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STATE CONTROL OF WATER.

Paper Presented at Recent Meeting of Oregon State Grange.

By John H. Lewis, State Engineer.

(CONTINUED FROM LAST WEEK.)

Laws of Other States.

Oregon, Washington and California have the poorest water laws of the western states. Colorado profited by the mistakes of California. Later Wyoming and Nebraska adopted laws which have been taken as models by other states, except that adjudications of the early rights are made by the courts instead of by appointed boards, as in these states. The water law defeated by our legislatures of 1905 and 1907 followed closely the laws recently enacted by Utah, Idaho, North and South Dakota and Oklahoma. The Canadian law has been declared by resolution of the American Irrigation Congress to be the best of its kind on this continent. All these modern laws are based upon the water laws of Italy, which have developed through centuries of experience. Thus Oregon has no lack of precedent, and should profit by the experience of these other states and countries.

Arguments Against State Control.

The water code presented to the last legislature provided a comprehensive system of titles to water and for protection to vested rights through state control of diversions from public streams. The leading arguments by the enemies of this bill were as follows: That the state officer in charge would have the power of a czar; that the burden on taxpayers would be excessive; and that the appointment of an unlimited number of water masters was the basis of a machine to control the politics of the state.

The penalty necessary to enforce the proposed law was that no right to the use of public waters should thereafter become vested except by direct grant from the state. The great power complained of was the authority of the state engineer to refuse any application which did not conform with the law. To pass the bill without any means of enforcing it would have the same effect as defeating the bill, which was the result desired.

Under the proposed law, no state control could be had until the determination by the courts of all vested rights to the use of water from a given stream. Therefore, no water master could be appointed until such time. These adjudications will be final, as each basin comes before the court, instead of constantly recurring, as under present conditions. The water master, when appointed, will regulate the diversions of water in accordance with the decrees as rendered and the rights as granted under the new law. These new rights will not be subject to litigation, no matter how long the determination of the early rights are delayed, as these rights will be completely defined and recorded when granted. This determination of early rights may take from 10 to 20 years, judging from Wyoming's experience, where 18 years have been consumed in recording the territorial rights under the new law. The system of dividing the state into districts, according to drainage basins, with one or more water masters in charge of each basin, has been demonstrated as the only feasible plan of protecting the interests of all concerned.

The fees charged in the granting of titles by the state were intended within a few years to more than meet the cost to the state. If franchises to the use of water were limited in time, and ultimately a charge made for the use of this public resource, the state water department could, in time, be made to yield a large revenue to the state.

The cost of actual distribution was to be borne by the counties benefited. Objecting to the bill on the ground of cost is false economy. It is like objecting to the appropriation of some $12,000 annually to maintain a state land department, which is a valuable source of income to the state, or like objecting to the cost of our police protection for other property than water, which protection saves annually to the public far more than its cost.

State and Government Reclamation.

Oregon has 400,000 acres of government land withdrawn from entry, pending reclamation by the state under the provisions of the Carey act. This area is equal to the combined area of all irrigated land at the present time, or nearly twice the combined area of the Klamath and Umatilla irrigation projects of the government.

During the first six months of 1907 the state land board authorized the sale of water rights to these desert lands, amounting to $4,692,700. The board put off this action until after the adjournment of the legislature, hoping that the legislation which they had recommended for the protection of settlers might be enacted. The state is now in the deplorable position of authorizing the sale of a commodity which it owns, but over which it has no control. It is attempting to supervise the expenditure of millions of dollars in the interest of future settlers, without appropriating a single cent for administrative purposes.

Already the state has begun suit against one of these companies because of the sale of some $100,000 worth of water rights to intending settlers where there is no water to supply, and the false economy practiced may ultimately result in a demand upon the legislature by these settlers that their loss be reimbursed. In this matter of reclamation by the state, or in any public or private reclamation, we are trying to build a great structure of prosperity without adequate foundation in law to support the structure.

Oregon has contributed more to the reclamation fund of the United States government than any other state, and the return of this money depends upon the finding of feasible projects. This involves not only the feasibility of constructing the plant, but, also, the possibility of securing good title in advance to the necessary water supply. If clear title to sufficient water cannot be assured in advance, on account of our poor laws, then we should not complain because Oregon's rightful share of this fund is not expended within her borders.

State Control.

The conference of governors now in session at Washington, D. C., to devise some plan for the conservation of our great natural resources will doubtless have but little to say with respect to the conservation of water on the non-navigable streams of the states. This is entirely a state problem and we alone must be responsible for the use or abuse of this necessity of life. Any new policy devised by this conference for government control of navigable or interstate streams can affect Oregon but little.

The conservation of this great natural resource in the interest of posterity cannot only be accomplished without sacrifice or cost to the present generation, but to its great benefit and profit, if we only will.

We resented bitterly the offer of President Roosevelt, through his reclamation department, to assist us in the framing of creditable water laws. We are now persistently disregarding the warning of our worthy governor, who has well said that "the great uncertainty as to titles to water, the wide difference of opinion among the ablest water lawyers as to what the water law of this state really is, and the vast amount of capital that is already invested in this state in works depending upon the use of water, make it absolutely necessary that Oregon at an early date place upon her statute books a complete, concise and definite code of law governing the use and distribution of water, patterned after the modern laws of Wyoming, Idaho and Canada, where titles to water are as secure as titles to land. Oregon's sin, not so much of commission as of omission, in this matter, is becoming notorious among the states of the west, where the diversion and use of water is necessary, and if persisted in will greatly retard the settlement of lands already reclaimed, and discourage further development of our great water resources."

QUERIES BY FARMERS.

Experiment Station Called Upon for Advice on Various Subjects.

From the Washington State College, Pullman.

A farmer writes from Seguin asking for varieties of apples to plant in that locality. He was supplied with information as follows:

"For winter apples, try the Baldwin, Spy, Northwest Greening, English Russett, Wagener and Grimes Golden. If you desire a few early apples, plant Yellow Transparent, Duchess, Gravenstein and King. The former apples are the commercial apples of western Washington. The experiment station has some knowledge of both the Delicious and the King David apples. They are comparatively new, and might succeed remarkably well with you, yet your planting them would be more or less of an experiment.

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Product of Three Great Minds.

Although it was Abraham Lincoln in his Gettysburg speech who made famous the phrase, "government of the people, by the people, for the people," the father of the sentiment was really Daniel Webster, who, 30 years previously, had spoken of "the people's government, made for the people, made by the people, and answerable to the people." The next stage in the crystallization of the phrase was in 1850, when another great American, Theodore Parker, alluded to "a government of all the people, by all the people, for all the people." Then in 1863 Lincoln put the finishing touch and gave democracy its watchword.

Baseball Critic.

Huggins—What has become of Fanning?

Muggins—Oh, he's laid up; a victim of baseball.

Huggins—I didn't know he ever played the game.

Muggins—He doesn't. He sprained his larynx telling the umpire how things ought to be done.

Those Mean Girls.

"Men are such strange creatures," remarked the young woman.

"What's the matter now? Has some one been proposing to you?" inquired her guileless companion.—Detroit Free Press.

End of the Reason.

Guest (in restaurant)—I say, waiter, have you any oysters?

Waiter—No, sah. We all ain't got no shell fish 'ceptin' eggs, sah.

To Fall Back Upon.

"We put that motto back on the coins, anyhow," said the Congressman.

"Yes," answered the constituent, "and in view of what you fellows have accomplished during this session that motto affords us our only consolation."—Chicago Tribune.

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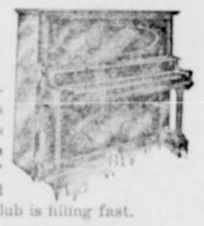

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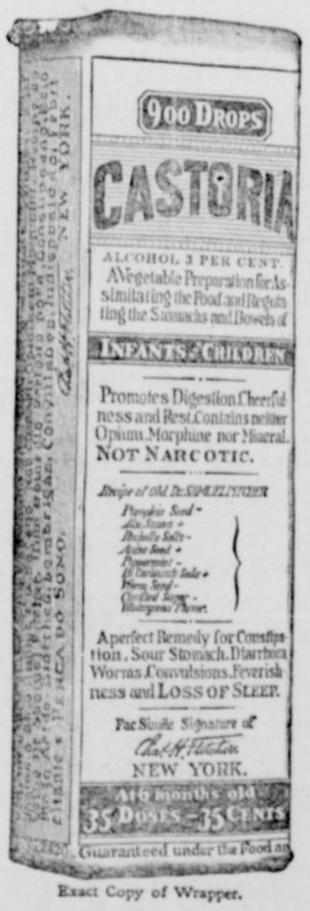

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