

CQ

CQ June 9, 1967, pp. 979-984: "Lobby Campaign Saves Model Cities Funds in House"

MC started as "demonstration cities" in its 1966 enactment; then name change....

1967. MC makes it through appropriations (close rub).

p. 1980. Might have failed but for the "surprising help" of Wyman.... He was a help both in Appr subc and in marshaling votes on the floor.

~~MX~~ p. 1981. Manchester's application looked to be a factor here, though not the only one, (N.B. that lots of Congressmen with applying cities voted against MC.)

p. 982. But. "Many of the Republican votes for model cities funds came from Representatives of cities that had applied to HUD for model city grants."

(No comparative statistics given here.)

Claude E. Barfield: "Environment Report/Exemptions from NEPA Requirements Sought for Nuclear Plants, Pollution Permits," 4 National Journal, June 17, 1972, pp. 1025-1034

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National Environmental Policy Act (83 Stat 852), "regarded by environmentalists as the mainstay in lending legislative legitimacy to their movement," is ~~in~~ in trouble

(I don't know when this was passed)

The gist of this report is that NEPA is in trouble via the Cong. exemptions route (exemptions for other agencies from NEPA [reqts])
(There's an agreed need to make "environmental impact statements when building anything" — eg PWs + AEC)

The environmentalist crowd is all worried about exemption bills.

UPSHOT: There's a danger this sort of thing can easily happen
(producer vs. consumer)

New Republic

Paul R. Wieck, "Keeping Senate Traffic Moving: The Efficiency Byrd",
New Republic, Jan. 20, 1973. p. 13. On Bobby Byrd's activities.

p. 13 When Senators appear on the floor to vote:

"Byrd has studied their voting patterns and tries to steer them in their own direction with a 'this is a no (or yes) for you.'"

New Republic

James Heekin, "Very Educational", New Republic, Aug 7, 1961, pp. 13-16

Q16 "Formidable as these rigid pressures were, the religious issue overwhelmed them, realizing the Party's worst fears. Over a period of months, dozens of House members told me the same thing: 'whatever I do, I'll be wrong.' They were in the most unpleasant of all situations for the phibeam. Either way they stood on parochial aid and cost them votes."

I can't find anything else on this — not in Ferns, or in HDBase, or in Mays + Emsley, or in NYT, or in NPost, or in CQW, or in New Republic. Where did it be?

(Time or Newsweek?)

Chris helps a little

Chris is all it says

Newsweek
Newsweek

Delaney!

Perfect!

July 31, 1961

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(Actually there were 3 bills ~~at~~ killed at once here.

#2-5 B Kennedy school aid bill

#375 M loans for private school construction (not enough for RC's)

#300 M loans + grants for neglected facilities)

"largely because the education bill had become inevitably and unexpectedly entangled in religious prejudices, scores of congressmen hated the thought of voting on it, and Delaney became something of a hero to his colleagues by relieving them of the project."

"(When Delaney cast his vote) one Southerner said, 'You'd hear the sigh of relief all over the Capitol.' And hours later in the Speaker's lobby, grateful congressmen still were shaking the New Yorker's hand."

TIME
Senator Saxbe in the TIME "Role of Congress" series-- Cong Rec., H1972-74, Mar 20, 1973
(daily)

H1973: "Congress has declined into a battle for ~~XXXXXX~~ individual survival. Each of the Congressmen and each of the Senators has the attitude: 'I've got to look out for myself.' If you remember the old best advice you ever had in the army, it would up with: 'Never volunteer.' This applies to Congress, and so we have very few volunteers. Most of them are willing only to follow those things that will protect them and give them the coloration which allows them to blend into their respective districts or their respective states. If you don't stick your neck out, you don't get it chopped off."

"I ~~XXXXXXXXXXXX~~ also have been amazed at the leadership that has evolved in Congress, leadership that allows people to do their own thing. Each Senator can choose what he wants to do, ~~XXXXXXXXXXXX~~ he can reserve time, he can say, 'I'm not going to be here until next Tuesday, hold up the budget until next Tuesday.' And it is held up until next Tuesday."

"Mike Mansfield is the original nice guy. Everybody likes Mike Mansfield, and I am sure that he is secure in his re-election in Montana, as long as he wants to run, and I admire him very much. But at the same time, leadership--no."

H1974 "....survivability is the great pressure area area of today's Congressxxx (new para)
It is not what you do; it is how well you adopt the protective coloration that makes you reflect your state or district."

Saxbe #2

H1974 "....you always get patted on the back when you spend money, and you always catch hell when you increase taxes, so why not just stick to the things that get you the pat on the back? This is so basic that I do not know why anybody ever did not think of it before, but Congress seems to have adopted this."

March 27, 1973 Saxbe again (in symposium)

H2166 "People who give you money for a campaign damn well want their money's worth. They are like the fellow that buys a girl a beer for a quarter and then tries to squeeze it out of her. They are going to get their money's worth."

TIME
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Fenno, TIME "Role of Congress" essay:

p. 1. (This is based on his travels around districts over two past years.)
He draws the contrast. "We do, it appears, love our Congressmen."
"On the other hand, it seems equally clear that we do not love our Congress."
"On the evidence, we seem to approve of our legislators a good deal more than we do our Legislature."

p. 2 ~~XXXXXXXXXX~~ a deeper problem..... "Senators and Representatives, for their own reasons, spend a good deal more of their time and energy polishing and worrying about their individual performance than they do working at the institutions' performance." "Foremost is their desire for re-election. ~~XX~~ Most members of Congress like their job, want to keep it, and know that there are people back home who want to take it away from them. ~~X~~ So they work long and hard at winning re-election. Even those who are safest want election margins large enough to discourage opposition back home and/or to help them float further political ambitions. No matter what other personal goals Representatives and Senators wish to accomplish--increased influence in Washington and helping to make good public policy are the most common--re-election is a necessary means to those ends."

"Every Representative with whom I traveled criticized the Congress and portrayed himself, by contrast as a fighter against its manifest evils. Members run for Congress by running against Congress."

Fenno TIME ms., #2

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p. 3 "When members of Congress think institutionally--as, of course, they must, they think in terms of a structure that will be most congenial to the pursuit of their individual concerns--for re-election, for influence or for policy.""the members think in terms of a very fragmented, decentralized institution, providing a maximum of opportunity for individual performance, individual influence ~~XX~~ and individual credit."

TIME

"The Crack in the Constitution" Time cover story on Congress, Jan 15, 1973

p. 15: Saxbe quote "'...Congress has declines into a battle for individual survival' in which few members think about the welfare of Congress as a whole. Each reasons that 'if you don't stick your neck out, you won't get it ~~dopped~~ off.' Thus when a deddision is tough, argues Orágen's Packwook, Congress may be more than willing to pass the buck to the President. 'We can delegate powers to the President, then sit back and carp or applaud, depending on whether what he does is popular or unpopular. If it's unpopular, we can say, 'What a terrible thing. We wouldn't have donet that. '"

p. 15 Fenno: "Fenno claims that most people 'love their Congressmen, but not Congress.'" "many Congressmen 'portray themselves as the gallant fighters against the manifest evils of Congress; they run for Congress by running against Congress.'" "