

Taft Offers Recommendations

COLUMBUS, O. (AP) — Sen. Robert A. Taft of Ohio, powerful leader of the Republican Senate Policy Committee, says he has given President-elect Dwight D. Eisenhower his recommendations for the three cabinet posts not filled.

Taft did not make the names public at a news conference in Columbus or in his Ohio Farm Bureau Convention speech last night.

Gen. Eisenhower has not named his secretary of labor, secretary of commerce or postmaster general.

Taft said he assumed Arthur Summerfield, chairman of the Republican National Committee,

would head of the Post Office Department.

The senator said he "acquiesced in many" of the six cabinet appointments made by the President-elect but the men he recommended were not picked for the jobs.

He said he recommended Sen. Harry Byrd (D-Va.) as secretary of the treasury, but emphasized that because he did not recommend the man Eisenhower selected, George M. Humphrey of Cleveland, it did not mean "I wouldn't recommend him for a job."

He praised the nomination of Ezra Taft Benson of Salt Lake City, Utah, to the secretary of agriculture's post.

"I certainly joined in the recommendation," Taft said, "but I can't claim him as my recommendation."



APPOINTED. Paul R. Leake (above), collector of customs at San Francisco since 1939 and publisher of the Woodland, Calif., Democrat, has been appointed to the California State Board of Equalization by Gov. Earl Warren. The district Leake will represent includes most counties north of San Francisco. He succeeds the late Jerrold L. Seawell.

Police Take Demented Vet

CINCINNATI (AP) — Five police officers dragged a struggling and weeping Owen Warfield from his suburban home last night after his shotgun-waving threats kept police at bay for more than five hours.

Warfield, an undersized, wiry and worker, was captured only after his 18-year-old son, David, signaled for police to enter the house by knocking a shotgun from his father's hands and unlatching the door.

Officers had been trying to serve a lunacy warrant on the 45-year-old World War II veteran. It was signed by his estranged wife Doris Warfield, who was taken to a psychopathic ward, kept muttering he wanted to be home for Thanksgiving.

Dorothy Lee On Top List

WASHINGTON (AP) — Mayor Dorothy McCullough Lee of Portland, Ore., is one of 17 women recommended to President-elect Dwight D. Eisenhower for government jobs.

The recommendations were made by the American Association of University Women, whose leader, Dr. Rosamond Ramsay Boyd of Spartanburg, S. C., reminded Eisenhower in a letter of his campaign pledge to "utilize the contributions of outstanding women to the greatest extent possible."

Others recommended for consideration included:

Mrs. Oveta Culp Hobby, Houston, Tex., former director of the WAC and now director and executive vice president of the Houston Post; Mrs. Ivy Priest, Bountiful, Utah, assistant to the chairman of the Republican National Committee, and Sen. Margaret Chase Smith (R-Me.).

Eisenhower In Society Book

NEW YORK (AP) — Dwight D. Eisenhower will be President of the United States next year, but in the Social Register he will still be a general of the Army.

The register—society's blue book—came out Monday with its 1953 edition and failed to note Eisenhower's promotion by the American electorate. The book continued to list him at his New York address and made no mention of the White House in Washington, his address after Jan. 20.

Although the register is for the next calendar year, a spokesman for the publisher said Eisenhower "isn't President yet" and could not be listed "any other way."

The new edition, adjusted as in previous years to the rise and fall of society's figures, makes several pointed omissions. Among them are:

Miss F. Jelke, margarine heir who is awaiting trial in New York's big cafe society vice inquiry.

Both oil heir Winthrop Rockefeller and his wife, the former Barbara (Bobo) Sears, who have separated.

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Polar Bear Overdue

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Ivy is the mother of the famous cub Brumas, said to be the only zoo-born polar bear to survive in 100 years.

Child in Coma For Six Years

HAMILTON, O. (AP) — It was little Danny Neil Lissal's ninth birthday yesterday. But Danny knew nothing about it, just as he's known nothing about his birthday since he was 3 years old.

Danny, Hamilton's best known hospital patient, has been in a coma since he was hit by a truck in front of his home on Dec. 21, 1946. He was taken from Mercy Hospital here to Children's Hospital in Columbus, O., last year.

Physicians consider his case hopeless.

Civilian Commission Starts TV Work On Problem of Military Manpower Use

WASHINGTON (AP) — A citizens commission, set up to help the armed services find ways to get more fighting power out of their 3,000,000 men and women in uniform, went to work today with the blessing of President-elect Eisenhower.

The citizens group, holding its first organizational meeting with the full 11-man membership in attendance, is headed by David Barnoff, chairman of the board of Radio Corporation of America.

Eisenhower has heartily endorsed the commission's objectives, set forth in an act of the last Congress which directed the Defense Department to reduce the number of its desk-bound servicemen so that military combat effectiveness could be improved.

Barnoff actually started work in October, but Secretary of Defense Lovett delayed naming the commission members until mid-November to enable the new administration to have a hand in its development.

Barnoff has stated that the commission may take one or two years to complete its top-to-bottom study. Lovett said the first meeting of the commission will have, before it for review a number of efficiency recommendations already prepared by the technical staff.

Informed officials said the first proposals for review will have to do with schemes for reducing the number of uniformed personnel, particularly men, in housekeeping jobs.

Barnoff has indicated commission members will undoubtedly go into the field organizations of the services, both at home and abroad, to follow up plans for getting more

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The commission is made up of six civilians, in addition to Barnoff, and four retired officers, one from each of the services.

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