

STATE ASSOCIATION OF  
**WASHINGTON IRRIGATION DISTRICTS**

SOUND IRRIGATION PROGRAMS PROMOTE PROSPERITY

OBJECTIVES:---

1---To Promote The Interests  
Of Irrigated Farming

2---To Improve The Operation  
Of Irrigation Districts Of  
The State

3---To Act As A Clearing House  
On Information  
For Irrigation Districts

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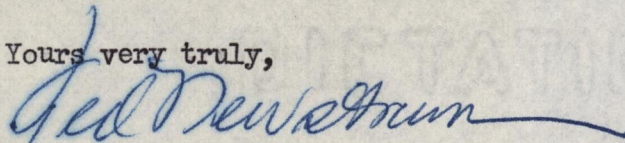
The Yakima Republic  
Yakima, Washington.

Gentlemen:

Copies of the enclosed letter and program are being mailed to officials of all irrigation districts in the state, and to others whom we think might be interested in our meeting.

It will be appreciated very much if you will publish notice of this meeting so those who might be interested, but not on our mailing list, will be notified.

Yours very truly,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, reading "Ted Newstrum", with a long horizontal flourish extending to the right.

Ted Newstrum, Secretary



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EIGHTH ANNUAL MEETING

"THE COLUMBIA BASIN - 1953"

The eighth annual meeting of the State Association of Washington Irrigation Districts will be held at Ephrata on Friday and Saturday, November 13 and 14, 1953. The program will be devoted almost entirely to the subject "The Columbia Basin - 1953".

It is felt that the evolution of the Columbia Basin Project has progressed to the stage where we can begin to appraise this process and its effect. This effect is indisputably widespread and will increase.

We are attempting to bring under one roof representatives of the various agencies which have brought about and participated in this development, and of those affected by it. Particularly at this time we would like to evaluate the progress made and the present and possible future influence on farm economy, on community development, on relationships between the various groups involved, and generally on other sections of the state.

Irrigation on the Basin has, during the past three to five years, progressed from the drafting board stage to that of actual experience, which necessitates the solving - realistically - of the numerous problems which come up in connection with the operation of a water delivery system, the delivery and use of water, land development and management, settlement and financing, crop production, and many others which, no matter how well anticipated, unfold latent questions and situations to which answers must be found.

All of these problems have been encountered, and solved, on other irrigated areas in this state. Huge as the Basin development is, the basic problems are similar to those of other sections, and the approach on the Basin to these problems is of interest to everyone concerned with irrigated farming. We believe, therefore, there is much to be gained - and something to be given - by irrigation district officials, farmers and others at this meeting.

As usual on our programs, plenty of time is allowed for questions and discussion.

You will note on the program enclosed an informal session is set for Friday evening for discussion on legislation affecting irrigation districts and on the subject of voting in district elections. We need your ideas and suggestions on these subjects.

Ted Newstrum, Secretary

(Hotel and Motel reservations for the meeting may be made through the Chamber of Commerce, Ephrata, Washington.)