

# Attorney Says Surplus War Ships Sales Legal

By G. MILTON KELLY  
 WASHINGTON (AP) — An attorney for a Greek shipping magnate contended today that the sale of surplus war ships to a company controlled by the Greek.

Randolph H. Guthrie, New York lawyer, testified at hearings by a Senate investigations subcommittee which is digging into ship deals whereby Joseph E. Casey, former Congress member, and his friends got 3 1/4 million dollars return on cash investments of \$101,000.

The Casey group made its profits by buying eight tankers from the government and eventually selling them. Five of the tankers passed to control of Stavros Niarchos, a Greek with shipping interests all over the world.

Guthrie was before the subcommittee as counsel for Niarchos. One of the questions the senators are pursuing is whether there was full compliance with legal requirements that surplus U.S. ships be sold only to Americans.

Casey's group held the ships some two years before selling them.

Guthrie argued that both the "letter and spirit" of the law was complied with. On the technical side, he pointed out that Casey's group organized an American corpora-

# If You Want A New Dress, Careful Of Blood Pressure

NEW ORLEANS (AP) — The reason women often faint while being fitted for a new dress is because human beings were never intended to stand on two legs, says a medical expert.

Dr. H. S. Mayerson, chairman of the Department of Physiology at Tulane University, spoke at the opening of a seven-day course on legal medicine. He discussed the functions of the heart.

"Man was never meant to stand on two legs," he declared. "He was built to stand on four—otherwise his organs would not have been hung like a Christmas tree in his body."

Gravily tends to pull blood downward to the feet, he said, and in order for it to return to the heart, blood vessels must contract and push it up.

"That is why we twitch our toes, shift from foot to foot and flex our leg muscles," Dr. Mayerson added. "That is also why women faint when being fitted for a new dress."

He explained that a rigid stance stiffens blood vessels so that the brain does not get an adequate supply of blood.

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