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RAILROADS WILL "TAP" STOCKMEN

Latest Move is to Force Stockmen to Ship Through South Omaha to Chicago, Which Tightens the Monopoly. Outs Stockman's Profits by Forcing Him to Pay \$15 to \$25 More Freight Per Car.

That the railroads are beginning a series of advances in freight rates, deliberately planned to tap the pocket-books of western consumers and reduce the profits of farmers in Nebraska and other states west of the Missouri river, is plain from advances in rates announced this week.

The first advance has been made on dressed meat—an increase of 30 per cent on the rate from Omaha and Sioux City markets to the east. Such an increase amounting to \$10 per car—is at once a blow to the business interests of Nebraska, particularly the farmers and stock growers, then to the men who have invested \$42,000,000 in building markets at Omaha and Sioux City.

This advance means more than a loss to stockmen because of the necessity of paying freight for longer distances. It will destroy the Missouri river markets and throw the stock growers back onto the mercy of eastern markets, where they must ship their live stock. They must simply accept what the eastern markets decide to pay when the competition of the Missouri river markets is destroyed.

Burlington Starts it.

Led by the Burlington the other roads have been forced into line, the Northwestern as well as the independent roads which do not have roads west of the Missouri river. These lines are the Illinois Central, Great Western and Wabash. Regardless of the fact that it was to the interest of the weaker lines to maintain the old rates, they were forced into line by the iron hand of some power higher up and have entered the conspiracy to place every stock grower in Nebraska at a disadvantage by assisting to destroy the "near markets" afforded by South Omaha and Sioux City.

These two markets "out on the Missouri" have forced the prices up because of the competition they offered. They have maintained the "open door policy," and now the railroads make an advance in rates which causes an extra \$10 to be levied against every car of dressed meats leaving South Omaha or Sioux City, thus placing them at a disadvantage.

Railways Want Money.

The only reason given by the railroads for tightening the monopoly and forcing live stock to Chicago, is that they need the extra money which will come to them by reason of hauling the live stock a longer distance to Chicago and then hauling the dressed meat back to the consumers in the west.

and their earnings have never been as great as at present.

Here is where the stockman is "tapped." When live stock is shipped to South Omaha, Sioux City or Kansas City it is delivered in better condition than it can be delivered in Chicago or St. Louis, more than 500 miles further east and brings a better price. The stock grower loses by the effect of the advance already made:

- From \$15 to \$25 on each car in extra freight charges to eastern markets.
- From \$5 to \$25 per car because of shrinkage and loss of life of animals sure to be greater on the long haul.
- At least \$5 extra for feed enroute and more because of the higher price of feed in eastern markets.
- Three days extra time accompanying shipments to eastern markets.
- Decrease in price sure to follow the destruction of competition made by such markets as South Omaha and Sioux City.

To Nebraska and its commercial interests, nothing is considered more vital than the "near live stock market" at South Omaha, where the pay rolls alone amount to \$7,000,000 annually. This money is spent in Nebraska and those people contribute to public maintenance.

South Omaha's Good Prices.

For twenty-five years Nebraska has been working to build up such markets as South Omaha and Sioux City both for the convenience and profit of the western stock grower. That these markets have been a boon to Nebraska is shown by the fact that 5,438,125 head of live stock were sold in South Omaha last year. Not a car load would have been sold in South Omaha if the farmer could have received as much for his stock on any other market. Now the railroads have practically ordered the closing of the markets on the Missouri river. There will be no choice, unless the rate is replaced, except to accept whatever is offered by the eastern markets.

Stockman's Profit Swallowed. The markets close to Nebraska farms are responsible for the good prices and fair profits which stockmen realized on their live stock. These profits will now be swallowed up by higher freight rates, shrinkage and low prices offered by eastern markets when they have no competition on the Missouri river, and stock is hauled a long distance from the feed lot.

The railroads want the long haul—when they get live stock on board they want to haul it to the end of their lines if possible. They advance the rate on the finished product to such an extent that the western markets cannot slaughter it and ship it east at a profit.

If the stock must be shipped to Chicago for slaughter, some one must pay the freight on the product when it comes back. The railroads thus get a real double assessment levied on the people in the territory west of the Missouri river. If Nebraska hogs are butchered in Chicago no one but the Nebraska farmer pays the freight. Then if he buys hams and bacon, he pays the excessive freight on the back haul.

J. M. Moffett was over from Gooby to attend the stock sale Saturday, which brought fair prices but there are always some bargains you know.

Who Are The United Doctors?

Some Information About the Specialists Who Will Be in Valentine, on Friday, April 8, and Saturday, April 9; and at Wood Lake, Thurs., April 14.

Since the announcement has been made in these columns that the Chief Consulting Physician of the United Doctors, who have their permanent Nebraska Institute located on the second floor of the Neville block, corner of 16th and Harney streets, Omaha, Neb., would pay a short visit to the Donohoe hotel at Valentine, the question has been asked many times: Who are the United Doctors and what do they do? The answer is this:

The United Doctors, as the name implies, is an association of expert medical specialists who have united to organize a new school of medicine; a new and more scientific and positive system of curing human ailments. For centuries, the world has been full of different "cults" and "isms" of medicine. We had the old root and herb doctor with his bitter potions, the Allopath with calomel and the Quinine in heroic doses; the Electric without his calomel; the osteopath and the Christian Scientist. We were doctored by heat, by electricity, by baths at the hot springs and by a multitude of men and methods. Some of the patients were cured, some died who should have been cured. It was impossible for the ordinary person to say which method of treating diseases was best, and the physicians of the various schools were so biased that they could see good only in their own methods; all others were, necessarily bad.

Evidently there is good in all of them, for they all cure some cases, also, there is bad in all, for they all failed at times and allowed misery to remain or death to come where a cure should have been effected.

A tremendous stride forward was made, when the association of the United Doctors was formed. The founders of this association consisted of eminent specialists from the various schools of practice. Eclectics, Homeopaths, Allopaths, Regulars and Irregulars, met and agreed to drop their prejudice and form a new system of treatment, which would embrace all the good points of the old methods and leave out the bad. The result of the efforts of these world specialists of the various schools, was the wonderful treatment now being used by the United Doctors. All of this was not accomplished in a day or two, but has taken years of patient work by these specialists in their great institutions in the east; Homeopaths, Eclectics, Allopaths, all working side by side, each throwing away his old ideas when he was convinced there was something better, until at last out of the old chaos and confusion, came the new and perfect system, as it is now used by the United Doctors.

The cost of these specialists was great not only in the labor of forming the new system of treatment, but also in the effort it costs them to ignore their prejudice in favor of the various schools in which they were originally educated. But their record has been great in health and happiness restored to hundreds and thousands who were going to their graves in misery, pronounced incurable by old methods.

The wonderful new system of medicine has cured thousands of cases of chronic diseases of the liver, kidneys, skin, heart, lungs, bowels and stomach, including rheumatism, paralysis, neuralgia, appendicitis, gall stones, piles, goiter, rupture, diseases of women and diseases of men, which had been pronounced incurable by other doctors.

Mrs. Tjitha Carr of Papillion, Neb., says four years ago she had a nervous breakdown, including rheumatism, stomach and bowel

trouble. She got so bad, members of her family had to sit up with her night after night each time expecting her to die before morning. She grew worse under treatment from her home doctor, and finally a surgeon from another city told her that if she would be operated on, she would be able to do her household work, the next day. She was operated on and the result of that operation confined her to her bed for eight months. When she left her bed, her neighbors took her to the United Doctors' office at Omaha. In six weeks from that time she says: "I feel better than I have for the past three years. I eat well, do my work, sleep well and have not a particle of pain. I feel like a new woman."

Louis Schultz, a prosperous farmer living on R. R. No. 2, Plattsmouth, Neb., says that for twelve years he had been treating with his home doctors, those in Council Bluffs, Ia., and the best ones in St. Paul, Minn. He took the hot baths in Lincoln, Neb., and even went clear to Hot Springs, Ark., all of which gave him no relief. In speaking of his case he says: "I went to the United Doctors. They told me more about myself and disease in ten minutes than all the other doctors put together in all the years before."

"Now my stomach gives me no trouble. I eat anything and digest it perfectly; my kidneys are better and my rheumatism improving so rapidly in this short time, that I am sure my recovery will be complete."

N. C. Carlson of Wausa, Neb., says: "I am now as well as I ever was in my life. When I commenced treatment with you, I was barely able to walk, such was the pain I had. Now after taking your treatment for five months, I enjoy perfect health."

Mrs. Alice Griswold of 1619 Frederick St., Omaha, Neb., says she had appendicitis in a very severe form. She did not believe she could be cured without a surgical operation, but took the United Doctors' treatment with little hope. After the first two or three doses she began to feel better and in less than a month was entirely cured, and has had no return of the trouble since.

These people were cured in their own homes, without surgical operation, and they are only a few out of the thousands who have been cured by the United Doctors at their various Institutes throughout the United States. These specialists have hundreds of testimonials from cured patients on file at their offices. Anyone interested in any particular disease can secure the names of patients who were cured of that disease by writing to the United Doctors at their Omaha Institute. There testimonials are from responsible people of Nebraska, and were given voluntarily out of the gratitude of their hearts, so you can believe implicitly what they tell you.

It is this wonderful all home treatment that the United Doctors are bringing to Valentine on Friday, April 8th, and Saturday, April 9th, and to Wood Lake on Thursday, April 14.

If you are skeptical, write to the United Doctors for the names and addresses of patients whom they have cured and you will be furnished with as many as you may desire to investigate.

Remember the United Doctors will be here but two days and while here will receive patients at the Donohoe hotel.

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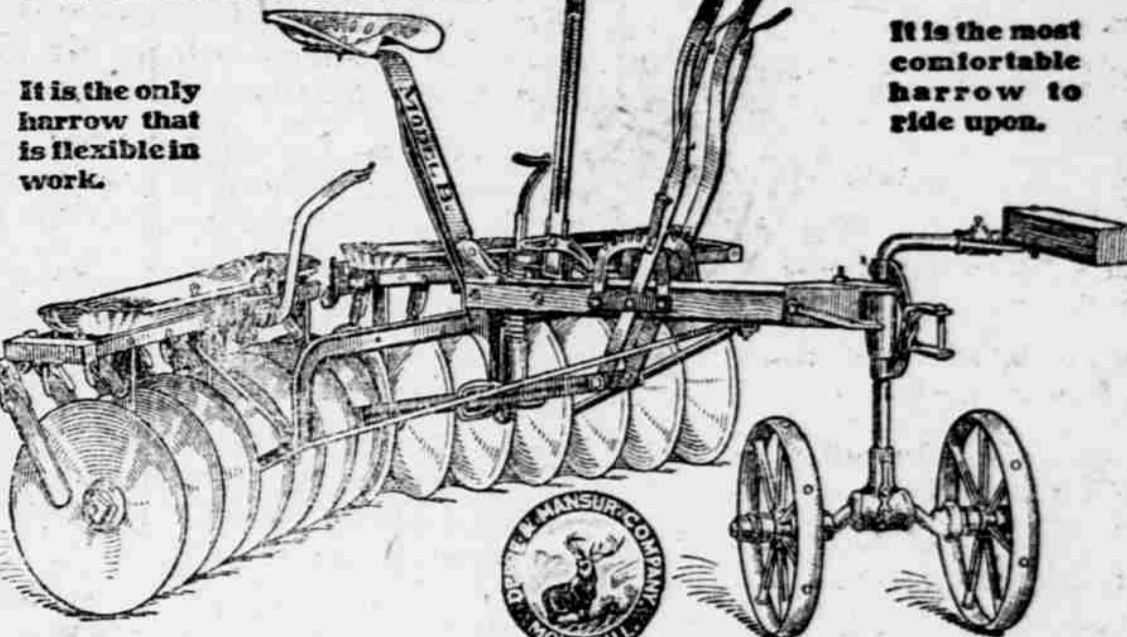
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