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A CATTLEMAN'S VIEW.

Editor The Journal:

Realizing that newspaper comment tends to aggravate rather than conciliate the ill feeling resulting from contention for public range as a cattleman I would like just a few words relative to the present trouble that has arisen through the action of the Ochoco stockmen in granting representatives of the Antelope Wool Growers' Association new lines.

Now as a cattleman residing a considerable distance from the newly granted territory, I feel that while the Ochoco cattlemen were without doubt sincere in their action, believing that a concession would purchase for a time at least, absolute harmony, they have wrought an injury upon every resident stockman of the county, cattleman and sheepmen alike. In the main I am supported by two reasons in which I believe every home stockman will concur.

First: The territory granted is a pivotal point from which possible encroachments will least affect the ones granting the new lines. Consequently in order that any such action should be unanimously satisfactory and that it should be equitable in every respect, a committee representing Crook county stockmen as a body should have been advised and consulted in the matter. As it now stands the injury wrought will fall for the most part on home sheepmen and not on cattlemen as is generally supposed, but both are directly affected.

Second: The principal reason that prompts the efforts of the Antelope Wool Growers' Association in seeking a new foot hold in our county at the present time is that they may be on what they term the "ground floor" when the Blue Mountain reserve lines are finally adjusted. In this case they hope to be able to increase their grazing area under the allotment system to the detriment of the home stockmen who may be using it, and who may have used it since Crook county's earliest days of settlement. Without a foothold such as they now have they could never have hoped for a single allotment.

Now while our Wasco friends have used diplomacy and urged "harmony," etc. in their efforts, let us ask how long would this same harmony last should a Crook county committee wait on them with a request for a few townships of their choicest home winter range. Our Scotch friends would say "Hoist me you're crazy" and the incompatibility of our different interests would become immediately plain.

The importance however, attached to the range question prompts this communication. There is not a thinking stockman on the Pacific slope but realizes that the past controversy over public range has caused a sore that can only be healed by National legislation that will have for its purpose the giving of natural rights to every citizen. Ordinarily discussion aggravates the situation, but in this case I have trespassed my good judgment in order that the true conditions may be brought before the public.

CATTLEMAN.

ANOTHER FLOP OVER.

The Daily Bee, the leading Democratic newspaper of Sacramento, Cal., announces that it will not support the Democratic candidate for President. It endorses the Republican candidate and platform in the following editorial:

"The Bee can say of Theodore Roosevelt that the Trusts do not want him, while they do want Parker."

"And it can say of the Republican platform that whenever there was anything to be said on any public issue, it said it. It did not hesitate, and stammer and stutter and finally put out a long larrago of words, saying much and mean-

ing nothing; nor did it smother the question altogether, on the ground that there were no votes to be got by injuring anybody's feelings on either side.

"The Republican platform stands out sneakingly like a Chatan Street second-hand clothing dealer, appealing to each voter: 'My opinions are just the same as yours. What are yours? Come in and I'll show you a coat that will perfectly fit you. I can fit any man of any size.'

"In this world, men cannot get all they want, nor half they desire. They must make a choice between what is set before them.

"And the Bee chooses Theodore Roosevelt in preference to Alton Brooks Parker.

"It chooses Roosevelt because, with all his faults, he stands resolute in his American manhood, independent, courageous, plucky, conscientious, untrammeled and unpurchasable; shackled to no syndicate of corporations; the thrall of no criminal coterie; waxing fat upon illegal profits; the automatic mouthpiece of no pressuring monetary combination evaluating just laws now on the statute books and murdering honest measures in the womb of legislation.

"It opposes Alton Brooks Parker because he is not a free agent; because he is but as clay in the hands of the potter, and that potter August Belmont; because he is merely the graphophone of Wall Street, and what little the People heard through the machine has unmistakably revealed the Voice of His Master; because he is today but the instrument which the Trusts hope to use in disciplining Theodore Roosevelt for daring to place the slightest barrier in their way.

"It chooses Theodore Roosevelt because it considers the President should be a man who can be dealt with directly.

"It opposes Alton Brooks Parker because it does not believe the people of this great nation should select as President a Man Friday to any Robinson Crusoe.

"It chooses Theodore Roosevelt because one great issue this time is the MAN, and Roosevelt represents that in all its courage and all its Americanism.

"It opposes Alton Brooks Parker because he is merely the automatic representative of the MACHINE.

"It chooses Theodore Roosevelt because he stands for the right of the colored race, for justice to the down-trodden, the oppressed, the disfranchised.

"It opposes Alton Brooks Parker because he is put forth on a platform which, cowardly evading the vital issue in the south, not only silently approves the rankest injustice to the negro—an injustice that has the additional demerit of unconstitutional—but adds insult to injury by denominating an effort to do justice to the black man as an attempt to kindle anew radical and factional strife.

"It chooses Theodore Roosevelt because the one great and overshadowing issue in the coming campaign will be whether the Trusts shall dominate this country, snap their fingers at the laws of the present, and strangle further needed legislation at its birth, or whether the people shall hold these syndicated infants in check."

As was expected, the semi-annual report of the extension of the Columbia Southern railroad has again been issued. It is on time, undelayed by storms or water spouts. Central Oregon remains passive. Her bump of excitability has been disturbed before; this time she heaves a sigh. More vilification has been heaped upon her head. There is a tendency to remark: "How long, O Lord, how long will these glimmering railroad chimerae be forced upon a long suffering and patient public." The Oregonian in its usual persuasive manner says the time is ripe for the extension. Fact is, time and ripeness have nothing to do with the matter. Whenever time does, the populace will be dead

from old age, and ripeness is only another term for procrastination.

The Lakeview Examiner reports the death of a woman on the West side. It is presumed that her east side recovered, and that she is now well from top to bottom.

Additional Locals

Services at the M. E. church next Sunday morning and evening and at Claypool at 3 p.m.

J. D. Gibson was over from Sisters during the first of the week transacting business matters.

Charles Lytle, Jerry Cramer, Van Poet and Archie Powell left this week for a ten days outing at Fall river.

P. B. Davis returned the first of the week from Prairie City where he has been making an inspection of the Dixie Meadows mine.

The Epworth League will give a lawn social at Mrs. Clifton's on Friday evening, Aug. 12. Ice cream and cake will be served at 15 cents. Everybody invited.

P. B. Doak left last Monday for Brownsville where his wife and children have been visiting with relatives during the past month. He will return with them after a short stay there.

The body of Chas. Alford, the young boy who was drowned in Crescent lake about two weeks ago, was found last Friday at the bottom of the lake, where it had sunk knee deep in the mud.

Ward Cram sold his ranch on the Owyhee to Henry Cram, the consideration being \$12,000. Mr. and Mrs. Ward Cram will leave soon for the Puget Sound country on a visit.

Rev. H. C. Clark will preach in the evening on the following dates: Cloverdale school house, Aug. 16; Sisters, Aug. 17; Opal Prairie, Aug. 18 and 21; Madras; Sunday, Aug. 21 at 11 a.m.

The Bernard Comedy company will open a week's engagement at Glazier Hall Monday, Aug. 15. The company comes well recommended and has been playing at Culver during the past week where a benefit was given for Mrs. J. H. Grant.

P. B. Howard received notice this week that patent had issued on his timber claim in the Lakeview district. This is the first patent it is believed that has been issued for timber lands in that territory and others will be likely to follow rapidly.

A letter to The Journal from Mrs. Sarah P. Glenn at New Westminster, B. C. received yesterday announces the death of her late husband's father, Prof. John W. Glenn at Tyler, Texas. He had been principal of Maria's academy there for the past fifteen years.

LaFollett & Collins arrived in Silver Lake yesterday with 600 head of fine Ramboillet and De laime rams, enroute to Paisley and Lakeview, where they will place them on the market. They sold several small lots while here to one of the leading sheepmen of this place.—Silver Lake Oregonian.

Notice.

The ball at Maury Hall will be given Sep. 2, instead of Aug. 19th as was first announced.

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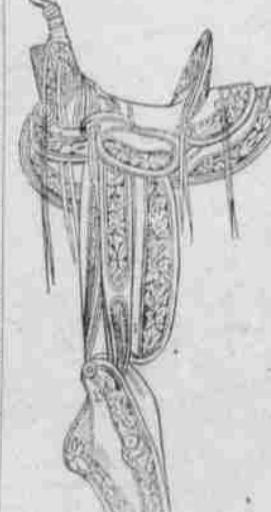
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