

HONOR FOR MICKLEY

Chosen President Federated Trades Council.

NEW OFFICERS ARE ELECTED

Union Men Will Protest at Public Works Contracts Leaving Portland—Plans for Gompers' Visit and Labor Day Celebration.

NEW OFFICERS FEDERATED TRADES COUNCIL.

President—Charles Mickley. Vice-President—James O'Connell. Recording Secretary—A. R. Lawton. Statistical Secretary—Grant McDonald. Treasurer—M. P. Jorgensen. Conductor—William Day.

Officers for the ensuing year were elected at the meeting of the Federated Trades Council, held last night, and the highest honor of the council, given to Charles Mickley, who was elected president.

There were a number of important matters to come before the council, and the meeting held until 1:30. A number of contracts for public works have been and are being let to contractors outside of the city. This the council does not think right, and will enter a protest against such practices. The members of the labor unions are planning a big time for Labor day, and a big demonstration on the event of the visit of the president of the American Federation of Labor, Samuel Gompers. The full committee have been appointed for the arrangement of these events.

The first matter that came before the council last night was a letter from the Shipwrights' and Caulkers' Union. It stated that the contract for the tender for the new dredge had been let to a Seattle firm, and that they had no intention of believing that the contract for the building of the drydock would be let to firms outside of the city. It said that the union was not in favor of such action, and that it asked the Federated Trades Council to take some action upon this matter. After some discussion it was decided that it was the place of the council to take up this matter, and a committee was appointed to draft resolutions condemning the letting of such contracts outside of the city. The committee consisted of A. W. Jones, G. Y. Harry and Ira Taylor.

The next matter that came before them was the proper arrangement for the mass meeting to be held on the event of the visit of the National president, who will be accompanied by James O'Connell, vice-president of the American Federation of Labor, and president of the Machinists' International Union, and Max Morris, fourth vice-president of the American Federation of Labor, and president of the Retail Clerks' International Union.

Yesterday a telegram was received from President Gompers saying that he would be in Salem on August 2, and asked that arrangements be made for a mass meeting there at that time. The same committee that had in charge the arrangements for the last mass meeting will still have the matter in charge, and will arrange for a mass meeting in Salem on the 2d, and in Portland on the 4th. A large turnout is expected, and extensive preparations are being made.

After this matter was disposed of the matter of the celebration of Labor day was brought up. The union people expect to have a big celebration on that day, and they wish to make the arrangements as extensive as possible. A complete committee was appointed to arrange for this celebration, and they were told to arrange for one of the greatest demonstrations that was ever held in the City of Portland. The committee was: McDonald, Goldsinger, Steiner, Reed, Graham, Stanton, Hoffmann, McCullough, Jones, Taomes, Taylor, Welch, McDullin, Booth, Calkins.

After these matters were disposed of the election of officers was taken up. Officers are elected in the council every six months, and last night was the regular night for the election. There was not much of a contest for any of the offices, but the method of balloting used in the election is slow and tiresome, and it was late in the evening before the votes were through. Every one seems to be pleased with the new officers, and the men now seem to think that the council has made a wise selection.

THUMB RING LORE.

Famous Specimens and Wonders in Ancient History.

London Lady. The custom of wearing rings upon the thumb prevailed in England until the close of the 15th century, and is of very ancient origin. There is a mummy case in the British Museum, which represents an Egyptian lady wearing rings upon the thumbs of both her hands. The Romans were greatly addicted to this practice, and as many of their thumb rings were made of gold and set with precious stones, the patriars varied their rings with the season, terming them "Summer" or "Winter" rings, as the case might be.

During his visit to Rome, Addison saw some of these old rings, and comments upon them thus: "So very thick about, and with such large stones in them, that 'tis no wonder a top should reckon them a little cumbersome in the Summer season of so hot a climate." The Emperor Trajan possessed a "Winter" thumb ring, which measured some 3 1/2 inches in width, and bore a bust in high relief of his consort, Plotina. English thumb rings do not appear to have been so massive. During the latter part of the Middle Ages they formed part of the necessary adornment of a bishop when he was arrayed in full pontifical.

Thomas a Becket possessed a thumb ring set with a valuable ruby, which was about the size of a hen's egg. This ring was a gift from Louis VII of France. At the Reformation, Bluff King Hal seized the archbishop's ring from his despoiled shrine and took it for his own personal adornment, thus bringing thumb rings back into fashion for a while. They had long been used by the lower classes and had gradually come to be considered as indicative of the bourgeois class. Thumb rings were often set with the tooth of some animal as an amulet. A wolf's tooth was supposed to confer charm against assault, while a badger's tooth brought wealth and general good luck.

The crampstone, or toadstone, was also used in this way, as it was supposed to possess various mystic virtues, one of which being the power of warning its wearer of the presence of poison in his food or drink by changing its color. The mystic word "Anamapetus" was often engraved upon a thumb ring as a charm against epilepsy or cramp. This was in accordance with an old superstition, which gave this word as a cure "for the falling sickness." Another favorite preventive of epilepsy was a silver thumb ring engraved in Gothic characters with the names of Jasper, Melchior, and Balthazar, the three wise men from the East. In "The Squire's Tale" Chaucer mentions a magical thumb ring worn by Conace, the

daughter of "Cambuscan Boid," which gave her a complete knowledge of the medicinal values of herbs and enabled her to converse with birds in their own language. Wedding rings were formerly worn upon the thumb, but did not always stay there. In the ancient ritual of marriage the bridegroom was directed to place the ring upon the thumb with the words, "With all my worldly goods I thee endow," meaning it to the other fingers in succession.

ARMY BASEBALL.

American Soldiers Carry the Game Into the Orient.

New York Times. The recent organization, with the full approval of the Secretary of War and the Commanding General of the Department of the East, of a baseball league composed of clubs representing the different military posts hereabouts is one of many things that go to show that athletics are progressing in the Army. There are no better trained athletes in America than the men who compose the rank and file of the United States Army and Navy. Go where you will, whether it be to the Presidio in California, or Fort Columbus on Governor's Island, or the harbor of New York, you will be

BRYAN TOURING MAINE

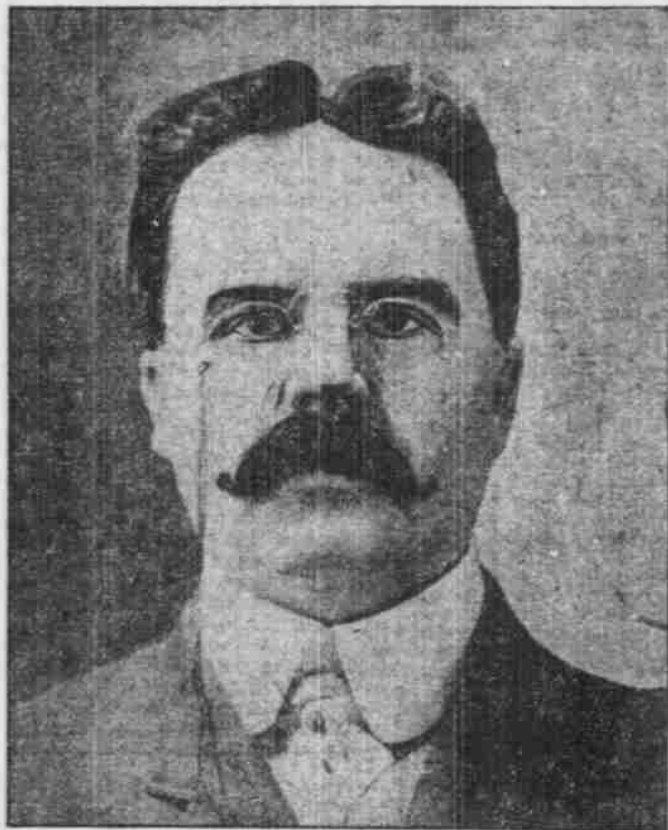
SPEECHES MADE AT ROCKLAND, BATH AND AUGUSTA.

The Tariff, Finances, Trusts and Philippines Were the Subjects of His Remarks.

ROCKLAND, Me., July 25.—A night in a railway train with breakfast in the hotel, greetings by representative Democrats of this city and an open-air speech delivered to 500 people, comprised the programme of W. J. Bryan from the time of leaving Boston today to the hour of his departure from this city before noon. With Mr. Bryan was Senator Carmack, of Tennessee, and Charles S. Hamlin, of Massachusetts. After breakfast and a brief reception, the party were driven to the Courthouse, where a stand had been built out from the steps.

Mr. Bryan discussed taxation, the money question, trusts and imperialism. He recommended as a measure for needed reform in taxation a tariff for revenue

ELECTED PRESIDENT EASTERN OREGON NORMAL SCHOOL.



JAMES E. AMENT, OF ALVA, OKLAHOMA.

At a meeting of the executive committee of the Board of Regents of the Eastern Oregon State Normal School, held in Portland, and attended by James H. Bailey and R. Alexander, of Pendleton; G. W. Proebstel, of Weston, and F. A. Worthington, of Portland, James E. Ament, of Alva, Oklahoma Territory, was elected to the presidency of the Normal School at Weston, to succeed J. A. Beattie, resigned. The choice was made Thursday night, but the news was not given out until yesterday, when the committee learned that Professor Ament would accept the office. Professor Ament is a graduate of the Illinois State Normal School, and for the past five years has been president of the Northwestern Territorial Normal School at Alva, Oklahoma, an institution which has an enrollment of 600 pupils. Although only 27 years old, he has had years of experience in school work, and once he was superintendent of the schools at Rock Island, Ill., and directed the work of 25 teachers. He has been highly recommended for his new position, and the executive committee considers itself fortunate in securing his services.

sure to find a set of strong-bodied young men, who each day keep their already good constitutions in tip-top condition by indulging in various forms of athletic exercise.

There was a time when the officers engaged in the games, but to a great extent this has been abandoned. The athletes who make up the hundreds of football, baseball, track teams, etc., throughout the regular service are the men who have not been so fortunate as to acquire a commission.

Just at this time it is baseball that is the ruling favorite in the Army, and there is not a regiment or a company of artillery within all the service or a ship in the Navy that does not boast of a creditable team. For instance, in the Department of the East League there are eight teams, consisting of seven military organizations and one naval, that at the Brooklyn navy-yard. Every Saturday these teams meet in competition at one or other of the reservations, where, in the presence of 500 or 600 civilian spectators, they fight for supremacy and the ultimate winning of the pennant that is to be awarded to the champions.

All of the teams are unusually strong, are neatly and appropriately uniformed, and are sustained by their comrades. The taxpayers are not called upon to pay a cent for their maintenance. Such a thing as an admission fee in the Army or Navy has never been tolerated.

It was the American Army that introduced the National game in the far East. In Manila such a reverence was paid to the game that it had never been heard of until the American occupation. To hear the men tell of the way the natives received its introduction, and the expressions of veneration they uttered when first they had a chance to watch the uniformed "Americano" pitch, catch and bat a sphere, forms a most interesting topic in Army as well as navy circles.

The games in Manila, as in the United States, are played between the different regiments or the crews of the warships. There is hardly a day that a match is not played. Besides the military and naval people there is a large number of natives in great numbers generally also manage to find an excuse to get in close enough proximity to the soldiers or sailors to get a good view of the contest.

A Man of Parts.

New York Post. Ex-Mayor Hart, of Boston, has again demonstrated that he is a man of parts. The first proof of this was given years ago, before he was mayor. He was at that time postmaster of Boston, and a change of administration at Washington found him politically at odds with the department, though he was retained to serve out his term. He found the supplies for his office curtailed, however, the department at Washington cutting out important items from his expense account. Some one complained to Washington that only one elevator was kept running in the Boston Postoffice. The complaint was forwarded in due course to Mr. Hart, who replied briefly: "I have the honor to inform you," he said, "that I am unable to run three elevators with one elevator man."

The third demonstration occurred in Boston the other day, when a pickpocket managed to get hold of the ex-mayor's pocketbook. This happened on a street car. Seeing that he was detected, the thief dropped the purse and jumped from the car. But he did not escape. Mr. Hart, after grabbing up the abandoned pocketbook, made after the thief. The race continued for blocks, but ended in a doorway, where the thief took refuge. The ex-mayor held him until a policeman appeared, and then went quietly about his business.

Not a pound of all the coal burned in Switzerland is due within the borders of that country.

only and an income tax. He said that the money issue was by no means dead, and that he hated a private monopoly as he hated a monarchy. Taking up the question of imperialism, he said:

"In defense of our National policy three reasons are urged: First, there is money in it. Those who urge this should show that it will pay. I would not put human life and blood against all the trade of the Orient. Secondly, that we are in it by God's will. God never told us to go to the Philippines to make a war of conquest. Thirdly, that we are in it because we cannot get out of it. I denounce the doctrine that a nation or a man can go so far as to be unable to retrace his steps. We had no business to make a war in the Philippines, as there was no occasion for war. Had we treated the Philippines as we did the Cubans, there would have been no war. I want the same moral victory in the Philippines as in Cuba."

At Augusta.

AUGUSTA, Me., July 25.—An immense crowd warmly greeted Mr. Bryan and his party when they arrived here this afternoon. The entire party, with the exception of Mr. Bryan, was driven to the City Hall, which was filled with citizens desiring to hear the speakers. The Democratic candidate for Governor, Samuel H. Gould, was the first speaker. Charles H. Hamlin, of Boston, followed. Mr. Gould, and then Senator Carmack spoke briefly. Later Mr. Bryan came to the City Hall and was given a tremendous ovation. In his address he referred to the leading issue which the voters of Maine should consider between now and election day.

At Arthur Sewall's Home.

BATH, Me., July 25.—W. J. Bryan and his party reached here at noon. No arrangements had been made for a reception here, but a crowd of 1000 assembled at the station. Mr. Bryan addressed them from the car platform, and in his speech, feelingly alluded to the late Arthur Sewall, who was the Vice-Presidential candidate in 1896 on the ticket with Mr. Bryan. A handsome driven to the house of Mr. Arthur Sewall, the widow of Arthur Sewall, by Mr. Bryan. Senator Carmack also spoke briefly.

Expert Advice.

Savannah (Ga.) News. A young man bashfully approached a popular official a few days ago and said: "Judge, I have come to ask your advice. You have always been like a father to me, and I have now come to you in a very important matter. I am thinking of getting married."

"Well, young man," interrupted the Judge, "but you are thinking of getting married, go do it right away. Don't wait, because the girl might not be willing this time tomorrow."

"But you see, protested the youth, 'I'm afraid I'll not be able to take care of her.'"

"Tut, tut," deprecatingly retorted the Judge, "when I got married I was 21 years old and still in debt."

"Is that so," exclaimed the other, with happy encouragement gleaming from his eye. "And I suppose you must now be worth about—"

"And now," concluded the Judge, "I'm only \$300 in debt."

The young man has not yet married.

Roumanian Salt Mines.

Chicago Salt News. Salt mining constitutes one of the staple industries in Roumania. There are four mines in all. The mineral is mined in three of the mines by convicts. In all there are about 1000 convicts at work in the three mines. The laborers are not provided with any mechanical apparatus whatever, the whole of the work being performed by hand, each convict having to quarry a specific quantity of salt daily. The mines are controlled by a state official, whose position is similar to that of

governor of a prison. The mines are thoroughly well ventilated, and illuminated with electric light, so that the life of the convicts is somewhat alleviated, though to those who are serving life sentences it represents a living grave. The mines are worked in galleries, and the pure white crystal presents a weird and peculiar aspect, especially in reflecting the electric light. The main shaft terminates at the bottom in a huge apartment, which is a dome-shaped roof, and from which all the working galleries radiate. The mine contains a chapel and numerous other apartments all cut out of the salt by the prisoners.

WEATHER REMARKS.

Censorious Spirit May Be Reformed to Advantage.

Indianapolis News. A score of years ago a popular song in one of the then popular Gilbert & Sullivan operas was entitled "Let's Talk About the Weather." This might be good enough advice for an Englishman in his tight little isle, where it is said there is no climate, only weather. But it is bad advice for an American, because we are only too prone to "talk about the weather." It is even said that we are the only civilized people that make the weather a topic of conversation. The exclamation after a greeting is almost invariably something with reference to the weather, and this not merely in the extreme of weather, but at all times of the year. One might say that a thing so innocuous as the weather were wisely chosen as a topic of conversation. That depends. It is rather unwisely so with us, we fancy, for the tone of the conversation is one of complaint. It would hardly be too much to say that it is a perpetual growl at the climatic condition, whatever that may be. If we have a long, cool Spring, as we had this year, a real Spring, a time that is neither Summer nor Winter, it is accompanied with a continual complaint of the "backwardness" of the season. After the end of some weeks, well into June, the thermometer goes up close to 50, as it ought at that time of year, and at that time it is complained of our late seasons, that jump immediately from Winter into Summer. If in July we have a half-dozen days successively with the thermometer as high as 91 or 92, there is almost a universal cry that the temperature with which we are afflicted. Then after such a "spell," if we have a breathing space of three or four days, as we generally do, of cool weather, the bicker of remark is that our climate is so changeable there is no knowing what it is going to do. And so we go; whatever it is, wrong.

Under this little thing we have been nourishing a petulant and censorious spirit that is at war with the best effort, and that reacts on the moral status by fostering an unconscious feeling that the general order is wrong instead of right. If we take a view large enough, we see that Summer and Winter, seedtime and harvest, do not fall. In our own richly-dowered land of Indiana, there has never been such a total crop as a total crop failure. Neither storm nor drought has ever done more than partial damage. But if we could record the tone and tenor of the comments of the people that have enjoyed these blessings we should find them of almost unrelieved accusation and complaint. Now, if we are going to talk about the weather and it is much better that we should not, let us get our bearings and measure up with the subject. If it is hot in July and August, and one must speak of it, let us accompany the remark with the observation that it is the time of year to be hot; that it is "It in our business"; that without heat we should not have good harvests. And if we have a long, cool spring or a wet autumn, let us be mindful of the fact that such weather "belongs" to that time. With Winter's cold, even to far below zero, we might properly have the reflection that it means riches for us all, both in health and wealth. It is the time to put on our coats and get out. It is the time to get out in proper condition for bearing the best crops, and it helps the human system to a hygienic state. It would be a very good rule to let the weather take care of itself. But if we will talk about it, let us tune our remarks to something more than hostility and dissatisfaction.

BOYS AND DOGS.

It Is Always Worth While to Treat the Quadrupeds Well.

New Orleans Times-Democrat. "The little fellow who said: 'Dog, I and daddy are going hunting,' put in a few words the other day about the relationship which exists between the boy and his dog," said a man who has not outgrown his fondness for members of the dog tribe, "and we are apt to forget the tenderer side of the question. It is the time of the year when the public opinion during the season when dogs become rabid for one reason and another. I thought of the rather forcible, but ungrammatical way of putting it, 'Dog, I and daddy' when I saw a boy scampering over the grass at Lee Circle the other evening, holding on to a string which had a dog at the other end of it. He was about the poundman would get the dog. But I was thinking about a rather pathetic happening in the old quarter some years ago, when the street-car first began to roll through that section of the city. It used to be a custom to walk up one of the narrow streets of the old quarter, one of the streets which at that time was lined with low, squallid shacks occupied by Italians. One of the prettiest little I ever saw was in the habit of playing in the street, and he always had for his companion an old, common-looking dog, whose hair seemed to be as stiff as wire. The dog had nothing to commend him except his uniform good nature, and his fondness for the child. He would bite at the little fellow playfully, rub his head against the little fellow's hand, and when the child was in the habit of playing in the street, and he always had for his companion an old, common-looking dog, whose hair seemed to be as stiff as wire. The dog had nothing to commend him except his uniform good nature, and his fondness for the child. 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