

# IDAHO PROJECTS DRAW \$7,113,435

### Apportionment of Irrigation Fund Gives Big Schemes Plenty of Money

(Special Dispatch to The Journal.)  
Boise, Idaho, Jan. 21.—The army board has apportioned \$7,113,435 to the two irrigation projects in Idaho, \$6,585,485 to complete the Fayette-Boise, and \$528,000 to complete the Minidoka, according to present approved plans.  
The expenditure of this vast sum of money means wonderful prosperity in Idaho for a number of years at least.  
The original Fayette-Boise project included an area of 402,700 acres and was divided into four subdivisions:  
**Four Separate Plans.**  
The Fayette division, comprising lands in the Payette valley and part of the Boise valley, the total area being 23,000 acres, of which 60,000 were desert and 11,000 under cultivation.  
The north side Boise unit, comprising lands on the north side of the Boise river under Farmers' Union canal, the total area being 33,000 acres, of which 25,000 acres were desert and 8,000 cultivated.  
The south side Boise unit, comprising 275,000 acres, of which 109,000 acres were already irrigated or provided with canals of sufficient capacity therefor.  
The Succor creek division, comprising lands on the south side of Snake river, near the Idaho-Oregon line, the total area being 25,700 acres, of which 19,000 acres were to be served by reservoirs on Succor creek, and 15,700 by pumping from Snake river.  
The project as now defined lies within the third subdivision, and comprises a total of 243,000 acres, of which 164,000 are new lands and 79,000 are old lands under irrigation from private ditches.

**High, Dry Land.**  
The average elevation of the irrigable area is 2500 feet above sea level, and the average rainfall is about 13 inches, an amount too small to permit successful dry farming in this locality.  
At the present time the distribution system is capable of delivering water to 187,338 acres. Of these 108,338 acres, comprising 1237 farm units, are new lands.  
The expenditures on this project to June 30, 1910, have been \$2,404,327.18. The estimated additional cost to complete is \$7,448,103.93, making the total estimated cost of completion \$10,852,431.11.  
Lands in the project without water are selling at from \$50 to \$75 per acre. Lands under cultivation with fairly good water rights under the old canals are selling at from \$150 to \$250, and even as high as \$500 per acre. The soil is fertile, easily worked, and the climate is well adapted to fruit raising, as well as to the growing of grains and alfalfa. The estimated cost of irrigation is \$66 per acre.

**WANT INTERSTATE BRIDGE OVER SNAKE**  
(Special Dispatch to The Journal.)  
Nysa, Or., Jan. 21.—Mallheur county has sent delegations to Salem and to Boise to work for appropriations for an interstate bridge across Snake river near this place. The county court has appropriated \$10,000 to aid in the construction of the bridge. The town of Nysa and its progressive citizens are ready to donate the necessary funds to carry to completion the bridge and have made an agreement with the county commissioners to keep the structure in repair for 10 years free of charge to the taxpayers of the county.  
The bridge will be on the main road from all points of Idaho to the interior of Oregon. It would be quite an accommodation to all travelers through this country going from one state to the other. Large bands of sheep and cattle are going across the river where the bridge is to be built, and stockmen all over the interior are glad to see the movement for a bridge project.  
**Fine Hotel Opened.**  
Corvallis, Or., Jan. 21.—The Julian, Corvallis' new hotel, is open for business, although finishing touches are still being given the building. The hotel has 96 rooms, is built of brick and stone and is modernly equipped.

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**NEW MEXICO VOTES ON CONSTITUTION FOR STATE**  
Santa Fe, N. M., Jan. 21.—At a special election held throughout New Mexico today the state constitution adopted by the convention which met here last fall was submitted to the people for ratification. It probably will be several days before the complete returns from the election are received, but it is the general belief that the constitution will be approved by a good majority of the voters. It will then be referred to congress and to the president, whose official proclamation will be the last step necessary to statehood.

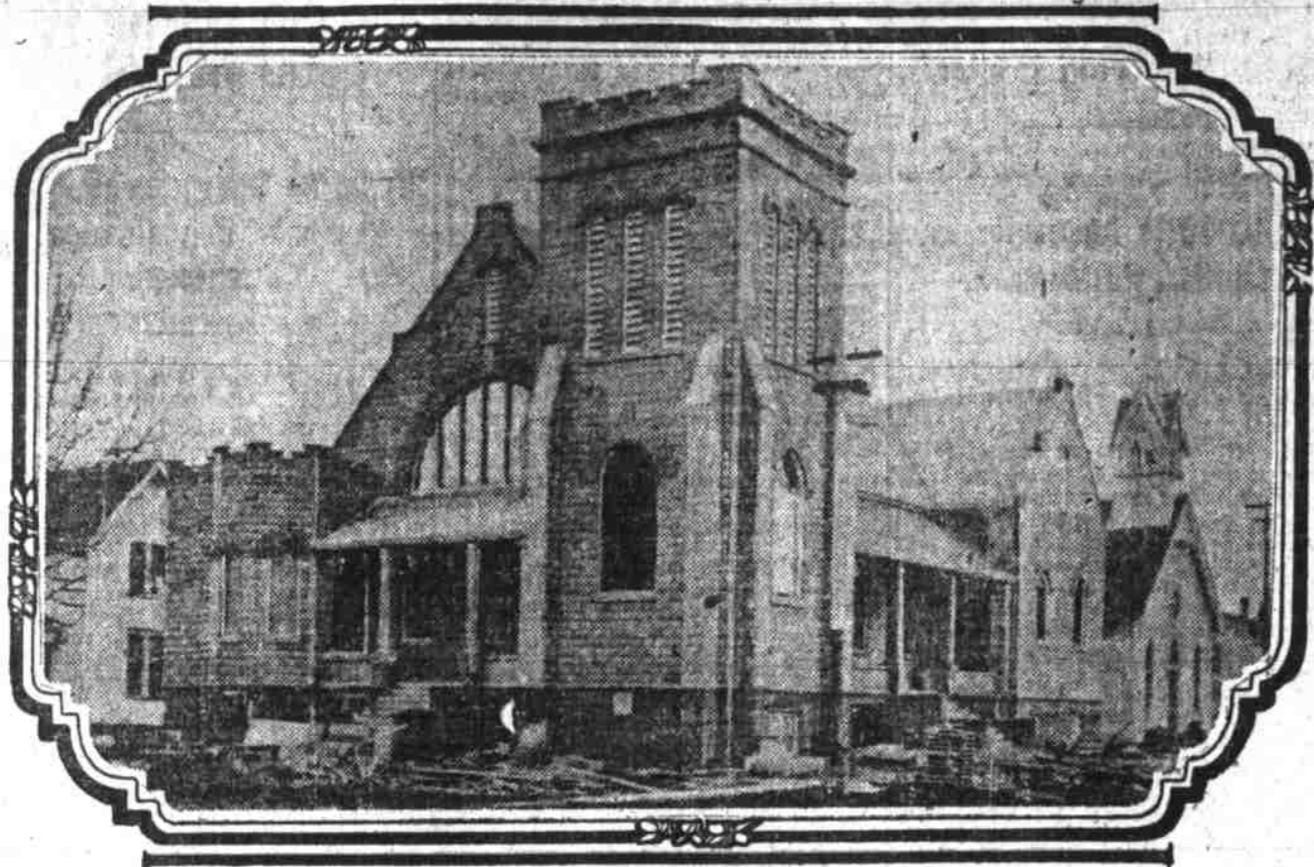
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# LEBANON'S \$25,000 METHODIST CHURCH



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## GREAT IRRIGATION PROJECT PLANNED

### Would Reclaim 150,000 Acres in Upper Snake River Basin.

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Mountain Home, Idaho, Jan. 21.—B. G. Jayne of New York, who was for many years in the service of the government, has returned to Mountain Home and re-engaged in the prosecution of work looking to the irrigation of between 150,000 and 200,000 acres of land lying between the Oregon Short Line railroad and the Snake river in this county, and including a portion of southern Ada county.  
Two camps of surveyors, aggregating 25 men are at work. One, under John King, will be a "fly" camp, and will first locate eight miles south of here. The other, under E. Bean, goes to the rim rock near Gannett, where Mr. Jayne has a state permit to construct a dam, which, when completed, will raise the waters of the Snake at that point 90 feet above the present normal.  
It is unofficially stated that the completed project will entail the expenditure of between \$3,000,000 and \$10,000,000, and will add to Idaho's wonders the greatest pumping plant in the world.  
Added to this project, which is almost a certainty, is the activity of the Elmore Irrigation company and the good work from Senator W. E. Borah that it is more than possible that the balance of the Mountain Home lands, aggregating 800,000 acres, will be attached to the Boise-Payette project or taken care of by Uncle Sam under a separate segregation.

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## SETTLERS CLAIM 381,017 ACRES

### Applications to Number of 1341 Made Before Lakeview Land Office.

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Lakeview, Or., Jan. 20.—Arthur W. Oton, register of the Lakeview land office has completed a report of the entries made during the last year in the district, which comprises Lake and Klamath counties and a portion of Crook county. There were 534 applications under the 160 acre homestead law covering 72,397.05 acres; 246 applications for 320 acre homesteads covering 73,235.33 acres; 108 desert land applications for 22,323.63 acres; 137 timber and stone applications for 17,338.74 acres; 218 water right applications for 24,000 acres; 34 applications for isolated tracts, 1506.28 acres; 33 application to "scrip" 881.78 acres; two segregations of lands under the "Carey act" for 150,000 acres in Warner valley; 15 reservoir site applications and 15 railway and ditch right-of-way applications. This makes a grand total of 1341 applications for 381,017.84 acres.  
Lake county contains less than 5000 people and covers more in the matter of homes than any similar area in the United States. With free lands and the prospect of a railroad within the next year or two it is expected that there will be a large immigration to the county this year.

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Medford, Or., Jan. 21.—The school board has awarded the contracts for the construction of the Queen Anne and Jackson boulevard schools to Alfred Ivey, a local contractor. Work will be started on the buildings as soon as the weather will permit. They must be completed and ready for occupancy by August 15.  
The plans provide for modern fire-proof buildings of brick and concrete. When finished they will accommodate 400 pupils and will, insofar as possible, be identical. The estimated cost of the schools is \$33,000 each.

## WASCO COUNTY GETS \$80,000 COURTHOUSE

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Dufur, Or., Jan. 21.—A new court house and jail to cost \$80,000, will be erected this year. Plans will be submitted to the county court at the February session and the kind of buildings to be constructed will be decided upon then.  
County Judge Lake sent out postal cards to all the tax payers of the county and asked each to vote as to whether he wanted the buildings erected or not and at the meeting last week the votes were counted and it was found that the voters in favor of new buildings being erected were in the majority.