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THE ACTIVE MALARKY.

Daniel Malarky, recognized throughout his legislative career as one who leans to corporations and their wishes—also recognized as a most selfish character, is becoming active in his campaign for president of the senate. In fact he claims he has it won. The Oregonian, which has been Malarky's watchful guardian, also claims Malarky is elected, although it is almost a month before the legislature meets.

What does this advance movement mean, anyway?

Why should Dan Malarky, or even Pat McArthur, the candidate for speaker of the house, return to the olden days of political bossism, and

go over the state lining up votes of different members for these important officers? We have considerable confidence in Pat McArthur and choose to believe his early entry in this fight was forced by the Malarky influence. Pat did not want the Malarky people to line up sufficient strength for president of the senate, for he felt if they did he would have no chance in the house.

Unexpectedly, however, both McArthur and Malarky are claiming they are safe at this early date.

If they are correct, this means that Multnomah county with its one-fifth voting strength of the entire legislature will also have the two powerful offices to further assist it in grabbing whatever it desires.

It is poor business methods for Oregon as a state to place so much power in the hands of one county. About the only refreshing thought left now to consider is that Senator Lair Thompson of Lakeview, who is a sagebrush hurricane when once he gets started, has thrown off his coat unbuttoned his collar and has "started" up and down the Willamette valley expounding the injustice of the matter.

It looks very much like the state of Oregon outside of Multnomah will rely on Lair Thompson this session to fight its battles, and he is capable

REMEMBER

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COMPLETE CHANGE IN VAUDEVILLE AT SHERRY'S TONIGHT.

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 2nd day of October, 1912, creating improvement district No. 74, and designating the west half of block 12 as such district and in pursuance of a resolution adopted by said common council on the 2nd day of October, 1912, whereby said council determined and declared its intention to improve all of west half of block 12 in said improvement district, as hereinafter described, by constructing cement sidewalk, 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 16th street between the north curb line of M and the south line of N and that portion of Washington avenue between the east line of 10th street and the center of the alley of block 12.

And the property affected or benefited by said improvement is as follows:

All of west half of block 12, Coggan's addition, La Grande, Oregon.

Notice is hereby further given that the council will levy a special assessment on all property affected and benefited by such improvement for the purpose of paying for such improvement. That the estimated cost of such improvement is the sum of \$448.50. That the council will, on the 31st day of December, 1912, meet at the council chamber at the hour of 8 o'clock p. m., to consider said estimated cost, and the levy of said assessment, when a hearing will be granted to any person feeling aggrieved by such assessment.

La Grande, Oregon, December 19th, 1912.

CITY COUNCIL OF LA GRANDE, OREGON.

BY N. J. MANSAGER,
Recorder of the city of La Grande,
Oregon. 12-19-12t

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 2nd day of October, 1912, creating improvement district No. 75 and designating Washington avenue (north side) as such district, and in pursuance of a resolution adopted by said common council on the 11th day of December, 1912, whereby said council determined and declared its intention to improve all of Washington avenue in said improvement district, as hereinafter described, by constructing cement sidewalk, 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 the north side of Washington avenue, from the east curb line of Spruce street to the west curb line of Cherry street.

All the property affected or benefited by said improvement is as follows:

All of lots 5, 6, 7, and 8, block 7; lots 7, 8, 9, 10, 11 and 12, block 6; Coggan's addition to La Grande; lots 4, 5 and 6, Blumenstein's sub-division block W. Coggan's second addition to La Grande; lot 11, 12, block 6, Coggan's second addition to La Grande; the south half of block V. Coggan's second addition to La Grande.

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the council will levy a special assessment for the purpose of paying for such improvement. That the estimated cost of such improvement is the sum of \$1085.15. That the council will, on the 31st day of December, 1912, meet at the council chamber at the hour of 8 o'clock p. m., to consider said estimated cost, and the levy of said assessment, when a hearing will be granted to any person feeling aggrieved by such assessment.

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