WATCH "THE VELVET HAMMER'S" GENTLE HITS TO SEE WHO'S NEXT—ON EDITORIAL PAGE

"Please Move"

TWO CENTS.

THE WEATHER:

"DIVINE PSYCHOLGIST" BLAMED BY WOMAN.

New York, Jan. 13 .- Mrs. Jennings Bennett, a widow, vice president of the Women's Foreign Missionary society of the New York Presbytery and active church worker, who blamed the influences of a "divine psychologist" for her troubles, pleaded guilty to first degree grand larceny. She was remanded to the Tombs for sentence on January 21

Mrs. Bennett, who is 32 years old, was arraigned on four indictments charging her with swindling Mount alleged "get rich quick" scheme,

STRANGE MALADY AFFLICTS
KANSAS CITY CHILDREN.
Kansas City, Mo., Jan. 13.—A disease called by various names has been prevalent particularly among been prevalent particularly among children of Kansas City for four weeks, physicians report. Some call it winter cholera and others intestinal influenza, while it is also referred that has appeared in Oklahoma and

TWENTY-THREE WARS STILL IN PROGRESS.

Washington, Jan. 13.—Peace on earth is still far from being an actu-

After taking an "inventory" Gen. Marlborough Churchill, chief of the military intelligence division of the War department, announced that there are still 23 wars in progress Division of Ships Among a cold-blooded murder and as such

The most important of these wars or states of war are those of bolshevik Russia against every country in Europe except Germany, and the case of the United States, which is enjoying only a cessation of arms as against Germany.

WANTS CANAL ALONG THE NICARAGUA ROUTE.

Washington, Jan. 13 .- Construction of another interoceanic canal along the Nicaraguan route has become a necessity in the opinion of Representative Charles H. Randall of California, who announced that he at the State department.
will shortly introduce a bill on the Germany, in compensation subject. Mr. Randall has just returned from a visit to the Panama canal with a party of other congress-

men. The bill will provide for surveys of the Nicaraguan route and the preparation of estimates of cost. Inasmuch as there are only about 18 miles which will have to be excavated between Lake Nicaragua and the Pacific ocean, it is Mr. Randall's opinion that the cost of constructing the canal will be considerably less than the cost of the Panama canal.

FORMER KAISER JESTS WITH DUTCH MINISTER.

see me saw. moments of high spirits when he made this jovial remark to a former Dutch minister who visited him at

Amerongen a few days ago,

To help keep up his spirits the
ex-kaiser lately has been allowed
to receive an increased number of visitors, but newspaper men are not considered as belonging in the category of entertainers and "cheer-ers-up" of the former emperor. The Plundering on Large Scale Dutch government courteously, but firmly explained that Wilhelm Hohenzollern has given his word not to receive reporters.

SHINE OWN SHOES AND SAVE, DEALERS ADVISE.

Boston, Jan. 13.—"Have shoe prices reached the limit?" A committee es reached the limit?" A committee of the Boston Retail Shoe Dealers' association, after canvassing the situation, says "No." The question disturbances spread to places in the and answer are contained in a report given out in connection with the annual convention of the Na-

to be expected, the report says: ment bach. from leather costing 60 cents to \$1 a foot. Shoes now being made for spring are from material costing 80 a rush against the troops guarding cents to \$1.25 a foot, plus higher the Reichstag building in Berlin and costs for other materials and additired to disarm them. The troops tional grants to labor, with less pairs fired and several persons were killed per man produced." Prices will go down, it said, "when stored.

there is more leather and less demand for it," and "when strikes cease and labor connected with shoes buckles down and produces

the saving, the report says, "it is important to know that the heat of riction burning off the savage onshught of the professional shoe streets, following an appeal from hiner is responsible for most of the Die Freiheit, radical socialist organ uppers cracking."

HAD BOTTLE OF LIQUOR WHEN GIRL WAS LOST.

Ithaca, N. Y., Jan. 13.—Donald W. Fether of Los Angeles, a student at Cornell university, was fined \$200 for having had a bottle of liquor in his possession when his companion, Miss Hazel Crance of Ithaca, was drowned in a canoe accident in Lake Cayuga, July 19, 1919. He was charged with violating the local "bone dry" liquor law. At the time tions in Paris, next Friday, will

CLOTHING PRICES WILL BE HIGHER, DEALERS SAY.

Chicago, Jan. 13.—Clothing prices next spring will be from 25 to 40 per cent higher than at present, according to H. R. King of Seattle, who addressed the National Retail Clothiers' association.

Mr. King said that the increase would come from a complexity of causes, chief of which was increased pay to workers. Labor had gone 275 per cent since 1914, he said. Mr. King also cited the decrease in working hours and the increase of Australian wool from \$1.15 a pound in 1914 to \$4.10 a pound now.

"The coming year will be a most rucial one for clothing merchants." keep the business from going on the he be tried in Italy—probably Rome prices upon goods offered for sale pocks — by an international tribunal in the state,

REATY COMPROMISE NEARER

Brief Plea by Defense-Dis-

ments for State.

Judge Gavin W. Craig occupied 20

minutes in realting his instructions

fense contended, when he shot and

punishable by life imprisonment or

The case went to the jury much

sooner than had been expected,

The district attorney charged the

sudden change in its procedure left

BY RAILROADER

Farmers' Union Delegate Starts

Near Riot at Auditorium

Meeting.

a riot by bitterly denouncing the

Shakes His Fist.

that'll talk if you get paid to talk,"

"When I came here tonight I

thought you were a railroad man. You couldn't even get a job on a

in Omaha attending the convention

Opposes Rail Bills.

of his plan for railroad management

directors, one-third of which should

represent the people, one-third the employes and one-third the officials

The officials would be retained

to manage the road, but would be

two sections of the board, he said

auspices of the Farmers' union, now

olution to neither commend nor

condemn Plumb's speech was

· Against Fair Price Deal

Montana Judge Rules

of the roads.

of the Farmers' union, he said.

torium last night.

largely because of a sudden change

death.

al influenza, while it is also referred to as dysentery. Physicians said they believed it was the same disease that has appeared in Oklahoma and that has appeared in Oklahoma and the control of the con Principle to Settlement Made

By Supreme Council in Regard

Was in the hands of the jury.

Thomas Lee Woolwine, district attorney, closed the arguments for the state this afternoon. Superior

DOES NOT WANT ANY SHARE OF INDEMNITY

To Sinking of Warships.

Other Powers Would Make it Necessary for America to Enlarge Naval Program.

Washington, Jan. 13.—The United in plans by the defense. This re-States government has refused to ment by John L. Richardson of the accept any part of indemnity to defense counsel, and the shortening be paid by Germany for the destruc- of the final argument by LeCompte tion of the German fleet in Scapa Davis, leading defense counsel, to a Flow, because it objects in princi- little more than 20 minutes. ple to the settlement made by the supreme council, it was said today defense with trickery in that the for permission to allow a writ of

Germany, in compensation for the him unprepared. destruction of the surrendered war- Mr. Woolwine denounced New as allies certain inland steamer and clared there was no foundation for decided to allocate 2 per cent of this sanity as a "last ditch defense," em- tior material to the United States. Am-bassador Wallace today informed nothing else to advance in their bethe council that if its decision with half.

to any part of the indemnity.

State department officials would ser on the attorneys' table close to the jury and also showed it the renot explain the American govern-ment's objection to the settlement, but it was recalled that from the first the American representatives The Hague, Jan. 13.—"Tell them at the peace conference have favored Davis, who charged it was misconthat you saw me but that you did not the destruction of the German ships duct on Woolwine's part. on the ground that their division Ex-Emperor Wilhelm II., self-invited and unwelcome guest and at the same Holland's greatest advertising feature, had one of his rare be regarded as necessary.

BERLIN RIOTS PROVE FATAL TO **DEMONSTRATORS**

Occurs When Men Storm The Reichstag.

Berlin, Jan. 13 .- Plundering on a large scale occurred Monday in the occupied upper house. Men stormed the town hall, seized arms, threw the archives into the street and stripped the adjacent shops. The

firearms against the police. Ten dead had been brought into tional Shoe Retailers' association, in the court of the Reichstag building when the national assembly ad-Explaining what higher prices are journed, according to an announcement made by President Fehren-

> London, Jan. 13 .- The mob made or wounded. Order was then re-

Basel, Jan. 13 .- Many persons were killed or wounded in Berlin when the troops fired upon or bayoneted demonstrators who tried to Shoe dealers advise people to rush the Reichstag entrances, in pro-shine their own shoes. Aside from test against the exploitation law,

says a despatch from Berlin. The dispatch adds that, since for workmen, to demonstrate in protest against the law.

Meeting of League Marks Beginning of New Era, Says Wilson of his plan for railroad management which provides for a local board of

of the young woman's death Fether "mark of the beginning of a new was arrested for murder, but was era in international co-operation exonerated without being brought and the first great step towards the to trial. Miss Crance's body was not ideal concert of nations," President Wilson declared in issuing the call for the meeting, as provided by the Treaty of Versailles.

"It will bring the league of nations into being as a living force, afternoon session of the union a resdevoted to the task of assisting the peoples of all countries in their desire for peace, prosperity and happiness," the cablegram, addressed to Great Britain, France, Italy, Japan, at midnight. Brazil, Belgium and Spain, said. The president is convinced that its progress will accord with the nobl purpose to which it is dedicated."

Kaiser Will Ask Change of

Helena, Mont., Jan. 13.—Judge George M. Bourquin, in the United States district court here today, Venue From London to Italy granted an injunction against the London, Jan. 13.-If the allies Montana Trade commission, halting demand his extradition for trial in the operation of the commission's re declared. "It will not be so much London, the ex-kaiser will ask a order No. 4, which would compel did not relinquish his hold, however, firm or deny the report. The cama question of making money as to change of venue and suggest that retail dealers to mark the cost and fought so desperately that the paign is to be figured by a large

Mrs. Bennett, who is 32 years old, was arraigned on four indictments charging her with swindling Mount Vernon residents out of \$7,000 by an alleged "get rich quick" scheme. COURT WILL TO JURY SOONER THAN EXPECTED NOT DEL trict Attorney Closes Argu-

Frenzied Attempts of Attorneys to Stop Electrocution of Cole and Grammer Were Overruled Yesterday.

on the legal points involved and the jury then retired to deliberate whether New was insane, as the de-ELECTRIC CHAIR IS TESTED BY OPERATOR

Writ of Error for Cole Appeal Denied by Supreme Court-Hearing Is Held Legal in Attorney General's Ruling.

Lincoln, Neb., Jan. 13 .- (Special Telegram.)-Another attempt to save Alson B. Cole from the electric chair has failed. Shortly after 2 this afternoon Attorney J. M. Priest in the supreme court asked error to be issued to the United States supreme court in the original habeas corpus action filed some time ships, is required to deliver to the a "cold-blooded murderer" and de- ago with the state supreme court, which had been denied, but after harbor facilities, such (as floating the defense contention of insanity, taking the same under consideration docks and tugs, and the council had He characterized the defense of intaking the same under consideration

What the next step may be Attorney Priest would not say, but inti-mated that there would be further action taken Wednesday morning. respect to the award was final, the United States would waive its claim closed, placed a picture of Miss Les- but refused to answer questions as ser on the attorneys' table close to to what the steps would be.

Electric Chair Works.

who is charged with hiring Cole to This brought a bitter protest from kill Mrs. Vogt, the mother of Mrs. Grammer, will go to the chair some time Friday.

Executioner Hulbert of New York arrived at the state penitentiary late yesterday afternoon and tried out the newly installed electric chair. As he threw in the switch which will send the blinding blue flash through AFTER ADDRESS the bodies of the two convicted men next Friday he said briefly: "It works.

Says Hearing Legal.

The attorney general today noti-fied Attorney Sterling Mutz counsel for Grammer, that his accusations against the final hearing before the governor was illegal are unfounded, Richard Bucknole, 73 years old, veteran railroad man of Washingand that his office has been unable to discover any irregularities leading up to the hearing.
Mr. Mutz cited state statutes reton, Neb., precipitated a scene which for a moment threatened to become

quiring publication of notice of such a hearing at least three months in Plumb plan as outlined by its a hearing at least three months in author, Glen E. Plumb, at the Audi-advance and charged that such was not done. The attorney general today ruled

At the close of his speech Mr. that due notification was made and Plumb offered to answer questions. that the final hearing, which was Bucknole toftered to the stage held at the state prison last Monday, hastily and in a high shrill voice demanded: "Who's goin' to run the was regular in every way.

Blasts Final Hope.

railroads if you have your way?"
Plumb started to reply, but the old man interrupted him. This ruling by the attorney general blasts the final ray of hope for Grammer, unless proceedings for ha-

"You're just one of these lawyers neys, prove successful. Meanwhile the two convicts grimhe shrilled, shaking a bony fist under Plumb's nose. "The labor ly watch the days flit by, as they await the fatal day of January 16. unions of the country are making Frenzied efforts of attorneys have every member put a dollar in your so far proved to no avail in securing a stay of execution and time

> youths and the electric chair. Visits Husband Daily.

railroad. You're one of these here fellows that stand around with your hands in your pockets and hand out smooth talk. It started railroading when I was 8 years old delity and trust. in England and I kept it up when

alone remains between the

Throughout the long legal battle I came to this country. You can't tell me about railroads!" waged in the Nebraska courts to Plumb turned his attention to save her husband's life she has remained steadfast in her belief that other questioners and the old man hobbled away protestingly. He is

he is innocent. At the final hearing before the governor she turned from the members of her own family, who demanded the execution, to sit with Mr. Plumb, in his speech, bitterly opposed the return of railroads to private ownership March 1, denounced the Cumins bill now in congress, and advocated the adoption her husband's relatives.

Wins Battle Against Odds With Thugs and

After an unequal struggle in which Sirian, 1039 South Thirty-second street, shot three times and is bedirectly responsible to the other lieved to have wounded one of his ing the efforts of two thugs to rob identification of Davis,

"My faculties were 190 per cent In this way he would run railroads efficiently.
Mr. Plumb spoke under the corner of Twenty-first and Pierce until the moment Davis struck me," streets about 7:30 last night. the mayor declared, "and before convention here. During the

Sirian is the proprietor of a soft drink parlor at 1202 South Twentieth street. He had been home for supper and was on his way back to his store when the attempted holdup oc-The two highwaymen jumped upon him, he says, and attempted to

throw him to the ground. Sirian had his hand on his revolver when attacked and he fired it three times during the melee. face, leaving bruises and cuts. Si-

tain his money and ran away,

TESTIMONY OF. **MAYOR AMUSES**

JURY IN COURT Difficulty Encountered Obtaining Men to Hear Testimony in Cases of

Alleged Rioters. The crowd in District Judge beas corpus, considered by his attor- day when Mayor. Smith testified to Paul, where he had been since Janthe blows he received from the mob vary 5, in an effort to extradite Wil-

Redick's court room laughed yesterat the court house the night of the

charged with assault to murder and assault to do great bodily injury to Mayor Smith the night of the riot. Several times the court bailiff had Daily Mrs. Grammer, working in to rap sharply for order as the Lincoln to be near the prison, visits crowd and some members of the her husband in the death cell And jury laughed when the mayor told daily she repeats her avowal of fi- of the punches the men in the mob gave him

Tells Same Story. The mayor told the same narra-

tive as he did in the first trial of Davis, of his arrival at the court house, and his experiences inside the building until the crowd at- rested, the police chief stated. tacked him and dragged him out. "How many blows did the crowd gether with Detectives Dolan and in the rotunda give you before they dragged you out?" asked Attorney O'Sullivan for Davis.

"Oh, I wasn't counting the pokes," said the mayor.
"Outside the building when the mob had you, you were the stellar Saves \$500 in Cash attraction, weren't you?" asked the

Was the "Goat." "Well," the mayor laughed, "I'd

say, rather, that I was the goat." Davis' attorney tried to show that the mayor was dazed by the blows

Continued on Page Two, Column Two.) Noted Pastor to Lead Big Anti-Bolshevist Campaign

New York, Jan. 13.—Dr. Newell Dwight Hillis, for years pastor of Plymouth church Brooklyn, rendered world famous by Henry Ward The thugs struck him twice in the Beecher, is about to relinquish his pastorate to assume leadership in rian's finger was cut by the trigger a country-wide anti-bolshevist camof the gun, which the bandits at paign, it was reported today. Dr. tempted to wrest from his grasp. He Hillis could not be reached to coning to the report.,

Chief of Police and Witnesses BANKS OF OMAHA

Will Return for Hearing January 20.

Three Finn brothers, William, (Thomas McKay), Mike and John, are still in jail at St. Paul, Minn., under heavy bond, charged with robbing the Farmers and Merchants bank at Benson of \$105,000 on the morning of December 31, Chief of Police Eberstein said yesterday up-on his return to Omaha from St. liam and Mike.

Upon receipt of a celegram from Police Chief Eberstein Monday, The mayor was the first witness telling that John Finn had been arat the second trial of George Davis, rested and identified as one of the bandit gang, Chief of Detectives Dunn filed a charge of robbery against the accused man. Finn's bonds were set at \$25,000, Chief of directors. Eberstein said, and his hearing set for January 20, when habeas corpus proceedings for the other two Finn brothers will be heard before a district court judge in St. Paul.

members of the bandit gang will hearing and also to attempt to posiidentify the last Finn ar-Chief of Police Eberstein, to-

Paul to attend the hearing. New Thrift Director

Advocates Style of Plain Clothing Here

Lincoln, Neb., Jan. 13.-Mrs. Charles C. Ryan of Grand Island, Neb., assumed a recently created office of director of a state-wide assailants, he succeeded in defeat- and therefore could not make an thrift campaign designed to reduce the high cost of living. Elimination of useless buying, greater production of necessities, and reduction in consumption of ar-God, I know Davis is the man who ticles the prices of which are con sidered unfair, are objects of the

campaign.
"We hope," said Mrs. Ryan, "to make it stylish to wear plain clothes and practice thrift."

National Prohibition Convention to Be Held At Lincoln on July 21

Washington, Jan. 13.-The tion of the party.

THREE BROTHERS IN ST. PAUL JAIL ON HOLDUP CHARGE NEW HEADS ARE NAMED FOR THREE

Three Presidents Retire at Own Request and As-

sistants Are Elected Their Successors. The annual meetings of Omaha bank stockholders in Omaha yesterday resulted in the election of three new presidents with the resultant retirement or partial retirement of

> veteran presidents, and the addition of a number of new stockholders on board of directors. Walter W. Head was elected president of the Omaha National bank, succeeding Senator J. H. Millard, who became chairman of the board John L. Kennedy, first vice president of the United States National bank, succeeded Milton T. Barlow

first vice president. The five bank robbery victims of F. E. Hovey, former vice presi-who identified the Finn brothers as dent of the Stock Yards National be recalled to St. Paul to attend the dency, succeeding H. C. Bostwick, who was made chairman of the board of directors.

as president. Mr. Barlow became

The changes in all three cases. were made at the request of the retiring presidents, all of whom are veteran Omaha bankers, that they might have lighter work. None of Hagerman will also return to St. the three ex-presidents retired from the business completely, and they will still spend considerable time at their desks in their respective banks, but in less rigorous positions.

Old Officers Re-elected. Stockholders of the First Nation-

al bank elected David Cole and Willard D. Hosford as new members of the board of directors and reelected all old members. The additional directors were elected to better handle the increase in business. All officers of the First National were re-elected. Directors of the United States National bank were all re-elected (Continued on Page Two, Column Two.)

Chicago Almost Crimeless

Chicago, Jan. 13.—With but one attempted holdup reported in 24 hours, following the city wide round up of criminals that netted 412 suspects, Chicago police officers are preparing to continue activities

victims of recent robberies

BOTH SIDES **ARE UNITING** FOR PEACE

Democratic and Republican Senators Endeavoring to End Deadlock and Avoid Campaign Fight.

LODGE AND HITCHCOCK GETTING INTO ACCORD

Two Leaders Visited at Capitol by More Than Score Of Representatives of Vanious Organizations.

Washington, Jan. 13.-Assurances that democratic and republican senators were united in endeavoring to end the senate treaty deadlock and to avoid carrying the treaty issues into the coming political campaign were given by Senators Lodge of Massachusetts and Hitchcock of Nebraska, republican and acting democratic leaders, respectively, to spokesmen of organizations claiming to represent 20,000,000 people de-sirous of early ratification of the

The two leaders were visited sepa-rately at the capitol by more than a score of representatives of various organizations, including societies working for ratification of the peace treaty, labor unions, church and other religious societies, and agricultural and educational bodies. The calls on the senate leaders followed a meeting to urge immediate ratification of the treaty with such reservations as may be necessary to secure the requisite two-thirds vote.

Consider Modifications. Senator Lodge told them he would be "glad" to consider any modifications of the treaty reservations which the democratic minority might present and that there was being evinced "a general desire" to dispose of the treaty promptly so as to avertits injection into the elections. Republicans and democrats in the sen-ate, he said, now were attempting to "reach a common ground" with that

end in view. Calling at the office of Senator Hitchcock the delegation was urging immediate ratification.

"We urged immediate ratification," the petition recited, "with such reservations as may secure in the senate the necessary two-thirds, even hough this may require from the treaty-making powers the same spirit of self-denying sacrifice which wor, the war. The world should not wait longer for America to conclude

peace. Both Senator Lodge and Senator Hitchcock in their statements to the delegation admitted that concessions must be made in the controversy.

No Change in Conditions. In their conferences with the early ratification advocates, neither Senator Lodge nor Senator Hitchcock indicated any change in the positions they have taken recently. Their callers, however, said they had been encouraged by the assurances from both senators that a rea!

pute over reservations was being made. The ratification delegation submitted to Senators Lodge and Hitchcock and sent to President Wilson, what their spokesmen termed a "manifesto."

effort to compromise the senate dis-

What Senator Lodge Said. Senator Lodge said:

"I think there is a very general desire to avoid delay which would necessarily ensue from remitting the whole question to the election in November. I can only repeat that (Continued on Page Two, Column Four.)

Committee Named to Plan for Democratic National Meeting

Washington, Jan. 13.—Appointment of a committee of 17, including two women, to arrange for the democratic national convention at San Francisco on June 28 was announced today by Chairman Cummings of the national committee. This will be the first time women have had a hand in the preliminary arrangements of a presidential nominating convention, Mr. Cummings said.

Chairman Commings will head the committee and the members will in-

clude: Wilbur M. Marsh, Iowa, and Arthur F. Mullen, Nebraska.

The first meeting of the arrange-ments committee will be held in San Following Police Roundup

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Calls Out Electricians.

Salt Lake City, Jan. 13 .- Declar-Sunday's crimeless day and Monday's almost blank police record were pointed to by the authorities of the Utah Light and Power Co. as evidence of the success of the in Salt Lake City. Ogden and ing that he was calling out all electrical workers in the employ in Salt Lake City, Ogden and Pocatello, H. G. Greene of San tional executive committee of the raids.

prohibition party selected Lincoln. Of those taken, 155 have been Francisco, international representative of the electrical workers union. robbers gave up the attempt to ob-fund subscribed in the west, accord- time for the 1920 national conven- a number have been identified by issued a general strike call here effective immediately.