

QUARTER OF A MILLION OF HORSE FLESH IN SALEM ON NEXT SATURDAY

Parade On Court Street Begins Promptly At Ten O'clock--- Street Will Be Cleared of Traffic and Hosed Off As Clean As a Ball Room Floor

The first annual Salem horse fair will be held on Saturday and all the fine horses in this part of the state will be here on that date. A committee was out yesterday engaging all the surplus stalls to be found in the city and between two and three hundred were secured.

It is estimated that there will be a quarter of a million dollars worth of fine horse flesh in the city on that date, and Col. Page will lead the grand procession promptly at 10 o'clock on Court street. The horsemen will have the freedom of the city, and Mayor Rodgers has ordered the paved portion of that street cleaned every day and it will be washed as clean as a ball room floor Saturday morning, and all traffic kept off until the parade. It is the intention to have it so that ladies and all can walk on the whole street without soiling their footwear or clothing. At least ten thousand people will be in the city to see the show.

Three bands have been engaged to furnish music on that day and all transportation lines grant reduced rates to the Salem horse show.

Real Estate Men Act.
A meeting of the real estate men of Salem was held last evening in the rooms of the board of trade for

the purpose of arranging and providing for the reception of the visiting real estate men from Portland. About 50 of the dealers from that place will arrive in Salem on the 11 o'clock train Saturday. They come to attend the horse show and to get in closer touch with the local men.

It was decided that the real estate men should uphold Salem's reputation for hospitality by showing the visitors a good time during their short sojourn in the Capital City, and to that end a committee was appointed, consisting of the following real estate men: Messrs. Sims, Holder, Palsal and Willson.

Another committee on ways and means was named, consisting of Messrs. Latham, Fisher and Willson.

Entries and Specified Rates.
Entries were received yesterday from Aurora, Corvallis, Dallas, Silverton, Stayton and Woodburn.

The Southern Pacific railroad has granted a stock transportation rate of one fare going, and return free, upon presentation of a certificate of exhibition signed by the secretary of the show.

Entries should be made as early in the week as possible, in order to avoid confusion on show day, and especial stress is laid upon the necessity of preparing to take care of the crowd which is sure to be in attendance.

The Southern Pacific company gives one and a third rate from all points between Eugene and Portland to Salem horse fair.

Program and Exhibits.
Parade of all animals exhibiting at 10 a. m. Premium winners parade at 3 p. m.

Awarding committees will begin judging at 11 a. m. Announcements will be made promptly.

Championship winners will be barred from showing in individual classes, except as one of a pair or in three and four horse teams.

Parades, judging and all exhibiting to be done on business streets. Court street will be used as a judging arena.

Prizes awarded in the arena will be indicated by the following colors: Blue, first prize; red, second; white, third.

No animal deemed unworthy shall be awarded a prize, nor shall a prize be withheld for lack of competition.

CARPET RALLY

An annual sale of remnants from the carpets and linoleum departments will take place today and during the remainder of the week at prices that should appeal to every economically inclined



woman in Salem. Unquestionably the greatest carpet saving sale we have ever held. Come early and avoid the rush, but don't forget to measure your rooms.

Tapestry Brussels in pleasing floral and oriental designs, regular 85c, now . . . 58c yd

Tapestry Stair, green, regular \$1.35, now . . . \$1.00

Tapestry, blue and white, regular \$1.35, now . . . \$1.00

Tapestry, oriental design, regular \$1.10, now . . . 90c

Tapestry, regular \$1.00, now . . . 75c

Axminster, floral design, regular \$1.35, now . . . \$1.00

Velvet, regular \$1.10, now . . . 85c

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BAD POLITICIANS ONLY OPPOSED TO STATEMENT I

Debauchery, Bribery, Treason of People and Every Other Legislative Crime In Fight to Down People's Right to Name U. S. Senator

By George C. Brownell.

Is there any legitimate argument against Statement No. 1? Do we want to go back to the old contests in which senators have been elected in the states of the United States, and which have brought lasting disgrace and dishonor upon men otherwise standing high in their different states and communities?

It is conceded that the congress of the United States and the states will not make any change in the constitution of the United States relative to the method of electing United States senators; the only way that change can be brought about is under some such system as now exists in the state of Oregon. Senator Bourne was elected United States senator in a quiet, peaceable and moral way, reflecting great credit upon it and upon the people of the state of Oregon.

Picture of Deplorable Corruption.
On the other hand, under the old machine system, look back to the contest of 1895, a contest which continued 40 days and 40 nights. Money was used, many were intoxicated and drank around the capital and hotels, patronage was traded off, votes were bought and men standing high in the state resorted to all kinds of corruption and immoral activity to bring success to a particular individual, whom they championed. This in the capital of a great state.

What kind of a lesson are such methods and examples, to the hundreds of young men who frequent the legislative halls during the session of the legislature, to say nothing of the demoralizing influence upon the individuals who are direct participants in such methods and proceedings.

Look back at the holdup session of 1897. Recall the strife, the corruption, the broken promises, the bribery practiced on both sides. Legislation absolutely retarded for 40 days; one branch of the legislature failing to organize and appropriate

for the support of state institutions held up, practically chaos and revolution, with the Eldridge block with its women and wine and touch of high life thrown in on the side. What fair minded citizen of Oregon, who has any regard for the good name of this state and its civic virtue would care to go back to these scenes, and to this system?

There being no election in 1897, the governor of the state appointed the late Hon. Henry W. Corbett as United States senator. This gentleman, a man who has made a great success in commercial life and in many other fields, accepted this appointment and went to Washington with credentials from the governor of this state, and was undoubtedly humiliated, to say nothing about the tremendous strain upon this old man, by being refused his seat by the United States senate.

At the extra session of the legislature in 1898, Mr. Corbett was again a candidate, when another bitter contest ensued which resulted in much ill feeling and bitterness throughout the state of Oregon. It finally ended in Mr. Corbett withdrawing and in the election of Hon. Joseph Simon, who however made an excellent, honorable and creditable senator.

Old Machine Methods Again.
In 1901 the old machine methods were revived again in the state of Oregon, Mr. Corbett being a candidate and Senator McHride being a candidate for re-election. This contest continued 40 days, resulting in the greatest corruption and demoralization, and ended in the election of Senator Mitchell at 12 o'clock on the evening of the last day of the session.

It is a matter of common knowledge that some men could have received as high as \$10,000 to \$15,000 apiece for their votes during this contest, to say nothing about the trades and corruption in the distribution of the federal offices and patronage. I personally know of

one man on the last evening of the session who was paid \$100 for each vote that he cast and was kept under the influence of liquor to demoralize his mind and to destroy his conscience.

This man was a representative of the people of this state and took an oath to support the constitution and the laws of the state of Oregon, and yet, under the corrupting influence of this old rotten machine system and method of electing United States senators, this man lost all the self respect and all regard for his duty and as soon as the roll would be called and he had voted, he would leave his seat, walk into the cloak room and get his \$100 in paper money and an extra drink of whiskey, and return to continue serving the people of a great state in this manner and way.

This is only one instance. There is another instance of where a man's vote on that night was changed from one candidate to another by a prominent federal office holder stopping up to him on the floor of the house and guaranteeing him \$3500 in cash, and thus got his vote for the other candidate.

A common thing to do and which was done at every session, was the voting away of the taxpayers' and the people's money in establishing new judicial districts, new normal schools and any other new or old thing that would swell up the senator or representative from that particular district, so that his vote could be obtained and he could go back to his constituents and point with pride and demand a re-election because he had got \$35,000 for a normal school in his town.

These are only a few instances amongst a great many that could be recalled if necessary to do so. Under the system of electing United States senators by and through Statement No. 1 this is all obviated; these temptations to commit a great crime against civil government and civic virtue cannot possibly take place.

Is not this and this alone, a sufficient argument to convince any man who is not influenced by greed and selfishness that it is his duty to himself and to the state to uphold the system which Statement No. 1 stands for and to strike down the old system by letting the people elect the United States senator by and through Statement No. 1?

Who are the real men who are behind this anti-Statement No. 1 movement? Are they not as a rule men who have, directly or indirectly, profited by the old machine system and who have made this state, on the subject and line of electing United States senators, stand cor-

ruptly on a par with Pennsylvania, Rhode Island and Delaware?

Look down along the line of names of those who are active against Statement No. 1 and see if you do not notice that nearly every one of them is what is commonly called a machine politician. Take the gang at Portland who want to destroy Statement No. 1 and see if they are not all members of the old machine who have got together for no higher purpose than to destroy this remedy of a pure and clean election of the United States senators.

Tricksters Oppose Statement.
Go into the county seat of every county of this state, and who are the men who are fighting Statement No. 1? Good men, undoubtedly, but they are fellows who do not know what popular government means and who have no sympathy with the idea of the common people being sovereign or being capable of electing United States senators.

It is observed that nearly every individual who profits by machine politics and who has profited by them in the past, is loudly opposed to Statement No. 1. There is not a corporation in the state of Oregon nor a franchise holder, nor any of the special privilege class, but what are opposed to the Statement No. 1 and want to go back to the good old days of 1895, the hold-up time of 1897 and the election of 1901.

The politician sees that his opportunity to gratify greed and selfishness is out of his reach when the election of the United States senator is left to the public. It destroys the opportunity which comes from the corruption of the 90 members of the legislature, with their chances for political trades, patronage and appropriations, as against the 100,000 votes in the state of Oregon.

A Few Pointed Questions.
Why is it, I inquire, that the Standard Oil company, the Missouri Pacific Railroad company and these other great lines of transportation, that reach through the different states, always line up directly against the primary law and popular election by the people of the United States senators? If Statement No. 1 and its methods and system and purposes are all wrong, why is it that such senators as Chauncey M. Dewey, Ballou of Texas, Aldrich, who represents the special interests on the floor of the United States senate, and Steve Ekins, who represents the Missouri and coal baron syndicate in the senate of the United States are always opposed to the popular election by the individual voters of the United States senators?

This of itself conclusively shows that the special, monied and aristocratic class interests of the United States, including the corporations in Portland, Oregon, and elsewhere in this state, are lined up to a man United States senators. Such being the case, is it not wise for the common people of the state and the thinking people of the state to conclude from this, that it is their duty to take the opposite course, and support with all their power the system represented by Statement No. 1?

It is claimed that this destroys party organization and that a Democrat might be elected to the United States senate from Oregon. This is not any answer nor argument against Statement No. 1. The theory of our government is that the people shall rule and are masters and have sovereign power. If in a state like Oregon, that has safety from 25,000 to 35,000 Republican majority, the Republicans go to the ballot box and vote for a Democrat, he ought to be elected and ought to be given the office on the principle that the majority should rule.

Blow To Old System.
Is it not a fact that all the corruption by legislatures in the way of special privileges has taken place under the old system? If such is a fact, then why not strike a blow at the old system by letting the people elect their own senator to the United States senate, and make him directly responsible to the people instead of to two or three banks, railroads and the Standard Oil company, who as a whole, directly or indirectly, always have and always will under the old system, control a majority of the legislature.

Is it not a fact that special privileges, high tariff and franchises for the benefit of the few, have been causing so much agitation and discussion throughout the United States are largely the result of the old system of government in existence in the different states of the United States?

Is it not a fact, and is it not human nature, that a man who wants to go to the senate of the United States, no matter how honest he wishes to be, as he advances, more or less prostitutes himself and subserves the large corporations and the machine in order to achieve his ambition.

The reason why he has to do this is simply because in every state of the union, these large corporate interests control, either directly or indirectly, either the state organization of the dominant party are a sufficient number of the members of the legislature to be able to elect or

defeat any person who will not bend to their wishes and along what they call conscience lines, but what in reality is the bidding of these great trusts the same as Aldrich, Ekins, Carter, Bailey of Texas of Standard Oil fame, and many others have compelled to do in order to maintain their seats.

People the Remedy.
Therefore, what other remedy there to protect the people for the people to retain the seat that they now have in the state of Oregon under Statement No. 1, elect at the ballot box a man who they want to represent them in senate of the United States, thereby hold him responsible to the public, and not make him feel he is responsible, not to the public but to 46 members of the legislative assembly of Oregon, which largely been set up and placed in power by the combination of corporate interests.

The real truth is, that even if we want good government from the President down to the box by popular vote of the people, this is the remedy in my opinion and judgment.

FISH BY MILLIONS HAVE BEEN HATCHED

(United Press Leased Wire) Seattle, Wash., March 21.—The fiscal year ending March 31, 1908, between 65,000,000 and 75,000,000 salmon eggs have been hatched and nurtured by fish hatcheries of the state of Washington. From the number of 2,000,000 have taken and several millions of back, steelhead and sockeye have been hatched and nurtured. Of all the species the spring and chinook varieties are in majority. The number of fish caught in Washington will be this year.

Bicycles and Other Animals

Notice.
The poundmaster is now out to arrest violators of the ordinances in the matter of dogs, horses, cows, swine, and any and all others that are dangerous. Call and pay the poundmaster's fee for your dog. W. A. MOORE.