

In our recent Extension Club meeting, we voted on the coming irrigation. Of the fifteen members present, all felt that South Dakota should not pass up such a wonderful development. All were very much in favor.

ARLENE SMITH,

Secretary, Northville Extension Club.

We, members of the G.G.G. extension club, Aliene Lemmer, Margaret Roberson, Pauline Gisi, Lela Robinson, Dagmar Einspahr, Elaine Roth, Marlys Esser, Karen Boyd, Janice Rainford, Monna Esser, hereby give our support to the Oahe Conservancy Sub District.

Frankfort Happy Hour Club voted unanimously (15 members) in favor of irrigation.

Friendly Neighbors Club voted unanimous (7 members) approval of the Oahe Irrigation Project.

Over half of the members (23 members in all) of the Garfield Club voted in favor of irrigation.

Loyal Workers Club voted unanimously (27 members) in favor of the Oahe Irrigation Project.

Klatter Klub voted two-thirds (15 members) in favor of the Oahe Project.

U.S. SENATE,
COMMITTEE ON APPROPRIATIONS,
April 6, 1967.

HON. HENRY M. JACKSON,
Chairman, Senate Interior and Insular Affairs Committee,
U.S. Senate, Washington, D.C.

DEAR SENATOR JACKSON: It is a pleasure for me to enclose a copy of a resolution adopted by the North Dakota State Water Commission urging favorable action on the legislation pending before your Committee to authorize the initial unit of the Oahe Irrigation Project.

I would like to associate myself with the views expressed in this resolution, and I hope that this legislation will be enacted during the current session of Congress. Too, I request that this resolution be made a part of any hearings held on this legislation.

With warmest personal regards,
Sincerely,

MILTON R. YOUNG.

[Enclosure]

RESOLUTION 67-3-235—NORTH DAKOTA STATE WATER COMMISSION

Whereas, construction by the Federal Government of the four dams on Missouri River in South Dakota—Gavins Point, Fort Randall, Big Bend, and Oahe—has resulted in the loss to the State of over half a million acres of valuable agricultural land required for the projects, which loss can be partially mitigated through the irrigation development authorized by the Congress as a part of the Missouri River Basin Project in the Flood Control Act of 1944; and

Whereas, proposed legislation pending in Congress—H.R. 27 and 1163, and S. 6—would authorize the Secretary of the Interior "to construct, operate, and maintain . . . the first stage of the Oahe unit, James division, Missouri River Basin project, South Dakota, for the principal purposes of furnishing a surface irrigation water supply for approximately 190,000 acres of land, furnishing water for municipal and industrial uses, controlling floods, enhancing the generation of power, conserving and developing fish and wildlife resources, and enhancing outdoor recreation opportunities, and other purposes"; and

Whereas, the unit report and legislative measures have been developed through exhaustive studies and investigations by the Bureau of Reclamation, South Dakota's congressional delegation, and affected local interests and all have determined the unit to be engineeringly sound and economically feasible, and a development that will bring many benefits to South Dakota, the region, and the Nation through the balanced and stabilized economy in the area and other benefits which it will provide; and

Whereas, North Dakota as the upstream border state has a common interest with its sister state in the regional economy of the two-state area;