The Steel Case and 9 Unique Men

THE U.S. SUPREME COURT: Left to right, front row, Felix Frankfurter, Hugo L. Black, Chief Justice Fred M. Vinson, Stanley F. Reed and William O. Douglas. Back row, Tom C. Clark, Robert H. Jackson, Harold H. Burton and Sherman Minton.

By DOUGLAS LARSEN

WASHINGTON —(NEA)— When the steel case comes to the Supreme Court, it will be considered by nine unique personalities. The Chief Justice and his eight associates, now called on to render one of the most vital decisions in Supreme Court history, are a strange group of clashing philosophies and brilliant minds.

Chief Justice Fred M. Vinson was appointed to his high post by President Truman. The two became close friends during their service together in Congress. Vinson, a 62-year-old Kentucky Lawyer, was appointed to smooth the dissention existing among the justices.

In that, he has been only fairly successful. His decisions have generally been classed as conservative. Vinson, often mentioned as a presidential possibility, turned down Mr. Truman's offer of support and removed himself from the race.

Hugo L. Black, whose appointment by President Roosevelt in travelled and written much about the Far East.

Robert Jackson, then attorney-general was named to the Supreme Court by President Roosevelt in 1940. He is best known for his carefully thought-out liberal decisions and ranks second among dissenters on the court. He prosecuted German war criminals and feuded openly with Black.

Harold H. Burton is the only Republican on the court. He is a former U. S. Senator and mayor of Cleveland, and was a good friend of President Truman when both served in the senate. He is a methodical legal scholar and has rendered mostly conservative decisions, although he is not considered completely predictable.

Tom Clark is another ex-attorney-general on the court. He moved over just in time to escape the recent scandals in the Justice Department. His decisions, like those of Reed, are considered as balance wheels between the two factions on the court.

Sherman Minton, the newest justice, was appointed by President Truman in 1949. He has been a senator and a special assistant to President Roosevelt and a judge on a lower court. He has consistently sided with the liberal decisions of Black and Douglas.

FACES COURT MARTIAL — Seaman Bruce S. Hopping, who faces a court martial for publicly criticizing Navy discipline, rakes the yard at the receiving station at Pearl Harbor, Hawaii, while he waits for his case to come up. Rear Adm. Francis C. Denebrink, commander of service forces in the Pacific, recommended that Hopping be tried on charges of "violation of Navy regulations and conduct to the prejudice of good order and discipline." Hopping, a reservist, owns a $3,000,000 lumber business in Maplewood, N.J. (AP Wirephoto)

Storage Eyed As Flood Aid

PORTLAND (AP) — Plans to use water storage space in Reclamation Bureau reservoirs to reduce spring flood peaks on the Columbia and Snake Rivers were reviewed here Friday.

F. A. Banks, chairman of the of the Columbia Basin Inter-Agency Committee, said 1,250,000 acre feet of space in Roosevelt Lake behind Grand Coulee Dam would be used to cut the peak flow on the Columbia during the annual spring freshet.

Banks said space also would be used in bureau reservoirs in the Snake River Basin would be used for flood protection in the Boise, Payette and Upper Snake area.

An additional one million feet of storage space in Hungry Horse Reservoir behind the Hungry Horse Dam now under construction in Montana will be put to use, too, Banks reported.

Other matters discussed at the meeting included studies of return flow from the Columbia Basin project and future irrigation depletion of the Snake River Basin.

The subcommittee coordinates work of federal and state agencies concerned with water dispatching in the area.

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Mrs. Rebecca Gentry, sister of Mrs. Hugh Porter will open the Porter Hotel rooms beginning May 8. She is from The Dalles.

The April-May birthdays were celebrated by the Women's Club, May 1. Those honored were: Natha Ridenour, Virginia Jessup, Norma Ramsey, and Hope Brader. Decorations and flowers carried out the May Day theme in spite of the patches of snow on the north side of all Chemult residences. Prizes were won by Mrs. Grant Damon and Natha Ridenour. There were fourteen present. Co-hostesses were Mrs. V. I. Brader, Mrs. Cap Jessup Sr. and Mrs. C. Galbreath.

The Cancer Crusade in Chemult was under way Monday morning and the community was being canvassed by Cleo Rodman, Virginia and Ethel Jessup headed by Mrs. Wm. Taylor as chairman.

Mr. Grant Damon left Saturday for Portland for a routine checkup at the Portland Clinic.

Mr. and Mrs. Robert Woods and daughters visited over the week-end with his parents Mr. and Mrs. Glen Woods.

Another little boy to arrive in the community of late was 9 pound 2¾ ounces, Master John Bruce Pinckley, son of Mr. and Mrs. John Pinckley and grandson of Mr. and Mrs. William Fletcher.

Mr. and Mrs. D. F. Whittaker of Seattle Washington have been in Chemult on business the past few days. They have come for some machinery which they had stored for some time. They were major stock holders in Pumice Sales Inc. located near Paunina.

The line crew of the Great Northern Railway Co. out of Spokane finished their yearly line checking job today. Their crew foreman was Mr. A. H. Sheffner of Spokane.

Sprague To Back Warren

SALEM (AP) — Publisher Charles Sprague of the Oregon Statesman Sunday will endorse Gov. Earl Warren of California for President. Sprague at the same time will say in his newspaper column there is a strong possibility that Gen. Dwight D. Eisenhower will win the Republican presidential nomination.

"But," the publisher and former governor will add, "in Governor Warren we have a neighbor who has demonstrated his capacity in civil administration, his vote-getting ability and his balance of judgment on political issues, so he gets our endorsement."

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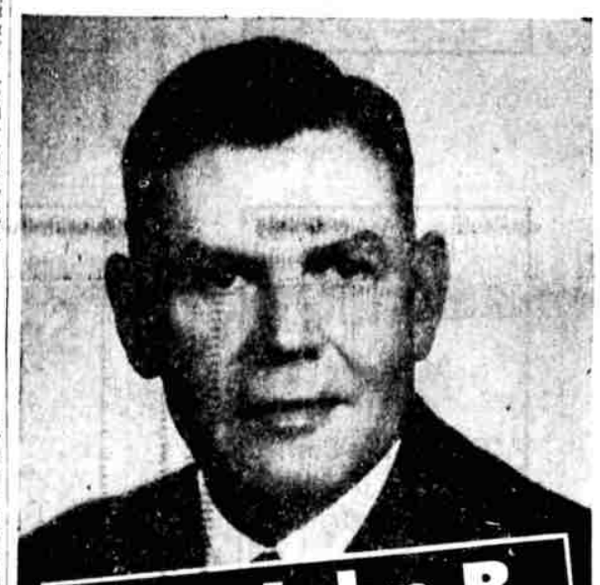
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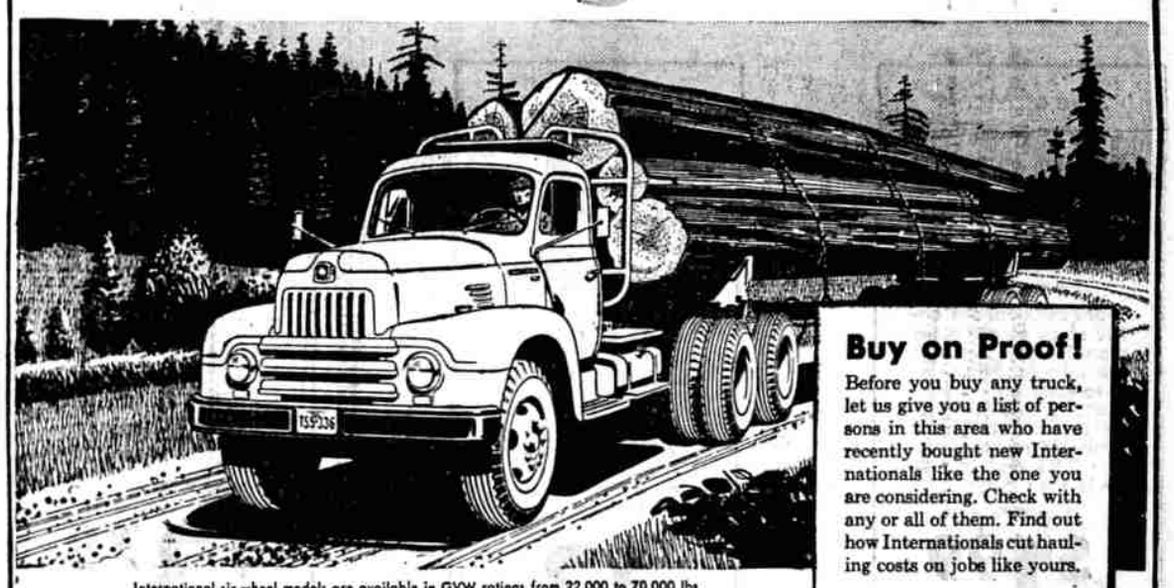
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