

Mount Carmel, Utah.
July 2, 1945.

State Engineer of Utah,
Salt Lake City, Utah.

Dear Sir:

As secretary of the Mount Carmel Irrigation Company I have been requested to write to you and ask you to appoint a Water Commissioner for this East Fork of the Virgin River, or Long Valley District as it is sometimes called. A representative of the Mount Carmel Irrigation Company met with the President of the Orderville Irrigation Co. and the President of the Glendale Irrigation Co. and agreed to ask that Mr. H. Tharon Salter of Mount Carmel, Utah, be appointed as Water Commissioner in this District for the rest of this 1945 season.

The other water users have not been consulted since most of them do not require the service of a commissioner and those who do are a small minority as compared to the three companies above named. I feel sure that most of these would approve of the appointment of Mr. Salter if and when consulted about it.

If you have any bulletins or instructions on approved methods and devices for measuring or distributing water it might help us if you would send them to Mr. Salter, and if there is any charges on them send the bill to me. We have a copy of the "Burton Decree" defining the rights and amount of water allotted to the various individuals and companies and some measuring tables for the use of weirs based on instructions send us in a bulletin some fifteen years ago. But the weirs are poorly situated and most of them in a bad state of repair also the headgates are rather cumbersome and we thought maby some ~~ideas~~ ^{ideas} might help in distributing the water.

In the matter of compensation for the Commissioner, it used to be that the assessment notices were sent out from the State Engineer's office to the various water users and the commissioner was paid by the Engineer's office from funds thus collected. Later I was told that the three irrigation companies above named were given full responsibility for providing funds to pay the water commissioner. What is the present practice?

Whatever the method of raising funds it was agreed that Mr. Salter should have \$5.00 per day and 5¢ per mile for the distance traveled in his car to make the visits to the various ditches needing to be checked. It was also agreed that one trip to all of the ditched receiving water from the main stream and checking and regulating them should be counted as a day's work.

Will you please send Mr. Salter an appointment from your office so he will have authority to act as water commissioner in this district. If this letter is not enough to enable you to make this appointment please let me know immediatly what else we must do.

Yours very sincerely,

Birt Gardner

Mount Carmel, Utah
July 2, 1943

State Engineer of Utah
Salt Lake City, Utah

Dear Sir:

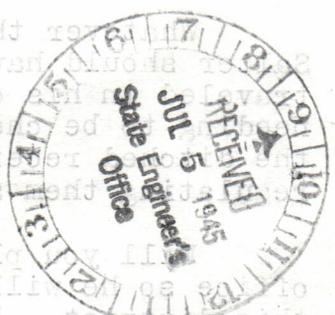
As secretary of the Mount Carmel Irrigation Company I have been requested to write to you and ask you to appoint a Water Commissioner for this part of the Virgin River, or Virgin Valley District as it is sometimes called. A representative of the Mount Carmel Irrigation Company met with the president of the Virgin Valley Irrigation Co. and the members of the Virgin Valley Irrigation Co. and agreed to ask you to appoint a Water Commissioner in this district for the rest of this 1943 season.

The other water users have not been consulted since most of them do not require the service of a commissioner and those who do are a small minority as compared to the three companies above named. I feel sure that most of these would approve of the appointment of Mr. Salter if and when consulted about it.

If you have any bulletins or instructions on approved methods and devices for measuring or distributing water it might help us if you would send them to Mr. Salter, and if there is any charge on them send the bill to me. We have a copy of the "Barton Decree" defining the rights and amount of water allotted to the various individuals and companies and some measuring tables for the use of weirs based on instructions sent us in a bulletin some fifteen years ago. But the weirs are poorly situated and most of them in a bad state of repair also the headgates are rather cumbersome and we thought maybe some ideas might help in distributing the water.

In the matter of compensation for the Commissioner, it used to be that the assessment rolls were sent out from the State Engineer's office to the various water users and the Commissioner was paid by the Engineer's office from funds thus collected. I was told that the three irrigation companies above named were given full responsibility for providing funds to pay the water Commissioner. What is the present practice?

For the method of raising funds it was agreed that Mr. Salter should have \$5.00 per day and 25¢ per mile for the distance he would have to make the visits to the various districts. It was also agreed that one trip to all of the districts receiving water from the main stream and checking and



please send Mr. Salter an appointment from your office. I will have authority to act as water commissioner in this district. If this letter is not enough to enable you to make this appointment please let me know immediately what else we must do.

Yours very sincerely,

Carl Salter