

# SHORTER HOURS NOT TO EFFECT U. S. PROJECTS NOW UNDER WAY

Reclamation Bureau View  
Is Made Public By El-  
wood Mead

## NO ADDITIONAL MEN

West Solons Make Little  
Headway in Fight For  
Shorter Hours

WASHINGTON, July 27. (U.P.)

The reclamation bureau has no present intention of shortening the hours of work on any of the federal projects now under construction which are receiving funds from the public works appropriation, it was stated today by Dr. Elwood Mead, commissioner.

Mead explained that the allotment of \$44,460,000 by the public works administration to the reclamation bureau would mean the continued construction of the various projects, insuring continued employment for one year for the 6,000 men now employed on the Boulder Canyon, Owyhee and Vale Oregon, and Ronald and Ellensburg, Washington projects.

"THESE NEW funds will not make possible the hiring of any additional workers," Dr. Mead said, "therefore it will mean no adjustments for the contractors on these projects as there has been no order issued for a shorter work week."

Several of the western senators have requested the department of interior to extend the thirty hour week provision of the recovery program to all government projects now under construction, but to date have made little headway.