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SUGGESTS VOTE ON MEDFORD WATER QUESTION

(Medford Tribune.) To submit the various water propositions to a vote of the people and allow them to decide the matter is the plan which Edgar Hafer, councilman from the Third ward, would have adopted by his fellow colleagues on the city council. There is such a diversity of opinion in regard to the matter that Mr. Hafer hesitates at deciding upon any one of the propositions, and would put the matter squarely up to the people.

His plan is to have the engineer submit a report upon each proposition before the city council and have these reports given wide publicity. The people would then be able to decide upon which proposition they want and no blame could be attached to the present council should choice of a proposition prove a poor one.

"I believe," said Mr. Hafer, "that the people should have the final say in a matter of this kind. I do not care for the responsibility of tying up \$300,000 of the city's money in a deal unless I know the people want it spent and in a certain place, for a certain thing. Now, I know they want it spent. I know they want it spent for water, but where?—there is the question. Any good proposition will suit them—but, suppose the choice proves unwise? Where are the councilmen then?"

"If the engineer will make a full and complete report of each proposition offered the city and these are given wide publicity, then the citizens should know which proposition they want and vote accordingly.

"This is the plan I favor and the plan which I will urge until the matter is settled."

THE ORIGIN OF THE DIFFERENT VEGETABLES

The potato, which was already cultivated in America when the continent was discovered, is spontaneous in Chile. It was introduced to Europe in 1550 and 1555 by the Spaniards, and almost at the same time, by the English, who brought it from Virginia, where it had appeared about 1550. The sweet potato and the Jerusalem artichoke are also supposed to come from America.

Salt is found in a wild state in Greece, Dalmatia, Italy and Algeria. According to Oliver de Seres, it has been cultivated in the south of France since the sixteenth century. Turnips and radishes came originally from Central Europe. The best root and the beet, which have been greatly improved by cultivation, are considered as the same species by botanists. The beet, only the stalk of which is eaten, grows wild in the Mediterranean islands, Persia and Babylonia.

Garlic, onions, shallots and leeks have long been cultivated in almost all countries, and their origin is very uncertain. That of the scallion is better known. It grows spontaneously in Siberia. One finds chives in a wild state throughout the northern hemisphere.

The radish, greatly modified by cultivation, probably had its origin in the temperate zone, but from what wild species it is derived is not exactly known.

The lettuce appears to be derived from the endive, which is found wild in temperate and southern Europe. In the Canaries, Algeria, Abyssinia and temperate western Asia.

Wild sugary is spontaneous throughout Europe, even in Sweden. In Asia Minor, Persia, the Caucasus, Afghanistan and Siberia. Cultivated sugary is probably a form of endive, which is thought to have had its origin in India.

Cabbage, like all vegetables which have been cultivated from remote times, is believed to be of European origin. The artichoke is the cultivated form of the wild cardoon, indigenous to Madeira, the Canaries, Morocco, the south of France, Spain, Italy and the Mediterranean islands.

Asparagus had its origin in Europe and temperate western Asia.

The origin of the broadbean is unknown, as also that of the lentil, the pea, chickpea, and haricot. The last named appears to have come originally from America.

The carrot grows spontaneously throughout Europe, Asia Minor, Siberia, northern China, Abyssinia, northern Africa, Madeira and the Canary Islands.

Chervil comes from temperate western Asia, parsley from the south of Europe and Algeria, sorrel from Europe and northern Asia, the mountain spinach is supposed to come from northern Asia.

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