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COMPLAINT IS WEAK

Can Not Stand an Impartial Investigation.

NO FAULT WITH D. I. & P. CO.

A. M. Drake Explains Misunderstanding and Says Controversy is a Thing of the Past.

loud cry of graft raised against the company just prior to the investigation was shown to have no founin Monday's Oregonian gives more tion." information by stating the four main points comprising the federal officials' investigation. These too, we believe, will be shown to contain nothing derogatory to the company. In fact, as they are discussed this project is shown to be a

The Oregonian's correspondent says that numerous objections had been lodged with the General Land Office against the company by J. M. Lawrence. Mr. Lawrence has facts and the conflicting interests of telegraphed to Bend friends a denial the D. I. & P. Co, and P. B. D. Co. of that statement, which is more that I feel the following explanafully discussed in a letter from A. M. Drake appended below. From whatever source the objections originsted they comprised four main points as follows:

1. Questioning the company's right to water.

Questioning the sufficiency of the amount of water.

Questioning the fact of actual reclamation when water is no nears. er than one mile to the land.

4. Objecting to members of the land to members of their families its rights to water and right of way.

title to right of ways are secure, test that I know of filed with the The principal contest against the General Land Office, but the provalidity of such rights was the conbelow, this difficulty has been en- is one that is always required be-Mr. Drake's holdings by men in. brought about at this time by reterested in the ditch company. The quest of the ditch company itself, enough water in the river to satisfy matters doubly sure the company is taking steps to build an immense reservoir on the headwaters of the Deschutes to store the flood and winter waters of the river. This will give sufficient water to satisfy all riparian rights and to reclaim the company's segregations. Thus objections 1 and 2 are disposed of.

The question whether land is 'reclaimed" when the nearest ditch is a mile distant, is largely a legal or technical quibble. The company's contract forces them to deliver water to the settler at the highest point on his land. This they are doing whenever the settler desires the water. As everyone knows who is acquainted with this soil, it would be folly to build laterals to land unoccupied and leave them unused. They would simply be tramped down by loose stock and filled with dirt by the wind-a waste of money and effort. The company builds the laterals to the land whenever the settler desires the water. As to this point there are no objections raised by the set-tlers on the segregation. The objection is purely a legal quibble made by someone who wished to

harrass the company. Regarding objection No. 4 there OREGON pany has not as much right to sell in Tumalo one day last week.

land to its relatives as to anyone else. Mr. Stanley states openly USE TOO MUCH WATER when cut off That is a fine growth for only the second year, land to its relatives as to anyone how this land was sold; shows that the purchasers have formed a company to clear and develop their Common Fault of Most holdings; and says that at the end of 10 years the purchasers will occupy their respective 160 acres and make their homes there at least a part of the year. Local people have always been proud of these large ranches. They point with pride to them as examples of what our country will do when put under cultivation, and invariably a visitor here is shown these ranches. They have been and are a great ad. for this country.

As far as can be judged now, the As the facts are gradually becom- report by the federal officials will ing known in the investigation of be a favorable one, with possibly a the Deschutes Irrigation & Power few unimportant recommendations.

Company more and more does that When Mr. Bristol was asked by Company, more and more does that The Bulletin if his report would company's work and plans stand be favorable, he replied that it out as approved by the public. The undoubtedly would and added: "We still have the Redmond secto examine but I do not expect to find anything there that will change my opinion as I understand water dation whatever. Another letter is fully distributed over that sec-

Mr. Drake's Letter.

To the Editor: My attention has been called to a statement in Monday's Oregonian to the effect that a protest had been lodged by Mr Lawrence with the General Land Office against the issuance of patent to the state for lands reclaimed by good one and the work done in the D. I. & P. Co. As I happen to that it is only fair that the statement should be corrected. There have been so many conflicting rumors circulating among persons but imperfectly posted as to the tion desirable.

To be entitled to patents for reclarmed lands it was essential that the ditch company should acquire valid water rights and right of way for its headgates and canals. This it could not do without a settlement with The Pilot Butte Development Co. upon whose land they were trespassers and in behalf of their interests I protested to the State Land Board against the state grantmg a certificate of reclamation uncompany seiling large tracts of the til the company had thus perfected the company's right to water and the objections. There was no protest we had filed at Salem has probflicting rights of A. M. Drake. As ably led to confusion. The inves-Mr. Drake points out in his letter tigation of the government officials two cuttings from one seeding

TUMALO, Aug. 20 .- W. P. Downing passed through here today with some pigs he purchased of G. B. Pulliam.

Harry Bailey of Latdiaw went to Sisters today on business,

L. H. Root vesterday moved Charles employed in the mill.

last night looking after horses he supposed had been stolen from him near the headgate of the C. S. I. Co. ditch.

1. E. Wimer and family and mother left yesterday for a month's visit at feet 10 inches high. points in Douglas county.

W. J. Strong and family of Hood River are at present visiting Mrs. Strong's father and mother, Mr. and Mrs. Geo. W. Wimer.

Geo. W. Wimer & Sons will begin hinding grain the first of next week. They have about 100 acres which they will thresh, and expect a good yield.

J. M. Lawrence of Roseburg and Mr.

Local Farmers.

CROPS ARE THUS DAMAGED

Smaller Amount of Water Would Produce Better Yields Is the Opinion of Experienced Irrigator.

It is a general remark by experenced irrigators who come into this section from outside places that the farmers here are using too much water. Adam Kotzman, a farmer living on the Prineville road a few miles from Bend, is of the same belief and uses only a small amount of water as compared to some others. And he gets splendid results.

to town a sample of grain hay which he had just cut. It was composed of wheat, oats and barley, which had been seeded together. It had made a very good growth and Mr. Kotzman said he was sure it would cut some better than three tons to the acre. And know that this is an error, I feel that crop had received but little water, only one irrigation.

Last March he plowed the land which was seeded to this crop. On April 25 the grain was seeded. On July 13 it was given its first and only irrigation, just as the grain was heading nicely. On August 14 the crop was cut with the above mentioned good results. Many farmers hereabouts would have watered that grain several times and thus would have drowned it to death, according to Mr. Kotzman's theory

Mr. Kotzman has another field that was plowed and seeded last This crop has not been irrigated at all and he says it will not be. It is heading out nicely and will produce a heavy yield.

Two cuttings from all grain hay crops is what Mr. Kotzman gets he received the following letter: and keeping these tracts intact in The recent purchase of our interests each year. The most enables the ditch company to he accomplishes that result is as the first follows: Just as soon as the first cutting is removed from the field he turns on the water and irrigates the stubble. A second growth at beads out in due time, and gives minute little spider-like insects which once starts up from the stubble,

Mr. Kotzman is a firm believer tirely obliterated by the purchase of fore issuance of patent and is in fall irrigation. He says the proper way is to irrigate your field u the fall, plow it and seed it. company will also be obliged to leave and has no connection with the Then keep all irrigation water off riparian rights below its works, our company, which now are things the following year, when one appli-

Which Show that the Bend Country to a Great Producer.

Following we have collected a few reports of the growth of grain about. They should prove inter-Johnson's family to the Hightower & esting to all Bulletin readers, as Smith mill, where Mr. Johnson will be they help to prove conclusively that the Bend country soil and wat-Leo Pelarske, who has a homestead on er and climate will produce crops three letters of inquiry from parties the head of Tomello, was in the burg the equal of those grown anywhere. The reports follow:

> A field of wheat on the Baldwin ranch seeded June 10 stands three

> Mr. Hunsen of Redmond has some remarkably fine millet on his place that promises to make splendid chicken and stock feed.

Frank Hensley, living south of Redmond, recently brought a two year old sample of alfalfa into Frank Glass' office which measseems no good reason why the com- Pengra of Eugene were pleasant callers ured four feet in length, above ground, and weighed nine pounds

C. M. Ehret. Redmond's general merchandise storekeeper, has a crop of oats on new ground which stands higher than a man's head in many places, and are conservatively estimated as running over 70 bushels to the acre. At that rate next year ought to see 100 bushel of oats per acre on the same land.

Allen Wilcoxson, who is renting the C. M. Redfield ranch east of Bend, brought in some fine samples Saturday. A sample of clover seeded May 15, stood 22 inches above ground; alfalfa, 33% inches high; timothy, seeded May 15, 34 inches. Mr. Wilcoxson has all of the ranch that is now under cultivation seeded to grass. He has 40 acres seeded to timothy and clover and 30 acres to alfalfa.

George L. Simmons brought in a fine bunch of grain and clover samples from his farm between Bend and Laidlaw that are now on Last week Mr. Kotzman brought exhibition in the Central Oregon Realty Co.'s office. It is as fine grain as can be grown in any country without exception, all of it standing nearly to a man's shoulders and with heavy well filled heads. Mr. Simmons had 18 acres in to Little Club wheat. From this he hauled 30 loads of about a ton each and had harvested only about two-thirds of the crop. Clover which has been cut three times this season now stands 18 inches

PEST IS EASILY DESTROYED.

Tiny Spider Attacks Berry Bushes-But Little Damage Done.

During the summer L. D. Wiest and A. H. Grant have noticed a blight on some of their raspberry bushes and have been puzzled to determine the cause. Apparently some disease or insect would attack the bushes in small and scattered spots, causing the foliage to wither, crinkle up and die. Recently Mr. Grant sent a sample of an infected bush to the state agricultural colege at Corvallis, asking for an explanation of the trouble. In reply

CORVAILIS, Or., August 12, 1907.—
Mr. A. H. Grant, Bend, Oregon.—Dear
Sir. The only pest I can find upon the
raspberry cuttings you send is the Red
Spider. This is present in immense
numbers upon the under surfaces of the
leaves and may be responsible for the
trouble you mention. They are very feed upon the under surfaces of the leaves, where they spin a very fine and delicate web. They are, however, rather easily destroyed by dusting the under surfaces of the leaves with finely pow-dered sulphur or probably by spraying and has no connection with the former conflicts between them and our company, which now are things of the past. Trusting this explanation may clear away misunderstandings in the minds of some people but partially informed, I remain Very respectfully,

A. M. DRAKE.

Tumalo Items.

Then keep all irrigation water off of it until the grain begins to head the following year, when one application, using about half strength that is used for winter spraying. It is doubtened to however, whether it will pay to make any application at this season of the year unless the young canes are being seriously injured, as of course the old ones will be removed before next success of it.

A FEW CROP REPORTS.

Which Show that the Bend Country Is

Department of Zoology. the same with a little lime-sulphur solu

Department of Zoology

REDMOND, Aug. 19 -C. M. Redfield was driving over our part of the segreand hay on irrigated land here- gation Saturday with a party-the same ones, we presume, who were mentioned in last week's Bulletin.

Considerable advertising of these lands must be going on in Spokane. The there inside of a week, some of whom will be in before long.

Miss Nellie Muma of Paris, Canada. arrived yesterday for an extended visit with her brother, C. W.

Mr., Mrs., and Miss Jones of Pueble, Colorado, who have been visiting at the home of our H. F. Jones, started on their return trip Thursday, going by way of Portland and Seattle.

Mr. and Mrs. John Moore are here visiting with Mrs. Moore's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Morgan.

Carl Ehret says that when they first opened for business here they would go to the door and "rubber" every time

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