

CHURCHMEN TO JOIN LABOR IN A LOW WAGE FIGHT

Men's Federation and Tri-City Workers' Organization Aid White Slave Crusade.

The Men's Federation and the Tri-City Federation of Labor have banded together in a fight to secure legislation pertaining to a minimum wage for women in the state of Illinois. They will work in harmony with the white slave investigating commission of the state senate.

At the labor meeting last night a representative of the Men's Federation told of the efforts along the lines suggested above, which are to be made and suggested that the two organizations cooperate in the matter. A committee of nine men was named by the labor men, to meet with the church organization, in order to map out a campaign. The personnel of this committee is as follows: John H. Shank, W. E. McIntosh and J. W. Fuller of Davenport; J. C. Kinsley, Charles Reagan and John A. Nelson of Rock Island; E. J. Aspengren, F. Wilson and A. N. Kincaid of Moline.

A joint meeting of the two bodies will be arranged for in the near future, and an active campaign will be inaugurated in the interest of the wage law.

RENNICK TALKS TO TRI-CITY MEN

Noted Humorist Warmly Received at Big Meeting at Davenport Club.

P. G. Rennick of Peoria, noted humorist and former editor of the Peoria Herald-Transcript, addressed a gathering of 150 business men from the tri-cities last evening at the Davenport Commercial club, at a dinner which was held under the auspices of say, made a hit.

Mr. Rennick spoke on the topic of "Twentieth Century Patterns," in which he compared the modern types of men and the present methods of government to those of the past. His address was entertaining and instructive and was generously received. He followed his talk with a number of

humorous anecdotes which, needless to say made a hit.

C. C. Cessna also gave an interesting talk on "Fake Advertising." R. H. Harned presided as toastmaster. A good musical program was given by Peter's orchestra.

GAS ENGINE FALLS; SMASHED FINGERS

George Campbell of South Rock Island smashed two of the fingers on his right hand yesterday noon near the Rock Island boat club as he was installing a several hundred pound gas engine in his launch. Campbell, with the assistance of one of his friends, was lifting the engine over the side of the boat, when it slipped in some manner, falling on his hand. The injury is a painful one and it will be a month or more before Mr. Campbell can again use the member.

HIGH SCHOOLS TO MEET IN DEBATE

Negative Teams to Remain on Home Floor and Affirmatives Are Invaders.

The triangular debate between the high schools of the three cities will occur tonight. Each school has two teams in the contest, one of which will remain at home and the other go to one of the other two cities. The question to be debated is "Resolved, That the Initiative and Referendum Should be Adopted in Illinois, Constitutionality Granted." The negative team will remain at home. Davenport's affirmative comes to Rock Island, Rock Island's affirmative goes to Moline and Moline's to Davenport.

The winner of tonight's triangular debate will be eligible to compete in the Big Eight debate which is to come later in the season. Rock Island's two teams are: Negative—Paul Dahlen, Israel Goldman and Larned Elkhund. Affirmative—Jual Ford, Donald Vance and Cecil Koch.

Denies Habeas Corpus.

The petition for habeas corpus by which James Davis, colored, sought to secure his freedom from the county jail, was denied yesterday in the circuit court by Judge R. W. Olmsted. Davis was remanded to jail to await the action of the grand jury to which his case will be referred. He is accused of robbing a white man in a negro joint in Rock Island. B. A. Stewart of Moline represented Davis in a legal way.

CONVICT FAILS TO CINCH HIS CHARGE

B. F. Schriver Refutes Allegations Made Against Him by John Mefford.

Attorney B. F. Schriver this morning freed himself of the charges made against him yesterday by John Mefford, convicted criminal who claimed that he had been defrauded out of a gold watch. Mr. Schriver appeared before Judge R. W. Olmsted in the circuit court and produced witnesses who flatly contradicted the statements related yesterday by Mefford. State's Attorney F. E. Thompson, his associate, William McEniry, Jake Schaul and William Crofton were all witnesses for him. Crofton testified that Mefford had practically forced his case on Mr. Schriver and that the latter had accepted the watch reluctantly as pay for agreeing to intercede in Mefford's behalf with the state's attorney. Schaul testified that he had paid Mr. Schriver \$5 for the watch and that it was hardly worth that. Mr. Thompson and Mr. McEniry recalled Mr. Schriver's visit to the state's attorney's office and his effort to get them to accept a plea of guilty to petty larceny with punishment no more severe than a jail sentence. Their refusal to do so relieved him of further responsibility in the case.

Mr. Schriver followed the testimony with a full explanation of the whole transaction, which the court accepted. Mefford was then taken before the bench and the court pronounced sentence on him for crime of larceny. He will be taken to Joliet penitentiary for a period of from one to ten years.

NEW AUTO FIRM IS ESTABLISHED

Sauermann & Wochner Secure Colby Agency—To Open Establishment Soon.

F. W. Sauermann, for the past 14 years cashier at the Gansert Candy company, has tendered his resignation in order to embark in the automobile business in this city. A service station will be established in the central part of Rock Island, although the exact location has not been announced as yet. Henry Wochner, an experienced automobile man, who has been identified with that business for a number of years, will become a partner in the concern.

The new firm will handle principally the Colby car, manufactured at Mason City, Iowa, as well as a number of cheaper machines. A line of trucks will also be sold. Sauermann and Wochner have the agency for the Colby car in Rock Island, Mercer and Henry counties in Illinois, and Scott county, Iowa.

George Schneider, Jr., a well known tri-city newspaper man, has been named as Mr. Sauermann's successor in the Gansert company, and assumes his new duties at once. Mr. Schneider was a member of The Argus staff for three years, resigning last fall to accept a position with the Moline Dispatch. He is a hustler and his many friends predict for him marked success in his new field.

WIND PLAYS HAVOC WITH BIG AWNING

The big plate glass window on the west side of the front entrance to Young & McCombs department store narrowly escaped being smashed to smithereens this morning when the high wind tore loose one end of the awning in front of the store. The heavy iron supporting rod crashed against the brick front, just missing the big window by several inches.

UTILITIES HAS INCREASE IN ITS STOCK RECORDED

Increase in the capitalization of the People's Light company of Davenport from \$1,500,000 to \$2,500,000 and the Tri-City Railway company from \$3,500,000 to \$5,000,000 was made in amendments filed yesterday with County Recorder Holm of Scott county.

The amendment in both instances is signed by J. F. Porter as president of the companies and H. E. Weeks as secretary. In each instance the shares are placed at \$100 each. Voting in favor of the amendments were 15,000 shares of the People's Light and 25,000 shares of the Tri-City Railway company. Lane & Waterman filed the amendments.

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COLLEGE SINGERS FETED IN OMAHA

Wennerberg Chorus Members of Augustana Are Warmly Received by Friends.

HOSPITALS ARE VISITED

Numbers Are Given to Cheer the Aged and Maimed at Several Institutions of City.

(Special Correspondence of The Argus.) Omaha, Neb., March 21.—Omaha turned the keys of the city over to the Wennerberg chorus of Augustana college of Rock Island, Ill., yesterday. From the moment the chorus reached the "Gateway to the West," until it pulled out this morning for Wahoo, the members were rushed from place to place in one continued fete.

Immediately upon the arrival of the chorus the members were taken in automobiles to the Hotel Rome, where a sumptuous luncheon was served by the Noon-Day club. Covers were laid for 125 guests, including the Wennerberg members. Following the banquet President A. W. Johnson of the Noon-Day club, acting as toastmaster, extended a warm welcome to the chorus to Omaha. Marcus Skarstedt and Professor Andrew Kempe responded on behalf of the chorus. The chorus as a whole showed its appreciation of its reception by rendering two spirited numbers and was vigorously applauded. Among Augustana alumni present at the function were Revs. P. M. Lindberg, Adolph Hult, J. E. Swanbom, J. V. Carlson, A. T. Seashore, C. E. Elving, E. G. Knock, also Godfrey Seaberg and A. W. Bloom. The latter was one of the main cogs in the reception committee and did not spare efforts to make the stay of the chorus in Omaha one round of pleasure.

After the banquet the chorus proceeded to Immanuel hospital, where several numbers were sung for the patients. Rev. Lithberg, superintendent of the hospital, escorted the boys through the institution, after which a visit was made to the Nazareth home for the aged. Four numbers were sung here for the old folks, including "Bjorneborgers March." The old men were particularly pleased with the latter number and one of them declared it was the best he had heard it sung since he heard it "in Stockholm." The Deaconess institute was next visited, where the sisters treated the chorus to an "afternoon coffee."

FORMER VISIT RECALLED.

A crowd of 500 persons greeted the chorus at the Immanuel church last night. Rev. Adolph Hult recalled the

visit of the Wennerberg boys four years ago and extended a cordial welcome back again. The audience was a musical one as they evinced the keenest appreciation of the work of the chorus and the able directing of Professor Bergquest. Miss Helen Forsberg also received many compliments on her violin playing, sharing her praise with Miss Florence Spaulding, who is accompanying her in a very efficient manner.

The members of the chorus were royally entertained in the private homes of Omaha and it was with considerable regret and many pleasant memories that the departure was made this morning for the Nebraska metropolis. When the train pulled out the Rocketty was given with a vengeance and three raahs each for Rev. Hult and Al Bloom.

Tonight the chorus sings for Luther college at Wahoo and tomorrow the Wennerberg invades Bryan's city, the university town of Lincoln. The weather was unfavorable during the early stages of the tour, but despite this handicap, large audiences greeted the chorus at Galesburg, Moline, Ottumwa, Stanton, Essex and Red Oak. Galesburg holds the record so far for

attendance, 600 having heard the concert there. Professor Canterbury accompanied the chorus to Galesburg and made a big hit there.

Aurora, Ill., March 21.—Somewhere in a swamp piece of land lying between Elburn and Ingallton, Michael McMahon, a wealthy Elburn resident, Wednesday night dug a hole and buried his watch and a pocketful of money. He doesn't recollect where he hid his treasure.

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