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Insurgent Candidate for Congress to Speak

Hood River

Next Week A. W. Lafferty, progressive Republican candidate for Congress from the Second district, will speak at the court house at 8;15 next Wednesday night. August 31st, on the various

political issues affecting Oregon. The Hood River band will give a concert

just before the meeting 25 acres of fine improved or- Lafferty's campaign is looming big. chard land, red shot soil, in the and it is already apparent that he is Upper Hood River Valley, ad- the leading candidate. Dissatisfaction with Ellis for a number of years joining Steinhauser ranch, in- has crystalized in opposition to the cluding potatoes, strawberry present congressman and has cenplants and apple trees. Will sac- tered on the aggressive Portland rifice on quick sale. Inquire at lawyer, Lafferty knows what Oreany Hood River real estate agent. gon needs at the hands of the na- joke-when the stranger replied, with tional government, and he has the a smile: ability to get it. He stands for returning to this state the millions of dollars derived from the sale of pub-

lic lands and put into the reclamation fund which is being used for the development of other states. Section 9 of the Reclamation Act, which required return of the major portion of this money to the state which produced it, was repealed in the last congress by the ways and means committee, of which Congressman Ellis is a member. The interior department has practically construed the homestead and timber land laws off the statute books. Lafferty advocates the creation of a federal land court, which he believes would make a man's right to take up govern-

In a recent speech Lafferty said: "I stand with the progressive Republicans and prefer the leadership of men like Cummins, Dolliver, Beveridge, Murdock and Madison to that of Aldrich, Payne, Dalzell and Cannon In the matter of conservation, I am as much opposed to giving our lands to railroad corporations but I demand liberality toward the poor people of the country seeking small tracts in this state for their

ment lands worth something to him.

own use and benefit. CARL S. KELTY. Lafferty's Campaign Manager, 914-17 Lewis Bldg, Portland, Ore. (Paid advertisement.)

PIPES!

HE GREETED THE CZAR.

Experience of Nicholas II. With a Parisian Street Arab.

On one of his visits to Paris Nicholas II. was left alone for a moment in his carriage. The czar was delighted at the feeling of freedom and ease. Looking out of the window with all the zest of a schoolboy playing truant, he saw before him one of those picturesque street arabs who seem to sprout between the paving stones of Paris. This particular specimen, seated against the railings, with his nose in the air, was whistling the refrain of the Russian national bynin. Suddenly their eyes met. The street boy sprang to his feet. He had never seen the emperor, but he had seen his photograph. and the likeness was striking.

"Suppose it is Nicholas?" he said to himself, greatly puzzled,

He resolved to make sure without delay. Walking up to within a yard of the carriage and bobbling his head. he shouted in a hoarse voice to the unknown foreigner:

"How's the empress?" Picture his satisfaction-for, in fact, he thought that it was only a good

"Thank you, the empress is very well and is delighted with her jour-

The boy lost his tongue. He stared at the speaker in dismay and then, raising his cap, stalked away slowly,

very slowly, to mark his dignity, Nicholas II. afterward often amused himself by scandalizing the formal set around him with the story of this private interview with a true Parislan .-McClure's Magazine.

A SERIOUS PLAY.

The Author Was Willing, Though, to Turn It Into a Comedy.

The gallery god, no less than the patron of the padded chair, aspires to write for the stage. I have a vivid remembrance of the first of all the plays submitted for production at the New theater in New York. It was from an employee in a local railroad station, probably a baggage smasher, and I shall betray no confidence in recording that the author's name was

Though Mr. Murphy called his work a play, it was in reality only a scenario. It was entitled "Jim's Wife." The plot was as follows: In the first act and timber syndicates as anybody. Jim had no wife, but he took his garl to a dance. Action-They danced In act second came the "great scene." The scene was caused by the fact that Jim's girl danced with another man. Jim felt impelled to kill him, but be refrained, reflecting that such things did not occur in the best circles and would thus be socially unpleasing to his lady. The curtain fell on his act of self sacrifice in not killing the other dancer. In act third there was still more action. Jim's girl rewarded him for his delicacy by marrying him. Final curtain.

> Mr. Murphy seemed weighed down by a fear that his play was too serious for the New theater. In his letter be said: "If you would rather have it a comedy I will send you the Jokes. I have a few tokes too."-John Corbin in World's Work.

Heels to Match Walk.

"In every theater audience there are critical persons who are prolific with suggestions for making the play more realistic," said a stage manager. "Some of these hints are worth considering too. In one play that was staged not long ago the biggest hit was made by a character actress who had to wear down-at-the-heel shoes. On the third day of the New York run I received a letter from a shoemaker, who called my attention to the fact that the woman's galt and her shoes did not match. Her heels were run down on the outside, whereas the walk she assumed on the stage must inevitably cause her shoes to run over on the inside. That was a point that had escaped the notice of everybody in the company. Upon looking into the matter we found plenty of evidence to uphold our critic, and we se cured a pair of property shoes with heels worn away on the inside."-New York Press.

The Gegenschein,

The Gegenschein is the name given to one of the most inexplicable objects known to astronomers. It is visible in the night sky under favorable conditions, is rounded in outline and is situated always exactly opposite the place of the sun. It has been termed by one eminent astronomer "a sort of cometery or meteoric satellite" attending the earth. He supposes it to be composed of a cloud of meteors situated about a million miles from the earth and revolving around it in a period of just one year, so that the sun and the meteors are always on opposite sides of the earth. It is estimated that the size of this ghostly satellite may be nearly the same as that of the planet Jupiter -i. e., about 86,000 miles in diameter. Harper's Weekly,

Caught Too Quick.

"I pleads guilty ter stealin' dem melons, Jedge," said the prisoner, "but I wants de mercy er de court."

"On what grounds?" asked the judge. "On dese grounds," replied the pris-"I stole de melons, but de sheriff didn't give me a chance ter eat

The Embargo Removed. She-My chaperon can't see a tning without her glasses, and now she's misinid them. He schucklings-S'sh! Don't say anything: I've got them in my

'em!"-Atlanta Constitution.

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