Carmichael Water District

Our goal is to provide the highest quality water for the lowest feasible cost. To serve our customers with diligence, efficiency, and integrity.

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Carmichael Irrigation District

Historical News Articles

Carmichael Irrigation District became the first irrigation district in the Sacramento County in 1916. These articles found in The Sacramento Union in 1916 follow the organization of the District during this time period.
DECEMBER 21, 1915.

CARMICHAEL COMPANY ASSURED A PERMIT

That the Carmichael Colony irrigation project will receive the endorsement of the state engineering department was apparent yesterday from a statement by Engineer McClure after he and his assistant, P. M. Narboe, had returned from an inspection trip to the colony. McClure and Narboe also inspected the Fair Oaks irrigation district.

FEBRUARY 8, 1916.

CARMICHAEL COLONY VOTE IS CANVASSED

The board of supervisors yesterday canvassed the returns of the recent election held for the purpose of creating the Carmichael irrigation district. Out of 48 votes cast, 45 favored the creation of the district, and three were opposed. The election was held on January 25, and the following named officers were elected: Directors, Fred T. Phelps, J. M. Jones, A. M. McDonnell; tax collector, P. E. Graves; treasurer, G. E. Fettas.

"Why don't you farmers sell your surplus farm products direct to the consumer through the want columns?"—Dan Sayles.

AUGUST 2, 1916.

IRRIGATION DISTRICT'S ORGANIZATION VALID

Superior Judge Charles R. Busiek has given an opinion in which he declares the organization of the Carmichael irrigation district to be valid. The decision also declares valid $90,000 worth of bonds voted by the district. The Carmichael irrigation district is located near Fair Oaks and is the only irrigation district in Sacramento county.

The bonds of the district will now be placed on the market by the trustees of the district and bids will be received on August 23.

AUGUST 23, 1916.

IRRIGATION BONDS BRING HIGH PRICE

Carmichael District Securities Sold at Record Mark to Local Bidders.

The bonds of the Carmichael irrigation district of 32,000 acres were sold yesterday to D. W. Carmichael and the Capital National bank on more favorable terms than any other irrigation district in California, according to the five experts who bid for the bonds at yesterday's sale. Carmichael purchased the first six series aggregating $14,300 of the $90,000 issue at par while the bank purchased $45,400 at 97.17 and accrued interest. The balance was not sold.

J. Rupert Mason, president of J. P. Mason & Co., second largest bond house on the coast, declared yesterday that the sale proved conclusively that banks and institutions are learning to appreciate irrigation district bonds. "During the past year the south San Joaquin, the Anderson-Cottonwood district and the Lindsay-Strathmore district have sold bonds, but none brought as favorable a price as the bonds of the Carmichael district."

Work on the project will commence immediately. It was at first thought $50,000 would be needed to complete the district, but it was found that because of the great amount of work already performed by owners, $50,000 would be ample. Every ten-acre tract in the district will be provided ample water for all irrigation purposes.

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