

Provo Utah

May 18 / 1915

Mr H J Wentz

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President-

C. L. Johnson

your very truly

Secretary

H A Thurgood.

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Provo, Utah, May 18, 1915.

Mr. T. F. Wentz,

Dear Sir:

Little Dry Creek Irrigation Company hereby notify you that we are way short of water at present and we want you to turn our share of water down to us at once for we havn't enough water to speck up at the present time so we must have our hare of water at once.

Yours truly,

F. A. Thurgood
Sec.

C. L. Johnson
Pres.

After 5 days, return to
KNIGHT INVESTMENT COMPANY,
Knight Block,
PROVO, UTAH.



Mr. T. F. Wentz, Water Commissioner,
Provo City, Utah.

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KNIGHT INVESTMENT COMPANY
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W. LESTER MANGUM, Secy & TREAS.
RAYMOND KNIGHT

Provo, Utah, June 25, 1915.

Mr. T. F. Wentz,
Water Commissioner,
Provo City, Utah.

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Provo, Utah, June 25, 1915.

Mr. T. F. Wentz,
Water Commissioner,

Provo City, Utah.

Dear Sir:

I beg to call your attention to the fact that the Knight Woolen Mills, Excelsior Roller Mills conducted by Hoover Brothers, E. J. Ward & Sons Company, Provo Ice & Cold Storage Company, Smoot Lumber Company and the First Ward Pasture Company, all users of water under the decrees of the Fourth Judicial District Court are now and have for sometime past been deprived of the use of the water of the mill race that they are entitled to under said decrees and have used for more than fifty years. Meanwhile, under your distribution of the water, the Provo Reservoir Company has its canal filled to overflowing, and unless you heed this appeal and distribute to my clients the water that they are entitled to by prior appropriation and under the decrees of the court, we will be under the necessity of appealing to the District Court for relief.

Kindly advise me whether it is your purpose to continue the distribution of the water of Provo River in the manner now and heretofore pursued by yourself as water commissioner appointed by the District Court.

Respectfully yours,

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E. E. Croftman

Provo, Utah July 1, 1915.

E.E. Corfman, Attorney Knight Woolen Mills, Excelsior Roller Mills,
E.J. Ward & Sons Company, Provo Ice & Cold Storage Company, Smoot
Lumber Company, and The First Ward Pasture Company.

Provo, Utah.

Dear Sir;

Your letter under date of June 25th and bearing post mark of
June 30, received this a.m. and in reply you are advised as follows:
From June 8th to June 15th there was a surplus of water in Provo River
and for this period I assume you have no complaint.

On June 15th City put in dam at head Tanner Race, and drawing water
through City Creek and through the river channel-- river had dropped
from 800 to 500 second feet.

On June 16 City was drawing 83.33 second feet.

"	"	17	"	"	"	112.34	"	"		
"	"	18	"	"	"	114.86	"	"		
"	"	19	"	"	"	109.	"	"		
"	"	20	Sunday not measured.							
"	"	21	City was drawing			111.50	"	"		
"	"	22	"	"	"	104	"	"	forenoon.	
"	"	23	"	"	"	60	"	"	in the afternoon--less in	
"	"	24	"	"	"	109.75	"	"	in forenoon by report of	
"	"	25	"	"	"	101.13	"	"	Thompson, better in after	
"	"	26	"	"	"	96.01	"	"	noon.	
"	"	27	Sunday, Not measured.							
"	"	28	"	"	"	89.47	"	"		
"	"	29	"	"	"	78.58	"	"		
"	"	30	"	"	"	92.62	"	"		

The above amounts to Provo City do not include the Alfred Young Ditch
near the Dixon ditch, which, under decrees were included with Provo City.

I have at all times aimed to supply to your clients proper amounts of
water, and no distribution has been made that gave ~~an~~ an insufficient
amount. Many times attention has been called to the practice of parties
that draw water from City Creek disregarding regulation and ignoring
specified amounts, notice was given by the Commissioner to the litigants
of this fact, and also asking for relief in this matter, all of which

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received no consideration at the time of hearing of this case. If the litigants do not desire to take upon themselves at the proper time the burden of placing upon these parties strict regulation, it seems to me that it is not my duty to now bring them before the Court.

In view of all the facts, I have decided to set out from the whole each day an amount of water to offset these interferences, and to allow a margin of safety to distribute to the parties at the tail end of the system.

Your letter infers that the Commissioner makes distribution with great regard for the interests of the Provo Reservoir Company-- this inference is in every way ~~very~~ wrong and false-- a stipulation exists controlling the distribution and reserving about 300 second feet for the old rights.

Referring to June 16th -- it is no light task to drop from an 800
400
to a ~~200~~ second feet river, use all of the flow and keep the man at the lower end with a uniform discharge. I am frank to admit ^{my} judgment regarding this quick drop was at fault, I have expected some flow from the Forks in Provo Canyon by melting snow, and also expected a substantial discharge from the upper river, which we did not get.

Again referring to the amount used by the Provo Reservoir Company your letter states " Meanwhile, under your distribution of water, the Provo Reservoir Company has its canal te overflowing ****" In regard to this matter I submit the following: At the first sign of the river dropping below 400 second feet-- on June 23- I cut the Provo Reservoir canal, on June 24 this canal was drawing 50 second feet or less than one-half capacity, on June 29, 37 second feet, on June 30; 32.50 second feet; and again reduced to-day.

I see no good in a further explanation-- I aim to give you competent service, I am ~~am~~ giving you twelve to nineteen hours of each twenty four, our records are open to you.

Resp.

Commissioner Provo River.

Purest of Water and Abundant Water Power

C.F. DECKER, MAYOR
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PUBLIC GROUNDS AND PARKS
LE ROY DIXON, COMMISSIONER
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PROVO, UTAH June 23rd, 1915.

Mr. T. F. Wentz,
Water Commissioner,
Provo, Utah.

Dear Sir:--

As Chief Deputy water master for Provo City, I must call your attention to the fact that Provo City is not receiving sufficient water for its reasonable necessities, that for the past ~~two~~ two weeks we have been having a shortage of water for power, irrigation and culinary purposes. Today at 11 a. m. the water in our canals measured only sixty second feet. All the mills on the mill race are compelled to shut down, and irrigators of the city are complaining of insufficient water to irrigate their crops. At the same time, as you have stated to me on the 22nd day of June 1915, the Provo Reservoir Company had 101 second feet distributed to it, and still have the same quantity today.

Unless Provo City can have distributed to it its proper share of water for its reasonable necessities, we will be compelled to appeal to the District Court from your decision.

May we have an answer from you at once as to what you intend to do in the matter so that we may take the proper legal proceedings if necessary.

Stewart Thompson
Chief Deputy Water Master of
Provo City.

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Provo, Utah June 24, 1915.

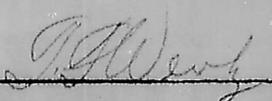
Thomas C. Thompston, Chief Deputy Water Master of Provo City.

Provo, Utah.

Dear Sir;

I acknowledge receipt of your favor of the 23 inst. You are advised that daily sheets are made showing in detail the distribution of Provo River, these sheets are open to you and for your information.

Resp.



Commissioner Provo River.

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PROVO, UTAH August 2nd, 1915

Mr. T. F. Wentz,
Water Commissioner,
Provo City, Utah.

Dear Sir:-

As Deputy Water Master of Provo City, I write you this letter to know the reason why ~~the~~ Provo City has so much less water from Saturday evening at 8 p. m. until the following Monday at 10 a. m.

At 6:05 a. m. today the measurements of the city ditches were as follows:

East Union	0.49
Factory	0.63
City Race	0.52

At 9:0'clock a.m. there was no change. Tanner's race had nothing but seepage water. This condition also prevailed a week ago from Saturday evening until Monday morning.

Please investigate.

Yours very truly,

Chief Deputy Water Master.

Thomas G. Thompson

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