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In a recent interview with Mrs. Lily Langtry, she very wisely said: "The fact that I believe in the superior force of mind over matter does not blind me to the truth that the foundation of every successful life is good health; that the key-stone to physical beauty is perfect physical health."

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TO WATER DRY LAND.

Eleven Oregon Projects Under Consideration.

Washington, Feb. 4.—Eleven different irrigation projects in the State of Oregon are at present under examination by engineers of the reclamation service, to determine their feasibility and practicability. Every effort is being made to select the most promising project, and to get to work. Were it not for legal complications, the Malheur project, which has been found entirely feasible from an engineering standpoint, would today be under contract. But obstacles which have arisen have compelled the engineers to look elsewhere, and unless the pending obstacles are removed this project may have to give way to some other, not now so highly regarded.

A great deal in the way of field examination was accomplished during the past summer by the field engineers. Mr. John T. Whistler, in charge of examinations in Oregon, has submitted his report to the Geological Survey, showing progress on all projects except Klamath River, which does not come under his jurisdiction. This report will be published within a few days.

Mr. Whistler gives first attention to the Malheur project, which he says contemplates the irrigation of about 90,000 acres of bench and bottom lands by storage in Harper reservoir and by diversion at the mouth of Malheur Canyon directly onto the western extremity of irrigable lands. This district is located at from 2150 to 2350 feet above sea level. It was at first supposed that only 75,000 acres could be reclaimed under this project. Subsequent study, however, shows that by constructing a dam 190 to 170 feet high, and utilizing the full capacity of Harper reservoir, 90,000 acres could be irrigated. There appears to be an abundance of water to irrigate this area. As improved and irrigated lands in these valleys now sell for \$50 to \$100 per acre. About 85 per cent of the land falling under this project is patented, nearly 25 per cent being wagon road lands.

The lower 20 miles of Willow Creek Valley contain 20,000 to 30,000 acres of excellent land, which is at present unimproved for lack of water, and which is largely unpatented. The north side canal under the Malheur project would cover a part of the lower end. The remainder of the valley can be reclaimed by storing the flood waters of Willow Creek.

The land is similar to that of the Malheur project, and it is believed that it can stand a charge of \$30 per acre.

Probably considerably more land can be irrigated with the water supply available.

Not less than 10,000 acres of excellent bench land under this project is unpatented. Probably an equal amount of bottom land is patented, but is in great need of additional water supply during the latter half of season.

It would perhaps be practicable to irrigate 15,000 acres of land to the north of Owyhee River, and lying along Snake River, from the Owyhee, if storage were provided. It might also prove practicable to irrigate an equal or greater amount of land on the south side, and along Snake River, partly in Oregon and partly in Idaho. Several excellent reservoir sites exist on the upper Owyhee, but the river for the most part flows through a canyon from 200 to 400 feet deep, and no practicable diversion can be made to cover any large body of land on either side, except at great and probably prohibitive expense. The lands on the north side of the river can all be covered by water under the Malheur project. There is at present a ditch diverting water from the mouth of the Owyhee canyon, irrigating 5000 to 6000 acres somewhat unsatisfactorily in ordinary years. This is about the limit of area possible to irrigate well without storage. Surveys are being continued from the Malheur project across to the south side of the Owyhee River, and including all the area below the highest practicable diversion point on the river. A very small portion of the area which can be irrigated from Owyhee River is unpatented. It would not exceed 20 per cent. Much of the land on the north side of the river has been subscribed to the Malheur Water Users' Association.

The irrigable lands under this project lie west of Umatilla River and south of and bordering on Columbia River. The elevation of these lands above sea level is from 300 to 700 feet. The project contemplates the use of flood waters from Umatilla River by storage, supplemented by any additional supply which can be obtained by diverting the flood waters of Willow Creek, or any of the tributaries of John Day River.

Probably not less than 150,000 acres of land is available in this region if the water supply can by any means be increased so as to cover it. The growing seasons are long and the winters short and usually mild. Four crops of alfalfa can be raised. In Butter Creek bottom, with one flood irrigation, three crops of alfalfa are grown, yielding five to eight tons per acre for the season. With these conditions it was felt the land could stand a possible charge of \$35 per acre.

Of the total area of irrigable land under consideration, two-thirds, at least, is unpatented, and major portion of patented land is Northern Pacific Railroad grant land. Last year work was started sinking test pits over reservoir sites, embankment line and feed canal line, with a view to authorizing early construction. The test pits in the reservoir site disclosed the fact that a not inconsiderable area of the lower part of the reservoir site and embankment line was underlain by beds of coarse gray sand from 5 to 60 and more feet in thickness. For this reason the board of consulting engineers, after a careful examination, concluded that the reservoir site was impracticable and suggested search for others.

Another site similar to and immediately north of the one condemned by the board has been located, and examinations are now being made to determine its practicability. Examinations have also been made to determine if there are any possible means of diverting water from John Day River over the divide onto these lands. This examination has so far been entirely without success.

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