

RAILROADS MADE BIG CONCESSION

Oregon Development Convention Secures a One-fare Rate for All Interior Points for Fair Visitors

The State Development League Convention at Portland was a large and enthusiastic body of business men, and a few things were accomplished for the state, especially in the way of concessions from the transportation companies to bring the largest number of people into the interior of the state during the exposition.

These demands from the transportation companies were anticipated on the morning of the second day of the convention by the Oregonian publishing that the Southern Pacific would spend an immense sum in rebuilding its lines in Oregon, stated at \$1,452,769.50, during the coming year, but the convention was not influenced thereby from making plain and specific demands upon the Harriman system, and virtually said that so far none of the promises made by Mr. Harriman had materialized.

The sentiment of the convention, while good-natured, was firm and unanimous for marked changes in the policies prevailing in Oregon, and the following preamble and resolutions were introduced by Henry Hahn and seconded by Judge Lowell, who spoke eloquently upon the manner in which Oregon had been retarded by lack of transportation facilities. It is up to the people to express their wants in a railroad way, he said. The resolution follows:

Whereas, Practically all of the railroad systems operating in this state are under one control and one management, and

Whereas, For a number of years past but little additional mileage has been built in this state, and

Whereas, A large portion of this state is now without proper transportation facilities, and

Whereas, Said portions of said state have great natural resources and large bodies of unoccupied lands, which need only transportation facilities in order to be settled upon and developed, and

Whereas, It is absolutely essential to the interest of this state and to all parts and portions thereof that such transportation facilities be furnished at once, and

WHEREAS, ON SEVERAL DIFFERENT OCCASIONS DIRECT STATEMENTS HAVE BEEN MADE THAT NEW ROADS WOULD BE BUILT AND EXTENDED INTO THE INTERIOR OF THE STATE, AS WELL AS TO THE COAST SECTIONS THEREOF; NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT

Resolved, That the Oregon Development League, composed of members from all parts of the state of Oregon, does hereby express its regret that said roads have not been built, and does hereby earnestly request the said transportation companies to build railway lines and furnish transportation facilities to the portion of this state now without them.

The above was adopted without a dissenting vote.

Resolutions were adopted favoring the establishment of a boat line on the Columbia to operate with the state

portage, and following report from the agricultural section was read and unanimously adopted:

Your committee, appointed to report the action of the agricultural section, held Wednesday afternoon at the Marquam Grand, would respectfully submit:

THAT THE STATE DEVELOPMENT LEAGUE, IN CONVENTION ASSEMBLED, REQUEST FROM THE TRANSPORTATION COMPANIES OPERATING LINES IN OREGON THAT THEY ESTABLISH A UNIFORM ONE-FARE RATE TO ALL VISITORS TO THE LEWIS AND CLARK FAIR FROM OTHER STATES TERRITORIES OR FOREIGN COUNTRIES FROM PORTLAND TO ALL POINTS IN THIS STATE, WITH AT LEAST 15 DAYS' STOP-OVER PRIVILEGES.

We recommend that a transportation committee of five persons, representing the various sections of the state, be appointed by this convention to make all reasonable efforts to secure these concessions from the transportation companies.

That the State Development League indorse the request of the agricultural section for the improvement of the upper Willamette river, from Salem to Corvallis.

That the State League indorse the request that the locks and canal at Oregon City be made free to river transportation by their earliest possible acquisition by the general government.

That we request the State Development League to heartily indorse the continued improvement of our coast harbors, including Tillamook Bay, Yaquina Bay, Siuslaw Bay and Coos Bay, and that this entire association of commercial bodies use its influence to encourage the construction of railroads from the interior to these ports.

E. HOFER,
WALTER LYON,
E. C. ROBERTS.

Splendid work was done by the Linn county delegation for the development of the valley. They were united and enthusiastic, and had a very significant badge, a red hub with spokes radiating from it as a yellow silk ribbon. The sole representative of Lincoln county was Ben Jones, of Toledo, who made one of the most humorous and effective speeches of the session. Walter Lyon and G. A. Hurley, of the Independence Development League, had the largest delegation at the convention, a carload, and the car was decorated, and so were the delegates, besides they laid all over the Hood River delegation by having with them a fine uniformed band of 20 pieces, the only delegation with a band. Independence will seek to capture the next convention of the Willamette Valley Development League, which is to be held in May of this year.

Director James Withycombe, of the Corvallis experiment station, spoke for Benton county, and said that the great need of Oregon was a better live stock market at Portland. He made a strong plea for the cattle growers, and said, in substance, that they were unable to get any fair prices for their stock.

Hal D. Patton spoke for the Greater Salem Commercial Club and the city of Salem. He said the city had doubled in population in the last ten years, and would double again in the next five. Salem had 15,000 population, in spite of the fact that a Portland paper had recently published the statement that it had only about 4000.

There was a general roll call of the counties and cities having commercial organizations; and the convention postponed election of officers until after the Lewis and Clark fair, thus continuing the present board. The usual resolutions were passed for the hospitality of Portland, and the fine treatment accorded by the press, and the second annual convention adjourned.

Reports were made from the Fruit Growers, the Dairymen and the Good Roads Section, when President E. L. Smith announced the following committee on transportation of the State Development League:

E. Hofer, Salem; H. M. Calk, Portland; Stephen A. Lowell, Pendleton;

Walter Griffin, Eugene; L. J. Simpson, North Bend.

In a short time after announcing the committee President Smith announced that he had been authorized to state by some of the railroad managers that the demand for a one-fare rate to all points in Oregon for Lewis and Clark visitors had been granted. This was received with great applause and enthusiasm.

In the afternoon all the delegates were given a free trolley ride to the Lewis and Clark fair grounds, and had their pictures taken two times more. The delegates from Marion county who attended the convention and did effective work to secure results for the Willamette valley and the interior of the state were L. E. Stinson, Hal D. Patton, J. G. Graham, Alex. LaFollette and M. W. Jones of Brooks.

Securing a one-rate fare to all points in the interior of the state is a big thing for the development of Western Oregon, and the railroads deserve credit for making the rate.

THEY GAVE STRENGTH

QUICKER THAN DOCTOR'S TONICS, SAYS TYPHOID PATIENT.

Young Lady Left by Fever in Very Weak State Uses Dr. Williams' Pink Pills With Gratifying Results.

After a fever, such as typhoid, or scarlet, has run its full course there remains the recovery of strength. Physicians who have treated the disease itself in a skillful manner are often inclined to let convalescence take care of itself as of a relatively small importance. Invalids know that to be weak is to be miserable and they are always anxious to find a tonic that acts speedily.

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Miss Midendorf had been ill with typhoid fever for fourteen weeks. She had a good physician who carried her safely through the critical stages of that disease. When he left the case, nothing remained to be done except to build up her strength, which was very feeble, and he gave her some prescriptions for that purpose. Here, however, she met with disappointment.

"I took the doctor's tonics," she says, "for two months after I had recovered from the fever, but they did not do me the good I looked for. My strength came back so slowly that I scarcely seemed to be making any progress at all. Just then I read in a book thrown in our yard some striking testimonials showing what wonderful blood-builders and strength-givers Dr. Williams' Pink Pills are. I got a box of them soon after this and after I had taken only about half of them I could see a very great improvement in my condition. They helped me so rapidly that when I had used up two boxes, I felt that I did not need any more medicine. I have remained strong ever since."

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Mrs. Savage Dead.

Mrs. Wm. Savage, of Monmouth, died at the Salem Hospital this morning, aged 74 years. She was suffering with an abscess, and underwent an operation recently. She leaves a daughter, Mrs. Nelson, of Monmouth, and a son, W. H. Savage, of this city.

Tired out, worn out woman cannot sleep, eat or work; seems as if she would fly to pieces. Hollister's Rocky Mountain Tea makes strong nerves and rich red blood. 35 cents, Tea or Tablets. Stone's Drug Store.

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