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PISTOL BALL IN HIS HEART

Suicide of Son of Great Northern Traffic Manager.

PHOENIX, Ariz., Nov. 18.—E. T. Clark, son of Francis B. Clark, traffic manager of the Great Northern Railway, driven to despondency, presumably on account of the condition of his health, took his life this morning. He was found dead with a pistol ball in his heart. His suicide was carefully premeditated and he left a note explaining to his wife and parents that he was tired of life and "could stand it no longer."

STOCK BREEDERS ASSIGN

Recently Paid \$15,000 for a Short-horn Bull.

MONTEZUMA, Ia., Nov. 18.—I. Bigler & Sons, of Rutwidge, the largest fine stock breeders in the West, assigned today. Their liabilities are \$19,000 and the assets \$20,000. The creditors, 25 in number, are mostly fine stock breeders in Indiana, Illinois and Iowa. The assets consist of 3000 acres of land and 500 head of short-horn cattle, among the number being a bull for which they paid \$15,000 recently, the highest-priced animal of the breed in the world.

PEACE ENDS FRAY

Irrigation Convention Is Organized.

A. H. DEVERS IS PRESIDENT

J. N. Williamson Carries the Day for Old Organization.

EASTERN OREGON PLAN FAILS

Delegates Accept Officers Chosen at Inception of Association, After a Stormy Debate—Carey Law Denounced.

The irrigation convention yesterday organized, appointed committees and elected the following officers:

President—A. H. Devers, of Portland.
Vice-President—W. R. King, of Multnomah.
Secretary—J. M. Moore, of Portland.
Treasurer—W. T. Wright, of Union.
Heard addresses from George H. Williamson, Representative-elect to Congress and State Senator from Crook, Klamath, Lake and Wasco Counties, and F. E. Beach, president of the Portland Board of Trade.

A storm was brewing when the convention entered upon its work yesterday morning. Lowering clouds blew up from a dispute over organization. Several lightning flashes followed, and one or two claps of thunder. But the clouds rolled by after a smart shower of debate, sunshine returned, and the discussions thereafter were irrigated by a full stream of harmony.

The trouble was about whether the convention should elect its own officers or should accept the officers of the Oregon Irrigation Association, chosen a month ago at the organization of the association. Most of the delegates at first objected to the old organization. There were two reasons for this predominant sentiment.

First—The irrigation companies resisted because they disliked the motives which had called the association together and regarded that association as a "rotten corporation," whose officers had been elected in "star chamber."

Second—Eastern Oregon delegates desired to have a president from their part of the state.

These two elements formed a powerful combination. But the combination was broken up by Mr. Williamson's address. The delegates well understood that Mr. Williamson was strenuously opposed by the irrigation companies, several representatives of which had severely attacked the gentleman from Crook County. Mr. Williamson's speech was full of fire. It called the Carey law a "colossal failure" in the very state (Wyoming) where it had been most tried. It denounced the law as dangerous to the welfare of settlers and the state. It grided those persons who had set upon him. Mr. Williamson did not assent the financial integrity of irrigation companies now operating in Oregon. He confined his attacks rather to the inefficiency of the Carey law.

"The history of the Carey act has proven that law to be a colossal failure," he declared.

Mr. Williamson completely captured the convention. The fire of his address melted opposition entirely. His speech was one of the most vigorous and effective ever heard in Portland. The Eastern Oregon alliance fell to pieces and withdrew its objections. A. H. Devers and J. M. Moore were re-elected unanimously as president and secretary respectively.

The outcome was really a vindication of Mr. Williamson, and the Portland members of the association who were said to have "set things up." Until about 2 o'clock the tide was strongly against the old organization. The irrigation companies the night before had made a defensive and offensive alliance with the Baker County delegation. Both parties to the deal "stood pat," but other Eastern Oregon counties, particularly Crook, threw their weight into the counter scale.

The convention held two sessions—morning and afternoon. Mayor Williams delivered a very pleasing address of welcome in the morning, and then the convention tried to organize. This was a hard job. It wrestled with the trouble for some time, and ended up by appointing a committee on credentials. This was the question of whether the convention was already organized came up, and the sparks flew. Mr. Devers presided as president of the association, and maintained that this position entitled him to the chair. When he had concluded the convention to order, he had concluded harmony, but discord threatened to get the upper hand. "We can accomplish nothing by fighting," he had said. "Harmony should prevail."

E. A. McDaniels, of Baker City, contended for a new organization, and moved the appointment of a committee on permanent organization. The chair ruled him out of order. Mr. McDaniels protested.

"The chair rules you out of order," replied President Devers, "and invites an appeal."

Mr. McDaniels—I understand that this is the second meeting of the association. The by-laws provide that new officers shall be chosen at the second meeting.

Sam White, of Baker County—We understand that the present officers hold their positions until this meeting.

E. J. Frazer, of Lane, calmed the grow-

ing storm by saying that withdrawal of the motion would facilitate business.

Mr. McDaniels—I withdraw it on the understanding that my appeal be taken up this afternoon.

The strain was thus relieved, and President Devers appointed a credentials committee, composed of W. G. Thompson, Malheur; O. L. Miller, of Baker; C. W. Elkins, of Crook; E. J. Frazer, of Lane, and Samuel Connel, of Multnomah.

SWAYED BY WILLIAMSON.

Speech of Congressman-Elect Carries Convention With Him.

Buyer Must Pay \$5 Per Acre for Lien Land, but He Can Get Base Land from Odell for \$4.

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Gen. Odell's Big School Land Scheme.

STATE GIVES UP CLAIMS

When Promoter Finds Out What Is Mineral.

OVER 100,000 ACRES INVOLVED

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