Former Iowa Governor Finds Many Faults in Present Jabinet; Says U. S. Fights in Self Defense.

(From a Staff Correspondent.)
Lincoln, Neb., July 1.—(Special.)— It is not criticism of the president to question the business methods being used by certain cabinet members in the handling of the war situation, Beither is it criticism of the president that, having no business experience himself, he should therefore not understand how much these cabinet members lack in business methods, according to Hon. Leslie M. Shaw. former governor of Iowa and secre-tary of the treasury under ex-President Roosevelt.

Governor Shaw is filling several dates in Nebraska on the chautauqua platform and at the Lincoln hotel talked at some length with the representative of The Bee on the war situation, its past and his opinion of

Washington Persons Disturbed. "Persons at Washington," said the ex-secretary, "independent of party lines, are very much perturbed over the situation as relates to the war. They recognize that this is 'our' war. Most of them have recognized the fact that this has been our war from the very start. Ambassador Gerard, who was at Berlin before the war began and up to the time that relations were severed, said in New York re-cently that the sentiment there prior to the war was almost unanimous the defeat of the best organized and that England should first be brought most efficient nation of the world." the United States and this country Defense Council

"Knowing that sentiment before the war began," said Mr. Shaw, "as he says he did, if he did not report that feeling to Washington, he ought to be shot for treason, But, whether he did or not, every man in public life or who had been in public life or who gave any attention to public affairs, knew that the United States was the

with Germany.

No Time to Criticize. "However, I expect this is no time to criticise for what the people ap-proved last fall, but it is a very ap-propriate time to look facts in the propriate time to look facts in the face. We are not in the war for the purpose of assisting the allies. We are not in the war because of ideals. We threw our ideals to the winds more than two years ago. We entered the Spanish war because Spain was violating human rights, but we permitted Germany to violate every in the purpose of advising the council of men, women and children and gave public notice that it did not interest us except when it was an American us to the list of the consumer to the form of the government wants shipping long distances on train, boat, or wagon, and for long storage after to do a real service to the consumer to do a real us except when it was an American citizen, and we took great pains to ascertain the citizenship of the victim and lifted our voice only when Americans were actually, killed and never lifted a finger for our own people and never our voices for humanity.

"Finally the president reported to congress that a state of war actually existed and asked authority to protect our existence as a nation. If Allies Protect U. S.

"For three years the allies' armies

"For three years the allies' armies and the allies' fleets have been fighting our battles and expended over \$60,000,000,000, not primarily for the purpose of protecting the United States, but without which the United States would now be resisting an invading army that would be in possesvading army that would be in possession, if the opinion of army and navy experts is worth the paper on which they have been freely expressed, of New York City and everything within 200 miles, which would include Boston, Philadelphia, our navy yards, munition factories and over 500 carloads of gold and silver in government vaults in New York City alone, "We are fighting this war, not for ideals, but for existence. Of course we will win. We all know that, but in private conversation a prominent

private conversation a prominent member of the British commission ad-mitted that with the United States added he considered the chances

about fifty-fifty.

"One of our prominent admirals said to me not two weeks ago, I have never been so pessimistic as now. Meantime the people are being lulled to sleep, or rather lulled lest they should awaken by singing over the cradles 10,000 young men registered in a single day and certified that they were between 21 and 31 years of age.

That is as far as we have got. That is as far as we have got.

Next Loan a Conjecture.

"The liberty loan of \$2,000,000,000 was over subscribed. It remains to

he seen how promptly they will subscribe to what nearly everyone conceeds will be necessary now to finance as well as feed all the allies. They have put up \$60,000,000,000 and we are better able to contribute \$40,000,000,000 than they have been.

"Lord Northcliffe expresses the be-lief that the war is but beginning. Few whose opinions are worth any-thing believe Germany can be starved. She has her captured territory con-taining a population, if I remember correctly, of over 30,000,000 people and she is using those to produce "Let no one accuse me of being

pessamistic. I am far more hopeful, cheerful and confident than the average of the democratic senators whose nions anyone woold care to hear expressed. Some time in the near or distant future the American people will find out what they are against, and the President of the United States will give them a secretaary of States will give them a secretary of war and a secretary of the navy who have had some little business training and then the wheels will move and the end wilibe in sight.

Critcism Profitable.

"It was liberal but discriminating criticism that brought changes in both the French and English cabinets, and but for these changes both England and France would have been whipped long ago.

whipped long ago.
"It is no criticism of the president and certainly no disrespect to him and his position that he hashad no greater his position that he hashad no greater business experience than King George of England, and having had no business experience, it is not surprising that he does not appreciate how kinocent of business experience certain members of his cabinet who through the fortunes of war are now at the head of the two most gigantic. NEW LEAGUE FOR TRAINING ARMY COOKS-A league to train army cooks has been organized by Miss Georgina Roberts and other prominent New York women. Headquarters of the league in New York, in addition to the ordinary kitchen equipment, is provided with a regulation army range and field outfit.



ing to the official figures.

Pedestrians, who sweltered in the stifling streets downtown, however,

didn't need the government's offi-cial confirmation that yesterday was

the hottest day of the year, their collars convinced them.

(Correspondence of The Associated Press.)

MADE IN FIGURES

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the county assessor were as startling as the raises made by him.

County Assessor Overruled.

Crowell Elevator company, from \$40,000

Father of Victims

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OF THE ASSESSOR

Cake and Confectionery

night clubs

man-the organization or forces for

# Has No Power to Fix Fuel Prices

ized governmental agency.
"The color which has been given to "I crossed the Atlantic with Gen-eral Edwards in 1912. The general the meeting and this resolution in the was on his way by direction of President Taft, but he freely expressed the belief, even then that he would not National defense has either undertaken get back until after we were at war itself to fix the price of coal or to sanction its height for the price of coal or to sanction its height for the price of the pric lic into believing that the Council of itself to fix the price of coal or to sanction its being fixed by the coal production committee, or that com-mittee in conjunction with the coal operators.

No Power to Deal. "No power to beal.

"No power has been even attempted to be delegated to it to consider of deal with the question of price and any action taken by that committee or sanctioned by that committee, dealing with price, either fixed or maximum for coal is clearly beyond the legal power of the coal production committee and of the Council of National Defense, from which the committee derives whatever authority if mittee derives whatever authority it STARTLING CUTS

"As you are aware the federal trade commission has been directed by the presiden to ascertain for his information the costs involved in coal production. I am to some extent familiar with the progress made by the com-mission. The information I have from that and other sources, I think, justified me in believing that the price of \$3, suggested or agreed on, as a maximum, is an exorbitant, unjust and oppressive price.

The fact that these conferences were attended by members of the federal trade commission and by mem-bers of the Council of National Defense, of course, adds nothing to their legal powers, and I am sure that none of my associates in the council will dissent from the view I have herein expressed, both on the limitation upon the powers of the council and the coal production committee, and the effect of the action alleged to have been taken.

to \$20,000.

John Walsh, Benson, personal, from \$4,000 to \$25,500.

Western Rock Island Plow company, \$175,-000 to \$15,500.

Pennsylvania Rubber company, from \$58,000 to \$25,000.

Otto Elevator company, from \$50,000 to \$25,000.

Otto Elevator company, from \$40,000 to \$20,000.

"I write this for the information of the coal production committee and for the guidance of all other subcommittees of the council. Action Causes Surprise.

Mr. Baker's action caused much surprise among those officials who considered that the government had accomplished a notable achievement in inducing the coal operators to agree to a price far below that now effective. Secretary Lane, a central figure in the conference, and other officials declined to comment, but it was pointed out that Secretary Baker spoke only in his capacity as head of spoke only in his capacity as head of the defense council and that he did not attempt to repudiate the approval given the operators' new price scale by the Interior department and fed-eral trade commission officials. Several explanations for the letter

were suggested tonight among those familiar with the situation. One was that the Department of Justice is anxious that the fate of pending prosecutions in New York against a few coal operators be not jeopardized by the action taken here regarding

Those who take a different view believe that in the near future there may be an issue in the cabinet that will involve the very problem pre-sented in this case. Some members of the cabinet are understood to feel that the best way to handle big business interests in war time is to appeal to their sense of patriotism and fair play, and that a little more than ordinary profit would not be a bad thing if it would stimulate production. Another group is understood to feel that there must be a constant use of the great power of the government to coerce business interests to give the

lowest possible prices.

How deep the difference goes has not become apparent, but it is possible the reappearance will lead to many difficulties among officials.

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Wow! Mercury Climbs to 100 Mark. Official, Too NATION'S MEAT CROP Who said it wasn't hot? The mercury in the weather man's pet thermometer mounted on the federal building climbed to the 100 mark yesterday afternoon and remained their two hours. It was 100 at both 4 and 5 o'clock, accord-

Department of Agriculture Gives Figures to Show Value of Pork in Meeting Food Demand.

Washington, D. C., July 1.-The quickest and surest way of augmenting the meat supply next to the raising of poultry is by raising hogs, the United States Department of Agri-Lisbon, Portugal, June 5.- The war

has reached Portugal in earfiest and drastic measures are being put into ment, less capital, makes greater "I, therefore as president of the Council of National Defense, write this to say that the Council of National Defense has no legal power and tional Defense has not to the power and tional Defense has not to the power and t tional Defense has no legal power and claims no legal power, either to fix the price of coal or to fix a maxi
the price of coal or to fix a maxi
persons possessing supplies of flour sumer of by-products the hog has no rival. No other animal equals the mum price for coal or any other pro-are required to inform the authorities rival. No other animal equals the lard hog in its fat-storing tendency. duct. The coal production committee of the amount they own.

The Lisbon streets, like those of Council of National Defense, purely advisory in its character, formed for nightfall, as the gas factories have

> causing great losses to theaters and Imported coal has become an uuknown quantity and the national brown coal, lignite, is being used for domestic purposes. Warning has been given that unless it becomes possible to import coal, the use of electricity which so many products are manufactured. Very near fifty per cent of the total value, in dollars and cents, of the meat and meat products slaughtered in the packing houses of the United States is derived from the hog. The United States leads by far all constricts the resolution of the states and the states are stated to the state are stated to the states are stated to the state are stated to the state are stated to the states are stated to the stated as motive power must be discon-

> According to the estimates there was an increase of 9,580,000 hogs between 1910, the census year, and 1916, inclusive. The increase at the end of 1915 was 3,148,000 over the Representative reductions on which County Assessor Fitzgerald voted "no," but was overruled by the rest of the board are as follows:
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> tween 1910, the census year, and 1916, inclusive. The increase at the end of 1915 was 3,148,000 over the preceding year, while it is estimated that there was a decrease at the end that there was a decrease at the end of 1916 of 313,000 hogs compard with

If we expect to continue to provide meat to foreign peoples as well as our own people, every farmer must put forth the best effort to produce more hogs. Hogs can be kept profitably upon many farms where they are not found today.

In Berlin Old Clothing is Bought by City and

Suggests Airship Travel

(Correspondence of The Associated Press.) way of the Nile.

## BINTERMA PONAL HOG-RAISING TO AID

Tabooed by Portuguese culture points out. The hog is the with the loot.' I have in mind a re-

Pork finds ready sale because packall countries in the production as well as in the consumption of meat and meat products. Three-fourths of the world's international trade in pork and pork products originate in the United States in normal times, and the war greatly has increased this

From London to Capetown

Ponnsylvania Rubber Company, from \$30,000 to \$12,500.

King Joy cafe, from \$5,000 to \$1,506.

Otis Elevator company, from \$30,000 to \$8,300.

H. J. Heinz company, pickle manufacturers, \$40,000 to \$8,000.

M. Splesberger & Sons, wholesale millinery, from \$60,000 to \$44,000.

Dundee Plumbing company, from \$5,000 to \$2,450.

Utah-Idaho Sugar company, from \$10,500 to \$6,500.

A. W. Francis Auto company, from \$95,-175 to \$17,000. Lond, May 20 .- Brigadier Gen-Lond, May 20.—Brigadier Gen-eral Brancker of the royal flying corps, at a luncheon given in honor of General Jan Christian Smuts, said that in air fighting Great Britain had gained very distinctly the upper hand over the Germans. He suggested that not long after the war a line of air-planes would be established traveling between London and Capetown by MINIMUM TO THE PARTY OF THE PAR

PENNEY SAYS THE RETAILER IS GOAT

Fullerton Man Discusses Some Phases of the High Cost of Living Problem.

E. B. Penney of Fullerton, Neb., thinks the retailer is coming in for a that the average retailer is doing busi- braska. ness on a smaller percentage of profit today than ever. But let Mr. Penney tain during the absence of Captain speak for hmself. He says:

"Items are constantly appearing in the press of the country that place the burden of 'high prices' upon the retailer. From a positive knowledge of the actual truth, I am in a position to state that the retailers percentage of profit today averages lower than ever before.

"A Washington news item of June 27 states, Wholesalers are paying 75 cents can for corn, 91/2 cents can for tomatoes and peas' that 'retail for 17 cents to 20 cents.' This would make fi appear that the retailer was getting the profit. A little investigation would show that not a case of corn can be bought at wholesale less than \$1.55 per dozen at this time, with tomatoes at \$2 per dozen. I believe the state-ment that wholesalers can buy corn at 80 cents a dozen is absolutely false. It may be true that some wholesalers have supplies on hand that cost them these normal prices last year, but I hardly think a reasonable person could expect them to sell below present market cost of replacing their stock, any more than a producer could be expected to sell wheat at \$1.25 a bushel now because that was the price last fall.

Cost of Flour.

"Another absurd statement that went the rounds of the press was to the effect that millers could 'make flour at \$2 sack of forty-eight pounds at a profit, this in spite of the fact that wheat is quoted at \$2.45 a bushel and it requires from four and a half to five bushels to produce four fortyeight-pound sacks of flour.
"No doubt many unjust advances in price are being made—based in some

most important animal to raise for meat and money.

He requires less labor, less equipment, less capital, makes greater gains per hundred pounds of concengarment weighs only weighs one-half pound. Incidentally, the retailer, at least in all small towns, has absorbed Figure 2015. Frank P. Hill, librarian. his increased cost and the garment still retails of \$1, which would be less than present wholesale value. Keen unorganized competition exists among stances. I do not intend to point the ers have discovered many ways of finger of guilt at the other fellow, but placing it on the market in attractive again desire to state that the average ertail store in the United States is doing business today on a smaller per-centage of gross profit than ever be-fore; and with increased cost of con-ducting their business.

What Retailer Must Do.

"No retailer with an ounce of brains sells his staple stock on hand at less than the cost to replace same, and competition just as promptly requires him to sell many items at a loss when a decline comes. Hundreds of retail-ers are today selling flour around \$3.50 per sack that cost them 50 cents to 75 cents a sock more money a short

"Nearly every item of a retail stock has a long established retail price based upon a reasonable profit. These established retail prices have been maintained in a surprising way when the vastly increased cost from the factory or wholesaler is taken into consideration.

"If the investigator or space writer actually wants to locate the 'nigger in the wood pile' they would better not waste their time on the retailer, either big or little."

Bought by City and Resold

Stockholm, Sweden, June 5 .- Owing to the scarcity of clothing material in Germany, the principal com-munes of Greater Berlin have inaugurated an intercommunal clothing center, where old and worn clothing and footgear is bought by official appraisers. These are renovated and resold at the lowest possible figure, and it is possible to purchase a suit of men's clothes for from \$3 to \$5. More than 50,000 articles have been collected and renovated.

Bee Wants-Ads Produce Results.



### POLICE CAPTAIN SORELY PUZZLED

Confronted by Question of Allowing Hen to Set on Nest in City Garage.

The trials and tribulations of a captain of police are many and are not little more than his full share of the confined entirely to dealing with ofblame for the high cost of living. In fenders of the peace and dignity of fact, he says so, and further insists the city of Omaha and state of Ne-

Sergeant P. H. Dillon, acting cap-Dempsey, who is in Denver urging the Omaha copper's tug-of-war team to pull the Denver team off the Rockies, is sorely puzzled over a re-cent decision and an investigation is expected.

Place-Central police station. Time-Saturday afternoon. Enter, "Sheriff" Harry Busord,

chauffeur and step-father to three dozen and eight chickens, which were recently stolen. 'Sergeant, should a hen be deprived of 'doin' her bit," questioned Buford. One of my hens wants to set and I juries.

thought I had better see you first." shouted, "No! A thousand times no!" Mother hen is now contentedly set-ting on a nest in the city garage. Sev-Columbus will be out of commission eral coppers who have been planning the rest of the season, as it will reon a breakfast from the eggs gathered quire three months to repair the dam-

have lost all interest in the chicken age. ranch. One disgustedly was heard to

Large Libraries for All **Army Cantonments** 

can Library association, which recent- dent to the steamer had been rely held its annual meeting here, will ceived. They said they knew nothbe providing libraries for the sixteen ing of the details of the occurrence.

great cantonments in which members It was said that no more than 400 of the new national army will be persons were aboard the whaleback, trained, and for smaller military which was on its third excursion trip camps in various parts of the country. of the season. The capacity of the While the furnishing of books for the steamer is 4,000 persons. cantonments probably will be the most important work the committee will undertake, its activity will not be university summer schools made up limited to this.

In order to facilitate the working out of its plans the committee has assigned various forms of service to individual members with power to asso-

subcommittee appintments follow:
Finance—Dr. Frank P. Hill, librarian,
Brooklyn public library.
Publicity—Dr. Arthur E. Boatwick, librarian, St. Louis public library.
Publication—George B. Utley, secretary
American Library association, Chicago.
Historical Service—Dr. Thomas M. Owen,
state department of archives, Alabama.
State Agencies—Mathe wS. Dudgeon, secretary Wisconsin Free Library commission. State Agencies—Mathe ws. Dudgeon, secretary Wisconsin Free Library commission.
Local Agencies—Miss Gratta A. Countryman, librarian, Minneapolis public librarq.
Camp Libraries and Distribution of Books to Soldiers—Edwin H. Anderson, director New York publis library,
Transportation—R. H. Johnston, bureau of rallway economics, Washington.
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The plan for libraries at each of the sixteen cantonments to be occupied by the new army contemplates the erection of special buildings. According to tentative plans these will be frame structures providing facili-ties for the care of about 10,000 volumes each. The cost of construction and equipment of these buildings, aside from the books, it is estimated will be about \$10,000 each.

It is estimated that in addition to the 160,000 volumes to equip these libraries it will be necessary to provide as many more for smaller camps and station throughout the country, and that his work with other necessary expenses will approximate \$250,000.

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### ELEVEN DIE WHEN SHIP IS CRUSHED BY FALLING TANK

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river and either killed from the impact of the falling structure or being rendered unconscious, were drowned before rescued.

Many on Steamer. There were said to be approximately 400 passengers on the boat, including several students from the University of Chicago, who were returning from an outing.

The crash of the water tank tore

through the bridge, pilot house, two decks, and slid into the river when it struck the steel main deck. Identified dead: Cecil Neil, 19, Billings, Okla. Eva Eatman, 24, Chicago.

Blanche Bopper, Chicago. Fred Blum, Milwaukee. One unidentified woman whose

body lies at the morgue wore a signet ring with the initials "B. M. C." An-other woman victim wore a ring with the name "Alta" engraved. Fannie Jones, a student at a university in Chicago, who was on her way to her home in Coleman, Tex.

was taken to the hospital suffering

from broken legs and internal in "The current was too strong for After due deliberation, in which he the tugs," said Captain Moody. "Six was heard to murmur, "Seventeen and inches more of leeway would have three-quarters cents per pound," he saved the vessel. The impact with the dock tore away the under pinning

ranch. One disgustedly was heard to It was in 1893 that the Christopher remark, "I expect another hen will Columbus made its initial appearance want to set as soon as we get enough in fresh water. It was built originally for sightseeing trips in connection with the Chicago World's fair.

Officials to Scene. Chicago, Ill., June 30 .- Officials of the Goodrich Transit company, own-Louisville, Ky., July 1.—One of the chief tasks facing the war service committee appointed by the Ameridiately after first reports of the acciwhich was on its third excursion trip

Teachers and students at the University of Chicago and Northwestern the majority of the passengers,

#### Fire Threatens Kentucky Oil and Gas Fields

Lexington, Ky., July 1.—Destruc-tion is threatened to a large part of the Lee county oil and gas fields by fire which broke out tonight. The largest well in the field became ignited. Residences and other property in the vicinity are endangered.

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