

Financial Statement of Orange Cove Irrigation District, Jan. 1, 1945

Receipts

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| Refund on Bond Premium | \$ 8.23 | |
| Interest on Time Certificate Deposit Acct. | <u>6.75</u> | |
| Total receipts | | \$ 15.08 |
| Balance checking account Jan. 1, 1944 | | <u>43.30</u> |
| | | \$ 58.38 |

Expenditures

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| Salaries | \$ 20.00 | |
| Advertising-Legal Notices | 5.46 | |
| Safe Deposit box | 3.00 | |
| To Petty Cash account | <u>5.00</u> | |
| Total Expenditures | | <u>33.46</u> |
| Balance checking account Jan. 1, 1945 | | 24.92 |
| Petty Cash on hand | | 2.39 |
| Total of Time Certificate Deposit Acct. | | <u>900.00</u> |
| Total available funds | | \$ 927.31 |

Signed P. L. Schoepf
Secretary.

Minutes of the meeting of the Board of Directors of the Orange
Cove Irrigation District, Jan. 6, 1945.

The meeting was called to order at 2 o'clock P.M.

Present were Directors M. N. Jensen, W. W. Arkley, Geo.
Zaninovich, Treasurer G. C. Bornefeld, Assessor-Collector-Secretary
A. L. Schoepf.

The minutes of the previous meeting were read and approved.

The Secretary reported a checking account balance of \$24.92
and a balance of \$900.00 in the Time Certificate of Deposit Account.

A motion was made by Geo. Zaninovich and seconded by W. W. Arkley
that the sum of \$100.00 be transferred from the time certificate
of deposit account to the checking account. Motion carried. The
Treasurer was instructed to transact the above business, and to re-
new the time certificate of deposit account for \$800.00.

Geo. Zaninovich made a motion which was seconded by W. W. Arkley
that the Board pass a resolution requesting the gasoline rationing
board to issue 25 gallons of gasoline to A. L. Schoepf for the
purpose of conducting the business of the District. The motion
carried. The resolution is as follows: Resolved; That the Board
of Directors of the Orange Cove Irrigation District petition the
gasoline rationing board to issue 25 gallons of gasoline to
Secretary A. L. Schoepf for the purpose of conducting the affairs
of the District.

A motion was made by Geo. Zaninovich and seconded by W. W. Arkley
that the secretary publish a financial statement of the District
for 1944. Motion carried.

The coming General Election to be held on the 7th of February was discussed at length. The election is for the purpose of electing Directors for the second and third Divisions, a Treasurer and Assessor-Collector. The Board then passed a resolution ordering the election. *by unanimous vote*

The Secretary was instructed to attend to the details of conducting the election.

The meeting was then adjourned until further notice.


Secretary

President.

GEORGE ZANIŃOVICH
PRESIDENT
W. W. ARKLEY
M. N. JENSEN

Orange Cove Irrigation District

ORANGE COVE, CALIFORNIA

A. L. SCHOEFF
ASSESSOR AND SECRETARY

CHAS. E. RAY
TREASURER

G. C. BORNEFELD
COLLECTOR

WHEREAS, an election shall be held in Orange Cove Irrigation District on February 7, 1945, for the purpose of election on Director from the Second Division, One Director from the Third Division, one Assessor-Collector, one Treasurer of said District;

NOW; THEREFORE, IT IS RESOLVED AND ORDERED that for the purpose of conducting said election there shall be three election precincts which said precincts shall consist of all of the First Division, Second Division, Third Division of said Orange Cove Irrigation District, as the same are now constituted and bounded; and

IT IS FURTHER RESOLVED AND ORDERED that the polling places for said election shall be as follows;

For the First Division in W. F. Prendergast Residence in the County of Tulare, State of California, For the Second Division in A. L. Schoepf Residence in the County of Fresno, State of California, For the Third Division in J. A. Schoepf Residence in the County of Tulare, State of California, and the polls at said election shall be open on Wednesday the 7th day of February, 1945, from 9 o'clock A.M. of said day until 8 o'clock P.M. of said day, during which hours said election shall be held; and

IT IS FURTHER RESOLVED AND ORDERED that W. F. Prendergast be and He is hereby appointed Inspector for the said election, and that Mrs. Pearl Prendergast be and She is hereby appointed Judge for the said election, and that Mrs. Ed. White be, and She is hereby appointed Clerk for the said election, and said three persons shall constitute the election board of the First Division for the purpose of conducting said election, that Mrs. Earl McKinney be and She is hereby appointed

BOARD OF DIRECTORS

A. L. SCHOEPF
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Orange Cove Irrigation District

ORANGE COVE, CALIFORNIA

Inspector for the said election, and that Mrs. W. A. Morehead, be and
She is hereby appointed Judge for the said election, and that Mrs. Archie
Nelson, be and She is hereby appointed Clerk for the said election, and
said three persons shall constitute the election board of the Second
Division for the purpose of conducting said election, that Mrs. J. A.
Schoepf be and She is hereby appointed Inspector for the said election,
and that J. A. Schoepf, be and He is hereby appointed Judge for the
said election, and that Mrs. Vernie M. Stephens, be and She is hereby
appointed Clerk for the said election, and said three persons shall
constitue the election board of the Third Division for the purpose of
conduction said electing.


Secretary.

Meeting of the Board of Directors of the Orange Cove Irrigation District, Feb. 13, 1945.

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The meeting was called to order at 7.30 p. m.

Present were Directors M. N. Jensen, W. W. Arkley, George Zaninovich, Treasurer G. C. Bornefeld, Assessor-Collector-Secretary A.L. Schoepf.

The minutes of the previous meeting were read and approved.

The Secretary reported the following bills paid:

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| Minuba Sentinel- for publishing yearly financial report | \$5.75 |
| Cutler-Crosi Courier- for printing ballots | \$4.62 |

W. W. Arkley made a motion that the payments of the bills be approved. The motion was seconded by George Zaninovich.

The Treasurer reported the transfer of \$100.00 from the Time Certificate Savings Account to the checking account together with interest amounting to \$6.75. The balance of the checking account to date was \$121.30.

This being the first Tuesday after the election held in Orange Cove Irrigation District on February 7th, 1945, the Board of Directors of said District met at the office of said District in Orange Cove, California, for the purpose of canvassing the returns from said election. There were present Directors M. N. Jensen, W. W. Arkley, Geo. Zaninovich President M. N. Jensen presided.

Whereupon, the Board of Directors proceeded to canvass the returns of said election, and upon completing said canvass, the following results were declared and are hereby certified: That the whole number of votes cast in the said Orange Cove Irrigation District at said election was 29. That the names of the persons voted for were M. N. Jensen, George Zaninovich, G. C. Bornefeld and A. L. Schoepf.

That the office for which said M. N. Jensen was voted for was that of Director from the Second Division of said District.

That the office for which said George Zaninovich was voted for was that of Director from the Third Division of said District.

That the office for which said G. C. Bornefeld was voted for was that of Treasurer of said District.

That the office for which said A. L. Schoepf was voted for was that of Assessor-Collector of said District.

That the First Division of said District constituted one precinct for said election and in said precinct, 8 votes were given to said G. C. Bornefeld for said office and 8 votes were given to said A. L. Schoepf for said office and no votes were given in said precinct to any other person.

That the Second division of said District constituted one precinct for said election and in said precinct, 17 votes were given to said M. N. Jensen for said office and 17 votes were given to said G. C. Bornefeld for said office and 17 votes were given to said

A. L. Schoepf for said office and no votes were given in said precinct to any other persons.

That the Third Division of said District constituted one precinct for said election and in said precinct 4 votes were given to said George Zaninovich for said office and 4 votes were given to said G. C. Bornefeld for said office and 4 votes were given to said A. L. Schoepf for said office and no votes were given in said precinct to any other persons.

Whereupon, on motion of Director W. W. Arkley, seconded by Director Geo. Zaninovich, and unanimously carried, the following resolution and order was adopted:

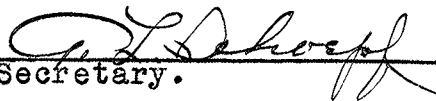
Whereas, the Board of Directors of Orange Cove Irrigation District have this day, pursuant to law, duly met and canvassed the returns of the regular election held in said District on February 7th, 1945; and

Whereas, it appears from such canvass, and this Board now finds and determines that at said election, M. N. Jensen received the highest number of votes for the office of Director from the Second Division, George Zaninovich received the highest number of votes for the office of Director from the Third Division, G. C. Bornefeld received the highest number of votes for the office of Treasurer from the District at large, A. L. Schoepf received the highest number of votes for the office of Assessor-Collector from the District at large;

Now, therefore, it is hereby resolved and declared that said M. N. Jensen has been duly elected to the office of Director of the Second Division, George Zaninovich has been duly elected to the office of Director from the Third Division, G. C. Bornefeld has been duly elected to the office of Treasurer, A. L. Schoepf has been duly elected to the office of Assessor-Collector, all of said Orange Cove Irrigation District thereof for the four year term commencing on the First Tuesday of March 1945.

There being no further business to come before the meeting, the Board of Directors then adjourned.

President.


Secretary.

Minutes of the special meeting of the Board of
Directors of the Orange Cove Irrigation District, June 6, 1945.

The Board of Directors and officers met at 2 p.m. to confer with officials of the U. S. Reclamation Bureau.

Present were Directors M. N. Jensen, Geo. Zaninovich, W. W. Arkley, Treasurer G. C. Bornefeld, Secretary A. L. Schoepf. The reclamation officials were Richard L. Boke, Project Superintendent, Paul T. Regle, Visalia Field Office Superintendent, David S. Stoner, Acting Chief of project development.

The purpose of the meeting was to inform the district officials as to the policy of the reclamation bureau in regard to distribution of the water from the Friant-Kern Canal and to obtain permission if requested to make a preliminary survey of water requirements of the district.

Mr. Stoner presented a map of the project showing dams and proposed canals covering the entire area included in the project. This map and the proposed developments were explained in detail.

Mr. Boke then explained the water distribution methods of the bureau appertaining to the project. Mr. Boke also explained the meaning of the 160 acre limitation bill in regard to land holdings within the district. He also explained the urgent need for irrigation districts to be formed as soon as possible and the method and need of contracting with the Bureau for estimated water requirements. Mr. Boke stated that there were eight hundred thousand acre feet available for distribution south of the Friant Dam which would be carried by the Friant Kern Canal. He also informed the district officers that when this amount of water was contracted for there would be no more available, therefore the need for immediate action by all districts contemplating the use of this water.

It was also considered expedient to contact title holders of land adjacent to the district and inform them of the necessity of either forming districts or making application for inclusion in the Orange Cove Irrigation District. Mr. Regle stated that he would make as many contacts as possible.

It was agreed that upon a specified date there would be held a public meeting to discuss this matter and to ascertain what amount of acreage desired inclusion and the amount of water required. The time and place of the meeting would be advertised.

The Secretary was instructed to send a letter to Mr. Boke at Sacramento authorizing and instructing the Bureau to proceed with a preliminary survey of the water requirements of the District and to submit a contract for approval. This was upon the request of Mr. Boke.

The meeting was then adjourned.

M. N. Jensen
President

A. L. Schoepf
Secretary.

Notes of public meeting of July 20, 1945.

The public meeting of July 20th was held as advertised at 8 p.m. in the Orange Cove School House. The purpose of the meeting was to ascertain as far as possible the amount of acreage outside and adjacent to the Orange Cove Irrigation District desiring inclusion with the Orange Cove District.

The meeting was conducted by Mr. M. N. Jensen, President of the Orange Cove Irrigation District. Reclamation Bureau officials in attendance were Richard L. Boke, Project Superintendent, Paul T. Regle, Visalia Field Office Superintendent, David S. Stoner, Acting Chief of Project development, Kent Crosby and L. S. Travis, both Bureau attorneys.

In addition to several landowners in the Orange Cove District there were also eleven from Navelencia and seven from East Orosi.

Mr. Boke spoke at length explaining various angles of the project and answering questions. Mr. Boke impressed upon the audience the need for immediate action in either forming their own district or making application for inclusion in the Orange Cove District.

Mr. Crosby also spoke and answered legal questions.

The Navelencia and Orosi people took immediate action in forming committees to contact landowners in their respective districts to acquaint them with the necessity of taking action to obtain water from the Friant-Kern Canal without further delay.

The committee from the Navelencia district was composed of J. A. McPherson, Geo. Ketscher, Ed. Brackney, V. J. Kovacovich, and R. J. Hixon.

Mr. H. A. Collin, Myron Miller, H. A. Schoepf and F. I. Goble composed the Orosi committee.

The attendance and interest shown was very gratifying to the Reclamation Bureau officials.

Mr. Boke explained that all preliminary engineering and legal advice would be furnished by the Bureau,

Mr. Jensen informed the committees that they would have thirty days in which to submit their petitions for inclusion should they desire to join the Orange Cove Irrigation District.

Mr. Regle offered to meet with the committees in Visalia to assist in the work of defining boundaries, making up petitions, maps, etc.

M. Jensen

A. L. Schoepf
Secretary.

Minutes of the Meeting of the Board of Directors of the Orange
Cove Irrigation District, August 7, 1945.

The meeting was held at the home of A. L. Schoepf, Secretary,
at 8 p.m. Tuesday, Aug. 7, 1945.

Present were President M. N. Jensen, director George Zaninovich,
director W. W. Arkley was absent. Secretary A. L. Schoepf and
Treasurer G. C. Bornefeld were also present.

The minutes of the two previous special meetings were read and
approved.


The Treasurer reported a checking account balance of \$91.95.

The Directors discussed the engaging of an attorney to handle the
legal affairs of the District. A motion was made by Geo. Zaninovich
and seconded by M. N. Jensen that Attorney Leroy McCormick of Visalia
be temporarily retained as legal advisor. The Secretary was instructed
to write Mr. McCormick advising him of this action by the Board.

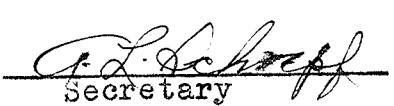
The Secretary was instructed to make an agricultural census of the
District listing the acreage of various plantings. The Secretary was
also instructed to write Attorney McCormick asking for forms for petition
of inclusion.

Mr. H. A. Schoepf and Mr. H. A. Collin of Orosi appeared before the
Board to discuss and ask questions relative to the proposed inclusion
of certain lands with the Orange Cove District.

The meeting then adjourned until further notice.



President



Secretary

Minutes of the meeting of the Orange Cove Irrigation District
Sept. 4, 1945.

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The meeting was called to order at 7:30 P. M.

Present were Directors M. N. Jensen, Geo. Zaninovich, Secretary A. L. Schoepf. Director W. W. Arkley and Treasurer G. C. Bornefeld were absent.

The minutes of the previous meeting were read and approved.

The secretary was authorized to purchase two copies of the State Water Code.

A copy of the bylaws of the Tulare County Irrigation District Association also a copy of the minutes of the last meeting of the Association was presented by Mr. Jensen. The directors discussed the advisability of the Orange Cove Irrigation District joining the Association but decided to consider the matter further.

A copy of a contract for delivery of water from the Government to the Southern San Joaquin Municipal Utility District was also presented and discussed. One paragraph in particular, Paragraph (a), under the chapter on excess lands drew the attention of the Directors for the reason that this matter was never mentioned by any of the Bureau of Reclamation officials at any of the conferences with them. It was decided to await further developments before taking any action regarding this.

The meeting than adjourned.

M. N. Jensen
President
A. L. Schoepf
Secretary

Minutes of the meeting of the Orange Cove Irrigation District, Oct. 4, 1945.

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The regular meeting was postponed from Oct. 2 to Oct. 4.

The meeting was called to order at 8 p. m.

Present were Directors M. N. Jensen, President, W. W. Arkley, George Zaninovich, Secretary A. L. Schoepf. Treasurer G. C. Bornefeld was absent. Also present were Attorney Leroy McCormick from Visalia, R. J. Hixon from Navelencia, H. A. Collin and Myron Miller from Orosi.

Bills presented were as follows: A. L. Schoepf, for Petty Cash account \$5.00, Ray Wright for time and mileage preparing an agricultural census of the District \$ 26.40. Mr. Arkley moved the bills be paid and motion was seconded by Mr. Jensen.

The question of the District joining the Tulare County Irrigation Districts Association was considered favorably by the Directors, whereupon a motion was made by Mr. Arkley and seconded by Mr. Zaninovich that the Secretary communicate with the Association informing it of the Districts intention and requesting a membership.

The subject of the seven man board to be appointed by the Governor to act as a State Water Authority Board was discussed by the Directors.

The Directors agreed that it was of the utmost importance that a capable and reliable man who would best serve the interests of this area be appointed. Mr. Arkley made a motion which was seconded by Mr. Zaninovich that the following resolution be passed: "Resolved, that a written request be sent to Governor Earl Warren requesting the appointment of Mr. Irving H. Althouse as a member of the State Water Authority Board, that the best interests of this area under the Central Valley Project be served."

Mr. Hixon reported that the Navelencia area requesting inclusion had been surveyed and maps completed. Mr. McCormick delivered the petitions for inclusion to Mr. Hixon who said he would obtain signatures as soon as possible. Mr. Collin reported that the East Orosi area was now being surveyed. Mr. Collin said that the delay was due to the illness of the surveyor formerly obtained, but that the work would progress as rapidly as possible.

Mr. McCormick was consulted and answered questions of importance to the District and to the representatives for the petitioners for inclusion.

The question of levying an assessment of thirty-five cents per acre upon the Navelencia and East Orosi districts, as had been done in the Orange Cove District, was discussed and fully explained. The representatives of Navelencia and East Orosi agreed that this plan was fully understood and was agreeable to them. It was also mentioned that at the time of assessment there might be an additional levy per acre upon the land in the present Orange Cove District as well as upon the land included. It was considered that this levy would be

a very nominal sum but would be regulated by the progress in the construction of the Friant-Tern Canal. This plan was also fully explained and was agreeable to all present.

The meeting was then adjourned until further notice.

President

A. L. Schoepf

Secretary.

The following is a copy of the letter sent to Governor Earl Warren.

" Hon. Earl Warren, Governor State of California,
Capitol Building, Sacramento, Calif.

Dear Sir:

At the regular meeting of the Board of Directors of the Orange Cove Irrigation District, a resolution was unanimously passed favoring the appointment of Mr. Irving Althouse of Porterville as a member of the State Water Authority Board, in order that the area under the Central Valley Project be represented.

Very respectfully yours,

Secretary. "

Minutes of the regular meeting of the Orange Cove Irrigation
District, Nov. 6, 1945.

The meeting was called to order at 7:30 p.m.

The minutes of the previous meeting were read and approved.

Present were Directors M. N. Jensen, W. W. Arkley, Geo. Zaninovich, Treasurer G. C. Bornefeld, Secretary A.L.Schoepf, and Attorney Leroy McCormick. Also present from the Navelencia district was Mr. R. J. Hixon. From the Orosi area were H. A. Collin, F. I. Goble, H. A. Schoepf, Myron Miller and Oscar Orlopp.

Mr. Collin presented a map showing the area included in the East Orosi district desiring inclusion. Mr. Collin reported satisfactory progress in his area.

Mr. Hixon reported that the preparations in his area were nearly completed except for the signing of the petition.

The Board of Directors gave its approval of the outlines of both areas.


Both Mr. Collin and Mr. Hixon assured the Board that they would attempt to have the majority of the petitions signed by the next regular meeting.

The secretary read a letter from Governor Earl Warren in answer to our letter recommending Mr. Irving Althouse's appointment to the Water Resources Board. Mr. Warren explained why Mr. Althouse was not appointed and extended his appreciation of our letter.

The secretary also read a letter from Mr. Paul T. Ragle, Field Office Superintendent at Visalia in answer to a letter from Mr. Jensen in regard to the lining of the canal through this area. Mr. Ragle explained that it was not the intention of the Bureau to concrete line the canal through this district. but stated that other means would be employed to prevent leakage. This however did not meet with the approval of the Board and it was suggested that the Bureau be contacted and urged to reconsider their plans in favor of a concrete lining.

The meeting then adjourned until further notice.

President



Secretary.

Notes on meeting of Nov. 27, 1945.

A special meeting was held Tuesday evening Nov. 27, at Mr. Jensen's Office.

The principal speakers of the evening were Mr. Stoner, engineer, Mr. Ragle, field superintendent and attorney Ralph Brodie, all representing the United States Reclamation Bureau.

The meeting was well attended by representatives from Oroquieta, Navelencia and Orange Cove. Those attending from Orange Cove were Messrs. Jensen, Arkley, Zaninovich, Bornefeld and Schoepf. From Oroquieta were Messrs. Collin, Schoepf, Goble. From Navelencia Messrs. Hixon and Cavakovich.

Mr. Stoner was spokesman for the Reclamation Bureau officials. The meat of Mr. Stoner's conversation was the urgent and immediate need of districts formulating plans for the construction of a distribution system. He explained that the Bureau was willing to construct the system if so desired. The system would be no part of the Central Valleys Project but would be financed by interest free government funds to be paid off in forty years. The system would be under supervision of the Bureau until the major part of the debt was paid. Mr. Stoner advised that should the District desire the Bureau to construct the system the District should communicate with the Bureau asking them to investigate the potentialities for constructing the distribution system, what investigation might be necessary and the cost thereof. The Bureau would then make a survey determining a paper location of pipe lines, etc., and estimate the cost of construction. One half of the cost of the survey would be paid in advance and in event the Bureau should build the system the balance would be paid over a period of forty years. Should the District decide to have a private concern build the system the total cost of the survey would be paid by the District.

Mr. Stoner intimated the possibility of having water available by the season of 1947, hence the urgency for being prepared.

The 160 acre limitation act was discussed and explained by Attorney Brodie. It was concluded however that it was the existing law and nothing could be done about it until the law was modified.

Mr. Stoner suggested that those interested begin thinking about the pumping power angle in regard to having the Government furnish the power for the contemplated pumping stations to lift the water above the canal. He explained that the cost would be in the ratio of about two and one-half mills to five and one-half if purchased from private concerns.

The meeting was then concluded.

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Secretary, O.C.I.D.

Minutes of the regular meeting of the Board of Directors
of the Orange Cove Irrigation District, Dec. 4, 1945.

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The meeting was called to order at 7:30 p. m.

The minutes of the previous meeting were read and approved.

Present were Directors M. N. Jensen, W. W. Arkley, Geo. Zaninovich,
Treasurer G. C. Bornefeld, Secretary A. L. Schoepf, Attorney
Leroy McCormick, R. J. Hixon representing the Navelencia district
and H. A. Collin from the Orosi district.

A motion was made by W. W. Arkley and seconded by Geo. Zaninovich
instructing the secretary to write a letter to the Bureau of
Reclamation asking them to make a preliminary survey and paper
location of a distribution system for the district.

A motion was also made by Mr. Zaninovich and seconded by
Mr. Arkley instructing the secretary to investigate the possibility
of acquiring space for the erection of an office building and yards
for the district.

Mr. Hixon reported that he had about thirty per cent of the
petitions for inclusion signed in his area.

Mr. Collin showed a map of the Orosi area but reported that
there had to be some changes made in the boundaries of the district.

The secretary reported that he had attended the meeting of the
Tulare County Irrigation Districts Association at Lindsay on Nov.
29th and gave a verbal report on the meeting.

There being no further business to come before the Board the
meeting was then adjourned until further notice.

M. N. Jensen

President

A. L. Schoepf

Secretary.