

NIXON

Tues. Aug. 11-70.

President Nixon today vetoed two measures - the school and housing appropriations bills; ^{this} because, ~~as~~ he points out, ~~the~~ the total amount involved is one-BILLION dollars more than he requested. The measures - which he returned to the House - include ~~a~~ four-and-a-half-BILLION-dollars for the office of Education - and eighteen-BILLION-dollars for many other Federal offices including Housing and Urban Development, the Veterans Administration and ^{the} Space Agency. The President told reporters it's always tempting in an election year to say "yes" to every spending bill. ^{He added that} ~~but~~ a veto was "painful, but necessary, to hold down the cost of living."

COMMISSION

*Also today, the President nominated as new
Chairman of the Federal Trade Commission - Miles W.
Kirkpatrick - a Philadelphia lawyer who says the Commission
should be abolished! - That is if it cannot be reformed.*

BERRIGAN

The fugitive priest - Daniel Berrigan - who was convicted of destroying draft records as a war protest - was arrested today at a summer home on Block Island - off the coast of Rhode Island. The forty-nine-year-old ^{priest} Jesuit and poet was taken into custody by F-B-I men - who hid in the bushes around a private home - pretending to be bird watchers. The assistant U-S Attoreny in Providence says the only thing now is to surrender him for committment to Federal prison - to begin serving a three-and-a-half-year sentence.

MIDEAST

According to diplomatic sources in London, Israeli planes shot down four Migs, flown by Russian pilots in a dogfight over the Suez Canal - ^{that is, they did this} just before the current ceasefire was approved. The Russians have repeatedly denied that any of their pilots ~~are~~ ^{were} flying missions in the Suez area. But these London sources say they have indisputable evidence ~~that~~ ^{that} Soviet airmen were at the controls ^{and} fought the air battle about a week ago. All four Migs crashed in Egyptian territory after being shot down.

Today, Israeli planes carried out new raids against guerrilla bases in Lebanon. - ~~also~~ ^{also} continued guerrilla activity was reported in the occupied Gaza Strip and along the Jordan's West Bank. The Palestinian guerrillas have denounced the ceasefire - vowing to continue fighting until Palestine - in their words - has been liberated.

MEMORIAL

The Uruguayan ambassador in Washington - Hector Luisi - says his government is planning to establish a memorial in Montevideo ⁱⁿ honoring Dan Mitrione - the American police adviser from Richmond, Indiana, who was assassinated by leftwing terrorists. A street in Montevideo will be named for him - with a plaque which reads -

"To Dan Mitrione, in eternal memory of one who gave his life serving democracy in his country and beyond its frontiers."

STORM

More than thirteen hours of torrential tropical rains

have left at least thirty dead in Recife - the ^{fine} ~~big~~ seaport ^{and}
seaside resort on the east coast ~~on the easternmost tip~~ of Brazil ~~between Bahia and Natal.~~
A city of one-MILLION

residents - paralyzed - even as it was trying to recover
from disastrous floods which swept the same area two weeks
ago. Thousands homeless, with entire neighborhoods
isolated by rising rivers that meander through Recife to the
sea.....

GAS

Governor Claude Kirk of Florida is pushing ahead with a last-minute lawsuit - hoping to block government plans for dumping two train-loads of deadly nerve gas into the Atlantic Ocean off the Florida coast.

Kirk says his fears concerning the potential danger of the plan, are supported by affidavits from ten oceanographers.

Present plans call for storing the nerve gas rockets aboard an old ship to be towed out to sea - two-hundred-eighty-miles off Cape Kennedy - ^{there to be} ~~was~~ scuttled in sixteen-thousand feet of water. ^{Nov.} Kirk fears what might happen should the gas escape from the concrete vaults in which the army has encased the rockets.

RIGHTS

Reverend Ralph Abernathy - head of the Southern Christian Leadership Conference - claims his telephones are being bugged. Abernathy told a news conference in Atlanta he didn't know who was monitoring the civil rights organization's phones - but, he says, "when you pick up a phone, you know somebody's listening in and there are strange voices in the background."

CRUISE

North through history aboard "White Mist" - a forty-six-foot yawl - sailing twenty-five hundred miles over a two months period. Up the historic Hudson, sailing past Fort Lee and West Point... on to Lake Champlain, Fort

Ticonderoga... and then east on the Saint Lawrence to

Newfoundland, Saint Pierre and Miquelon. *How would you like to make such a cruise?* ~~The skipper -~~

with Dr.

Melville Bell Grosvenor, - Editor-in-Chief of National

Geographic - and his hardy crew. *If They even*

— harmlessly no doubt by ancient being shot at ~~by~~ British cannon at Fort Ticonderoga. *As the*

"White Mist" sailed across Lake Champlain, approaching

Ticonderoga, a British Redcoat was overheard to say -

"There's a target! Drop a gunwad on our friend's sailboat

and win a case of beer." The cannon roared, and the

astonished skipper jibed the "White Mist" - all standing and

out fled [^] into the lake - trailing a shower of sparks as the

cannon's paper wads fell short. *If* Re-enacting history can be

fun, if you don't get hit by a gunwad from a canon.

DEPUTY

The deputy "shellfish constable" of Salt Pond, Massachusetts, is a shapely - pretty - petite blonde with hazel eyes. Mary Dowgert - just out of Smith College with a master's degree - believed to be the first woman ever to guard shellfish from illegal hunters on Cape Cod. One moment, they see nothing but a pretty blonde strolling along the beach in a bathing suit. The next, they hear a chilly voice asking to see their licenses. How does Miss Dowgert succeed with her job? Says she: "Whatever charm I may have as a woman - is one of my main assets in controlling all situations." *Any comment Warren?*

DIRECTORY

Officials of the British telephone system ^{are} wearing some red faces these days. They now admit it was a mistake to issue th^s~~ese~~ new telephone directories which do not list names in strict alphabetical order. In some cases, the position of a name in the directory goes according to the first letter of the street address - NOT the first letter of the name.

British newspapers are leading the public outcry, calling it "lunacy - nonsense - and a blunder," ^{— a real Jolly old British one for} Why was the new system adopted? Said one official - "to make the best use of a two-MILLION-dollar computer and thus save some money. Blame it on the computer again."