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DISORDER IN REISCHTAG

Hunt's Daily Letter

(By Harry B. Hunt)

WASHINGTON (NEA Special)—There won't be much news emanating from Plymouth, Vt., during the 10-day vacation President Coolidge is taking back at his old home in the hills.

At least not if "Cautious Cal" has his wish and keeps his promise.

On the occasion of his last chat with newspaper men before leaving the capital for the Old Home Town, he remarked that he probably would see some of them up there and that he thought they would find it a very pleasant place to be.

"It will be," spoke up Charley Michael of the Philadelphia North American, "if you don't spoil it by making a lot of news."

Coolidge looked up with one of his rare but understanding smiles.

"All right," he said, "I'll be cautious!"

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How it came there is still a mystery.

Nevertheless, on the morning after the Davis notification ceremonies at Clarksburg, W. Va., at which Senator Walsh had said a lot of unkind things about the Republican administration and at which Candidate Davis also had tossed something besides bouquets at the White House, right in the center of the paved space before the entrance to the executive offices was —a big puddle of slimy, oozy clay; gooey, sticky and very, very messy.

Visitors to the White House circumnavigated it warily. But they, apparently, saw no special significance in it—perhaps didn't think much about it.

Then, toward noon, along came Gus Karger, dean of Washington correspondents, who interprets everything in terms of politics.

Gus cast one look at the mess, and immediately reached a "political conclusion. For the affair at Clarksburg was still fresh in his mind.

"Ah-ha!" quoth he. "I see somebody's been throwing mud!"

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Apropos of Clarksburg and the Davis speech, did the Democratic candidate undertake to coin a new word in his address of acceptance, or did he simply suffer a slip of the tongue?

Maybe he meant to say "misunderstood." Perhaps he was trying for "mistaken."

But the word as enunciated was

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FOE OF LADY NICOTINE DEAD

CHICAGO, (AP) — Miss Lucy Page Gaston, nationally known reformer and foe of cigarets, died in a sanatarium here Wednesday. Her health failed several months ago after she was injured in a street car accident and a malignant growth in her throat developed. Miss Gaston was conscious until 20 minutes before she died.

Miss Gaston started her career as a reformer while attending the Illinois state normal school. She first was associated with the late Frances Willard in organizing the Women's Christian Temperance union and later founded the national anti-cigarette league and became its superintendent.

For more than a quarter of a century Miss Gaston was the arch enemy of the weed when used in cigaret form. She continued her efforts with energy unabated in recent years although she admitted cigaret smoking by women and boys was increasing.

Asked Harding to Quit.

President Harding was one of the nationally known dignitaries requested to abandon cigarets.

During her career saloons and gambling resorts as well as cigaret selling establishment were raided under Miss Gaston's leadership.

Miss Gaston at times turned to experiments even in international reform. Her zeal occasionally became too strong for other professional reformers and in 1921 her advocacy of drastic reforms led to a breach with her associates. She left the anti-cigarette league for two years to work independently but returned to its superintendency in 1923.

In 1920 she filed petitions for the Republican presidential nomination in the South Dakota primaries.

Miss Gaston was born in Delaware, Ohio, in 1860.

Bonus Board is Named.

SALEM, Ore.—The state bonus commission at a meeting here appointed Robert Johnson, H. C. Herron and J. F. Porter members of the board of appraisers for Benton county. This board, under the law, passes on security for loans sought by ex-service men under the state aid law.

The newly-appointed members of the board will succeed W. H. Savage, C. L. Heckart and J. F. Yates. No reason was given at the bonus commission offices for the removal of these men.

MARS HOLDS SCIENTISTS IN A SPELL

All Other Subjects Discarded for the Planet Observations.

NEARER NOW THAN FOR LAST CENTURY

Seeking Atmospheric and Climatic Conditions on Mars with Every Kind of a Glass.

VANCOUVER, B. C.—Radio signals of such a nature received yesterday that they caused veteran operators in Point Grey wireless station here to believe Mars was sending were repeated here today.

PORTLAND — Mars will be 34,650,000 miles away from Portland at 4 o'clock p. m. today which is the nearest the plant has been in a hundred years. It will be visible after dark as a red star just above the southern horizon and will stay in view all night, swinging to the southwest.

SAN FRANCISCO — Mars took a lead over radio, moonshine, baseball and politics as a topic of conversation today because of the assertion of astronomers that planetary neighbors arrived at a point nearer to earth than it has been for more than a hundred years.

Observers on Mt. Hamilton, near San Jose and Mt. Wilson near Los Angeles trained telescopes, cameras, mirrors and spectroscopes on the passerby.

Elsewhere were radios groping in the ether for anything audible the sphere of Mars might by chance send off.

The most that scientists hope for is a little more knowledge with respect to atmospheric and climatic conditions on Mars. Astronomers expect it will take months to complete the examinations of plates and observations made.

CROPS GOOD IN WALLOWA

WALLOWA, Ore. (Special)—Prof. S. T. Baillie, Rev. Geo. H. Feese, accompanied by W. R. Gekeler of La Grande and C. F. and Leslie Davies of Joseph, made a trip to Flora the first of the week, for the purpose of holding a meeting in that section of the county, in an effort to organize a grange.

Mr. and Mrs. C. W. Mumford motored to Imbler Wednesday.

Miss Neta Frazier returned to her home at Moscow, Idaho, Wednesday, after a visit of a couple of weeks with her sister, Mrs. Ada Greer and family.

Cutting of the spring crops along the river valley has been started during the past few days. Much of the irrigated barley and oats are very heavy, giving promise of good yields from these crops. Where irrigation water has been plentiful, the second crop of alfalfa has made very satisfactory growth, and will be ready for cutting in a short time.

INJURED BY A HORSE

HOT LAKE, (Special)—A skittish horse and a revolver were the combination which sent Harvey Campbell, of La Grande, to the Hot Lake sanatorium with a broken rib Thursday. Campbell, one of Governor Walter M. Pierce's herdsmen, was riding out to the hills after stock, when his horse became frightened, fell on him, knocking his pistol sharply against his ribs. Campbell was immediately brought to Hot Lake where the X-Ray revealed the broken rib.

Attempt Robbery of Postoffice.

SEASIDE, Ore.—An unsuccessful attempt was made to rob the Seaside postoffice. Entrance to the office was attempted by removing two different sections of lock boxes. Officers believe it was the work of amateurs. According to Postmaster Laighton, it was possible that some lock boxes were rifled of contents. A complete check is being made.

DAVIS RAPS PRESIDENT ON SPEECH

Bourbon Candidate Says Coolidge Failed to Meet the Issue of Corruption in Public Office.

SEAGRIT, N. J.—John W. Davis, democratic presidential candidate, made it clear in an address here today that in his judgment President Coolidge failed in his acceptance speech to meet the issue of corruption in public office.

He referred specifically to oil, Veterans' bureau and the prohibition scandals.

Davis declared the Republican party could not escape the responsibility for acts of its higher officers elevated by it to high places of power.

"In view of the record of the past three years," said Mr. Davis, "they (the Republicans) pray, not without reason, for a 'government of common sense. We stand for one of common honesty."

JAPAN URGES DRILL DAY NATIONWIDE

TOKIO—Agitation for "National Drill Day" annually on October 23rd throughout Japan, declared by the press to be similar to National Defense Day in the United States September 12th, was launched here today by the Military Reservists organizations and various young men's organizations.

The date for the proposed Japanese observance falls on a festival day at the national military shrine of Yasukni, in Tokio.

Japanese officials said today they saw no connection between drill day here and defense day plans in America.

The government has not yet given official sanction to the plan. Defense day in the United States has been a controversial subject among members of the American colonies.

Recently a protest was sent to President Coolidge by workers here pointing out that "position of our country as a peace loving and non-militaristic nation is clearly compromised by this project."

TANKER IN TROUBLE.

SAN FRANCISCO, (AP) — The Union Oil company tanker, Warwick, is being towed to Portland after experiencing engine trouble last night, according to a radio dispatch. Engine trouble occurred twenty miles north of Coos Bay.

BASEBALL

PACIFIC COAST LEAGUE.

Clubs—	W.	L.	Pct
San Francisco	77	60	.562
Seattle	75	63	.545
Vernon	72	66	.522
Oakland	72	67	.518
Salt Lake	66	73	.475
Sacramento	65	72	.474
Portland	62	75	.453
Los Angeles	62	76	.449

(By the Associated Press)

Salt Lake 5, Los Angeles 3.

At Salt Lake	R.	H.	E.
Los Angeles	3	10	2
Salt Lake	5	11	2

Batteries: Payne and Jenkins; O'Neill and Peters.

Portland 9, Vernon 10.

At Vernon	R.	H.	E.
Portland	9	10	4
Vernon	10	8	2

Batteries: Tackett, Keefe, Yarrison and Cochrane; Shellenback, Cruise, Groat, Ludolph and Hannah.

Seals 5, Senators 2.

At Sacramento—	R.	H.	E.
San Francisco	5	11	1
Sacramento	2	11	1

Batteries: Geary and Yelle; Thompson and Koehler.

Seattle 5, Oakland 2.

At Oakland—	R.	H.	E.
Seattle	5	8	5
Oakland	2	3	0

Batteries: Bagby and E. Baldwin; Foster and Baker. (10 innings).

PARAMOUNT PROBLEM IS REPARATION

Coolidge Watching Carefully Progress in Europe

NO TIME FOR ARMS MEETING

Foreign War Debts to America Touched Upon by Chief Executive.

PLYMOUTH, N. H. (AP)—President Coolidge regards the final settlement of the reparations problem in Europe as the paramount world problem, and until the Dawes plan is finally put into operation he does not consider the time appropriate for calling another arms conference.

Fear of invasion and attack must be removed from relations between European nations, the president feels.

Likewise he thinks inquiries of foreign relations as to their war debts due this country should sway settlement of reparations problem.

The president today expressed his interest in the progress of American army flyers and their successful trip yesterday. He characterized their flight as one of the greatest achievements of aviation.

Snow at Ogden.

OGDEN, Utah, (AP) — A powdering of snow adorned the peaks east of Ogden Wednesday morning after several hours of rain had soaked the city and vicinity during the night. The weather observer said the precipitation was fourtenths of an inch. Early reports indicated that the beets and tomatoes had been benefited to a great extent. Canners were especially jubilant, for they have orders for all the tomatoes they can pack, and Tuesday night's rain insures a longer growing season, it was stated.

Eugene Merchants Commended.

EUGENE, Ore.—Appreciation of the state highway commission of the work done by the local chamber of commerce in getting Eugene merchants to pledge themselves to give up highway advertising was expressed in a letter received by the chamber from Roy A. Klein state highway engineer and secretary of the commission.

MANY CLAW EACH OTHER IN CHICAGO

CHICAGO, (AP)—Riot calls to the police resulted today from a crush of frantic court fans trying to gain admission to the court room where Clarence S. Darrow started his plea for mercy for Leopold and Loeb. The court twice phoned for police reinforcements. Many women fainted, clothing was torn and several persons were reported injured in the struggle.

"Money was the big handicap of the defense in this case," said Darrow.

"People were given extravagant stories" he continued, "and we suffered from them."

Darrow referred to citations by the state from Blackstone and said it was a "disgrace" to foist practices of dark ages upon the present day. He said the plea of guilty was entered because he was afraid to submit the case to a jury. "We were helpless in the face of prejudice against money and the Jewish race," said the attorney.

BOB CORBETT ONE OF PARTY

Buckaroo of the Grande Ronde Valley Is with "Hoot" Gibson at Hilgard.

While "Hoot" Gibson is attracting people from all around to witness his wild west movies which he is making at Hilgard, yet "Hoot" is not the entire attraction locally.

Bob Corbett, who stands on his toes and rides the two ponies at the Union Stock show, who does fancy riding at Pendleton and who has been one of the first of the buckaroos of this country to pull off stunts that were a little more daring each time, is with "Hoot" Gibson and does a lot of trick riding, bull busting and the usual program that goes with the early day picture.

When Bob saw a number of his old La Grande friends yesterday he opened and told the story of his life in the movies which was decidedly interesting.

AIRMEN MAKE PROGRESS ON WORLD TOUR

Lieutenants Smith and Nelson Hop from Iceland to Greenland.

ITALIAN NOT YET LOCATED

Americans May Continue on Their Journey Today as Luck Seems to Be With Them.

Flyers Going Good.

On Board U. S. Lawrence, Indian Harbor, Labrador, (AP) — Wireless advices indicate that American flyers have planned to continue on from Fredericksdal to Ivagut, then to the west coast of Greenland today. From Ivagut the aviators expected to hop Sunday for Indian Harbor. Lieutenant Smith and Nelson reached Fredericksdal in a dangerous fog. No information has been learned regarding Locatelli.

REYKJAVIK — American flyers negotiated the hazardous hop from Iceland to Greenland safely arriving at Fredericksdal on the southern tip of Greenland. Lieutenant Smith landed at 6:10 last evening and Nelson at 7:15. No word was received of the landing of the Italian aviator, Lieut. Locatelli.

May Be Lost.

ABOARD U. S. S. RICHMOND, Between Yoland and Greenland — Rear Admiral Magruder ordered the cruisers Richmond and Raleigh and destroyer Barry to search east of Cape Farewell for Lieutenant Locatelli.

Work Begun on Albany Bridge.

ALBANY, Ore.—First work on the Albany bridge began when ground was broken for the approach pier on Ellsworth street. Work on the construction of derricks and pile drivers also began upon the arrival of lumber from Salem.

LIVESTOCK MARKETS.

PORTLAND, (AP) — Livestock eggs steady, butter, prints two cents higher selling at 42 cents. Butterfat 39 cents.

SAN FRANCISCO, (AP) — Butterfat sold today for 44½ cents.

GOVERNOR WAS NOT AFRAID HE ASSERTS

PORTLAND, (AP) — Governor Pierce addressing the opening session of the convention of Western Association of State Game Commissioners, declared today he did not withdraw his proclamation closing the hunting season through fear.

"If it had remained dry I would have enforced the proclamation if it had taken the entire National Guard to do so," he declared.

He said his office had been swamped with protests against the proclamation. The governor said the need of forest and game protection should be emphasized and the best way was to educate the children. He also urged the importance of state game law enforcement over the federal.

TRAINMEN ARE TO KEEP OUT OF POLITICS

President Lee Advises Workers Not to Endorse Any Candidate for President.

CLEVELAND, (By the Associated Press) In a circular mailed Wednesday the 150,000 members of the Brotherhood of Railroad Trainmen, advice is given the members regarding political action which will be repeated in the September issue of the brotherhood's official publication in which President W. G. Lee says he "has taken the position that our organization should not indorse either Coolidge, Davis or La Follette for president of the United States."

Under the slogan "indorsement of candidates" the circular reads:

"The Brotherhood of Railroad Trainmen through its conventions, has declared that it would not ally itself with any political party but believed in following the policy of rewarding labor's friends and defeating labor's enemies.

The Toronto 1922 convention reaffirmed its belief in the continuance of this policy. A resolution covering the question of political action was presented to the convention.

Records of All Good.

"The adoption of this recommendation committee the organization to independent political action; it declared that the time was not opportune for the brotherhood to ally itself to any particular political organization. In keeping with this resolution the undersigned has taken the position that our organization should not indorse either Coolidge, Davis or La Follette for president of the United States. Information furnished this office by the Washington legislative bureau shows the labor record of each of the three above mentioned candidates for president to be as nearly 100 per cent in each instance as could reasonably be expected. We are advised the legislative boards in certain states were favorable to indorsing John W. Davis, in other state President Coolidge and in other states Senator

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COMMUNISTS HOOT MARX OFF FLOOR

Report of London Conference Fails to Hold the Assembly

LEADER SCHWARTZ WAS SUSPENDED

Reichstag Forced to Adjourn Because of the Burst of Communist Disorder.

BERLIN (AP). — The Reichstag assembled this afternoon to hear Chancellor Marx's statement on the recent London conference, but owing to Communist disorders Marx was unable to speak.

The session adjourned until 5 o'clock this afternoon after Communist Leader Schwartz had been suspended for 20 sittings.

BOISE MAYOR SAYS UNMASK

BOISE — Klansmen can parade in Boise, but they must be unmasked, Mayor E. B. Sherman told members of the city council Wednesday afternoon, when asked whether he had issued a permit in connection with the state conclave of the Ku Klux Klan here September 8. The mayor said no permit had been issued for a parade, and that under city ordinances he is the only official empowered to issue such permits.

His statement follows:

"I have not issued a permit for a Ku Klux Klan parade. I have been asked by representatives of the klan if I would issue such a permit if it is requested. I have answered that I would issue a permit for an unmasked klan parade, but not for a masked parade.

"A decision in this matter should not be affected by personal approval or disapproval of the organization. The right to assemble and of free speech is not to be questioned. It is, however, my duty to preserve order in the city and in my opinion, a masked parade of the Ku Klux Klan would be liable to create disorder and lawbreaking. I shall use all the forces at my command to protect lawful assemblages and also to prevent disorder and infringement of the law."

Out of the Bad Lands

Last Minute News

MURDERER HANGED.

FOLSOM, Calif. (AP).—Martin Sliscovitsch, slayer of Mrs. Jennie Radman and of John Sliscovitsch, was hanged here in the prison today.

WHEAT PRICES.

PORTLAND, (AP).—Hard white, $1.35; western red, $1.22.

OPEN HIGHWAY.

OREGON CITY (AP).—A big crowd was present today at the dedication of the Canemah Bluff section of the Pacific highway leading south from this city.

ACCEPTING GREEN PRUNES.

SALEM (AP). — Shippers began today accepting green prunes. Operators announced they would continue to ship until prunes became too ripe to carry. Two or three growers reported they were unable to get pickers today.