

in France

PARIS (Thursday)—(AP). Paul Reynaud, urging quick action to strengthen French governments, lost a dramatic bid early today for return to the premiership he held at the fall of France in 1940.

The National Assembly selected Reynaud as the successor to Radical Socialist Rene Mayer, whose cabinet was ousted on a vote of confidence.

The official tally showed the vote on Reynaud was 275-25, or 35 short of the required absolute majority.

Reynaud, 74, pegged his candidacy to a demand for constitutional reforms providing for the dissolution of parliament and a new national election any time a cabinet is overthrown in the first 30 months of its life.

The latest cabinet, Mayer's, lasted only a little more than four months. It was the 18th since 1940.

Never had just announced plans for a Big Three meeting with President Winston Churchill and British Prime Minister Churchill at Bermuda next month. Reynaud referred to the French people, subtly appealing to French pride in the vote.

"I know the two men who will lead the conversations with France in Bermuda," he said.

President Vincent Auriol nominated Reynaud and De Gaulle and De Gaulle declined to try to form a new government.

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DESPITE EFFORTS by pickets to stop it, an auto moves into the street. General Electric Company's Syracuse, N. Y., plant Wednesday, knocking down Deputy Sheriff James Bateman, and jostling others.—AP Wirephoto.

House OKs Slashed Rivers-Harbors Bill

(Continued from AP 4th p.)

WASHINGTON — The House Wednesday night passed a \$485,000,000 appropriation to finance the Army Engineers' program of rivers and harbors and flood control and other civil functions for the fiscal year starting July 1.

The amount approved for the rivers and harbors and flood control program was \$290,250,000. Passage came on a voice vote.

The approved figure is \$250,000,000 below the \$538,277,000 originally asked by former President Truman and well below the record recommendation by the Eisenhower administration of \$640,000,000.

The House rejected all but three of more than two dozen amendments which sought to add more than 40 million dollars in project funds. Included were:

Amendment by Rep. McDonough (R-Calif.), to add one million for Los Angeles drainage area and \$1,200,000 for Whitefish Narrows.

In addition to funds for the Army Engineers, the bill carried \$4,870,000 for military ceremonial expenses and \$15,531,000 for the Canal Zone government.

These items were cut \$4,718,000 below the Truman request and \$2,023,000 below the revised Eisenhower budget request.

It was the seventh money bill to pass the House and boosted to \$785,000,000 the cuts which the House has made to date in the original Truman request.

Meanwhile, it was disclosed that the administration below the \$538,277,000 of its original request for \$538,277,000 in new and old funds. The decrease is the result of cutting costs and substituting some cheaper military goods.

Parley Slated in GE Strike Picket Battle

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SYRACUSE, N. Y.—(AP). A conference of top company and union officials was arranged following more disorder and arrests Wednesday at two picketed General Electric plants when salaried employees crossed picket lines.

Two sheriff's deputies were taken to hospitals, one being released after treatment. Three others and at least four pickets received minor injuries.

Seven pickets were arrested by deputies and a company official was arrested on a warrant charging him with leaving the scene of an accident.

A special meeting was scheduled for today between Dr. Walter R. G. Nator, GE vice president and manager of the electronics division, and James B. Carey, president of the CIO International Union of Electrical Workers.

In announcing the session, the company said it was requested by John Callahan, head of the IUE conference board.

IUE local 325, bargaining agent for 7000 production and maintenance workers, struck April 3 in a dispute over local grievances.

The plans reported Wednesday after GE asked its 4000 white-collar workers, who were not on strike, to return to keep up research, planning, sales and supply.

Nine strikers and four deputies were injured Monday, and four strikers were arrested. Five pickets and one returning worker were arrested Tuesday.

Pickets organized about the care of some employees driving through their lines and a few automobiles were rolled back and forth.

3rd Undersea Study Craft Being Fitted

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Third of a fleet of boats fitted to probe the secrets of nature lie the plans to put a total of six craft into the program whose ultimate aim, he explained, is to find out what sea life is never sick or diseased. He hopes to apply this knowledge to improving the health of humans.

The Batson III will leave for the Gulf of California in September and return next spring. The Batson I and II are making studies of marine life in local and Latin American waters, said Batson.

Part of the study of the research fleet will be to attempt to determine why the sandbars have disappeared from Southland waters. Maj. Batson holds the theory that depletion of the beryllium is a primary responsibility for disappearance of the fish.

Maj. Batson, who has developed various new types of plants, operates a garden school in Pasadena.

Local Realty Taxes \$78 per Capita in State

SACRAMENTO — (AP). Local property taxes in California amounted to \$78 for every man, woman and child during the bookkeeping year ending June 30, the State Board of Equalization reported Wednesday.

The total was \$200,970,450—10.3 percent over the previous year.

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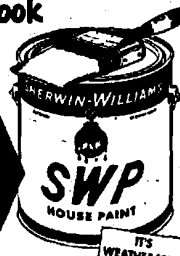
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