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State Agrees To Limit I-95 Midcity Ramps

20-Year Dispute Settled?

By GERALD MCKELVEY

The Delaware Expressway will be completed without a full interchange in center city south of Vine st., State Transportation Secretary Jacob G. Kasach announced Monday.

I have informed both the Federal Highway Administration and the city government that the Pennsylvania Department of Transportation (PennDOT) can no longer delay construction of Interstate 95 in Society Hill," said Kasach.

Kasach's decision apparently settles a controversy that for nearly 20 years has surrounded the expressway's construction through center city.

The controversy centers on the claims of communists in and just south of Society Hill that construction of an interchange there would engulf their neighborhoods in expressway-oriented traffic.

Kasach said that PennDOT had agreed, in essence, to the plan proposed by the Neighborhood Preservation Coalition, which represents the community.

"PennDOT has no alternative but to proceed with the design and construction of a northbound on ramp to the expressway from Delaware ave. and a southbound off ramp, from 198 to Delaware ave.," said Kasach.

The ramps will be located just before the southern end of the Society Hill tunnel, which carries the highway underground from Chestnut to Delancey st.

As originally planned, the expressway would have had a complete interchange-exit and entrance ramps for both north and southbound lanes in the area of South and Bristle bridge sts. with traffic using those streets. The limited access plan proposed by the community and accepted by Kasach shifts all traffic by Delaware ave, which was already scheduled for express use.

PennDOT's decision will apparently avoid lengthy arguments of the Federal court (See I-95 on 2A).



WITH HER HUSBAND MISSING in North Vietnam, Mrs. Kay Bosiljevack of Omaha, Neb., listens to complaints before the Senate Foreign Relations Committee in Washington that the nation has forgotten its men missing in action. With her is her son Michael, 2, who is crying. Bosiljevack has been missing since 1972.

Children, Pain: A Hospital Tour

Hospitals are frightening places, particularly so for children who suddenly learn from their parents that they are being taken to one. To find out what it's like, Inquirer medical writer Donald C. Drake is spending this week at Philadelphia's St. Christopher's Hospital for Children, reporting back each day on what he finds there. This is his first report.

By DONALD C. DRAKE

Except for a crying child who had been admitted during the night, it was quiet as Mrs. Ruth Alle arrived on the floor, where she would vigil as her man for the next 48 hours.

Andy and Anthony were only one of the children on Mrs. Hall's list as she reported to the hospital on 2A.

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