

TO AID IRRIGATION.

The Columbia Valley Association Formed at Pendleton.

The Columbia Valley Association, is the name of the organization whose chief object in the future shall be the promotion of irrigation in the Columbia river basin in Oregon.

At the meeting in the rooms of the Commercial association Sunday evening when the permanent organization was effected, the president was instructed to appoint a committee of five men from Umatilla and Morrow counties to determine upon what plans for the reclamation of the arid lands of the two counties offer the greatest inducements and report the same to the executive committee as soon as possible. This committee will be appointed in a few days and it is expected that the members will get together, look over the situation and recommend some plan of action, within the next month, says the Pendleton Tribune.

The delegates to the convention Saturday, were an enthusiastic, harmonious body of representative men from the two counties. The meeting was a gratifying success. Active work in securing government recognition for irrigation schemes for the basin will commence at once, and no doubt but that they will result in securing the financial assistance of the government. This was the purpose of the meeting and every one present was of the opinion that the preliminary steps should be taken at once.

In the evening Judge Stephen S. Lowell delivered a very able address before the convention in which he explained the intention and workings of the irrigation laws now in operation. He dwelt at length upon the provisions of the Carey Act and the Maxwell law regarding the reclamation of arid lands and enlightened the members present on many hitherto hazy clauses of the two laws. He said that they should be construed as one law and in this way greater benefits would be derived, the only real change in the Maxwell law being that it provided for irrigation by artesian wells. At the close of the address the association tendered the speaker a hearty vote of thanks.

In the afternoon session after the temporary organization had been effected a general discussion was indulged in. Timely addresses were made by Jonathan Talbert, W. L. Shaw, Judge Bartholomew, G. W. Rigby, W. A. Bannister, Dr. Wm. Galliber, D. C. Brownell, D. D. Teel, W. M. Pierce, G. W. Ingie and others. All addresses were very interesting and delivered by men who were well acquainted with the subject of irrigation.

At the evening session a slight flurry was caused when the committee on resolution reported through the chairman, E. D. Boyd, and embodied an endorsement of the forest reserve. W. M. Pierce moved the adoption of the report and that portion of it relating to the forest reserve be sent to the secretary of the interior and congressmen from Oregon. Thos. G. Hailey opposed this and a lively discussion followed, several members taking an active part. However, the full report was adopted, section by section, and the copy sent to the various parties.

The next annual meeting will be Oct. 29, 1902. There will be a semi annual meeting in Baker City in June.

The officers of the organization, as selected last night are:

- President—G. A. Hartman, Pendleton
- Vice-presidents—Judge Bartholomew, Heppner; John Talbert, Umatilla; D. C. Brownell, Umatilla; T. J. Tweedy, Umatilla.
- Treasurer—Frank Gilliam, mayor of Heppner.
- Secretary—E. P. Dodd, Pendleton.
- Executive Committee—Dr. C. J. Smith, G. W. Phelps, D. C. Brownell, W. A. Hobson, T. C. Taylor.

BORN.

BLAKE—In this city, Monday, December 15, 1902, to Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Blake, a son.

RETURNED FROM THE EAST.

W. O. Minor Brings Out a Shipment of Fine Cattle.

W. O. Minor, fine stock breeder and merchant, returned Monday evening, from Chicago and the East, where he has been attending the International Fat Stock show, and also looking over the finest show herds of Eastern and foreign bred Shorthorns to add to his already great herd.

Mr. Minor's cattle, Rolando, the first prize winner at the big stock show, and the yearling heifer Nellie, that was shown last fall at the Western fairs, and Pride's Baron III, a 2 year-old, were shipped over the Oregon Short Line from Heppner to Chicago, on the 15th of last month.

Mr. Minor started on November 21st. He went over the Northern Pacific to Billings, Montana, and from there over the Burlington to Cedar Rapids, Iowa, where he stopped over a couple of days to visit relatives, arriving in Chicago, on the 6th inst.

Mr. Minor says that he was an attentive and observing spectator at the great International Fat Stock show, and says that it was a great school for any stock man who would study his lesson.

About 900 head of registered Shorthorn, Hereford and Angus cattle were on exhibition from the finest herds in the world. Canada was well represented, also Scotch and English bred cattle were there to compete for prizes. There were also hundreds of hogs, sheep and horses, on exhibition.

With the great number of cattle from the best herds all over the United States, Canada, and Scotch and English bred animals, it is certainly gratifying to Oregon people to know that Rolando, bred by Mr. Minor, on his Mountain Valley stock farm, in Morrow county, took first premium, and brought the highest price of any animal put up at public auction.

Rolando was purchased by E. W. Bowen, of Delphi, Indiana, a well known breeder, who will place this fine bull at the head of his great show herd. Mr. Bowen's herd is one of the finest in the United States, taking second premium at the big show.

Rolando, in the yearling class was an easy winner, prominently out-classing all competitors. His official weight was 1830 pounds in the show ring, only losing 20 pounds in shipment from Heppner to Chicago.

When Rolando was led into the show ring by Mr. Carothers, Mr. Minor's herd-man, and the blue ribbon was being awarded, Mr. Minor was surprised to hear some one away back in the audience speak out in a very loud tone of voice, "Hurrah for Oregon." It proved to be a Washington man who was very enthusiastic in congratulating Mr. Minor on his great success.

Rolando was the only one of Mr. Minor's cattle exhibited, the other two being sold at good figures.

Mr. Minor's visit was not only to show his fine stock, but to improve his show herd by adding some of the best blood that money could buy from the choicest stock in the world.

In all he bought 19 head, six of the animals being show cattle, which cost \$6100. He purchased two show heifers, one bred in Kentucky, and the other in Indiana, both being inside of the money at the big show. For one of these fine heifers he paid \$1500.

One of the cows, Stella, from the herd of N. P. Clark, St. Cloud, Minn., which Mr. Minor will bring out, took second premium last year in the 2 year-old class at the fat stock show.

Mr. Minor's choice of the new herd purchased is Orange Blossom, a yearling heifer bred by N. P. Clark. He considers this the best yearling heifer in America, and her purchase price was \$1500.

Two of the yearling heifers are straight Scotch bred, and are very fine animals. Three of the calves are plainly bred calves for range bulls.

Mr. Minor was the only extreme Western breeder exhibiting stock at the big show.

Mr. Minor's Mountain Valley Stock

Farm is one of the big institutions of Morrow county. His registered herd now numbers about 125 head and they are valued at \$30,000; at least this amount of money would hardly buy the herd today. His fine stock farm consists of 1600 acres of the finest land. He has 40 acres in alfalfa and will put in 40 acres more next year.

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