



Demonstrate Skill

Gov. John H. Reed is joined by demonstration during Maine State Miss Maine of 1965, Ellen Fowler of Day ceremonies Wednesday at the Old Orchard Beach, in a saw-bucking World's Fair. (AP Wirephoto)

Reed Active In Maine Day At Fair

NEW YORK (AP) — Gov. John H. Reed of Maine visited the New York World's Fair Wednesday on Maine State Day at the New England exhibit and jumped into the day's activities with both feet. He indulged in a buckaw contest with real lumberjacks, did some flycasting and fly tying, then took time out to welcome Maine natives and visitors to the fair. The Pine Tree State governor since 1959 said, "Maine is proud to be a part of this magnificent fair. This is an example of the cooperation which exists between the state's industrial family and vacation-travel interests."

Rodway Sees Politics Peril To Academic Freedom

Frank C. Rodway of Falmouth charged Wednesday that the academy as Maine Maritime Academy "drastically demonstrated" the unwillingness of some elected state officials to remain steadfast to the fundamental principles of academic freedom and majority rule. He cited them as two of the fundamental principles on which the United States was founded. Acceptance of the fact that the affairs of this state are in the hands of elected officials, some of whom have shown such an unwillingness to stand up to the dictates of ward politics. He declared that "behind the scenes maneuvering and pressuring by politicians talking about 'party splitting' and 'face saving' developed almost unbearable pressures" for his family.

HE OFFERED to join with other "thinking people" in Maine to that end and added that many of them have written him words of encouragement and concern. "Any effective plan which is calculated to minimize and frustrate any possible recurrence of a similar situation would have my support," he continued. "For as a result of the 'Rodway Affair,' our state can be made a safer place for my family to live in, then perhaps the actual price paid by the state (taxes and fees) will not in the long run be so great after all." He said he believed that also represents the wishes of many Maine people. (Continued on Page 2; 3rd Col.)

Soule Quits School Post To Teach At UMP

By ROBERT L. DODGE Staff Reporter
William H. Soule, superintendent of schools here since Oct. 1, 1957, resigned Wednesday to accept a full-time teaching position at the University of Maine in Portland. The resignation is effective Sept. 15, his present one-year contract expires the first of the year. Curtis S. Laughlin, chairman of the Portland Superintendent's School Committee, said he will call a special meeting of the committee within two weeks to act on the resignation. He added that he will issue a statement after that meeting. Soule told Laughlin, "I have had the good fortune to hold school superintendent positions through some of the most challenging years of public elementary and secondary school growth and change. The past several years especially ahead promise to be those of greatest expansion to higher education and I look forward to being associated with this new development." He noted several developments in the local school system and voiced the hope that the school committee "will believe that a change in administration can be accomplished at this time with a minimum of disruption and as a consequence will act favorably on this resignation." He cited a full year's operation here of a new plan of administrative reorganization, assurance of accreditation of all junior and senior high schools for several years ahead and completion of an elementary school evaluation study and start of its implementation. Laughlin said Soule will confer Monday with the committee at a closed unofficial meeting at the home of committee member Dr. Henry Pollard, 320 Danforth St. No action will be taken on



William H. Soule the resignation at that time. Soule probably will outline some of his personal plans.

possibly elaborate on his reasons for wanting to resign. Soule will take a substantial portion of action on various school matters to come up in the near future. Soule said that if a successor can't be found by Sept. 15, there is a possibility that Soule may remain as titular superintendent until one is found and meanwhile carry on his UMP teaching duties. Soule, who said he had been offered an assistant professorship in the university's Department of Education, probably will take a substantial pay cut when he switches jobs. He's now paid \$15,775, including \$1,250 paid by the state and \$100 from the city for local travel. That's more than any other school superintendent in the state earns. In comparison, the average pay for a full professor at the university in 1963-64 was \$19,373. Soule succeeded Dr. Harrison C. Lemish as head of the state's largest school system and received a starting salary of \$11,600, including the \$1,250 paid by the state. Soule was 43 years old, a Portland resident, and superintendent of Falmouth, North Yarmouth, and Cumberland schools when he was elected superintendent in 1962. He had been with the three suburban towns since 1949. The local school board voted in announcing his election, "We feel we have an outstanding man for the job." Soule became superintendent of School Union 15, comprising the three suburban communities after a year as superintendent of schools in Union 36, comprising Phillips, Strong and Kingsford. Before that he taught two years at Lawrence High School, Fairfax, and one year each at Bangor High School, Foxcroft Academy, and Col. (Continued on Page 2; 3rd Col.)

Senate Would Permit Retirement At 60 With Reduced Benefits

WASHINGTON (AP) — The Senate, wading into a stack of proposed amendments to the health care-Social Security bill, voted Wednesday to permit optional retirement ages 60 with monthly payments reduced to two-thirds of the age 65 rate. But a 43-39 pull-out vote rejected a proposal by Sen. Abraham A. Ribicoff, D-Conn., to provide unlimited hospitalization, financed out of general revenues, for the elderly faced with "the crushing burden of catastrophic illness." The bill as it came from the Senate Finance Committee limits its Social Security-financed hospitalization to 120 days. Sponsors estimate this would cover 98 or 99 per cent of all hospitalization of people 65 or older. The initial Senate voting on this far-reaching bill, after a day of warm-up debate, began

briskly with quick action and little discussion on a string of proposed amendments. But the pace slowed considerably when Ribicoff began bringing up unrelated subjects. And the debate was heated when Ribicoff called up his proposal. Senate Majority Leader Mike Mansfield, D-Mont., agreed with the floor manager for the bill, Sen. Russell B. Long, D-La., that passage can come by Friday. Since the Senate's bill will be changed from the House-passed version a conference committee will try to iron out the differences. In addition to higher Social Security payments and cost-of-living changes in the system, the bill contains the 19-million health care program for 65 or older. The proposal to permit earlier retirement under Social Security, but with reduced payments, was introduced by Sen. Robert C. Byrd, D-W. Va., and approved by voice vote. He said his primary interest is in providing "in the welfare now over age 60" who lose their jobs and can't find new ones. Long accepted Byrd's amendment, although he indicated he

Muskie Seeks Vast Ocean, Air Research Effort

By MAY CRAIG
WASHINGTON — Sen. Edmund S. Muskie Wednesday introduced a bill to coordinate and expand a wide range of oceanographic and atmospheric research and development. A truckload of logs was shipped from Sugarloaf for the sawing contest. With Reed as opponent, after his sawing exhibition — Dick Pointin of Bigelow and Ashley Purlin of Kingsfield teamed up to beat Slim Milbury of Exeter and Duane Bottiggi of Dryden in the croquet saw contest. Fountain and Parlin saved through a 16-inch log in 26 seconds, one second faster than the other pair. Robert O. E. Elliot, the state vacation-travel promotion director, gave a TV casting exhibition with outdoor writers Robert Zwirs and Larry Koller. Reed and Development Commissioner Standish K. Bachman were hosts for a lobster luncheon at the restaurant in the New England Pavilion. After the festivities, the governor left by air for Washington. He will address the Civil Aeronautics Board Thursday in favor of continued operating rights for Northeast Airlines on the New York-Florida route.

Fresh Marines Pour Into So. Viet Nam, Heavier Land Operations Indicated

SAIGON, South Viet Nam (AP) — Fresh U. S. Marines poured ashore Wednesday and U. S. commander Gen. William C. Westmoreland declared that more "substantial confrontations" may be expected before long in Viet Nam. He told reporters in Honolulu that the Viet Cong "are less confident of success than they were earlier." There were 8,000 Marines in the landings which may lead to a showdown with Communist forces who are on a rampage in the central highlands. Intelligence men believe North Viet Nam's 325th Division is involved. The Leathernecks seem to have been brought in on an emergency basis. They are over and above the Pentagon's original schedule. Gen. Westmoreland, who flew to Honolulu Wednesday on leave, hinted that bigger land operations may be expected. A U.S. spokesman announced 2,000 Marines put in from Navy ships at Da Nang and Qui Nhon. The rest of a 3,400-man party will embark Thursday. He said others will come ashore in the next week, boosting Ameri-

Today's Chuckle

Education is the ability to describe fully a bathing beauty without using your hands.

House Democrat Leaders Confident They'll Vote To Beat GOP Voting Bill

WASHINGTON (AP) — House Democratic leaders appeared confident Wednesday they have the votes to knock down a Republican substitute for the administration's voting rights bill. Although they concede the vote could be close, they say they expect victory when the showdown comes, possibly late Thursday or Friday. Republicans continued to bid for support, with House GOP Leader Gerald R. Ford of Michigan taking the floor during Wednesday's debate in an attempt to build party solidarity behind the measure he is sponsoring. The GOP is proposing a bill of uniform nationwide application, unlike the administration's bill which allows what it regards as the hard-core areas of racial discrimination — seven Southern states. Only states having literacy tests and low voter registration would feel the main impact of the administration bill, whereas the Republican bill would apply in any county in the nation where 25 persons complained they were unable to vote because of race. There are other major differences. —The administration bill, as amended by the Judiciary Committee, would outlaw poll taxes. The Republican bill would subject them to a court test of constitutionality. —The administrative bill would suspend literacy tests in the affected states. The Republican bill would suspend them only for persons with at least a sixth-grade education. —The administration bill would permit the vote of a voter whose eligibility has been challenged to be counted regardless of the outcome of the challenge. The Republican bill would make such votes provisional, to count only after the challenge is set aside.

Prayer For Today

We praise Thee, our Father, that through Thy Son, our Lord Jesus Christ, Thou hast given us the pattern of prayer. Self-surrendered and self-willed, we need to pray with our Lord the power of our weakness, and with their own and their needs. Show us that we are members one of another. Forbid that in our prayers we should be self-centered. Rather may we so draw upon Thy resources that we use them as fellow workers with Thee, for Thou only canst wean us from Thy glory and honor. Amen. —John Maran Raw, Columbus, S.E. Methodist religious columnist.

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Helicopters lift off from Bien Hoa airbase near Saigon with 173rd airborne brigade paratroopers headed for the Viet Cong-infested "D" Zone jungle 35 miles northeast of Saigon. Other U.S. troops wait for the next lift. (AP Wirephoto)

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