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A DEFENSE OF THE CLOSED SHOP.

that labor unions have done for the tion. 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 the welfare of their class, and promotions must go to pieces if the "open without the union shop their liberty shop" is to prevail. Mr. Darrow is the and their independence would be gone. recognized defender of labor in big They have come to regard non-union court cases. He was attorney for the men not only as the enemies of their strikers in the Debs case, for the min- homes, the destroyers of their famiers in the famous anthracite coal lies, but as traitors to their class; as strike arbitration, for Moyer and Hay- men who seek to undermine and dewood, and has now given up his home stroy the organization which protects

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MONDAY AND TUESDAY. "The Quest of Gold-Vitagraph. (Part Ont) Showing the rush of gold seekers to the fro-zen north, grim determination of man to find gold it the Yukon hills on one hand and the no less grim determination of the frozen north to starve him out, tantalize and crush him.

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cording 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 open shop means only the open door through which the union man goes out, and the non-union man comes in to take his place," and the phrase, "inalienable right" to work "is a bit of birdlime used to catch the unthinking masses." The writer continues:

"The inationable 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 in terested in his work than in his play 'No doubt the courts, if called upon, would declare that a man has an inalienable right to pursue happiness in ways not prohibited by law, provided that he amuse himself alone, or found his pleasure in place of public amuse-ment. But it is certain that no one would contend that the inalienable right to pursue happiness gave any one the right to associate with another against his will; to enter his parlor or a few home or company without invitation Grands and when his presence was not desired. The workman has the same right to choose the companions with whom he associates in labor as to on their way to the John Day to visit choose the friends with whom he will spend his pastime; and the employer Mrs. Rha Kidwall, who has spent spend his pastime; and the employer has no more right to force the society of another upon him during his hours Many people who recognize the good of toil than during his hours of recrea-

"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 up-holding th rights of men, protecting justifiable and intimates that the un- ing the interests of their homes: that and his practice to defend the Mc-Namara brothers, charged with dyna-miting the plant of the Los Angeles tween them. This is not a fact in trade unionism alone, but a deep, abid ing fact in human life. In its last analysis it is the law of self defense; and grain. he employers have exactly the same feeling toward one of their members who gives his influence to the other Both feel that the offending man is disloyal to his class and though in both instances the offenders may be acting from the highest motives, they must pay the penalty of disloyalty. They must be regarded as traitors. And just so long as industry is carried on by two classes in hostile camps this feeling must continue with both ...

"The open shop furnishes, and al-ways has furnished, the best possible means of destroying the organization of the men. The closed shops are the only sure protection for the trade agreements and for the defense of the individual. When the master is left to hire or discharge either union or non-union men as he sees fit, he naturally discharges the man that he thinks most hostile to his business and employs that one that will be subservnt to his will . . He does this for his own protection, and he naturally employs those who are most complaisant, those who have given the most hostages to fortune and who can not afford to lose their jobs; those whom he can bring to be dependent upon Under the open shop it is easy to find reasons for discharging the union man, to fix the blame for mistakes upon him, and it is likewise easy to find reasons for replacing him with a non-union man."

Mr. Darrow asserts that if "trade unionists . day should falter and grow faint hearted, should give up their demands for recognition, the collective bargain or the closed shop; if the field should be abandoned to the working out of cruel industrial laws, to the employers or their agents, then the great sea of weak and nelpless men. women and children would sweep

Times. In the "open shop," the em-ployer reserves the right to employ either union or non-union men, ac-utter poverty and misery, has won away the industrial bulwarks that orutter 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. But when the work is done, and the class struggles are at an end, then trade unionism will have accomplished its purpose and the organizations will dissolve; then the closed shop will become the open shop to the brotherhood of man."

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

Hill Manlove and family and his sister, Mrs. J. U. Sullivan and daughter Ethel of La Grande, passed here

the summer in Starkey, has gone to Baker to visit her parents a few days. Paul Sperry, a sheepman from Uma tilla county, came in on the Thursday's stage and left for his sheep camp

near Sulphur Springs. Raiph Wagner came in from Pilot Rock today to look after his farthur flock which range near Clear Creek. J. F. Alden made a hurried trip to the valley yesterday to round up his

M. E. Coombs is preparing to sow 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

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 officeb efore 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. PUMPHREYS. City Recorder.

"IN A BAD WAY." Many a La Grande Reader Will Feel Grateful for This Information.

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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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district, and in pursuance of a resolu- sessment, when a hearing will be der street. on the 30th day of August, 1911, where- grisved by such assessment. 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

The west 1/2 of blocks 48, 53, 56, 61.

benefitted by such improvement for the purpose of paying for such imthe 20th day of September, 1911, meet at the council chamber at the hour of

tion adopted by said common council granted to any person feeling ag-

La Grande, Oregon, September 6th, CITY COUNCIL OF LA GRANDE,

By C. M. HUMPHREYS. Recorder of the city of La Grande,

NOTICE OF STREET IMPROVEMENT

TO WHOM IT MAY CONCERN: No- 2121/2 feet, thence east 380 feet, thence tice is hereby given that in pursuance south 2121/2 feet to the place of beginof a resolution adopted by the common council of the city of La Grande, Oregon on the 5th day of August, 1909, the council will levy a special assesscreating improvement district No. 1, ment on all the property affected and and designating Adams avenue as such benefited by such improvement for the district, and in pursuance of a resolu- purpose of paying for such improvetion adopted by said common council meat. That the estimated cost of such on the 6th day of September, 1911, improvement is the sum of \$651.90. 64, 99 and all of block 101 and the east whereby said council determined and That the council will, on the 20th day 1/2 of blocks 102, 98, 65, 60, 57, 52 and declared its intention to improve all of September, 1911, meet at the coun-49 of Chaplin's addition to La Grande, that portion of Adams avenue, in said cit chamber at the hour of 8 o'clock. improvement district as hereinafter p. m., to consider said estimated cost, Notice is hereby further given that described, by laying thereon cement and the levy of said assessment, when the council will levy a special assess | sidewalks and macadamizing, the a hearing will be granted to any perment on all the property affected and council will, ten days after the service son feeling aggrieved by such assessof this notice upon the owners of the ment. property affected and benefited by provement. That the estimated cost such improvement, order that said 1911. of such improvement is the sum of above described improvement be made, \$25,561.12. That the council will, on that the boundaries of said district to OREGON. be so improved are as follows:

All that portion of Adams avenue on 8 o'clock, p. m., to consider said esti- north side from the west line of Alder Oregon mated cost, and the levy of said as- street, to a point 200 feet west of Al-. 9-8-10t

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

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

ning. Notice is hereby further given that

La Grande, Oregon, September 6th

CITY COUNCIL OF LA GRANDE,

By C. M. HUMPHREYS, Recorder of the city of La Grande,

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