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Irrigation implies a certain amount of labor and expense. The main irrigating canal must be built with its dams, headgates, flumes, bridges, rights of way, etc. The individual consumer must prepare for receiving his share during the irrigating season. He must dig lateral ditches, construct headgates, and sometimes dike up or flume over a low place in his land. When it comes irrigating time he must hire extra help, unless he is wise enough to keep his irrigated acres within the limits of his own capacity for labor. But so far as that goes, a farmer in almost any section of the country finds himself obliged on certain occasions to employ an extra hand or two. However, he is not always required to put up cash either for the original purchase of his water right, or in the payment of annual assessments. Original owners in irrigating ditches frequently pay for water rights entirely in labor or material. Besides the excavation of the ditches, lumber must be provided for headgates and flumes and stones for dams and bulkheads.

Then he is frequently permitted to work out his annual assessments with his teams, or by putting on a hired hand or two, for all of the big ditches need attention each succeeding year. Large quantities of sand wash in from the river, and this has to be cleaned out. Banks must be strengthened and repairs and improvements made generally. So between construction and maintenance the average farmer is not required to dig up much cash to meet the expenses of securing and keeping up water rights. Of course a farmer buying a piece of irrigated land has the water rights included in the purchase price of the land, and is required only to pay his assessment from year to year. A single water right usually carries with it sufficient water to irrigate 100 acres of land. More land must have added shares, or fractions of shares, while smaller tracts call for fractions in proportion to their area of 100 acres. The value of a water right depends on the reliability of its source of supply and upon its seniority.

The first ditch to be built on any given stream and to have established that fact in court naturally has a prior right to water from that stream up to the amount of its legal appropriation over all other ditches taken from the stream at subsequent dates. Its legal appropriation is not what it may claim, but the amount of water that it can use beneficially from season to season. All irrigation water is measured by the cubic feet passing a given point in a second of time. During the winter and early spring irrigation farmers turn anxious eyes to the higher altitudes and great timber belts up in the mountains. Reports of the amount of snowfall and conditions of the snow beds are eagerly sought.

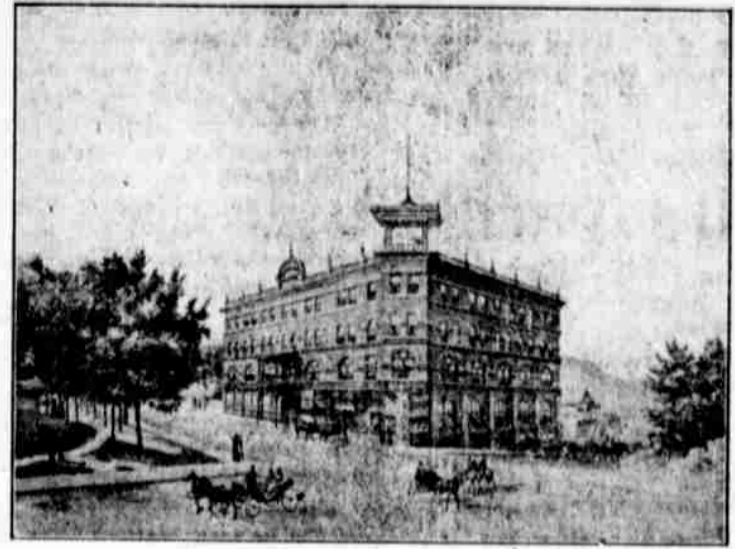
If the snowfall is reported to be light, every farmer hastens spring work as much as possible in order that the fields may be all planted by the time the high water runs, so that all the good possible may be obtained out of the limited water supply while it lasts. In such cases farmers rather hope for a cool, wet spring, as this will give the crops time to start and will hold back the supply of irrigation water by reason of the cold weather in the upper altitude. When they hear that the snows are falling early in the mountains so that they will become packed against the coming of late winter and spring snows, there is a feeling of comfort and an assurance of a good supply of water. When it is known that the snows lie from four to six feet deep in the timber belts and high mountain slopes the farmers do not lie awake nights worrying about making good crops for the coming summer.—Denver Field and Farm.

Why Diamond Were Gone. Six detectives were in front of Judge Brady's bench this morning waiting for police court to open, says the Kansas City Star. They were having an experience meeting. Finally the turn came to Andy O'Hare, whose duty it is to visit pawnshops each day and search for stolen property. "Here's a case I had Saturday," O'Hare said, "and it's a true story."

"A man came to the police station that morning and reported that a Walnut street pawnbroker had stolen two diamonds from him. He said that one night about two months ago he took a stickpin to the pawnbroker. The pin was a solid gold dog's head, the eyes of which were diamonds. Later he took his pawn ticket and \$8 and redeemed the pin. When the pawnbroker handed him the pin the eyes of the dog were gone."

"I accompanied the man to the pawnshop and questioned the proprietor. He denied the theft. "What became of them?" I asked. "The pawnbroker didn't answer for a time. Finally he said: "Well, I suppose that dog was so ashamed of its master and of the fact that it had to stay in a pawnshop that it just cried its eyes out."

At this moment there was a loud rap on the judge's bench. Judge Brady had arrived and was calling court to order. The detectives dispersed and the experience meeting ended. Every woman believes her dressmaker has a house full of handsome patch work quilts, and that she helped to buy the pieces.



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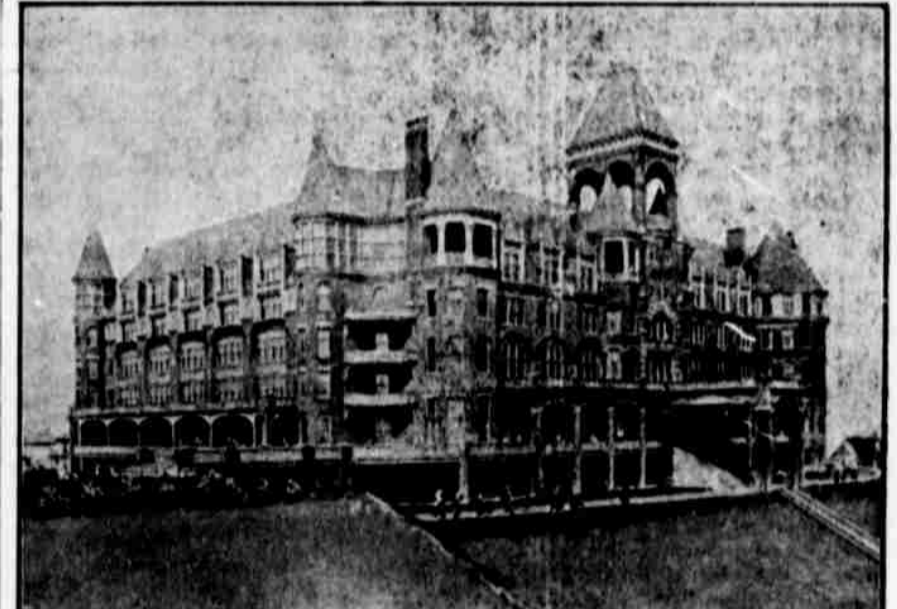
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