

Boulder Dam Construction to Bring Millions Here

The construction of Boulder dam is destined to bring many millions of dollars into the Los Angeles market, when the supplies needed are contracted for. In addition, the payroll will bring other millions here during the seven years of building activities.

It is true that, because of the immensity of the enterprise, materials will be bought all over the United States. Yet, the proximity to Los Angeles will cause a great sum to come here as a natural thing.

While the cement is to be furnished by the government, it is probable that it will be manufactured mostly by California mills. The same will be true of the bulk of commissary supplies needed over the seven-year period.

The size of the working force will fluctuate from a few hundred to 2500, the average for the entire term of building being estimated at 1200. A force of that size, many of them with families, will require a large quantity of food, clothing and other necessaries of life.

The payroll will average approximately \$3,000,000 every year. Much of that sum eventually will find its way into this trade territory.

Of course, when compared with the normal business of Los Angeles, the Boulder dam money will be only a drop in the bucket. Yet it will help in maintaining the industry of the district and hasten an increase in trade and general prosperity.

Thus the big enterprise will begin to distribute its blessings long before either domestic water or hydro-electrical energy is available.