

Friday, November 28, 1975

JUSTICE

*President Ford today nominated Federal Judge John Paul Stevens of Chicago to succeed retiring Justice William O. Douglas on the Supreme Court. Stevens - fifty-five - is currently a member of the seventh U.S. Circuit Court of Appeals in Chicago.*

*In making the announcement at a hastily called news conference on the eve of his trip to China, the President described Judge Stevens as the "best qualified person turned up by a thorough search." The nomination drew quick praise from the American Bar Association. A spokesman saying "Judge Stevens meets high standards of professional competence, judicial temperament and integrity." The Senate Judiciary Committee is expected to open confirmation hearings as soon as possible. A graduate of the University of Chicago and Northwestern Law School, Stevens was appointed a Federal circuit judge in Nineteen-Seventy by President Nixon.*

Stevens likes to wear bow ties - is gray haired,  
~~and~~ <sup>and</sup> soft spoken, rated neither as a conservative  
nor a liberal.

And now —

Secretary of State Kissinger had ~~something~~

more to say today about the current Soviet role in the

So-West Africa)

Angola fighting. ~~And~~ <sup>While the U.S.</sup> ~~The U.S. he says~~ cannot be

indifferent to Soviet intervention in that African country

<sup>he says</sup>

- ~~but he adds that~~ we have no plans to intervene, ~~there~~

~~ourselves~~, - and a relaxation of tensions with Russia

is still the goal. He told a news conference of a

"preliminary exchange" with the Russians on the

Angola question <sup>to which so far</sup> ~~but there's been~~ no conclusive

reply.

## ICELAND

Iceland<sup>is</sup> still threatening to withdrawl from  
Nato if Britain continues to allow its trawlers to  
operate within Iceland's newly proclaimed two hundred  
mile fishing limits. Icelandic Foreign Minister Einar  
Augustsson - who calls the British intrusion an~~d~~  
"invasion" -- may drop the entire controversy on  
Nato's table for a decision.

## MEDICAID

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The names of more than two hundred doctors - each of whom last year ~~never~~ received one hundred thousand dollars or more for treating low income medicaid patients - were made public today by the Department of Health, Education and Welfare. In releasing the names, an H E W official emphasized that in "~~that~~" "no way does it connote wrong doing by any of the doctors." But ~~the individual~~ state governments <sup>all</sup> ~~are~~ urged to audit ~~the~~ physician's claims, to make ~~sure~~ certain they are valid.



CALLEY

The case of former army lieutenant William Calley Jr. - convicted in the Vietnam ~~May~~ My-lai massacre -- reached the U S Supreme Court today. <sup>last</sup> ~~Sept.~~ Calley's original court martial conviction was reversed -- then reinstated, <sup>and now</sup> ~~last September~~. His ~~attor~~ attorneys are basing their appeal on alleged excessive news media coverage of the original trial.

## STORM

Another big snow storm struck the West today - slowing down holiday travellers and ~~creating~~ creating problems for ~~hikers~~ hunters in the high country.

Snow fell over ~~to~~ most of the Rockies - with ~~northern~~ northern Utah getting as much as twenty-four inches.

Storm warnings are up from Arizona to Montana eastward across the Dakotas to Minnesota.

New England's first major winter storm kept early season skiers happy in Maine, New Hampshire and Vermont. But Vermont was hard hit by the storm with numerous power failures and ~~a rash of~~ <sup>many minor</sup> traffic accidents.

Hunter Mt in the Catskills had some 6000 skiers today and the proceeds - much of it - was turned over to the National Ski Patrol, the men who patrol slopes and trails from coast to coast, helping skiers who need help.  
And now this in -

## PRISON

In Billerica, Massachusetts the local house of correction allowed about one ~~xxx~~ hundred of its prisoners to go to their homes for Thanksgiving dinner on condition that all return afterwards - or else the plan would never be tried again. A traffic jam developed at the prison when relatives arrived to pick up the inmates - and again later in the day when they returned - every one of them. Says ~~Essex~~ County Sheriff John Buckley - "I caught some criticism for allowing this - but the only way a turtle progresses is by sticking its neck out."

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