

Bulk Of Roosevelt's Personal And Political Papers Made Public

Hyde Park, N. Y., Mar. 17.—(U.P.)—The bulk of Franklin D. Roosevelt's personal and political papers were made public today, revealing new sides to his colorful personality.

The 5,000,000 pages of papers cover all of Mr. Roosevelt's life from an announcement message written by his father a few minutes after his birth to what are believed to be the last words he wrote—"Let us go forward with strong and active faith."

It was revealed that like many another person he attempted from an announcement message diary, but never was able to stick to it.

He also was a frustrated novelist, having started an historical novel about a business tycoon. But he only finished two pages.

One paper showed that two days before Pearl Harbor Mr. Roosevelt invited the late Wendell Willkie to go to Australia and New Zealand as his personal representative but told him the Japanese situation was "definitely serious" and "perhaps the next four or five days will decide" whether "an armed clash" might develop.

In a letter written in the spring of 1928, Mr. Roosevelt described Herbert Hoover, then candidate for republican presidential nomination, as "an old, personal friend of mine."

About 15 per cent of the presidential papers were withheld because they deal with persons still living and to protect state secrets. However, Herbert Kahn, the director of the Franklin D.

Roosevelt library, emphasized that in no case was a document restricted to protect the memory of the late president.

"There is no necessity to protect Roosevelt," Kahn said. "He is dead. There is nothing that could be said about him now that could damage him materially or hurt his feelings or affect his political career, and certainly nothing worse than has been printed."

Kahn, one of four men who spent more than a year cataloging the papers to make them available to qualified researchers, said he did not believe any of them would cause "any revolutionary upheaval" in modern historical writing or affect the fundamentals of the known Roosevelt story in "any important way."

Mrs. Eleanor Roosevelt, widow of the 32nd president, was among the speakers at opening ceremonies of the small stone library building a few hundred yards from the Roosevelt Hyde Park home. Today is the 45th anniversary of their marriage.

Mr. Roosevelt was the first American president to leave his presidential and personal papers to the nation. Never before have a president's private files been opened for publication so soon after his death. Even the papers of John and John Quincy Adams are available today only with the permission of their descendants.

"In a world where millions are living under the horrors of communist torture and terror," President Truman said in a message read at the ceremony by

Jess Larson, head of the General Services Administration, "this action we are taking is a simple indication of the faith of democracy in truth."

President Truman wrote: "This huge collection will furnish rich source material for an interpretation of one of the most momentous periods in American history. Some other officials of the period have contributed their papers to augment this collection. I trust that many others will come forward and add their papers to this collection in order that we may have the means for a fuller understanding of these years."

The papers of the late Harry Hopkins, the late John Winant, and Henry Morgenthau already have been deposited with the li-

brary. Other public figures have promised their official papers, but library officials said they would have to make such announcements themselves.

The 15 per cent of the papers still restricted will be reviewed periodically and added to the open collection as soon as possible. Meanwhile, they may be made available only with the permission of the president of the United States.

None of Mr. Roosevelt's personal family papers was in the gift to the government, Kahn said, that no member of the Roosevelt family had any part in the selection of the papers to be opened, nor had any member asked to have a part.

Kahn estimated that 60 to 65 per cent of the papers in the en-

tire collection are letters from ordinary citizens. They range in the sample group of documents, from an angry 1936 epistle about taxes to friendly advice on how to make a speech from "A.G.C., a democrat" to Governor Roosevelt in 1931. "A.G.C." commended to Mr. Roosevelt's attention the "kindly and sympathetic manner" of President Hoover and New York's Mayor James J. Walker.

The presidential papers remain in four general categories, as received from the White House, and have not been indexed, Kahn said. The largest section is that containing letters from "ordinary" Toms, Dicks and Harrys" filed alphabetically by the name of the sender and chronologically within the al-

phabetic group. Every letter received by the president is at least noted. Another similar file contains some 50,000 folders of letters from persons or organizations known personally to Mr. Roosevelt. The third section includes correspondence concerning the supervision of government agencies. The fourth and smallest group is the confidential file kept by Mr. Roosevelt's personal secretary in his own office. About 55 to 60 per cent of that file was opened today.

Kahn said that in some cases material which was highly critical of Mr. Roosevelt was in the open files, while material that remained in the restricted files because of its association with persons still living.

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Available Planes Put Into Service To Find Lost Boat

Navy Net Tender Four Days Overdue

Pearl Harbor, T. H., Mar. 17.—(U.P.)—All available search planes in the mid-Pacific today were ordered into the hunt for a navy net tender with 40 men aboard, mysteriously missing on a voyage to the atomic proving grounds.

Rear Adm. Charles H. McMorris, commander of Pacific rescue operations, also ordered three naval vessels into the search for the U. S. S. Elder, which is four days overdue on a 10-day, 2,800-mile trip from Hawaii to Eniwetok.

To Lay Buoys The Elder was en route to Eniwetok to lay navigational buoys in preparation for the spring atomic weapons tests.

Nine planes, eight four-engined Privateer patrol bombers and one utility craft, are all of the rescue planes which can presently be spared for the operation, McMorris said.

Two B-17 "Dumbo" rescue planes now in Hawaii cannot be sent into the search, he said, or the Hawaiian sea frontier would be left without planes equipped to parachute a lifeboat.

McMorris said all military air transport planes, flying regular trans-Pacific routes, have been diverted to fly over the search area. They will not be removed from their regular runs, however, he said.

Vessels Despatched Surface vessels ordered to the search area, 700 miles east of Eniwetok, are the destroyer tender U. S. S. Piedmont, the net tender U. S. S. Deliverer and the LSD Comstock.

Meanwhile, four Privateers, which left Oahu last night for Kwajalein, refueled at Johnston island and continued their flight, intending to conduct a sweeping search along the Elder's course.

Aboard one of the planes was Lt. Cmdr. Clifton B. Davis, a search specialist, who will take command of the rescue operation on his arrival at Kwajalein.

Philadelphia, Mar. 17.—(U.P.)—Ellis A. Gimbel, 84, chairman of the board of Gimbel Brothers, Inc., died at his Central City apartment today after a four-day illness.

Radio Highlights

Opening of the Roosevelt papers at Hyde Park Saturday afternoon will be the occasion for an NBC feature with Mrs. Roosevelt, Judge Samuel Roseman and Dr. Waldo Gifford Leland speaking and Radio Commentator W. W. Chaplin reading excerpts from the letters. The feature will be broadcast here by KMED from 2:30 to 2:45 p. m.

Ingrid Planning Return to Carry On Custody Battle

Hollywood, Mar. 17.—(U.P.)—Ingrid Bergman will return to Hollywood to "make the fight of her life" for custody of her daughter against charges that she is "unfit" to have the child, her attorney said today.

Determined To Fight "Ingrid is determined to make the fight of her life for possession of Pia," Attorney Greg Bautzer said. "The foremost thing in her life is the custody of her child."

Bautzer's disclosure of the Swedish actress' intentions followed Dr. Peter Lindstrom's announcement yesterday that he intends to file suit for divorce and demand custody of Pia, the couple's 12-year-old daughter. In Washington, meanwhile, Sen. Edwin C. Johnson, (D.,

Everyone's Irish Today To Honor Good St. Pat

Everyone's Irish today. And rare indeed was the one who didn't manage to get a bit of Emerald Isle's color in their clothing. Many had but a bit of ribbon in the hair, and some a sprig of greenery on the lapel. All in honor of the good St. Patrick.

But little Ireland covered the earth today. And even one whose grandparents came from Smolensk carefully explained that the hamlet is a small one in the south of County Cork.

Outstanding, perhaps, was Paul Hanlin, deputy United States marshal here, resident in a green shirt in honor of his visiting father, John Hanlin, one of the few, genuine, dyed-in-the-wool natives of the auld sod in town today.

More Margarine Expected To Be Eaten This Year

Washington, Mar. 17.—(U.P.)—Agriculture department officials predicted today that Americans will eat less butter and more margarine this year than last.

They said this trend will become apparent even before federal taxes on oleo are lifted July 1, under the bill signed yesterday by President Truman.

Even with the taxes, margarine now has a price advantage over butter. The government's butter price support program is holding retail prices of butter at a level about 2½ times higher than margarine prices. Traditionally, butter has retailed for only about twice as much as margarine.

A spokesman for the National Association of Margarine Manufacturers said the tax repeal will increase total margarine sales, "but how much, nobody knows." He said that when the 10-cents-a-pound federal tax on colored oleo goes off July 1, the price of colored margarine will drop the full 10 cents.

Sales of yellow margarine in recent months, even with the tax, have been breaking all records. But this has been offset by a drop in sales of uncolored margarine on which the federal tax is one-fourth cent a pound.

Snow Falling Today At Crater Lake Park

It was snowing at Crater Lake national park this morning and seven and a half inches of snow has fallen in the past 24 hours, making a total depth of 135 inches. Radio reports from the park say skiing conditions are good.

The road from Annie Springs to the rim of the lake was closed this morning but was expected to be open by noon. Other roads are open but chains are required.

Prineville, Ore., Mar. 17.—(U.P.)—The City of Prineville railroad is going to switch from steam to diesel locomotion.

Bridges Called Fraud And Faker

San Francisco, Mar. 17.—(U.P.)—Special Prosecutor F. Joseph Donohue ended his summary of the government case in the Harry Bridges perjury-conspiracy trial today by describing the longshore chief as a "fraud and a faker . . . who serves the whims of the Soviet Union."

Winding up a day and one half of argument, Donohue drew character sketches of Bridges and his two co-defendants as the prosecution wants the jury to see them.

Bridges, he said, is "clever, egotistical, a dangerous man with a greed, a lust for power . . . turning to the communist party for that power . . . a fraud and a faker, whose devotion to the union is a mask with which he serves the whims of the Soviet Union."

Speaking of Bridges' co-defendants, J. R. Robertson and Henry Schmidt, Donohue said:

"Robertson . . . the man who didn't have sense enough to keep quiet . . . dull and unimaginative, but a pretty good man when you spell out the line for him . . . a pretty good rattle rouster." "Schmidt . . . surly . . . cunning . . . cold . . . ruthless . . . a communist party member who gave Henry Schrupf (a government witness) his party card . . . a man who had to hide be-

hind the skirts of his own daughter and testify as to his truth, honesty and integrity. Maybe his wife, whom they didn't call, could have given a truer picture."

Defense Takes Over

Defense Attorney Vincent Hallinan took the floor at the end of the prosecution argument, to launch an estimated five days of defense summation.

Before his final remarks, Donohue admitted that two key government witnesses are "professionals."

Crescent City To Dedicate Public Dock Tomorrow

The twice-postponed dedication of the new citizens' dock at the port of Crescent City will be held this week-end, and a large number of Rogue valley residents will travel to the northern California city for the event.

Present plans call for the Ashland Killy band to play at the ceremonies, and delegations from a number of organizations will drive or fly to the dedication.

Months of Work

The dedication ceremonies are the culmination of many months work on the part of the citizens of Crescent City and Del Norte county. A public dock, for fishing and lumber loading, has long been needed at the seaport, but public funds were not available. So residents of the area decided to do the work themselves. Judges, businessmen, contractors, engineers, lumbermen, truck drivers, fishermen and many others ignored their regular professions and pitched in to build the dock.

Some 130 fishing boats operate out of the harbor at the present time, and lumber mills of the area have found it difficult to market their products because of transportation costs.

It was late last September that a petition was presented to the Crescent Harbor commission asking construction of the dock, and only shortly thereafter that the idea of a facility constructed by volunteer work began to take shape.

Group From Here

A group of city, chamber of commerce and press representatives will make the trip tomorrow by Southwest Airlines at the invitation of the Del Norte County Chamber of Commerce. From Medford these guests will include Mayor Diamond Flynn, City Councilman Dwight Houghton, Chester Hubbard, president of the Jackson County Chamber of Commerce; Don Lane, secretary-manager of the chamber; Glenn Jackson and A. S. Cummins, of the California Oregon Power company; Paul Rynning, county engineer; Mel Younger, L. A. McCormick, and Eric Allen Jr., city editor of The Mail Tribune.

Ashland guests will include Lyndel Newbury, vice-president of the Ashland Chamber of Commerce; Bill McGee, chamber manager; and City Councilman Phil Stansbury, representing Mayor Thomas Williams.

La Grande Quintet To Oppose Hillsboro In Consolation Finals

Eugene, Ore., Mar. 17.—(U.P.)—La Grande defeated Bend 64 to 56 and Hillsboro swamped Dallas 51 to 27 today in consolation semi-finals of the 32nd annual Oregon state basketball tournament. La Grande and Hillsboro will meet tomorrow at 9 a. m. in the consolation title and fifth place in the tournament.

WEATHER

FORECAST: Partly cloudy tonight, becoming cloudy with rain Saturday. Fresh to strong south winds Saturday morning. Little temperature change.

	Temp.
Highest Yesterday	53
Lowest This Morning	41
Prec. to 4:30 A.M. Today	.25



HEADON COLLISION—Four men were killed and two others injured when these two cars collided head-on near Dublin, Calif. The accident occurred when the two cars pulled into the middle lane of the three-lane highway. A third car overturned avoiding the crash, but no one was injured.

Horde of Dormant Grasshoppers Set to Strike In Lakeview Area

By Richard A. Liffin United Press Correspondent

Lakeview, Ore., Mar. 17.—(U.P.)—A vast horde of dormant grasshoppers, largest of its kind in the nation, will threaten destruction to a rich agricultural area when it resumes its relentless migration this spring, authorities said today.

The grasshopper carpet, with a population of many millions spaced about 28 per square yard,

Jury Chosen For Damage Case In Death Of Girl

A jury was chosen early yesterday afternoon to hear the daughter, Nina Marcella Tanner, against Dr. Charles Haines in Judge H. K. Hanna's circuit court. Tanner seeks a judgment of \$10,000 against the Ashland physician for the death of his daughter, Nina Marcella Tanner, said to have occurred when she was struck by Haines' car September 26, 1948.

Tanner, represented by Attorneys Ralph E. Moody of Salem and O. E. Bengtson, will attempt to prove that the death of the 16-year-old girl was brought about by the negligence of Dr. Haines as he was driving through the Bellevue community to wards Ashland on his way home from a hunting trip in northern California.

Claims Negligence

William McAllister, counsel for the defense, said his client takes the position that it was the negligence of the girl that was responsible for the tragedy.

The jury yesterday was shown the scene of the accident on highway 99 near the point where it intersects with Tolman creek road, 500 yards south of the Ashland city limits.

Counsel for the plaintiff this morning were calling witnesses to bolster their allegations, claiming that Dr. Haines was driving at an excessive rate of speed at the time he struck the girl. The doctor states that he was driving at a reasonable speed—from 50 to 55 miles an hour.

Pioneer Woman, 93, Passes At Ashland

Ashland, Ore., Mar. 17.—(U.P.)—Mrs. Mary Frances Welch, 93, daughter of a pioneer California family, died yesterday at a convalescent home here.

Mrs. Welch crossed the plains in 1862 at the age of five with her family in a 100-person wagon train. The family was among the first settlers in Yolo and Mendocino counties in California.

The family later moved to Lakeview, Ore., where her father maintained a stage station where soldiers changed their horses during the Modoc Indian wars.

Mrs. Welch is survived by a son, Allen T. Welch of Portland, Ore.; two brothers, N. F. Patton and C. A. Patton, of Ashland, and a sister, Mrs. T. L. Powell of Ashland.

To Lay Cornerstone Of Farm Home Today

The Jackson county court today was scheduled to place a sealed copper box into a granite cornerstone at the nearly-completed county farm home near Talent. The box contains statements from the two county commissioners, Robert Lytle and L. G. Morthead; a statement from former Commissioner Arthur Powell, a copy of the Oregon Blue Book and copies of the Ashland Tidings, Central Point American and Medford Mail Tribune. No organized ceremony has been planned.

After numerous delays caused by bad weather and strikes in the steel industry, work at the new 52-bed home is still in progress. Plastering is nearly completed and today workmen are putting up the ceramic tile facing at the entrance of the building.

Washington, Mar. 17.—(U.P.)—The senate last night confirmed the nominations of David McK. Key as ambassador to Burma and George A. Garrett as ambassador to Ireland.

Medford Residence Damaged By Flames

A bedroom and the roof of the J. W. Miller residence, 1408 South Columbus avenue, were damaged by fire last night and the house was also damaged by water.

Mrs. Miller and forest patrolmen said that the fire apparently originated from a flue and Mrs. Miller reported that the blaze began in the bedroom. She stated she and Miller had been out and noted smoke when they returned about 8:30 p. m.

The Millers are residing with Mrs. Linnie George, 618 Beatty street while their home is being repaired. A forest patrol pump was sent to the scene. The house was insured.

Secret Signal Said Used To Keep Miners From Pits

Canton, Ill., Mar. 17.—(U.P.)—The ousted president of a United Mine Workers' local charged today that John L. Lewis kept miners on strike during the recent coal crisis through a secret system of signals.

Lloyd H. Sidener, 44, charged that Lewis ducked a contempt of court citation by publicly ordering the miners back to work, but used a secret signal to keep them out of the pits.

Sidener, who said he was deposed as president of Local 7435 because he tried to lead a back-to-work movement last month, has filed an unfair labor practice charge against the union.

He charged that the union assessed a \$50,000 fine against him, got him fired from the Buckheart coal mine, and threatened to assess him \$25 a day—more than a day's wage—for every day he works in any mine under contract with the UMW.

Sidener said the secret signal was "The whistle blew one."

He said it was passed down through the union's "chain of command" by telephone after Lewis had sent a telegram to district and local officers ordering the strike ended "forthwith."

As a result of the telegram, the union was cleared of contempt charges last month by Federal Judge Richmond Keach at Washington, D. C., who issued an injunction ordering an end to the strike, and ruled that the government failed to prove that the union was in contempt.