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Hunt's Daily Letter

(By HARRY B. HUNT) WASHINGTON (NEA Special)—The national capital just now is the scene of a contest between materialists and idealists...

In this battle, Beauty has been beset by Utility. If Utility wins, Beauty will have been vanquished. The assault is made, like that of the Germans in 1914, in the name of "Progress."

The only test that seems to count in determining whether a given city is "advanced" is the question of how it handles its "Traffic."

So it is that the materialists in Washington propose in all seriousness the spoliation of the capital's magnificent park system.

Parks that impede traffic, they say, are a barrier to progress. Therefore, abolish the park!

That this proposal should be made in Washington, where traffic is of less industrial importance than in any other city of its size in the country, but where, as a dressing for the national capital, the parks are of supreme importance, is an index of how seriously the traffic bug has inoculated the country.

Washington has little traffic that needs to hurry. It isn't a big city. It has no vast volume of merchandise to move. It has no big industries.

All that would be necessary to solve the traffic problem in Washington would be for the horde of government employes who now try to drive into the downtown section at 9 a. m. sharp, to get up 15 minutes sooner.

It is only at opening and closing of governmental business hours that there is any congestion.

Immediately facing the White House grounds is Lafayette park. Beyond the park, in line with the pillars of the White House portico, begins Sixteenth street, a favorite automobile thoroughfare.

"Why let that park block traffic?" ask the materialists. "It must make way for the auto. Extend Sixteenth street straight through to Pennsylvania avenue and 50 per cent more cars can

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UNION READY FOR INSTITUTE

The first Union County Teacher's Institute of this year will be held at Union Saturday. Instructors and helpers to be in charge of the institute are: J. R. V. Butler, department of history, Oregon Normal School; Prof. Russell Blankenship, department of English, Whitman College; and E. A. Sayre, county school superintendent.

Following is the program for the day: forenoon, invocation, Rev. C. A. Quinn, music, Tony D. Smith, Word of Welcome, Supp., Roy Conklin of Union, response, E. A. Sayre, music, Mrs. Ruby Watts, address, "Propaganda and Public Opinion," Russell Blankenship, afternoon, music, Miss Marcella McCullough, "Problems of Youth," Prof. Russell Blankenship, subject selected, Prof. Butler, music, Miss Emma G. Baxter, subject selected, Prof. Butler, round table discussion.

In the forenoon group classes will be held at the high school under the direction of Roy Conklin.

COURT SESSION ENDS

The county court adjourned yesterday after an uneventful session devoted almost entirely to routine business. Among other things done before adjournment by the court was the awarding of a contract for a carload of stock to the Sawyer Holmes company. The contract was let on the competitive basis.

Highway Softens Near Enterprise, Reports Say

Following announcements yesterday from R. H. Baldock at the head of the eastern Oregon state highway district with headquarters here, that because of softening highways, no large trucks or vehicles would be permitted to use certain sections of the highway in this division, namely, the Wallawalla and North Powder-Quartz, comes reports from Enterprise concerning the character of the highway near that city.

The Enterprise Record Chief-Chain states that "soaked by winter's snows and rains, and further softened by heating frost, the highway is in bad shape in many places

in the valley."

"Traffic has not yet cut through the crushed rock surface. If it was allowed to happen it would mean real damage."

J. L. Walker, who has been county engineer since the resignation and departure of R. N. Kellogg, called up R. H. Baldock, division engineer at La Grande, early this week and reported conditions. Mr. Baldock put another wheeled scraper to work at once, to help hold the road by shoving the surface material into the ruts. He came in then on a personal in-

LIVESTOCK, PROPERTY LOSS HUGE

Vale Flood Damage Believed to Be Near Quarter Million

3,000 SHEEP SLAIN BY WALL OF WATER

People Report Thrilling Rides on Rafts: Six Families Lose Homes; Water Shortage Feared

VALE, Ore. (Special to the Observer)—Hurried estimates here have resulted in the announcement that damage from flood water when a dam on Buller creek, 19 miles west of Vale, broke at 4 o'clock yesterday morning, will reach a quarter of a million dollars.

Three thousand sheep, 500 head of cows and many horses and hogs were drowned. Several small dairy herds were wiped out. While there were no human lives lost, several narrow escapes were reported.

Ten thousand more feet of impounded water was let loose when the dam, under the strain, gave way, and a wall of water rushed down the creek until at the junction with the Malheur river, six miles west of Vale, it spread out across the valley, sweeping everything before it. One band of sheep said to have contained 1200 head was caught on the feed grounds, two miles from here and drowned. Cattle owned by Herbert Rieker, at his place above Vale, were submerged and 400 lost. Carcasses of horses, sheep, hogs and cattle were strewn all along the state highway from Vale to the head of the valley. More than 20 miles of fence was washed away.

A Trip on a Raft. Ben Jordan and his son rode two miles on the roof of their barn after the structure collapsed and were then rescued at the Dearmond ranch. Mr. Jordan got a telephone message that the flood was coming and he and his son were trying to drive their band of sheep to the safety of the nearby hills when the water caught them. They rushed into the second story of the barn and when the building slumped they caught hold of the raft, pulling themselves out of the water, and clinging to the wreckage for four miles.

House Overturned. The house of Lester Scott, lower down in the valley, was overturned when a wall of water six feet high hit it, and he and his wife had a narrow escape from drowning. They, too, managed to get to the roof, which made a sort of raft floating bottom side up. To this they clung for more than a mile until it ran aground at the railroad trestle two miles west of Vale. Here they were able to climb to the right of way and wade

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EMPLOYMENT IS HALTED

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Their elopement was discovered when the parents found that the girl had not attended school, and that they had boarded the train for Marshfield. From Marshfield they took the stage to Roseburg, and were arrested as they were buying railroad tickets.

No charge will be placed against Carver until a further investigation can be made.

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Fights "Ma"



Rev. Earl Anderson of Dallas, Texas, says the Bible forbids "Ma" Ferguson or any other woman from holding a public office. He donned woman's attire in his pulpit and quoted passages from the Bible to prove his point. The women came right back with a few quotations to prove Anderson is wrong.

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A number of prizes have already been given by firms and individuals in the city who appreciate the unusual character of the movement and others will complete the list during the next few days. The Neighborhood club, and its art department, under whose auspices the picture circulation is made, possible, plan to award cash prizes to winners in each school in the city and a grand prize for the final elimination contest. The first contest, which may assume the proportions of an "art spelling bee," will be held next winter.

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COLLINS ALIVE IN SAND CAVE

LOUISVILLE, Ky. (By the Associated Press)—A radio test today convinced rescue workers that Floyd Collins is still alive in the sand cave, says the Courier-Journal today in a copyright cleared from Cave City.

The test was made by a small radio amplifying set and determined definitely that an electric light placed around Collins' neck still burned. The set was connected in a light circuit and listeners heard sounds believed to have been caused by Collins.

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Circulation Of Pictures Is Approved

Community Enthusiastic About Plan and "Art Week" Which Culminates Friday.

The art opening at the library, as the feature part of the observation of La Grande Art Week starting Monday, will be held on Friday evening of next week, instead of on Monday as previously announced in the Evening Observer, and plans for a most interesting program are rapidly being completed.

Attention will be given to this new educational activity throughout the week in the schools, in the stores, and in every other way possible and will culminate with the Friday night meeting at the library when the thousand choice pictures will be on display. Saturday the library will hold open house for all of the school children of the city and all others interested and circulation of the pictures will be started at that time. Many fine color prints as well as one-tone reproductions are included in the collection.

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DISCIPLES AWAIT END OF WORLD

Followers of Mrs. Margaret Rowan Prepare for Christ's Coming

BEGINNING OF END STARTS TONIGHT

So Claims Robert Reidt, "Apostle of Doom," Who Says "Invisible Cloud" Will Start Last Week.

HOLLYWOOD, Cal. (By the Associated Press)—Today a small group of disciples, pinning their faith to a woman, whose head, they say, is crowned with a halo of Divine prophecy, lifted their eyes to the rising sun and said "The end of the world is at hand."

Mrs. Margaret Rowan has told followers that before midnight the second coming of Christ will become a fact and those who believe in him will have entered into their reward.

END ONLY BEGINNING

NEW YORK (By the Associated Press)—The end of the world is only beginning tonight, says Robert Reidt, "apostle of doom," who, with thirteen followers, are waiting in a shack at East Patchogue, Long Island, to be transported by supernatural power to San Diego, preparatory to their ascent into heaven.

The end will take a week, he says. It will start tonight with the appearance of a cloud invisible to unbelievers.

CALMLY WAIT AND PRAY

SAN JOSE, Calif. (By the Associated Press)—Followers of the "Invisible Cloud" at College View, a suburb here, who believe that the world will end at midnight today, will not make ostentatious plans for the event, but will calmly wait and pray, according to Joe Cannon, leader of the group here.

Of this small band of devotees, the members of the regular Seventh Day Adventists say that their

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Oregon Logs Shipped South



The mountain didn't come to Mohammed, but Oregon forests move down to California sawmills. Picture shows one of the gigantic log rafts assembled on the Columbia river in Oregon, to be towed down the Pacific ocean to California ports. Each raft contains several million feet of lumber.

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Senators Firm in Reply Today to Greek Note

CONSTANTINOPLE (By the Associated Press)—The Turkish government today headed to the Greek charge of affairs in Ankara its reply to the Greek note regarding the expulsion from Constantinople of the Greek patriarch, Constantinos.

The reply rejects the suggestion that the dispute be referred to the international court at The Hague, insists the question is purely internal and declares intervention by outside powers would be intolerable.

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