

PRESIDENT L. J. Buick, Fisher, Tues, Aug. 9 - 66.

will be the
The war and the economy - chief issues in
this year's congressional campaign. And so - naturally
they are -
enough - chief issues today at a presidential news
conference.

On the subject of fiscal affairs - a denial from
President Johnson that he plans to scrap his ~~hammered~~
three-point-two percent wage price formula. No such
intention - said he; at least until a better method can be
found - to prevent runaway inflation.

"We are going to constantly reassess and
reevaluate - and try to find an effective formula" - said
the President. "But until we do" - he went on - "we are
going to urge ~~management~~ management and labor - to be as
restrained as they possibly can."

As for Viet Nam - the President admitting
a sharp increase in American air losses over the Communist
North. Asserting, however, that the U S Air war has not -

- repeat - not suddenly gone sour. "Weather - good luck
on their part - bad luck on our part - there are a lot
of factors that enter into those things" - said he.

VIET NAM FOLLOW PRESIDENT

Mean^{while}~~time~~ American pilots in Viet Nam - today
provid^{ed}~~ing~~ a quick exclamation point to the President's
remarks. Carrying out a single-day record - of a-
hundred-and-thirty-nine missions against the Communist
North. Smashing at a-hundred-and-fifty-three separate
targets - up and^{down}~~and~~ the country.

Three of the American planes - lost to enemy
fire. ~~But~~ One of the pilots - rescued by helicopter. And
another pilot downed a day earlier - saved in a second
dramatic rescue near the Red Chinese border.

On the ground - a fierce battle today within
bullet range - of that demilitarized zone between north
and south Viet Nam. American Marines killing at least
forty-four of the enemy - before the^{latter}~~they~~ broke and ran
in the face of American reⁱⁿforcements.

SUEZ

*In London - ten years after the fact - ^apublic
charge today of British, French and Israeli collusion,
in that history-making Suez crisis - of Nineteen Fifty-Six.*

*The accusation - by British Prime Minister Harold
Wilson - in Commons debate. Based - said he - on "prima
facie evidence" suggesting that the then-British government
entered into a "clear agreement in advance - that there was
to be a joint plan of invasion" of Egypt.*

*Wilson admitting that he had never actually
seen - such an agreement. Adding, however, "that apart
from British intervention - to separate Egyptians and
Israelis - the whole thing was a put-up job" -- as he put
it.*

BRIDGE

Also in London - a surprise ~~xxx~~ ending today -
- card game -
to that great bridge scandal of Nineteen Sixty-Five.

The British Bridge League - clearing Britain's two top
players; of charges that they cheated - during the world
championship bridge tournament last year at Buenos Aires.

The official announcement stating simply - that Terence
Reese and Boris Schapiro were found not guilty. The
verdict - said to be the end result of a year-long
investigation - a full report of which - will be sent
eventually to the World Bridge Federation.

If past precedent prevails - the case is
thereby officially closed.

MOUNTAIN

By way of Chamonix, France -- a report today that three more mountain climbers have died; on the treacherous slopes of Mont Blanc -- ^{Central} Europe's highest mountain.

The three latest victims - said to be young French mountaineers. No details as yet - as to what happened. But their deaths raising to ten - the total number of climbers killed on Mont Blanc - in the last week alone.

The seven earlier victims - Two Britons, ~~to~~ two Frenchmen and three Swiss. Victims of a freak blizzard last week - during a ~~to~~ futile attempt to scale the fifteen thousand foot peak.

This next ~~byrean~~ a grim story of public indifference - from Kings Lynn, England. A group of ten adults and several children - standing on the ~~ax~~ banks of the Gaywood River, Just watching - as a two year old boy drifted by, face down -- apparently unconscious -- in waist-deep water.

Luckily - a local resident named Harvey Scott - happened on the scene. And he disregarded a woman - who told him to leave the child alone. Pulling the boy from the water - and applying artificial respiration. The youngster - Desmond Harris - finally coming around, ~~and~~ at last ~~ax~~ report., in "satisfactory condition."

Why the seeming apathy - of those who could have helped but didn't? ~~Said~~ One of the bystanders: ~~explaining~~ "We couldn't make up our minds - whether the child was dead or not."

YOUTH

The whys and wherefores of recent student demonstrations - were explored fully by two experts today; at a meeting of the American Bar Association -- currently in session at Montreal. The result - a pair of conclusions - that are ~~not~~ interesting, to say the least.

First speaker - Dean Joseph Lohman of the School of Criminology -- at the ~~Unigex~~ University of California at Berkeley; Who blamed student violence on what he called - "the general spirit of rebellion" among young people. "True" - said Dean Lohman - "only a small percentage of young people participate openly - in acting out this spirit of rebellion." But, "many more are vulnerable" - said he - and their numbers ^{perhaps} ~~approach~~ ^{are} growing every day.

Next up - Commissioner J. C. Mcruer - ~~an~~ of the Ontario Law Reform Commission, Who asserted that youthful disrespect for authority - is the natural result of bad news, bad administration and bad procedures. "As

much in Nineteen Sixty-Six" - said he - "as it was in

*Seventeen-Sixty-Three." So it was like that in 1963?
I had forgotten.*

-Warren-

Commissioner Mcruer adding that "disrespect

for an order that does not deserve respect - ought not to

be ~~condemned~~ condemned as degeneration; but rather commended

-- as healthy regeneration" - ~~said he~~.

WIFE

From Moscow - the sad story today of Peter Pavlov. Who made the mistake of getting drunk - and hitting his wife last week. When - as it turns out - he should have got drunk and hit her - the week before.

The explanation - in Russia's new code of criminal justice - which just went into effect. Under the old code - Peter Pavlov would have paid for his wife-beating - with a possible jail sentence of fifteen days. Under the new code - he was sentenced to five years in prison. First of five such offenders - to draw similar jail terms.

All five - victims of a section of the code - providing that drunkenness is no longer an excuse for crime; as it once was - in Russia. But rather an aggravating circumstance - calling for stiffer penalties.

According to our Kremlin ~~xxx~~ correspondent -

the new law thus apparently to be used - to stamp out
two time-honored Soviet customs: vodka-drinking and
wife-beating. Customs ~~are to be~~ that in Russia at
least ~~are~~ ^{or were} usually practiced simultaneously.