

Pioche Power Tax Controversy Opens

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First step in the anticipated controversy to determine whether the Lincoln county power district shall pay taxes on that portion of their Boulder dam transmission line located in Clark county, was taken this morning when the board of county commissioners instructed Assessor F. C. DeVinney to place the property on the tax rolls.

Actual cost of the line in this county was placed at \$400,000 and the proposed assessed valuation at \$200,000.

The Pioche group claim that because the line was built by a "municipal corporation" it is not taxable, but a verbal opinion by Attorney-General Gray Mashburn was otherwise.

As a result of the commissioners' action, the matter will land in the laps of the state tax commission which will have to make final decision on the protest, paving the way for judicial determination by the courts if the district so desires.