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Sears Resigns As Special Counsel

Lawyer Steps Out Of McCarthy Case

WASHINGTON (AP)—Samuel P. Sears, Boston lawyer, withdrew today as the special counsel for a Senate investigation of the McCarthy-Army row.

With his impartiality under question, Sears offered his resignation and the Senate investigations subcommittee accepted it by a unanimous 6-0 vote.

Sears, 58-year-old past president of the Massachusetts Bar Assn., has been chosen for the job only last week.

At that time, public hearings on the charges exchanged by Sen. McCarthy (R-Wis.) and Army officials were tentatively set to begin next Monday.

The resignation of Sears rubs out any prospect that the hearings can begin then as the subcommittee is back again looking for a special counsel.

Sears gave his resignation at a closed door meeting of the subcommittee which lasted 2 hours and 15 minutes.

After the session Sears met with reporters and read a statement.

"I am completely satisfied in my own mind," Sears said, "that I am thoroughly competent to conduct the pending inquiry objectively, impartially and in fairness to all. It is not in my mind to do otherwise."

But, he added, "I have come to the resolute conclusion that I should not serve."

Denies Charges
Sears said he was leaving "in view of the discussion and controversy which followed my retention as counsel and the allegations which have been made, most of which are without foundation."

He added: "I do so only because I deem the hearing to be one of the highest importance and would not want the credibility of the proceedings to be handicapped from the very outset by any alleged word, deed, or commitment that I might have uttered in the past."

"The test is not whether I am biased; it is whether I am believed to be unbiased."

Sears was unanimously selected for the post of special counsel last week. But after the appointment it developed that Boston newspapers had quoted him in 1952 as hailing McCarthy's reelection and praising McCarthy's "great job" in driving Communists from the government.

To the subcommittee and to reporters, Sears had declared that he had never taken any position publicly or privately on McCarthy.

Senate Confirms Two For N. C. Positions

WASHINGTON (AP)—The Senate confirmed unanimously today the appointment of Edward M. Stanley to be U. S. attorney for the Middle District of North Carolina, succeeding Bryce R. Holl, resigned.

The Senate also confirmed the appointment of B. Ray Coburn to be U. S. marshal for Eastern North Carolina, succeeding Ford S. Worby, retired.

There is spirited contention by a variety of communities, including Charlotte, N. C., to be selected as the home of the academy, which would be similar to the Army's West Point and the Navy's Annapolis.

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Atom Threat Held Deterrent To New War

President Eisenhower Speaks To Nation

WASHINGTON (AP)—President Eisenhower told the nation and the free world last night Russia is unlikely to risk war so long as this country stands ready to strike back swiftly with all its atomic might.

The President declared, however, that Americans must prepare "very coldly and very carefully" against the danger that power-loving men in the Kremlin might "in a fit of madness or through miscalculation" plunge the world into a hydrogen-bomb-age holocaust.

As for the United States, he said, "We're not going to start a war" despite this country's advantage in atomic weapons.

Eisenhower went on all radio and television networks in a relaxed, half-hour plea for a sober facing of the atomic era facts of life—and a fervent warning against the perils of "jitters" and hysteria over communism, investigations of communism or the threat of depression.

"We don't have to fear!" he said. "Of course, there are risks, but we do not have to be hysterical. We can be vigilant; we can be Americans. We can stand up and hold up our heads and say, 'America is the greatest force that God has ever allowed to exist on his footstool. As such it is up to us to lead this world to a peaceful and secure existence, and I assure you we can do it.'"

NEW GROUND
In a plain effort to soothe some of the controversies boiling in this country and to quiet H-bomb nervousness abroad, Eisenhower broke some new ground in this mainly off-the-cuff address delivered while he sat at the edge of a desk in the White House basement.

He said the FBI—rather than congressional investigators—is the nation's "great bulwark" against communist infiltration.

He said "very grave offenses" can be committed against innocent persons by "someone having the immunity of congressional membership"—though he voiced confidence that in the long run public opinion "will straighten this matter out wherever and whenever there is a real violence done to our people."

SOLID AGREEMENT
The NATO spokesman said today the council does not intend for other than a Frenchman to command the central sector. He said there is no specific written commitment giving the post to France but there is a very solid agreement to that effect.

The council voted the reprimand yesterday and it was delivered to Juin this morning, it said.

"The North Atlantic Council expresses its profound regret at the public statement made by the commander-in-chief of central Europe on 27 March 1954 and subsequently reiterated. These statements are contrary to the explicit and repeated declarations of policy issued by the council under whose authority all NATO commanders hold their appointments."



MARSHAL JUIN

Marshal Juin Reprimanded By Council

By MARC PURDUE

PARIS (AP)—The North Atlantic Council handed a severe and unprecedented reprimand to France's Marshal Alphonse Juin today for his criticism of the proposed European Defense Community.

The action by the permanent delegates of the 14 NATO powers heightened the virtual certainty here that either France would have to ask that Juin be relieved as commander-in-chief of allied forces in central Europe or the marshal would have to resign.

"Any military officer receiving this might be impelled to resign," a NATO spokesman commented.

Jun reiterated an earlier statement yesterday he would quit the post only if assured it would go to another Frenchman, something observers think is a certainty.

WHAT'S INSIDE
DASHING AND DARING Col. de Castries, hero of Dien Bien Phu and Marshal Juin, the "MacArthur" of France, are appraised by Columnists Joseph Alsop and Mauguis Childs today. Turn to Page 4-A.

KEEPING YOUR PORES OPEN doesn't have anything to do with health. It's just an agency talk, says Columnist John Crosby. On Page 2-B the TV and radio critic explains some more of the Madison Eye, Lingo.

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Joe Wearn, Tommy Hayden, Bari King. Staff Photo by Tom Franklin's-Hunter

All work and no play isn't the story here as three of the 20 high school and Queens College volunteers start the mammoth task of moving the Public Library's stacks to temporary quarters in the old Southern Beatings & Parts Building on N. Carolina Ave. today, two shifts of students—three on Saturday

Assaults On Fortress Eased

HANOI, Indochina (AP)—The French high command announced today the Vietnam had eased the fanatical charges at the battered defenses of Dien Bien Phu during the past 24 hours.

A terse French communique early today said that last night was "relatively calm."

But the French Union forces behind the barbed wire barriers and bunkered defenses continued to brace themselves grimly for renewed assaults.

French planes ranged throughout the night against the foe's rocket lines bringing in supplies from Hanoi. Thousand-pounders and delayed-action bombs were strewn along the road and mountain trails.

The French were bolstered further during the night by tons of supplies and ammunition parachuted to them from American-supplied transport planes.

The French kept a wary eye on the northwest corner of the fortress, where the fercest of the rebel human sea assaults have struck recently. The French claimed "more than 1,000" were killed in yesterday's repeated assaults.

The French believed the enemy had concentrated on the weak point to attract all attention there while Communist Gen. Vo Nguyen Giap regrouped and reinforced his troops for new assaults at other points.

Gen. Henri Navarre, French commander in chief in Indochina, praised his forces and expressed the "utmost confidence in the success of their arms."

He said in an order of the day the courage of the defenders of Dien Bien Phu "will be an everlasting example" of heroism to the free world.

President Picks Budget Director

WASHINGTON (AP)—President Eisenhower today chose Rowland H. Hughes, now deputy director of the budget, to be director in succession to Joseph M. Dodge.

Dodge, the President's first budget director, has resigned effective April 15 to return to the Detroit Bank as board chairman.

Hughes, 38, is a former vice president of the National City Bank of New York. He served first in the Eisenhower administration as assistant director of the budget, taking over in that capacity last May 1. Later he became deputy director.

Like Dodge, Hughes will sit in at all meetings of Eisenhower's Cabinet, even though the budget director is not a member of the Cabinet.

OUR WEATHER

Partly cloudy and warm with widely scattered afternoon or evening thundershowers today and tomorrow. Fair and mild tonight.

Low temperature this morning 58 degrees.
Low temperature expected tonight 58 degrees.
High temperature expected today 78 degrees.
High temperature expected tomorrow 78 degrees.
Sunrise 6:03 a. m.; sunset 6:48 p. m.

More Weather Data on Page 3-A

U. S. Discusses Red Threat With Allies

WASHINGTON (AP)—The State Department reported today that Secretary of State Dulles has consulted on the Southeast Asian crisis with diplomatic representatives of six friendly nations in the past few days.

Authoritative indications are that the American government is seeking the formation of some kind of regional grouping to counter the Communist threat to the area and to undertake united action specifically in the war in Indochina.

Word of the Washington developments coincided with dispatches from Paris which quoted French Foreign Ministry sources as saying the United States has proposed that Britain, France, Australia and New Zealand join with this country in a strong warning to "Communist aggressors" in that area.

At the same time dispatches from Canberra said government sources reported that the United States is seeking a firm declaration in Indochina.

The United States is, however, understood to be urgently interested in some kind of plan for what Dulles has called "united action" in Southeast Asia.

Earlier Rep. Morano (R-Conn.) called on the administration to serve notice the United States will not take part in the April 20 Geneva conference on Asia "until it has been clearly established that Red China is not engaged in aggression in Indochina."

The McCarthy Story Committee Probes Senator's Charges

(Second of a Series)
By BEM PRICE

WASHINGTON (AP)—Shortly after 4 p. m. on Feb. 20, 1950, the junior member from Wisconsin, Joseph P. McCarthy, Republican, gained the floor of the United States Senate.

"I made the statement that there are present in the State Department a stable number of Communists. I made the further statement that of one small group which had been screened by the President's own security agency, the State Department refused to discharge approximately 200 . . ."

"The secretary of state promptly denied my statement and said there was not a single Communist in the whole State Department. I thereafter sent a telegram to the President."

READS COPY
McCarthy read a copy of this telegram. In it he said:

"I have in my possession the names of 57 Communists who are in the State Department at present."

"While the records are not available to me, I know absolutely one group of 300 certified to the secretary of state for discharge because of communism. He actually only discharged 89 . . ."

The telegram demanded that President Truman revoke his executive order forbidding disclosure of the contents of loyalty files and added: "Failure on your part will . . ."

EVENING PRAYER

Forgive us, our God, that our prayers to Thee have so often been half-hearted. Help us to envision our thoughts toward Thee that we may have spiritual power of quick response to Thee. So cause Thy Spirit to live in us that our words and looks and acts will reflect Thy loveliness to others. Amen.

Winnie Would Talk With Ike

LONDON (AP)—Prime Minister Churchill said today he would be delighted to welcome President Eisenhower to London for talks on the hydrogen bomb and other world problems. But, the Prime Minister added he did not think the President could leave the United States right now.

Answering a Laborite question in the House of Commons, Churchill said:

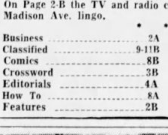
"I have more than once expressed hopes that such a visit would be possible. I do not think, however, he would feel he could leave his heavy duties at the present time."

Parliament member Arthur Lewis had asked Churchill to invite the President here for talks on world problems, including the H-bomb, and to help resolve differences of opinion that might stand in the way of an approach to Premier Malenkov for calling Big Four talks.

Churchill said "it goes without saying that we should be delighted to welcome President Eisenhower."

A Smart Elephant . . .

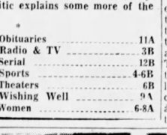
A brick wall is no handicap for Judy, one of the elephants of the Prospect Park Zoo in Brooklyn. These warm days when the youngsters come out to see her, she just sticks her trunk out and around and gets her daily ration of peanuts. Naturally, the trick pays off with more delicacies.



A Smart Elephant . . .

. . . And A Dumb Lion

Not so smart is Pharaoh, one of the lions in the Philadelphia Zoo. He fell into a moat filled with eight inches of water while fighting another lion. The moat was drained immediately and a wire was thrown down the side, but Pharaoh still can't figure out how to get out. (AP Wirephotos).



. . . And A Dumb Lion