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PEOPLE who follow Jay Franklin's widely syndicated column and his radio programs, very often do not know of his many books, nor do most of his admirers know of his career in diplomacy, including a Consulate post in Rome and positions in our own State Department. He also took a prominent part in the Resettlement Administration projects.

This present book arose out of his extensive journeys covering the major electrical developments, represented by TVA, Bonneville and the other great dam and irrigation projects. The fact that these projects are having, and will have, a tremendous impact on the American way of life is not fully grasped at the present time, and Jay Franklin offers a brilliant and convincing picture of the future promised by electrical power and the many ramifications which electric power in government hands can offer to

regions such as the Tennessee Valley.

Some people call TVA a government within a government, but the residents of the Valley pay more attention to the effect it has on their lives. The important thing is that those huge power projects have come to stay, as have the consequences of public ownership and distribution of electrical power, and the irrigation and navigation divisions which are inseparable from the dams themselves. Power is a romantic story, and its development will do more to change the course of American history than all the battles fought in the Civil War. Jay Franklin makes of this issue a dramatic challenge, filled with new and interesting aspects of a familiar theme, and if anyone can read this book without a new realization of the tremendous potentialities of our nation, he is indeed little concerned with his country's future welfare.

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"This is no way to run a country. You must make an effort to educate the people to a new conception of political theory. Unless you have a public awakened to the perils of Do-Nothingism, you have a nation that is on the path to oblivion. The future is ours."



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