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UNIQUE PLAN FOR PROJECT

Committee of Three May Control Affairs of Irrigation Co.

INDEBTEDNESS IS ABOUT \$828,000

Representatives of Irrigation Co., Do Not Like the Proposition

A dispatch from Salem says: By what promises to be one of the most unique arrangements ever attempted in connection with a Carey act project in this state, it is probable that the problem of the Central Oregon Irrigation Company may be settled by the naming of a committee of three—the members to represent the Desert Land Board, company and settlers, respectively—to take over the assets and notes of the project and to dictate its control and management.

This suggestion, coming from Governor West, after an all-day discussion, met with spontaneous approval of the Board, and J. E. Richardson, representing the water-users on the project, which is the biggest in the state. Representatives of the company made some objection and agreed to refer the plan to the directors.

In event the scheme is definitely work out, no new developments will be contemplated. The whole work to be centered on the final furnishing of water to those on the lands now, and no new sales will be allowed. The company now has about \$828,000 outstanding indebtedness, according to figures given by representatives of the company.

Lively tilts marked the discussion throughout the day, especially between Chairman Richardson, of the Water-user's Association, and R. S. Howard and Jess Stearns, representing the company. Engineer Weygant, of the State Engineer's force, who has charge of the system of inspecting proofs on the desert lands in the section of the Central Oregon Irrigation Company, was another who came to issue with Messrs. Howard and Stearns and recriminations and, in some instances, open charges of positive mistatement's were made.

Mr. Weygant furnished the board with a statement that two days after the board had visited the Central Oregon Irrigation Company's project in person that the large gang of men at work at Hillman was laid off. This assertion was disputed by Howard as a positive misstatement. On further questioning by Treasurer Kay, however, Kay asserted that Howard had weakened in his attempting to prove that the engineer was wrong and Kay backed up the engineer in his assertions.

Mr. Weygant also stated that the company had not been paying cash for work done on some of the ditches, but was paying by allowing credit on settler's notes and letting the settlers work out their ditch work in that manner.

Chairman Richardson, of the Water-user's Association, made the allegation that the settlers were generally of the opinion that money which had been collected from the settlers had gone into the townsite of the Deschutes. Mr. Howard explained that the money used in constructing the irrigation company's building at the townsite was

raised from the sale of lots in Redmond and Bend and that the townsite company had donated the land to the irrigation company.

"The money you put into the buildings for the irrigation company at that point represented money derived from tangible assets of the irrigation company, did it not?" asked Mr. Richardson.

"It did, but it was only a small amount, comparatively," was the response.

"Who has the deed for the property on which the buildings were constructed?" asked Mr. Richardson.

"The townsite company holds those deeds under an agreement that they will be turned over to the irrigation company when our part of the contract is completed."

"Well, there are a lot of contracts over in that section of the country that we expected to see completed, but never have so far," replied Richardson.

The company takes the attitude that one of the most important factors in the Carey act development is the factor of sales and that no project can live without it. It is declared that the project will live or die solely on this one factor. It is further asserted by representatives of the company that the plan to place the whole project in the hands of a committee of three and to stop all new work and consequently all sales, will mean much harm to the future welfare of the segregation.

Representatives of the settlers and members of the board, however, say the company should complete its work up to date, rather than attempt further development along new lines. They take the stand that at present the system of using money from sales to complete the work has been more or less of a failure because lands have been sold and the work not completed, while at the same time many lands on the project have been sold for which water is not available.

HAVE HIGH IDEALS.

Upon the Standard You Raise Depends Your Future Career.

What we make of ourselves depends upon the ideals which we habitually hold. Our lives are shaped upon our mental models. If these be high the lift is lofty; if low it grovels. Man is no better than his ideals. The stream cannot rise higher than its source. Our work can never overtop our ideal our ambition. It is a great thing, to keep the constant suggestion of high ideals, of things that are grand and noble in human achievement, in the mind. It tends to make us love the right and hate the wrong.

There is one thing we ought to hold in such sacredness that no consideration could induce us to dilute it, and that is the quality of the life, the quality of our ideals. Whatever else we are careless about, we cannot afford to carry through life low ideals, second class personalities or demoralizing mentalities. However humble our homes or ordinary our environment, we should keep the quality of the life, the personality, at the highest possible standard. We should allow nothing to deteriorate it.

Yet most people are careless and indifferent regarding the quality of their lives. There is a sloppiness in their living, a slovenliness in their mentality, which tend to deteriorate the quality of the life and make it cheap and commonplace.

Whatever your career, guard your ideal as the apple of your eye, the pearl of great price, for everything depends upon the direction in which that points. If it points downward no amount of money or influence can redeem you from mediocrity or even save you from a degraded life. Man is so made that he must follow his ideal. He cannot go up if his ideal points down. —Orison Swett Marden in Success Magazine.

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