

Hunt's Washington Letter

(By HARRY B. HUNT) WASHINGTON (NEA Special)—The Ku Klux Klan issue threatens to make confusion more...

Backers of Senator Oscar W. Underwood of Alabama, the only presidential candidate who has taken a flat-footed stand in opposition to the Klan, announce their intention of making a determined fight to write into the democratic platform a specific and definite anti-Klan plank.

The very threat of such procedure is enough to cause chills and fever in the delegations from states where the Klan is entrenched, and to paralyze with acute anger all candidates who have "pussy-footed" on the Klan issue.

If the Klan plank is actively agitated, it may give the fiery Green in this year's convention a position even surpassing that of Bryan's famous "Crown of Thorns" in '96.

An one outsider puts it, after looking over the Underwood-Al Smith delegations, it may become a contest of the fiery Green versus the Holy Cross.

The threat of a Klan and anti-Klan bloc at the convention also opens interesting speculation as to possible coalition between the Underwood-Smith forces.

Smith will have at the start about 400 votes. Underwood about 200. Opposition to these will be McAdoo with some 440. The remaining 150-odd will be scattering "favorite son" votes for the dark-horse delegation.

Not until disintegration of some one of the three major blocks begins can any candidate be within gunshot of nomination. And this time is variously set as from Monday, June 26, to Friday, July 4.

In addition to the probable battle over an anti-Klan plank, an-

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CITRUS BAN NOW REMOVED

SALEM, Ore. (By the Associated Press)—Effective at midnight tonight, Governor Pierce has lifted the quarantine against California citrus fruits which will be admitted from disease-free territory if properly fumigated and inspected by the federal government.

The ruling will be effective so long as there is no outbreak of the foot and mouth disease.

The governor also issued a proclamation placing a ban on circus and carnival animals and equipment.

Disease Being Controlled WASHINGTON (AP)—The California foot and mouth disease appears checked, the department of agriculture announced today, but declared that it could not be certain of complete eradication for several months.

Taking Testimony in Circuit Court Case The case of W. D. Banks, executor vs. George Cochran which was on the court hither in the current term of court for the first time to be taken under consideration...

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Oregon Is Ranked High In Lumber Production

WASHINGTON (Special)—The states of Louisiana and Washington are running a neck and neck race for first places in the American lumber industry in respect to the number of men on their payrolls.

In 1919 Washington, with 24,918 lumber wage earners, was ahead, having about 12,000 more than Louisiana. But in 1921, the last year for which official figures are available, Louisiana had 41,378 wage earners employed in its lumber industry, while Washington had 41,123, according to the booklet, "Lumber and Timber Information," just published by the National Lumber Manufacturers association.

NEW GRIMES FACED BY MURDERERS

Nathan Leopold, Jr., and Richard Loeb Involved in Former Cases.

MAY HAVE SLAIN CHICAGO STUDENT

Bullet that killed Freeman Louis Tracy Fits Gun Owned by Leopold, Officers Report.

CHICAGO (By the Associated Press)—The bullet which killed Freeman Louis Tracy, a student, on November 25, 1923, fits one of the pistols found in the room of Nathan Leopold, Jr., who, with Richard Loeb, confessed to kidnapping and slaying Robert Frank, Dr. Springer, the coroner's physician, declared today.

The Tracy murder was one of the most mysterious that ever confronted the police.

Leopold and Loeb were also identified yesterday as the attackers who maimed Charles Ream by an operation of "mutilation" five days after the Tracy killing.

Tracy, who had been a special student at the University of Chicago, was found slain virtually on the campus. It appeared to police that he had been slain and thrown from an automobile.

Ream, when brought to the courthouse to face Loeb and Leopold, screamed "It's them, it's them," states Attorney Crowe, starting a grand jury investigation of the Frank's case, began an inquiry also to determine whether the pair are connected with the Tracy murder and the Ream mutilation.

GIRL AND MAN TRYING TO LIVE BY HANDS ALONE

MOUNTAIN LAKES, N. J. (AP)—A note saying that she was going to demonstrate they could live by their hands alone in the woods was left early Sunday in the home of Mrs. James H. Cowie by Miss Helen Cole, a week-end guest, who with Charles Carter, disappeared after the family retired Saturday night, Mrs. Cowie said Monday. State police are searching the woods for the couple.

Mrs. Cowie said she had known Miss Cole two years and that her home had been in California, but recently she had lived in New York city, where she was a student in Greenwich village.

During a week-end party, discussion of a novel of two people living by their hands in the wilderness led Miss Cole to declare she could do it. She is believed to have induced Carter to accompany her in the experiment.

Miss Cole is 24, tall, of auburn hair and wore a yellow evening gown when she left, a check-up on her clothing in her room showed. She is said to have been a lover of the outdoors and believed to be capable of taking care of herself.

Carter is a few years older.

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Dimples



Two dimples in the shoulders of Beatrice Burdell Freeman, above, who is to make her debut soon with a new San Francisco film company, are each worth \$25,000. At least that's what the management insured them for. At least that's what the publicity man is telling.

PAVEMENT ON ADAMS SOUGHT

Two petitions are being circulated among property owners in the Wood Adams district at present with the purpose of securing enough signatures thereto to cause the city commission to create a 50-foot improvement district and pave the avenue from Third street to beyond the hospital.

The proposed paving would connect Adams avenue pavement with the scenic highway which the state, county and city are jointly building.

This morning nearly enough signatures had been procured and the petition circulators are expecting to be able to present the papers with 55 per cent of the property owners agreeable to paying to the commission tomorrow evening.

Some Misinformation

Those who are striving to secure paving, however, are meeting, according to their announcements, with considerable opposition which seems to center upon the proposition that the state highway commission should pave the road.

City Manager Frank H. Haynes this morning stated to an Evening Observer reporter that the "state highway commission cannot, according to law, spend a penny upon paving inside the corporate limits of any city over 2,500 population."

A good share of the opposition may be due to the fact that the state highway commission is assisting in the paving of the scenic highway within La Grande's city limits. This is easily explained, however, inasmuch as the three units to the contract—the state highway commission, Union county and the City of La Grande, are all working under one contract. The state highway commission is doing

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UNION LIVE STOCK SHOW DRAWS NEAR

Opening of Annual Event to Be Held Thursday Morning at Union

INTEREST HIGH IN THE PAGEANT

"Friends of Mankind" General Rehearsal Was Held Last Evening—Scores Heavily.

UNION, Ore. (Special)—The various committees having the departments of the annual stock show in charge have rounded out their work and will have everything in readiness Thursday morning when the gates are opened for the first day of the exhibition.

The grounds have been filling up with race horses and the people who participate in the racing and trick riding and during the last week many exhibitors have been bringing in their animals and the stalls are practically all taken.

Heavy Racing Program Although the lucking contests have been eliminated for this year, there will be plenty of events to interest the crowd. About ten races are scheduled for each day and there will probably be extra events arranged during the show days. Between \$2500 and \$3000 dollars have been offered as prize money for the various racing contests, to be given out as first, second, and in most cases, third prizes.

A telephone will be installed at the office of the entrance to the grounds and two girls will be in charge to accommodate all who wish to communicate with other places.

Miss Dillon, in charge of the pageant, "Friends of Mankind," is drilling the various sections of the pageant daily and the committee in charge promises to have the show ready for Thursday evening. There will be a change of the program each night of the three performances. Much time and money have been expended on the costumes and rehearsals and the various dances and musical

TIDAL WAVE FOLLOWS EARTHQUAKE AT AGNO

MANILA (By the Associated Press)—Strong earthquake shocks followed by a tidal wave, are reported from the town of Agno, in the province of Pangasinan, in official telegrams received Monday. The population is terror-stricken.

The telegrams say the earthquake was believed to have been caused by the eruption of a submarine volcano. There was no serious damage in Agno.

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Reclamation Bill Given To House

Every Effort to Be Used to Dispose of Measure Before Adjournment.

WASHINGTON (By the Associated Press)—A bill designed to afford relief to settlers of reclamation projects and providing for sweeping changes in the reclamation laws was reported today by the house irrigation committee.

The measure is in line with recommendations of Secretary Work's fact-finding commission. House action on the bill will be sought before adjournment, Chairman Smith having been instructed to use every effort to call it up under suspension of rules which would shut off amendments, limit debate to forty minutes and require a two-thirds vote for passage.

JAPS BOYCOTT YANKEE GOODS

TOKYO (By the Associated Press)—Resolutions condemning the exclusion clause of the new American immigration law were passed tonight at a meeting of representatives of all Tokyo and Osaka newspapers.

Several Tokyo stores are today displaying signs reading: "No American goods sold here."

A number of virulent newspapers assert the movement to boycott American products is gaining ground among the middle and lower classes despite the government's efforts to check its spread.

Half Hundred Union People to Breakfast

UNION, Ore. (Special to the Observer)—Fifty Unionites will leave for Baker tomorrow morning in order to attend the stockmen's annual breakfast to be held at 8:30 o'clock. The breakfast is always one of the features of the Horse and Cattle Raisers association conventions and this year promises to be very highly attended.

LAST REBEL FORT FALLS

MEXICO CITY (By the Associated Press)—Villa Hermosa, capital of the state of Tabasco, and considered the last rebel stronghold, fell before a federal attack Sunday, according to war department announcement quoting advice from General Gonzalez.

Building Permits Huge

EUGENE, Ore.—Eugene's building permits totaled \$1,347,825 for the first five months of 1924, according to a report of W. H. Alexander, city building inspector, issued yesterday. The permits during May amounted to \$229,159, the report shows.

Late News Flashes

FOREST FIRES STILL RAGE. PORTLAND, Ore. (AP)—Forest fires continued today to take toll of timber in Clatsop, Columbia, Coos, Polk, Lane, Josephine, Marion and Clackamas counties. The forestry department is making every effort to relieve the situation, which is described as the worst for June in Oregon history.

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Protests Exclusion



First picture to reach this country showing Japanese protesting to American Ambassador Cyrus Wood (left) at Tokyo against exclusion act recently passed by congress.

BUSINESS MEN FOSTER DANCE

The La Grande national guard unit, which is scheduled to leave for Camp Lewis Monday evening in two special cars which will be attached to Train No. 25, will give a dance tomorrow evening in Zeller hall which will, incidentally, be the last public appearance of the company prior to encampment.

The Union County Chamber of Commerce, highly appreciative of the guard as a whole and each member individually — for the spirit of patriotism manifested, is planning on giving the guard and a whole-hearted send-off at the dance — one that will leave no vestige of doubt in the company's personnel but that La Grande stands solidly behind it in every way.

The members of the civic organization will be present at the dance and preceding the opening number of the orchestra a poem will be recited and march to the dance hall. The La Grande municipal band will participate in the parade.

During the evening a purse, subscribed by the chamber of commerce, will be presented to the guard unit as an evidence of good will.

No Reason for Recent Business Depression

WASHINGTON (AP)—There is no economic reason for the recent business depression, Secretary Herbert Hoover said today, blaming the condition on cutting down of inventories which have caused serious unemployment.

The recession, he only slight, he said, and the general production in the country has not been seriously affected.

German Churches Need Pastors

BERLIN (AP)—The tendency to withdraw from the churches of Germany for political reasons having disappeared, these organizations are gaining daily in strength and membership. As a result there is an increasing demand for pastors, and theological students have better prospects of finding employment, on graduation, than the young men who study medicine or the law. These two professions still are overcrowded.

Helix High Graduates Eight

PENDELTON, Ore.—The chief address of the commencement exercises of the Helix high school was delivered by Judge Stephen A. Lowell of Pendleton. Eight students, three boys and five girls, were granted diplomas. Theresa Maude McGee was class valedictorian, and the valedictorian was Alice McAlesey. The exercises were held in the new Greenwood union high school.

Klan Initiates Class

TIHAMOOK, Ore. (Special)—Approximately 16,000 Klansmen from all parts of Oregon and some from Washington visited Tihamook to attend the rally and outdoor demonstration given under the auspices of the local Klan.

The initiation ceremonies and demonstration were held on the fair grounds following a parade through the city. The Hillsboro, Newberg and Tihamook bands played in the main street of the city from 7:30 until 8:15, and then went to the fair grounds, where a parade formed at 8:45.

A large class from Tihamook and other Klans were initiated. Mayor Smith delivered the welcome address. Following the programs a barbecue was given for the visiting and local Klansmen and their wives.

BULLETINS

GERMAN AID REJECTED

WASHINGTON (AP)—Two resolutions proposing appropriations for the American government for German relief were rejected today by the foreign relations committee.

NEW DEPARTMENT PROPOSED

WASHINGTON (AP)—Opposing the consolidation of the war and navy departments, a joint congressional committee on reorganization of the executive departments in a report submitted today, recommends the establishment of a new department of education and relief.

FIGHT ARRANGED

NEW YORK (AP)—Harry Williams and Bartley Madden, heavyweights, will meet in a 15-round match at the Queensborough Athletic club, Long Island City, next Monday, as the result of temporary permits granted today by the board of standards and appeals. The permit was issued following the pro-fighters' appeal from a decision by the fire department condemning the club's wooden stadium as a fire hazard.

ATTEMPT UNSUCCESSFUL

WASHINGTON (AP)—An unsuccessful attempt was made today by Democratic leaders to instruct house conferees on the postal salaries bill to accept the Rural amendments designed to give publicity to campaign contributions. Opposing the movement, the Republicans succeeded in having the house managers instructed to press for adoption of a substitute proposed by Representative Cable, a Republican, of Ohio, setting up a scheme for regulation of contributions.

KILAUEA QUIET MONDAY

HILO, T. H. (By the Associated Press)—Kilauea volcano was quiet Monday, only light steam arising from the pit all day. Dr. T. A. Jaggard, Jr., observer at the volcano, reported late Monday.

Right earthquakes were felt, however. They were general in character, affecting the whole island. Jaggard expressed the belief that the earthquakes were not caused by subterranean explosions but merely by the settling of the land. He said he still felt the volcano eruption was not over and that every precaution should be taken.

Japanese Wage Rates

TOKYO (AP)—The average daily wage of Japanese laborers, including women, is 1.55 yen, at normal exchange about 78 cents in American currency, according to figures published by the home department. The average wage for male laborers is 1.79 yen and for women 88 sen, and the average work day is 16 hours, 25 minutes.

MARKET QUOTATIONS

PORTLAND, Ore. (AP)—Cattle and hogs steady. Sheep steady to weak. Eggs half a cent higher, 23 to 26 cents. Butter firm. Butterfat (Portland) 24 cents. Butterfat (San Francisco) 42 1/2 cents.

Milton-Freewater Fire

Damage Is Over \$60,000

PENDELTON, Ore. (By the Associated Press)—The fire which broke out in the industrial district of Milton-Freewater Monday afternoon caused damage estimated at more than \$60,000. The principal loss was sustained by the Milton box factory valued at \$40,000 and insured for \$35,000.

The fruit warehouses of M. W. Mumford and W. S. Hobson loss was not estimated. Wool owned by Harris Brothers stored in the warehouse was an estimated \$25,000 loss with insurance for \$12,000. Several smaller concerns suffered losses not estimated. Six cars of lumber were destroyed.

The box factory employed 130 men and supplied the entire fruit growing district with packing cases. It was announced it would be rebuilt immediately. The fire was under control at 3:20 Monday afternoon. Business and residence districts were not in danger.

SERIOUS FIRE AT CALDESAC

CULDERAC, Idaho (AP)—Fire that started yesterday afternoon destroyed six small business houses with a total loss of \$12,000, with insurance of \$500. The fire started in the Hugh Nerio residence and could not be controlled on account of water shortage. This is the second bad fire in Caldwell in the year and because of poor water supply and flimsy construction of many of the buildings insurance rates increased until few carry insurance.

STOCK MEN OF OREGON MEET TODAY

Cattle and Horse Growers' Association Convened in Baker

INDUSTRY AT LOW EBB, IS REPORT

Outlook for Association Members Not Rosy; Governor Pierce Is on Program.

BAKER, Ore. (Special)—Members of the Cattle and Horse Growers association of Oregon, which was first organized in Baker in 1915 and met here again in 1917, convened this morning for the third time in this city. Last year the body held its annual meeting at Union, Oregon during stock show week.

Since its original founding the association has grown to include practically all stockmen of the state and its work has been of vast benefit to the industry. The meeting opening today is peculiar in that it is being held at a time when the industry is at a low ebb and the outlook is far from bright.

Following is the program for today: 10 a. m.—Invocation by Reverend E. T. Starky.

Mezo-Soprano Solo — "Smile Through Your Tears" (Hamblen), Mrs. Edna Coulter.

Address of Welcome—Mayor C. L. Palmer, on behalf of the city of Baker; Joseph Stoddard, representing the chamber of commerce.

Response—Robert Whytecomb, superintendent of the Eastern Oregon Experiment Station at Union, Oregon.

President's Annual Address. Appointment of committee on credentials, auditing committee and committee on resolutions.

Address—Senator Bruce Denton, of La Grande.

Noon intermission. 1:30 p. m.—Address and short talk.

Soprano Solo—"A Morning in Spring" (Mathews), Mrs. Grace Francis.

Address—"Taxed" by Governor Walter M. Pierce.

Address—"Cooperative Marketing" Isaac Hunt, vice president of the Ladd and Tilton Bank of Portland.

Address—By Senator Jay Updegraff, of Prineville, Oregon.

Tenor Solo—"Were You to Call" Stuart Bennett.

Discussions. 8:30 p. m.—Stockmen's dance in Edie's hall.

MONDELL WILL BE CHAIRMAN

CLEVELAND (By the Associated Press)—Frank W. Mondell, of Wyoming, will be the permanent chairman of the Republican National convention opening here Tuesday, June 10th.

Charles R. Warren, American ambassador to Mexico, has been virtually agreed upon by republican leaders for chairmanship of the resolutions committee at the national convention.