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Out of an audience of some 500 probably 50 were not members of any union. The disinterested speakers were given par-ticular attention, and were frequently in-terrupted by cheers from the assembled union men. The union men stated their case briefly, and then a call was made for contractors. None responded except Mr. Bridges, and then business men were in-vited to speak. None of these represent-ed the employers, so that despite the spe-etal invitation of the Building. Trades cial invitation of the Building Trades Council no argument from the contrac-tors' standpoint was made. The one thing accomplished by the mass

meeting was the adoption of the resolu-tions favoring arbitration. Little more in the way of definite results had been hoped for by the union leaders, but they had expected that a number of contrac-tors and perhaps some of the mill-owners would be there to state their side of the

The hall was packed by union sym pathizers and their friends. When the Federated Trades Council adjourned from its hall upstairs the delegates tried to effect an entrance into the hall below, but were unsuccessful and were forced to remain outside the doors. Fully 200 persons

attended the meeting. Delegates from the unions were seated upon the platform, while the meeting was presided over by H. G. Greene, president of the Building Trades Council, who, with G. Y. Harry, president of the Oregon State Federation of Labor, occupied front seats on the stage.

means on the stage. The first four rows of seats on the main floor were cleared for the visitors which the council had fondly hoped would at-tend the meeting. The few that dropped in took instead inconspicuous seats in the TCBT.

Contractors and all who wished to speak against organized labor were invited to the platform. Thomas Guinean was the only person to respond. His speech was a disappointment to the audience if it ex-pected a tirade sgainst the unions. "It is very regrettable that any strike



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the concluding speakers.

Henry St. Rayner, a lawyer, rend the resolutions recommending arbitration. As originally made, the president of the Fed-erated Trades Council had the appoint

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ment of the union representatives. motion of F. Ritzinger, this was amended to read the Building Trades Council.

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