

Powerful Prosecution of War to Victory and Just Peace Pledged by Truman

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To the White House came Stettinius for confirmation of Truman's pledge that the San Francisco conference shall be held as planned and for affirmation of Truman's hope that at San Francisco will be erected the foundation stones of a permanent peace after the plans long advanced by Roosevelt.

War Leaders Assembled

And to the White House came the top leaders of the war effort to hear Truman implement the pledge he gave the nation as he was sworn in last night to succeed Mr. Roosevelt. The pledge was that the war would be prosecuted "on both fronts, east and west, with all the vigor we possess to a successful conclusion."

In the nation's sorrowing capital leaders of all shades of opinion shouldered up with pledges to stand with Truman and the nation in the sudden hour of tragedy.

From the senate republicans came a pledge of cooperation "for the winning of the war and a successful peace at home and abroad." To which the republican senators added an "expression of our faith and trust" in the man who until Jan. 20 had been their democratic colleague from Missouri.

Truman's Desk

As Truman entered the White House with a brisk step at 9 a. m. this morning and sat down at the president's desk — still littered with the jumble of knickknacks and curios which were Mr. Roosevelt's — the funeral cortege was forming up in the green Georgia hills at Warm Springs. At 11:13 a. m. EWT the president's special train started its last, long journey northward.

At the White House Truman plunged into work. He talked briefly with Stettinius who had already called in the representatives of the big four for a noon conference to affirm the pledge that the San Francisco conference would go forward as planned.

Then, he swung into his war duties. For 55 minutes he talked with the chiefs of the war effort — Secretary of War Henry L. Stimson; Secretary of Navy James Forrestal; Admiral William D. Leahy, Gen. George C. Marshall and Adm. Ernest J. King, members of the joint chiefs-of-staff.

"They left the conference grim faced and silent. But there was no doubt of what they had told the new president — that the war in Europe stood at the verge of victorious conclusion and that the war in the Pacific was moving smoothly, if more slowly, toward the same end."

Nature Smiles on Capital

It was a mellow day in Washington, soft with the April Sunshine. Outlined the White House there was little to indicate that the helm of the nation had changed hands at a critical moment in the world's history.

But inside, in the cool oval room where for 12 years, one month and eight days Franklin D. Roosevelt had guided American destiny, sat a new president and commander-in-chief, once a Missouri farm boy and man of background and career that could hardly have contrasted more vividly with that of the man whom he succeeds.

The new president gave no outward sign that his sudden responsibilities gave him any pause. He strode into the White House springily, like a soldier summoned to a new command.

His first task was to learn the top facts of a fast-moving world situation — a situation moving so rapidly on the European war front that even the generals and high commanders could hardly keep abreast with the lightning pace of the American armored forces.

Reassures Allies

In the international field his first task was to issue quiet reassurance to America's shocked allies, numbed by the loss of Mr. Roosevelt and worried about the future.

Already from London where Prime Minister Churchill summoned his cabinet in emergency session there had come fears that the president's death was a blow to the San Francisco objectives. Churchill was sending Foreign Secretary Anthony Eden to attend the president's funeral. There was no doubt that more than a gesture of respect lay in the action.

Eden to Attend Funeral

The arrival of Eden with an 10 a. m. of the president's death will afford the first opportunity for a quick review by the British foreign secretary and the American president of the complex problems which center around the peace.

In Moscow the news was a concern and sorrow equaling that of London. No other world leader had quite achieved the intimacy and informality of the relations between Premier Stalin and Mr. Roosevelt during the Yalta conference.

To the average Russian Mr. Roosevelt had been the very symbol of America and the name of Truman was unknown. Whether the Russians would match the British gesture by dispatching Foreign Minister V. M. Molotov to the United States was not known but was regarded as unlikely.

On Capitol Hill where Mr. Truman made the unprecedented gesture of journeying up to consult his old associates there were plans for a memorial service for Mr. Roosevelt. The date was not immediately fixed. Congressional leaders expressed doubt that Mr. Truman would address a joint session in the near future, as had been reported.

A call to the nation's workers to maintain the national war production unbroken, despite the president's death, was issued by the war production board in line with what were believed to be Truman's desires.

Stettinius rushed into Mr. Truman's office at 10:15. He was the first administration official to confer with the new president.

Stettinius stayed with the president 25 minutes. He was almost mobbed by newsmen in the lobby on the executive offices, but he sped through saying, "Not a word. Sorry."

Memorial to Roosevelt

It is Mr. Truman's desire that San Francisco constitute a memorial to Mr. Roosevelt's ambitions that constitute the foundation stones of a permanent structure of world peace.

Mr. Truman arrived at the White House exactly at 9 a. m. of a sunny spring day.

Mr. Truman stepped from a black limousine under the watchful eyes of secret service men and walked into the White House with a springy step.

The first caller of his administration was Hugh Fulton, counsel for the senate war investigating committee when Mr. Truman was its chairman. Fulton came to the White House with the president and spent more than an hour with him.

Fulton is expected to be one of the new president's closest advisers.

Pledges Vigorous War

Shocked as all others by news of Mr. Roosevelt's death, the new president spoke his promise to the world a few minutes after taking the oath of office last night.

"The world may be sure," he said, "that we will prosecute the war on both fronts, east and west, with all the vigor we possess to a successful conclusion."

In simpler and considerably more forceful language he has expressed the same thought many times before.

"We've got to whip those so-and-so's," he would tell you, "and whip 'em good."

Asks Cabinet to Remain

The new president took the oath of office at 7:08 (EWT) last night on word from Warm Springs, Ga., that Mr. Roosevelt was dead.

He asked Mr. Roosevelt's cabinet to "stay on" even before Chief Justice Harlan Fiske Stone administered the oath, which the new president took in the White House cabinet room, his family looking on.

Last night the Truman's sleep in their five-room Connecticut avenue apartment in northwest Washington. There they will remain a little while before moving to the White House. But everything last night was beginning to change.

The secret service guard which had been somewhat of a formality — and a bit of an innovation, too — was imposed in earnest. The modest man from Missouri was discovering himself one of the world's great public figures with responsibilities to match. Great problems of strategy and state were piling up, not for another to determine, but for him.

The richest nation in the world was adjusting itself to a new managing director. In the sharpest sense of the phrase, Mr. Truman was on the spot, confronted with as difficult a job as any nation ever entrusted to any man.

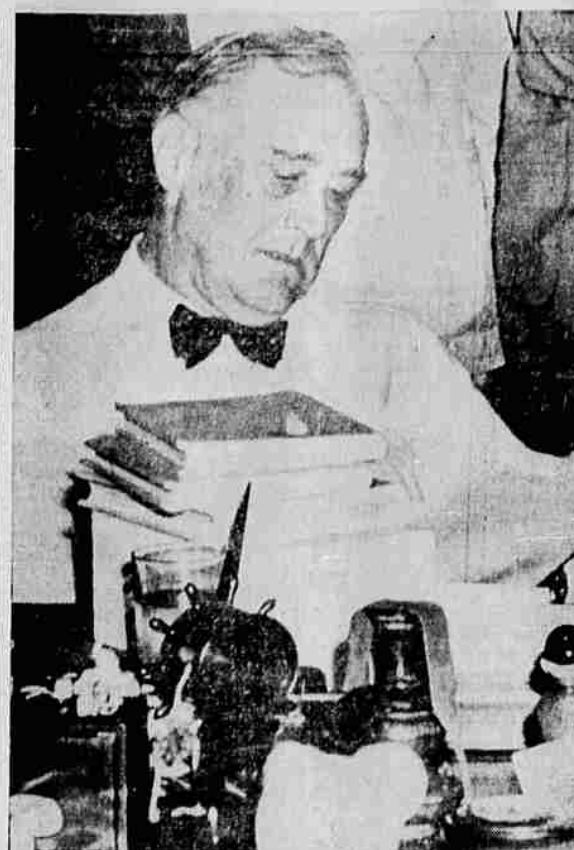
Butler Is Featured In Comedy Movie

Arthur Treacher, whose role of a butler is well known to motion picture goers, has one of the leading supporting roles in the Abbott and Costello picture, "In Society," showing tonight and tomorrow at the Liberty theater.

The picture provides the comedians with wide latitude for demonstrating their particular variety of comedy, in which they are supported by a large cast in telling the story of a pair of plumbers who break into society in an unusual manner.

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ROOSEVELT AT WORK—Typical picture of the late President is that above, which shows him at his desk in the White House going over the voluminous documents that frequently came to him for approval. His desk was littered with numerous knickknacks, in which he took great pride, and some of which are discernible in the picture above.

Pollution, Erosion Menace Fishing Conservation Move Up To Sportsmen

PORTLAND, April 13 (UP)—It is obvious that there are many practices now in effect which will have to be curbed seriously or eliminated if post-war hunting and fishing are to remain high on the list of northwest pastimes.

And yet every agency and expert in the field knows whose fault it will be if these ideas are not put into effect, now that so much time has been taken in exploring their many facets.

It will be the fault of every hunter and fisherman in the nation.

Take the case of stream pollution. More and more areas are being logged off, more and more land is being incorrectly plowed. When this is done the silt topsoil runs off and spoils spawning beds.

Ditches trap fish. Streams dry up more rapidly than they should. Farm irrigation ditches trap small and large fish before they can reach their destination, whether it be the sea or the spawning grounds.

Pollution of rivers also originates from industries and from metropolitan areas. Yet measures to clean up streams are often defeated by taxpayers.

Hunters and fishermen have shown little care for the law in some instances, yet they pay taxes to have them enforced, and would like to have the game which a few illegally take.

However, the future is bright. Two laws are already being established in many watersheds. These will protect watersheds. Scientific farming is being practiced increasingly throughout the state, keeping the vegetation in the soil open which wildlife feed, and keeping fishing streams from eroding into races which salmon spawn.

At the present time many cities are laying away money for post-war sewage disposal plants, and indications during recent elections are that the trend is increasing.

The Oregon game commission was given permission by the last legislature to install and finance fish screens for irrigation ditches. Farmers have had to stand most of this expense in the past and a good many fish have been trapped to die in unscrubbed ditches.

The state fish and game commission and the fish and wildlife service of the U. S. department of the interior report that through educational programs the public is being made more aware daily of the necessity of conserving our natural resources to make a better post-war hunting and fishing state of Oregon, as well as the entire northwest.

Women Bowlers End Weeks' Play In Three-Way Tie

LADIES' LEAGUE STANDINGS			
	W.	L.	Pts.
Big Bear Market	25	3	34
Country Club	19	14	28
Farnam Supply	15	18	22
Coca-Cola	17	16	20
Odorless Cleaners	16	17	20
Rosana Shop	15	18	20
Glass Drugs	14	19	19
Falk's	11	22	15

The Farnam Supply team moved into third place in the women's bowling league last night by a two-point margin through a 3-1 point victory over the Falk five, while Coca-Cola and Glass Drugs split their contest 2 and 2, creating a three-way tie for fourth place.

Ruth Breashear of the Farnam rolled both high game and series with scores of 189 and 478, respectively.

The scores:

Players	Falk's	Coca-Cola	Glass Drugs
1st	151	142	141
2nd	129	146	127
3rd	121	125	117
4th	117	105	104
5th	117	86	129
6th	117	86	129
Handicap	84	84	74
Totals	717	669	753

Farnam Supply			
C. Jones	149	139	136
L. Lee	154	142	102
C. Spaeth	137	156	138
R. Breashear	189	130	159
M. Spaeth	127	172	154
Handicap	20	20	20
Totals	776	771	730

Coca-Cola			
L. Hamilton	145	138	137
H. Cross	137	120	106
M. Williams	110	103	73
M. Hyde	157	138	127
L. Zeeba	115	171	179
Handicap	42	42	42
Totals	706	712	664

Glass Drugs			
Max. Smith	111	127	161
R. Knight	131	135	97
M. King	100	77	115
E. Jones	125	128	128
Totals	639	721	692

Sports World Had 'Friend At Court' In Late President

NEW YORK, April 13 (UP)—When President Roosevelt, early in his first term, answered critics of his policies with the words, "I don't expect to make a home run every time I come to bat," the sports world knew it had a friend in the White House.

Without the provisional "green light" for baseball which he issued in one of his last press conferences there would have been little hope for continuation of the sport into its fourth wartime season.

May Delay Opening

There had been hope to the last that he might follow up the "green light" declaration by throwing out the first ball at the presidential opener between the Senators and Yanks at Washington next Monday.

Now, in respect to the staunchest friend the major leagues ever had in the White House, the game may be cancelled, and there was a definite possibility that the opening of the regular season on Tuesday also may be delayed for a day or so.

Mr. Roosevelt in urging the continuation of baseball for 1945 said he did not think the sport should use perfectly healthy men who could do something more useful in the war effort. The teams probably would be a little older and maybe not as proficient, he said.

Then he told the newsmen that he liked to see baseball games, even if played by sandlot outfits.

That removed the final vestige of doubt whether there would be professional baseball this season.

Backed Night Baseball

Similar "green light" declarations preceded the other wartime seasons, the president emphasizing the need of the nation for the wholesome diversion of an afternoon or an evening out-of-doors when its war chores were finished.

He was considered responsible for extension of the major league limit on night games after a press conference in 1943 when he suggested that more after dark games would be beneficial to the many government workers in Washington whose hours were in the day time. The major leagues promptly gave Washington special dispensation to play an unlimited schedule of night games and last year extended the number of games for all clubs whose parks had lighting facilities.

It was the president's fondness of swimming which led to his life-long affliction from infantile paralysis. He was swimming at the family summer home at Campo Bello Me., in 1921 when he acquired the virus and shortly thereafter was paralyzed in both legs.

Coast League Games Cancelled

By United Press

All scheduled Pacific coast league baseball games were cancelled last night because of the death of President Roosevelt.

Clarence "Pants" Rowland, league president, who announced the cancellation, said flags of all baseball parks will remain at half mast for 30 days. Spectators will be asked to join in a moment of silence at each game until after burial services Sunday.

Games tonight: Portland at San Francisco; Oakland at San Diego; Los Angeles at Sacramento; Seattle at Hollywood.

Baseball, preparing for its fourth wartime season called a halt today to its final tune-up activities in respect to the death of President Roosevelt who more than any other one man had been responsible for the perpetuation of the sport since Pearl Harbor.

The game between the New York Yankees and the Brooklyn Dodgers, scheduled for tomorrow at Ebbets field was called off. Sponsors of the city series between the Chicago Cubs and White Sox announced that all games had been postponed until after the president's funeral.

State's Irrigation Outlook Is Good

PORTLAND, April 13 (UP)—Survives by the soil conservation service and Oregon agricultural experiment station show 93 per cent of Oregon's irrigated farm lands have good water supplies in store for 1945.

Water prospects have shown a remarkable improvement in the past month and only a few small localized areas will have deficient supplies.

There appears to be little danger of high water damage in the spring runoff period.

Hockey Title In Sight For Toronto

TORONTO, Ont., April 13 (UP)—The Toronto Maple Leafs were within a game of the National league Stanley cup championship today, establishing a new playoff record by handing the Detroit Redwings their third straight shut-out, 1 to 0.

Frankie McColl, freshman goalie for the Maple Leafs, blanked the Redwings. The victory gave Toronto a 3-0 lead in the

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Today's Sport Parade

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NEW YORK, April 13 (UP)—Although no definite decision has been reached, the major leagues may use the off days usually set aside for the all-star game to raise money for various war charities this year, with a series of intra-city contests.

The all-star contest was cancelled this year as the major item in baseball's voluntary program to curtail travel 25 per cent because of the critical transportation shortage.

Giants, Yanks to Meet

So on July 9, 10, and 11 all but two of the 16 major league clubs will have nothing to do. The two that are busy, the New York Giants and Yankees, will meet in a Red Cross benefit game in New York. The Giants-Brooklyn and the Yankees-Brooklyn already have played benefit games for that organization.

Last year each of the 16 clubs designated one of their home games for the National war fund, with all receipts going to that agency, which in turn distributed it to various relief organizations.

Whether the same program will be followed this year, with the additional July off-day games, may be decided at Cleveland April 24 if the club owners don't take too long to get together on a new baseball commission. The matter at least will come up for discussion, if not a decision, at that time.

Thus far baseball has been second only to racing in the amount of money raised for charity since Pearl Harbor. The game is anxious to improve on that record if it can be done.

Caltech Favored To Beat Trojans In Track Meet

LOS ANGELES, April 13 (UP)—Coach Dean Bartlett Cromwell and his University of Southern California Trojans face the uninviting prospect of losing their dual track meet Saturday to Coach Floyd Hanes and his California institute of technology engineers.

The venerable and caustic Dean was exhibiting no noticeable smiles even though the loss, if realized, would be only the second dual meet loss in the 10 years for the Trojans.

If anything, it was likely to cause Cromwell to scowl even more fiercely—he doesn't like to lose.

This year it seems the Trojans have only a mediocre war-time track team. The engineers seem to have one that's a little better than mediocre. They have another advantage in that their navy trainees can spend more than the year and one half at the university that Southern California's trainees are limited to.

HOPPE EXTENDS LEAD

CHICAGO, April 13 (UP)—Challenger Willie Hoppe has a 169-point lead over Champion Welker Cochran in their cross country world's champion three cushion billiards match after winning last night 60-39 in 29 innings. Cochran won the afternoon game 60-57 in 30 innings.

Hoppe has a total of 2,304 points to Cochran's 2,135.

Pitcher Dierickx Signed By Beavers

PORTLAND, Ore., April 13 (UP)—Francis Dierickx, who twice beat the Portland Beavers while pitching for Salem of a Western International league last year, today was signed as a Beaver hurler, and will join the club April 18 in Portland.

Dierickx has been attending medical school in Omaha while playing semi-pro ball. best 4-out-of-7 game series.

La Grande Sailor Is Member of Navy Hoop Champions

Jerry Sherwood, seaman second class, who is here on leave after completing boot training at San Diego naval training station, played basket ball in his company team. The naval training center newspaper, "The Hoist", carried this report of their team.

"Rugged Co. 42 Team Captures Cage Title" Three games in one day gave the iron men of Co. 42 a rugged workout, but did not keep them from winning the inters company basketball championship by defeating Co. 59 in the finals, 29-27.

Sherwood's company commander had attended Eastern Oregon college. Sherwood has gained 18 pounds during his boot training and thinks the navy is tops. He played in 30 games, losing only three.

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"Take, for example, just one industry. Now people realize the importance of the great work done by the beverage distillers during the war. A high government official called it 'an almost unparalleled example of the overnight conversion of an entire industry from peace to war.' He also said not so many months ago, while speaking about synthetic rubber: 'It is fair to regard the rubber manufactured to date as being almost solely the product of the beverage distilling industry. That's the type of thing I have in mind... the way great American industries at home cooperated to help our brave boys overseas.'"

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