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## The Annual Stockmen's Convention Great Success

The annual meeting of the State Cattle and Horse Raisers' Association of Oregon, met in Prineville Tuesday morning.

Seventy-five delegates are registered from all parts of the state, strong delegations coming from Baker City, Portland and other points. The regular routine of business was transacted during the forenoon and after dinner, the more important details were reached.

The election of officers caused considerable interest among the delegates. Wm. Pollman of Baker, was elected to succeed himself as president, J. F. Blanchard of Prineville, is first vice president, W. H. Dougherty of Portland, is second vice president, S. O. Correll of Baker is secretary and Wm. Doby of Baker, is treasurer of the new board.

The next annual meeting of the association will be held at Baker City.

There are now 329 members of the association representing the owners of the largest cattle and horse ranches in the state.

A total of more than 100,000 head of stock are owned by the members of the association. An assessment of 3 cents per head was made on the above figures, to cover the expenses of the association for the coming year.

### Wednesday's Session.

The stockmen's meeting yesterday was even more successful if possible than that of Tuesday, the opening day. After a business session which lasted from 10 until 1:30 without adjournment. The party were taken in automobiles to different points of interest near the city. The McCall ranch was visited, and the Mace & Coffoid ranch entertained the visitors for a few minutes. At both places fine stock were found in the lots.

The serious business of the meeting over, the delegates were entertained at a banquet last night which was the crowning event of the meeting.

The spread was complete in every detail, from raw oysters to ice cream, and when 400 persons were seated at the five long tables that reached the entire length of the Prineville Club Hall it is needless to say that they did justice to the spread.

During the progress of the meal music was furnished by Morgan's orchestra, and Miss Williams, Joe Smelzer and E. N. Strong assisted by a trio of masked bandits produced some special features that were of the highest order.

J. N. Williamson who acted as toastmaster for the occasion, needless to say, filled that position exceptionally well.

Speakers for the evening and the moral to each of the toasts follow.

Mr. Biggs advocated smaller herds for the stockmen, and nothing but pure bred sires on the ranges. He said that a dual purpose cow for all the people would be the regular rule in a few years. A few sheep on every farm will pay also he says.

J. F. Blanchard didn't stay very close to his subject which was the coyote and the jackrabbit, and he gave as his excuse that he failed to catch a rabbit, for demonstration purposes. He stated however that there had been a total list of 100 numbers for the association signed up in Crook county which was indeed good news to the delegates.

George Russell, of course, spoke on the horse business. He made a

fine address, the moral to which was that pure bred horses of no matter what breed, and good care for the animals, will spell success for anyone.

T. H. Lafollette was assigned the subject of dry farming from a stockman's standpoint. He said that every dry farmer should keep some stock, and that the most profitable manner in which to harvest a poor crop of wheat was with hogs. A few sheep or calves on a piece of summer fallow will return a revenue to the owner.

S. O. Correll, like the above mentioned speakers, was assigned the subject with which he is perhaps the most familiar, namely, the ladies. This was perhaps the best speech of the evening, and when finished, no one doubted but that the speaker knew all about the subject at hand. He concluded with a toast, which while being no better than the remainder of his speech, seemed a fitting climax. It was, "Here is to the ladies, the most splendid creation in the universe, the edition is large, and every man should have a copy."

E. L. Potter of O. A. C., said that this organization is of as great importance as any in the state and that he immensely enjoyed the meetings, especially the banquets.

Phil Metchin Jr., said that while speech making was somewhat out of his line, he was and had always considered himself an Eastern Oregon man, having been born here, and would have been much disappointed in fact, had not that important event occurred at any other place. He promised to return to this part of the state and make his home here as soon as he goes broke running the Imperial Hotel.

The festivities were declared over a little after nine and the delegates were escorted to the morning train at Redmond this morning, all promising to return to Prineville for the annual meeting in 1917.

### The Annex Reception.

Tuesday night the ladies of the Annex gave a reception to the stockmen and their wives which while being somewhat informal, was a most enjoyable event.

Following the lecture of Dr. White, the crowd assembled in the Annex Parlors which were surely filled to capacity. Here they were greeted by a committee of ladies and all strangers were introduced to those present.

A number of selections were rendered by the Ladies' Glee Club. Miss Blanche Wilson and E. N. Strong were on the program for a solo each, after which Miss Williams and Mrs. Bechtel sang a duet.

Punch and wafers were served to those present, after which the bowling alleys and the dance hall upstairs divided the crowd for three or four hours. The delegates from outside points promise to never forget Prineville, and the good times had here.

### Crook and Jefferson May Form New Judicial District.

A bill was introduced in the Senate yesterday afternoon by Senator Butler at the request of Representative Forbes, setting apart Crook and Jefferson counties as a judicial district. This bill is one that has the approval of Judge Bradshaw and the attorneys who are most interested and no doubt will pass without a question. It will permit court in this county in almost continuous session and should be more economical than the present arrangement.

## Names of Stockmen Who Signed Register

Members of the Association who signed the register, which does not include all who attended, are as follows:

- Baker—Wm. Pollen, Thos. Mack, S. O. Correll.
- Portland—H. H. Coffoid, Dr. Calvin S. White, Geo. P. Sharkey, W. Burke, Jr., Phil Metschan Jr., Wm. H. Daugherty, Geray Snow, D. P. Donovan, Horace Addis.
- Paulina—H. J. Lister, I. M. Mills, E. L. Ashby, L. D. Claypool, Joe Lister, J. E. Throop, S. G. Doubt, T. H. Brennan, K. Dean Huston, A. M. Logan, W. C. Congleton.
- Suplee—J. N. Kuhn, Mrs. M. E. Delore, Mrs. J. W. Kuhn, Chas. Bernard & Son.
- Held—L. S. Logan, Paul Held, C. J. Johnson.
- Post—D. W. Knox, H. D. Dunham, R. H. Booten, W. H. Post.
- Ashwood—R. A. Powell, S. S. Black, R. L. Friend.
- Silver Lake—A. B. Schroder.
- Tumalo—Grover G. Gerking.
- Pendleton—Chas. Nelson.
- Redmond—J. R. Roberts.
- Fleetwood, Ore.—H. F. Swingle.
- Enterprise—Henry Haas.
- Fife—James Street.
- Corvallis—E. L. Potter.
- Brogan, Ore.—Don P. Logan.
- Nye, Ore.—James Nelson.
- Barnes—R. S. Dixon and wife, Fisher C. Logan.
- Malheur—S. P. Colt, Jim Blakely.
- Laidlaw—H. A. Scoggin.
- The Dalles—Grant Mays.
- Gateway—H. L. Priday, John H. Priday.
- Antelope—Ben Taylor.
- Prineville—J. E. Fuller, J. F. Blanchard, James Cram Jr., M. R. Biggs, C. M. Elkins, E. T. Slayton, J. H. Gray, Raymond Calavan, J. T. Houston, Geo. Millican, J. W. Stanton, G. H. Russell, R. B. Cross, Marion Mayfield, J. E. Myers, J. R. Breesse, Roy McCord, M. S. Mayfield, W. I. Dishman, G. Springer.

### Railroad Men in Prineville.

Wm. McMurray, general passenger agent, H. E. Lounsbury, general freight agent, and A. C. Egan, traveling freight and passenger agent of the O.-W. R. & N. lines, were in Prineville yesterday in connection with business for their company.

## Purpose of Stockmen's Association

The history of Oregon's Cattle and Horse Raisers' Association is interesting at this time. The association was organized at Baker on May 14, 1913, after a call issued from that place by the present secretary and president. Some two thousand letters were mailed urging the attendance of stockmen from all parts of the state and a total membership at the time of organization reached about 100.

The second meeting which was held in Pendleton March 17, 1914, and at that time the membership was increased to 278. The meeting which has just closed here has been, of course, the most successful meeting yet held and the membership has been increased about 100 in this county. The exact number is not available yet.

The purposes of the organization are many. They are supposed to co-operate with the National organization and with other state and local organizations in the protection of the stock from common thieves, and to have uniform laws governing the brands to be used, regulation of the ranges and such matters.

Legislation already accomplished by the organization concerning brands is of much value. Laws will be proposed and, no doubt, enacted at the request of the organization, compelling none but pure bred bulls and stallions on the free ranges of the state. Other action which can injure no one, but benefit the stockmen immensely will be taken from time to time to further the interests of the industry.

A brand inspector is maintained at the stockyards in Portland and through this man who is at present Gerry Show, perhaps one of the most able in the Northwest, thousands of dollars worth of stock, or their cash equivalent has been returned to their rightful owners, all members of the association.

The future for the organization indeed looks bright.

### National Livestock Association Will Meet Next Month.

The National Livestock Association will meet in San Francisco next month. Wm. Pollen and Wm. H. Daugherty of the Oregon Association will attend this meeting.

Tom Huston of Powell Butte, butchered some 50 hogs last week.

## Dr. Calvin S. White Tells Stockmen About Rabies

Dr. Calvin S. White of the State Board of Health delivered an excellent lecture on rabies to a capacity house at the Club Hall Tuesday evening. Following are the most important facts brought out during the lecture:

First, the disease is correctly rabies and not hydrophobia. It is one of the oldest diseases and perhaps the most serious that may be communicated from animal to man. Dr. White says the disease was unknown west of the Rocky Mountains until the last four years, making its first appearance in Colorado about four years ago. The skunk is perhaps the most susceptible animal to the disease, and next comes the dog family.

The disease is contracted by man only when the germ which is contained in the saliva of a rabid animal comes in direct contact with the flesh through a bite or cut or some other abrasion of the skin.

The first appearance of the disease in this state was in the southeastern part and the spread has been quite rapid until it is now found in many localities in the state, some fourteen counties having reported to the state board of health of its existence.

After the germ has been introduced into the body it travels toward the spine and brain, not through the blood, but through the nerves. When they reach the spine the disease commences to develop and action of the limbs of the animal are impaired and when the brain is reached the victim soon dies.

While but one out of every three animals or persons infected develop the disease, Dr. White says that after the disease has commenced to develop absolutely no relief or cure is found, and the suffering of the victim is greater than any other death that can be imagined. Muscles of the throat become paralyzed and nothing has yet been found that would offer even temporary relief for the sufferer.

In dealing with animals that have become infected, Dr. White says that no relief or cure has been

found and that they should be killed. This applies especially to dogs, which are responsible for a large number of the cases reported in the state. The animals refuse to eat anything but dirt or sticks and will not or cannot drink water.

To determine whether an animal, especially a dog, has rabies Dr. White says that the voice or bark of the dog will become high pitched; he will leave home and be gone from twelve to twenty-four hours and will refuse to eat. Later he will develop a weakness in the spine; will become weak and continue to refuse food and will usually die within five days from the time the first symptoms develop. They seldom froth at the mouth.

After having been bitten there will be no noticeable effect for about twenty-one days and sometimes three or four months, and after development of the disease there is perhaps only about two and a half days in which the animal could do harm.

The first thing after having been bitten by a rabid animal, or one that is supposed to be rabid, one should use nitric acid, and if none is available, the second choice is carbolic acid and the third iodine. Make a swab by using a match or small stick, wrap a small piece of cotton rag around it and dip it into the acid and thoroughly swab out the wound at once.

Do not kill the dog that has inflicted the wound, if possible. Confine him and await developments. If the animal dies in a day or two have your local physician wire for the proper serum or start directly for Portland where the Pasteur treatment can be administered. Should these directions be followed, Dr. White is positive that no death need result.

Out of a total of 82 cases of persons having been bitten, which have been treated at Portland, all have been saved. Seven of the above number were bitten by coyotes, the remainder by dogs, and in most instances by dogs that were owned by the party receiving treatment.

Dr. White says the condition will be more critical, perhaps, in this state during the next few months than the world has yet witnessed in connection with rabies. Some fifty years ago the wolves in parts of Russia became infected but the disease practically eliminated itself before the condition became so acute as it now is in Oregon.

## More Horses Shipped Saturday for the War

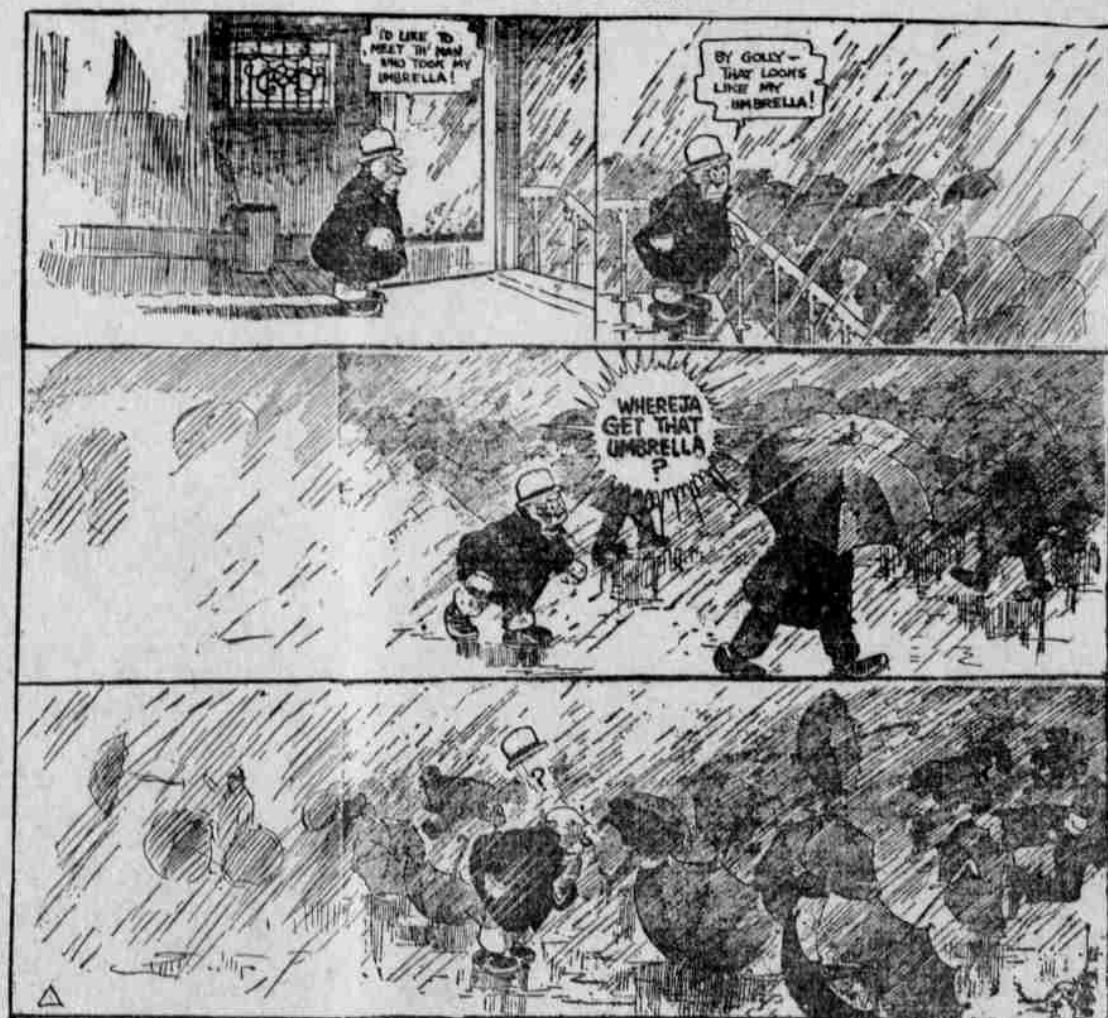
Wilson, Murry & Slotbloom, who have been buying horses in this part of the country for a couple of weeks, shipped about 100 head on Saturday to San Francisco. These gentlemen are pleased with the horses they have been able to get here and will, no doubt, return soon for more animals for this same contract.

They expected to deliver the last of this month, but telegrams came urging the delivery on February 16, which compelled them to make an earlier shipment.

Prices paid ranged from \$80 to \$140, with an average of about \$90. They have a contract for a large number of horses to be delivered to the French government.

H. J. Healey sold his 1914 crop of wheat at Culver the last of the week at \$1.30 per bushel. He had a little over 3000 bushels

### THE GUILTY MAN.



—Leo in Washington Star.