

Long Valley Farmers To Get Electricity Soon

R.E.A. Appropriates \$119,000 For Line, Work Begins Soon

Rural residents of Long Valley were virtually assured of electrical power in the near future this week when word was received here from Washington D. C., that \$119,000 had been allocated for the Rural Electrification Program in Valley county.

Alex Muhonen of Donnelly, coordinator of the Long Valley Power Cooperative, received a telegram Thursday from power headquarters in Washington that the project had been approved and that the money had been appropriated.

More than 200 rural dwellers have already signed up to use the power and in the neighborhood of 300 users are expected by the time the project is completed. Directors of the local corporation state that prospective users may contact for the electricity at any time at the headquarters in Donnelly.

Plans have already been drawn up for the construction of 113 miles of power lines in the valley, covering the territory between McCall and Smith's Ferry. More lines will be built as the need increases.

Source of power is not definitely known as yet but the engineer who mapped the lines through the valley has recommended a portable diesel generator as a temporary source until water power can be arranged for. Location of the generator will probably be toward the center of the power district.

Work of erecting the lines and installing the generator is expected to begin in the near future, probably after the first of the year and electricity should be available by next spring.