

LAID TO REST AT HYDE PARK

Funeral Majestic in Simplicity
Attended by World Leaders

SALUTE ENDS CEREMONY

BY HOWARD FLIEGER

Roosevelt Estate, Hyde Park, N. Y. — (P) — Franklin Delano Roosevelt, world traveler in search of lasting peace, slept today in the spot on earth he loved above all others: the garden of his family home in the peaceful Hudson Valley.

In burial rites majestic in their simplicity, the four-term Chief Executive was laid to rest Sunday behind the hemlock hedge which borders the century old garden, a cherished pride of the Roosevelt family.

His modestly-lanterned successor, President Truman, joined other high Government dignitaries in the ceremony—then sped back to Washington to shoulder in earnest the crushing task which fell his lot Thursday when a cerebral hemorrhage killed President Roosevelt.

Return to White House

With President Truman went Mrs. Roosevelt, back to the White House to terminate the first-family housekeeping she began March 4, 1933.

Simple neighbors of Hyde Park mingled with Cabinet officers, Supreme Court Justices, Congressional and military leaders and foreign executives to pay final homage to the man who gave up the country square life he wanted, to lead an embattled Nation through its greatest conflict.

Among the funeral guests were Prime Minister Mackenzie King of Canada—who placed his own floral offering at the green-carpeted grave—side—and Alfred Clay, son of a farmer on the Roosevelt estate and childhood playmate of the late President.

Beautiful Day

The presidential train—in a funeral role for the first time since the death of Warren G. Harding—rolled into the Roosevelt estate for the last time at 8:40 a. m. Sunday morning. It was a beautiful day. A warm spring sun reflected off the waters of the placid Hudson River.

The booming thunder of a 21-gun presidential salute started the burial services a few minutes before 10 a. m. The guns were fired at 15-second intervals. Between the reports only the startled chirping of birds in the trees and leaders disturbed the quiet of Krum Elbow's 1,100 acres.

At 10:02 a. m. a marine captain snugged "present arms" to the military guard of honor. Down the valley came the muffled roll of drums. The body of President Roosevelt began the short, slow journey to the final resting place he chose.

"Hail to the Chief"

A military band broke into the brisk strains of "Hail to the Chief," then turned to the somber, mournful chords of a Chopin funeral dirge. Formal-clad Cadets from West Point, 35 miles away, marched into the garden and stood at attention before the grave—banned by floral condolences from all over the world.

At 10:36 a. m., 10 body bearers from the armed forces lifted the heavy, flag-draped casket from a gun caisson and carried it inside the garden to the graveside. Be-



Capt. Frank M. Birch and Mrs. William Roeber

Dead Hero's Parents Are Presented With Air Medal

Truman for Economy in Government

First Political Job Was
Road Boss in
Missouri

BY GEORGE K. WALLACE
Political Writer, Kansas City Star

Independence, Mo. — (P) — "It isn't business and it isn't politics to run this county into debt and I want it stopped. I want it to be made a felony to spend money the county hasn't on hand."

That is the earliest known political philosophy of President Harry S. Truman. He said it at a political rally and picnic in Oak Grove, near here, in August 1922, when he was seeking elective office for the first time—the Democratic nomination for county judge of Jackson County.

"I want men for road overseers who know roads and who want to work—men who will do a day's work for a day's pay, who will work for the county as they would for themselves. I would rather have 40 men for overseers who are willing to work than to have 60 politicians who care nothing about work. I believe that honest work for the county is the best politics anyway."

Business Failure

Truman thus outlined his first theories of government at a time when the postwar depression just was beginning to recede. He spoke from his own bitter knowledge of having gone broke only a few months before in the haberdashery business he had started in nearby Kansas City.

Truman's first political job was as a \$5 a day road overseer in eastern Jackson County, driving an 8-mule hitch to a road grader.

The Truman family had been rooted in Jackson County for a century; and Truman 40 years ago was an industrious, serious but friendly young fellow who knew

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At an impressive ceremony at the New Armory yesterday afternoon, Mr. and Mrs. William Roeber, 512 N. Central avenue, were presented the Air Medal awarded posthumously to their son, Tech. Sgt. John L. Roeber, reported missing in action since Feb. 6, 1944, and now presumed dead.

The presentation was made by Capt. Frank M. Birch of the 1698th Service Unit, District 2, Sixth Service Command, Milwaukee.

'Courage, Coolness, Skill'

The citation accompanying the medal said that it was awarded "for exceptionally meritorious achievement while participating in five separate bomber combat missions over enemy occupied continental Europe. The courage, coolness, and skill displayed by this enlisted man upon these occasions reflect great credit upon himself and the armed forces of the United States."

Prior to the presentation ceremony, the Rev. Arthur R. Oates delivered a memorial address and Ed Buchmiller, adjutant of William Lesslym Post No. 54 of the American Legion, presented Sgt. Roeber's parents with the Legion gold star citation and an American flag.

Opening the program was music by the Marshfield city band, under the direction of Anton Kraemer, followed by a prayer by the Rev. Mr. Oates and a short address by post commander Glenn D. Tinkham of the American Legion.

Salute and Taps

At the close of the ceremony a squad of State Guardsmen from Marshfield's Company G fired a salute and the bugler played taps.

Sgt. Roeber was born at Belgium, Wis., on March 29, 1923, and moved to Marshfield in 1936. He attended Willard D. Purdy and Marshfield Senior High Schools, and was employed at the Weinbrenner shoe factory before entering service on March 30, 1942.

He trained as an aerial engineer and top turret gunner on a Flying Fortress and was sent overseas, arriving in England in December, 1943. The sergeant was on a plane which crashed on a mission over Romilly-sur-Seine, France. His parents received word of the crash on Feb. 25, 1944.

60-mile Strip SEVERE FIGHTING RAGES

BULLETIN

London — (P) — Transocean German news agency, announced tonight that the Russians had captured the Seelow Heights, 25 miles east of Berlin, and linked up their bridgeheads southwest and northwest of Kuestrin.

BY RICHARD KASISCHKE

London — (P) — The German high command announced today that the Russians had launched their long awaited large-scale offensive from the east side of the German waist at Berlin.

Earlier Berlin broadcasts had made similar announcements, but this was the first confirmation by the formal communique, which usually proves more accurate than the German news services. The high command declared the big Soviet steamroller swung into action along a 60-mile front from the mouth of the Neisse southeast of Berlin to the Oder-Bruch, a low plain on the west bank of the Oder northeast of Berlin.

"Bitter fighting is in progress on the entire front," said Berlin's war bulletin.

Russians Attack

German broadcasts indicated that the Russian assault was being mounted on an even broader front, and reported that a new bridgehead across the Oder had been forged in the first hours of the offensive in the Schwedt area, 30 miles south of Stettin and 44 miles northeast of Berlin.

Schwedt is 105 miles from Seehausen, where American forces stand on the Elbe.

However Russian and American forces were even closer to a junction north of Berlin, German broadcasts indicated. The Russians were reported attacking close to Wriezen, 24 miles north-east of Berlin and 91 miles from the American Ninth Army on the Elbe at Tangermünde.

The Germans said strong Soviet tank forces had made breaches in attacks toward the Seelow Heights. Seelow is 27 miles east of Berlin and 11 miles west of Kuestrin.

Southeast of Berlin, a Transocean—RUSSIAN—Page 2

LOCAL RESTAURANT DAMAGED BY FIRE

Mysterious Blaze Discovered
At Coffee Cup Early
This Morning

A fire of undetermined origin caused approximately \$300 damage to the front of the Coffee Cup restaurant early this morning.

Firemen were called to the blaze at 4 a. m., and found the doors locked. The glass window in front had cracked, however, and they fought the fire through the opening, despite the intense heat.

The damage consisted of a broken front window, one front booth burned out, some water damage, and several of the decorative glass blocks at the front of the building damaged.

Authorities advanced the theory that some patron had carelessly thrown aside a lighted cigarette but which had started the fire.

BY SUPER

Bombers Hit Be
From Saturday
Extinguished

BY LEONARD M.

(Associated Press)

Four hundred Superforts put the torch to Tokyo day before it had a chance to rest from last Saturday's attack.

Yank amphibious troops up four more small near Okinawa, 325 Japan, and three in pines! Ground forces panted Nipponese c on Okinawa and cl three directions on ponesse military hea the Philippines.

The Japanese dealt Philippines campaign to 323,000, or app times the announce ualties, when 8,156 were counted last w Still blazing fires pilots to Tokyo on t ack which began be and continued int morning hours. Kav trial suburb and nin of Japan, was also burning.

Arsenal Bombed

The 21st Bomb Headquarters on G ed that 10 and n square miles of T area were burned c day's strike, from w 500 Superforts talles

This makes 27½ s Industrial Tokyo b two big incendiary r ly half the city's 65 of industrial urban three and a half m four of Japan's at Tokyo, Nagoya, Osa have been destroyed Demolition raids knocked out two p ing 75 per cent of aircraft engines—t plant at Nagoya, 95 stroyed, and the Na hino plant near Tok half destroyed.

Flak Terr

Today's raiders i "terrific flak" and fighter interception southeast section of one of the princ areas. Flames were miles away.

A Japanese comm ed 70 Superforts we and 50 damaged.

Rapid Tokyo said planes (perhaps figh Jima) and carrier-l raided the eastern Bay Sunday for 50 broadcast reported of Midget Medium sumably from Okil panied 100 sea-born heavy strafing and back today on Kyus most island of Japa

In two days Gen. Arthur reported his stroyed or damaged ships and schooners destroyer and a gun

MEAT SCA

Chicago — (P) — M which today are al probably will remain some time, the An Insults believes.

Truman Will Insist on Uncon