

GOVERNMENT INQUIRY FOR HOG ISLAND WORK

Plant May Be Operated True to the Name of the Location

ATTORNEY GENERAL CALLED IN ACTION

President Wilson Directs Department of Justice to Confer With Hurley.

Washington.—Investigation by the department of justice of the American International Corporation's construction of the government's big fabricated steel shipyard at Hog Island, Pa., was ordered today by President Wilson with a view to criminal prosecution of the facts develop more than \$20,000,000 expenditure of government money.

At the same time Chairman Hurley of the shipping board, who had requested the move, indicated that the corporation's contracts for building the yards and ships involving many millions of dollars, might be cancelled, which was taken to mean that the government might take over the yard, complete its construction and build the ships itself. This step has been urged by members of the senate committee investigating ship building.

The president asked for the investigation in the following letter to Attorney General Gregory:

"Mr. Hurley, of the shipping board, has called my attention in some very serious facts which have recently been developed with regard to contracts made in connection with the shipbuilding program with the company operating at Hog Island. They are so serious indeed, that I do not think that we can let them be taken care of merely by public disclosure and discussion. I would be very much obliged if you would have some trustworthy person in your department get into conference with Mr. Hurley about the whole matter with a view to instituting criminal process in case the facts justify it."

Charges Made Freely.

Charges of mismanagement and a reckless spending of government funds at Hog Island have been made freely before the senate committee. Witnesses have testified that the yard, for which the shipping board is putting up all the money, may cost twice the sum of \$21,000,000 carried in original estimates. The slow progress made in construction of the yard and reports of loose management prompted chairman Hurley three weeks ago to put in full charge of the work former Rear Admiral F. A. Bowles, assistant general manager of the Emergency Fleet Corporation who is now on the ground.

Mr. Hurley's threat to cancel the contracts was contained in a letter to Admiral Bowles directing him to uncover any irregularities and notifying him that the attorney general had been requested to designate a special assistant to aid him. Admiral Bowles was directed to effect a more economical management.

AT HAND

God's handiwork was made for human joy, The mountains, and the valleys, and the seas, Are golden gifts untainted with alloy For us to revel in as we shall please. The turbulences of our daily life, The trials that beset us on the way, The little things that fill our souls with strife, Ourselves have wrought our spirits to dismay. The stuff that makes for happiness is here Within our reach, for all of us to take, And he will win its joys who full of cheer Keeps heart, and mind, and inner soul awake.

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STATE ITEMS OF INTEREST TO ALL SOUTH CAROLINA PEOPLE

The government will build a port terminal in Charleston at a cost of \$10,000,000.

Governor Manning has appointed T. A. Wilson magistrate at Killian, Richland county, vice C. H. Lever, whose term of office has expired.

The building contractors in Gaffney are much exercised that a number of carpenters have recently left Gaffney to go to Charleston, where they will work for the government.

The annual meeting at Clemson College of the farm demonstration agents is a reminder of the fact that these young men have never had a greater opportunity for service to their State and nation than is immediately before them.

Many replies are coming in from all parts of the State to Horace L. Tilghman, in charge of the work of preparing an eligible list of men available for work in the shipyards of the country. Mr. Tilghman's office is the Union National Bank building, Columbia.

Camp Jackson claims the distinction of having the "shortest" soldier in the entire American army in the person of Private Gatewood Smallie of Three Hundred and Twenty-first Field Hospital. As "Shorty" Smallie is but one-half inch over the required height of five feet it is highly probable that he is the shortest in stature of any of Uncle Sam's warriors.

Orders have been received by the headquarters of the Southeastern Department that the present term at the officers' training camps is to be extended two weeks over the date originally planned for its closing.

There is in operation at Camp Jackson now a machine for the sterilizing of clothes. It is used to disinfect the garments of the men when after illness or for cleanliness it is decided that the clothes need sterilizing.

Preparations for a Statewide campaign for the collection of federal income tax are being made by D. C. Heyward, collector of internal revenue, as a result of the extension of time from March 1 to April 1.

The plans of the State Council of Defense for the Statewide conference on food production and conservation is taking shape and assuming great prominence.

CARING FOR THE HUMAN MACHINERY

The human system is the most intricate piece of machinery, and your health—your very life, in fact—depends upon each organ faithfully performing its functions. If as a result of improper food, lack of sufficient exercise or some indiscretion, you become bilious, the human machine gets all clogged up and serious consequences follow. It is your duty to keep your body in good condition, particularly your liver. This can be easily done by taking a dose or so occasionally of that standard proprietary medicine, Granger Liver Regulator, which acts directly on the sluggish liver and bowels and quickly cleanses the system of the fecal elements which clogged the machinery. Granger Liver Regulator contains no alcohol nor alcohol and is used in thousands of homes daily, with most satisfactory results. Try a box of it—25c. Sold by all druggists. Accept no substitute.

NOTICE

Notice is hereby given to all and singular the kindred and creditors of Arthur M. Burroughs, deceased, that the undersigned will apply to Hon. J. S. Vaught, Probate Judge of Horry County on Monday February 25, A. D., 1918 at 11 o'clock A. M. for a final settlement of the estate of the said Arthur M. Burroughs, deceased and for a final discharge as Administrator of the said estate. D. M. BURROUGHS, Qualified Administrator, Conway, S. C., January 24, 1918 —adv —1-31-18—4t

NOTICE

To all and singular the kindred and creditors of Amanda E. Watson, deceased: TAKE NOTICE, That the undersigned Administratrix will apply to Hon. J. S. Vaught, Probate Judge for Horry County on Monday, February 25, 1918, at 11 o'clock A. M. for a final settlement of the estate of Amanda E. Watson, deceased, and for her final discharge as Administratrix of the said estate. —RUTH WATSON, Qualified Administratrix, Loris, S. C., —adv —January 24, 1918. —1-31-18—4t

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NITROGEN PROBLEM BIG ONE TO SOLVE

ORGANIC MATERIALS CARRYING ELEMENT BEING USED FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

SHOULD GROW MORE LEGUMES

Class of Crops Which Are Able to Store Up the Necessary Constituent in the Soil.

From all indications the fertilizing element that will be hardest to obtain next year and for several years to come is nitrogen, says T. E. Keitt, chief of the soil and chemistry division of Clemson College.

Potash and available phosphoric acid are being secured directly or indirectly from different sources, while the organic materials carrying nitrogen are being much used to take the place of feeds that can be released as human food. Examples of this is the greatly increased use of cottonseed meal, tankage and blood as feeds. The organic sources of nitrogen are being extensively used in the manufacture of munitions. Nitrate of soda, sulphate of soda, and even cyanamid, are scarcely obtainable except at greatly advanced prices, and it is impossible to tell just how long this condition will hold. The catch of fish has been light this year due probably to the use of fishing fleets for transporting purposes.

But the farmer can solve his own nitrogen problem. By growing good crops of legumes not only will a good supply of nitrogen be added to the soil but the decay of the organic matter of the plants will bring into available form a large amount of potash. This potash is already present in the

soil but in very insoluble forms. Further, land that is well supplied with organic matter makes a better use of ground phosphate rock.


The principal winter legumes adapted to South Carolina are the vetches and clovers, while in summer seeding peas and beans give best results as legume crops. Alfalfa is an excellent nitrogen gatherer but is rather expensive and sometimes difficult to get started, and then must remain on the land for three or four years to give its full returns.

The idea that a large part of the nitrogen fixed by the bacteria is stored in the roots of the legume is wrong. Experiments indicate that only six per cent of the nitrogen in the cowpea plant is stored in the roots, 6.5 per cent in soybeans, eleven per cent on the roots of vetch, six per cent for crimson clover, and as much as thirty-two per cent for red clover and forty-two per cent in case of alfalfa. The stubble contains some nitrogen in addition to that stored in the roots.

The amount of nitrogen taken up into the plant is about two-thirds of the total. In other words, one ton of cowpeas or soybean plants which analyze 2.5 per cent nitrogen will contain fifty pounds total nitrogen. Two-thirds of this, or 33.7 pounds, was taken up by the bacteria. This amount is equivalent to nearly forty-one pounds of ammonia, or the nitrogen content of 1,000 pounds of a fertilizer carrying four per cent ammonia.

Where the hay can be fed to advantage on the farm and the manure carefully conserved and applied the farmer usually cures leguminous crops for feed. When this is practiced it is very difficult to return more than sixty per cent of the nitrogen content of the feed to the land in the form of manure. Generally a smaller percentage is recovered. Probably the best method of procedure from the standpoint of soil fertility is to gather the seed of the legume and allow the remainder of the plant to stay on the soil. This may be practical only in case of vetch the seed of which are saved by thrashing. The vetch straw makes excellent feed or bedding.

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FOREIGN ITEMS GATHERED AND CONDENSED FOR EASY READING

The American gunners are said to be growing more accurate daily.

Nineteen British merchantmen were sunk by mine or submarine in the past week.

Ship tonnage sunk by submarines in 1917 was nearly three times as great as the total of production in the United States and Great Britain during that year.

A big raid was carried out last week by the French southwest of Butte Mesnil. The German positions were entered up to the third line and many defenses and shelters were destroyed.

The news that Russia is laying down her arms and has declared peace with the central powers is not considered to have changed the war situation in its essentials.

One emergency accomplishment of the railroad administration contributing to faster movement of coal in the last few days is the speeding up of repairs to locomotives.

Secretary Baker has decided that Camp Greene, Charlotte, N. C., now occupied by regular divisions, will not be continued as a permanent training center because of unsuitability of the ground on which it is created.

Salvation Army officers are competent to perform marriages and other rites of the church and for that reason are entitled to exemption from military service as "ministers of religion."

King George and David Lloyd George, the British prime minister, in addresses to the British parliament—the former before a joint session of the house of lords and the house of commons—have declared again that in the recent utterances of the spokesmen of the Teutonic allies there can be found no basis for a peace which will fulfill the demands of the democratic governments.

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NOTICE

All persons having claims against the Farmers & Merchants Bank of Conway, S. C., (in liquidation), including the depositors of the said Bank, are hereby required to forthwith make proof of their claims against the said Bank to the undersigned Receiver. Application has been made to the Court for an Order authorizing me to pay out the funds in my hands to the depositors and claimants, in their pro rata shares.

—W. A. FREEMAN, Receiver.

Conway, S. C. —adv January 21, 1918 —1-31-18—2t

POUND FOR POUND CHANGED FOR FARMER

The National Food Administration has given authority for a modification of the pound-for-pound law in order to give relief to the farmer in South Carolina who has his own corn ground locally. Much dissatisfaction has been caused among farmers, who felt that it was unreasonable to ask them to buy northern or western meal when they had their own home ground meal which they could use. There was no protest concerning reduction of the consumption of flour, but simply that the farmer did not wish to buy meal from his store when he had better meal or grits at home.

Under the new rule the farmer can have his corn ground by a miller, who will give him a certificate. This certificate must be filed with the grocer by the farmer, whereupon he can buy an equal amount of flour, not in excess of half a barrel.

This plan was recommended by practically the unanimous vote of the County Food Administrators at their meeting in Columbia on the 4th instant, and has been advocated by a large number of prominent people having knowledge of conditions in South Carolina.

The National Administration was by wire immediately consulted about it, and on Saturday gave its consent to the plan. For the information of County Food Administrators and food representatives over this State, millers and farmers, the following is a description of the procedure necessary for farmers to obtain flour upon a miller's certificate.

The farmer takes his corn to the mill and has it ground. He signs a certificate which the millers will have, stating number in his family or tenants for which he buys, the amount of flour he has on hand, and agreeing to use in his household equal weights of flour and substitutes. Thereupon the miller signs a certificate as to the number of pounds of meal ground. This certificate is then filed with the grocer, and thereupon the farmer can buy an equal weight of flour, but in no case in excess of one-half barrel.

This relieves the only difficulty that has been encountered in South Carolina.

There has been no objection whatsoever to the reduction in consumption of flour, and the farmer has been patriotically ready to reduce his consumption of flour, but he very naturally did not desire to buy more of what he already had an abundance in his home.

Blanks are being mailed to the County Food Administrators for distribution to millers. They were mailed yesterday afternoon. Millers should apply to the County Food Administrator of his County for the blanks.

Food

- 1-buy it with thought
- 2-cook it with care
- 3-serve just enough
- 4-save what will keep
- 5-eat what would spoil
- 6-home-grown is best

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