was injured.

RAILROAD PLAN

fhink Carriers Should be Turned Back to Private Owners as Soon as Possible.

for continuing operation of the railroads under government guarantee the government. The commission ers' views are set forth in a telegram which they sent to President Elmquist of the National Association of Railway Commissioners yes-

The members of the Nebraska Railway commission think the roads should be turned back to their private owners as soon as possible Chairman Tom Hall of the commission is inclined to favor public own-ership, but not of the brand pro-posed by Mr. McAdoo. Commisinner Taylor is dead against pubhe ownership, while Commissioner Vic Wilson says he is still open to

Reserve Right to Make Changes. In its telegram, the Nebraska board indicates that it is willing to put the McAdon rates into effect on traffic within the reserve, as an emergency measure, but will retain This is on the understanding that the railroads will be allowed nothing zbove the fixed charge and the regular dividends while the McAdoo scale is in effect. Here is the telegram which it

"Replying letter January 6, are opposed to McAdoo's five-year plan. We favor turning back railroads to private control as soon as congress Sheaman anti-trust act. If reads are returned, we will, by emergency order, validate all existing intrastate freight rates, pending our investigation and determination of their reasonableness, subject to the condition that only fixed charges and regular dividends may be paid longer. from revenues as a return during existence of emergency rates. Commission is divided on government ownership. "Nebraska State Ry. Commission."

Ratification of Dry

will be the bill ratifying the federal bleeding to death. dry amendment. It was introduced Thursday afterpoon of last week but went over under the rules. The measure is expected to come up for final reading and passage tomorrow weak, however, he was not forced

- Steps were also taken in the house to ratify the amendment last week hut the presiding officer ruled it out of order until four days had elapsed. The senate committee on committees will meet Monday morning to complete the assignment of mem-bers of committees. The report is practically drafted, but a few changes remain yet to be made. The pleted its report and will probably file it Monday afternoon at the same time as the senate.

Both houses convene at 1:30 Monday afternoon.

Pawnee County Red Cross

Makes List of War Heroes Table Rock, Neb., Jan. 12—(Special)—The Pawnee county chapter of the American Red Cross has compiled the following list of Pawmes county hoys who died while in the service of their country: Hugh E. DeHart, John L. Brown, Table Rock; Will F. Parli, Chester R. Kerl, William T. Little, Mason G. Fisher and Walter H. Dusenberry, Pawnee City; August Turnbull, Burchard: Manford Mecham, Armour; Ross Irwin Frank Tlustos, DuRois; Ross Irwin, Frank Tlustos, DuBots; Walter S. Biair, Lewiston; Charles Wenel, Steinauer.

Three-Year-Old Boy Shot by Five-Year-Old Sister

Tecumseh, Neb., Jan. 12.—(Special.)—Marie, aged 5 years, and Joseph, 3, children of Mr. and Mrs. P. H. Murphy, northwest of Tecumseh, went to the barn to play. They found an old 22-calibre rifle in the loft, and the little boy was shot through the abdomen, the bullet passing citirely through his body and coming out of his back. The family physician and the parents family physician and the parents rushed the child to a Lincoln hos-pital, where an operation was per-formed, but the boy died two hours

Assessors and Clerks Differ in Amount of Taxes Lincoln, Jan. 12.—(Special.)—The total taxes due the state of Nebras-ka from the 1918 levy as reported by the state board of equalization was about \$7.500 more than the first

The difference is accounted for in the fact that some property has been found and assessed since the reports were sent in by county clerks. Assessors' figures now credit the state with \$5,673,936 of taxes while the county clerks' re-

Senators Plan to Create

War Contracts Appeal Board Washington, Jan. 12.—Creation al a war contracts appeal committee o settle informal contracts disputes chich contractors and government efficials cannot adjust is provided n a substitute for the house bill validating informal war contracts agreed upon by the senate military sommittee.

Devil Made Him Slay His Wife and Children

(Continued From Page One.)

Saturday night, after announcing that the family would visit Sunday Hoskins' father, Wallace Hoskins president of the Nevinville bank. "We were all seated at the break

fast table Sunday morning," the little girl told Sheriff Simpson. "First papa mentioned we should hurry and get ready to go to grand-pa's house. Mother objected. She said she had decided that she would From a Staff Correspondent.

Lincoln, Jan. 12—(Special.)—All three members of the Nebraska State Railway commission have an Decker of the Nebraska the back porch. Then Gladys and Hoskins' actions were peculiar in State Railway commission have announced their opposition to the plan of former Director General McAdoo talked so loud and mean I thought mamma, who had started to a neighas to earnings, with a view of their ultimate retention and purchase by the government. The commission papa stepped over me and opened the back door. He did not go out but picked up something just out-side. He walked across the floor with an ax handle in his hand. Something struck me on the head and I don't remember any more."

Irene ran to a neighbor's house about 75 yards distant and told that the two counties was either for or her father was killing everybody in on the scene Hoskins was standing on a prominent Montgomery county a short distance from the back citizen. Wilkerson carried his fight porch, on which was lying the pros- into Adams county, making a numtrate and bleeding form of the man's crushed to a pulp. In the combina-tion kitchen and dining room lay the two children, their heads also crushed like egg shells.

used in connection with the investi-gation.

Hoskins also became intensely in-terested in Attorney General Hav-

Hoskins must have rained blow against the heads of the children af-ter life was extinct. Mrs. Hoskins face and head were mangled and the right to change them and order crushed until they looked like they new rates after an investigation had been mashed under tons of weight. The room in which the children were murdered was a total The chairs and table were splintered. Even the pictures on the wall had been torn from their places, smashed and scattered over the floor. A stream of blood was running out of the kitchen door, mingling with that of the woman, flowing down a half dozen steps and trickling along the ground

Admits the Crime.

"Yes, I did it," Hoskins defiantly nurled at his questioners. been having trouble with that wo man and her children for a long time. I could not stand it any longer. The final chapter of the whole business will be written when I have done the same thing to my-

Hoskins started to enter the house saying he would get his razor county agent in this county. The and it al. Efforts to stop him were of no avail, and when Sheriff resentative Frank Anderson return-Amendment to Be First

Act of Legislature

Lincoln, Jan. 12.—(Special.)—National prohibition will be approved in the Nebraska legislature during the coming week.

When the Nebraska state senate reconvenes Monday afternoon, practically the first matter to come up severed arteries and saved him from sing with the agent,

Weak From Loss of Blood. Hoskins was unable to make a statement until today. He was so

shock Men and women here sleep with revolvers under their heads. Some are known to have retired taking axes to bed with them as safe guards against the intruder respon sible for the death of the Moore family and two little Stillinger girls.

Mind May Be Unbalanced. The fact that Hoskins was keeping a convenient place an ax handle as a weapon, coupled with the fac the that he is known to have devoted a great deal of his time to brooding over the Villisca tragedy at the time it happened, is taken to indicate that his mind had become more or less

unbalanced. tinually, neighbors say. No import ance was attached to the man's action at the time, his friends believing that Hoskins' mind would become normal again.

Recalls Villisca Murder. During the investigation of J. N Wilkerson, the detective, which is still under way in Montgomery county, the excitement extended to Adams county, and every person it against Wilkerson in his attempt to ber of speeches and collecting hun-Her head literally had been dreds of dollars for the fund to be

> ner's effort in Adams county to indict Wilkerson for some questionable tactics he is alleged to have em-

With his mind completely unbalanced, following constant brooding over this subject, it is thought Hoskins lost control of himself when his wife refused to carry out her agreement to visit his father. Friends of the man also think that Mrs. Hoskins knew the danger of the situation when she left the room. It is pointed out that the woman did not leave the back porch, and she must have heard her husband beating the children on the inside. Mrs. Hoskins was on the back porch when the infuriated man rushed out of the kitchen and set upon her with

Farmers of Aurora Take

Up County Agent Problèm Aurora, Neb., Jan. 12,-(Special) Telegram.)-Farmers of the county yesterday heard arguments for and against the petition to abolish the simpson called at the house a short ed from Lincoln to assume the lead-

Aged Sterling Resident

final reading and passage tomorrow and will be rushed over to the bouse.

Weak, however, he was not forced to talk. Sheriff Simpson declared to talk. as scon as his condition would per- John A. Rulla, an aged German resi- ing pain and mental torture for a mit it.

It is said by residents of Adams and Montgomery counties that there are scores of persons living here who have not retired at nights since the brains of eight sleeping persons in Villisca were beaten out with an ax, without some kind of a weapon close by. This is known to have been a peaceful neighborhood and entirely void of crime, until the Villisca ax murders struck terror into the entire community, and there are a great number of persons who

The favorable

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a change

judgment of so many who have used

Iowa Farmers Take Big Risks Smuggling Booze

wise bear respectable reputations, and who have considerable social engine and tender broke away from standing in their communities, transport liquor from St. Joseph to their farms in machines that are not suspected by officers because of the apparent innocence of the drivers or then came the crash. Neither Enowners. The liquor is concealed in nay stacks or straw stacks and is delivered across the Missouri boundaries to the men who make a busi-ness of the game. The farmer is paid from \$10 to \$20 per case for his risk. The bootlegger then brings the booze to Council Bluffs, where he sells it to the Omaha distributor who has to take the risk of transporting it across the bridge. This recaution of dealing in the contraband within the confines of the Hawkeye state is to defeat the Reed law, which makes illegal transportation a crime. Bootleggers agree that, the most

langerous man to come across is conscientious local deputy who is determined on enforcing the is already under way and it is under- with these men. "The fools ain't got any sense," said one. "A hick marshal or a rube constable pulls his gat and shoots

first, then asks questions afterwards.

in a fight in the outskirts of a Nebraska county seat town, and Joe tavia hospital.

Beister was wounded in a battle in Miss Doherty a small village in Iowa. Several en and is internally injured. other bootleggers have been wound-ed by officers in skirmishes that have night. Mrs. Lichterman is more occurred in this state and Iowa, the seriously injured than her husband. victims being rushed to this city, In addition to body injuries her face where they were secreted in rooms is terribly torn. It was said Mr. known only to the fraternity and and Mrs, Lichterman were married treated by surgeons, whose discre-tion is summed in the Chinese motto, "See nothing, hear nothing and say Lichterman has business interests." See nothing, hear nothing and say

Pine Bluff, just across the border o'clock, nine additional bodies were to make it. liscovered by booze sleuths, who de termined to make it a war zone and insafe for whisky pirates.

Two of them were guarding the oad one night when a car approach-

"Halt!" commanded the officers.
The car stopped. One of the occupants called out genially: "You think we are bootleggers don't you?"
"Yep," responded an officer.
"Well, if you are from Missouri, when you have the car.

come and be shown. Look the car over," called the driver. The officers accepted the invitation and while their heads were bent in ar inspection of the interior of the machine they were assaulted by the crew of the auto who beat the of-ficers into insensibility with the butts of their revolvers, leaving the guardians of the law lying unconscious on the lonely prairie trail. Bootleggers themselves have some exciting experiences. One of them when he felt he was being pursued by officers in the southwestern part of Iowa, hastily ran his machine into a meadow and unloaded his cargo and concealed it in a haystack. Just as he had finished the task he was Killed by Freight Train startled by a huge dog, which without a warning bark or growl

21 Die in Crash on New York Central

a. m., and the Wolverine was due

injured, they were taken to the Ba-

smuggler is concerned, in Iowa. A sufficient distance within which even number of farmers in the south-western part of the state, who otherwise hear respectable reportations. When he threw on the emergency will give you the details." brake,, Engineer Friedley said, the

A reporter ten minutes later step ped off the elevator on the third floor, and found the lieutenant en-joying his midday meal. He was the train. Freed from the drag of the cars, its momentum almost surrounded by a dozen others, who seemed to make it leap forward and were giving him eager attention while he continued to blast the Y M. C. A. authorities. gineer Friedley nor Fireman Brill

"It would suit me much better to talk to you in a half an hour," the Engineer Friedley left Buffalo yesterday afternoon at 5:10 o'clock officer replied to a request for a statement of what he had seen to and reached Syracuse at 7:30 o'clock. condemn in the association pool. When the reporter returned again in 25 minutes, Lieut, Rehling had taken in the morning and then took the Southwestern Limited westbound. his departure to the depot. The train was due at Batavia at 1:04

Find Pool O. K.

In the meantime, however, several to your town." Nothing to Obstruct View. other persons, including a reporter who had heard of the officers' con-It was a clear, cold night and objects could be seen at a considerable demnations, went to the Y. M. C. A distance. The track, at the point building and were shown through where the accident occurred, is the bath rooms. They were taken to straight away and there is nothing | investigate the swimming pool also. to obstruct the view of train crews R. F. Flower, general secretary of Highest yesterday .. 49 2 sheriff, town marshal or constable, for miles. The railroad inquiry the association, spent a half hour Lowest yesterday ... 13 -18 stod Coroner Snow plans to begin "It looks perfectly all right to

Only three passengers in the rear spite of the fact that 300 men had coach escaped instant death. They just come out of the pool, it looked were Mr. and Mrs. Nathan Lich- as clean and as inviting as any pool terman of New York, and an un-conscious woman, said by the rail- "I am at a loss to understand why Omaha Man Killed.

It was under these circumstances to be Miss Flora such an untruthfud report should be that Dan Houston, Omaha, was kill
Doherty of Flint, Mich. Seriously circulated," said Mr. Flower. "Cer-

> for the soldiers. Our pool always Miss Doherty has both legs brokis kept in a clean and sanitary con-When, just before his train left, Lieut. Rehling saw the reporter approaching him, he left a group of officers to whom he was talking on the depot platform.

Do Not Uphold Lieutenant. "Lieut. Rehling has no right to make a statement to the press for these troops," said Lieut. Bliss. "I Eleven bodies were removed about For a long time there was a well noon and brought to undertaking es-defined booze route that ran from tablishments here. Shortly after 3 statement to be made I am the one from Wyoming, then a wet state, brought in and it was said that there to Omaha. The route was finally were no more in the wreckage.

"Y" Pool Gets Clean talking. I do know he has no authority to set himself up to talk for Attorney General Bill After Reflection this authority, he has exceeded his bounds and what he has said will amount to nothing.

> "However, I desire to take this and before then he served as a speoccasion to state that the people of Omaha and Secretary Flower of the cial assistant attorney general in Y. M. C. A. have been most court- the investigation of the New Haven ous to us from the time we arrived transportation system in New Engat 11 o'clock this morning. We en-joyed our three hours in the city, and I know the occasion will remain a pleasant memory with all of but now has his home in Mississippl us. Mr. Flower was particularly kind and generous, and I know the prosecutor of the so-called oil trust. oys enjoyed their swim in the pool, Throughout the war, the attorney which to my certain knowledge, was general's duties have been arduous, perfectly clean and sanitary. There The functions of policing the counwas no occasion for complaint on try, seeking out dangerous enemy this score, and if there has been any criticism on this account, I feel percombatting German propaganda and fectly free to say that it was unrounding up draft slackers were lodged mainly in the Department of grounded and unjust.

"I am exceedingly sorry that this Justice. incident should have come up to mar our otherwise delightful visit

The Weather

Comparative Local Record.

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tainly we did every thing we could

Police May Examine Teeth of All Omaha Citizens Don't be alarmed if detectives in-

Mr Gregory has made no definite plans for the future and has not yet determined where he will prac-

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An interesting feature in that conction, is a chart that was hung on he wall of the rooms at the Cham- ed in Scapa Flow and has been inber of Commerce recently. It is a terned there with the other vessels chare gotten out by Armour & Co., of the German fleet. Another flotilla of the German packing plant, thowing over 140 diferent byproducts.

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combs, etc., leather, glue, sand pa-

16 More Submarines London, Jan. 12.-The German superdreadnaught Baden has arriv-

submarines, numbering 16, is to leave Germany tomorrow for sur-The more important of these products are emphasized by small sam-ples of the products fastened to the in the Mediterranean when the archart, many of which are displayed in glass tubes. Several of those displayed are: Hair for cushions, artists' brushes and plaster, bone buttons, mission at Wilhelmshaven.

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