

# BOULDER POWER DEVELOPMENT IN VEGAS AREA TO BE BEGUN SOON

## Promise of Construction Of Pioche Power Line Given McCarran

WASHINGTON, June 11. (Special)—Development of Boulder dam power resources for the benefit of southern Nevada homes and industry and agriculture will soon be started, Senator Pat McCarran said today, following conferences with heads of the administration's rural electrification committee.

After a series of conferences in which McCarran presented the power needs of southern Nevada, the electrification group officials came forward with plans to utilize the Boulder dam-Pioche power line to supply electrical energy to the Virgin and Muddy river valleys. The area to be thus electrified would include most of Lincoln and Clark counties, and possibly a portion of Nye county.

**PROMISE THAT** the power line to Pioche would be constructed was secured by Senator McCarran before the passage of the four billion dollar work relief bill, under which this project will be carried to completion. Although public works officials have approved the Pioche power line, a meeting must be held in Pioche, pursuant to a new state law, for the creation of a power district.

When this step has been taken locally, McCarran said, the project will be well on its way, for the senator has already had plans for the development filed with the PWA. These plans, however, do not include details which are now being worked out and which will be presented later on.

**SPECIFIC USES** for the power to be obtained by the development will include mining, heat and light, and irrigation. Particularly said McCarran, are mining properties and unemployed to benefit. The new power resources, he said will result in a large investment in mines and their development. It is because of the large amount of employment expected in connection not only with the construction of the power lines, but with the new mining developments, that electrification authorities so eagerly took up Senator McCarran's suggestions.

**IN ADDITION** to these general plans, other developments arising out of the availability of the power are to be worked out later, the senator said.