

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

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

The subcommittee met, pursuant to call, at 10:06 a.m., Hon. Robert E. Jones (chairman of the subcommittee) presiding.

Mr. JONES. The subcommittee will please come to order.

The subcommittee on Flood Control is meeting this morning to start hearings on the 1968 Omnibus River and Harbor and Flood Control Act. We will hold hearings today on 38 flood control and hurricane protection projects and will also hear testimony on proposed basin monetary authorizations. We will also meet on Wednesday and Thursday of this week to hear about additional projects and proposed legislation. Next week the River and Harbor Subcommittee will meet on Tuesday and Wednesday, June 25 and 26, to consider navigation and beach erosion projects.

I would like to take this opportunity to congratulate the Corps of Engineers on the observance last Sunday, June 16, of their 193d anniversary. On June 16, 1775, Gen. George Washington appointed Col. Richard Gridley as the first Chief Engineer of the Army and launched a military construction and planning agency that has performed a significant role in the defense of the country and in the planning, development, and management of the Nation's water resources.

Our first witness before the subcommittee this morning will be Gen. Charles C. Noble, Director of Civil Works, Office of Chief of Engineers. General Noble, it is a pleasure to welcome you here and to congratulate you on your recent appointment as Director of Civil Works.

**STATEMENT OF HON. JAMES C. CLEVELAND, A REPRESENTATIVE
IN CONGRESS FROM THE STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE**

Mr. CLEVELAND. Mr. Chairman, could I just say very briefly a word or two about the Beaver Brook Dam, the Connecticut River Basin, in New Hampshire?

Mr. JONES. Yes.