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STOCKMEN AND RAILROADS WILL THRESH OUT.

Railroads Claim That "Scalping" of the Return Trip Passes by Stockmen Was the Cause of the Abolition of the Custom—Stockmen Willing to Quit Scalping—Removal of This Privilege Costs \$20 More Per Car to Put Stock in Markets.

The hottest kind of a fight is in progress between the railroads and stock shippers over the question of return passes for attendance in care of livestock in transit, says the Boise Statesman.

Oregon shippers and growers are particularly interested in the controversy inasmuch as the decision of the railroad companies to do away with the return pass privilege would mean, so they assert, practically an advance of between seven and 10 per cent on the cost of getting their stock to market.

During 1903 no less than 5500 cars of sheep and 2500 cars of cattle were shipped out of Idaho and almost as many out of this state. When sheep are shipped by the trainload it is possible for one attendant to care for three cars of sheep. Cattle and horses require an attendant for each car.

Stock growers and shippers declare that the abolition of the return pass privilege means about \$20 a car increased cost of shipment. They declare that the stock must be looked after carefully, otherwise its market value will be depreciated. Even with the best attention sheep and cattle are knocked down and trampled upon or smothered in the cars.

The stockmen are willing, they say, to have their employes pay their return fares and have the money refunded to them in person by the station agents at shipping points. This, they point out, would do away entirely with the practice of scalping passes which, the railroad companies insist, is the chief cause of dissatisfaction.

Railroad Contentions.

Railroad officials assert that men are sent east in charge of stock and are furnished with passes which they sell at market points. By furnishing these men with transportation it is claimed the stock shippers obtain their services for a nominal figure and the railroad companies have to bear the cost of the scalped passes.

At the recent joint convention of the National Livestock Association and National Woolgrowers' Association in Portland this question was threshed over in lively style and both sides are lined up for a contest.

WOMAN SUFFRAGE.

School Suffrage is the Practical Bone of Contentions at This Time—Much Lobbying for and Against in the New York Legislature—Question at This Stage is With the Senate Judiciary Committee.

Albany, N. Y., Feb. 24.—There was a great swish of silken skirts about the senate committee rooms today and even the most casual observer could not fail to note that something of unusual interest to the fair sex was on the tapis. The presence of the fair visitors, who came from New York, Syracuse, Buffalo, Rochester, Utica and other cities throughout the state, was due to the hearing before the senate judiciary committee on the bill introduced by Senator Stevens on behalf of the would-be women voters.

The Stevens bill seeks to amend the state constitution by adding a provision permitting the legislature to confer "upon female citizens of any city of the state the right to vote in the election districts of which they shall at the time be residents, for, and make them eligible to the office of school commissioner and school trustee, and every other office heretofore and hereafter created which shall confer upon the officer elected power to manage and control any public school or schools."

The women who attended the hearing were deeply interested in the bill but, strange to say, a large element among them were on hand to express their vigorous opposition to the measure. Others, however, including eminent representatives of the state woman's suffrage association, were on hand to speak in favor of the proposed law. In support of the measure they argued that women are more interested in the training of children than are men, and that it is necessary, therefore, that women not only be allowed to vote for the members of school boards, but to hold office themselves on such boards.

The opposition, in equally strong terms, declared that there is no demand for such a law from women of the state; that the bill is only one of the many wedges the suffragists are using in trying to undermine and tear down the opposition to full woman suffrage; that where women now have the right to vote for school officers they notably fail to do so; that this demand was made at the time of the constitutional convention of 1894 and failed, and that the present bill is too broadly framed not to become a menace.

Martin Beck, of Erie, Pa., insured his life February 17, for \$2,000, in favor of the girl whom he married February 20. February 22 he took poison, then shot himself and died in the house where he and his wife were setting up their household goods.

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THE DEMOCRATS SET THE POLITICAL POT BOILING.

The issue in the Party is Hearst or Anti-Hearst—His Supporters Want an Early Convention—Will Set a Rattling Pace for the National Convention, No Matter What is the Result.

Huron, S. D., Feb. 24.—The political pot is going to boil at a lively rate in South Dakota this year, if the unusual interest manifested in the meeting of the democratic state committee in session here today may be taken as an indication of what is to come. The purpose of the committee meeting is to decide on the date and place for holding the state convention to elect delegates to the democratic national convention.

Two state conventions will be held this year, but as a republican victory is conceded in the state election, the interest of the democrats centers almost wholly in the convention which is to name the delegates to St. Louis.

Today's meeting of the state committee has been awaited with interest all over the state for several weeks and a lively contest has developed for the honor of entertaining the convention. Among the cities which have put in bids for the gathering are Yankton, Aberdeen, Mitchell, Sioux Falls and Huron.

The rivalry for the convention city is not the only contest that is attracting attention. The Hearst boomers want an early convention—as early as March, while those who oppose the candidacy of the New York editor contend that May will be early enough for the convention to be held. The decision in regard to the convention date will show, therefore the Hearst strength in South Dakota.

Former Senator Pettigrew will act as a democratic delegate from Sioux Falls. The state is entitled to eight delegates. Heretofore they have been selected by circuits, there being eight judicial circuits in the state, but the last legislature added the ninth circuit, which will necessitate a new plan for naming delegates.

Notice to Contractors. Sealed bids will be received to build a schoolhouse in school district No. 48, known as the Hogue precinct. Plans and specifications may be seen at the office of the East Oregonian. Bonds for amount of bid must be given. The right is reserved to reject any and all bids. Bids must be mailed to C. W. Brown, school clerk, not later than March 1st, 1904.

George T. Tsolomite, the Greek minister at Washington, is now in Ogden, investigating the dynamite explosion on the Lucin cut-off, by which 25 of his countrymen were instantly killed last Saturday.

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