

# We Own the Water—Let's Keep It!

The "Klamath News" speaking in behalf of Messrs Drew and Carleton but not in the best interests of the Water Users of Klamath Irrigation District says—

"This election offers no issue other than an effort to make possible the business-like administration of the District's affairs." Drew and Carleton platform. The people know that in the past year, 1925, the District has had the only real business administration in their interest ever yet given by any Board. All they are demanding is that the WATER—the LIFE and VALUE of their LANDS be left to them undisturbed and if the California Oregon Power Co., or U. S. Reclamation Service want any part of it that they PAY FOR IT.

However, if Messrs Drew and Carleton are just honing to talk ECONOMY and Business administration, their ideas of which are based upon former administrations, we will endeavor to satisfy them. For instance—

## HOW'S THIS?

The Offield administration took a lease for five years on an entire building 124-126 East 7th street, Klamath Falls. The California Oregon Power Co. occupied the basement—RENT FREE for 2½ years, worth \$50 month \$1500.00. During this time many water users couldn't pay their taxes.

## AND THIS BUSINESS FOR WHICH THE WATER USERS SHOULD GIVE THANKS

The Nylander Board on October 16, 1924, two days after their defeat at election and while Nylander was president of the Board, assigned and delivered to A. L. WISHARD the lease on 124-126 East 7th street above referred to, having 2½ years to run, without a CENT OF CONSIDERATION—This valuable lease, the property of the District, has an estimated worth of \$250 per month, for the past year.....	<b>\$3000.00</b>
The estimated probable return for remainder of them of 18 months, \$500 per month.....	<b>\$9000.00</b>
The consideration for the transfer of this lease was probably "love and affection" and a CHRISTMAS PRESENT TO ARCHIE WISHARD—Fine business.	

## What Do You Call This?

In 1923 Gov. Pierce appointed a tax commission composed of R. E. Bradbury chairman, James Pelton and A. R. Campbell. This commission reduced water taxes of Klamath Irrigation District, giving badly needed relief to the water users, over \$40,000. Offield and his Board together with A. L. Wishard and F. D. Fletcher, atty., for District, fiercely opposed this relief, and for legal services in opposing the peoples interests in this case the Board paid of our money to Kuykendall and Fletcher, attorneys.....	<b>\$ 598.29</b>
Add to this the cost of attempt to annoy and job P. C. Carlson—Offield and Nylander Boards paid funds of District to promote a suit brought by Schubert against Carlson in which the District had no interest and to which it was not a party—For this job there was paid of our money to F. D. Fletcher, atty., for legal services and other expenses.....	<b>\$ 600.00</b>

## JACOB AND SHORT CAMPAIGN IS NOT BEING PAID FOR OUT OF DISTRICT FUNDS!

Grounds for complaint in the last campaign when Nylander was defeated, was the use of funds of the District to pay for election propaganda. Reference is made to cost for "campaign advertising" by former Board amounting to.....	<b>\$ 340.55</b>
This includes the infamous Dent-Stoutmeyer report which alone cost \$96.50.	

Look At Your Tax Receipt And See If You Did Not Pay Higher Taxes Under Old Boards Than Under Jacob And Bradbury

## An Example of Business Administration

GENERAL ACCOUNTING OFFICE  
DIVISION OF LAW  
WASHINGTON

OFFICE OF THE SOLICITOR

July 14, 1925  
Re: Check No. 7204, drawn on the California National Bank June 24, 1924, for \$65.20, in favor of Klamath Irrigation District

Sheriff of Klamath County,  
Klamath Falls, Oregon.

Sir:

The file with reference to the above described check has been referred here for attention.

This check is indorsed as follows:

Klamath Irrigation District by A. L. Wishard, Secretary,  
First National Bank, Klamath Falls, Oregon,  
and was paid by the Treasurer of the United States on June 28, 1924.

You are requested to advise this office immediately whether with the information furnished you herein you are now able to trace this item.

Respectfully,

For the Comptroller General of the United States,  
R. L. Greize, Solicitor.

A true copy:—Garrett Van Riper  
Deputy Sheriff, Klamath County, Oregon.

NOTE:—This check was sent by the United States to Klamath Irrigation District June 24, 1924, to pay tax on lands of an Indian ward of the government, Sally Mack. On September 24, 1925 A. L. Wishard, paid to sheriff of Klamath county, the above amount of tax \$62.50 with \$11.74 additional for interest and penalties. Mr. Wishard, we understand, is candidate for secretary of Klamath Irrigation District under Drew and Carleton.

All Water Users of Klamath Irrigation District are urged to attend meeting to be held at Henley School Sunday afternoon, Nov. 8th, to discuss issues of campaign.

JACOB and SHORT CAMPAIGN COMMITTEE,  
By Percy Dixon, Chairman, Merrill Route,  
Klamath Falls.

### Vote for Jacob and Short for Directors