

### "Farmer Defeated If Ford's Shoals Offer Rejected"

Senate Committee's Minority Report Declares Acceptance of Auto Man's Plan Would Cut Fertilizer Cost.

Washington, Aug. 4.—(By A. P.)—Acceptance of Henry Ford's offer for purchase and lease of the government's vast nitrate and water-power projects at Muscle Shoals, Ala., was urged by republican and democratic senators comprising a minority of the senate agricultural committee in a report submitted to the senate today. Strong protest was entered by the senators against the acceptance of the new government ownership and operation plan proposed by Senator Norris, Nebraska, the committee's chairman.

The report was submitted by Senator Ladd, republican, of North Dakota. It estimated that the government had lost \$3,000,000 at Muscle Shoals since the armistice and declared acceptance of Ford's offer "the quickest way to stop the losses."

In calling attention to charges that the acceptance of Ford's offer would give him a government subsidy in the development of power and the manufacture of fertilizers, the report stated: "If it is a subsidy, it is not such a subsidy as is proposed by the administration in the ship subsidy bill."

"Would Cost Nothing." It was argued that "The Ladd bill would cost the government 'practically nothing' a year while the ship subsidy bill would necessitate an annual expenditure of \$41,500,000."

After reviewing the conditions under which the Ford plan would be controlled, if accepted, the report stated: "A fair consideration of all the facts leads unmistakably to the conclusion that under the Ford offer, the cost of fertilizers delivered to the farmer can be materially reduced."

"Will Have Lost Fight." The report added that from the present fertilizer industry, the farmers expect but little in the reduction of prices, and stated that other fertilizer interests refused an offer by the government to run the shoals plant even when the companies were offered the use of the works free of charge under an agreement allowing them 9 per cent profit on invested capital and an equal division of profits with the government on profits above 9 per cent.

In conclusion, the report stated: "If Mr. Ford's offer is rejected, the farmers will have lost their fight at Muscle Shoals and the Alabama Power company will have won its fight for a complete monopoly in the rivers of Alabama."

### Old Settlers' Picnic Is Well Attended at Fairmont

Geneva, Neb., Aug. 4.—(Special.)—The annual old settlers' picnic was held at Fairmont and attended by a crowd from this part of the county. The chief address was delivered by Judge Ralph D. Brown of Geneva, who was introduced by George A. Williams of Fairmont. Other speakers were Richard A. Matteson, John P. Davis and George D. Mathewson. The 50-year club, composed of residents of this county for 50 years, met during the day. The ball game was won by Geneva from Friend, score, 6 to 3.

### Union Church Services Popular in Scottsbluff

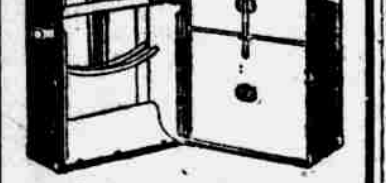
Scottsbluff, Neb., Aug. 4.—(Special.)—Scottsbluff Protestant churches, which for the past month have held union services on Sundays and Wednesdays, have found the idea so popular that the services will be continued during August, under the auspices of the ministerial association. Pastors and laymen occupy the pulpits and conduct the services at other churches, under the plan, the congregations uniting in the church auditoriums in turn.

### Farmers Hold Big Picnic on State Experiment Farm

Scottsbluff, Neb., Aug. 4.—(Special.)—Hundreds of farmers and city folks attended the annual farmers' picnic at the state experiment farm northwest of Scottsbluff, when athletic contests for the youngsters, a better babies' show and examination of experimental plots by the older folks made up the program.

### Name Bank Receiver

Fairbury, Neb., Aug. 4.—(Special.)—District Judge Colby appointed R. S. Willey, cashier of the Farmers State bank of Steele City, receiver of the Endicott State bank, which failed six weeks ago. The closing up of the bank's affairs will begin at once.



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### British Leaders Declare Intention to Pay War Debt

Chancellor of Exchequer Says Nation Has No Intention of Suggesting Changes in Obligations to U. S.—Speakers Careful to Avoid Anything Which Might Open Discussion at Allied Conference.

London, Aug. 4.—(By A. P.)—Yesterday's debate in the house of commons on interrelated debts and German reparations proved disappointing. It had been expected the debate would bring out further interesting facts respecting the recent note of the earl of Balfour on the subject and regarding Great Britain's future policy on the whole subject of international obligations.

It was apparent that Premier Lloyd George, Chancellor of the Exchequer, Herbert H. Asquith, one of the liberal leaders, and other speakers made a studied effort to say nothing which would embarrass open and impartial discussion of the subject at next week's conference in London between the allied leaders.

During the five hours debate there was constant reiteration of Great Britain's intention to repay its debt to the United States, but no pains were spared to make clearly apparent Great Britain's sacrifices in the war, its generous post armistice attitude and the staggering burdens of taxation.

Sir Robert Hprne, the chancellor of the exchequer, said Great Britain had no intention of suggesting any alteration of its financial obligations to the United States; that the government recognized to the full Great Britain's obligations to pay the debt, "and we do not mean in any shape or form to evade that obligation."

Mr. Asquith won mild approbation

### Suspect in Scott Murder Arrested

Man Taken in Cutting Scrape Held for Investigation Into Death of Policeman.

Police detectives are investigating the past actions of James Weaver, 2724 R street, who is suspected of being the murderer of Policeman John Scott, who was killed at Thirty-second and A streets about 11 o'clock the night of February 9.

Weaver was arrested Thursday night following a cutting scrape in which he participated with George Fielding, 5120 South Twenty-sixth street. A woman is said to have been the cause of their fight.

Following the arrest of the two men, Fielding called for Police Sergeant Sheehan and told him that Weaver had violated their friendship of years standing and that he had a confession to make.

Fielding told Sheehan that the day following the murder Weaver called at his rooms and showed him newspaper accounts of the shooting.

"I killed him," Fielding asserts Weaver told him.

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### G. O. P. Platform Is Interpreted by Brookhart

Republican Candidate for Senate From Iowa Approves Planks Made by Party.

Rockwell City, Ia., Aug. 4.—Smith W. Brookhart, republican candidate for United States senate from Iowa, interpreted the republican platform adopted Wednesday's state convention held in Des Moines in a speech delivered last night before a Calhoun county fair crowd, and declared he would stand on the platform as he understood it.

Col. Brookhart, who was the center of attack at both the republican and democratic conventions in Des Moines yesterday, declared that the republican party had adopted his plank on the federal reserve system, that he was especially pleased with the plank calling for conscription of wealth in war, that the bonus plank did not oppose his plan of taxing profiteers to pay for adjusted compensation, and that even the primary plank, rightly interpreted, was a constructive measure.

"In a general way the platform suits me fine. In particular I approve the declaration against the demagogues and socialists. I believe that every railroad attorney demagogue ought to be kicked out of the party. I believe that every socialist grafter, who wants government guarantee on a cost plus basis, ought to be given a quit claim deed to the democratic candidate," he said.

In the opinion of political observers who heard his speech, Col. Brookhart's interpretations of the republican platform may cause its authors some chagrin.

### First Paving District Created in Scottsbluff

Scottsbluff, Neb., Aug. 4.—(Special.)—Following the creation of a paving district by the city council, property owners in the northeast residence section of the city will go ahead with the paving of five blocks, probably with concrete and asphalt. This will be the first paving to be laid in Scottsbluff, petitions circulated for paving the business district having so far failed to secure the necessary number of signers.

### Railway Brotherhood Heads Ask Conference

Executives to Smash the Shoprats Union is Resulting in more and more of the locomotives and equipment getting into disrepair, and the dangers of a most hazardous occupation are being daily increased.

"We fear that a continuation of these conditions will inevitably result in our members, as a matter of self-protection, being drawn into the controversy, and we greatly deplore such a contingency."

In sympathy with Harding. "We feel that the American public is fully in sympathy with the president's efforts to settle the strike, and in the light of the above facts, and in the interest of public welfare, peace and safety, we suggest you call upon the president and urge him to again bring this matter to the attention of the railroad executives with the hope that he may succeed in convincing them of the necessity of their prompt acceptance of the president's proposal which has been adopted by the shoprats."

"Continued refusal to accept the president's proposal for a compromise settlement of pending questions will place upon the railroad executives full responsibility for the increasing seriousness of the situation."

"We suggest you file this message with the president as a basis for discussion with the questions at issue and to show him you have full authority of the undersigned chief executives to meet him. We are wiring the president you will call upon him with authority to discuss this subject."

(Signed) "STONE, "LEE, "ROBERTSON."

### Republican Guns to Be Touched Off at Meet Tuesday

Howell Leads Array of Nominees in Addressing County Convention in Council Chamber.

The republican county convention, which has been called to meet at 2 next Tuesday afternoon in the city council chamber, will be entitled to seat 319 delegates from 175 voting precincts of Douglas county. These delegates were elected at the primary July 18.

W. G. Ure, county chairman, will call the convention to order. J. B. Fradenburg will be presented as temporary chairman.

One of the duties of the convention will be the election of 115 delegates to represent Douglas county at the republican state convention, which will be held at Lincoln August 15.

The convention will be addressed by the following nominees: R. B. Howell, for United States senator; Judge W. G. Sears, for congress; Charles H. Randall, for governor; O. S. Spillman, for attorney general. Immediately after adjournment of the county convention the newly elected county committeemen and women will meet to organize the new county central committee. Among those who have been nominated for county chairman are J. R. Cain, jr., and E. A. Baird.

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### Lutherans to Open Meet Here August 16

The Nebraska district of the Missouri synod of the Lutheran church will hold its convention in Omaha, August 16 to 22, with headquarters at Hotel Castle. Four hundred and fifty ministers, teachers and lay delegates are expected to attend. These delegates come from all parts of Nebraska and Wyoming.

The opening session of the synod will be by Rev. F. R. Brand, general vice president of the synod, St. Louis, at St. Paul Lutheran church. All other sessions will be at Hotel Castle auditorium except the general meeting on Sunday, August 20, at 3 p.m., celebrating the 75th anniversary of the Missouri synod, the diamond jubilee.

All congregations in Nebraska have been invited to the jubilee exercises, both during the afternoon and evening. Prof. J. W. C. Fritz, dean of Concordia seminary, St. Louis, will preach the jubilee sermon in the afternoon. In the evening there will be a concert by the mass choir that sang at the Walter league convention, and by the teacher choir of Nebraska.

### Woman, 77, Who Was Shot by Neighbor, Improving

Mrs. Sophie Lock, 77, is improving and expected to recover rapidly from a wound in the shoulder inflicted by Mrs. Joe Cannella, 1015 South Eleventh street, Wednesday afternoon. Mrs. Cannella is in jail and charges against her will be filed when the outcome of Mrs. Lock's wound is learned. It is said Mrs. Cannella shot her neighbor because she believed she had informed the police that Mrs. Cannella sold intoxicating liquor. Cannella was fined \$100 in police court.

### Samson to Order Subjects Soon to Coronation

Invitations to Grand Ball Being Prepared—Lincoln Delegation to Come August 14.

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If a knight has changed his address since becoming a member of the organization he is asked to notify Samson at once or his invitation may be delayed.

Monday, August 7, is to be Saunders county night at the den and August 14 will see the annual pilgrimage of friends and neighbors from Lincoln. Last year Lincoln came 450 strong. Samson advises that he expects Charley Bryan to be one of this party if not its head. W. S. Whitten, royal ambassador to his majesty, the king, and erstwhile secretary of the Lincoln Chamber of Commerce, will supervise the Lincoln delegation.

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