

TO DEBATE ON LABOR

T. E. Latimer Issues Challenge to G. Y. Harry.

TO DISCUSS UNION ISSUES

Organizer of American Labor Union Seeks to Face a Duel of Words With Rival Officer of American Federation.

To discuss the difference between the American Federation of Labor and the American Labor Union—this is what T. E. Latimer, state organizer of the latter organization, wants to do.

There will be a mass meeting of labor men in Eugene on April 4, and this will no doubt be attended by Mr. Harry, who left yesterday morning for the Southern part of the state.

Mr. Latimer declares that he will issue a challenge to Mr. Harry to discuss with him the two organizations which each represents to the public speaking. Realizing that much depends upon the sentiment of the audience at the end of the discussion, each will do his best to down his opponent.

Though Mr. Harry said before his departure that his visit was only a long-delayed tour of the Southern unions, the opposition is openly declaring that he has come off to register the damage which Mr. Latimer says he has done to the American Federation of Labor in the towns of Southern Oregon.

Latimer, who represents the American Labor Union, declares that he will not attempt to turn over the Portland unions for some time to come, but he does not deny that it is the ultimate aim of the invader to begin proselyting work in this city.

Despite the protestations of the Portland members of the American Federation of Labor, dispatches received in the city yesterday confirm Latimer's statement that he turned several unions from one federation to the other.

"I do not think that Latimer's story can be true in any detail," said H. G. Kuntz, editor of the Portland Labor Union, and one of the staunchest upholders of the American Federation of Labor in the city.

"We have heard from those towns, and they say that Latimer is not doing anything there before long. The opening gun, according to the statement of Latimer, is to be the discussion with Harry in Eugene, which the American Labor Union means who unshakable confidence of winning over Harry, whose trade is that of a sheetmetal worker.

The Portland Labor Press is the official organ of the various unions of the American Federation of Labor, and is owned by them. It takes the invasion of the rival organization very seriously, and in the weekly edition, which appeared yesterday, Mr. Kuntz poured hot shot into Latimer and the federation which he represents.

Evidently the local members of the American Federation of Labor realize their position in the city, and that its existence cannot be ignored, and are some extracts from the editorial in the Portland Labor Press:

And so the Labor Press announces to the organized workers of the city that the American Labor Union is in our midst. It has been known for some time that its representatives were in the city, but until now they have not been known. Come out in the open, gentlemen, and let the light shine upon your work.

To the untitled he Latimer presents a plausible story. He says that the American Federation of Labor is a "pile of industrial supremacy," which is the American Federation of Labor prohibits the affiliation of independent organizations with American Federation of Labor central bodies, which is another lie; in fact, his statements seem to juggle the truth wherever he is spoken.

Had not been for a few staunch labor union advocates last week, Latimer might have succeeded in getting a large number of laborers to join the American Federation of Labor charter to one in the American Labor Union. He is at a campaign in Oregon that will yield nothing from the barren seed he endeavors to sow.

Mr. Latimer read the editorials with enjoyment and lauded enthusiastically. "Our turn will come after while," said the American Labor Union man.

TO STAND BY FEDERATION. Federated Trades Council Adopts a Resolution.

The Federated Trades Council of Portland will stand by the American Federation of Labor, no matter what the various unions do in regard to joining the invading force of the American Labor Union.

The secretary, A. R. Lawton, made a short speech at the meeting last evening in which he said that the Federation had done enough for the Council and that if no delegates wanted to change the body should go on record as being determined to stay in the American Federation of Labor. Then Mr. Lawton put it in the form of a resolution which was instantly seconded by more than half a dozen delegates.

this evening to sign up the agreement, and if this is not done a strike will be declared in these shops. There is no probability of a general tie-up in all the meat markets of the city, and it is probable that the matter will be satisfactorily arranged.

A committee from the Multnomah Typographical Union told the delegates of the preparations made to fight a newspaper against which the printers have waged a battle for many months. Many of the Eastern advertisers have withdrawn their patronage, but a few have refused to comply with the requests of the unions which are fighting the paper and keep their space in the publication.

HOLD-UP ON CANYON ROAD

Bell Barber Is Robbed of \$5 by Highwaymen.

While driving up the Canyon road with his wife last night Bell Barber was held up by three masked men and robbed of \$5. The men's faces were covered with black handkerchiefs, with holes punched through for the eyes, and Mr. Barber says that

NEW EXALTED RULER OF ELKS' LODGE.



RICHARD CLINTON. Richard Clinton, the newly elected exalted ruler of the Elks, was born June 20, 1847, in the City of New Orleans.

he is not sure he could recognize the men if he should meet them. They did not want anything but cash, and refused to take other valuable articles that the two people had with them.

FACTS ABOUT CORN WHEAT

Agricultural Department Answers Questions Asked by Farmers.

WASHINGTON, March 27.—The Department of Agriculture reports that an enormous number of letters are being received in all parts of the country asking for definite information concerning a so-called new grain called corn wheat; and at the same time requesting samples for trial.

These letters are the result of widely-published newspaper stories. The department authorizes the statement that there is no such thing as "corn wheat," and that it is probable no corn and wheat combination would ever be produced, or, at any rate, one that would be fertile.

The grain which caused the newspaper publications, the department says, is known correctly as Polish wheat, though the grain is not a native of Poland, as the name might suggest, but its original home probably is somewhere in the Mediterranean region.

The newspaper reports, the department says, are correct in saying that the heads and grains of this wheat are very large, the grains being in many cases actually twice as large as those of ordinary wheat.

Polish wheat, the department says, could be successfully grown only on the great plains region, Washington, Idaho and Montana, and other parts of the Mountain and Pacific States, where grain is grown. It has great resistance to drought. The Department of Agriculture has no seed of the grain in stock.

New Star Is Discovered. CAMBRIDGE, Mass., March 26.—A message was received today at the Harvard observatory from Professor Krutz, of Kiel, Germany, announcing the discovery by Professor Turner, of Oxford, of a new star.

WANT NOTHING BUT CASH

APPLICANTS FOR HEATING FRANCHISE MUST SHOW GOOD FAITH.

Street Committee of City Council Met Yesterday and Laid Down Disagreeable Terms.

Hot water furnished the principal topic for conversation up at the Council street committee yesterday afternoon. Not hot air, but hot water, mixed with a little steam, to be used for heating purposes.

In addition to asking for a deposit of \$5,000 from the backers of the proposed heating plant, the committee decided that the allowance of hawking and peddling fruit and vegetables on the business streets of Portland would have to be abolished.

The members of the committee were a unit on this point, and the people who have been using the streets for store purposes will have to come down from the trees.

Contractors Get Extensions. The Executive Board committee on streets met at the City Hall Thursday afternoon, and considered a number of applications from contractors for extensions of time on street improvement contracts.

The Board at its last meeting seemed to think that the contractors were not doing the work as fast as it might be done, and turned the whole matter over to the committee. It was decided by the committee that some extensions should be granted with the understanding that after this time all contractors will be given a chance to submit lower figures if they wish to do the work for the city.

Fireboat Meeting Monday. The special committee on fireboat was to meet at the office of Mayor Williams yesterday afternoon, but, owing to the absence of one of the members, it was postponed until Monday afternoon.

To Consider Plans for Market. The Council health and police committee met at the City Hall yesterday morning, but as there was no business before the committee, it adjourned.

HE LIKES TO BUILD. Henry Wetnhard Will Probably Erect Six-Story Structure. Henry Wetnhard will, in all probability, erect a big six-story brick building during the coming summer on the block bounded by Ankeny, Adams, Second and Third streets.

West Virginia to Be Lannched. NEW YORK, March 27.—C. R. Ott, president of the Newport News Shipbuilding & Drydock Company, has announced

that the date for the launching of the United States armored cruiser West Virginia at the company's yards, Newport News, Va., has been officially set by the Navy Department for April 15, Miss Katherine V. White, daughter of Governor Albert B. White, of West Virginia, will name the vessel.

Rain Falling at Salem. SALEM, March 27.—(Special.)—A warm rain which has been falling in this vicinity for the last 24 hours has gladdened the hearts of the farmers, who were anxious for rain to moisten the ground for Spring work.

FREE MEDICAL ADVICE TO WOMEN.

All Correspondence Is Sacredly Confidential

This is a very important consideration in a woman's correspondence with Mrs. Pinkham. It is a great satisfaction to feel that one woman can write to another telling her the most private and confidential details about her illness, and know that her letter will be seen by a woman only,—a woman full of sympathy for her sick sisters, and with a knowledge of woman's ills greater than that possessed by any other person.

Mrs. Pinkham never violates the confidence thus entrusted to her, and although she publishes thousands of testimonials from women who have benefited by her advice and medicine, never in all her experience has she published such a letter without the full consent, and often by special request of the writer.

The reason Mrs. Pinkham is so amply qualified to give advice in cases of female ills is for the reason that over one hundred thousand cases come before her each year,—some personally, others by mail, and this has been going on for twenty years, day after day, and day after day. Twenty years of constant success,—think of the knowledge thus gained. Surely, women are wise in seeking advice from a woman of such experience, especially when it is absolutely free.

As an illustration of the good coming from such advice we herewith publish two letters and portrait of Miss Hattie DeGroat, the reading of which should give every sick woman confidence in Mrs. Pinkham's ability to help them. This is only one of thousands of the same kind of letters which Mrs. Pinkham has on file.

"DEAR MRS. PINKHAM:—I have read with interest your advice to others so much that I thought I would write to you, for I have been suffering for a long time. I have such bearing-down pains, and such shooting pains go through me. I have headache, backache, and feel tired. Menstruation is very painful, sometimes have to stop work and lie down. My stomach bloats terribly, and I am troubled with whites. Hoping to hear from you soon, I remain,

MISS HATTIE DEGROAT, SUCCASUNNA, N. J." "DEAR MRS. PINKHAM:—I can hardly find words to thank you for your advice and wonderful Vegetable Compound. I was in a terrible state, every part of my body ached, was very nervous, had hysterical spells. I think I would have become insane had it not been for Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound. Your letter told me just what to do, and your medicine cured me, and I cannot express my thanks."

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Advertisement for California Fig Syrup. Includes the text 'WOMAN'S GENTLE NATURE CALLS FOR GENTLE TREATMENT' and 'CALIFORNIA FIG SYRUP'. It features an illustration of a woman in a long dress and a portrait of a man. The text describes the benefits of the syrup for women's health, particularly for constipation and other ailments.