POWER DEVELOPMENT AND RECLAMATION ARE
$T$ Tis natural that the president of the state farm bureau shour 1 believe in the development of the Umatilla rapids project such a project. The federal government used its money by the
millions to reclaim waste land that is now producing alfalfa and other crops in competition with the crops grown on other land.
The farmers of the west did notyobject to this course. They placed the public good above their private interests in the mat-
ter. They took the position that while more reclamation meant more competition for them it also meant greater developm
and settlement and that from these things all people gain.

The same principles apply to power development. It is just er as to reclaim waste land, only more so. Mr. Mansfield i likewise correct in his position that regulation has not solved to to
nower question. Regulation may be relied upon in a measure to regulate rates of existing companies although there is a widenot bring about the construction of big projects like the Umatilla
rapids project. In fact regutatory law tends to keep privat rapids project. In fact reguiatory law tends to keep private
capital from developing such projects. Here is why. Should
the private electrie interests build the Umatila rapids project our regulatory laws would require that the power developed be sold at a reasonable price above the cost of production.
would mean low priced power from a plant that could send an
Hen leculd mean a decided reduction in present charges in the north West. The electric companies are not wanting such a reduc-
tion in the prlce of their product so it is logical to assume they will not develop the project, or desire to see ctrelioped. Ther project.
The Columbia basin power should be developed through That is the fair way to do the thing and the only practical way to secure results within anything like the immedia
Power development and reclamation are analogous.

SOME POINTS ABOUT THE WHEAT SITUATION

HE grain crops are not quite up to last year, having suffer-
3d injury under the heat and dry weather of July. In the ielt aboft the same as last year, with the former country total le under and the latter a little over last year's.
Owing to the emergency customs duty of 35 cents per bushe try than last year, but as much of the spring wheat grown in the
Minneapolis territory is of poor quality it will be necessary for the mills to bring in considerable for mixing purposes, to maintain the grade of their flower. The tariff will add to the cost
of flour to that extent, and recent statements at Washington any good.
Thus Mr. J.ar. Howard, president of the American Farm
Bureau Federations in a statement before the Interstate Commerce commission in behalf of a reduction of freight rates
grain, is quoted in the Washington dispatches as follows: grain, is quoted in the Was.
eration, sif ward, president of the American Farm Bureau Fed accumulates, usually in Liverpool, and that this price, less commhere the prices are made was what the producer received.
Therefore, he added, any increase or decrease in freight rates was felt direetly by the farmer."
This is so much like what was said in these columns last fall
when the movement for putting a duty upon wheat was started, when the movement for putting a duty upon wheat was started,
that we feel justified in referring to it. We said then that Kansas City, Chicago, Minneapolis, Winnipeg and other worl, markets moved together, affected by common influences, and that so. long as this country and Canada were both exporting largely to Liverpoo, prices in both countries would be approximater
the same; and that if all Canadian wheat went to Liverpool it
would compete with our wheat and take the place of our whea as truly as though it came into this market. As a matter of fact it to move to the seaboard over Canadian railyays and through Canadian ports, instead of moving in part over our railway and through our ports. It has the further effect, however, of
disturbing exchange relations, and of producing inritation between this country and our friendly neighbor, who is our best
trade customer. And this is the way legislation intended to contrade customer. And this is the way legislation intended to con-
trol economic conditions usually works out.
The wheat movement in this country is in marked contrast
with that of last year. Five of the big railiroads in Kansas mov ed three times as much wheat in July this year as in July last year, and receipts at all primary markets since the beginning of the new crop year have been about double those of last year lative marketto absorb, just at a time when the speculator has been in grater disfavor than ever, and the market for the Sep-
tember and later deliveries is down about 25 cents per bushel from the top. Although the future markets are not below the spot market, as they were last year, they are not enough above The general situation as to wheat is good. Unlike that of last year, domestic stocks of flour are small and the millers are as last gentina and Australia, wheat might go considerably higher.
From the September Review by the National City

- One of the mysteries of the Gardner case is why bloodhound were not put on the trail of the escaped prisoner. The Gardne
trail should have been an easy one for the dogs to follow.
The worien of Pendleton brought on q dust storm last week for the tinge of winter we have had.

The fire chief's request to clean up is timely, Let's get the old town in presentable shape for visitors and at the garne time
eliminate fire dangers innimition


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