

Irrigation - U. S.

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Hill to C.S. Mellen

Have following wire from Phoenix, Arizona: "Earnestly hope you will exert your influence immediately to prevent any irrigation legislation in Montana Legislature this session. Scheme for State ownership and control of water endangers national irrigation works." Hill adds: "Montana Wyoming and some of the other States have schemes to practically swallow the entire appropriation for the benefit of private individuals. This would make a total failure of the Government work and would undoubtedly bring it to 'an early end.'"

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