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TWENTY-NINTH YEAR.

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LIVE STOCK MEN ACT

Second Annual Convention of State Association.

Petition Railroad Commission for Reduction in Live Stock Rates Amounting to 10 Per Cent.

The second annual convention of the Washington Live Stock Association met in Spokane Tuesday. A message was sent to the delegation in congress urging support for the bill to appropriate \$200,000 additional money for the experiment stations connected with the agricultural colleges. The bill would add \$5,000 this year to the \$15,000 which the Washington station already receives each year, this amount to be further increased by \$2,000 additional each year until the total appropriation for each state is \$30,000 each year.

A communication was read from C. H. Frye, of Seattle, urging an effort to secure lower freight rates for live stock.

Addresses were given as per the printed program by Prof. E. E. Elliott, of Pullman; Peter McGregor, of Hooper; Dr. S. B. Nelson, of Pullman; C. L. Smith, of Spokane, and Henry Larkin, of Colfax.

President E. F. Benson, in his address, suggested that the association appeal to the state railroad commission to secure better rates for live stock shipments, suggested a state uniform branding law and the organization of county live stock associations.

About forty live stock men were in attendance.

Wednesday the association passed a resolution petitioning the state railroad commission to take steps to secure a 10 per cent reduction in rates on live stock to correspond with a similar reduction on wheat three years ago. Vigorous action on the part of the association in pushing the petition was pledged.

An adjustment of tariff relations with Germany was urged upon congress and congressmen are asked by the association to support the measure removing the tax on denaturalized alcohol to be used as fuel. The extension of the 28 hour shipping law to 36 hours was urged. The executive officers of the association were unanimously re-elected. They are Edwin F. Benson of Prosser, president; A. J. Splawn of North Yakima, vice president; Levi G. Monroe of Spokane, treasurer; F. M. Rothrock of Spokane, secretary. The new executive committee of the association is composed of O. T. Cornwell of Walla Walla, William Garth of North Yakima, Paul Duling of Garfield, C. C. Churchill of Ellensburg, G. W. Urquhart of Douglas county, Peter McGregor of Hooper, B. F. Byrns of Moscow, Idaho.

The county vice presidents for the coming year will be J. L. Smith of Spokane, M. C. McDonald of Walla Walla, Henry Larkin of Whitman county, Eugene Taylor of Adams county, Dan Taylor of Douglas county, B. F. Hurley of Lincoln county, C. A. Haran of Chelan county, Willis Mercer of Benton county, Stanley Coffin of North Yakima, D. Coolidge of Ferry county and R. A. Jackson of Columbia county.

A new committee to consider the foreign reserve question was selected as follows: R. W. Merritt of Chittaro, William Peter McGregor of Hooper, P. S. Bound of Benton county, C. A. Hales of Columbia county and F. M. Rothrock of Spokane.

The 10 delegates to the convention of the National Live Stock association, which meets at Denver January 30, will be selected by President Benson. It was the sense of the convention that a full delegation should go to Denver.

RATHBONE SISTERS INSTALL.

Deputy Grand Chief Honors Lodge With Visit.

Members of Calanthe Temple, Rathbone Sisters, K. of P., took part in a notable entertainment Tuesday, the occasion being the installation of officers for the ensuing year. Special importance was given to the ceremonies by the presence of Mrs. Alice Merritt of Spokane, district deputy grand chief of Eastern Washington and supreme representative at the convention next summer in New Orleans. Mrs. Merritt inspected the lodge here and paid high compliment to the members and officers on the efficiency and harmony existing.

One of the features of Mrs. Merritt's visit was a pretty reception tendered her at the home of Mrs. J. B. Mackay, where the local members had the opportunity of meeting her in person.

The officers installed for the term are as follows: Past chief, Margaret Abbott; M. E. C. Ida M. Baker; E. S. Lulu McPhee; E. J. Lilly Hill; M. of T., Emily Mitchell; M. of R. and C. Sarah A. Poock; M. of F., Emily Mackey; P. of T., Annie Hart; G. of O. T., Mary Willis.

TO PRISON FOR LIFE.

Mathias Garratt, Assailant of Lone Women, Severely Punished.

Mathias Garratt, the fenish hobo who attempted to assault Mrs. Malcolm St. Clair and Mrs. Samuel Phelps at their homes four miles from Garfield last week, will spend the remainder of his life behind prison bars.

Garratt was sentenced to life imprisonment in Walla Walla by Judge Chadwick Wednesday morning. Despite his boasts of having a better time in prison than out, the bestial assailant shed tears after leaving the court room and while being led back to his cell in the county jail.

Garratt, when arrested, admitted the attempted assaults and also confessed to having served a term in the Montana prison for the same offense.

In order to make an example of the brute, Prosecutor Kipp sent to Montana for the record of the conviction and, through Garratt confessing to both attempted assaults in this court, was able to show three statutory crimes which, under the law, admitted of a life sentence.

The prosecution and the community is to be congratulated on the putting away safely of so dangerous a degenerate.

TO GO AFTER MILWAUKEE

Business Men in Commercial Club Meeting Start Big Boost for Colfax Interests.

Committee Appointed to Try for New Railroad, for Fourth of July Celebration, County Fair and to Build A Fine New Club House.

To present the claims of Colfax to the officials of the Chicago, Milwaukee & St. Paul as a future station on the new line, now almost an assured fact, to demonstrate the amount of business which can be secured through such connection and to assist on the right of way.

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The annual meeting of the commercial club was held last Friday afternoon, when about eight members were present. At that time the old officers were re-elected for another year. They are: President, Ben Burgunder; vice president, F. A. Russell; treasurer, E. T. Coman; secretary, George H. Lenox.

At that meeting a committee consisting of E. J. Peschau and Andrew Johnson was named to personally visit every business man in the city and secure his promise to attend a special meeting called for Tuesday afternoon. The committee went to work in earnest and as a result of the effort to boost, there were 35 in attendance, with 34 of them members of the club through renewals or first applications.

When President Burgunder called for a report of the soliciting committee something of a sensation was caused by the winding up of the report with a recommendation that, owing to the small number attending the annual meeting, the officers then elected should tender their resignations in order that the larger meeting might have a choice in naming officers for the ensuing year. This precipitated a lively discussion which ended with a roll call of votes on a motion that the present officers be continued. The motion to continue carried with a vote of 20 to 14.

William Goodyear called attention to the official announcement that the Milwaukee would not extend its main line through Spokane, but would cut through the Palouse country, with a strong probability of its tapping Colfax and suggested the appointment of a committee to take active measures in insuring the passing of the road through the city.

Charles Mackenzie secured the floor to state that at a special meeting of a few business men called to discuss certain enterprises, the question of the Milwaukee coming through Colfax had been taken up. He announced that information had been received that the line would most likely follow the Palouse river from Winona and that it was pretty well understood that Colfax would be tapped. The meeting, he said,

had named a business man to look after the matter and he suggested that one of those attending be included in the new committee.

Mr. Mackenzie further stated that the O. R. & N. had just placed a crew of surveyors in the field to survey a line down the Palouse river for the purpose, it was believed, of cutting out the Milwaukee with a line to Edicott and Winona. "The only reason," said Mr. Mackenzie, "that Colfax hasn't a population of 7,000 is because we have but one railroad."

President Burgunder appointed these as a committee: Chairman, C. L. Mackenzie, E. E. Scriber, E. T. Coman, Wilbur Yearsley, S. C. Armstrong.

A. M. Scott took the floor to say that something was needed to create enthusiasm and sustain interest in the commercial club. He suggested that the club consider the establishing of social and athletic features and that a room be secured where the members could meet socially. President Burgunder announced that he had favored a stock company to which he would subscribe as much money as any one else for the purpose of building and maintaining a club house. He estimated the cost to be about \$5,000 and offered to subscribe \$100. Oliver Hall offered another \$100.

James A. Perkins suggested that a committee be appointed to look into the feasibility of the plan and the following were appointed: A. M. Scott, W. J. Davener, Oliver Hall, V. D. Smith, F. A. Russell.

John N. Pickrell strongly advocated the adding of social features to the club and the success of commercial clubs in other towns and cities which had given them the added attractions. "If you attach the social and athletic features to the club there can be no question of easily raising the \$5,000," said Mr. Pickrell.

John Lyons wanted to spend the money in bringing the Milwaukee road to Colfax, while Dr. Palmountain wanted the money used in cleaning up the South Palouse river and extending the retaining wall. The general sentiment was strongly in favor of the added attractions to the club.

Mr. Peschau hurried the next question by moving that "we have a Fourth of July this year." He added to the motion that the Fourth be observed and the celebration be held on the streets. There was some discussion as to holding the attractions at the fair grounds, but this was quickly settled by the passage of the motion to celebrate on the streets. The Fourth of July committee on arrangements was named as follows: Chairman, E. Binnard, C. L. Mackenzie, Charles E. Scriber, E. J. Peschau.

Mr. Mackenzie moved that the question of holding a county fair be considered. After considerable discussion it was agreed to hold the fair and to continue the old officers who served two years ago.

On motion it was agreed to hold future meetings of the club at 4 o'clock in the afternoon. The regular meeting will be held February 9.

preparing the complaint itself from the one or more complaints filed by interested shippers. No intimation is given as to the probable date of hearing.

The petition was forwarded to Chairman Fairchild of the railroad commission 10 days ago, but the members of the body have pigeonholed the document and have refrained from discussing it publicly. The millers have received no intimation from the commissioners as to when their wants will be considered.

TO ASK WHEAT RATE

Railroad Commission Covers Up Requests for Joint Rates.

Illness of Chairman Fairchild Prevents Publication of Complaints From Various Shippers.

A dispatch from Olympia says: The railroad commission has issued a statement announcing that complaint had been made to it against the railroad companies concerning a lack of a joint rate on wheat from O. R. & N. to Puget sound. The millers of Seattle and Tacoma to the number of six signed a strongly worded complaint, asking for a joint wheat rate. This complaint has been on file for several days. In addition thereto it has heretofore been stated on competent authority that a complaint was in course of preparation by shippers in the Palouse country. The railroad commission is silent as to the character or the number of the complaints, but the reason for withholding information concerning them is given in the statement as follows:

Owing to the fact that the meeting of the railroad commission has been delayed by the illness of Chairman Fairchild, who is detained at his home in Bellingham, no announcement has heretofore been made of the filing of complaints against the railways asking for a joint rate on wheat from O. R. & N. points in eastern Washington. Definite information concerning complaints of this character will not be given out until after the meeting of the commission.

The state concludes with the announcement that the complaint has been filed. The complaint from western shippers of wheat was wholly unexpected, and it is believed, took the commission very much by surprise. It has been anticipated that the hearing on this, the main spring of the railroad commission legislation, would be held in eastern Washington. The law requires that the hearing shall be held in the county where the complaint originates. It is believed the commission will choose eastern Washington for the hearing if the Palouse complaint materializes. It will also follow the plan adopted in bringing about the recent Colfax joint rate hearing on coarse grains and other products by

TO CLOSE SATURDAY

Colfax Merchants Help Boost Big Basket Ball Game.

Doubleheader Victory For Colfax Against Garfield Arouses Great Interest in the Sport.

Colfax enthusiasm over clean sports and the loyal support given to such by everyone from the smallest school boy or girl, up to the big merchant is demonstrated by the united action taken this week by business men who have agreed to close their stores next Saturday night in order to allow the clerks and employees to attend the big basketball game between Colfax and Spokane. Even the barber shops of the city are considering the feasibility of closing long enough to attend the game.

The splendid showing made by the Spokane teams last Friday night has greatly increased interest in the games, and has encouraged Manager Pattison in his work of making Colfax a champion city this season. With the same prospect of improvement in the star playing of the boys' team, Colfax will certainly land near the top.

The double header Friday night resulted in a double victory for Colfax. In the girls' game against the Garfield girls the score resulted 12 to 1 in favor of Colfax. There were seven fouls for Colfax. Pocock threw 3 baskets and Cairns threw 2. Garfield had 12 fouls, Livingston throwing one foul.

In the boys' game Colfax clearly outplayed Garfield from start to finish making the game somewhat one-sided. The local players were fast and accurate in their work, some of the balls handled being of championship class. Garfield had the heavier team and with one or two exceptions was too slow. The Garfield handling of the ball was inaccurate and often the sphere would be dumped into vacant spots or into the hands of the opposition, because of a lack of good team work.

The complete score was 27 to 8 in favor of Colfax. Canutt tossed two baskets, Bragg three and Kimbrough eight. Colfax made nine fouls.

For Garfield Scott threw two baskets and two fouls, Kenoyer throwing one basket. Garfield made 10 fouls. Bragg of Colfax threw one foul.

What came near being a serious split between the basketball players and the faculty of the high school was partially patched up last Friday before the games began. The difficulty arose over the action of one of the professors who declared that Miss Smith and Miss Pocock could not play in the high school team. "Pressed for a reason for the order he announced the two players were behind in their studies."

The order created a sensation in the school and the protests filed resulted in a meeting of the faculty. Miss Pocock and Miss Smith are star players and their absence meant a disastrous weakening of the team at the last minute.

During the discussion Manager Paul Pattison was asked to resign the management of the boys' team, following which the split grew serious.

The girls' team was hastily disbanded as a high school team and reorganized as a team of the Colfax Athletic association. It was also planned to turn the boys' team into the association instead of playing under the high school.

Another meeting of the faculty was held at 6 o'clock in the evening when it was shown the two teams would be fatally crippled by interference. The request for Manager Pattison's resignation was withdrawn and peace again established. Pattison's splendid service in raising the standard of sports and the high standing given Colfax recently made his retention as manager an important feature of successful sports during the coming season, and the action of the faculty was hailed joyously by the high school contingent.

Much to the surprise of the players a new order was issued Tuesday by the faculty which brought about a more serious difference. The first notice was to the effect that Manager Pattison, not being in regular attendance at the high school, was ineligible as manager of the high school team and his resignation was asked for.

The second notice was to the effect that the high school boys' team must not play in the same hall with the girls' team reorganized under the Colfax Athletic association.

The action of the faculty resulted in a meeting of the players Tuesday night at which it was voted to disband the boys' team as a high school team and reorganize, as did the girls, under the Colfax Athletic association, retaining Pattison as manager. This was done with the understanding that the outside teams would recognize the necessity of the action and keep the dates made originally with the high school teams.

According to Manager Pattison the split will result in there being no athletic program for spring as had been planned. Track work was to have been begun soon and entries made for the Putnam meet under the high school banner. Some of the boys say they will not attempt to carry out the program of high school athletics.

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