

House Committee Approval Virtually Assures Dickey Hydro Project Passage By Congress

By MAY CRAIG
WASHINGTON—The House Public Works Committee Wednesday approved the proposed \$227 million St. John River Dickey-Lincoln School power project in Maine, virtually assuring congressional passage this year of the controversial low-cost hydroelectric plant.

Maine's congressional delegation expressed delight over the vote by the committee to retain the project in the pending Rivers and Harbors Bill. Sen. Edmund S. Muskie, D-Maine, said the committee's action is "a great victory for the people of Maine and New England."

The project for the upper St. John River is among those in the catch-all public works authorization bill. New England's private power companies voiced vigorous opposition to the project during subcommittee hearings in early August.

figures released by the Department of the Interior. Sen. Muskie said: "The decision was crucial in our efforts to bring lower cost power to our area where electricity now costs 28 per cent more than the national average."



Gets Another Job

President Johnson talks with Gen. Maxwell Taylor Wednesday night at the White House after announcing that Taylor has complied with an "urgent request" to serve as a special consultant to the President and re-

view all government programs aimed at countering Communist encroachments abroad. Taylor recently resigned as ambassador to South Viet Nam. (AP Wirephoto)

Pakistani, Indian Forces Locked In Raging Battle In Kashmir

KARACHI, Pakistan (AP)—while the air force shot down four Indian planes. India claimed Pakistan attacked with at least 3,000 troops and up to 70 U.S.-made Patton tanks. An Indian spokesman in New Delhi said 23 air force planes attacked the tanks, de-

stroying at least 10. At midnight the battle was still on. Never before in 18 years of often bloody quarrelling had either India or Pakistan used air power in combat roles. Neither had they used armor on a large scale.

It appeared the feuding nations may be on the verge of all-out war in the long dispute over the Himalayan state divided by the U.N. cease-fire line into Indian and Pakistani sections.

Betsy Threatens To Hurl Punch At Bahama Islands

MIAMI, Fla. (AP)—Hurricane Betsy, suddenly a mighty tempest, whirled westward through the tropical Atlantic Wednesday, aiming its winds at the Bahama Islands.



American space personnel on Grand Turk and Mayaguana Islands, squarely in the hurricane's path, began buttoning up under the Air Force's No. 1 alert status.

Takes Aim At Land
Map locates present position of Hurricane Betsy as it whirls westward and landward Wednesday. Directly in its path are the Caicos and Turk Islands.

Romper Company Union Gets 16-Cent Increase

The Amalgamated Clothing and Workers Union and Standard Romper Co., Inc. Wednesday night signed a contract calling for an increase of approximately 16 cents per hour in pay and fringe benefits over the next year.

insurance, hospitalization and pension benefits will be determined by the employer and the union trustees of the Amalgamated Cotton Garment and Allied Industries Fund in accordance with the agreement and declaration of trust.

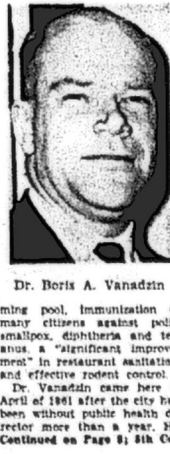
Senate Panel Votes 12-3 For Labor Law Repealer

WASHINGTON (AP)—A bill to repeal a part of the Taft-Hartley Labor Act that allows states to ban union shop agreements cleared the Senate Labor Committee Wednesday.

The vote was 12 to 3. No date has been set for action by the full Senate, but when it does come up a bitter fight is expected.

City Health Director Resigns For D.C. Post

By ROY A. WHITCOMB JR.
Staff Reporter
Dr. Boris A. Vanadrin, city health director here 4½ years, has submitted his resignation effective Sept. 22.



Prayer For Today

"God who touchest hearts with beauty, make me lovely too." O God, Thou hast provided for us a world that is good for us to behold. When we take time to look, we find that Thou hast provided much to make our eyes rejoice. Not only has Thou made lovely the earth, but Thou hast also shown forth beauty in the lives of persons whose beauty radiates from within. May we be made beautiful with the spirit of Jesus Christ. Amen.

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Mansfield Spells Out Basic Terms Of Viet Peace Negotiation Package

WASHINGTON (UPI)—Senate Democratic Leader Mike Mansfield, in a speech previewed by President Johnson, Wednesday laid out a basic peace negotiation package for Viet Nam, including a ceasefire and an amnesty to protect the sides.

Withdrawal of foreign troops from North and South Viet Nam once peace is established. —That there can be a future for South Viet Nam "either in independence or as a part of a united Viet Nam on the basis of a popular, free, and verified expression of the will of the people in each segment of that region and in general accord with the Geneva agreements."

Senate Reapportionment Panel Urged To Redistrict State On Population Basis

BANGOR (AP)—Eugene A. Professor Mawhinney said he was in favor of disincorporation of the University of Maine, suggested Wednesday night in a special legislative committee studying Maine reapportionment, that a bipartisan commission, using a population basis be given the task of redistricting.

THE PROFESSOR concluded by saying that he was in favor of a high quality state and a lack of excessive of intermediate government. The latter response was in answer to a question on whether the professor favored abolishing county government.

Today's Chuckle
Man hasn't really changed much through the ages. He has, of course, progressed to the point where he walks upright—but his eyes still swing from limb to limb.

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