

Hunt's Daily Letter

(By HARRY B. HUNT) WASHINGTON (NEA Special) Notes at the Coolidge notification. Continental Memorial Hall, home of the Daughters of the American Revolution. First time the G. O. P. ever asked the ladies to provide a political ball. Exclusive sort of place. Only 2000 can get in. Folks who don't hold tickets, however, can stand on the curb outside and listen to the loud-speaker.

Looks like a society night. Loved by ladies in evening gowns. Tuxedos. Not so many, though. Senator Jim Watson in a gray suit, suit. No put-on about Jim. He knows the value of baggy trousers in politics.

Musicians from the Marine band in their red-and-gold garb, and color and harmony as the elect gather. Join the Marines. Always the first at a fight!

William Butler of Boston, the party's new political impresario, hustles about the stage as the crowd gathers and the members of the notification committee take their seats. It's a big night for William.

Half a dozen women on the committee, which has seats on the stage. Mrs. A. T. Hart of Kentucky, named by Butler to take the place of Harriet Taylor Upton as head of the woman's section of the national committee, occupies a box with a party of friends. Mrs. Upton seems to be absent.

Mrs. Anthony Wayne Cook, president general of the D. A. R., occupies another box; Mrs. Mordell and friends a third. That vacant box to the right of the stage is being held for Mrs. Coolidge. Wonder when she'll come?

The big clock on the front of the gallery says 7:55. Seats are about all filled. The warning on the tickets—"seats positively will not be held after 7:40"—seems to have done its work. Show seemed to start at eight bells. Won't be long now.

Eight o'clock. Secretary Hughes comes in. Just got back from Europe this morning. Looks quite jaunty in his white pants. Gets a rousing ovation. Takes a seat on the platform with the cabinet group—front, right side. Secretaries Wallace, Weeks and Postmaster General New arrive. What's this? White pants, too? Yes, sir; every one of 'em! Let's look into this. Maybe the cabinet had adopted a white pants uniform.

Let's count 'em. Eight members of the cabinet in the row. Six pairs of white trousers. Who are the two spoiling the perfect score? Um-m-m-m. The two baby members seemingly haven't been thoroughly broken in yet. Secretary Wilbur in all in blue—navy blue, we suppose—and Attorney General Stone wears gray. Sort of a gray stone. Hat ha!

8:05 p. m. Neither the nominee nor the notifier have shown up yet. The Marine band plays to kill time. Mrs. Mary G. Bonze, national committeewoman from Mississippi, finds her place near the front.

8:07 p. m. Nothing stirring. Except Joe Keating, Hoover boss, who seems a bit restless. Everybody present but the bride. Wonder if we'd be late if we were being notified. We'd probably run away.

8:10. A stir in the south entrance. Here they come! Everybody stands. Mrs. Coolidge enters her box. Dressed all in white, she looks very girlish and charming. Hark to the wave of applause Ah-h-h!

Flanked by Frank Mondell and Bacon Stump, Calvin Coolidge enters. Cheers. Shouts. More cheers. Quite an ovation. Quiet at last.

Coolidge takes a seat directly in front of that approval. New England insignias of the D. A. R. adorning the rear wall of the stage—a spinning wheel and distaff. Among the pudgy politicians he looks boyish and slender. Slightly too so, too, like a youth.

Then Frank Mondell arises to speak. The notification is on.

GUIDE LONES LIFE. TACOMA (AP)—Paul Moser, mountain guide in the Rainier national park, lost his life yesterday when attempting to scale Tahoma Peak in Tahoma range by a new route.

DENVER MAN CHOSEN. PORTLAND (AP)—R. G. Parvill, of Denver, was elected president of the Western Association of Game Commissioners today. J. Warren Kinney, Washington state game commissioner, was elected vice president. Denver is to have the next meeting.

DELANEY WINS. PORTLAND. Jimmy Delaney won a ten round decision from Ray Polkey last night.

Eloquent is Speech for the Defense

Learned Attorney Makes Appeal for Mercy to Court of Justice

HITS ALIENISTS A HARD BLOW

Pictures to Court Lifetime in Prison Rather Than Death Penalty—Attacks Capital Punishment.

CHICAGO (AP)—Clarence S. Darrow, attorney for Leuch and Leopold in the Franks murder case, appeared again today in his most eloquent manner in which logic and philosophy were interwoven, to Judge Caverly for mercy towards the defendants.

Before a packed court room, in stillness as intense it was punctuated by muffled clicks of the typewriters and telegraph instruments, this grizzled veteran of the bar talked to the gray-haired judge pleading for mercy for the two "diseased" minds.

He pictured the situation of the youths condemned to lifetime of living in a cell, and denounced the barbarity of hanging.

Darrow fiercely denounced the testimony of the state alienists, particularly Dr. William O. Krohn.

"I got a picture of Dr. Krohn going in and out of courts for the past 16 years," said Darrow, "slaying his victims without regard to their age or sex or circumstances. But he had a motive and that motive was cash."

The last word of Darrow's exploded as it rang in the tense atmosphere.

Wife of Texas Governor Wants to Sit as Executive to Erase Husband's Impeachment.

DALLAS, Texas. — Mrs. Myrthen Ferguson, Democratic candidate for governor, went before the voters today in an attempt to remove from the family name the stigma of impeachment placed on it by the state legislature when it removed her husband, former Governor Ferguson, from office in 1901.

Secretary of Dallas, said to have the support of the Ku Klux Klan, is her only opponent.

PRESIDENT AS HAY FIELD MAN

PLYMOUTH, Vt. (AP)—In his first attempt at farming since his arrival here, President Coolidge had difficulty Friday pitching hay for the number of camera men who trailed him at every move. Dressed in overalls, but in his regular street shoes and white shirt with collar off, Mr. Coolidge slipped down to the hay field with his cousin, Ed Blanchard, Friday morning about 10 o'clock, using the regular White House car.

The president had volunteered to help Blanchard earlier in the week, but rain prevented. The ride soon developed into a caravan, photographers, newspaper correspondents and some of the villagers falling into line.

As he set in to pitching hay, the followers dashed into the field, but the president withheld his pitifully as secret service men attempted to leave him room. With Mr. Blanchard he soon had filled the bottom of a good sized wagon, holding up the hay with apparent ease and smiling as broadly as the many persons who stood along the mountain road to view the scene.

When Mr. Coolidge jumped onto the rear of the wagon ones, the camera men crowded so close that the horses became excited and balked suitably for a moment. He kept his seat, however.

An engagement forced him to quit at the end of about 15 minutes. He was sweating slightly, a brisk breeze neutralizing the rays of the bright sun.

HOME FOLKS CALL ON THE PRESIDENT

PLYMOUTH, Vt. — It is "Home Town Day" here today. President and Mrs. Coolidge received friends and neighbors in their first really public appearance since coming here a week ago for a twelve day vacation.

Villagers for several miles around are on hand to meet the president.

The president withheld comment on the Davis speech yesterday in which Davis asked Coolidge to join in explicit declaration which would eliminate the Ku Klux Klan as a political issue.

ITALIAN FLYER NOT YET FOUND

Americans Expect to Hit into Indian Harbor Some Time Tomorrow.

ST. JOHN'S, N. F. — The American round-the-world flyers are expected to reach Indian Harbor, Labrador from Greenland Sunday according to radio reports.

The Italian flyer, Locatelli, had not been located this morning, but a message indicated that he might be safe in some Greenland port. American naval vessels are searching for him but they are handicapped by a fog. Natives are also aiding in the search.

MAYOR BAKER TO RUN AGAIN

Portland's Mayor Will Be a Candidate to Succeed Himself at Election.

PORTLAND (AP)—Mayor Geo. L. Baker is to be a candidate to succeed himself, according to friends who have canvassed the situation, says the Portland Telegram today.

Dr. George Parrish, health officer, is the only candidate who has thus far announced himself for the office of mayor.

PRINCE SAILS FOR AMERICA

SOUTHAMPTON. — With flags and bunting waving the Prince of Wales aboard, sailed for the United States this afternoon.

Choosing crowd received no response from the royal quarters where the prince was sleeping, having gone to bed for a much needed rest after going aboard at 4 o'clock this morning.

BASEBALL PACIFIC COAST LEAGUE. Clubs - W. L. Pct. San Francisco - 77 61 .558 Seattle - 76 63 .547 Vernon - 72 67 .518 Oakland - 72 68 .514 Salt Lake - 66 74 .471 Portland - 64 75 .458 Los Angeles - 63 76 .451

(By the Associated Press) Aug. 18, Tues. At Salt Lake - R. H. E. Los Angeles - 18 23 1 Salt Lake - 12 18 2 Batteries: Dumovich, Ramsey and Spencer; Singleton, Mulcahy, Thomas and Peters.

Seals 3, Senators 4. At Sacramento - R. H. E. San Francisco - 3 2 4 Sacramento - 4 19 0 Batteries: Griffin and Yelle; Hall and Shea.

Seattle 3, Oakland 9. At Oakland - R. H. E. Seattle - 3 11 1 Oakland - 9 4 1 Batteries: DeW and Baldwin; Kutz, Myrick and Reed.

Portland 6, Vernon 3. At Vernon - R. H. E. Portland - 6 12 1 Vernon - 3 15 1 Batteries: Rielack and Cochran; Thomas, Cruise and Hannah.

K. K. K. IS HIT HARD BY JOHN DAVIS

SEA GIRT, N. J. (AP)—The Ku Klux Klan was denounced by name here Friday by John W. Davis, the Democratic presidential candidate.

In a fighting address to the Democracy of New Jersey, Mr. Davis condemned that and any other organization raising the standard of racial and religious prejudice. Then he called upon President Coolidge as the standard bearer of the Republican party to join him in "some explicit declaration, entirely removing this topic from the field of political debate."

In naming the Klan in this, the second address of his campaign, the Democratic nominee again brought into the open an issue which rent the Democratic national convention that nominated him and led to a memorable Saturday night battle in Madison Square Garden which culminated in a record vote and a minority of four against denunciation of the Klan by name in the party platform.

Having discussed it rather fully in his acceptance address, Mr. Davis apparently did not intend to refer to it again in his address here. He told his audience that since his arrival here from New York Thursday night he had been asked by more than one person as to the views he entertained toward the Klan.

States Position Clearly. The decision to state his position clearly, once and for all, as he put it, it underwent a thorough rehearsal at a conference Thursday night with several party leaders at the home of Governor Siler. Besides the governor, those reported to have participated included Mayor Frank Hague of Jersey City, Democratic national committeeman from his state, Joseph P. Timmity, former secretary to President Wilson, and Thomas J. Spethley, director of the national campaign organization.

Mr. Davis voiced his declaration regarding the Klan at the conclusion of a general address in which he vigorously scolded the Republican party on the record of the scandals disclosed at Washington and pointed out the chief points on which the two parties differ.

Few in the audience looked for such a declaration. When the nominee, with outburst and vigorous gesture, first named the Klan there was a hush. Cheers broke from thousands gathered on the Camp Siler parade

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Asks Divorce



By NEA Airmail Service. Mrs. Otto M. Lehman, wife of one of the owners of one of Chicago's biggest department stores, has filed suit for divorce. She charges her husband with cruelty. Mrs. Lehman, prominent equestrienne and exhibitor of blue-blooded horses, married Lehman after his first wife had divorced him in 1915.

JEWELRY FIRM HAS NEW STORE

George S. Birnie, registered optometrist and jeweler of La Grande has purchased the store, formerly known as the H. L. West Jewelry, in Union and will run it as a branch of his main store in La Grande.

Claude Cooper, for six years connected with the Birnie Jewelry in La Grande, has been put in charge of the new place and will move to Union in order to conduct the new business.

Mr. Birnie said this morning that the object of the store at Union would be to give the people of Union better service in the optical and jewelry line than they have heretofore enjoyed. Mr. Birnie will personally supervise the optical work and with the convenient means of transportation furnished by the stages Union people can now order an article of jewelry at Union and if it is not carried in stock at the time it will be sent from the parent store on the same day.

Increase Rural Mail Service. SHELBY, Wash. — An order has been issued by the postoffice department increasing the service on rural route No. 1 to daily service, effective September 1. The service, now is three times a week.

GERMANY HAS CHANCE NOW SAYS OFFICER

BERLIN (AP)—The London conference for launching the Dawes reparation plan gave Germany a chance which is not likely to be renewed if she rejects it, said Chancellor Marx, addressing the Reichstag today, when discussing London negotiations.

GUARD MEN SHOOT WELL

Team from La Grande Record in State-Wide Competition at Clackamas Field.

Although not registering in the winning column, the rifle team representing the La Grande national guard unit which competed with teams from all over the state at Clackamas Field, near Portland, this week, made a very good showing, according to Captain Ralph Huron, who went with the team as coach.

The team composed of William Metcalf, Harold Beardon, George Garrick, C. E. McClure, and Walter Bean, returned to La Grande this morning. Of the five men in the team the work of George Garrick and C. E. McClure was particularly worthy of mention.

The La Grande guard unit has been considerably handicapped by lack of a suitable rifle range for practice purposes but this deficiency will be provided for soon with the installation of a range. An ideal location for such a range has been found and the place will be fixed up for its practice this fall and will be ready next spring in good shape.

Officer Killed as Thief Runs. MARQUETTE, Mich. — Chief of Police Martin Ford, Patrolman Thomas Thornton and an unidentified man said to have been a parolee, were killed and the chief's son Lloyd, seriously wounded in a running fight that began today when patrolmen found a man attempting to break into a store in this city.

COOLIDGE TO WIN SAYS J. H. PEARE

La Grande Man Returns from Three Weeks in Eastern States.

"President Coolidge will be elected by a very heavy vote," said J. H. Peare who returned yesterday from a three weeks trip taking him to New York city, Philadelphia, Washington, Chicago, Omaha and San Francisco.

"Throughout the Atlantic states the election is settled," continued Mr. Peare, "and there is a belief that Senator La Follette will not carry his own state in Wisconsin. Republican leaders are going to give him the hardest contest he has ever had in that state and they think they have a good chance to win it for Coolidge. Nebraska, the home of Charles Bryan, democratic candidate for vice president, will go for Coolidge and California is a cinch."

Mr. Peare made President Coolidge a call at the White House and he says the close-up of the president shows him to be a fine man in every way, a deep thinker and intensely human. The president was anxious to know about the crops in Oregon, the general business conditions and visited with Mr. Peare just as though he had known him for years.

"I do not see where people get the idea that President Coolidge is cold and uninterested in communities," said the La Grande man, "for he is a most cordial host free from assumed airs and appears as a most natural red blooded American."

Davis Little Mentioned. Mr. Peare says Candidate Davis, who leads the Democratic party this year, is little mentioned in the east and to quote Mr. Peare's words, "I found not a few but many old line Democrats outspoken for Coolidge. They explained that Mr. Davis has no chance to win and they purpose voting to keep La Follette out or even preventing him from throwing the election into the House of Representatives."

Business Only Fair. In the factory sections of the east the La Grande man says business conditions are only fair. That the farm and excitement has been wiped off of business and people are settling down very rapidly. He said a most hopeful expression prevailed, however, for the prices of agricultural products advancing has given the manufacturer much hope and there is sentiment that we have reached a sound basis for a business upbuilding.

Answers Davis. AUGUSTA, Maine. (AP)—An answer to John W. Davis' acceptance, some comments on the tariff, and definition of his own trade union opinions were delivered by Charles G. Dawes, Republican vice-presidential nominee, here today in opening the national republican campaign in Maine.

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MANY 'GRADS' ARE LOCATED

University Appointment Bureau Finds a Ready Sale for Talent from the Eugene School.

EUGENE.—The university appointment bureau, maintained by the school of education, has placed 119 university students and graduates in the schools of Oregon and of eight other states since the first of the year. Most of the appointments are to high school teaching positions, although 18 of the number have been appointed to principalships, and two will be city superintendents of schools next year.

Nineteen graduates have secured positions in states outside of Oregon, including seven in Washington, four in Idaho, three in California, and one each in Nevada, New Mexico, Wisconsin and Iowa.

Albert L. Hoskin, who received his M. A. from the university this year, was elected to the faculty of Whitman college, Walla Walla. Mr. Hoskin has been for the past three years assistant professor of education at the university, during which time he completed the work for his master's degree. Charles E. Peterson, who also received his M. A. this year will go to the faculty of the Oregon Normal school as professor of education and psychology. Both appointments were made through the appointment bureau.

KINNEY BROTHERS IN TENNIS. BROOKLINE, Mass. (AP)—Kinney Brothers, of San Francisco, carrying the American colors in a thrilling tennis battle against Australian, Gerald Patterson and Pat O'Hara Wood, today won national tennis doubles championship. The match went to five terrific sets before the strategy and stroke of the California brothers prevailed.

LIVE STOCK MARKETS. PORTLAND (AP)—Live stock steady; eggs steady; butter cubes half to a cent higher, standards selling at 33 1/2 cents; buttermilk firm.

DAWES SEES DANGER IN KLAN MOVE

Republican Vice Presidential Candidate Disapproves of Order

LAW AND ORDER LEANINGS TOLD

"Force Rises to Meet Force," Says Speaker at His Augusta Meeting Today.

AUGUSTA, Maine. (By the Associated Press)—Charles G. Dawes, Republican candidate for vice president, declared in his address here today that he was "opposed to" the Ku Klux Klan, although he realized many had become members of it in the interest of law and order. It, however, according to Dawes appeals to racial, religious and class prejudices by minority organizations.

"The Ku Klux Klan in many communities and among many people," the speaker said, "represents only an instinctive groping for leadership, moving in the interest of law enforcement which the members of the Klan do not find in many cowardly politicians and office holders, but it is not the right way to law enforcement."

Dawes recounted the effect of the Klan activity in Oklahoma where Governor Walton, who had finally called out the militia, was removed from office and "quiet was restored by orderly process provided by constitution and law."

"Attempt by the Klan to restore after the Herring massacre in Illinois," he said, "nearly brought on civil war and in 'bloody corners' murders in Chicago, the Black Hammer" convictions by intimidation of witnesses.

"The same thing happened," he continued, "when minority organizations, whatever the high purpose they claim, take the law into their own hands. Force rises to meet force, lawlessness rises to meet lawlessness, and civilization commences to disintegrate into savagery from which through the ages it had evolved."

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LA FOLLETTE IS HER IDOL

PORTLAND (AP)—With approximately fifty present the convention called to endorse La Follette's candidacy for president of the United States met today. F. E. Conner, chairman of the committee which issued the call, was chosen temporary chairman. C. E. Spence, state market agent and appointed by Governor Pierce, was made secretary.

Chairman Conner said the convention had been called first to endorse La Follette, and second to endorse Senator Magnus Johnson's bill in congress providing for the federal treasury department, to take over the Federal Reserve Banks, and third to formulate plans for the initiation of a constitutional amendment creating the state hydro-electric board.

Comes Now the Threshing. THE 1924 CAMPAIGN. NOW ALL I GOTTA DO IS SEPARATE THE GRAM FROM THE CHAFF. LOTS A CHAFF AND LITTLE GRAM. VOTER. Illustration of a man with a pitchfork separating grain from chaff.