

Washington Calling—

Vinson May Get Post As State Secretary To Succeed Marshall

Chief Justice Always Used by Truman as Pinch Hitter in Tight Administration Spots

By Scripps-Howard Newspapers

WASHINGTON, Nov. 6.—Some dopesters predict Chief Justice Vinson will take over state, when Secretary Marshall resigns. (But you know how wrong dopesters can be.)

For what it's worth, here's their reasoning: President Truman has always used Vinson as pinch hitter in tight spots—he wanted to send him to Moscow before election. Picking new Chief Justice would be easier than getting sort of Secretary of State Truman wants, just now.

For Defense Secretary, keep your eye on these two: First, Harold Ickes, a tough administrator. Roosevelt once planned to make him War Secretary. Ickes rates high right now, around White House. Second, Louis Johnson, also active in campaign, also a near War Secretary at one time.

Clean-out of military advisers will include Admiral Leahy.

Commerce Secretary Sawyer's likely to go soon. Sure to stay: Labor Secretary Tobin, Atty. Gen. Clark, Treasury's John Snyder (if he wishes), and Oscar Ewing, Federal Security Administrator.

Business Tax Hike Due

HERE'S WHAT you can expect from Truman administration: Continuity in ERP, adequate appropriations. Extension of Reciprocal Trade Act without 80th Congress curbs. Support for original United Nations Israel boundaries, revision of arms embargo.

Some sort of price control power. Program probably will resemble one Truman gave special session. There'll be housing legislation sure this time, with low-rent projects. And more rent control.

Some higher business taxes are possible but no general increase in income taxes this year. No federal sales tax.

Truman will ask straight repeal of Taft-Hartley; is more likely to get compromise bill repealing parts, modifying others.

Labor Department will be rebuilt. It will get back Mediation and Conciliation, Employment Service, and other bureaus. Minimum wage will be raised to 75 cents.

Social Security will be extended to include more groups. Drought and George, chairmen of committees which handle it, block action. They never were for broadening its scope, but a determined Congress could override them.

Mr. Truman will push health program, strongly backed by Oscar Ewing. Aid to education is sure. Teachers were silent but strong factor in election.

Expect Early Farm Aid FARM PROGRAM will get early action. Truman's party is on record for flexible-price supports to maintain parity, more soil conservation and crop insurance, developing export markets and ways to use farm surpluses at home.

Margarine taxes will be repealed. Farm co-operatives can breathe freely; protective laws won't be changed.

West gets stepped-up reclamation program, money for transmission lines, lower water rates through offsetting power revenues, expanded forestation program and improvement of grazing lands.

There'll be unusual attention to anti-trust laws. Atty. Gen. Clark will have to prosecute all those suits he filed.

It's not clear what will happen on civil-rights program. Dixiecrats will try to block legislation in Senate.

There'll be new legislation on displaced persons. It will be more in change basis of admissions.

You can count on continued civilian control of atomic energy.

Finally, Truman and his party are pledged vigorously to enforce laws against subversion, but to preserve constitutional guarantees of free speech, free press, and honest political activity.

Stassen Blamed REPUBLICANS blame Harold Stassen for many of those lost farm votes.

They say they were never able to overcome doubt and fear caused by Stassen's charge that Democrats' farm program kept food prices high, implying GOP would drop support program.

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Possible Candidates MAYBE WE'RE galloping, but we think these Democrats warrant attention between now and 1952: Gov.-elect Bowen of Connecticut, Gov.-elect Stevenson of Illinois, Secretary of Labor Tobin, Sen.-elect Humphrey, Minn., Gov.-elect Lausche of Ohio.

It's harder to think of likely Republicans, but there are Stassen, Warren, Sen. Henry Cabot Lodge Jr., Gov. Duff of Pennsylvania.

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Prestige Tarnished PROJECT for new labor party's been put to sleep.

Fate of CIO left-wingers is in doubt. They've little to bargain with, but probably will choose to stay inside CIO's protective cloak.

Prestige of labor leaders Dave Beck, Dan Tobin, Alvanley Johnson, John L. Lewis, is badly tarnished. Whitney and Harrison, Kroll and Reuther rule labor's roost, politically speaking.

Hoover Commission will go

United Nations are Looking to Truman For Bold World Peace Moves Soon

By WILLIAM PHILIP SIMMS, Scripps-Howard Foreign Editor
PARIS, Nov. 6.—United Nations insiders expect President Truman soon will make several "audacious" world peace moves. They believe he will take steps to organize a defensive grand alliance linking the United States, Canada, Britain, France, the Benelux countries and the British commonwealth, and that others will be invited to join.

Soon after the present United Nations sessions adjourn, the same circles would not be surprised if President Truman put through his plan to send Chief Justice Vinson to Moscow for a talk with Premier Stalin.

THE SEMI-OFFICIAL Daily Le Monde says, "Western Europe is impatiently awaiting the Atlantic pact which will assure American military aid. This is a critical moment for Mr. Truman's foreign policy. He is a peace-loving American."

"But good intentions aren't enough. Acts are needed. Defensive measures are required to meet menaces without neglecting to seize any audacious initiative which might increase the chances of peace."

"Invested with new authority, and backed by a united people," Le Monde is one of the few papers upon whom the rest of the disillusioned world may still turn with some degree of hope. Informed delegates no longer believe the United Nations alone can save the peace. The East-West

split is ugly and complete. The impasse is tighter on every major issue.

RUSSIA'S determination to block all progress toward world peace and recovery is clearer every day, as is her intention to promote world chaos as a deliberate means for her own expansion. Thus while United Nations delegates remain loyal to the Charter and its ideals, they are forced to admit it is powerless to head off war and is likely to remain so. So they turn toward something more practical.

Moreover, delegates point out that a new pact is in line with the Charter. Not only does it authorize creation of "regional arrangements" to help safeguard peace but also it notes that nothing in the Charter "shall impair the inherent right of individual or collective self-defense."

DELEGATES SAY the United States and Canada already have plans for full military aid to each other and to Western Europe in event of attack.

The Marshall Plan is described as not enough. Western Europe must be enabled to defend itself after restoration. Other recovery programs, billions might well rebuild Western Europe for Russia to take over. For few here doubt any longer that the Kremlin would hesitate at anything—even force—if it thinks it can get away with it.

Red Successes in China Reported Swinging Marshall in Back of Quick Aid for Chiang

Foresee Chinese Joining West Bloc

Compiled from the Wire Services

Secretary of State George C. Marshall, reversing his former stand, has decided to support all-out and quick American aid to China to save it from advancing Communist armies, an official source at Shanghai said today.

Mr. Marshall was said to have made known his change of mind to Chinese Foreign Minister Wang Shih-chieh during recent conversations in Paris, where both are attending United Nations meetings.

Well-informed sources said Generalissimo Chiang Kai-shek may make an important policy announcement Monday. Encouraged by Mr. Marshall's reported support, Chiang was expected to inform circles to align China squarely with the Western bloc.

Hold Secret Talks Chiang, meantime, was presiding over secret military talks in Nanking with his north, northwest and central China commanders, seeking desperately to map a defense against Communist armies threatening his Nationalist capital from north and south.

The important government control Yuan (council) added to his troubles by demanding that he give up much of his dictatorial power.

ONE: Surrender many of his personal powers.

TWO: Cease exercising powers which constitutionally belong to his ministers and army commanders.

THREE: Soak the rich and eliminate all privilege and influence of the so-called "favored families."

Chiang already has indicated his inclination to relax his personal control over China's affairs by granting Gen. Fu Tso-yi full power over military operations in North China.

As President of the Republic, however, Chiang remains supreme commander of all land, air and sea forces.

United States PRESIDENT TRUMAN and acting Secretary of State Robert A. Lovett yesterday held their first post-election meeting to discuss the problems facing the United States.

They met while diplomats were forecasting Soviet attempts to break the American bi-partisan foreign policy.

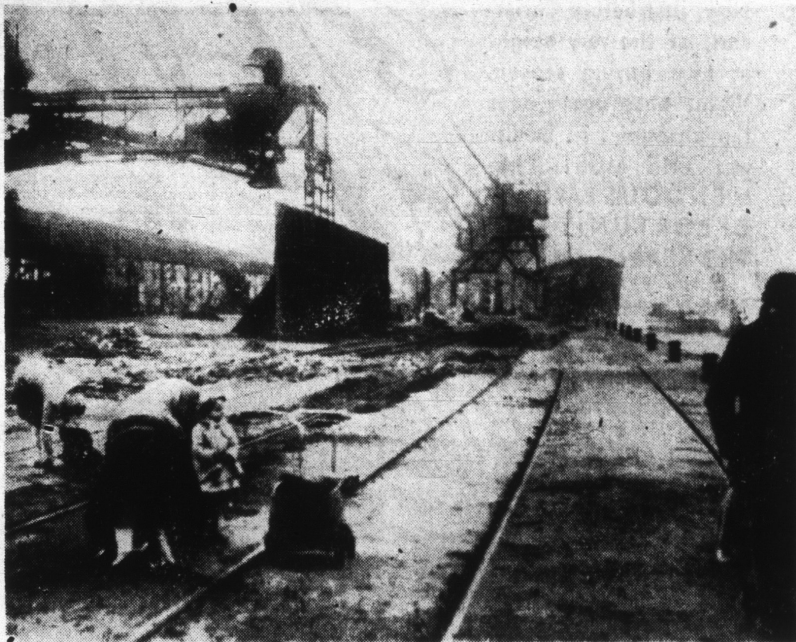
Neither the White House nor the State Department would say what specifically was discussed at the 30-minute Truman-Lovett conference. Mr. Lovett, who was not on the President's official calling list, entered and left the White House by a side door, shunning questioners.

Reliable sources reported, however, that the President and Mr. Lovett discussed means of strengthening co-operation with the Republicans.

Other subjects understood to have been discussed included Communist victories in China, and possible American participation in a North Atlantic security pact aimed at halting Communist aggression in western Europe.

Soviet Union FOREIGN MINISTER V. M. Molotov suggested yesterday that the Republican Party is to blame for the "aggressive policy" of the United States which caused some persons to believe he was opening the door to cold-war peace talks with President Truman.

He told a revolution-anniversary crowd at the Bolshoi Theater that Mr. Truman was elected because the majority in



LEAN PICKIN'S—Hearths were kept warm in France during the Red-led coal strike by women who foraged scraps of fuel at docks and pits and coalyards. Women are shown above gleaming bits of coal at the deserted dock of Rouen. The strike had begun to fizzle as the week ended with the government in control of all major pits. The miners were expected to be back at work next Tuesday. The loss of the strike was considered a staggering blow to the Soviet Union's scheme to cripple the Marshall Plan in France through Communist-controlled unions.

America opposes the Republicans' "open program of aggression."

For the most part, Mr. Molotov followed the line of recent Russian attacks on the U. S. before the United Nations and Soviet Premier Josef Stalin's recent charge that America is planning a new war.

However, his brief comment on the presidential election hinted that Russia might be planning to relax attacks on the American government and focus on the defeated Republicans.

Commenting on the U. S. elections, Mr. Molotov said: "The failure of the Republican Party and Dewey, who came to the elections with an openly reactionary and most aggressive program, shows that the majority of the American people reject that program."

Mr. Molotov's attacks on the Republican Party would appear to bear out the reports that President Truman suspected the Soviet Union of trying to break up the American bi-partisan foreign policy.

And the Soviet Union failed to fare very well.

First, she lost by a 40 to 6 vote on atom control. She wanted all atom stockpiles—meaning those of course, in the United States—and all atomic weapons destroyed at once. When assured that she might be willing to discuss atom control on a "global scale."

By joining in the General Assembly vote, the United Nations body approved the atom control plan proposed by Bernard Baruch for the United States at Lake Success, N. Y.

Soviet Russia also stood accused before the United Nations Political Committee of encouraging Greek guerrillas, despite pledges to keep hands off.

Smoke at once got in the satellites' eyes. Instead of arguing the issue, Julius Katz-Suchy, Polish delegate, counter-attacked with charges that the United States was establishing military bases in Spain to promote "dollar diplomacy."

"Dollar diplomacy," by the way, is an old American phrase dating back to the days of William McKinley.

Mr. Katz-Suchy, evidently, failed to keep up with American posts.

Most observers agreed that the Dulles, American, delegate and foreign affairs adviser to Gov. Thomas E. Dewey before the latter's defeat last Tuesday for President.

At the last minute the Soviet bloc stalled a vote on the Greek resolution to indict Yugoslavia, Bulgaria and Albania for aiding Greek Communist guerrillas and endangering peace in the Balkans.

The 58-nation political committee adjourned until Monday.

(Mr. Katz-Suchy's attacks on Mr. Dulles lend further support to the Washington reports that Mr. Truman now suspects the Soviet Union of attempting to smash the American bi-partisan foreign policy.)

Czechoslovakia THE Czech Communist Party acted today to transform itself into a tightly knit "elite" organization, amid growing indications of a serious split in the party's high command.

Foreign observers at Prague believed that there could be a drastic shakeup within 10 days of the party's top leaders, possibly including Premier Antonin Zapotocky.

Germany GERMANY trade union leaders yesterday called a 24-hour general strike of 1.4 million workers in the Anglo-American zone of Germany "one day next week" to protest Bizonia's economic policies.

In the strike-call communiqué they also asked for an "official" declaration of a state of emergency in Bizonia and demanded heavy penalties for hoarders and profiteers.

Allied authorities estimated that a one-day walkout would cost Bizonia at least \$7 million, but union officials denied that the strike was directed against the Marshall Plan. There are almost no Communists in high union posts.

Our Fair City

Motorists Snarling Over Snarled Traffic On Capitol Avenue

Complain About Blockades at Fall Creek Bvd.; Washington St. Travel Also Causing Gripes

SNARLED TRAFFIC conditions at Capitol Ave.-Fall Creek Blvd. has motorists snarling. New pipe being laid by Citizens Gas & Coke Utility is necessary. But motorists wonder whether traffic blockades are.

Last week, motorists found themselves in two blind alleys due to absence of "road closed" and "detour" signs. Westbound motorists found themselves boxed in from three



sides as they approached Capitol, had to turn around to Illinois St. Eastbound on boulevard had to turn around when they approached barricades.

Biggest civic gripes still come however from motorists forced to travel on Washington St., both east and west. Street becoming impossible.

County Democratic Shakeup Hinted

POLITICAL POT is boiling in county and state after Democratic sweep.

Watch for underground move to fire Paul McDuff from Democratic county chairman post. One bet for successor is Attorney Dave Lewis.

Democratic victory in county has weakened Mayor Feeney's clutch on local affairs. He was Mr. Big when he was only Democrat in high power. Now patronage is split. Balance of power may shift quickly to Bill Clauer-Henry Goett, Joseph Howard-Lewis combine, and John McNelis, who plays in outfield by himself. Feeney plays ball with nobody, may find himself on outside looking in. Watch for strength to shift back to regulars under Frank McKinney, then ousting of Mayor Feeney's McDuff.

Will GOP Filch Patronage STATEHOUSE Republican employees, especially in Bureau of Motor Vehicles, are grasping at straws. Election outcome and wolf of unemployment howling at their doors.

Somebody discovered quirk in law which might make it possible for outgoing Gov. Gates to appoint new director for vehicle bureau for four-year term just before he steps out of office. Republicans say appointment would insure lush patronage spot for most of Gov. Schriener's term.

Best bet is that Gates will say no. GOP tried to filch patronage once, got nothing but headaches. Look for GOP this time to know a mandate from people when it sees one.

Hot Potato for Safety Board

SAFETY BOARD soon will have hot potato tossed its way. Al Magenheimer, defeated for sheriff, wants job back on police department. Magenheimer left department May 31, 1946, to become sheriff, lacked seven months of being eligible for retirement. He'd at least like the seven months.

Magenheimer hopes to become captain or lieutenant. But police grapevine says he'll do no better than patrolman. And "way out" in University Heights too where he can direct traffic.

That would mean that gambling, all kinds of profitable vice could flourish in any county where the sheriff was willing without fear of interference. It could be a gold-mine to any corrupt sheriff who wanted to work it. Would put the state police back 25 years to running a highway patrol, nothing more. Meanwhile Sheriff Magenheimer has complained that he has too few deputies to police county properly.

HOME show people, preparing for 1949 show April 14, toying with idea of putting up three houses. One of them may be "expandable." You can add rooms year after year. There's also sentiment on show board to transfer exhibition to Cattle Barn which has double the space in Manufacturers Building. Right now there isn't room for all exhibitors who want to show.

Loan Co. Cleanup LOAN companies under fire in last summer's investigation of used car financing say they have cleaned house, stopped illegal practices, tightened up supervision of branch offices to see it doesn't happen again. General up for hearing soon before the state department of financial institutions on charges it accepted sales contracts signed in blank, now uses a new contract form which states in large type that purchaser must have a completed copy at time of sale.

More Policemen? POLICE Department may get 50 new men from State Board of Tax Commissioners, busy reviewing city-county budgets. Originally county board cut Chief Roule's request in half, gave him only 25. State board believes law enforcement situation acute, that community needs all protection it can get.

Other than that, county cula will stick. Tax board members hardly believe municipal functions will hit skids unless cuts restored.

City-Owned Trains RAILWAYS petition for increased revenue before the Public Service Commission is lost cause unless present PSC ramps it through before Jan. 1. This is unlikely, but possible. Unless utility gets increase, it may sell out more quickly than expected. Only taker on the scene is City Hall. Municipally operated system may be the only solution to maintaining transportation here if present management decides it can't continue operations on current rents.

Slap at State Police SIGNS of a move by some Indiana sheriffs to shove State Police clear out of the law enforcement picture have leaked out since election. Letter has gone to county sheriffs newly elected Tuesday.

Quoth Edgar Allen Poll Experts

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