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Hunt's
Daily
Letter(By Harry B. Hunt)
WASHINGTON (NEA Special).—Prospects for prospectors are bad, says Senator Tasker L. Odell, chairman of the senate's special committee investigating the gold and silver industry.

In fact, according to Odell, digging gold and silver has become even less profitable than digging pumpkins and potatoes.

If the farmers who have thought they've had hard times for the past few years had been delving deep for their living instead of merely scratching the face of nature, he opines, they'd have had something really to kick about.

And just as the farmers have been demanding relief by legislation to stimulate the exportation of American foodstuffs, Odell wants the government to lend a hand to save the gold and silver magnates from bankruptcy.

Casting about for some new world market for silver, Odell has picked China as the one best bet.

If China can be persuaded to amend her "complicated and heterogeneous currency system," which now "seriously limits the market possibilities of silver," a silver lining to the present clouds will be provided.

Timely assistance by the Polish government, which recently purchased six million ounces of silver for the Poles, has been a help.

But no such relief has come to the gold and silver producer as has come to the farmer, in the bounding prices of corn and hogs.

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JOHN W. DAVIS NOTIFIED
OF PARTY'S SELECTIONCONFIDENCE
IS SUPREME
NEED, DAVISStandard Bearer Says the
Government Needs
People's FaithACCEPTS TENDER
OF MAJOR PARTY"Honesty" Keynote of
Speech Delivered in
Clarksburg; Will Not
Tolerate Dishonesty.

CLARKSBURG, W. Va., (By the Associated Press).—Having sounded the party battle cry, John W. Davis, democratic presidential candidate, prepared today to begin a drive over the country in a series of speeches, the first of which will be at Columbus, Ohio, August 26. Davis will treat more in detail those subjects he announced in his acceptance address last night as the outstanding campaign issues, chief of which is "honesty" in government.

CLARKSBURG, W. Va., (By the Associated Press).—The supreme need of the hour is to bring back to the people confidence in their government, John W. Davis declared in his address, accepting the Democratic Presidential nomination.

Formally putting under way the national campaign of 1924, he indicated the Republican party "in its organized capacity for having shaken public confidence to its very foundations" and laid against it these specific charges:

"Having exhibited deeper and more widespread corruption than any that this generation of Americans has been called upon to witness."

"Complicity in the face of that corruption and with ill will towards the efforts of honest men to expose it."

"Gross favoritism to the privileged and utter disregard of the unprotected."

"Indifference to world peace and fidelity in the conduct of foreign affairs."

"Disorganization, division and ineffectiveness."

Honesty Badly Needed.

Declaring that on the record he would ask the voters of the country to pass judgment of condemnation, "a warning to all men who aspire to public office, that dishonesty, either in thought,

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Cooperation of Two
States a New Stunt

SEATTLE, Wash., (By the Associated Press).—Cooperation from towns and cities in two states in helping a new city grow is "something new" declared H. A. Long at a banquet given last night in his honor by the Seattle Chamber of Commerce.

He declared the enthusiastic participation of Seattle, Portland and other towns of the two states in Longview at its first birthday anniversary was the finest manifestation of hospitality and cooperation he had ever seen.

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THOMAS J. WALSH
Thomas J. Walsh, Montana senator, formally notified John W. Davis that he had been selected as standard bearer for the Democratic in the race for presidency.TWO STATES
SEEK BANDITS

BOISE, Idaho (By the Associated Press).—Five robbers Monday held up the bank at Eagle, Idaho near here and escaped with \$25,700.00.

BOISE, Idaho, (Special).—Sheriffs of two states are scouring the country for three bandits who ended the bank at Eagle Monday morning in broad daylight, took \$2700 from the strong box, locked E. H. Pihkon, cashier of the bank, and his 18-year-old daughter, Margaret, in the vault and escaped in a Boise taxicab.

Meanwhile H. P. (Hank) Endersby, taxicab man and driver of the bandit car, is held by the Ada county sheriff for investigation. He said he had been held by the robbers all night in a deserted shack and was forced to drive the car to the scene of the robbery and then to "drive like hell" to a point beyond Middleton where the hold-up men had cached a dust-covered Hudson roadster in which they made their escape.

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Attempt in Lisbon to
Start Revolt Failure

LISBON, Portugal, (By the Associated Press).—An abortive attempt was made last night to bring about a radical communist revolt here. A few bombs were thrown, but caused no damage. Several persons were arrested. Police and military forces now control the city and conditions are again normal.

North Carolina Weavers Send
Material for Suit to Davis

TRYON, N. C. (AP)—John W. Davis, Democratic presidential candidate, the to be of weavers of homespun cloth in western North Carolina have their way. An eight-yard bolt of homespun, woven by hand by North Carolina hand weavers, has been sent to him along with a letter signed by E. H. Bacon, which says in part:

"This cloth is made of Democratic wool, from Democratic sheep spin and woven by Democratic men in the altogether Democratic Old North State."

The industry which produces these wools is endeavoring to return to the handicraft of our Democratic forefathers when man fed and clothed himself.

"We can assure you that the cloth will stand the storms and stress of your whole term in the White House."

WHEAT QUOTATIONS.

PORTLAND, Ore., (AP).—Wheat quoted yesterday included: Hard white, \$1.49; western red, \$1.26.

BASEBALL

PACIFIC COAST LEAGUE

Club W. L. Pct.

San Francisco 79 57 .581

Seattle 76 58 .567

Vernon 66 62 .515

Oakland 65 64 .504

Sacramento 61 66 .480

Portland 61 67 .477

Salt Lake 61 67 .477

No games Monday; all teams traveling.

NOMINEE IS
PRAISED BY
TOM WALSHMontana Senator Notified
West Virginian of
Bourbon ChoiceDEMOCRATS OPEN
PRESIDENT RACEDavis Is Proclaimed a
Liberal and Progressive—
a Leader Fitted
for the Position.

CLARKSBURG, W. Va., (By the Associated Press).—John W. Davis was hailed as a leader fitted by "character, training and experience" for the Presidency, in the address of Senator Thomas J. Walsh, of Montana, here formally notifying him of his nomination to head the Democratic ticket.

Tried by the touchstone, the acid test, Mr. Walsh said, the nominee had been adjudged by all far-seeing men as a liberal and a progressive.

"In the 62nd Congress," he continued, "you were conspicuous in the advocacy of every measure that served to differentiate the reactionary from the progressive. You assailed 'government by injunction' set forth with a great wealth of illustrations, the abuses of that process and of the power to punish for contempt, and supported with marked ability and eloquent tongue the effort, subsequently successful, to remove or minimize the opportunity for suppressing labor through resort to that remedy. In the same Congress you supported with zeal and learning the Webb-Kenyon bill, the farthest advance then considered toward suppressing through federal action the unspeakable evils of the liquor traffic. The entire program of remedial legislation entered upon when the Wilson administration assumed control of our national government had your cordial support."

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FIRE MENACE
IS INCREASING

WALLOWA, Ore., (Special).—Much of the wooded section north of here has been the scene of several large fires during the past week. The high winds, which have caused the fires to spread over a considerable area.

The largest of the fires at the present time is said to be near the John Cox place this side of Marsville. T. C. Johnson and a party of men went out to the scene of the blaze recently to make an effort to keep the flames from reaching his ranch near here. He has a large amount of wood within easy reach of the fire, and thought that by keeping a close watch and fighting the flames he could prevent it from being destroyed.

The fire hazard is growing much dangerous daily and a number of small fires have been reported in the forest areas but have been put out before any great damage has resulted.

A large truck used by H. M.

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Gland Theory
Hit at Again

CHICAGO, (By the Associated Press).—The state continued a lengthy cross-examination of Dr. Hubert, last of the defense attorneys, in the Franks hearing this morning, laying the ground for the introduction of the rebuttal testimony.

State Attorney Crooke renewed his attack on the theory of functional disorders of the endocrine glands set up by Dr. Hubert as responsible for the mental sickness of Nathan Leopold, Jr., and Richard Loeb.

Dr. Hubert testified that persons suffering from endocrine disease are fallacious in life and are dominated by Loeb. He also testified, under questioning of Crooke, that there is no recognized leader in the study of endocrinology in America.

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Oregon Woman Dies at
Grand Old Age of 105

CLAMATH FALLS, Ore., (By the Associated Press).—Mrs. Rebecca Stewart, aged 105 years, is dead here.

She was born in London August 17, 1819, and came to the United States in 1861. She had traveled through every state arriving in Clamath Falls this summer in a prairie schooner from Medford where she spent the winter with her son, E. Stewart.

SHE IS DEFEATED.

BUFFALO, N. Y., (By the Associated Press).—Homer Smith of Michigan outclassed "Battling" Siki of Siam in a 10-round bout Monday night.

G. A. R. Ranks Thinner
This Year Than Last

BOFTON, (By the Associated Press).—With their ranks thinner than a year ago and more relying than walking, the Grand Army of the Republic marched again today.

Survivors of the two millions who responded Lincoln's call made a show of strength in the rain and drizzle which was inspiring.

It is estimated about 4,000 marched with Oregon veterans among those keeping step to the file and drum.

Quite A Ticklish Situation

CONTRACT LET
ON SPAN WORK

The \$18,511.75 bid for the construction of the Philip Conbar bridge submitted by Daniel Eaton of Portland, being the lowest was accepted by the county yesterday afternoon. The specifications on this project call for the erection of a 26 foot bridge across the Grande Ronde river. Bids were received from: Illinois Steel Bridge Company, \$11,876.00; J. W. Satter Company of Portland, \$12,520.00; Chas. H. Mull of Twin Falls, Idaho, \$12,570.00 and the Daniel T. Eaton bid.

Bids were received for the transportation of the Black Flat Bridge near Perry and the erection of the same at the Pierce Lane crossing of the Grande Ronde River. Bids submitted were: Illinois Steel Bridge Company, \$4,796.00; J. W. Satter Company, \$3,180.00; Chas. H. Mull, \$3,675.00 and Daniel T. Eaton, \$7,045.00. The bid by the Illinois Steel Bridge Company was retained for further consideration and will be decided upon Wednesday.

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BANK BANDIT SHOT.

PANA, Ill. (AP)—As one of the three bandits who robbed the Selwyn State Bank of \$20,000 here today started from the bank he was fatally shot by A. W. Seltzer, cashier, and the money recovered. The two others escaped.

NOW BRIGADIER GENERAL.

SALEM, Ore. (AP)—Brigadier General George A. White, who was notified last night by the war department of his appointment as Brigadier General of the line of the army, with command of the 82nd Infantry brigade, will assume permanent command today of the infantry national guard troops in Oregon and Idaho. Permanent headquarters of the brigade will be established at Salem or Portland, with headquarters of the company at Portland. White will announce the brigade staff in a few days.

EX-TREASURER HIRED.

SALEM, Ore. (AP)—Frank Sever, former deputy state treasurer, is now employed by the State Treasurer Myers as legal adviser in the inheritance tax department.

NAMED SECRETARY.

SALEM, Ore. (AP)—Major W. P. Simpson, who for two years has been acting as secretary of the Service Men's State Aid commission, was yesterday elected secretary.

Indian Dies at Age of 121.

GLENDAL, Calif. (AP)—Francisco Arballo, an Indian, credited with being one of the oldest men in the world, died here recently at the age of 121. He fought through eight wars and had many other adventures. He came to California 62 years ago.

MARKETS TODAY.

PORTLAND, Ore. (AP).—Cattle and hogs steady, sheep active. Eggs firm. Butter steady. Buttermilk steady.

SAN FRANCISCO, (AP).—Butterfat 45 1-2 cents.

Local Merchants Will
Attend Buyers' Week

PORTLAND, Ore. (Special to the Observer).—Merchants from fourteen western states will gather in Portland during the week of August 18th to 23rd, to take part in the Twelfth Annual Buyers' Week, fostered by the progressive jobbers and manufacturers of the Rose City.

The hundred and 25 jobbers and manufacturers, the leaders in commerce and industry will be hosts during this week to the merchants who will participate in the entertainment features for this occasion. Probably no gathering of merchants will ever be so royally entertained with lavish lunches, dinners, and banquets as will be provided for the merchants gathering from the West.

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EVACUATION
TIME LIMIT
IS PROBLEMGermans Hold Out for 6
Months Period to Re-
move French TroopsFRENCH AFTER
ONE YEAR'S TIMECompromise Is Expected
on Important Question;
Conference Held Up in
Meantime, However.

LONDON, (By the Associated Press).—The French and German delegates to the international conference today resumed the struggle for a compromise on the time limit for the evacuation of the Ruhr, one of the questions which must be settled before the conference can proceed with a program for instituting the drawn plan.

The Germans contend the evacuation should be completed within six months after it has been started while the French are holding out for a year.

A compromise is expected to be reached.

GRAIN MEN TO
GET DIVIDEND

(By George Reiff)

CHICAGO, Ill. (NEA Service).—"What'll you give me?" has been the farmer's humble plea every year when he dumps his bushels of wheat and his millions of other grain.

"I'll have to have fifty-ump this season, and not a cent less," will be his sales talk henceforth. This, according to the co-operative newly organized \$20,000,000 Grain Marketing Co., which is ready to handle this year's crop.

The Grain Marketing Co. will be composed of the farmers themselves. Farmers will hold all the voting stock and most of the other stock. If profits are earned above an 8 per cent dividend, they will go back as patronage dividends to farmers who actually raised the grain.

"The object of the organization," according to Gray Silver, its president, "is the orderly marketing of the nation's grain crops, possible only through central control of the grain itself. We are seeking to shorten the channel from the producer to the consumer. We have formed a non-profit co-operative association for the purpose of selling members' products for the best available price and with the least possible overhead."

May Reduce Bread Prices.

"There is no intention to string-arm an excessive price from the public. The ultimate scope of the company is simply to sell grain economically and fairly. It may be possible by efficient handling to reduce the price of bread while giving the farmer an increased

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Five Non-Unionists
Shot from Ambush

WILBURTON, Okla. (By the Associated Press).—Ambushed on their way home from work last night, five non-union workers in the Butte Hill coal mine, 15 miles east of here, were shot down. One was seriously wounded.

As the men started to cross a creek near the mine they were met by bullets, mowing them down.

Electoral Deadlock Is
Figured By Dopesters

WASHINGTON, (By the Associated Press).—As always happens when more than two outstanding presidential nominees are in the running, political dopesters again are figuring over the possibilities of a deadlock in the Electoral College this year and speculating whether in that event the House or the Senate finally would decide who should become president.

There are many ifs and ands in these calculations and the dopesters themselves are not convinced of the fact that only twice in the country's history—in 1800 and 1824—was the College of Electors unable to make a choice. And on those occasions the issues were settled in the House without difficulty.

Nevertheless, the figuring goes on as Coolidge, Davis and LaFollette begin warming up for their three-cornered campaign, and some of the prognosticators went advance the theory that all three

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