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### 9th Drives For Capital As 1st Opens Leipzig Fight

Denmark Flanked  
 By 9th Sweep

By JAMES M. LONG

Paris—(AP)—The Ninth Army closed within 45 miles of Berlin today and the First Army opened the battle for Leipzig, closing within seven miles of the battered city where a million Germans were believed huddled in cellars and shelters.

The Ninth Army closed up to the already-crossed Elbe River on a front of nearly 100 miles after a second 60-mile armored advance, outflanking Denmark, Hamburg and Luebeck.

TANKS MOVE EAST  
 The First Armored Division closed into the Leipzig defenses in the village of Dautz, seven miles southwest of the big Saxon city.

WITH THE U. S. THIRD ARMY—One tank column of the panzer U. S. Third Army drove today into Pagan, eleven miles south of Leipzig, and another battered to within fifteen miles of Bayreuth.

The Elbe bends eastward to the north of Magdeburg and then swings back along a northwesterly course through Hamburg to the North Sea. Tanglewreath fighting is fiercest and closest to Berlin although troops there are on the west bank of the 45 to 100 foot wide stream.

The Ninth Armored Division reached the river at Seehausen and the First Division closed up to the stream at Hain, outflanking Magdeburg 14 miles to the northwest. Barby lies 25 miles southwest of Berlin.

Dresden, Germany's greatest inland port and Germany's fourth largest city, fell to the Third Army in the fighting and captured.

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### Another Victory Vienna Is Captured By Russian Forces

LONDON—(AP)—Marshal Stalin announced tonight the capture of Vienna.

Fall of the Austrian capital, historic gateway for invasions of Europe, came after eight days of bloody street fighting along the banks of the Danube.

One-time capital of the Hapsburgs and second only to Berlin in the greater Reich, Vienna, the eighteenth European capital to fall to Allied forces.

Mecklenburg Casualties  
 (Statistics Inside)

KILLED IN ACTION  
 Lt. J. Wilson Moulton  
 MISSING IN ACTION  
 770 Warren Robert Miller  
 WOUNDED IN ACTION  
 George E. Bryan



President Roosevelt

Joint Session Monday

### Truman To Give Congress Policies

WASHINGTON—(AP)—President Truman told Senators today he will outline his foreign policies briefly at a joint session of Congress at 1 P. M. (EWT) Monday. He will speak to the nation's armed forces by radio Tuesday night.

Senators who attended an unprecedented luncheon with the new President at the Capitol on his first day in office said Mr. Truman told them he is 100 per cent for President Roosevelt's foreign policies.

The President, who took time out at the luncheon to shake hands with newspaper men, Senate employees and pages, left the Capitol for the White House at 2:25 P. M.

On his way out of the Capitol he stopped for a look into the garden of Secret Service Men, presiding officer until yesterday when President Roosevelt's death elevated him to the Chief Executive's post.

When a news man hailed him, Mr. Truman waved him off. He strode over to the reporter who had scribbled him back and shook hands.

"I wish I didn't have to leave this place," said the new President, who previously had urged reporters to "pay for" him in the new responsibilities he has assumed.

"If you fellows pray, please



TRUMAN TAKES THE OATH AS PRESIDENT—Harry S. Truman (left) is sworn in by Chief Justice Harlan Stone as President of the United States in the Cabinet room of the executive offices of the White House in Washington a few hours after the death of President Roosevelt at Warm Springs, Ga. Vice President McNary is in the center. Attorney General Francis Biddle is just behind Truman and between the new President and Mrs. Truman is Secretary of State Edward R. Stettinius Jr. (AP Wirephoto).

### Churchill Sorrows

By ALEX H. SINGLETON

LONDON—(AP)—A solemnly polished House of Commons adjourned five minutes after it had convened today in respect to the memory of President Roosevelt.

His shoulders bowed and face pale, Prime Minister Churchill informed the House of the death of "this great departed statesman and war leader," a "dear and cherished friend."

Britain—King, Prime Minister and commoner—mourned that the President, their friend in the days of darkest despair, had been denied almost on the eve of victory the triumph of his war leadership.

The swelling chorus of tributes to the man who helped turn the tide of war by leading Britain when he stood alone and under German bombs was mingled with widespread curiosity over the personality and policy of President Truman and expressions of satisfaction over his intention to carry on administration since.

There was conjecture in the British press whether Churchill might fly to the funeral, but the British Press Association said Foreign Secretary Anthony Eden would attend as the British Government representative.

Appearing tired and worn—there were reports he had been in lengthy conversation with Washington by telephone during the night—Churchill came before the House and asked that it adjourn out of respect to a man he called "a dear friend."

Speaking with considerable emotion, he said, "It is not fitting that we should continue our work this day."

His few phrases were spoken in a voice hardly audible in the galleries.

In addressing the House, Churchill said:

"The House will have feared with deep concern the possibility of news which has come to us from across the Atlantic and which concern the death of President Truman, President of the United States, whose friendship for the cause of freedom and for the cause of the weak and poor have won him immortal renown."

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### General Ike In Victory Pledge

PARIS—(AP)—Gen. Eisenhower, commanding chief and check over the death of President Roosevelt, pledged to his successor today "unflinching efforts for the achievement of final victory."

### Truman Proclamation Tomorrow Will Be Day Of Mourning

WASHINGTON—(AP)—President Harry S. Truman today proclaimed tomorrow as a national day of mourning for Franklin D. Roosevelt, but there will be no general interruption in the flow of supplies to the fighting fronts.

Shortly after the new Chief Executive issued his proclamation asking that the country observe the day of Mr. Roosevelt's funeral services at the White House by visiting the churches in their respective communities, War Production Board Chief J. A. Krug issued a call to all war plants to work full schedules today and tomorrow. This, said Krug, was "pursuant to wishes expressed this morning by President Truman."

"American workers and management can pay their tribute to Franklin Roosevelt in no better way than by staying on the job to maintain an unbroken production of war goods," Krug said in a telegram sent to all WPA field offices.

Commemorative services "might well be held" wherever plants desire to do so, Krug stated.

Some large corporations already have sent word to their plants and offices that memorial observances may be held at 4:30 P. M., the hour of the Presidential rites.

Secretary of War Stimson meanwhile officially proclaimed a 30-day period of mourning for the Army.

In a general order he directed that memorial services be held on Sunday, the day of the President's burial, at all post camps and stations where war operations will permit. At that time his official order will be read.

Stimson's general order set aside War Department regulations and

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### Proclamation

"Be the President of the United States of America  
 "A proclamation  
 "To the People of the United States:  
 "I have pleased God in his infinite wisdom to take from us the immortal spirit of Franklin Delano Roosevelt, the 32nd President of the United States.

The leader of his people in a great war, he lived to see the assurance of the victory but not to share it. He lived to see the first foundations of the free and peaceful world in which his life was dedicated, but not to enter on that world himself.

His fellow countrymen will surely miss his fortitude and faith and courage in the time to come.

"The peoples of the earth who love the ways of freedom and of hope will mourn for him. His courage is not spent. His faith is not extinguished. The courage of great men outlives them to become the courage of their people and the people of the world. It lives beyond them and upholds their purpose and brings their hopes to pass.

## Death Closes Public Career Of Roosevelt

Truman Is President As FR Breathes  
 Last At Warm Springs, Ga.

By D. HAROLD OLIVER

(Associated Press reporter who had "covered" Franklin Delano Roosevelt since 1936)

WARM SPRINGS, Ga. — (AP) — Franklin Delano Roosevelt's long and colorful public career is at an end.

A tragic though painless death halted it abruptly yesterday as the Nation's 31st President seemingly was about to see the fruition of his plans for bringing lasting peace to a war-ridden world. He was 68 last January 30.

CEREBRAL HEMORRHAGE

Death came unexpectedly at 4:35 P. M. (EWT) in a simply furnished bedroom of his Pine Mountain cottage. The cause: a "massive" cerebral hemorrhage.

Mr. Roosevelt came here March 30 for one of his periodic visits to seek rest and to look at the ground he had planned to say another week, then return to Washington, spend a day and start out again for a cross-country trip to San Francisco to open the World Security Conference April 25.

All this now is up to his successor, Harry S. Truman, of Missouri, with the aid of a sympathetic Congress.

The President's body, prepared during the night, was started back to Washington by special train on the Southern Railroad. The train will reach the national capital at 10 A. M. (EWT) Saturday.

Mrs. Roosevelt arrived last night from Washington. She flew in an Army plane to Fort Belvoir at nearby Columbus with Stephen T. Early, White House Secretary, and Vice Adm. Ross C. McIntire, White House physician, and Navy surgeon general.

Funeral services are to be held at 4 P. M. (EWT) Saturday in the historic east room of the White House.

The body will not lie in state.

BURIAL AT HYDE PARK

Burial will be at the family home at Hyde Park, N. Y., Sunday.

Presidential Secretary William D. Hassett said the funeral services would be of the same "utmost simplicity" the President decreed for his mother, who died in 1941.

Later—after midnight—Hassett gave out details for the funeral.

He said that six hours after the services in the east

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The Last Journey

### Funeral Train Leaves Georgia

By D. HAROLD OLIVER

ABOARD ROOSEVELT FUNERAL TRAIN—(AP)—

The body of President Franklin D. Roosevelt, who died at Warm Springs, Ga., yesterday afternoon, was en route on a 23-hour run to Washington today for funeral services in Washington and burial Sunday at Hyde Park, N. Y.

The car special train, full of friends and associates, who hurried here when news of his death spread, got under way at 10:15 A. M., Central War Time.

The body was taken to the train on a motor bus through a line of soldiers from 2d Battalion, 1st Cavalry Division.

Two thousand soldiers from the Post Training Infantry School and Pershing School under the general command of Major General Fred L. Walker arrived in the early morning hours to provide an honor guard.

Also on hand at the depot were the 96th Army Ground Force band from Fort Benning, led by Chief Warrant Officer Lay A. Bledsoe.

Two companies of Fort Benning troops lined both sides of the three-quarter mile highway, attended from the Warm Springs station to the national capital. The cortege passed the 85th

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Partly clear and sunny with some clouds, moderate winds, and light rain.

Temperatures at 5:00 P. M. 65 to 75 degrees. High 75, low 65. Wind light to moderate, variable.

Humidity 65 to 75 percent. Clouds 5 to 10 percent.

Barometer 30.0 to 30.1 inches.

Source: National Weather Service, Washington, D. C.