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A DEFENSE OF THE CLOSED SHOP.

Many people who recognize the good that labor unions have done for the workingman still can not become reconciled to the "closed shop," which would exclude men who are not members of unions; but Clarence Darrow, of Chicago, seeks to show in the American Magazine for September that the position of labor on this subject is justifiable and intimates that the unions must go to pieces if the "open shop" is to prevail.

Times. In the "open shop," the employer reserves the right to employ either union or non-union men, according to their ability to perform his work and this is the issue, declares Mr. Darrow, around which "capital and labor have gradually closed in."

"The inalienable right to work can be no greater than the inalienable right not to work, though it has been much more seriously urged. This is because those who most strongly defend his right to labor are more interested in his work than in his play."

"In this world men are crucified not because they are good or because they are bad, but because they differ from their fellows. Trade unionists have for centuries believed they were upholding the rights of men, protecting the welfare of their class, and promoting the interests of their homes; that without the union shop their liberty and their independence would be gone."

away the industrial bulwarks that organized labor has thrown up against utter poverty and misery, has won through its devotion and its faith," and he concludes: "War and strife are not ideal states, but they have been ever present with the human race, and so long as the struggle of classes shall continue, the weak and helpless must look to trade unionism as its most powerful defender."

NEWSY STARKEY ITEMS.

Fall Sowing Commences—Rains Delay Cutting and Threshing.

Starkey, Sept. 11.—(Special)—E. E. McPherson and family of Hooper, Wash., passed here on Monday en route to Kendall, Idaho, where they will make their future home.

Elam Connell of Ukiah, Ore., is moving his stock to Caldwell, Idaho.

James Woolford of Alba passed here a few days ago on his way to La Grande.

Hill Manlove and family and his sister, Mrs. J. U. Sullivan and daughter Ethel of La Grande, passed here on their way to the John Day to visit relatives and friends.

Mrs. Rhea Kidwell, who has spent the summer in Starkey, has gone to Baker to visit her parents a few days.

Paul Sperry, a sheepman from Umatilla county, came in on the Thursday stage and left for his sheep camp near Sulphur Springs.

Ralph Wagner came in from Pilot Rock today to look after his farthing flock which range near Clear Creek.

J. F. Alden made a hurried trip to the valley yesterday to round up his cattle.

M. E. Coombs is preparing to sow his fall grain.

W. H. Briggs brought up the horse power for his threshing machine today and expects to begin threshing Monday.

Tom Loftus, Fred Holtka, Robert Parker and Will Beuerage were La Grande visitors the first of the week.

Ralph Sullivan returned from La Grande Saturday.

The rainy weather the past week has caused some delay in cutting grain.

NOTICE TO CONTRACTORS

Notice is hereby given that sealed bids will be received at the office of the undersigned, for the construction of approximately 125 lineal feet of cement walk, 7 feet in width, to be constructed on the south side of L avenue, in front of the court house, from the center of the block to Sixth street.

All bids must be filed in this office before 5 o'clock p. m. September 15th, 1911. Certified check for five per cent of amount bid must accompany all bids. The council reserves the right to reject any and all bids.

By order of the street committee, September 6th, 1911.

C. M. HUMPHREYS, City Recorder.

"IN A BAD WAY."

Many a La Grande Reader Will Feel Grateful for This Information.

When your back gives out; Becomes lame, weak or aching; When urinary troubles set in; Your kidneys are "in a bad way." Doan's Kidney Pills are for sick kidneys.

Local evidence proves their merit.

Charles Kurz, 1613 Center street, Baker City, Oregon, says: "I gladly give my name as one who has been benefitted by Doan's Kidney Pills. For 25 years I endured untold agony from gravel. There were severe pains in my back and when the stones were passed, I was in such great misery that I often had to scream. Attacks of this kind came at regular intervals and gradually my health was undermined. I lost weight, had a poor appetite, and felt miserable in every way. I spent hundreds of dollars for doctors' treatment and used many well-known remedies but I did not receive much relief until I began taking Doan's Kidney Pills. I was led to procure this remedy by reading the many public statements given in its praise and I am glad that I did so. This preparation has brought me great relief and had warded off return attacks of my trouble. I shall always do what I can to make the merit of Doan's Kidney Pills known."

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Remember the name—Doan's—and take no other.

NOTICE OF STREET IMPROVEMENT TO WHOM IT MAY CONCERN:

Notice is hereby given that in pursuance of a resolution adopted by the common council of the city of La Grande, Oregon, on the 30th day of August, 1911, creating improvement district No. 16 and designating Sixth street as such

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MONDAY AND TUESDAY.

"The Quest of Gold"—Vita-graph. (Part One) Showing the rush of gold seekers to the frozen north, grim determination of man to find gold in the Yukon hills on one hand and the no less grim determination of the frozen north to starve him out, tantalize and crush him.

"The Price of Gold"—Vita-graph (Part Two). What is the price of gold? The price some persons pay does not warrant the consequences and sacrifices. A ripping good picture. It holds and never gets away from you.

"The Quest of Gold"—Two full reels. Lyons, the second City of France—U. E. A series of excellent views of the city and river. Very fine educational picture.

"The Heiress"—U. E. A romantic story dealing with the troubles of an heiress. Illustrated song by Miss Stephenson—"Love Me."

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Fred J. Holmes, Pres. W. J. Church, Vice Pres. F. L. Meyers, Cashier Earl Zundel, Ass't. Cashier

district, and in pursuance of a resolution adopted by said common council on the 30th day of August, 1911, where-

by said council determined and declared its intention to improve all that portion of Sixth street, in said improvement district as hereinafter described, by laying thereon bitulithic pavement, the council will, ten days after the service of this notice upon the owners of the property affected and benefited by such improvement, order that said above described improvement be made; that the boundaries of said district to be so improved are as follows:

All that portion of Sixth street, from the north line of K avenue, to the south line of Washington avenue.

(A) And the property affected or benefited by said improvement is as follows:

The west 1/2 of blocks 48, 53, 56, 61, 64, 99 and all of block 101 and the east 1/2 of blocks 102, 98, 65, 60, 57, 52 and 49 of Chaplin's addition to La Grande, Oregon.

Notice is hereby further given that the council will levy a special assessment on all the property affected and benefited by such improvement for the purpose of paying for such improvement. That the estimated cost of such improvement is the sum of \$25,561.12. That the council will, on the 20th day of September, 1911, meet at the council chamber at the hour of 8 o'clock, p. m., to consider said estimated cost, and the levy of said assessment, when a hearing will be granted to any person feeling aggrieved by such assessment.

La Grande, Oregon, September 6th, 1911.

CITY COUNCIL OF LA GRANDE, OREGON. By C. M. HUMPHREYS, Recorder of the city of La Grande, Oregon.

TO WHOM IT MAY CONCERN: Notice is hereby given that in pursuance of a resolution adopted by the common council of the city of La Grande, Oregon on the 5th day of August, 1909, creating improvement district No. 1, and designating Adams avenue as such district, and in pursuance of a resolution adopted by said common council on the 6th day of September, 1911, whereby said council determined and declared its intention to improve all that portion of Adams avenue, in said improvement district as hereinafter described, by laying thereon cement sidewalks and macadamizing, the council will, ten days after the service of this notice upon the owners of the property affected and benefited by such improvement, order that said above described improvement be made, that the boundaries of said district to be so improved are as follows:

All that portion of Adams avenue on north side from the west line of Alder street, to a point 200 feet west of Alder street.

(A) And the property affected or benefited by said improvement is as follows: The property owned by the Grande Ronde hospital, described as follows: Commencing at a point 60 feet west of the southwest corner of block 14, of Grandy's second addition to the city of La Grande, Oregon, running thence west 380 feet to the west line of the southeast quarter of Section 6, Twp. 3, S R 38, E W M, thence north 212 1/2 feet, thence east 380 feet, thence south 212 1/2 feet to the place of beginning.

Notice is hereby further given that the council will levy a special assessment on all the property affected and benefited by such improvement for the purpose of paying for such improvement. That the estimated cost of such improvement is the sum of \$651.90. That the council will, on the 20th day of September, 1911, meet at the council chamber at the hour of 8 o'clock, p. m., to consider said estimated cost, and the levy of said assessment, when a hearing will be granted to any person feeling aggrieved by such assessment.

La Grande, Oregon, September 6th, 1911. CITY COUNCIL OF LA GRANDE, OREGON. By C. M. HUMPHREYS, Recorder of the city of La Grande, Oregon 9-8-10t

Mint Marshmallows in 10c tins THEY ARE DELICIOUS AT SELDER'S Barallona Filberts A Cream Nut Fillippi Almonds Toasted Rolls Peanut Butter Flavor