

Result of Kennedy's Look Into Snake Project Undecided

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Washington—President Kennedy has made good on his promise to look into the Snake river power dispute, but the sequence of this action is a big question mark. The attitude of the chief executive may be a factor in the outcome of the pending case before the Federal Power Commission in which public and private power interests are opposing applicants for dam licenses—but nobody knows how this factor will figure in the FPC's final decision.

The FPC is supposed to be independent of the administration in power, charged with the responsibility of making decisions in complex cases without regard to pressures from private interests or government agencies.

But each of the five commissioners is appointed by the president, and past history

suggests that commissioners are often careful not to cross wires with the White House if they want to be reappointed to another term.

The sequence of events in the pending case makes an interesting case study. It began when Jack Corlette, president of Montana Power Co., asked Kennedy at a businessmen's luncheon here why the federal government didn't let private utilities build all the dams they want to build instead of insisting on federal construction of dams. When Kennedy asked him to specify what projects he had in mind, Corlette said High Mountain Sheep dams on the Snake river, which Corlette's utility would like to build in cooperation with Pacific Power and Light, Portland General Electric and Washington Water Power company.

Up To Government

Kennedy answered that it was up to the government to prove that federal construction would provide more satisfactory results than private construction.

A presidential aide then went into the audience to find out who had asked the ques-

tion and to ask Corlette to send the President some information on the case. The Montana Power executive subsequently sent Kennedy the utility's argument for private development of High Mountain Sheep, as opposed to federal development, which Interior Secretary Stewart Udall had advocated.

The White House, after the luncheon, distributed a transcript of the questions and answers at the luncheon to members of the press. Copies also reached the press office of the FPC, where they were promptly dispatched to the five commissioners for their edification.

When the FPC listened to final arguments by the lawyers representing all sides of the dispute, it was obvious that the commissioners had carefully read Kennedy's words. FPC Chairman Joseph Swidler had the transcript at his fingertips and proceeded to read it word for word into the record of the hearing.

Finally, the federal government's attorney, Harry Hogan, formerly of The Dalles, Ore., made them all lean forward a bit when he said—

daily he wanted to say something about the President's remarks. Swidler said he was anxious to hear what Hogan had to say.

Secretary Udall, explained Hogan, had gone to the White House a few days before to confer with the President about the Snake river case. As a result, he was authorized to inform the FPC that Inter-

or was sticking with its position that the federal government ought to build the dam rather than the private utilities.

There is nothing in the exchanges that occurred during the hearing to indicate that the FPC was particularly impressed by the government's case. But it was quite apparent that the commissioners were impressed with the knowledge that the President had made a public statement about the case and had expressed a general philosophy about the conflict between federal and private river development.

The FPC has often been criticized for being too strongly influenced by the utility industry and/or the White House. In this case it seems likely to demonstrate an independence of one, if not the other, depending on its final decision.



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