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## **Lilian Swann Saarinen's Diary, 1935-1936 October**

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118th Day U.S. Grant - Born 1822 248 Days to come

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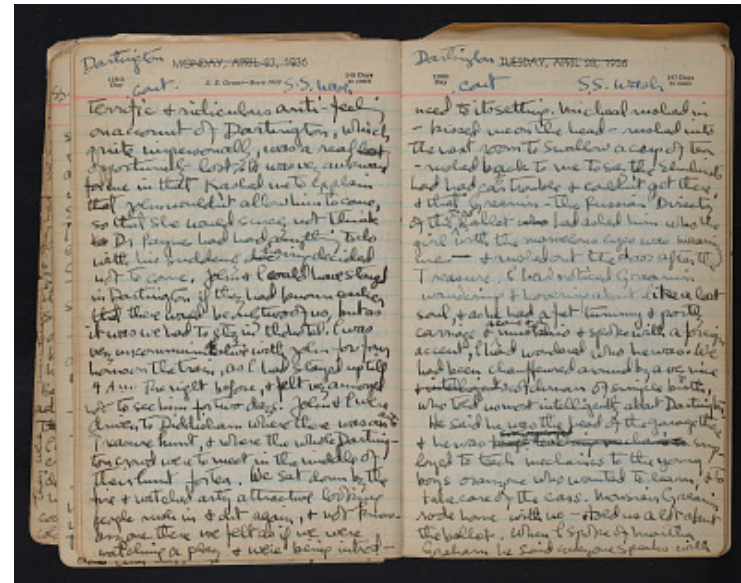
terrific & ridiculous anti-feeling on account of Dartington, which quite impersonally, was a real [[strikethrough]] lost [[/strikethrough]] opportunity lost. It was very awkward for me in that K asked me to explain that John wouldn't allow him to come, so that she would surely not think Dr Payne had had anything to do with his suddenly [[strikethrough]] dec [[/strikethrough]] having decided not to come. John & I could have stayed in Dartington if they had known earlier that there would be only two of us, but as it was we had to stay in the hotel. I was very uncommunicative with John for four hours on the train, as I had stayed up till 4 A.M. the night before, & felt very annoyed not to see him for two days. John & I were driven to Diddisham where there was an auto Treasure hunt, & where the whole Dartington crowd were to meet in the middle of their hunt for tea. We sat down by the fire & watched arty attractive looking people rush in & out again, & not know anyone there we felt as if we were watching a play & were being introduced

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119th Day Easter Even 247 Days to come

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to its setting. Micheal rushed in - kissed me on the head - rushed into the next room to swallow a cup of tea - rushed back to me to say the Elmhirsts had had car trouble & couldn't get there, & that Greanin - the Russian Director of the Joos [[Jooss]] Ballet [[strikethrough]] who [[/strikethrough]] had asked him who the girl with the marvelous eyes was meaning me - & rushed out the door after the Treasure. I had noticed Greanin wandering & hovering about like a lost soul, & as he had a fat tummy & portly carriage & a cane & a mustachio & spoke with a foreign accent, I had wondered who he was. We had been chauffeured around by a very nice [[strikethrough]] & intelligent [[/strikethrough]] scotchman of simple birth, who told us most intelligently about Dartington.

He said he was the head of the garage there & he was [[strikethrough]] taught som employed teaching mechanics [[/strikethrough]] employed to teach mechanics to the young boys or anyone who wanted to learn, & to take care of the cars. Monsieur Greanin rode home with us - & told us a lot about the ballet. When I spoke of Martha Graham he said everyone speaks with



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