

Woolgrowers Fight With Cooperative Plan

Plan Outlined at National Convention—Cooperative Central Market, to Be Under Control of Sheepmen—Buyers Fight Plan.

(Special Dispatch to The Journal.)
Vale, Or., Jan. 15.—At a meeting here yesterday of the Malheur County Woolgrowers' association every member present signed up for stock in the Chicago association, which is to warehouse and market wool on the cooperative plan. The association will pay cash for from 75 to 90 per cent of the value of wool shipped by the grower and will then warehouse it and sell when the market suits the grower. It is expected that every grower in this territory will join the association.

Woolgrowers throughout the northwest have been dissatisfied with the present method of selling wool, and they are now organized to fight the buyers who, it is alleged, do not as a rule pay a fair price and who hold down a grower who objects by a black list system which is exchanged by the buyers.

Growers anticipate 18 or 20 cents a pound for their wool this year, conditions being very favorable for a high price.

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Pocatello, Idaho, Jan. 15.—Before fully 1000 sheepmen, President Gooding yesterday outlined to the National Woolgrowers' convention the plan for a great central wool market, under control of the growers, for the purpose of combating the alleged unfair methods of the buyers' combine. The president spoke at length of the effort being made by buyers to defeat the warehouse plan by buying up individual clips at a low bid.

There are about six or seven firms in the city of Boston that today control more than 75 per cent of all the wool of the United States and they dictate the prices to the woolgrowers regardless of market conditions. They see in this movement an opportunity to once started will throttle their profits and a chance for the woolgrowers to retain for themselves a large portion of the rich harvests which the commission men have reaped for so long.

President Gooding also talked on the government's administration of the national forests and the reclamation service. He bitterly arraigned the federal forestry bureau.

Gooding closed the opening business session of the convention was held. Governor J. H. Brady, in an address of welcome to the woolmen, said that he would like to invite the woolmen to the cooling shade of his big tree in the state capitol. He said that the woolmen were not bare of trees. In behalf of the city Mayor Loux welcomed the delegates. Council E. J. Bell of Laramie, in responding, sounded the keynote of the convention.

Gifford Pinchot has had control of something like 160,000 acres of land and he failed to get control of 500,000 acres, which was fortunate for the western people. Where I live we were all afraid to own land and tried to get rid of it as we possessed.

One man there who owned a vast tract was held up to the public as a bad citizen and dangerous. Last year he sold his holdings and sold the property to 500 farmers of the state. This we have ascertained is more than the forestry bureau has done for the people in more than five years with 160,000 acres at their command.

President Pinchot delivered his annual address.

He compared private and public irrigation enterprises in Idaho to the disadvantages of the government and argued for state control of forests and reclamation.

Drowns Before Father's Eyes

Captain E. W. Midlam a Witness to Son's Tragic End—Well Known Man.



Charles Midlam, drowned yesterday in Willamette river near Oregon City.

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Oregon City, Jan. 15.—Charles Midlam, of Canby, who was drowned while crossing the Willamette river yesterday, between the grounds of the Crown-Columbia Paper company and the O. R. & N. dock at Oregon City, was well known in this city. For many years he had been head millwright in the Willamette paper plant. He resigned a few months ago to take charge of the installing of machinery for the Crown-Columbia Pulp & Paper company.

Yesterday morning he started across the river for some bolts. His father accompanied him but when he reached the river bank, the son was out in the channel quite a distance. Captain E. W. Midlam, the father, saw the boat strike a large cake of floating ice and upset. His son sank at once and did not reappear.

The deceased was a native of Pennsylvania, 37 years of age. A widow and one small daughter, Mildred, survive. Three years ago Midlam's 8-year-old boy, Harold, was drowned in the Willamette, close to where the father went down.

Mr. Midlam was a member of the A. O. U. W. and Odd Fellow lodges of this city, and carried a life insurance of \$5000.

Besides his father, he leaves the following relatives: Two sisters, Mrs. W. F. Marshall and Miss Annie Midlam of Portland; a brother, Wynn Midlam of this city. Mrs. Midlam has been confined to her home for the past week with a severe attack of pneumonia.

Although a force of men has worked ceaselessly for the past 24 hours to find the body, it has not yet been recovered. Boats were all over the river, between the suspension bridge and the Crown-Columbia company, but the body was not found.

The Crown-Columbia company has secured the services of Hugh Brady, the expert diver of Portland, to search the bed of the river.

Most of the searchers that the body is somewhere in the vicinity of the suspension bridge, as at the place where the man went down the water is very deep. It is surmised that the body was carried down stream to the bridge, where it was caught in the trolley wire reaching the bottom of the river.

The Odd Fellows lodge of this city, which has been working for the recovery of the body, offers a reward of \$25 to the finder of the body.

Line Man Killed By Live Wire

Charles S. Field, Employed by O. W. P. Company Meets Tragic Death.

Charles S. Field, 22 years old, a line man in the employ of the Oregon Water Power & Railway company, was electrocuted by a trolley wire broken near the Sellwood golf links. While the crew was working on the trolley wire, the engine of a passing freight train jumped the track near by and, running into a pole carrying high voltage wires running to the brewery plant, broke it down.

The wires were in a state of confusion. One fell directly in front of the line car and across the sidewalk.

"I'll just chop off this wire before some one comes along and gets killed," Field is said to have remarked, as he seized the end of the wire and cut it with his nippers.

"Better be careful," one of his fellow linemen is said to have admonished.

Whereupon he reached out his arm and the next moment lay dead on the ground. It is thought that he touched the wire with his forehead, though there is no mark or burn on the body.

The body was removed immediately to the undertaking parlors of Dunning, McEntee & Gilbaugh. To ascertain the exact cause of death, a coroner's inquest was held by the coroner, probably tomorrow.

Field had been working for the O. W. P. company for about three years and was considered an excellent workman. His brother-in-law, T. R. Baldwin, is general manager of the line department of the Portland Railway, Light & Power company. His mother, Mrs. W. F. Baldwin, and only sister, Mrs. T. R. Baldwin, live at 551 Lexington avenue.

Arrangements for the funeral have not been made.

Editor Defeated for Mayor.

Vancouver, B. C., Jan. 15.—L. D. Taylor, editor of the Vancouver World, ran second in the majority election here yesterday. C. E. Douglas, real estate broker, was the victorious candidate. There were four in the field.

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U'Ren Working on Proportional Representation Bill, Based on Initiative.

Proportional representation is destined to occupy an important place in legislative discussion before the Oregon lawmakers finally adjourn, unless the signs of the times are wrong. Last June the people, under the initiative, adopted a constitutional amendment permitting an amendment of proportional representation, and now an effort is to be made to carry this power into execution.

W. S. U'Ren, being the father of the amendment, is naturally turned to in the framing of the somewhat complex bill that is designed to carry the movement into effect. Mr. U'Ren is known to be at work on a measure which is to be perfected in time for introduction next Monday.

Joseph E. Hedges, senator from Clackamas, will introduce a proportional representation bill in the senate, probably the one prepared by U'Ren and his friends. Mr. Hedges said yesterday that the U'Ren bill is not yet complete in his hands, and he was not prepared to say that it would meet his entire approval. If it does not, he will introduce a measure himself or seek to have the bill amended to meet his views.

The old line politicians make very faces every time proportional representation is mentioned, and the prospect for enactment of a law at this session is dubious. But a strong fight is expected, and before the battle is ended the people will be better informed as to the probable result of such a law.

The general purpose, of course, is to give the minority representation, when its vote is large enough, in proportion to the total vote cast, where two or more officers are to be elected whose duties are equal and concurrent.

This makes the legislature the most direct object of election. It would be proportional representation it would be impossible for the Republicans to elect all the senators and representatives from Multnomah county.

Provision is made that will allow the voter to express first, second and third choice of candidates on the line of the Washington system, and the same principle may be applied to primary nominations. This opens a wide field for political speculation.

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LA FOLLETTE ASKS

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At the department of justice it is stated that McHarg now has no connection with the department, hence could not be in Portland on any legal business for the department. Until informed that he was there his whereabouts had not been known at the department.

A message from Augusta, Ga., in response to an inquiry regarding the McHarg affair is expected at any moment.

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