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# OREGON IRRIGATION.

are for the different sources of water supply in the principal drainage basins. The state of Oregon is divided longi-

tudinally by the Cascade Mountain area and vas'ly different in soil, surface to the coast, are a continuation of the Sierra Nevada Range, and have an al-titude of 6000 feet, or more. While the crest is generally quite regular, there are several prominent peaks of volcanic formation, the highest of which is Mount Hood, towering 11,225 feet above the ocean. Between the Cascade Range and the sea is a lower chain known as

the Coast Range. Western Oregon constitutes less than one third of the state, and its surface for the most part is rough and broken Owing to the mountain barrier, there is abundant rainfall on the west and comparatively little on the east. With few exceptions, irrigation is unnecessary west of the Cascade Mountains, and, where resorted to, is for the purpose of increasing the yield. In portions of the Willamette Valley, although the rainfall is usually abundant, the artificial application of water is practiced to some extent in truck gardening and fruit growing, especially during dry

In the southern part the mountain crest is relatively low. Here precipitation is less, and farming by irrigation is more extensively followed.

northeast are the Blue Mountains 7000 other eastward, and known, respective-ly, as the Western Spur and Powder Water from the Grand Ronde in the River mountains. To the south, exranges trend westward from the Blue bia; an eastern, to the Snake; and a mid-gouthern, the eastern portion of which is independent, while the western is drained to Klamath River.

The annual average rainfall varies m 6.3 inches in the mid-southern 12.7 inches in the eastern and that three fourths of it occurs during the period from October to March.

The soil of the plateau con-ists largely of disintegrated lava, and wiere there is sufficient moisture native grasses as found and grazing le an important inalluvial deposit, and under brigation produces large crops. The larger streams are generally percential, but well systems, coating \$2,026, irrigated many of the smaller tributaries are dry during the summer months. during the summer months.

Taking the state as a whole, irrigation

onditions in 1902 were above the aver COLUMBIA RIVER DRAINAGE BASIN

This drainage basin comprises that portion of Oregon drained by the Columbis River and its tributaries below the mouth of the Snake. The mair stream is not utilized to any great ex-tent because of its slight fall and the precipitous nature of its banks. There were, in 1902, 7 systems supplied from the main stream, water being taken from it by pumping plants, and 198 acres belonging to 7 farms were thus irrigated at an average coat per acre of \$17.68. The length of main canals -nd ditches was 5 miles, and the total cos of construction, \$3,500.

From all sources in this drainage asin water was supplied through 960 1,731 farms, at an average cost per acre of the local wheat market. Buyers of \$6.35. The total cost of constructing and sellers are farther apart than ever ditches and the necessary dams, headgates, reservoirs, etc., was \$410,928.

So far as irrigation is concerned, John Day and Deschutes rivers are the largest blue-stem, 79c; Valley, 80. and most important of the tributaries. and supplied water to 48,712 acres out of a total irrigated area of 64,355 for the entire basin. The former had its headwaters on the western slope of the Blue Mountains between the Western Spur 4 10; clears, \$3.85 and 40; hard what The upper rourse is westward, but mid- whoat, \$5.40 and \$6.00; graham, \$3.90, north and enters the tolombia just 4.75 there Join Day. The latter has its OAFS-No. 1 white, \$1.174; gray head enters on the eastern slope of the \$1.10 per cented. Montains, cor Diamond Peak and Mont ! I blem, Boxs north Crooked River, rises near the center of eastern Oregon, and flows westward and northward to its configence with

In 1902, John Day River and tributaries irrigated 27,604 acres, representing 554 farms, at an average cost per acre of \$4.35. There were 381 systems 25@ 29c having 402 miles of main canals and dutter ditches, and the total cost of construction was \$120,000. One hundred and ninety systems, supplied with water from the Deschutes River and tributaries, irrigated 21,108 acres on 294 farms. The total first cost of construction was \$138,755, an average of \$6,57 per irrigated acre. The entire length of main

the main stream.

canals and ditches was 351 miles. Hool River and tributaries irrigated 2,837 acres; Walla Walls and tributaries, 3,3 1; Umatilla and tributaries, 4,485; and Willow Creek and tributaries, 3,013. Fifty-nine systems, with 17 miles of main canals and ditches, di- sheep \$3.

The United States Census Bureau has verted water from the Willamette Rives given out the following preliminary and tributaries, and irrigated 448 acres statement concerning irrigation in the in holdings averaging 6.6 acres, largely state of Oregon in 1902. The statistics in gardens and orchards. The total first cost of construction was \$3,240, an average of \$7,23 per irrigated acre.

SNAKE BIVER DRAINAGE BASIN This river, the largest tributary of the range into two parts, very unequal in Columbia, rises in Yellowstone National Park, crosses southern Idaho, and and climate. These snow-capped forms the northern half of the eastern mountains, 115 miles inland and parallel boundary of Oregon. Along this part boundary of Oregon. Along this part of its ccurse the Snake flows through deep canons rendering irrigation there from almost impossible.

In 1902, this portion of the Snake

River and its Oregon tributaries and the springs and wells within the drainage basin irrigated 167,790 acres belonging to 2,004 farms, at an average initial cost per acre of \$5.79. There were 737 systems with 1,388 miles of main cana and ditches The total first cost of con struction was 8971,743. Two systems located near Untario, received water directly from the main stream and irrigated 415 acres, representing 22 farms at an average cost per acre of \$36.52. The total cost of constructing the 13 miles of canals and ditches, dams head-getes, flumes, etc., was \$15,154.

In 1902, Powder and Malbeur rivers.

the principal tributaries of the Snake n Oregon, with their affluents, irrigated more acres than all the other Snake River tributaries in Oregon, Powder River and tributaries supplied water to 183 systems, which irrigated 58,482 acres belonging to 606 farms. The necessary main canals and ditches, 412 ... iles in length, together with dams, head-gates etc., cost \$268,101, an average first cost per acre of \$4.58. Malheur River and Eastern Oregon is a great inland plateau, 2000 to 5000 feet high. In the tributaries irrigated 40,686 acres on 274 farms. There were 120 systems, with fect or more in altitude, with two large 322 miles of main canals and ditches spurs extending, one westward and the The total construction cost was \$232,808 Water from the Grand Ronde in the northeastean portion was diverted by tending to the state boundary, are 128 systems to 389 farms, and irrigated Steins Mountains, while several low 52,628 acres. The 176 miles of main canals and ditches and other irrigation Mountains to the Cascade Range. Thus works cost \$85,011, an average cost per the plateau is divided into three sections: a northern, drained to the Colum- and tributaries supplied water to 121 systems, costing \$65,791, and irrigated 16,042 acres belonging to 354 farms. There were 184 miles of main canals and ditches, and the average cost per irrigated acre was \$4.09. The Cwyhee River and tributeries, in the south-eastern part, furnished water to 190 about the rainfall for the entire state is at a cost of \$192,735. The area irrigated was 13,215 acres and the average cost per acre, \$14.51. There were 115 miles

of main canals and ditches. Fighteen systems receiving water from springs irrivated 553 acres belonging to 18 farms at an average cost per sere of \$4.99. The total cost of construction, including the 9 miles of ca-na's and ditches, was \$2,700. Seven

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Pointoes, 60 to 75 cents per sack. Onicus-80 cents to \$1.00 per sack. Egge-Oregon, 30 @321 ets, E" ern

dutter-Creamery, 27) and 30c. Dairy, 20 and 22 jc, store 15@15 to 1b Poultry-Chickens, mixed 10c per pound. spring, 10c and bens, 10c, turkeye live, 17 and 18c lb dressed 18 and 20c lb-. ducks, \$6 and 7 , er doz. geese, 8c lb.

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