cable traffic between Germany and the United States was explained tonight by officials as

of such communication. Whether the present dispute with the Western Union would interfere with previous negotiations for the exchange with the grant the company permission to land British of a company trans-Atlantic able for the German cable now held by Great Britain, officials declined to say. It was stated that for the present, negotiations with the company on this

TO VISIT MEXICO IN SHARP DEBATE

May Accept, But as Pri- Open Discussion Quesvate Citizen

BROWNSVILLE, Texas, Nov. 16.-An cials to go into Mexico during his voy- apply to the work of the assembly of chairman of the committee for uniform "The policies which were pursued en- for methods which will avoid inter- under advisement by President-elect which furnished the feature of today's tion of effective regulations in some ouraged the resumption of industry, mittent operation of industries and Harding. Should be accept his visit probably will be limited to a short stop at Vera Cruz on his way from New He has been asked to go into Mexico

City, but is understood to consider so extensive a trip impossible because of engagements elsewhere. The invitation was brought to Brownsville by Elias L. Torres, who said that, in urging its acceptance he spoke both for the Mexican foreign office and for General Alvaro Obregon the Mexican president-elect. In

Texas vacation, Mr. Torres made a special plea that the senator be present at Obregon's inauguration in the Mr. Harding is reported by his friends

as weighing carefully the two decisions before making a definite answer. He has told his friends that if he sets foot on the soil of any foreign country during his trip he will do so solely as a private citizen and not in any sense of official representative of the United States government.

GEORGIA BANKERS ENTER COTTON FINANCING PLAN

Subscribe Over Million to Project to Handle Product

MACON, Ga., Nov. 16. - Georgia bankers in extraordinary session here the stock of the Federal International Banking company. Georgia's quota in he proposed capital of \$6,000,000 is \$1.500,000 and it was predicted by leadof a total of 848 and 73 counties were enresented out of a total of 155. Resolutions adopted indorsed the Federal International Banking company which is designed to provide a known as the ringleaders of the Armismarket for southern cotton.

of the subscriptions will be made on been "shipped." December 10.

board vessel. The name of the ship classes, unless it is physically imposhas not been learned. It is not known petty excuse will not be tolerated for Search for the disabled vessel pegan

LEAGUE DELEGATES

tion Starts Tilt

GENEVA. Nov. 16.-How far the earnest invitation from Mexican offi- principle of open discussions might for all states were urged by Mrg. Cathage in southern waters has been taken the League of Nations was a question sessions. It brought into contest for states resulting from laxity in others. the first time in a sharp debate two or the chief figures among the delegates. the delegates.

Lord Robert Cecil, representing South Africa, contended for open meetings of the committees as well as of the full assembly. Rene Viviani of the French delegation stoutly defended the parliamentary tradition of private lication of the minutes. His view prevailed after a prolonged discussion. the question of committee work came

M. Viviani pointed out that all prece dispatch of a mass of business before them, committees, he said, were obliged to talk questions over privately. Lord Robert retorted that British procebetween the two, whereby the committees will be permitted to hold open

as soon as possible after the session TRINITY STUDENTS TO BE

sessions when they see fit, the minutes

"Cutting Classes" On Armistice Day Prompts Faculty Action

there are not more than four students,

a plan whereby the members of the freshmen class of the college who participated in the organized movement NORFOLK. Nov. 16 .- Radio messages to skip classes, must pass four of their received by the naval communication five regular courses of study to remain An official, however, let it be known office at the Hampton Roads naval in school. The upper class men must Makanda, reported in distress with to gain promotion. No student who poilers useless Sunday off Cape Look-| participated in the demonstration for out, has been picked up by a shipping an extra holiday can be absent from which has the disabled vessel in tow sible for him to attend. The usual to what port the Makanda is being the remainder of the term. No student included in the list, failing to make pass marks for current work, will be literary and musical performances.

Sixteen Miners Trapped In Blaze, Little Hope of Rescue Is Held Out

one-half mile east of here, has enheld of rescuing them.

The fire discovered late this afterwiring in a room near the opening pressed the belief that the men might report of Frank Parker state agri-The mine is owned by the St. Bernard Coal company of Evansville, Ind. A Ky., a few miles away, have arrived tinople on the Russian cruiser Cornil-

EARLINGTON, Ky., Nev. 16 .- Fire at Winslow, Ind., too far from the fire At 9 o'clock tonight when the fire had been raging almost seven hours the trapped 16 men and with the conflag- mine officials held little hope of resdead due to suffocation.

The rescue workers, however, exand quickly spread. The mine is a still be alive if they were able to bar- cultural statistician. drift mine with no shafts, making ricade themselves against the flames rescue possible only through the one and smoke, and get some of the air opening. The fire can be heard blazing being forced through an emergency 1919 season's total to the same date a negro some time ago. He would under the ground and smoke is issuing bine from compressors. under the ground and smoke is issuing pipe from compressors to the imforth in great volumes. Three white perilled men. The usual air supply 455 tons, Captain Santry, master, 18 men and 13 negroes are three miles was cut off, when the fire originated in

Trained rescue crews from the West Kentucky Coal company of Sturgis, mine rescue car there, but the car is company rescue corps.

PREACHER WHO EARNED \$73 MONTHLY TOLD TO GET OTHER WORK

CLEVELAND, Nov. 16 .- It is extreme cruelty for a minister to remain in his pulpit at \$73 a month when he has a wife and five children to support, Common Pleas Judge Frank C. Phillips declared in an opinion handed down in a divorce suit filed by Rev. Benjamin A. Sherwin against his wife today. Judge Phillip refused to grant Rev. Sherwin a divorce and ordered that he pay his wife \$60 a month allmony. Custody of their five children was given to Mrs. Sherwin.

"I consider it extreme cruelty for a man with a wife and five children to remain at his job, even though it be that of a minister, which pays only \$73 a month.

"An able-bodled man, such as you are, should have taken up some other profession," Judge Phillips declared.

Sherwin now has secured employment as a machinist.

ADVOCATE UNIFORM MARRIAGE LAW

Similar Divorce Statutes in All States Considered By Women Voters' League

YORK, Nov. 16 .- Divorce, motherhood, child hygiene, woman labor and subjects pertinent to the virility of the race were discussed animatedly today at the final session of the convention of the National League of Women Voters, second region. The conference which drew women from several large cities of the country ended with a dinner tonight. Uniform marriage and divorce laws

making evasions, she declared, only "a matter of a railway journey." suggested also joint guardianship of children, appointment of women on state law commissions, some of them bar associations.

Miss Mary McDowell, head of the university settlement in Chicago, asserted that 39 per cent of all women workers were under 21 years. She reported progress in the movement place a woman on the federal council of concillation and on all arbitration Mrs. Joseph F. Baker, of Boston, pro-

posed a "Magna Charta" of childhood welfare laws. She said 32 states now have bureaus of child hygiene to cope with maternal ignorance and undernourished children. A national code young, would be provided, she declared, by combining the results of all, The United States is eighth in point of infant mortality, Mrs. Baker said.

of the deliberations to be published CICOTTE TO TURN STATE'S EVIDENCE

"FIRMLY DEALT WITH" Player to Escape For Throwing Games

CHICAGO, Nov. 16 .- Eddie Cicotte former Chicago White Sox pitcher. whose confession resulted in numerous DURHAM. Nov. 16 .- More than half indictments by the special Cook county the members of the student body of baseball grand jury in connection with Trinity college are to be "firmly dealt the 1919 world series scandal, probwith" by the officials of the institu- ably will not be punished for his part ing bankers that Georgia will over- tion as a result of an organized "cut- in the game-throwing, according to of subscribe the quota. One hundred and ting of classes" Armistice day, Dean ficials of the state's attorney's office. sixty-five banks were represented out W. H. Wannamacker announced today. Cicotte will turn state's evidence when Reports that there will be a wholesale the ten indicted are tried and his only expulsion of students were emphatically sentence will be banishment from organized baseball, it was said today. D. P. Cassaday, of Detroit, Cicotte's attorney, conferred today with state's tice day trouble, that are considered attorney over the pitcher's confession The first payments of 25 per cent for expulsion. As yet no students have and possible testimony. At this conference, Mr. Cassaday promised that As a means of asserting discipline Clotte would tell the court the same the college officials nave inaugurated story he told the jury. As a result, it was arranged for the pitcher to furnish bond without personally appearing, but no official announcement was made by the state's attorney's office but for Cicotte's testimony the jury never would have had sufficient evidence to indict more than one or two. reams of hearsay evidence," said this deep with the fall unabated. At official tonight, but none would have Thomas, W. Va., on the Western Maryheld in court. We might have returned a few indictments on it, but with two inches of sleet. On the Big that would have been the end of the Savage mountain the sleet is six inches case. We wanted convictions and not indictments, and in order to get the evidence necessary we had to have a confession. We were certain Cicotte knew more than many others whose names had been given us, so we went after him. Of course, we have to concede something to such a witness and we'd rather see Cicotte free and convict the rest, than to let them all get

TOBACCO PRICE AVERAGED

better grades of topac boosted the average price of leaf in North Carolina five cents on the pound, ration growing in extent, little hope is duing the entombed miners alive. It but the 178 warehouses sold approxiwas feared that they already were mately only 85,000,000 pounds during the month, against 102,630,000 in October, 1919 according to the monthly

The season's sales to November Mr. Parker reported, were short of the

WRANGEL IN CONSTANTINOPLE LONDON, Nov. 16. General Barron Wrangel, the anti-bolsheviki leader in South Russia, has arrived in Constanthis evidence of the club's confiThe vessel is reported in no immedically was sent to Evansville for the and are working with the St. Bernard loff, says a dispatch to the Exchange Telegraph from Constantinople,

Dr. Hurt Opens Church Meeting In Great Sermon

Wilmington Minister Holds Bap- No Care Taken to Save Valuable tist Conference in Ringing Discourse

ASHEVILLE, Nov. 16 .- Rev. John Jeter Hurt, D. D., paster of the First Baptist church of Wilmington, preached the annual sermon before the Baptist state convention today, and his Management of Savannah Plant message was recognized as one of the greatest sermons, if not the greatest, ever heard on the convention floor. Old members of the body declared that never before had so striking a message

been brought to the assembly. Dr. Hurt took as his theme, Transmutation of Material Things Into Spiritual Things," and for more than an hour he held the great convention as he discussed the theme with forecfulness and elequence.

A compromise was reached on the report of the unification commission, which provides for the continuation of the two boards, but all matters not pertaining to the special work of either board was left to a joint meeting. Among new ministers introduced today were Ames Cleary, Washington, and H. A. Day, Beaufort, Joel S. Brown,

Shiloh, and J. H. Freeman, Cooleemee. The Women's Missionary union report shows contributions of \$174,329.98. following were chosen: Walters Durham, Raleigh, treasurer; F. H. Brigs, Asheville, auditor; Rev. W. F. Powell, Asheville (J. S. Snyder, Fayetteville, and E. L. Middleton, Raleigh vice presidents.

As a direct result of the 75-million campaign, Treasurer Durnsm reported \$1,153,171 as against \$292,408 last year for denominational work. This sum is almost as large as total for the last ten years. More than six thousand additions to the church were reported as ast year, and olutions commending the retiring corresponding secretary, Walter Johnson, for his work were passed,

REPUBLICANS LEAD IN JACKSON COUNTY COUNT

Canvass Not Complete and Bitter Feeling Still Shown

ASHEVILLE, Nov. 16.—The situation for a week, is back in the same place it was three days after the election, through modification of existing child when an angry mob presumably of Republicans, ran J. Walter Haynes of Asheville, Democratic attorney, out of the city and would not allow the board to canvass the vote, according to reports reaching Asheville today.

The canvassing board adjourned last Saturday until today and convened this afternoon with intense feeling being exhibited on both sides, it is stated. Democratic and Republican leaders of Syva visited Asheville again yesterday, plan of those who came here to get two Democratic and two Republican lawyers to go to Sylva for the meet-

It appears that the board has canvassed the returns from all the precincts in the county except the boxes from Sylva and Qualla townships. On these two precincts the Republicans are in the lead for the county offices. 60 Indian votes, which it is believed majority of the Indians are from the reservation and voted the Republican ticket, the action of the board in throwing out these votes would tend to elect the Democrats.

The situation has caused bitter feeling on both sides, and the matter is believed to be in just as bad condition as it was 10 days ago when the board appealed to the governor twice for troops for protection during the count. The governor refused the troops, and advised the board to move to Waynesville or Asheville to complete its work.

MOUNTAIN SECTIONS ARE BLANKETED WITH SNOW

CUMBERLAND, Md., Nov. 16 .- The Allegheny mountain section is blankhad the snow and sleet is about five inches land railroad, it stands 12 above zero

> ASHEVILLE, Nov. 16 .- Asheville and immediate vicinity was visited tonight He said that the board's representative by the first snowfall of the season, but there apparently had no check on the because it has been raining awo days value of articles purchased, and testithe snow melted immediately. A fled that supplies that he purchased fresh wind from the north turned the came to him without adequate billing night into the coldest of the season.

MEXICAN HELD FOR MURDER WICHITA FALLS, Tex., Nov. 16 .-Joe Torreas, Mexican, wanted on a charge of killing Archie Martin, was James A. Gallivan announced today captured five miles south of here short- that he had asked Congressman Joseph ly after 10 o'clock tonight. He is be- Walsh, chairman of the congressional RALEIGH, Nov. 16.-Marketing of ing rushed to Fort Worth, to escape committee investigating shipping coard

> POLICEMAN ESCAPES FROM JAIL, ADVISES STRONGER CELL LOCKS

GREENVILLE, Nov. 16 .- Policeman Creech escaped jail last night. He was locked up a few days ago, charged with disorderly conduct. escaped by making a Rey from a steel shoe stay and unlocking the doors. He left behind a few verses of rhyme, telling of his escape and advising that better locks be provided, if prisoners were to be kept mafely.

EQUIPMENT WORTH MILLIONS WASTED AT YARDS, CHARGE

Property From Weather. **Engineer Testifies**

SUGGESTIONS IGNORED BY IMMEDIATE CHIEFS

Shares Criticism; Financial System Scored

NEW YORK, Nov. 16 .- Machinery and "The building equipment valued at millions of dollars was left out in the open to deteriorate in value months after plants were closed down with the ending of the war, Paul H. MacNell, a former resident engineer of the shipping board in the South Atlantic district, testified today before the Walsh committee investigating shipping board af-

MacNeil said he was stationed ab Savannah and had five yards under his supervision, his immediate chief being R. H. Dillingham at Jacksonville, the district plant engineer. Just what his own authority was he did not know, he testified, but he said he "assumed a In addition to other officers elected the great deal in the endeavor to straighten out tangles."

He said the yards were well organized, "better, perhaps, than were the emergency fleet forces, for they generally could get the better of the government organization." He brought into his testimony the names of the Terry ship yards and the National Shipbuilding company, and a marine railway organization, over which he

had supervision. He said that the Terry people had a trust loan from the fleet corporation sidiary organization engaged in dry dock work when their contracts were only about one-third complete. Through his efforts \$116,000 of this fund was held up, but he added that he had ascertained that part of the money was

again diverted. Properties Neglected Speaking of the National Shipbuilding company, the witness said that work there had shut down previous to

his arrival on the scene. "I found nothing had been done to take care of the properties and valuable machinery was left uncovered to the weather," he said. On his own responsibility he took steps to save as much of it as was possible. He invoiced the properties as to quantity and percentage depreciation but not as to value. His "guess" at its varue was between \$1,500,000 and \$2,000,000. also asserted that in the auditing of the affairs of the plant 101 numbered vouchers could not be accounted for.

Another point he made was that equipment, ordered previous to the closing of the plant, was still coming to seeking to get local attorneys to ge the yard. He tried to have it stopped. back with them. No Asheville lawyers, and suggested it was new and could be however, would consent. It was the returned to manufacturers by payment of the freight only.

"They told me to keep my hands off and let the machinery come." MacNett declared.

The Terry yard, he testified, had a several tankers and composite ships, none of which was completed. the returns as they now stand without valued the equipment of this yard at about \$1,500,000, and added that while there was sufficient lumber on hand to However, in the Qualla township are build sheds to protect the exposed machinery, it was not done. The marine the board plans to throw out. As the railway, he testified, was built on land owned by a private individual, who had an agreement for rental of his property with no specified amount named. The railway was built with emergency fleet funds amounting to about \$100,000, with an additional \$12,000 worth of filling supplies by the government for another operation. This and it was his opinion that under the laws of Georgia is was "owned by the man who had title to the land." The rantal asked, he understood, amounted to about ten times the appraised value of the plant.

Steward Service Criticized The witness said he had no criticism of the manner in which the yards under his jurisdiction were handled while they were active, but he did criticize the manner in which the financing was taken care of.

The steward service of the board was gone into by Sidney I. Ackerman, recently of the steamship South Pole. Hetold of alleged unsatisfactory means of making purchases of supplies for shipping board vessels in foreign ports, particularly at New Castle, England. and inspection. Bologna, he said, cost the board more than yeal.

GALLIVAN WANTS HEARING BOSTON, Nov. 16. - Congressmen perations, for perm by the committee.

The name of Congressman Gallivan was introduced in testimony before the committee at New York Saturday when, he said in a statement today, "an official of the emergency fleet corporation hinted that because I had interfered as a member of congress to prevent a gross injustice being perpetuated, the government had lost money by

my interference." "Thanks to Martin J. Gillen, formerly assistant to Admiral Benson," he added, "most of the crookedness was stopped, but the performers in Philadelphia never let up until I showed

them up." The statement continued: "I wall suggest the names of a few

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