

consistently average 4.4 tons per acre and we expect 5 to 6 tons to be common some day, for irrigators.

Corn will average 33 bushels to the acre on dryland acreage; 83 bushels to the acre on irrigated land. Sorghum can produce 38 to 40 bushels to the acre on dry land—a few initial crops of beginning irrigators are producing 89 to 90 bushels of sorghum per acre.

Beadle Electric Cooperative also is very much excited about the increased employment which such a project can bring about. It is a fact of life that all of our sons and daughters do not have the same opportunity to get into farming that we once had. We need to give them opportunities that do not now exist. Oahe would create not only more farming opportunity but a wealth of new jobs in agricultural processing and farm-related service industries.

We are attaching a copy of a resolution by which Beadle Electric adds its official support to the project. We ask that you take back to your full committee and to the whole Congress our plea that this necessary project be authorized and funded with great speed.

Thank you.

(The resolution referred to follows:)

RESOLUTION OF THE BEADLE ELECTRIC COOPERATIVE

Be it resolved that the Board of Directors of Beadle Electric Cooperative urge early development of the Oahe Irrigation Unit of the Missouri River Basin Project and request immediate consideration of this unit by the Congress.

CERTIFICATE OF SECRETARY

I, Edward Fritzsche, Secretary of the Beadle Electric Cooperative, Inc., hereby certify that the foregoing is a true and complete copy of a resolution which was duly passed at the Regular Meeting of the Board of Directors held August 17, 1965.

EDWARD FRITZSCHE, *Secretary*.

Senator McGOVERN. Thank you so much. We are sorry we lost your name and request here earlier, but we are glad you were able to testify.

Who is next?

STATEMENT OF E. M. YOUNG, McLAUGHLIN, S. DAK.

Mr. YOUNG. I am E. M. Young from McLaughlin, S. Dak. I have farm interests in western Sully County. I want to address this to Senator McGovern and Senator Burdick.

I didn't ask for a place here, but being there is a little extra time. I would like to represent myself as an excess-land owner.

There has been so very little said here today about excess-land owners.

I am afraid maybe we would be forgotten and it seems that what has been known, I think, is the Small Bureau Act of 1965, which has the prospect of giving the excess-land owner some relief relative to getting irrigation.

I have been making some quite detailed study, but I haven't got it completed and it seems to me that the big acreage that should come under irrigation in South Dakota is nearer the reservoir.

Now, I have nothing against what has been said here today relative to this valley, the Jim River Valley irrigation, but we have broad acres