

PRESIDENT TO LAND IN U. S. FEBRUARY 24

AIR MANOEUVERS WILL GREET EXECUTIVE.

PEOPLE'S VOTE ASKED

Borah Demands That Popular Ballot Be Taken on Wilson's Peace Plan Before Nation Is Bound by New Constitution.

(By United Press to The Bend Bulletin.)

WASHINGTON, D. C., Feb. 21.—The presidential ship will arrive in Boston Monday, Secretary of the Navy Daniels announced today. President Wilson plans to sail again for France about March 5, Secretary Daniels added.

The navy plans an aerial demonstration when the president arrives off the New England coast. President Wilson has requested that the ceremony at Boston in his honor be brief, on account of the necessity for his early return to Washington.

WOULD KEEP WILSON QUIET.

WASHINGTON, D. C., Feb. 21.—Senator Sherman introduced a resolution today asking that President Wilson refrain from discussing the league of nations during his stay in Boston.

DEMANDS VOTE ON LEAGUE.

WASHINGTON, D. C., Feb. 21.—Senator Borah, speaking in the upper house today, demanded that Americans be given a vote on the league of nations constitution before the government brings itself under a binding agreement with the other powers. He warned that unless the people are now afforded an opportunity to express their unclouded opinion, they will make the opportunity later to speak their minds.

PREMIER GAINS ENCOURAGINGLY

CLEMENCEAU TELLS PRESIDENT POINCARÉ HE WILL BE READY TO RESUME WORK WITHIN NEXT FOUR OR FIVE DAYS.

(By United Press to The Bend Bulletin.)

PARIS, Feb. 21.—Premier Clemenceau will be out of danger within 48 hours, it is announced. "I'm very optimistic of my ability to return to work within four or five days," he told President Poincaré.

WILSON ESCAPED ASSASSIN.

PARIS, Feb. 21.—Rumors are circulating here that several plots have been unearthed in Switzerland, regarded as a hotbed of pro-German and extremist conspirators, in connection with the attack on Premier Clemenceau.

One report was that the radicals had planned to assassinate both Clemenceau and President Wilson, but that none of the conspirators succeeded in crossing the frontier into France, due to the watchfulness of the police.

REDS ARE WORSTED BY THE GOVERNMENT

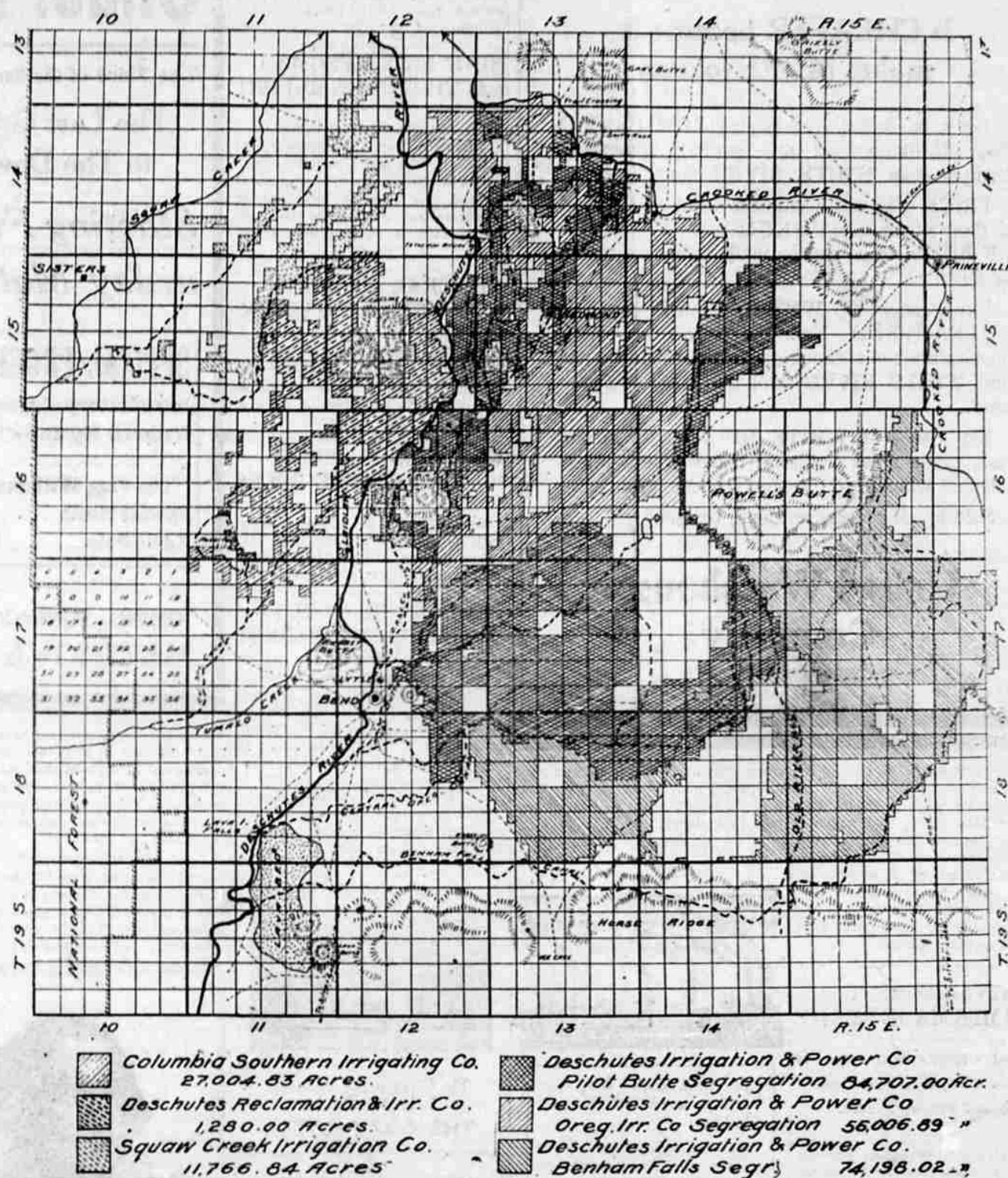
Germans, Acting with Foch's Permission, Take Public Buildings from Spartans Within Neutral Zone.

(By United Press to The Bend Bulletin.)

BASLE, Feb. 21.—German government troops, operating with Foch's permission, have recaptured from the Spartans all Elberfeld public buildings, according to dispatches received here today. Fighting continued until noon yesterday, when the troops withdrew, leaving a guard to maintain order, in accordance with an agreement with the allies. Elberfeld is within the neutral zone, east of the Rhine.

The Spartans are reported to have seized all the bullion gold in the Reichsbank of Muehlheim.

WHERE GOVERNMENT IS PREPARING FOR IRRIGATION WORK



HOUSE IN NEED OF MORE TIME

FINAL ADJOURNMENT TO PROBABLY COME ON WEDNESDAY—SENATE IS READY TO QUIT WORK AT ANY TIME.

(By United Press to The Bend Bulletin.)

SALEM, Feb. 21.—With the desk jammed with unfinished senate business, including big appropriation bills, the house is resigned to the necessity of adjourning Saturday night to meet Monday morning. Indications are that final adjournment will be early Wednesday morning. The senate, with desks clear, is marking time, working only part of the day. The upper house today passed the \$5,000,000 reconstruction bond issue constitutional amendment, and also a bill providing for an expenditure of \$3,000,000 of this issue on the reconstruction program. A memorial urging that Wilson use his influence for home rule in Ireland was killed, and a similar fate overtook the bill appropriating \$10,000 for investigating conditions on the Columbia river at The Dalles to improve river shipping.

PLAN HUGE ARMY TO WATCH HUNS

America's Share of Soldiers Needed Would Be 450,000, Is Declaration of French Paper.

(By United Press to The Bend Bulletin.)

PARIS, Feb. 21.—It was stated here today that an inter-allied army may soon be formed to keep the field until Germany make a complete financial settlement. This army, according to the newspaper which published the story, would include 350,000 British and 100,000 Belgians.

Withdrawal of 80,000 Acres From Segregation Points to Early Irrigation Activities

Indications that the federal reclamation service is making preparations for extensive irrigation work in this section are given in the announcement made this morning that some 80,000 acres lying east and northeast of Bend had been withdrawn from entry.

According to the plats received by United States Commissioner H. C. Ellis, who was informed of the matter by the land office at The Dalles, the lands embraced in the withdrawal are those included in the so-called Benham Falls segregation. These are a tract east of town and adjoining the lands served by the Arnold ditch and another running north from that section to the vicinity of Alfalfa and along the east side of Powell Butte.

The land was first segregated about 12 years ago and included in the Carey act project of the Central Oregon Irrigation Co., the plan being to water it by a diversion at Benham falls, from which it received its name as the Benham Falls segregation. During the 10 years in which the land was held under contract by the C. O. I. Co. nothing was done toward reclamation beyond the making of surveys, and on the expiration of the contract the Bend Commercial club was successful in

ARMENIAN RELIEF DRIVE ON SATURDAY

With everything in readiness for the big American-Syrian relief drive, committee leaders and solicitors throughout the county will start the campaign for funds tomorrow morning. While a week's time is allowed in which the county quota is to be made up, it is hoped by the central county committee that the needed amount will be secured within the next three or four days.

WAR COUNCIL MEETS WITH FRENCH LEADER

(By United Press to The Bend Bulletin.)

PARIS, Feb. 21.—A meeting of the supreme war council was held this afternoon at the Clemenceau residence. This is accepted as substantiating optimistic statements that the premier's condition is improving.

REALTY MEN IN BEND TO BUILD

HUNTER & STAATS PLAN APPROXIMATE OUTLAY OF \$18,000 FOR HOMES TO BE AVAILABLE TO RENTERS.

Further information was thrown on the subject of building activity to be expected in Bend during the coming season, when W. H. Staats, of the realty firm of Hunter & Staats, announced last night that he and Mr. Hunter will erect during the spring and early summer at least 12 residences in Deschutes addition. Work is already well under way on the first, a five-room modern cottage, and others will be started from time to time.

The dwellings will be of four and five rooms each, and will range in cost between \$1000 and \$2500, with the majority at the latter figure, making a total probable outlay of approximately \$18,000. The realty firm plans to offer the new houses for rent, and does not contemplate at the present time placing any of them on the market for sale. Mr. Hunter stated in this connection that if he had 10 empty houses on his hands he could rent them all within an hour, and that every dwelling to be put up will represent one or more applications on the part of would-be renters.

In addition to the Hunter & Staats building program, three other houses are now being erected in Deschutes addition to be occupied by the builders. Realty men assert that this is representative of what will be by far the biggest phase of construction work in Bend this summer, namely, building by people wanting to make sure of having permanent

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\$100,000 RANCH IS ON MARKET

BIG JOHNSTON TRACT TO BE SUBDIVIDED.

More Than 20 Families Will Be Placed on Irrigated Land, Declares J. B. Miner—Increase in Alfalfa Production Sought.

Marking the passing of another of the big estates of Central Oregon was the announcement made today by J. B. Miner, local realty operator, that he has secured the Johnston stock ranch for subdivision and sale in 40, 80 and 120 acre tracts. Every square foot of the big farm is irrigated, and Mr. Miner believes that every bit of it will be disposed of within the next two weeks. When marketed, the sale of the tracts will represent a transaction of more than \$100,000.

The Johnston property is generally known as the first irrigated ranch of any size in Central Oregon. Some 15 years ago the land was secured by J. O. Johnston and became the home ranch of the Deschutes Irrigation & Power Co., of which Mr. Johnston was president, and which was the predecessor of the Central Oregon Irrigation company. As a result of the original ownership of the ranch, the main ditch of the C. O. I. Co. runs past one side of the 1280-acre tract. For the last four years the property has been under the management of George Jones for the Johnston estate. It is 16 miles northeast of Bend.

Many to Find Homes. Where formerly the two sections of irrigated land, offering opportunity for intensive cultivation, has afforded a home for only one or two families, from 20 to 25 homes will now be built there, according to Mr. Miner's plans. During his work in Central Oregon he has subdivided several large tracts and is a firm believer in the doctrine that 80 acres under irrigation will give the average farmer all he can tend to, and will at the same time afford him an excellent living.

The Johnston ranch is in the heart of a section which has become famous for its alfalfa crops, and nearby ranchers report cutting four tons to the acre during the past season. Following experiments made by the county agriculturist, the big tract now being cut up has been liberally sprinkled with sulphur to aid in the raising of a bumper hay crop.

Mr. Miner has made arrangements with the First National Bank of Bend, according to which that institution will sell alfalfa seed on time to settlers, and will also send R. A. Ward, agricultural specialist, to give advice to any who may require it in regard to the most scientific methods of cultivation.

LABOR PUZZLE MORE INVOLVED

THOUSANDS OUT ON STRIKE, WHILE OTHER THOUSANDS CLAMOR IN VAIN FOR WORK—SITUATION IS CRITICAL.

(By United Press to The Bend Bulletin.)

WASHINGTON, D. C., Feb. 21.—Labor difficulties are probably more prevalent now than at any time in the nation's history, labor department reports show. At the same time that thousands are striking, other thousands who want work cannot find employment, due to the general stagnation of industry. Labor officials frankly admit that the situation is fast becoming critical.

ASSEMBLY IN FAVOR OF RETURNING SPOIL

BASLE, Feb. 21.—A Weimar dispatch says that the German national assembly has decided that industrial material taken from France and Belgium must be returned.

\$750,000,000 ASKED FOR RAILROAD EXPENSE

WASHINGTON, D. C., Feb. 21.—The house today passed a bill appropriating \$750,000,000 for a railroad administration revolving fund by a vote of 272 to 15.