

Mr. TAYLOR. And the Senators this morning were the first ones I think who said they were in favor of it.

The gentleman from Colorado.

Mr. ASPINALL. Mr. Chairman, this section, of course, is going to be in controversy when the committee takes it up. May I say, Dr. Smith, that I consider your organization, and you as its spokesman, to be one of the most constructive of all conservation groups. I appreciate your statement, a statement with reasoned judgment. It is given by one with experience. I have no questions whatsoever.

Mr. SMITH. Thank you, Mr. Chairman.

Mr. TAYLOR. Have any other members questions?

The gentleman from Arizona.

Mr. UDALL. I want to echo what the gentleman from Colorado just said about the responsible posture that you and your organization have taken and the great help you have been to this committee. I was impressed by your comments on boards and committees. I have had somewhat the same experience, and I thought of the words of one of the great poets—I have forgotten who it was; maybe it was I, I do not know—who said, "Search all the parks in all your cities, you will find no statues to committees." [Laughter.]

With that happy thought, I yield back the balance of my time.

Mr. TAYLOR. Have any other members any questions?

The gentleman from Idaho.

Mr. McCLURE. Mr. Chairman, I wanted to comment on about three points. First, your emphasis on the balanced economic evaluation that ought to be applied before any of our natural resources are applied to any use. I certainly wish to commend you on that statement. I think this is very significant, and I think it is the kind of thing that we ought to be concentrating on.

Mr. SMITH. I agree.

Mr. McCLURE. You also make a statement in here in regard to the possible position of future water power use, future use of water for the development of electrical power. I am sure you are aware, although this statement does not indicate it, that there are corresponding difficulties in other kinds of power developments such as air pollution or the pollution of water due to heat transfer and things of that nature.

Mr. SMITH. That is correct, sir.

Mr. McCLURE. So you cannot just simply shift the development of power away from water and solve all your problems.

Mr. SMITH. Oh, Mr. McClure, I hope the statement did not give that impression. Certainly not. There are going to be needs of a wide variety. In some instances, even if you have a thermal plant for the generation of electricity, this may mean a great deal of water just for cooling purposes, and we have the new problem of thermal pollution, which is now being discussed not only in another committee of this body, but I understand discussed today in the other body, so these are real problems, and I am not suggesting they are not.

Mr. McCLURE. But, Dr. Smith, my only point is to bring it out so that we are not misled at all concerning the problems that are apparent.

As far as the review board is concerned, you have indicated that you think it is at least meaningless and perhaps worse than meaning-