

THEY HAD A BARBECUE

The National Stock Growers Feast on Buffalo.

THIRTY THOUSAND PEOPLE

The Immense Crowd Made a Rush for the Tables—The Police Were Swept Aside, but No One Was Hurt in the Stampede.

Denver, Col., Jan. 27.—The National Stockgrowers' convention, after three days of harmonious and important deliberations, came to an end today. The organization of the Live Stock Association of the United States of America was completed today by the selection of an executive committee.

So great was the crowd that the six tons of meat served was hardly enough to satisfy all, and before the crowds which they were surging broke down, and brushing aside police and military guards, the crowd overran the grounds, helping themselves to what was in sight.

At the morning session of the organization of the Live Stock Association of the United States, which was partially completed last night, was taken up again, and the executive committee selected consisted of one member from each state representing it.

The following are the members chosen: A. B. Clark of Idaho; J. W. Springer of Colorado; J. M. Holt of Montana; R. C. Judson of Oregon; E. H. Callister of Utah and D. N. Stieckney of Wyoming.

A paper on "Dairy Interests," by Henry Wallace of Des Moines, Iowa, was presented.

The executive committee was instructed to make an effort to secure the building of a livestock building at the Omaha exposition.

Ex-Governor Richards of Wyoming read the report of the committee on resolutions. It recommended the gathering of statistics on the cattle business by the federal government.

The convention then adjourned sine die, and the delegates were at once taken to the barbecue grounds.

THEIR FIRST MEETING.

The Stock Growers' Executive Committee Elects Its Officers.

Denver, Jan. 27.—The executive committee of the National Stock Growers' Association of the United States held their first session at the Brown hotel to-night.

Finance and Ways and Means—C. W. Baker, Illinois; A. B. Robertson, Texas; Peter Jansen, Nebraska; D. H. Stieckney, Wyoming; F. M. Stewart, South Dakota.

Transportation—A. S. Donan, Arizona; J. M. Smith, Utah; R. C. Judson, Oregon; G. W. Melville, Kansas; Legislation—H. H. Hilday, Michigan; W. C. McDonald, New Mexico; F. M. Stewart, South Dakota.

Markets—T. L. Schermier, Minnesota; A. B. Robertson, Texas; J. M. Holt, Montana.

Sanitary—James A. Craig, Iowa; H. H. Hinds, Michigan; H. A. Jastro, California.

As Consulting Members—Dr. Charles Greswell of Colorado, Dr. R. J. Kieberg of Texas and Dr. Victor A. Norgaard of Washington. D. C., were added to this committee.

R. D. McGinnis of Minnesota, H. K. Parsons of Utah, W. P. Anderson of Illinois and W. A. Rankin were appointed a committee to represent the association at the stock convention to be held at Pendleton, Ore., and J. M. Smith of Utah, James A. Craig of Iowa, T. C. Power of Montana, T. Kinney of Wyoming and George Adams of Chicago to attend the Wool Growers' convention at The Dalles, Ore.

The members of the executive committee were named as delegates to attend the stock conventions to be held in Fort Worth, Montana, Wyoming and South Dakota in April.

The committee then adjourned until to-morrow morning, when the committee on constitution and by-laws will report.

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and free discussion. We are the last to avoid or evade it. Intelligent discussion will strengthen the indifferent and encourage the friends of a stable system of finance.

"Half-heartedness never won a battle. Nations and parties without abiding principles and with respect for the constitution, even if it costs a continent's ransom, will do so and every sacrifice, are in the highest order of wisdom."

"The financial plank of the St. Louis platform is still as commanding up in republicans and those who have with them in the last campaign as on today. It was adopted and promulgated, and the tariff part of the platform has already been engrained into public statistics. It is that other plank not already engraved on our hearts which is a binding force upon us. What is it?"

"The republican party is unscrupulously sound money. It caused the enactment of the law providing for the redemption of specie payment in 1875; since then every dollar has been as good as gold."

"We are unalterably opposed to every measure calculated to debase our currency or impair the credit of our country."

Opposed to Free Coinage.

"We are therefore opposed to the free coinage of silver, except by international agreement with the leading commercial nations of the world, who are prepared to themselves to promote, and until such agreement can be obtained the existing gold standard must be preserved. All our silver and paper currency must be maintained on a parity with gold, and we favor measures designed to maintain invariably the obligations of the United States and all our money, whether coin or paper, at the present standard, the standard of the enlightened nations of the earth."

"This is in reality a command from the people, who save the aim of power and who are still anxiously waiting for the execution of their free and cannot put it will by those of us who hold commissions from that supreme tribunal."

"I have to-night spoken in a somewhat serious strain, because I believe it is due, both to the membership of this association and to the conditions under which this assembly meets, that we should make a systematic effort of such a body of men as this are capable of infinite good to the respective communities in which the members live and to the nation at large."

"The country is now emerging from trying conditions. It is only just beginning to recover from the depression in certain lines of business long continued and altogether unparalleled. Progress, therefore, will naturally be slow, but let us not be impatient. Rather let us exercise a just patience and one which will surely bring its own high reward."

"I have no fear for the future of our beloved country. While I discern in its present condition the necessity of a way exists for the faithful devotion of its citizens, the history of its past is assurance to me that it will as it has always been through every struggle and emergency, still stand and prosper. I have never suffered from any trial or been unequal to any task. Founded upon right principles, we have nothing to fear from the vicissitudes which may lie across our pathway."

"The nation, founded by the fathers upon principles of virtue, education, freedom and human rights, moulded by the great discussions which have touched its sovereignty, tried in the crucible of civil war, its integrity confirmed by the result of reconstruction, with a union stronger and better than ever before, stands today, not upon shifting sands, but upon immovable foundations."

"Let us resolve by our laws and by our administration of them to maintain the same standards, to continue to be by still closer bonds, to exact the standards of American civilization, encourage the promotion of thrift, industry and economy and the homely virtues which bring money, still increased and upon the stability of our currency and credit and illustrate the purity of our national and municipal government, and then the tasks assigned to the states by the United States should build it. He did not approve of the private ownership of the canal by any corporation; the government was in the best position to build and operate the canal. Senator Frye said that the value of the Hawaiian islands was \$39,000,000 and that Americans owned them. American ships carried the commerce, valued at \$23,000,000. He said that if the treaty was not ratified, in less than one year, the islands would be under the protection of Great Britain. This was met with cries of "No." Much confusion followed. He asked the guests to excuse their indifference with the senate to have the treaty ratified. There were cheers and cries of "No" as well.

Senator Frye said the Nicaraguan canal would not be worth a cent with the Hawaiian islands in the hands of an enemy. This was received with applause. Then Senator Frye changed his subject to that of the necessity for increasing the merchant marine. He said in conclusion that if he were a dictator he would build the Nicaraguan canal, take Hawaii, build a railroad from Terra del Fuogo and subsidize the merchant marine of the country. During all of Senator Frye's reference to Hawaii there were several "Nos" yelled out when he referred to a treaty. He closed amid great applause.

Charles Emory Smith spoke at length on the commercial destiny of the United States which he predicted would be in the coming century peacefully dominate the markets of the world.

Henry E. Howland spoke next on the expediency of legislation to meddle with private affairs.

After midnight President McKinley held an informal reception, leaving the hotel at 1 a. m. for the Windsor.

STILL PLODDING ON.

It Is Expected That Walter Will Finish First in the Lake Race.

Pittsburg, Jan. 27.—The bicycle riders at the exposition began the last half of their journey here to-day. The positions of the contestants were the same as on Tuesday. It is generally conceded that barring accidents Walter and Elkes will finish first and second.

The bikers continued their plodding to-night, the leaders making an average of a little over 15 miles an hour. The relative positions of the men show no material change.

The world's record for 48 hours in a 72 hour race, which was held by Walter, was broken to-night by Elkes. This is 25 miles better than the record made in the New York race last fall. Walter's score at 1 o'clock is as follows: Walter, 59.1; Henschel, 47.5; E. H. A., 49.1; Deneh, 48; Cannon, 48.1; Schmitt, 49.4; Hale, 49.3; Ruckert, 49; Walters, 49.4.

ASSESSORS IN SESSION

First of Its Kind in the History of Montana.

FOR CONCERT OF ACTION

The Convention Accepts the Report of the Committee Upon the Valuation of Cattle—The Fight Will Come on the Sheep Valuation.

Special Dispatch to the Standard.

Helena, Jan. 27.—The first assessors' convention in the history of the state legislature here to-day with 1,000 assessors of Montana in attendance. The meeting was called to order in the court house in the office of County Assessor Jake Fisher a few moments before noon by Governor Smith, who, as the state's head officer and as president of the state board of equalization, welcomed the proper valuers and expressed the hope that their deliberations would result to their mutual benefit.

An organization was perfected by electing W. J. Foreman of Madison, chairman, and G. S. Miller of Deer Lodge, secretary. A call of the roll showed that the following counties were represented: Broadwater, W. C. D. Bailey; Yellowstone, George B. Stevenson; Cascade, William B. Kendall; Chouteau, James T. Moran; Deer Lodge, George S. Miller; Flathead, J. B. Gibson; Gallatin, S. W. Cowan; Jefferson, A. J. Lockyer; Lewis and Clark, J. S. Fisher; Madison, W. J. Foreman; Missoula, W. R. Hamilton; Park, Z. H. Daniels; Ravalli, H. D. Smart; Silver Bow, George M. Allen; Teton, D. A. Poiry; Valley, George White; Yellowstone, E. E. Summers. The absentees were Bayanwood, W. C. Snyder; Custer, James Hunter; Dawson, M. H. Brown; Fergus, J. M. Croft; Grant, H. Williams; Hill, McCallister; Judith, W. S. Westgrass; W. A. Harrison.

Attorney General Noah, who is also a member of the state board of equalization, was called on for a few remarks. He said, among other things, that there was a demand for an equal assessment, a concert of action on the part of the assessors, and these he believed would be required at the present juncture. It was true that there were certain classes of property that in making the assessment the assessor had to use his own judgment, there were many others that required a unanimity of action on the part of all assessors. In order to reach this unanimity and concert the present meeting had been suggested, and he hoped that it would result to the benefit of the assessors as well as the state board of equalization.

The following committee on order of business was selected and adjournment was taken until the afternoon session. Fischer, Lewis and Clarke; J. B. Gibson, Flathead; E. E. Summers, Yellowstone.

During the afternoon session the committee reported recommending that the assessment of the following classes be in the order named: Cattle, horses, sheep, hogs, capital stock of national banks, credits and mortgages, merchandise, real estate, mortgages on real estate, logs and lumber.

A committee was next appointed to recommend a valuation upon the first order of business, cattle, as follows: J. T. Moran, Chouteau; A. J. Lockyer, Deer Lodge; Summers, Yellowstone; George White, Valley; S. W. Cowan, Gallatin; H. D. Smart, Ravalli; Z. H. Daniels, Park. The committee reported in favor of the following valuations: Cattle, coming 2-year-olds, \$20; 3-year-olds coming 2-year-olds, 25 (all to be called stock); 3-year-olds coming 4, to be called head cattle, \$30; milk cows not less than \$25.

The report was adopted by a vote of 14 to 12. It was agreed to leave the assessment of horses to the discretion of the assessor, the same as last year. The valuation of sheep was partially considered, but as a difference of opinion developed it was deemed best to refer the matter to the committee after which the meeting adjourned until to-morrow morning. The committee on sheep valuation consists of George B. Stevenson, Carbon; James T. Moran, Chouteau; G. S. Miller, Deer Lodge; William White, E. E. Summers, Yellowstone. It is anticipated that the report of this committee and subsequent discussion on sheep valuation will be the chief event of the convention.

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