

# James Forrestal is sworn in as Secretary of Defense



## Description

James Forrestal is sworn in as Secretary of Defense by Chief Justice Fred Vinson, while the top ranking civilian officials and military personnel witness the ceremony. Left to right are General Dwight D. Eisenhower, John L. Sullivan, Admiral Chester Nimitz, Senator Stuart Symington, Major General Alfred M. Gruenther, and Thomas J. Hargrave.

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