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Superior Court

The impending retirement of Judges Thomas J. Ledwich and Charles Wade Snook leaves two vacancies on the Alameda County Superior Court. Contesting for Office No. 1 are Robert L. Bostick and Frederick M. Van Sicklen, both municipal court judges. Here are brief biographies, and statements by the candidates:

Robert L. Bostick, 41, judge of the Oakland-Piedmont Municipal Court. Native and lifelong resident of Oakland. Graduate of the University of California and Hastings College of the Law. Married, four sons. Lives at 5842 Balboa Drive, Oakland.

I was in private practice as a trial attorney in all fields of the law until being appointed to my present post. I have participated in various charitable, fraternal, and civic organizations throughout my adult life.

As a judge of the Oakland-Piedmont Judicial District, I have served in all departments of our court. I am currently presiding judge of the criminal jury department. I believe my background, experience, and my sensitivity to the rights of the individual qualify me for the higher office which I seek.

Frederick M. Van Sicklen, 51, judge of the Alameda Municipal Court. Native and lifelong resident of Alameda. Graduate of the University of California and the Oakland College of Law. Married, two children. Lives at 718 Grand St., Alameda.

There are three basic reasons for my feeling that I am the best qualified man for this office:

- 1—Twenty years trial court experience.
- 2—Five and one-half years experience as a municipal court judge in a one-man district which has required me to handle all phases in the municipal court jurisdiction, both civil and criminal, at the same time.
- 3—I received the highest number of votes from practicing attorneys in Alameda County on the ballot held to determine who they considered the candidate most qualified for the office.

City Works On Defense Planning

"We're in excellent shape," declared Mayor John C. Houlihan concerning Oakland's Civil Defense program, "but we've got to beef things up. We've got to get completely organized immediately because we aren't going to have time to think if some reckless Cuban pushes the button."

The mayor, who called a special one-hour meeting of civic and civil defense leaders yesterday, emphasized further the vital importance of setting up an immediate public information program so people will know exactly what to do and where to go if something happens.

Meanwhile in Sacramento, Gov. Edmund G. Brown described the state's preparedness as being "in good shape."

SAFETY FIRST

After a 90-minute conference with his cabinet and other high state officials, which he emphasized as "purely precautionary," the governor said, "We have had no instructions from Washington to move beyond our present state of readiness but I wanted to be sure we are prepared to do so if necessary."

Both Brown and Houlihan directed the administrators at the respective meetings to have detailed readiness reports ready by Monday. Houlihan stated specifically that he wanted a list of shelters prepared by them so the public could be informed of their location.

Houlihan, in emphasizing a public information program here, cited Wednesday's "run" on Los Angeles food markets as "a glaring example of lack of controlled information."

CREATES PANIC

"People were urged to stock up," he said, "so they made a run on the markets."

"We have to be sure we know exactly what we're doing before we open our mouths. Even as mayor I would be extremely reluctant to go on the air unless I were advised by a competent authority. I feel very strongly about this."

Officials attending the city hall session expressed satisfaction with the functioning of their particular departments. Among those in attendance were Police Chief E. M. Toothman; John Morin, assistant city manager; Ray McCormick, Oakland civil defense; Walton Lee, representing the school department; Jay Cizer of AC Transit and Dale Roe of the Oakland Red Cross.

TAUGHT LESSON

Fire Chief James Sweeney, however, brought up the pertinent point that extremely recent experience had taught him a lesson about communications.

Said Sweeney: "We have to take it for granted that the phones will go out."

"We learned that a week ago Saturday in the storm and we learned it when the Giants won and so many people got on phones to talk to each other about it."

"We'll have to depend on police radios, fire alarms and taxi-cab radios."

He made it clear, though, that he felt preparations for emergency communications were in good order.

Emeryville Checks Disaster Defense

EMERYVILLE — The city is about as prepared as it can be for any immediate disaster such as an enemy missile attack, civil defense leaders said today.

City and school officials met to review operational emergency measures. They agreed that since there is a shortage of community shelter space, family shelter plans are the best for local residents.

Superintendent of schools Harold Johnson said emergency shelter plans have been activated at the schools. In the case of an alert while school is in session, all pupils will be directed to the best available shelter in each school, he said.

Yemen Legation Denies Badr Dead

AMMAN, Jordan — The Yemeni legation in Amman denied today Imam Mohammed Al-Badr had died in a Saudi Arabian hospital, as reported by San'a radio last night. The legation said it had received a message from Badr, who is enjoying good health in his headquarters in Yemen.

The Friendly Enemy

MOSCOW — (UPI) — The young Russian student demonstrating outside the United States Embassy here stopped shouting "hands off Cuba" and wheeled upon an American correspondent standing nearby.

"Do you speak English?" he asked the startled correspondent. "I would like to practice English with an American."

The incident illustrated a paradox familiar to veteran American residents here—that the warm and friendly relations between Russians and Americans in Moscow are seldom dampened by the snarls between their governments.

Walter Munk, a visiting scientist from the University of California at Los Angeles, found this out.

Munk walked into the American Embassy between demonstrations and asked whether, in view of the Cuban crisis, he should go ahead with his planned auto trip to the Black Sea.

"Certainly," U.S. officials told him. "The Cuban situation doesn't enter into it."

This is perhaps best shown in the cultural exchange program. Twenty-four hours after President Kennedy announced the arms blockade on Cuba, a jovial Premier Nikita Khrushchev went backstage at the Bolshoi Theater to congratulate American opera star Jerome Hines.

The next night, when the crisis threatened to explode into war, the Robert Shaw Chorale sang in Leningrad—

and received its warmest ovation so far.

The Cuban situation had no noticeable effect on the volume of the cheers the New York City Ballet has been reaping every night in Moscow.

U.S. Embassy officials are surprised and pleased that, even when Soviet-American official relations are worse, individual Russians and Americans continue to be friendly.

Although the Kremlin castigates Americans as "aggressors" and "pirates," diplomats and correspondents say the Russians they meet show no hostility.

The attitude seems to be similar to that often found in the United States—that the quarrel is between governments, not peoples.

Russ Snub Another U.S. Note

MOSCOW — (AP) — The Soviet foreign ministry sent back to the U.S. Embassy today another official American document on the Cuban quarantine. It was the third in a row to be spurned.

The act of sending a note back amounts to a rejection. The note delivered to the foreign ministry today was an addition to previous control orders governing the blockade. It put rocket fuel under the official U.S. ban.

Earlier, the foreign ministry had returned the general proclamation of the quarantine and a note concerning governing orders for submarines entering the blockade zone.

Despite these cold war moves by the foreign ministry, relations between U.S. officials and Soviet personalities continued on an outwardly friendly basis.

But U.S. Embassy sources reported the Soviet government apparently had imposed a ban on travel outside Moscow by Western diplomats. The ban apparently went into effect Tuesday, after President Kennedy announced the quarantine of arms shipments to Cuba.

Diplomats who were in the cities of Tashkent, Leningrad, Kiev and Tbilisi were ordered by the Soviet foreign ministry to return to Moscow, according to the reports. No explanation was given.

U.S. Embassy sources said three of its officers had been sent back to Moscow. They noted, however, that an escorting officer with the touring Robert Shaw chorale had not been affected. He is still with the group in Leningrad and is scheduled to accompany it to Kiev tomorrow, they said.

Freighter Sinks

KUALA LUMPUR, Malaya — (AP) — A small Panamanian freighter, the Kawi, was reported today to have sunk in stormy seas off the east coast of Malaya. A maritime official said rescue planes sighted 12 survivors of the 24-man crew.

CD Chief Answers Questions

SACRAMENTO — (AP) — Director Allan K. Jonas of the California Disaster Office has answered what he calls the eight most frequently asked questions about civil defense.

At the same time, he urged "calm and self-discipline and at the same time seek information for making family emergency plans in case they are ever necessary."

He said there has been no indication from federal authorities the state should embark on a crash civil defense program but if it does, the people will be informed immediately.

1—Where can I get information? Local civil defense offices or local government agencies.

2—What foods should I store? Two weeks supply of foods that do not need refrigeration, do not spoil easily and do not have to be cooked. Special diet foods and infant supplies should be kept on hand.

3—Is there anything else needed? Water in cans or sealed non-breakable containers, seven gallons a person. Radios, first aid kit, medical handbook, battery radio, eating utensils, tools, toilet facilities, blankets, timepiece, maps.

4—Where are shelters? Newspapers, and local defense officials can tell you.

5—What about children in school? The schools all have civil defense plans.

6—What about evacuation? In general, stay put and find the best shelter available.

7—Are there any good pamphlets available? "Fallout Protection" and other pamphlets are available at local civil defense offices.

8—Is there any quick way to build shelters? Your civil defense office can supply you with shelter construction information.

Lord Fisher Praises JFK's Brinkmanship

BIRMINGHAM, Mich. — (UPI) — Britain's most famous churchman today called the U.S. military blockade of Cuba a "classic example of brinkmanship" and said it "may have a healthy effect" in the cold war.

The Most Rev. Geoffrey Francis Fisher, former Archbishop of Canterbury, said President Kennedy's action in the Cuba situation was entirely reasonable and justified.

But he expressed the opinion that an end to the cold war and ultimate world peace can never be achieved until two conditions are established:

That western statesmen, at least, speak fewer times and with fewer words "and with small words that mean what they're meant to mean and which tell the full truth."

That sometime one side or other decides to take a bit of a risk and trust the other side "without guarantees or inspection."

The British churchman, who as Archbishop of Canterbury presided at the coronation of Queen Elizabeth II, made it clear that though he considered that what he called President Kennedy's act of brinkmanship might have an ultimate healthy effect, he was not agreeing with the practice of power politics.

Blockaders Board Ship, Let It Go

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Flags involved in the trade Cubans.

This was the second ship allowed to pass through the blockade which has ringed Cuba since last Tuesday. Yesterday, the Soviet tanker Bucharest was permitted to proceed without even an inspection of its cargo.

But today the destroyers were given orders to go aboard the Maruca and search and inspect it. Boats were put off from the destroyers shortly after 7 a.m. EDT. The Maruca immediately lowered a Jacob's ladder so the inspection could board.

According to the Defense Department, the freighter's cargo consisted of 12 trucks lashed on deck. The holds contained such products as sulphur, paper rolls and truck parts.

Since none of this is considered "offensive" military material under the President's quarantine, the ship was allowed to proceed.

The skippers of the U.S. destroyers are Cmdr. James W. Foust, Greensburg, Pa., on the Pierce; and Cmdr. Nicholas Mikhalevsky of Staten Island, N.Y., on the Kennedy.

White House Denies Call For Congress

WASHINGTON — (UPI) — The White House today quickly squelched reports that President Kennedy was considering a special session of Congress to deal with the Cuba crisis.

White House Press Secretary Pierre Salinger volunteered the denial to newsmen.

He said the White House had been "deluged with calls from offices of members of Congress" who had heard reports that Kennedy had called congressional leaders to a meeting Monday and was considering a special session.

"The President has not called the congressional leadership back for a meeting nor has there been consideration or discussion of a special session of Congress," Salinger said.

He said the President's request that the congressional leaders be prepared to return to Washington eight hours' notice still applied. But he said there were no current plans to issue such a call.



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Governors, Solons Given Secret Data

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they received only background information and that the briefing officers did not dwell on possibilities.

Aides of governors from Oregon and Washington entered the session in the Appropriations Building, but were summarily dismissed when it was determined they were neither governors nor congressmen.

Many of those who did attend declined afterward to speak, but others commented: Rep. Grace Plost, D-Idaho, "I am far less apprehensive now than I was when I left Idaho. Each passing day lessens the tension."

MORE BRIEFINGS

Rep. David King, D-Salt Lake, "I feel the atmosphere of the Cuban crisis has improved. But we may need additional briefings if the situation changes."

Rep. George P. Miller, D-Alameda, said "It's gratifying to see the State Department is right on top of this thing. It's reassuring. Politics are closed in a time of emergency like this. I can't imagine anyone capitalizing on war."

Sen. Wallace Bennett, R-Utah, "I don't think Cuba is worth enough to Khrushchev to risk bringing the full retaliatory power of this country to bear on Russia."

BROWN VIEWPOINT

Democratic Gov. Edmund G. Brown of California, "The President's timing was excellent on this."

Brown added a partisan note: "I don't think this will have any bearing on my campaign. I was ahead then (before the crisis) and I'm ahead now."

Governors other than Hatfield and Brown in attendance came from Montana, Idaho, Nevada, Arizona, Washington, Hawaii, Alaska and Wyoming. The governors of Utah and Colorado were absent.

Eight women, reportedly representatives of peace groups, handed out literature outside the building during the session.

Of yesterday's meeting in New York, Sen. Joseph S. Clark, D-Pa., said, "It was something of a rat race."

ROCKEFELLER VIEW

New York's Republican Gov. Nelson A. Rockefeller—a possible contender for the Pres-

idency in 1964—sounded a bipartisan note when he told newsmen: "I think it (the Cuban situation) is exactly the way the President described it three nights ago. . . I don't see how the President could have put it more forcibly."

But New Jersey's Democratic Gov. Richard J. Hughes said there was a "deplorable undercurrent of political questions" at the conference. And Clark said it "was constantly interrupted by Republicans making belligerent speeches and arguing with the officials."

INTELLIGENCE HIT

A Republican conferee, Rep. Steven Derouin of New York, reported that "after the briefing this morning I think our whole intelligence set up needs a thorough overhauling. We know less than we should. We certainly don't have the information."



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Traveler Charged In Bomb Scare

A farmer was charged yesterday with making a bomb threat comment at the San Francisco International Airport.

John M. Biller, 70, of Kent, Wash., was hauled into San Francisco Federal District Court in the charge.

He is accused of commenting that another passenger, who was carrying a large package and a woman

Public Lecture

BREKIDEN, I. B. Jackson, the editor of Landscape Magazine, will deliver a free public lecture on "The Responsibility for Environment" at 8 p.m. Tuesday in room 200 at the Claremont Hotel. Representatives of the California Association of Environmental Design and the Committee for Arts and Lectures.

Hill Area Protest Meeting Tonight

Residents of the Grandview Drive, Vicente Road and West Hill areas above the Claremont Hotel will meet tonight to discuss the "serious lack of policing of the upper slopes, drains and structures."

It was in this area that several major slides blocked off roads and isolated several families during the recent storm.

The meeting will begin at 7:45 p.m. at the Claremont Hotel. Representatives of the Claremont Improvement Association and the Grandview Association are expected to attend.