

SHIPPING BOARD AGAIN SAYS TRIBUTE DUE

Commander Clements Appears Before Investigators.

4000 CHECKING ACCOUNTS

Alleged Abuses in Purchases of Supplies Being Corrected, Declares Executive.

NEW YORK, Nov. 11.—Commander A. B. Clements, executive assistant to Admiral Benson, chairman of the United States shipping board, today told the congressional committee investigating the board "that considering everything, it is a remarkable tribute to the board of the United States secured as near 100 per cent value as it did."

The witness referred to the work of the board in building up trades and told of the business connections established that were providing the board with the best possible conditions in different trades were such that a general operating contract covering everything was, in his opinion, secured.

The United States shipping board now employs 10,000 men with an annual payroll of \$18,000,000, said Commander Clements. The size of the organization is being gradually reduced, however, he added.

Board Employes 10,000.
Commander Clements was on the stand all day testifying as to his personal knowledge of the charges contained in the report of the committee headed by Secretary Fisher and Richardson.

Of a majority of the matters, he said, he had but little personal knowledge, his work consisting mainly of "masters of the future," having particularly to do with trade routes.

In reply to a question by Representative Foster, he said that the report submitted was substantially correct—"insofar as his personal knowledge of matters alleged was concerned."

Later he modified this statement by saying that the report was substantially correct only to things which he knew and that his testimony showed there were isolated cases which had not come to his knowledge.

Under the administration of Admiral Benson, he asserted, the board was always ready to hear and to act upon complaints and constructive criticism.

Checking System Planned.
Much of his testimony tended to show that the shipping board was preparing for putting into effect a checking system of accounts which would alleviate most of the irregularities charged in the committee's report.

Efforts are under way to bring up the system of accounting so that the board will know just where it stands financially in its relations with its operators and agents at any time.

At present, he testified, no member of the board could tell the exact amount of money the government had lost or made in its operation of shipping.

"The board now has a force of 4000 working to bring its accounting up to date," the witness testified, adding that the board intended to perfect a system so that it could receive promptly a separate accounting of each ship and vessel. This action was taken by Admiral Benson shortly after he assumed the chairmanship.

He further asserted that he knew personally of but one case where the board had actually suffered a loss in its dealings with operators.

On the subject of alleged abuses in the purchase of supplies, he added that these were being corrected. He recalled one instance where within two weeks representatives of the board recovered \$2000 in accounts between \$5000 and \$7000. This recovery was obtained in Philadelphia, but the witness withheld names of parties concerned. He also referred to alleged favoritism in allocating ships, political influence and evils of interlocking organizations, Commander Clements claimed to have no personal knowledge. He had heard, he said, in a gossip sort of way, of delays in dispatch of shipping board vessels and the favoring by operators of ships owned by themselves against government vessels assigned to them. This he characterized as a natural inclination.

Better Plans Told.
He further said that in his opinion better results would be obtained by the board if government-owned ships were not placed in competition with privately-controlled vessels through allocating them to vessel-owning companies. As proof of this, he said some of the best results had been obtained by new companies having only allocated vessels.

Vessels, he said, should be only sold or chartered to old established lines. The commander characterized the shipping board as a body of men who since its inception had accomplished a wonderful achievement. Organized in an emergency when ships were needed at any cost, it had drawn to it skilled men who went back to their regular vocations. From a comparatively few vessels a fleet of more than 1100 ships is now being operated. The men now in the board have to undo the abuses which were created under the time of emergency.

Details of the activities of the board which have come to his personal attention were touched upon. He stated that since its organization it had expended between three and one-half and four billion dollars. He stated it was to be expected that disposal of shipyards, surplus material and wooden ships—built for emergency—would be at a loss. The efforts of the board resulted in over 10,000,000 tons of shipping, and he added his investigations showed that, compared with shipbuilding in England during the same time, the results favored this country at a cost.

PIZZ SCORES INVESTIGATORS
Committee Accused of Foisting Sensations on Public.

CHICAGO, Nov. 11.—Charles Pies, former director-general of the em-

ENEMY POWERS MAY ENTER LEAGUE SOON

Lord Robert Cecil Reported to Be Favorable.

SOME OPPOSITION NOTED

Immediate Admission of Austria and Bulgaria to Be Proposed at Coming Assembly Meeting.

GENEVA, Nov. 11.—(By the Associated Press.)—Lord Robert Cecil, one of the chief authors of the league of nations covenant, who is coming to the assembly of the league as a delegate from South Africa, will support the proposed immediate admission to the league of Austria and Bulgaria. It is expected here, Italy, Switzerland, the Scandinavian states and some of the South American nations are understood to be unfavorable to such a plan.

France, Belgium, Roumania, Yugoslavia and Czechoslovakia will resist the admission of Germany and Hungary, although they are not unfavorable to Austria and Bulgaria. There are indications in league circles that the drift toward admission of former enemy states is strong and likely to reach the necessary two-thirds of the members.

At the first session it is probable that the immediate admission of Austria and Bulgaria will be proposed and an effort made to have action in the case of Germany postponed to another meeting of the assembly, probably in the spring.

Attention is being directed to the anomaly of admitting Germany while she is still technically at war with the United States. Czechoslovakia is strongly opposed to admission of Hungary, but it is understood that she will not contest the admission of the nations.

The meeting of the assembly will be held in the hall of the Reformation auditorium, starting 3:00. It was erected in honor of John Calvin.

U. S. MEMBERSHIP ESSENTIAL
Argentine Minister Says America Must Enter League.

PARIS, Nov. 11.—(By the Associated Press.)—One of the most important problems to come before the assembly of the league of nations at its coming meeting in Geneva will be that of the participation of the United States in the league. In the opinion of Honoro Pueyferre, Argentine minister of foreign affairs, as expressed here today, M. Pueyferre will appear before the delegates, he said, to point out to them that the participation of America in the league is fundamental to the very existence of that organization.

"I think it a great pity that the United States is not already an active participant in the league," Mr. Pueyferre said. "While I do not say that the league should be abandoned because America has not joined it, I firmly believe that her entrance is vital if the league is to be a virile, functioning body for the prevention of wars.

"The country which has always stood for and fought for right and justice and which gave birth to the wonderful league must become a party to the almost divine mission which the real world league has before it. My trip to France and to the battlefields has simply made my conviction firmer that there must be a league of nations. I am afraid that it has not been ended, but on the contrary, has just begun, and unless a strong league is brought into existence the world will again see a struggle more frightful than the one just finished.

"I am a firm believer in the league if it is to be one of action, not of words, and in this I express the views of my countrymen.

"Just what can be done to bring America into the league remains to be seen, but the problem must be studied and a solution found. I may suggest some plan or just give an idea into the heads of the delegates. I am going before the assembly with this idea. I wish to say that no country has suggested the step. I am merely doing what I regard as my duty."

GERMAN HISTORIAN DEAD
Henry Thode, Once Professor at Heidelberg, Passes Away.

COPENHAGEN, Nov. 11.—The noted German historian, Henry Thode, died Wednesday after a surgical operation. He was at one time professor of history at Heidelberg. He was married to Frau Cosima Wagner, widow of Richard Wagner, the composer, in the management of the Bayreuth festivals.

In 1914 his wife, Frau Daniela von Buelow, whose father was Frau Wagner's first husband, divorced him.

MURDER SUSPECT TAKEN
Man Wanted for Kansas Killing Arrested in Montana.

GREAT FALLS, Mont., Nov. 11.—Henry G. Boylehead of a Kansas City detective agency, arrived in Great Falls last evening and identified a man held here as Dennis Chester, wanted for the murder of Miss Florence Barton in Kansas City last October and the wounding of a male companion at the same time.

Chester did not deny his identity and announced that he would go back without extradition papers.

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JAPANESE QUESTION UP

BRITISH DOMINIONS WILL OPPOSE RACE EQUALITY.

Delegates Aim to Induce League of Nations to Reject Asiatic Proposals.

LONDON, Nov. 11.—(Special Cable.)—The World correspondent hears from high government authority that the racial issue affecting Japanese immigration into the dominions and mandated islands of the south Pacific engaged the entire time of the British empire delegation to the league of nations, Premier Lloyd George presiding, at the meeting held here in those discussions of the covenant at the Paris peace conference, the dominion delegates intend to make strenuous efforts to induce the assembly of the league to reject definitely the Japanese proposal for race equality among all the nations.

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ARAB CHIEF SURRENDERS
Leader of Mesopotamian Insurgents Under British Guard.

LONDON, Nov. 11.—Abdul Wahad, reputed leader of the Mesopotamian

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Fine Wool-Mixed Socks of good weight and exceedingly durable—all sizes in black with gray heel and toe. Bargain Friday 39c at.

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In Black and Gray Kid, Brown Calf and Gunmetal Leathers at \$3.85
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