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\$100 IS ALL THEY GET

BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS MAKE ROAD APPORTIONMENT.

Only \$3600 Is Given to 36 Districts and Necessary Repairs May Be Made Only Upon Order of the County Court

As foretold in The Record, the road apportionment made by the board of county commissioners for 1903, was frosty. Judge Ryan and Commissioner Brobst got their heads together yesterday and fixed up a document that created consternation among the road supervisors. Watching the proceedings of the board with interest were Supervisors John Smith, of Parkplace; J. J. Mallat, of Mulino; John Shannon, of Beaver Creek; and Tom Box, of Oswego. This is the order:

Inasmuch as the legislature of the State of Oregon at its last session enacted a new road law requiring and providing for a different method and system for the apportionment of road taxes and working of county roads, thereby requiring the payment of all outstanding road warrants on or before January 1, 1904, and it appearing from the report of the county treasurer that there are now outstanding claims against the road fund of Clackamas County aggregating more than \$30,000, which, under the provisions of this new law, must be paid out of the road taxes to be collected this year, and the court being fully advised.

It is hereby ordered that the amount of \$100 be apportioned and set apart to each road district in the county which, in addition to the road poll tax, which, under the law, the road supervisor is compelled to collect from each male citizen in his district, shall by said road supervisor be expended upon the repairs necessary to keep the roads in his district open for travel.

In case the sum realized from this apportionment and poll taxes collected is not sufficient to make the repairs necessary to keep the roads in the district so that they can be traveled in safety, before any additional expenditure shall be made upon them the supervisor shall submit to the County Court a statement of the condition of said road with the estimated amount necessary to make such repairs and obtain an order from said Court for the performance of the necessary work, before any such work is started.

It is further ordered, and each supervisor is hereby directed to submit with his March report a statement of the condition of all bridges lying within his district.

VIOLA ROAD IMPROVEMENT.

Over \$7000 Will Be Raised By Citizens and County Court.

The meeting of the citizens Monday evening for the purpose of securing the improvement of the Abernathy road between Oregon City and Viola was well attended. People from among the road were there, as well as many business men of the city. Three thousand dollars will be contributed by the business men and the farmers and the county will give \$4500. A portion of the road will be planked and much of it will be graded and ballasted with crushed rock. C. H. Dye, E. G. Caulfield, G. B. Dimick, C. G. Hantley and H. E. Cross were appointed a committee to solicit subscriptions, to report at the next meeting of the board of trade.

W. H. Boring, one of the most prominent citizens of Boring, was in the city yesterday. He is loud in his praise of the town of Boring, which was recently platted and placed on the market. The Oregon Water Power & Railway Co. is building its road through Boring and where less than a year ago there was simply a post for a sawmill there is now a 600 horse power electric plant and good indications of a thriving town.

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LESS THAN 50 THERE

BUT THEY PASSED CONDEMNATORY RESOLUTIONS ALL THE SAME.

State Senator George C. Brownell and the Senate Judiciary Committee Denounced By a Minority of Union Labor People.

About 45 members of the labor unions of this city met Monday night and passed resolutions condemning State Senator George C. Brownell for his alleged failure to work for the passage of Senate bills 148 and 149, constituting eight hours a day's work throughout the state. The judiciary committee of the state senate also came in for condemnation on account of its adverse report on the bills.

Three weeks ago A. J. Mayville, a prominent Socialist leader, and president of the Federal labor union and of the local carpenters' union, called a special meeting of federal labor union, to take some action upon this matter. A meeting of the federal labor union and of the painters' union was held a week ago Monday but definite action was postponed until the secretary of the meeting, J. H. Howard, could secure the senate records bearing on the question. But it was evident that some of the union men had it in for the senator for they met last Monday night, and notwithstanding that there are something like 900 union men in the city and out of that large number less than 50 were present, condemnatory resolutions were passed. The meeting was in the nature of a mass meeting and was made up of members of all the labor bodies in the city. The committee signing the resolutions was H. F. Marbel, W. H. Paddock, C. B. Johnson, V. G. Wil-

lison and Sol S. Walker.

The action taken can hardly be held to express the sentiment of the union labor men of Oregon City, as such a very small minority of them was present. In fact it is known that some of the most active members of labor unions in the meeting Monday night were men who are opposed politically to Mr. Brownell. The evidence was all in his favor and even the members of the senate judiciary committee, which reported adversely upon the bills, declared publicly on the floor of the senate that Mr. Brownell had appeared before the committee and urged a favorable report.

The resolutions themselves are in a sense misleading as they state that they were adopted by the federated trades. There is no federated trades council in the city nor is there a central body of any kind. Neither should the resolutions state that the members of labor unions passing the resolutions are affiliated with federal labor union as such is not the case. It was merely a body of union men, assembled together for the express purpose of condemning Brownell.

Senator Brownell will have his turn tonight. He will hold an open meeting in the Armory and invites the public there to hear him. At that time he will explain his position and his speech will be nothing if not interesting.

The resolutions passed at Monday's meeting follows:

We, the members of the several Labor unions affiliated with the Federal Labor Union, pass the following resolutions condemning the action of the judiciary committee and also of Senator George C. Brownell from this county. Therefore be it resolved.

That it is the sense of this meeting that we condemn the action of the

judiciary committee in reporting adversely on labor bills 148 and 149 for not letting said bills come before said senate for their action, and therefore it is resolved that Senator George C. Brownell, posing himself as a friend of labor for the purpose of securing votes in Clackamas County, did say that if he was elected senator that he would secure the passage of these labor bills referred to above; therefore, be it resolved, that we, as union labor people, do hereby condemn the said George C. Brownell for speaking an untruth in regard to labor principles and also condemning him as a

traitor to all organized labor in Oregon and would recommend that in the future that we as a union people, withdraw all of our political support from the said George C. Brownell.

First Game of the Season.

The continued good weather has jollied the barbers and clerks into arranging for a game of baseball to be held at Willamette Park grounds next Sunday afternoon at 2 o'clock. It is probably that game will be called in the fifth inning on account of darkness. "Red" Williams will twirl the sphere for the barbers. The admission will be 15 cents.

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