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Blast At High Court Can Only Make Road Harder For Vinson

THE Supreme Court has been fair game for anyone ever since President Roosevelt told the nation last week about it, namely, that its opinions have been heavily influenced by the side of money and property and that the plain human beings, it is also true that there have been sharp differences of opinion among the justices appointed by President Roosevelt. I do not comment lightly on the Supreme Court, but I have always been one of those who believed that it was set up to serve the people and protect the American citizen in his rights under the Constitution.

I have regretted the quick going over to conservatism, if not reaction, of men named by President Roosevelt, who would have been contented if he had not regarded them as having the same liberal point of view that he himself possessed.

I regard the statement made by Mr. Justice Jackson to this country recently as an unfortunate episode. I do not believe that if he had been in this country, where he was not subject to the strains that must be incident to the Nuremberg trials and where he would have had a clearer knowledge of the circumstances, he would have said what cannot do either himself or the Court a particle of good.

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Airing Of Supreme Court 'Feud' Demanded



FORLORN VIGIL—Two-year-old Marjorie Blasfield of Teaneck, N. J., sits on the front steps with Paddy waiting for word from her seven-year-old brother, Larry, who wandered off from an all-day picnic and disappeared. His body was later found in a lake by searching parties who had combed the area for many hours.

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Ouster Of 4 Justices Called For

Sen. Eastland And Bridges Move

WASHINGTON — (AP) — Demands that four Roosevelt appointees be swept from the Supreme Court were coupled today with a proposal that all eight justices tell the full story of the tribunal's "feud."

Sen. Eastland, Democrat, Mississippi, announced his intention to push for an open investigation of discord between the jurists which he charged had produced "inexcusable chaos" in the high court.

The suggestion that all present Justices be called on for public testimony came at a hearing in the Senate on the move by Eastland and Sen. Bridges, Republican, New Hampshire, aimed at virtual dismissal of half the present court.

Eastland told a reporter he will ask the Senate Judiciary Committee to question the Justices at hearings he insists be held on the constitutional amendment he and Bridges introduced.

The amendment would force retirement of four of the present Justices by limiting to three the number of court members who could hold appointment by any one President. The places of those retiring would be filled temporarily by House election of lower court judges until a new President chose successors.

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Third Head Of Nation In A Year And A Half

Succeeds Gouin As Interim Chief

PARIS — (AP) — Georges Bidault was elected President of France's interim government by the Constituent Assembly today.

Election tabulators said an official tally showed he received 384 votes. The new President has been serving as Foreign Minister.

Bidault's election had been virtually assured when the Socialists pledged their 123 votes to him. No opposing votes were cast but the Communists abstained. The 46-year-old former history professor and journalist thus became France's third president in a year and a half.

He is a leader of the Popular Republican Movement Party, which emerged from the June 2 elections as the nation's largest, with 166 of the assembly's 586 seats. He succeeded Felix Gouin, a Socialist, who resigned after the election. Gouin had followed Gen. Charles de Gaulle in the office.

Bidault faced difficult problems forming a tri-partite Cabinet, although the Communists gave signs of reconciling themselves to entering his government. They did not, however, commit themselves to this, and the Socialists have said they will enter no government that excludes the Communists.

He already commanded the 166 ballots of his Popular Republican Movement Party (MRP), Edward Herriot, Radical Socialist leader, and Deputy Jacques Baumel of the Republican group, who had received 48 votes. This made certain that 34 votes would be cast for Bidault and only a simple majority of 264 is needed.

The Constituent Assembly heard Socialist Speaker Vincent Auriol give qualified approval to Gen. de Gaulle's office for the new constitution.

While not mentioning de Gaulle's recent speech, Auriol urged the Assembly to consider a two-chamber legislature, a two-year term, and a separation of the presidency, legislature and judiciary. These views were sounded by de Gaulle.

Britain To Help With Atom Plan

NEW YORK — (AP) — Great Britain today pledged its fullest possible co-operation to the United States in helping shape a complete plan for outlawing the atomic bomb as a weapon of war and for punishing violators of the international scheme of control.

Sir Alexander Cadogan, British representative on the United Nations Energy Commission, warmly welcomed the United States plan in an address to the commission at its second session today.

The United States proposal, advanced by Leonard Brossard at the commission's first meeting last Friday, called for an adequate system of control of atomic energy, in exchange for which this country would dispose of its existing atomic bomb and cease manufacturing new bombs.

Cadogan said his Government fully endorsed the emphasis laid by the United States on the need for "immediate and effective penalties against violation of the future international scheme of control."

He added that the United States plan makes great demands for confidence and co-operation from all parties, and noted with approval that the work of building international control under an international atomic development authority should proceed by stages.

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Palestine In Turmoil

JERUSALEM — (AP) — Palestine police said today that another British officer was missing, possibly bringing to six the number of British kidnaped in a wave of disorder sweeping the country.

The officer, Maj. H. B. Chadwick, failed to appear at a general command meeting at the King David Hotel yesterday, the police announcement said. Previously, five British officers were kidnaped by an armed band from a club at Tel Aviv.

Police said Chadwick may be a hostage of the Iqun Zava Leumi, an outlawed resistance organization reported attempting to force a demand for the release of the Jewish community in Tel Aviv at dawn.

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For Governor

Kim Sigler Wins Michigan Race

DETROIT — (AP) — Kim Sigler, deposed special prosecutor of a long and sensational grand jury investigation of graft in the State Legislature, today won the Republican nomination for the Governorship of Michigan.

The electoral Sigler's victory was described officially shortly after 12:30 A. M. 1946 when Lieutenant Governor Vernon J. Brown conceded his defeat by the Battle Creek attorney.

At that time returns from 3,000 of the state's 3,200 precincts gave Sigler 121,200 votes to 66,611 for Brown. Two other GOP candidates, Raymond J. Kelly, former National Commander of the American Legion, and Mayor Edward J. Jeffries, four-time mayor of Detroit, had earlier conceded.

Advised of the latest count, Brown, who carried with him the blessing of Gov. Harry F. Kelly, said he would accept the nomination. Mason, Mich. "It's all over in 10 minutes."

Munitions Board Calls On Truman

WASHINGTON — (AP) — President Truman conferred today with the Army and Navy Munitions Board to discuss the board's report in the event of another emergency.

Discussing the fifteen-minute conference later, Chairman Richard R. Dupre told reporters that it was a "time to be particularly important for the assurance of lasting peace."

Papen Admits Pressure Used

MUNICH — (AP) — Franz von Papen, ex-Nazi German minister, admitted today that he had used "pressure" on the Austrian Government prior to the Anschluss in 1938.

Story Of Cruelty

MIAMI, Fla. — (AP) — Harry T. Mickel, 21, ex-Navy gunner, was freed today when Peace Justice O. B. Sutton ruled that the youth committed "justifiable homicide" in the slaying of his 35-year-old father.

Baby Born With Heart On Outside Of Body

LANCASTER, Pa. — (AP) — A baby born with its heart on the outside of its body was born today at St. Joseph's Hospital today.

Dr. Luther F. Voelz said birth was normal and otherwise the child appeared well. The baby's heart was exposed, it is in normal position on the left side of the chest. It was said to have been planned in an effort to restore it.

Only One Man Unemployed In Prosperous Little Switzerland

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Food Going To Japan

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Ex-Sailor Cleared In Father's Slaying

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Weather

Partly cloudy with scattered thunderstorms this afternoon, tonight and Thursday. High 80, low 60. Wind S.W. 10-15. Temperature at 2:30 today 77. High and low last 24 hours 87-71. Sunset today 8:46. Sunrise tomorrow 5:46.