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Hunt's
Daily
Letter

(By Harry B. Hunt)

WASHINGTON (NEA Special)—The political perplexities of the G. O. P. will not end with the election of Calvin Coolidge on November 4, should that result crown the efforts of Republican campaigners.

For even with a Republican victory, carrying a nominally Republican House and Senate since most members of the La Follette bloc in Congress will be elected under that designation—the job of organizing party leadership in the two houses of Congress will be a trying and difficult task, inviting much tribulation and wear.

Word now reaching Washington whether Henry Cabot Lodge, Republican leader in the upper house, ever again resumes his seat in the senate.

Lodge, now almost 75, has been in poor health for the past two years. He recently underwent an operation, which seems to have been negative in results. He has not left his home since.

A second operation is said to be desirable, but the senate's failure to gain strength following the first makes it doubtful whether he would survive the ordeal of another.

The retirement of Lodge, either by death or disability, would force a reshuffling of the cards in the Senate at a time when a new G. O. P. deal there would be most embarrassing.

The necessity of having to choose a new party leader would give the progressive bloc a chance to set off a lot of fireworks that might be spectacular if not illuminating.

The very jealousies among old-line senators, who have had their eyes on the leadership for years, would give the progressives a chance to pay off, in part at least, a number of old grudges.

While they wouldn't be able to control the situation, in a final

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FACTS DIFFER
WITH FIGURES

(By HARRY N. CRAIN)

Governor Pierce's "non-political" committee of appraisers in Klamath county, named recently to provide substantiation of the charge manufactured by the governor and the Oregon Journal in their efforts to clinch their hold upon the state government through the election of Jefferson L. Myers state treasurer, that the irrefutable school funds of the state have been depleted to the extent of a million dollars or more through unjustified loans made by former governors, users as members of the state land board, has functioned well and in perfect conformity with the purpose for which it was created.

So well, in fact, have these appraisers fulfilled their trust that it now devolves upon Will T. Lee, chairman of the board and assessor.

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7,194 Registered to
Vote in Union County

Total registrations under each political party or designation in Union county prior to the November 4th election have been figured out in the county clerk's office and show that a total of 7,194 voters are qualified to cast their ballots. Although figures for the election two years ago are not at hand, this figure is believed to be in excess of the former total.

Registration is as follows:
Republican — 4,275
Democratic — 2,508
Prohibition — 97
Miscellaneous — 315

*This includes Progressives, Nonpartisan, Independent and others who refused to state their party.

One Of Bank Robbers
Hails From La Grande

LEWISTON, Idaho, (By the Associated Press)—Sam Myers, the third member of the Crainmont robbery who on Tuesday held up Bank of Okeana, bookkeeper of the bank of Hollister at Crainmont and secured \$575, and later shot and killed city Traffic Officer Gordon Harris when they were stopped on a road entering Lewiston, was arrested Wednesday by a posse near Astoria, Wash. Currency amounting to \$546 was recovered from him.

Myers said he was born and raised in Union county, Oregon, and has spent most of his life about La Grande and North Powder. He is 32 years old and said he had followed farm work and logging camp jobs.

WATER VOTE
RESOLUTION
IS PASSEDStep Taken Paves Way
for Preliminaries to
An Election CallDISCUSSION ON
MATTER OCCURSCommissioners Uncertain
Whether Beaver Creek
Project Should Be Voted
Upon During Their
Term.

Whether or not to call a municipal election for the purpose of voting yes or no on the improving and repairing of the Beaver creek water system prior to or after January 1, 1925, which is the time the new commission will take oath of office was a topic of discussion at the city commission meeting last night that occupied considerable time. The discussion came to an end when a resolution, which directs the city engineer to prepare estimates on such a project, was passed. Commissioners Sherwood Williams and C. J. Black voted yes on the resolution and President H. S. Brownlow then declared the resolution carried.

The discussion started shortly after the calling of the roll, reading of the minutes and other minor matters were disposed with, when it was stated that City Attorney Henry Hess was of the belief that calling such an election in conjunction with the general election November 4th, would not be a wise step. It appears that it would be just as expensive to hold a city election then as some other time, owing to the fact that a separate list of clerks, judges, ballots and books must be maintained, regardless.

Brownlow Mrs. Beliefs.
With the water question again in the air, President Brownlow then stated that it seemed to him that it would be an injustice to go ahead without holding a conference with and securing the views on the matter. Commissioner Black agreed.

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DAWES SPEAKS
TO TRI-STATE
G. O. P. MEETING

WHEELING, W. Va., (AP)—Charles G. Dawes Republican vice presidential candidate, carrying his party's campaign into the home state of John W. Davis, Democratic presidential nominee, told his audience here Wednesday night that there was no room between the lines in the fight for and against the constitution.

The Republican nominee devoted most of his address, delivered at a tri-state rally of West Virginia, Ohio and Pennsylvania Republicans, to a continuation of his assault on the La Follette independent candidacy, characterizing it as "an attack on our constitution and existing form of government." But near the end of his speech he turned to the Democratic opposition, declaring:

"I know that I am speaking to a great many patriotic, honest, liberty-loving Democrats, but there is no room for any one between the lines in this great fight for and against the present form of government and our constitution."

Shenandoah on Way to
Atlantic Coast Today

EL PASO, (By the Associated Press)—The Shenandoah passed Port Harbeck, 45 miles east of here, at 5:45 o'clock this morning, mountain time.

Sam Myers, a member of the Crainmont robbers according to the above Associated Press dispatch, had a criminal record in this county.

He has served one full year in the county jail following conviction on a statutory charge that he involved a daughter of his and also served another full year in the county jail on a charge of larceny.

Myers' home for some time was on a ranch near Lam, this side of North Powder, and during the past few years he has resided in that place. Two years of that time being spent behind the bars.

Myers is also a cowboy and participated in the wild west events in the past at several of the local shows.

G.O.P. Women
Carry Drive
To 3 TownsRepublican Party Sup-
porters Visit North
Powder, Union and
Cove Wednesday.

Eighteen members of the La Grande section of the Women's Republican club of Union carried out their itinerary yesterday afternoon by visiting North Powder, Union and Cove where at each point they were met in a most hospitable manner by ladies of the respective communities who were anxious to hear more of the present campaign and to learn what seems to be the sure forecast of Republican success in the nation and in the state and county.

At North Powder a number of ladies were present to greet the La Grande members and a delightful meeting was enjoyed. Mrs. Norman W. Press, president of the club, delivered a talk on the need of every one voting regardless of politics. She stressed the fact that lethargy among voters is the danger to American institutions at the present time and asked that a well organized effort be made to get out the vote in the North Powder country. Her argument for the Republican party was convincing and it met with general approval by those present.

At Union a nice luncheon was served for the La Grande ladies at the Union hotel and Republican literature was distributed to many of the homes of that city.

The same was true at Cove where a number of ladies had congregated for an earlier than was possible for the La Grande delegation to make, but when they did arrive they were treated in a way that reflected the spirit of cooperation by Cove ladies in the work of getting out the vote on election day and incidentally swelling the county majority for the Republican ticket.

Next Monday, unless the weather should prove severe, has been set for the trip of the La Grande section of the Republican club to make the trip to Island City, Albee, Imbler, Elgin and Summerville.

MINER CAUGHT
IN GAS BLAST

MADISONVILLE, Ky. (By the Associated Press)—The body of Paul Wheeler, 19, a miner, was recovered from the Hart Coal company's mine today where a gas and dust explosion last night entombed 15 miners.

Two men are missing and are believed to have been buried under a fall of slate. Fourteen entombed men escaped during the night.

Davis Promises House
Cleaning If ElectedDAVIS TRAVEL EN ROUTE TO
CLEVELAND (AP)—John W. Davis, with one more formal address—that at Cleveland tonight, is on his way west today.

EVANSVILLE, Ind. (AP)—Completing his third and final campaign tour of Indiana with an address Wednesday at Evansville and in the late afternoon at historic Vincennes, John W. Davis, Democratic candidate for president, charged that the last three and one-half years of the Republican administration has produced the third party and offered with the help of a Democratic congress to remedy "the disease which had brought it about."

Mr. Davis also pledged in the name of democracy to give relief to the farmers of the country, to bring about a thorough house cleaning of the Washington government; to put an end to bureaucratic and install a government based on a sane, forward-looking and progressive liberalism.

Beut Gets Honor Flag.

BEND, Ore.—Before 1200 school children, Governor Pierce on behalf of the state of Oregon presented to the city of Bend in the school gymnasium, the flag won by Bend in fire-prevention work in Oregon the past year. The fifth American flag, purchased by fire-underwriter agencies in Oregon, was presented to Chief Carlson, representing the city, following short addresses by Lee Holden, chief of the Portland fire department, and Will Moore, state fire marshal. The speakers were introduced by G. W. Ager, city superintendent of schools.

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T.A. HASTE
PLEADS FOR
THIRD PARTYClasses La Follette and
Wheeler "Men of Ca-
pacity and Vision"ESCH-CUMMINS
BILL OPPOSEDSpeaker Tells Crowd that
Coolidge Will Not Car-
ry a State West of the
Mississippi River.

That the La Follette-Wheeler party has a strong backing, or at least that voters here are curious as to the objects of the progressive movement, was demonstrated last evening when a crowd of approximately 400 heard T. A. Haste, secretary to Senator Burton K. Wheeler, deliver an address in Eagles hall in the interests of the party he represents. All seats were taken and standing room was occupied.

Mr. Haste, who was introduced to the gathering by an officer of the third party organization here, urged that support be given to Senator Wheeler, for vice president.

"National solidarity can be obtained only when men of capacity and vision dominate our national affairs," he declared.

He touched upon the Esch-Cummins bill for the good of all the people that that measure be rescinded and a new one, that would really take care of the situation and force a reduction in freight rates, be passed.

Oil Scandal.
As to the recent oil scandal, he declared that a great deal of the information passed over his desk and that he would not even attempt to tell of it. That it was the greatest disgrace this country has ever had to face, that it began during the war and that Daugherty, Fall, Hoover and Wallace, by some means, were made cabinet members "in order to not only graft" but also to try and cover up the "tremendous swindling that had been going on," were among charges he made.

Supreme Court.
"La Follette only wants to give Congress the same power over the supreme court that it has over the president, i.e., the right to pass a bill over the court's head by a two-thirds majority," he declared, in explaining the attitude on the supreme court held by La Follette and Wheeler.

The G. O. P. favors a protective tariff, so naturally New England lines up with Coolidge, and the south, favoring free trade or low tariff, combine with the Democrats. Mr. Haste said, then claiming that the west is gradually abandoning the old parties and are "demanding a new deal for the procedure of the nation."

Farmers Negligent.
He declared everyone should be and is vitally interested in politics

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WOMAN KILLED
BY HATCHET IN
PORTLAND HOME

PORTLAND, Ore. (AP)—Mrs. Maudie Nickerson, wife of W. E. Nickerson, prominent musician, was killed by being beaten on the head with a hatchet late yesterday in the Nickerson home.

The police charged that the assassin was Merle L. Minor, wealthy pear grower, of Medford, a brother of Mrs. Nickerson.

Minor cut his throat in an attempt to end his life. Police declare him insane.

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"Do the Day's Work" Coolidge's Motto



Since taking office Calvin Coolidge, president of the United States, has been consistently "doing the day's work." The only vacation the president has had this year was a short trip to his native village of Plymouth, Vermont, where he visited his father. The picture above shows the president and Mrs. Coolidge, with their son, John, as they left Washington for a short respite from work and the summer heat. Inset is another view of the First Lady of the Land.

FENG REBELS
AGAINST WU

TOKYO (By the Associated Press)—General Feng Yu Hsiang, commander of the Peking troops resisting the Manchurian forces on the Chilian-Manchurian border, has conspired against General Wu Pei Fu, military head of the Peking government, according to a dispatch from Tientsin.

Later reports said Feng, known as the "Christian general," entering Peking with a body guard, demanded that President Tsao Kun issue a mandate ordering the suppression of Wu Pei Fu. The situation is said to be grave.

REVOLT SERIOUS

TIENTSIN (By the Associated Press)—Portions of the eleventh division of the Chinese national army, under command of Feng Yu Hsiang, the "Christian general," revolted at Peking today, seized the city's gates, cut all telegraph and telephone lines, and stopped all train service, according to reliable information reaching here.

It is supposed to have been at Jehol, about 100 miles northeast of Peking, where they were supposed to stop expected Manchurian advances. Apparently Feng never went beyond the Great Wall. Whether Feng is acting independently in the revolt or with the collusion of the Mukden government has not been learned.

Local Ministers Plan
Evangelistic Meetings

The La Grande Ministers union have organized for a series of evangelistic meetings to be conducted entirely by the ministers and membership of the various churches in the union.

A campaign organization is being perfected which will have full charge of the meetings. A committee of fifty is being chosen from participating churches to send aid in every possible way to make the meeting helpful and useful in the community. The date set for the opening is Sunday, November 16th, in the First Methodist Episcopal church.

AUTO ACCIDENT

Continuing the list of accidents started yesterday the Eastern Oregon Light and Power company's light truck driven by W. B. Trevel, collided with a large touring car driven by Wade Minnethorn of California on Adams avenue in front of the La Grande Electric company's store this morning. The touring car was backing from the curb at the time. Little damage was done. Mr. Minnethorn's car, but the spring and front fender on the truck were badly damaged.

MARKETS TODAY
PORTLAND, Ore. (AP)—Cattle slow to steady. Hogs steady with a weak undertone. Sheep nominally steady. Eggs and butter steady. Butter 42 cents.

SAN FRANCISCO (AP)—Butter 42 cents.

CLAN FEUD IS
FATAL TO ONE

BLUEFIELD, W. Va. (By the Associated Press)—Another violent death has been recorded in the notorious Hatfield clan of West Virginia and Kentucky.

Recalling the Tug River feud between the Hatfield and McCoy clans, officials today are investigating the death of Alex Hatfield, shot in a political argument with Thurman Chambers.

Coolidge
Maxims

I am not one of those who believe votes are to be won by misrepresentations, skillful presentations of half truths, and plausible deductions from false premises.

Good government can not be found on the bargain counter. Partnership should stop at the boundary line, but patriotism should begin there.

We are citizens before we are partisans. When you substitute patronage for principle, you break down the foundation of good government.

We need more of office desks and less of the show window in politics. Politics is not an end but a means, not a product but a process. It is the art of government, and, like other values, it has counterfeits, upon which no much emphasis has been placed as to obscure the original.

There are quacks, shysters and charlatans among politicians, doctors and lawyers, but they are not representative. For our public men, as a class, are inspired by honorable and patriotic motives, desirous only of faithful execution of their trust.

Bull Seriously Hurts
Gentleman—Tom Gentle

MONMOUTH (Special)—Thomas Gentle was seriously hurt at his farm home Saturday by a Jersey bull. Two animals were fighting grown in New England and separate them one turned on him and knocked him down. He was hit in the back and it is reported that his chest is crushed. Mrs. Gentle is visiting relatives in Illinois, but she has been sent for.

Mr. Gentle has been an instructor in general methods and observations for several years at the Oregon Normal school.

Miss Woods, instructor in home economics at the normal school is back at her work after being gone several days because of her mother's illness. Mrs. Woods is getting along nicely at this time.

XTRA

PRESIDENT SPEARS
WASHINGTON (AP)—The "preservation of initiative and enterprise" is the primary duty, we have to do in our country," President Coolidge today told the executive committee of the New York business men's Republican association. Declaring the economic system of government is "fundamentally sound," the president criticized those who emphasized "out of all due proportion" its abuses. He held the correction of these abuses lies in the hands of those administering commerce and industry and only they can prevent the necessity of government intervention. "They already have made great advances along this line," he continued.

NOTE INTRODUCED
LOS ANGELES (AP)—A promissory note for \$100,000, the handwriting of which was identified as that of former Secretary Fall, payable to Edward L. Doherty, was introduced by the government today in a suit for the cancellation of leases of the naval oil reserve to the Doherty organization. Mrs. Doherty, called by the government counsel, located for the first time the missing signature torn from the Fall note. She said the signature was in possession of Frank J. Hogan, Doherty's counsel.

ADMITS BIG DEAL
NEW YORK (AP)—Edwin Gould, testifying today in the \$25,000,000 accounting suit of the estate of his father, Jay Gould, admitted under questioning that \$7,500,000 was dumped into the Colorado Fuel and Iron company to aid Rockefeller in the rehabilitation of the enterprise.

Taxes Promptly Paid

MARSHFIELD, Ore.—The Coos county sheriff's office reports the nearest 100 per cent tax collections in 1924 that there is any record of. The collections prior to and subsequent to April 5 and up to October 6 amounted to approximately \$1,250,000 out of a total tax assessment of \$1,439,822.16. Of this sum, \$67,125.68 were collected after the time expiration for the first half to be collected.

Probers Given Light On
G.O.P. Campaign Fund

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MACHINERY
MONOPOLY
ATTACKEDAttorney General Stone
to Attempt to Smash
Concern's PracticeHARVESTER CO.
GRIP NOT FAIR"Effective Dissolution"
of Competition—Crush-
ing Scheme of Big
Firm Is Sought.

ST. PAUL, (By the Associated Press)—An "effective dissolution" of the International Harvester company's alleged monopoly of the farm machinery business is sought by Attorney General Stone in a brief filed in the federal court here today in proceedings supplemental to consent decree in dissolution entered in 1913.

Stone contended that the greater competitive conditions in farm machinery should be afforded.

The consent decree did not go far enough, he said, demanding action to be taken to give "proper protection to farmers and land owners, who are dependent upon machinery and implements obtainable at reasonable prices."

ARCTIC OCEAN
GRASPS SHIP

NOME, Alaska. (By the Associated Press)—The gasoline schooner Silver Wave, of Nome, with four men aboard, has been carried away in the ice of the Arctic Ocean, it was learned here today.

The Silver Wave, the fourth seized this season in the fatal ice, was caught in Kotzebue Sound, 180 miles north of Bering Straits. It was first stranded and the passengers and cargo were taken off. While the officers were ashore the vessel was carried away. Slush ice prevented the escape of the crew.

Grover Smith Called
Beyond This Morning

Grover Smith, manager of The Bootery, passed away this morning at 1:30 o'clock at the conclusion of an illness of some length. His death came as a severe shock to his many friends.

Mr. Smith's remains are in charge of Hal Bohnenkamp, funeral director, pending funeral arrangements.

The funeral will be held Saturday morning at 10 o'clock from the L. D. Church. Interment will be made in Caldwell, Idaho.

COUNCIL RETURNS BIDS

REEDSFORT, Ore.—Because an error had been made in specifications all bids which were to have been received for a sewerage system were returned by the council unopened to the contractors.

The council immediately will re-write for tenders, which probably will be opened in 30 days.

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Longshoremen's union. He denied that he had discussed the matter with either President Coolidge or the president's secretary, C. Bagdon Stump, but under sharp cross examination he stated he had taken it up with one White House attaché.

Joseph E. Grundy, a wealthy manufacturer of Bristol, Pa., and chairman of the Pennsylvania ways and means committee of the Republican national committee, said his organization had raised \$345,000 up to Wednesday in 53 counties in Pennsylvania outside of the Pittsburgh district.

W. L. Nelson, a relative of Andrew W. Mellon, secretary of the treasury, is in charge of raising money in that district, he said.