

SEGREGATION

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Today's decision by the Supreme Court is called - the most important action of its kind since the emancipation proclamation. The high tribunal outlawing - racial segregation in schools.

The decision, written by Chief Justice Earl Warren was unanimous. A number of complaints against racial segregation in schools - upheld in one sweeping decision.

The court ruled against the southern theory of "separate but equal facilities." The decision stating: "separate educational facilities are inherently unequal."

The verdict is complete and sweeping, but it does not mean - total change at once. The court notes - "the far reaching character" of its action. Also - the "great variety" of local conditions to be considered. So, there will be ~~a~~ further hearings on the way the decision is to be put into effect. The details are delaying until autumn - and, actually, it may be a year before the court rules on the

methods to end segregation in schools.

The reaction in the south is immediate - and angry.

With new proposals - to transform the public schools into a private school system. ~~It~~ A technical change, mostly, but one which might evade constitutional questions of segregation.

~~It~~ Already, three states, Georgia, South Carolina and Mississippi, have taken preliminary steps - to turn their public school systems over to private operation.

Meanwhile, negro and sympathetic white groups in the south are jubilant. One organization calling a meeting of its leaders in Birmingham, to decide on plans in line with today's decision.

The McCarthy hearings have been moving toward a clash between the Sub-Committee and the White House - and ~~make~~ matters came to a head today. With President Eisenhower, in a signed letter, forbidding further testimony - about that much debated meeting, in which White House aides participated.

Last week, Army Counsellor John Adams testified that the meeting had produced a suggestion - that the Army issue a report in the Cohn-Schine affair. The suggestion coming - from preidential Assistant Chairman Adams. The Army Counsel was questioned further on this, and replied - ^{he} had official instructions - top level, to say no more about what went on at that meeting. The sub-committee, thereupon, demanded that he bring forward something in writing, instructing him to curtail his testimony.

Today, that something in writing was produced - and how! A letter from the President, stating - it is not permissible to reveal discussions in the Executive branch

of the government. The President - backing that up with a long list of citations of how other Presidents, from George Washington on down the line, have taken that same position.

Sub-committee members promptly protested, especially the Democrats. So did Senator McCarthy - who called the presidential prohibition an "iron curtain."

The ~~argument~~ argument was based on this interesting situation:- Army Counsel Adams last week testified of his own volition - indicating possibly, that the responsibility for making the Army charges had been, actually, over on the side of the White House. But then, having said that much, Adams was forbidden to say any more. The sub-committee had supposed - that Army Secretary Stevens had made the decision. So now they felt - they were being deprived of a vital piece of information.

The sub-committee decided - to see if

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Eisenhower's directive could not be modified. Chairman, Senator Mundt, and the Counsellor for the hearing, Ray Jenkins - given the task of getting the directive relaxed, if possible.

To give time for that, the sub-committee voted to call off the hearings ^{for the rest of this week - to} ~~when they will~~ be resumed ^{next} Monday.

The State Department makes public a report - that Soviet armament has been sent to Guatemala - in Central ~~Am~~ America. The Guatemalan government often denounced as dominated by the Communists.

The story is that, on Saturday last, a steamship arrived at a Guatemalan port with a ^Cargo of weapons and munitions. The vessel was from Stettin, in East Germany. Stettin - a ^{major} ~~prominent~~ port - in the Soviet zone. The cargo consigned to the Guatemalan government. "It's now being unloaded," says tonight's dispatch.

The State Department calls this "a development of gravity." An opinion - based on the amount of armament, it's Communist origin, and the Red reputation of Guatemala.

FRANCE

FRANCO-AMERICAN CONVERSATIONS BEGAN IN PARIS
today - on the subject of Indo China. What to do - if the
Geneva conference fails to bring about an armistice in that
South Asian country. U.S. Ambassador Dillon, who has been
at Geneva, proceeded to Paris - where he began the
negotiations with the Under-Secretary of Foreign Affairs,
Maurice Schuman.

Premier Joseph Laniel has announced publicly -
that France must know the American position and intentions.
We also want to know - the French position and intentions.
Hence, this Franco-American parley.


Meanwhile, the Indo China peace conference at
Geneva met in ~~SECRET~~ secret session today. Report -
"some progress."

Meanwhile - In Indo China, wounded prisoners released by the Reds - give ugly accounts, now so familiar. After the fall of Dien Bien Phu, they underwent ordeals of neglect, ill treatment, and a brain washing of Red propaganda.

One of them, Corporal Marcel Champery, tells of the end at Dien Bien Phu - the last he saw of General de Castries, Commander of the ~~most~~ heroic garrison, and of the nurse, Genevive.

He says he lay in a trench - wounded in the leg, when he saw the Reds - leading General DeCastries away, a prisoner; ~~He~~ "He was detached and impassive," says the Corporal.

The wounded were left lying where they were, for three days. Then, at length, Indo Chinese doctors appeared. But they had no medicines, and performed operations without anesthetics. Which ~~so~~ was followed by the most astonishing thing of all.



"To our surprise," the Corporal relates, "French doctors and orderlies were brought back. But they were given household jobs, like cooking and sweeping. ~~They were~~ not allowed to come close to the wounded."

Among them - the nurse Genevive. "I watched her," says the Corporal, "doing little chores, where she could make herself useful. The "Angel of Dien Bien Phu" put to work - sweeping floors, washing dishes, cleaning house.

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Queen Elizabeth got a tremendous home coming over the weekend, which came to a climax today - in words from Sir Winston Churchill. In a parliamentary welcome, Britain's master of elaborate ~~an~~ rhetoric, got off ~~the~~ *quite an* following intricate flow of eloquence. Let's see if I can get through it. -- ~~The~~ following, one single sentence, all in one breath.

"When the background of this formidable century rises in our minds with all its struggles and achievements, with all its increases of power and perils, with all its anxieties and unsolved problems, the gleaming episode of the Queen's journey among her peoples, their joy in welcoming her and the impact of her personality upon their vast numbers, constitutes an event which stands forth without an equal in our records, and casts a light, clear, calm, ⁵⁰ gay and benignant upon the whole human ~~scene~~ scene." said

Sir Winston, *all in one long, eloquent Churchillian sentence.* TP In other words, long live the Queen!

COSTELLO

The sentence imposed on Frank Costello is - five years in prison, with a fine of thirty thousand dollars. Last week, Costello, called the head of an underworld empire, was convicted on three counts of income tax evasion, now the penalty - five years.

Recently, Costello served a prison sentence for contempt of the Senate. He also faces deportation to his native Italy - on the charge that he lied when he took out naturalization papers.

GANGSTERS

The Chicago police announce - they're reserving places in jail for two gangsters. ~~This being~~ hospitality, for their own safety - if they're still alive. Which seems unlikely - in view of what has been going on in the Chicago narcotics racket.

Two months ago, eleven drug peddlers were arrested - when the authorities broke up a ten-million dollar a year dope racket. The prisoners - let out on bail. And here's what has been happening to them.

The alleged ringleader, Anthony Papo - murdered, in gangland style, together with his brother, James. Friday night, Shorty Conduto - killed by gangster guns. At the same time, two others vanished - haven't been seen since. They're the ones who are offered the protection of jail cells - if alive.

The police believe the underworld fears - that the eleven ~~are~~ arrested, and out on bail, might be squealing.

So they're being - wiped out.

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FLOOD

Today, Peabody, Massachusetts - had another flood - a second installment. All constituting - a fantasy of the deluge.

Yesterday, a dam burst - a dam backing up a lake. They've been having a lot of rain up there in Massachusetts. The lake, piling up behind the barrier - which gave way. Ten acres of water ~~was~~ turned loose, ^{pouring} down on Peabody. The business section - under ~~six~~ eight feet of water.

The fantastic part - the color. In the path of the deluge ~~was~~ were leather factories, with quantities of dyestuffs. So, as it poured on, the flood was tinted by dyes of different colors. Like a harlequin deluge - of tan, red and blue.

Well, Peabody expected to dry ^{up} ~~up~~ today - the inundation draining off. But, instead, another flood. This one, caused by incoming tides. The town is up the river from the sea, and heavy tides backed up the flood from the

FROM broken dam. No lives lost. But plenty of damage from the brightly colored waters.

METEORS

Scientists, in California, give an explanation of the huge, brilliant fireball - which appeared over the San Francisco Bay area, Saturday night. A giant meteor - technically called a "bolide." Body from outer space - which breaks up, in the earth's atmosphere.

One bit of evidence - the color. When the fireball first appeared, it blazed with a greenish light. Which then faded - into a glow ~~after~~ of orange. Scientists explain that a bolide, changes to an orange color, when it is burning out, about to break up.

The fragments of the meteor landed in Isabel Valley, behind Mount Hamilton, a forest area. Starting - what seemed to be brush fires. But forest rangers ^{say} ~~declare~~ the woods _{are} at this time of year, ^{are} too green to burn. So the apparent brush fires were, actually, fragments of the meteor - still glowing.

WOOING

Milwaukee gives us a new way of sentimental courtship. Say it - on a bill-board.

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Salesman Robert Brachman had a breakup with his girl, Arlene. So he rented a bill board on the corner of North Twenty-Seventh Street and West Wisconsin Avenue - a point which Arlene passes every morning to ~~the~~ catch the bus.

The first message on the billboard was as follows:

"Arlene, what's with you?"

That didn't work, so Brachman tried something more romantic. When the young lady now passes ~~the~~ the billboard she sees the following: "Seriously, folks, Arlene is a wonderful girl."

Brachman is confident. He says that, nowadays, courtship must be spectacular. ~~It~~ He became convinced of that, some while ago, when a friend of his was trying to woo and win a fair lady. Brachman told the friend: "That girl will ~~never~~ ^{only} be impressed by a Knight in shining armor, riding

on a white horse!

So, prithee, what did the friend do, Sir Harry?

Well, he got himself a suit of shining armor, put it on,

and thus accoutered he mounted a white steed and rode

to his lady's house.

Yep, he won her.

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