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REMARKS Bert, Here is announcement on a new name in the Corps. His decisions will be second only to those of Gen. Cassidy in acting on problems concerning Dworshak Dams.			
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COLONEL RICHARD H. GROVES NAMED
DEPUTY DIRECTOR OF CIVIL WORKS

Colonel Richard H. Groves has been appointed Deputy Director of Civil Works, U. S. Army Corps of Engineers, Washington, D. C., effective January, 1969.

He will succeed Brigadier General Francis P. Koisch, the Deputy Director since July 1968, who becomes the Director of Civil Works.

Colonel Groves, 45, is presently assigned to the Office of the Chief of Engineers, Washington, D. C., as Deputy Director of a study of the Army's real property maintenance activities. He is on the approved list for promotion to the rank of Brigadier General. He is the son of Lieutenant General L. R. Groves, retired Army Engineer officer, who directed the Manhattan District atomic bomb project.

As Deputy Director of Civil Works, Colonel Groves will serve under General Koisch in the direction of the Corps of Engineers' nation-wide water resources program, which currently is receiving approximately \$1.2 billion annually in Congressional appropriations. The program, involving investigations, planning, construction and operations, embraces flood control, navigation improvements, hydroelectric power production, water supply, pollution control, fish and wildlife preservation, recreation facilities, and related water resource benefits. The Civil Works Directorate also serves as Engineering Agent for the Atlantic-Pacific Interoceanic Canal Study Commission, directing a study of the engineering feasibility of constructing a sea-level canal to replace the present Panama Canal.

Born in Honolulu, Hawaii, Colonel Groves was commissioned in the Army Corps of Engineers in 1945 upon graduation from the United States Military Academy, West Point. He received his Masters Degree in Civil Engineering from Harvard University in 1950. He is also a graduate of the Command and General Staff College, Fort Leavenworth, Kansas, and the Air War College, Maxwell Air Force Base, Alabama.

Colonel Groves has served as Assistant District Engineer, Mobile, Alabama, and Assistant Executive Officer to the Chief of Engineers. Other principal assignments include Staff and Faculty, The Engineer

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School, Fort Belvoir, Virginia; Chief, Maintenance Division, American Battle Monuments Commission, European Office; and Military Assistant to the Secretary of the Army. Colonel Groves served in Vietnam from July 1967 to July 1968 as Commander, 159th Engineer Group and subsequently as Commander and Deputy Commander, U. S. Army Engineer Construction Agency, Vietnam.

Colonel Groves is married to the former Patricia Hook, of Chicago, Illinois. They have four children.

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