

**OMNIBUS RIVERS AND HARBORS, FLOOD CONTROL,
AND RIVER BASIN MONETARY AUTHORIZATION—
1968**

TUESDAY, MAY 14, 1968

**HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES,
SUBCOMMITTEE ON FLOOD CONTROL
OF THE COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC WORKS,
*Washington, D.C.***

The subcommittee met, pursuant to notice, at 2:00 p.m., in room 2167, Rayburn Building, Hon. Robert E. Jones (chairman of the subcommittee) presiding.

Mr. JONES. The subcommittee will come to order.

The Subcommittee on Flood Control is meeting this afternoon to hear testimony on a proposed flood control project in the Fairbanks, Alaska, area. This hearing has been called at this time to accommodate our friends from Alaska who are in Washington this week to testify before the Senate.

This subcommittee has personal knowledge of the severe damage caused by the August 1967 floods in Alaska as several of our colleagues—Mr. Wright, Mr. Clausen, Mr. Snyder, and Mr. McDonald—representing this subcommittee immediately investigated the resulting disastrous damage, and had the opportunity of being briefed by the Corps of Engineers, as well as the local citizenry, in Fairbanks on August 31, 1967, as to the general plan proposed for future flood control of the area. I understand that the survey report we will be discussing this afternoon has not yet been submitted to the Congress but at this time is out to the Federal agencies for comments.

Lt. Col. Lewis A. Pick, Jr., the Assistant Director of Civil Works for the Pacific Divisions, Corps of Engineers, is here to testify on behalf of the corps, and if it is agreeable with our friends from Alaska we will hear his testimony first, and then we will hear from you people from Alaska.

Colonel Pick, you may present your testimony at this time.

**STATEMENT OF COL. LEWIS A. PICK, JR., ASSISTANT DIRECTOR OF
CIVIL WORKS FOR PACIFIC DIVISIONS, U.S. ARMY CORPS OF
ENGINEERS, WASHINGTON, D.C.; ACCOMPANIED BY BRIG. GEN.
CHARLES NOBLE, DIRECTOR OF CIVIL WORKS**

Colonel PICK. Sir, I have with me General Noble, our new Director of Civil Works, who has replaced General Woodbury.

Mr. JONES. It is good to have you, General. We are looking forward to working with you. We have had a succession of fine officers who