

February 9, 1963
Hyrum, Utah

A committee of three was appointed by the Board of the South Cache Water Users Association at the annual meeting which was held February 9, 1963. The purpose of the committee which consists of Director John Huges, Wallace Christensen, and Superintendent LeRoy Smith was to make a study of the Commissioner's report for 1962.

Table nine shows we had been on storage nineteen days before the water terminated spilling over the spill-way gates. We find that the Hyrum-Mendon canal started using water on May 12 and was river flow until the 22 on June. This was a total of 3000.70 A.F. which should have been counted as river flow from the beginning of storage which began June 22. If you deduct this 3000.70 A.F. from the total, it leaves the storage for the Hyrum-Mendon canal in 1962 at 6940.63 S.F.. The water used in the Hyrum-Mendon canal is a guess or an estimate made by the superintendent and the commissioner, got this estimate from the superintendent at the end of the irrigation season.

The superintendent's record of the Pump Canal shows that the water was out of the canal twenty-three days during the months of July, August, and September. The commissioner's report shows a continual flow during these three months.

Out May 30, 31; June 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9.
Out July 29; In August 2, which makes 4 days.
Out August 5, 6, 7, which makes 4 days
Out August 18; in August 25, which makes 7 days
Out September 2; In September 8, which makes 6 days
Out September 10; In September 13, which makes 3 days
Out September 22, which is the final time. The total
of days which it is out is 23.

On July 12, his (commissioner) record shows there was 20.83 S.C.F. and 22.51 S.C.F. for a period of twelve days. This is far above the capacity of the pump. On August 15 through August 22, the commissioner's report shows 26.70 S.C.F. Five days of this period the water was out of the canal.

The height of the water in the Reservoir determines how many S.C.F. you can pump in the canal. The commissioner's report shows there was 26.70 S.C.F. in the canal but the height of the Reservoir was 4650-9. At this height it would be impossible for the pump to pump more than 12 or 13 S.C.F. During five days of this period, from the 15 of August until the 22 of August the water was out of the canal, his report shows a continual stream.

There was no time during the 1962 irrigation season that we pumped more than 16 S.C.F. of water. Six streams was all that the water master had out of the canal at any one time and the streams ran from 2 S.C.F. to 2.5 S.C.F. The commissioner has made no distinction between river flow and storage water. He has the pump canal charged with 3526-6 A.F. 1202 deducted from 3526-6 as river flow leaves 2.324-6 A.F. storage water. This shows the district used in the two canals 9264-69 A.F. of storage water.

On March 25, 1953, a meeting was called to determine, among other things, the duties of the superintendent and the commissioner with respect to each other. The following is a letter that was sent to each of the members present at the above said meeting.

Mr. John B. Kerr
President, South Cache Water Users' Association

Mr. LeRoy Smith
Superintendent, Hyrum Project

Mr. L. C. Monson
State Engineer's Office

Mr. Clyde Linder
Water Commissioner, Little Bear River

Mr. Albert Harris
Geological Survey

Gentlemen:

This letter is being sent to you to provide a record of the agreements and decisions made at the March 25, 1953, meeting in this office, attended by the above-named persons and by Mr. Cloyd Christensen and myself representing the Bureau of Reclamation. The purpose of the meeting was to coordinate the activities of the Superintendent of the Hyrum Project and the Water Commissioner of Little Bear River with respect to distribution of water, computation and recording of stream and canal flows, and operation of Hyrum Reservoir.

The following agreement was reached on the duties and responsibilities of the Commissioner and the Superintendent.

Commissioner

1. Will cooperate with Geological Survey on operation of gaging stations on Little Bear River near Paradise (above Hyrum Reservoir) and on Little Bear River near Hyrum (below Hyrum Reservoir), and make preliminary flow calculations of use in distributing water in accordance with priority of rights.

2. Will have responsibility of operating recording gage on Wellsville East Field Canal and staff gages on Hyrum-Mendon, Wellsville.

During the 1962 year, there was no cooperation between the superintendent and the commissioner, which makes it impossible for the commissioner to make out a correct report, and give the Wellsville East-Field Irrigation Company the correct amount of water they should have.

LeRoy Smith, Superintendent.