

James V. Forrestal

Bio Warfare Mar 13 - 20

Defense Jan 16

Missiles Jan 2

Natl Sec. Act
Jan 12
Mar 25

Space Ships Feb 17

Resigns Mar 29 1949
Mar 4

HL - Apr 8 pg. 20

Recovering Apr 7 pg 24 - 5
28 : 3 : 6

Pres. Truman Apr 24: 35:4

Jumps May 18, 9:5

May 22, 1:8

May 23 1:7, 8: ~~S~~ Sophocles inscription

blame for death May 24 10 3:4

Sept 23, 13:4 - papers held spec.

Oct 12, 15:1

Bio Warfare

Mr. 13 - 1:2

statement Mr 13 37:1

Mr 20 Sec IV 11:6



Handwritten notes, possibly "Mr 13 37:1"

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Reversing Mr 13 37:1

Mr 20 Sec IV 11:6

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Russia tries gaps for ~~use of~~ ^{experimentally} experimenting with Bio warfare in Russian & US rows in China - Dec '49

NY Times Mar 12 Forestral broke 3 yr. silence imposed on military for use of "biological warfare"

by Army Chief of Staff D D Eisenhower

- Report submitted then withdrawn by War Dept.

- prepared by George W. Merck Am. Chem. manufacturer

- told of successful efforts by allies to be prepared for Axis possible use of germ. warfare - Headed War Research Service

- Gen Waitt - Chief Army Chem. Corps also "no stockpiles for germ warfare at that time"

later headed US Bio Warfare Committee

JVF • flown from Hobe Sound Fla. to Bethl. Hosp. on Sat Apr. 2nd - entered as "ambulatory patient" - nervous and physical exhaustion

Sun Apr 17 Capt BW Hogan says JVf is recovering from occupational fatigue - only a matter of time

predicts JVf will have "no turns for the worse"

regaining "lost 25 lbs."

"radios & telephones" barred from room"

Apr 28

Sec of Def L Johnson visits JVF
"looks fine" - out by mid May "predicts
Pres Truman via L.S. offers plane for
"round the world trip" after JVF gets out!

May 18 -

Nothing

Sun. May 22nd 1:15 AM
jumped to Death
10-12 stories above ground
(vague)

LCDR Wm. C. Mulrey made statement

Mon May 23

13 story leap (on 16/18) = jumped from
dinet kitchen
nearby

declined sleeping pill - Greek Tragedian

Sophocles - open to poem about "comfort
of death"

- called "casualty of war" -
(as if he died at the front)

- found with sash of dressing gown
tied tightly around his neck
(perhaps tried to hang himself?)

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Chorus from Ajax
[Anthology of World Poetry]

- suffered relapse 2 weeks previous but was "recovering"

- renewed "free" use of phone hosp says

- Rear Adm. Morton D. Wilcutts orders Inquiry

- felt unjustifiably blamed for mid East oil considerations in conjunct w/ aspirations of Zionist movement in Israel!

- denounced for "alleged" preference to Arab oil over Jews!

- 3 weeks previous - Med intern was withdrawn from JVF's room!
only kept at desk outside door

- worked for ^(strong) big Navy
- against Army - Navy merger

- Diary or journal filled cabinet - requested transference to White House from Fla. stint - better protection ↓

- excellent reference journal!

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made dictation nightly concerning days work - 1940 on he was aid to FDR - cabinet asst. etc. ...

presumably they were at Pentagon office ↓