

ARKANSAS RIVER PROJECT ASKED ON BROAD BASIS

Flood Control Included in
Bill Congress Will
Receive.

By Scripps-Howard Newspaper Alliance
WASHINGTON, Dec. 30.—Broad powers to construct flood control reservoirs, irrigation systems and power plants for the conservation of natural resources and the development of the Arkansas river valley are contained in the Marland bill to create the Arkansas river watershed authority.

The bill has been completed by Representative E. W. Marland (Dem., Okla.) and has been submitted to the White House. In principle it follows the lines of the measure which brought the Tennessee valley authority into being. While the main object of the latter is to create electrical power, the chief purpose of the Marland proposal is to stabilize the run-off in the Arkansas river basin and dispose of the impounded water for irrigation and domestic use.

Embraced within its provisions, however, is authority to build hydro-electrical power plants and transmission lines where sites are deemed suitable and markets are available for sale of current.

Bans Politics

The bill sets up a corporation to carry out the purposes of the act under the direction of a board of three members. Those directors, to receive \$12,000 each, would be appointed for terms of three, six and nine years, respectively, by the President.

Included in the measure is the same prohibition against political influence being used either in the granting or obtaining of jobs which is one of the strong features of the Tennessee valley act.

Five states are affected by the proposed enactment, Oklahoma, Colorado, New Mexico, Kansas and Texas. The headquarters of the board are to be in Oklahoma City. An appropriation of \$50,000,000 is sought for carrying out the provisions of the act.

Because of its interstate ramifications, the bill would confer upon the states in the watershed the right to negotiate compacts for a comprehensive development of the Arkansas river and its tributaries.

Wide Activity Desired

The proposed bill would give the watershed authority power to make contracts, purchase or lease property and exercise the right of eminent domain, build and operate dams, canals and irrigation works, terrace lands, construct electrical power plants and transmission lines and engage in reforestation.

The board would be given the right, after impounding water in reservoirs, to fix such charges for its use for irrigation, municipal and domestic purposes as it deems fair and reasonable. It would have the same authority in determining power rates.

Designed primarily as a flood control and war relief measure, the Marland bill provides that in all construction work requiring laborers and mechanics the wage shall be not less than that prevailing for employment of a similar nature in the vicinity in which the construction is undertaken. The secretary of labor is empowered to settle all labor disputes.

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BACK HOME AGAIN

*Stolen automobiles recovered by police
belong to*

*David Lawson, Plainfield, Ind., Ford
sedan, 1933, which found at English
avenue and Pine street, from 800*

*North Keystone avenue, 50-521 North Lynn street,
Ford roadster, 52-584, from Ohio street and
Senate avenue.*

*The Indiana O-Lite Company, Speedway
City, Essex sedan, 12-72.*

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