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Artesian Water In Drewsey

The Drewsey News of last week informs us that a flow of artesian water has been struck on the Bartlett property in that city while the well drillers were boring a new well. The flow was struck at a depth of 102 feet, the water rising to the top and overflowing in a manner that indicated that the flow was permanent.—Juntura Times.

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PRIVATE PROJECTS ARE FAILURES

Governor West Advocates
State and National Co-
operation in Reclamation
Work.

Salem.—Pronouncing all Carey Act irrigation projects in the state failures, Governor West, on returning to the city today from a tour of Eastern Oregon with Secretary of the Interior Lane, emphatically declared that if the state's arid lands are to be reclaimed, that the work must be done by the state or federal government independently or through co-operation of the two.

"We had a flying trip," said the governor in speaking of his tour, "but we had time to show Secretary Lane the possibilities of the state. We visited the Central Oregon irrigation project, and then the Madras county—a vast stretch of territory which it contemplated to reclaim by the government and the state in the future, and for which surveys are now being made.

"I reached one conclusion during the tour, and I made it known to the secretary, and that is if the state's arid lands are to be reclaimed, it must be by the government and the state through co-operative methods, or by each independently, for the irrigation projects under the Carey act in this state, as well as in other states, have proved failures. They have proved failures in the first place because the state authorities have failed to enact legislation to safeguard the settlers and the state, and for the further reason that the state authorities, when they were undertaken, had a lack of irrigation knowledge and in many instances have failed to avail themselves of the conditions to safeguard the state and settlers.

"Take the Central Oregon Irrigation project for instance. It has already cost the promoters \$1,250,000 and to complete it an outlay of \$175,000 more will be necessary. Now that sum cannot be easily raised, and if its promoters fail, then the state is morally obligated to complete the project, for its name is involved in the concern.

"If our arid lands are to be reclaimed, it will be absolutely up to the government or the state, for the capital required for the projects is so enormous that private interests will not undertake it without the assurance of immense profits, and that means heavy burdens on the settlers. I regard the Tumalo project as but the entering wedge for a plan calling for the reclamation of the arid lands by the government and the state.

We appropriate money for the improvement of our harbors and rivers, and why not for the reclamation of our arid lands? The only difference is, in the first case, the appropriation is a gift and in the last case it is money loaned which will flow back into the state's coffers. The benefits of the state from the reclamation of its lands will be far greater than the improvements of its harbors and rivers, though, of course, both are necessary."

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