Ross Power Plan To Create Many Jobs In State

J. D. Ross' plan for a superpower network to connect Bonneville Dam with Portland, the Willamette Valley, and Eastern Oregon will mean employment and electricity for thousands of Oregon citizens

Figures released at the office of the Bonneville Administrator today revealed that the proposed \$21.375, 725 construction program would provide more than seven million man-hours of direct labor. Manufacture of steel towers, metallic cable, insulators, and substation equipment would add more millions of labor to this figure.

Oregon Counties Listed

Last week Mr. Ross disclosed that he had applied to Public Works Administrator Harold L Ickes for an allotment to build more than a thousand miles of high tension transmission lines to market Bonneville power. The initial circuits in Oregon would extend through Multno mah, Yamhill, Washington, Marion, Linn, Lane, Hood River, Wasco and Umatilla Counties, Most of the labor would be taken from relief rolls in these and adjoining counties.

"There is a nation needing P.W.A money," Administrator Ross said. "But I am hoping for a generous allotment for our transmission system. Every cent will be paid back to the Federal Government out of electricity revenues from Bonneville Dam and other projects on the Snake, Columbia and other rivers. Since we shall pay 3 1/2 % interest on the money, it will be a good deal for everybody, particularly the Government.'

Business Stimulus Seen Recalling that Bonneville Dam was started by President Roosevelt as Public Works Administration Pro-

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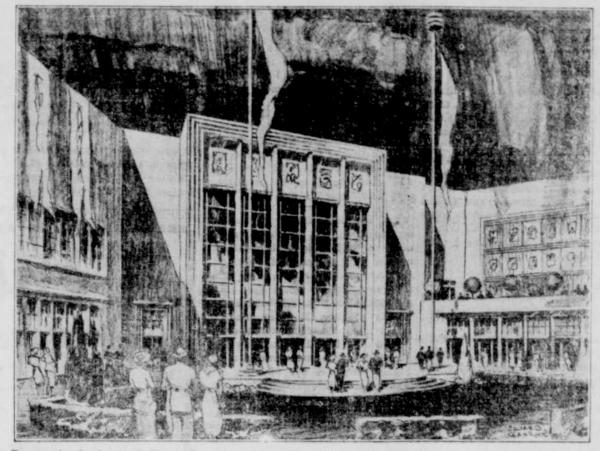
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ject No. 28, Mr. Ross suggested that Medford Business a broad federal power program could lead the way in improving economic conditions in the Northwest, "Construction of the proposed network will stimulate the building of rural can open a huge market for electrical appliances.

are feasible if a portion of the costs can be returned from the sale of power. In Oregon, for example, thousands of arid but potentially fertile acres can provide American families with a higher standard of living. Water from our rivers is readily available to transform these lands into rich homesteads. But power must share the cost."

Power Pays Its Way

The Bonneville Administrator commented on the low construction costs now prevailing, and said it was an ideal time to develop the water ways of the Columbia basin, "All of these projects add to the wealth of the Northwest. While they are humanitarian ventures in the sense that they will improve living conditions for our people, they are financially sound as well. Power pays its own way, and I can think of no better way to give productive employment to large numbers of persons than by developing our great hydro-electric resources."

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