

## LEASES OIL LANDS

CHADRON MAN WILL SEEK AND MARKET PRODUCT

News of General Interest Gathered From Reliable Sources Around the State House.

Western Newspaper Union News Service.

What is thought to be the first oil lease ever made by the state of Nebraska has been executed between the state board of educational lands and funds and E. D. Crites of Chadron.

It covered a half section of state school land, lying twenty miles north of Chadron, upon which Mr. Crites and



WAYNE HENRY KUSTER

Who made a score of 96.5 at the state fair Better Babies show. He is the son of Mr. and Mrs. John Kuster of Roca.

his business associates expect to drill for oil.

Mr. Crites already held the land, which is only two miles from the South Dakota boundary line, for farming and grazing purposes, under an old contract with the state, whereby he paid \$24 a year for the use of the land, or 7 1/2 cents per acre.

Under the new contract he is given authority to take whatever oil he may find and market it as his own product, the state to receive one-tenth of the royalty therefrom. The contract runs for five years.

## State Historical Publications

"Nebraska History and Pioneer Days" is the title of a new publication which will appear shortly. It is the outcome of plans made more than a year ago. A. E. Sheldon is the editor-in-chief of the new publication, with a staff of some thirty well known Nebraska pioneers and historical writers. The publication is designed to furnish a means of communication and information upon Nebraska history and ethnology. It will be both popular and scientific in its nature, and aim to reach all persons, old and young, who are interested in Nebraska history and the preservation of its records and memories. Organization of the staff for this publication was begun in 1915 and the preparation of articles and illustrations for the first number has been under way for several months.

State Auditor Smith is refunding to about thirty counties the amounts they overpaid the state many years ago in settling with the state for the care of insane patients. The last legislature made appropriations to reimburse the counties that overpaid. Merick county heads the list with an overpayment of \$201.15. Harlan county will receive back only 3 cents.

Nebraska soldiers now stationed on the Mexican border will have a chance in a few days to break into the movies and have their first taste of "real" action, if the plans of a film company are carried out. This corporation contemplates taking advantage of the great number of soldiers at El Paso Grande camp to use in some "thrillers."

According to word received from Secretary Mellor there will be a fund from the state fair this year of about \$25,000 with which to prepare for next year's exposition.

## State Funds Decreasing

The monthly report of State Treasurer George E. Hall shows that the total in the state treasury decreased during the month of September from \$1,580,932.57 to \$1,461,980.79, a decrease of \$98,951.78. The educational or trust funds invested in now \$9,860,488.32, an increase of only \$5,400. The amount in the four trust funds at this time, available for investment, is reduced to a total of \$8,100.

The general fund dropped during the month from \$597,208.11 to \$466,550.96, a reduction of \$130,657.15. The receipts for this fund during the month amounted to \$50,748 and the disbursements were \$157,405. The total receipts for all funds amounted to \$197,643.10 and the disbursements \$299,607.97.

The Madison county commissioners' board has asked State Auditor Smith to go to Madison and meet with it, in relation to the unpaid income fund tax due the state from that county, amounting to \$7,097, plus interest. The date of October 17 is set by the board for the proposed meeting.

## FARMERS INSTITUTES

Short Courses in Agriculture and Home Economics

The number of short courses in agriculture and home economics to be given this year by the extension service of the university college of agriculture is to be double the number held last year. Last winter the service conducted twelve short courses; this year twenty-four courses have been signed up, an increase of 100 per cent. Last year the total attendance at all sessions of short courses reached the 15,000 mark. This year it is expected to exceed 30,000. The first course for this season was held at Cozad October 2 to 6. Page and Tilden were scheduled for the following weeks, and then the short courses will stop until corn picking time is past. Giving of courses will be resumed December 4, and will last until March 2. Instruction is given by a crew of extension specialists consisting of two men and two women. This year two crews are being used so that two courses can be given simultaneously at two different points. The list of courses scheduled this year follows: October 2 to 6, Cozad; October 9 to 13, Page; October 16 to 20, Tilden; December 4 to 8, Gresham and Springfield; December 11 to 15, Allen and Lyons; December 18 to 22, Dakota City; January 1 to 5, Papillion and Pleasant Dale; January 8 to 12, Weston and Laurel; January 15 to 19, reserved for organized agriculture; January 22 to 26, Wausa and Dixon; January 29 to February 2, Polk and Nyad; February 5 to 9, Stromsburg and Western; February 12 to 16, Morrill and Nemaha-Richardson consolidated school; February 19 to 23, Loomis and Wood River; February 26 to March 2, Waterloo and Cowles.

## Raised Less But Worth More

A bulletin from the state board of agriculture, issued by Secretary W. R. Mellor, shows that Nebraska raised less winter wheat this year than last year, but this year's crop is worth nearly \$20,000,000 more than the crop of last year. The area planted this year's acreage and the yield this year averaged 1.6 bushels more to the acre, being an average of 21.2 bushels to the acre.

The total acreage this year was 3,063,756 or 353,574 less than last year. The total yield this year was 65,365,691 bushels, or 1,954,767 less than last year's yield, but the crop this year is valued at \$1.30 a bushel, or a total of \$78,488,829 as compared with \$68,856,378 for last year, an increase of \$19,632,451 over the value of last year's crop.

## No More Spring Shooting

"Spring shooting is gone forever, as it concerns waterfowl and migratory game," says I. A. Lawyer of New York, a federal game warden, in Lincoln to confer with State Game Warden Gus Rutenbeck.

Treaty provisions, running eighteen years, have been signed by the United States and Canada, absolutely eliminating spring shooting in both countries and this treaty takes precedence over federal and state laws.

He says that the United States government does not propose to relax its regulations and allow birds to be killed before they have hatched their young.

## Many Autos in State

Secretary of State Pool issued 3,444 automobile licenses and 100 motorcycle licenses in September, making a total of 96,760 automobile licenses issued since the first of the year. As 577 of these were issued to replace alleged lost numbers, the total number of automobiles in operation in Nebraska is now 96,183. The expense of the automobile department for September was \$6,435.84, but \$5,560 of this amount was paid for automobile number plates for use next year. The fees of the secretary's office in September amounted to \$4,113.07, the greater part of which was for the filing of articles of incorporation and for corporation permits.

## Investigating Car Shortage

Inspectors Adams and Hayes, employed by the interstate commerce commission, have arrived in Lincoln to make an investigation of the freight car shortage situation in this state. They were sent after the Nebraska commission wired to the federal body asking its assistance in meeting the emergency which is causing heavy loss to Nebraska farmers and shippers of grain.

## State Wins Test Suit

Suit has been filed in supreme court by Attorney General Reed to quiet the title to the six lots in the city of Lincoln. A mortgage for \$5,000 was given on the state on this property and a tract of farm land in 1870, for money loaned from the permanent school fund. The mortgage was afterward released as to the farm land but not as to the city property.

In this suit, brought in the name of the state, the supreme court is asked to order an accounting and the sale of the property under foreclosure.

## League of Second Generation

The League of the Second Generation, a university club composed of students whose parents were once students, met last week and organized for the coming year, with the election of Ralph Wagner as president. Other officers named were Louise Peck, vice-president; J. Dwight Davis, secretary, and Ralph E. Anderson, treasurer. The league will co-operate with the athletic authorities in securing a large number of alumni at the homecoming football game with Kansas, November 15.

## ASKS ALLIES FOR AID

KING OF ROMANIA FEARS NATION WILL BE CRUSHED BY TEUTONS.

STAKES ALL IN CONFLICT

Ferdinand Says Country Was Not Moved to Enter War by Mere Expediency, But Decision Was Based on Biggest Principles of Nationality.

London, Oct. 16.—The Times publishes an interview given to its correspondents with the Rumanian army by the king of Rumania, in which the monarch appeals to the allies not to permit his country to suffer the fate of Serbia and Belgium.

"The Rumanians will not falter," the king said, "in their allegiance to the cause, nor can the enemy wear them from their faith in their allies. Yet the Rumanians pray that, in spite of their existing exigencies and their own huge problems, the allies will not allow the affairs of Rumania, who has staked her all in this conflict, to pass into the back of their minds and to suffer her to meet the fate of either Belgium or Serbia."

King Ferdinand said that Rumania had not been moved to enter the war by her expediency, but that her decision was based on the biggest principles of nationality.

"Against Germany," continued his majesty, "there was, at the beginning of the war, no hostility, rather, perhaps, friendship, for economically, Germany was an asset to the development of our industry and a potent instrument in forwarding the prosperity of our country."

"But with the progress of the war Rumania began to feel the subtle force of enemy intrigue endeavoring in every way to force us into the struggle against our own real interests."

"If Rumania has been criticized heretofore, let the world consider her position: A small power, with a small army, surrounded by giants, facing a practical problem."

"With a western frontier nearly 700 miles long, which alone was greater than the English and French fronts combined, and Bulgarian frontiers, almost undefended and near her capital, stretching for other hundreds of miles to the south, she had to await the time when she could act with reasonable assurance of protecting herself and having the support of her allies."

"A small country in a great war which promises to last for at least another year, faces certain internal sacrifices and the consumption of her resources. But such is the confidence of Rumania in the justice of her cause and the faith of her allies that she has cast her lot with them in the conviction that her great associates will see that she does not prove to be the third small power destroyed in the great conflict."

Despite slight gains recorded for the Rumanians in the Bucharest official war office statement, Austro-German-Bulgarian forces continue their crushing nut-cracker tactics and have expelled the Rumanians from further portions of Transylvania.

A strip of territory in eastern Transylvania, paralleling the Rumanian front and including the Gyergygo and Miszek valleys and the upper and lower Csik, have been cleared of the enemy, according to a Berlin war office statement.

## GERMAN DIVER ON WAY HOME

U-53 Is Sighted by Neutral Vessel at Sea and Exchanges Messages With It.

New York, Oct. 16.—Satisfied with its day's work last Sunday, when five ships were sunk off the New England coast, the German submarine U-53 is on its way home, according to a story brought to this port on Friday by a neutral ship.

According to the ship's officers the submarine was sighted more than 100 miles east of Nantucket lightship on Tuesday. The submarine was moving in an easterly direction. The neutral ship received a wireless from the U-boat asking its name and nationality. This was given and the question asked in turn:

"Who are you?"

"German submarine from Newport, good-by," was the reply.

Shipping news heaved a sigh of relief upon hearing this story.

Washington, Oct. 16.—The search along the Atlantic coast for alleged secret submarine bases and radio stations of European powers instituted with the dash of 14 naval destroyers from Newport will extend from Maine to the Gulf of Mexico, Secretary of the Navy Daniels said on Friday.

In announcing Admiral Mayo's action Secretary Daniels said the war would be done under the admiral.

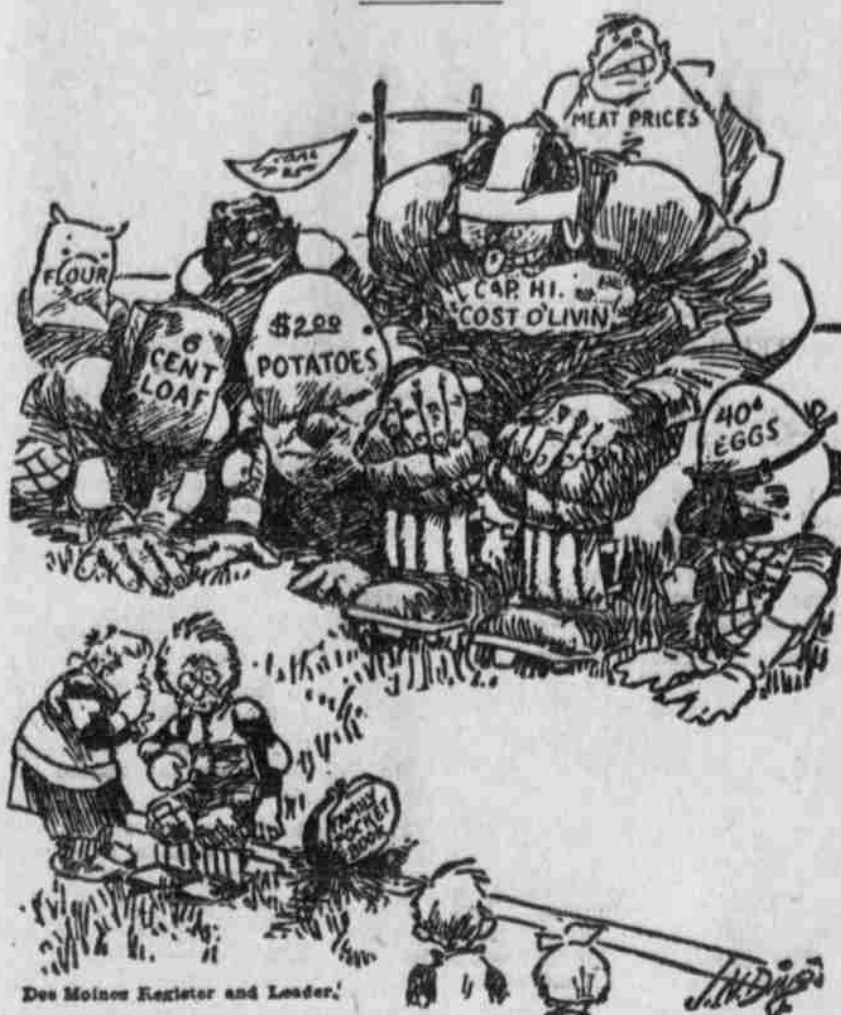
## Swedish Ships Released.

London, Oct. 16.—The Russian government has released 21 Swedish vessels which have been held in Russian harbors, according to a Copenhagen dispatch to the Exchange Telegraph company.

## Warns of \$10 Counterfeit.

Washington, Oct. 16.—Secret service headquarters gave notice of a dangerous counterfeit of the \$10 note of the Minneapolis federal reserve bank, which is so well executed as to possibly deceive even experts.

## TOUGH SEASON FOR THE HOME TEAM



## U. S. DEFENSE BODY U. S. OPEN TO U-BOAT

MILITARY NEEDS OF NATION WILL BE STUDIED.

Commission to Give Country Benefit of Its Resources in Time of Necessity.

On Board the President's Train, Harrisburg, Pa., Oct. 13.—President Wilson made public on Wednesday the names of seven men whom he has appointed members of an advisory commission to be associated with the "council of national defense created at the last session of congress."

The names of the men are: Daniel Willard, president of the Baltimore & Ohio railroad.

Samuel Gompers, president of the American Federation of Labor.

Dr. Franklin H. Martin of Chicago.

Howard E. Coffin of Detroit.

Bernard Baruch of New York.

Dr. Hollis Godfrey of Philadelphia.

Julius Rosenwald of Chicago.

The president's statement in part follows:

"The council's chief functions are:

"1. The co-ordination of all forms of transportation and the development of means of transportation to meet the military, industrial and commercial needs of the nation."

"2. The extension of the industrial mobilization work of the committee on industrial preparedness of the naval consulting board. Complete information as to our present manufacturing and producing facilities adaptable to many-sided uses of modern warfare will be procured, analyzed and made use of."

## GERARD WON'T DISCUSS VISIT

Ambassador to Germany Refuses to Confirm Report That He is on Peace Mission.

New York, Oct. 12.—James W. Gerard, American ambassador to Germany, upon his arrival here on Tuesday, declined either to affirm or deny published reports that he was returning to the United States on a peace mission in behalf of the emperor of Germany.

The Scandinavian-American liner Frederik VIII, on which Mr. Gerard arrived, was met at quarantine by a municipal police boat on which was Mayor Mitchell's reception committee, headed by Oscar Straus, chairman of the public service commission. Mrs. Gerard, who accompanied the ambassador, was presented with a large bouquet of American roses.

## FLASHES OFF THE WIRE

Washington, Oct. 14.—A dispatch to the state department from Panama says former President Porras sailed for New York. He is the new minister from Panama to the United States. Senor Porras is accompanied by his wife and two sons.

Hartford, Conn., Oct. 14.—In the superior court Judge Shumway granted an absolute divorce to Dr. Valeria Hopkins Parker, a noted woman's suffrage worker and woman's club member, from Dr. Edward O. Parker of Greenwich on the ground of intolerable cruelty.

## England Needs All Youths.

London, Oct. 16.—The man-power board has reached the conclusion, according to the Times, that every young man in the country must be put at the disposal of the military authorities or of the ministry of munitions.

## No More Mail in Pope's Care.

Rome, Oct. 16.—The Holy See will no longer be responsible for the transit of letters of prisoners of war. This step has been taken so as to give no ground "for the calumnious accusations of espionage."

STATE DEPARTMENT AT WASHINGTON ANNOUNCES DECISION.

Raid Off New England Coast Does Not Change Administration's Point of View.

Washington, Oct. 12.—The dash into Newport of the German submarine U-53 and its subsequent raids off the New England coast have not changed the administration's point of view in the treatment of submarines of belligerent nations.

This was made known here on Tuesday when Counselor Polk of the state department announced that the United States had refused to accept the contention of the entente allies urging that neutrals deny the use of their harbors to all submarines, whether merchantmen or warships.

The counselor's announcement followed publication of a London dispatch carrying the text of a recent note to Washington in which the demands of the entente were made.

The claim of the allies that submarines are outlaws brings up the question of whether the American government may be sued for damages resulting from the call of the U-53 at Newport before it started on its spectacular raid.

Under the interpretation of the allies, the position may be taken that Newport was made the base for operations which officials estimate already have caused at least \$5,000,000 damage to allied shipping and trade.

## 3 KILLED IN STRIKE BATTLE

Standard Oil Workers Clash With 250 Officers at Bayonne, N. J.—Men Refuse to Disperse.

Bayonne, N. J., Oct. 14.—At least three men were killed and a score wounded on Thursday when a mob of several hundred Standard Oil strikers exchanged shots with nearly 250 detectives, policemen and special guards here. At Prospect and Twenty-second streets, near the Tidewater Oil Plant, 250 guards and officers were confronted by a mob of several hundred strikers. Inspector Cady ordered them to disperse. Their reply was a fusillade. Cady then ordered his men to fire. The strikers retreated only after a score of their number had fallen.

In the afternoon Inspector Cady had the situation in hand, but it is feared if another outbreak occurs it will be necessary to appeal to Governor Fielder for the militia.

## ARMOURS TO CUT BIG MELON

Stockholders to Divide 400 Per Cent in Profits—Capital to Be Increased.

Chicago, Oct. 11.—Armour and company will cut a 400 per cent melon at the next meeting of the board of directors. R. J. Dunham, vice president, in a statement made public, said an increase of the capitalization from \$20,000,000 to \$100,000,000 also would be considered. This would be accomplished by capitalizing \$80,000,000 of the company's surplus, which now is around \$100,000,000, and which was earned between 1901 and 1912, when few dividends were paid and virtually all the earnings were reinvested in plant extension.

## Loss in Storm Is \$2,000,000.

Washington, Oct. 14.—American Consul Payne at St. Thomas reported that the hurricane which swept the Danish West Indies caused damage estimated at \$2,000,000 and left many homeless.

## Brig. Gen. Macomb Retires.

Washington, Oct. 14.—Brig. Gen. Montgomery Meigs Macomb, U. S. A., president of the Army and War college, was retired on Thursday from active service, having reached the age of sixty-four.

## RED SOX VICTORS

HUGE CROWD SEES BOSTON DEFEAT BROOKLYN AND WIN WORLD TITLE.

42,620 WITNESS GREAT GAME

Triple by Lewis in Second Inning Leads to First Tally and Two Singles in Third Add Two More Runs—Score 4 to 1.

Braves' Field, Boston, Oct. 14.—Before the greatest crowd that ever witnessed a professional ball game the Boston Red Sox on Thursday annexed their fourth world's championship. A vast throng, numbering 42,620 wild-eyed fans, saw the Sox down the Brooklyn Dodgers, 4 to 1, in the fifth game of the 1916 title tussle.

It registered the Sox's fourth victory and clinched the title for them. To Ernie Shore, elongated right-hander of the Sox, went the honors of stowing away the championship. He is the only pitcher to be credited with two victories in the series.

Shore was master of the Dodgers, holding them to one run and three hits. This lanky right-hander has reached a crest in baseball's high peaks of fame. He was a slab hero of last season's classic.

Duffy Lewis again figured prominently in a world's series as a heavy swatter. It was Lewis's three-bagger that enabled him to score with the tying run in the second inning, when Gardner hoisted a sacrifice fly to Wheat. The Dodgers had scored the first run without the aid of a base hit or a fielding error in the second inning.

Fielding errors by Cutshaw and Olson let in two runs in the third and clinched the game for Boston. Hooper singled in the fifth and scored on Janvrin's double to left.

Charles Ebbetts, president of the Brooklyn, headed the procession marching about Braves' field after the game.

The features of the game were: The first run made by the Dodgers in the second inning was scored without the aid of a base hit or a fielding error.

Lewis was at a disadvantage in the second inning with two strikes on him, when he slammed a curve. It was a liner to deep left. The ball took a bound away from Wheat.

Gardner's thrilling stop of Olson's wicked bouncer in the second, also his splendid stop and throw of Mowrey's bad bouncer in the fifth.

Shore fanned Hi Myers, the first man to face Shore on three pitched balls.

Wheat's hair-raising running catch of Shore's low-line drive in the fifth frame robbed the tall Red Sox pitcher of a base hit.

	B.	R.	H.	B.	P.	O.	A.	E.
Myers, cf	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Daubert, 1b	0	0	0	10	1	0	0	0
Stengel, rf	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0
Wheat, lf	0	0	0	5	0	0	0	0
Cutshaw, 2b	3	1	0	1	2	3	0	0
Mowrey, 3b	0	1	0	1	3	1	0	0
Olson, ss	0	0	0	2	3	2	0	0
Meyers, c	0	1	0	4	2	0	0	0
Pfeffer, p	2	0	0	0	1	0	0	0
Dell, p	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Merkle	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Totals	11	1	3	1	24	13	3	0

\*Batted for Pfeffer in the eighth.

	B.	R.	H.	B.	P.	O.	A.	E.
Hooper, rf	2	1	1	1	0	0	0	0
Janvrin, 2b	0	2	0	0	1	0	0	0
Shorten, cf	0	1	0	2	0	0	0	0
Hoblitel, 1b	0	0	1	14	1	0	0	0
Lewis, lf	3	2	0	1	0	0	0	0
Gardner, 3b	2	0	0	0	5	0	0	0
Scott, ss	0	0	0	2	2	0	0	0
Cady, c	3	1	0	4	1	0	0	0
Shore, p	0	0	0	2	3	0	0	0
Totals	27	4	7	2	27	14	2	0

Extra base hits—Two base, Janvrin; three base, Lewis. Strike outs—By Shore, 4; by Pfeffer, 2. Pitchers' records—Six hits, four runs off Pfeffer in seven innings. Bases on balls—Off Shore, 1; off Pfeffer, 2. Sacrifice fly—Gardner. Left on bases—Brooklyn, 5; Boston, 4. Passed ball—Cady. Wild pitches—Pfeffer (2). Umpires—Connolly, at plate; O'Day on bases; Quigley in leftfield; Dineen in rightfield. Time—1:42.

## SAYS DASH OF ALLIES FAILED

Berlin War Office Asserts Attempt to Break Through in France Is Futile.

Berlin, via Sayville Wireless, Oct. 16.—A great attempt by the French and British forces to break through the German lines on the Somme resulted in complete failure, the war office announced on Friday.

Six assaults against the sector of Suilly were repulsed, it was stated. The battle continues west of this point.

Two hundred French soldiers and 14 officers were captured on the Somme, the statement says.

London, Oct. 16.—Gains were made by the British at two points on the Somme front on Friday night.

## Bomb Russ Transports.

Berlin, Oct. 16.—German aeroplanes on the night of October 9-10 successfully bombed Russian transport steamers in the Black sea off Constantinople, the admiralty announced on Friday.

## Mexico Rail Shops Closed.

San Antonio, Tex., Oct. 16.—Railway shops in Monterey and Nuevo Leon have closed because of lack of mechanics to operate them. Suspension of work in the repair shops threatens to cripple transportation.