

Task Of Removing Accumulation Of Belongings Begun By Mrs. Roosevelt

By EDITH GAYLORD
 WASHINGTON, April 16 (AP)—Mrs. Franklin D. Roosevelt today wasted no time in organizing the task of removing from the White House the Roosevelts' 12-year accumulation of belongings.

However worn from the shock and strain of her husband's unexpected death, Mrs. Roosevelt showed herself still possessed of her famous energy to get things done.

She returned to Washington on the special train that also brought her Trumans.

If Mrs. Truman wishes it, as

she undoubtedly will, Mrs. Roosevelt will see her to advise her on the numerous duties of the First Lady.

Aside from the thousands of ordinary family items to be removed from the White House, Mrs. Roosevelt will give special attention to the personal belongings of the former president.

There are his hundreds of valuable marine prints and ship models, his celebrated stamp collection, his thousands of books and the mementos of his presidency.

Most of these probably will be placed in the library on the Roo-

sevelt's Hyde Park estate which Mr. Roosevelt bequeathed to the government after the lifetime of his family.

It was in his library sorting his collections and documents that Mr. Roosevelt had looked forward to spending his final years.

Making the return trip with her was her daughter, Anna, who, with her husband, Lt. Col. John Boettiger, hurried to find out how their 5-year-old son, Johnny, is faring. The youngster is seriously ill in a hospital.

In New York City Col. James Roosevelt, eldest of the four sons, boarded the Washington-bound train. It was the earliest moment he could reach his mother's side after a flight from Manila.

He and his three brothers have been on military duty overseas.

Russians Already Making Use Of German Labor For Rehabilitation

By JOHN M. HIGHTOWER
 AP Diplomatic News Editor
 WASHINGTON, April 16 (AP)—Soviet policy declarations calling for transportation of Germans into Russia to help clean up and rebuild war-wrecked cities already

Brig. Gen. Elliott Roosevelt, the second son, flew in from England in time to attend services. Franklin Delano Roosevelt, Jr., and John Roosevelt were unable to return from their ships, somewhere in the Pacific.

have been put into effect in the Balkans.

This became evident today from diplomatic information reaching Washington. It disclosed that:

1. About 70,000 men and women out of the half-million Germans in Romania—where they fought with and supported the Nazi armies—have been removed to the Soviet union. Originally Moscow wanted to take virtually the entire half-million but American and Allied intervention against such a wholesale transfer caused Rus-

sia to reconsider.

2. An estimated 100,000 Germans have been removed from Yugoslavia. Presumably they also were sent into Russia, but Marshal Tito handled the operation himself and refrained from reporting on it to his western allies. All that seems reasonably well established is that they have gone from Yugoslavia.

3. In addition, still another 40,000 persons, who originally lived in Bessarabia, now Russian, have been sent back to that former Romanian province from Romania.

This problem of moving portions of enemy manpower into Russia is likely to be among the first diplomatic headaches besetting President Truman. It may be high on the agenda of any talks Mr. Truman have with Russian For-

eign Commissar Molotov.

There is no doubt among diplomats here that Russia intends to use such manpower as she finds desirable.

The subject came up at Yalta but evidently without agreement.

Shortly after Yalta the issue was raised at a White House news conference. President Roosevelt said that after seeing the destruction of Crimean cities he thought it might be a good idea to use Germans to clean them up.

BAER HERE

Prizefighter Max Baer arrived in Big Spring Sunday evening for a stop-over en route to Randolph Field. Baer is a staff sergeant attached to the special service forces of the Air Corps. He left early Monday morning.

Cruiser To Be Named For City Of Galveston.

PHILADELPHIA, April 16 (AP)—The U.S.S. Galveston, a fast new light cruiser, will be launched at the Cramp Shipbuilding company here Sunday, the fourth naval district announced today.

The ship, second to carry the name of the Texas port, will be sponsored by Mrs. Clark W. Thompson, Washington, D. C. wife of Col. Clark W. Thompson of the Marines, and daughter of W. L. Moody, Jr., Galveston capitalist.

The designed speed is listed as more than 33 knots. The first cruiser named Galveston was launched in 1903 at Richmond, Va., and displaced 3,255 tons.

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Openers Due To Draw Big Crowds In Major Loops

By JACK HAND
 NEW YORK, April 17 (AP)—Sixteen well-conditioned major league clubs were ready to open a fourth wartime baseball season today before approximately 150,000 fans.

Both Presidents Ford Frick of the National league and Will Harridge of the American league have forecast tight pennant races and there was every indication that neither the Cardinals nor Browns, favored to make it another all-St. Louis world series, would have any cinch.

Luke Sewell's Browns, who had to go down to the last day of the 1944 season before they could shake off Detroit, were to meet the Tigers at Sportsman's park while the Cardinals invaded Chicago, a club expected to be up in the flag chase. Cool weather was expected all around the circuits.

Unusual late March and early April sunshine left little to be desired in the training period and most clubs came up to the barrier

without serious injuries.

Exceptions were Cincinnati which lost its ace shortstop, Eddie Miller, for an indefinite period due to a broken kneecap; the New York Giants whose Joe Medwick was sidelined with an ailing back; and the Boston Braves whose holdover shortstop, Whitey Wieleman, had the first two joints of a finger amputated.

Among the better known absentees were holdout pitcher Ernie Bonham of the New York Yankees; first baseman Hal Trosky of the Chicago White Sox who is staying out this year, infielder Pete Coscarart of Pittsburgh remaining in a war job and outfielder Jeff Heath, who signed but then decided not to report to Cleveland.

War jobs make several other regulars become part-time week-

end and home game players and imminent service call kept others sticking close to home. The Cooper boys finally called off their "strike" and reported to the Cards in Chicago.

The acid test arrived for such highly-publicized rookies as Pete Gray of the Browns, Red Schoendienst of the Cards, Joe Buzas of the Yankees, Marino Piretti of the Senators, Bobby Maier of the Tigers, the Hammer brothers of the Phillies and Hal Peck of the Athletics.

Largest crowd of the day was expected at Cincinnati where the usual sellout throng of about 30,000 was due to watch the hard-hit Reds open against Frankie Frisch's Pirates.

Brooklyn was counted on for 20,000 despite the Dodgers' poor spring record and weakened roster.

Texas Today—

Daffy Doings In Dallas

By JACK RUTLEDGE
 Associated Press Staff
 Daffy doings in Dallas: Overworked garbage men are being mistaken for night prowlers, complains J. T. Conroy, acting city public works director.

Night collections have become necessary because the 140 garbage

men left in Dallas couldn't do all the work during the daytime.

Several citizens, alarmed by the sound of rattling garbage cans, have called police. So far, none have taken the law (or a shotgun) into their own hands. Conroy is asking for more workers.

Louise Suggs Threat In Pinehurst Meet

PINEHURST, N. C., April 17 (AP)—A Georgia girl who won the North-South women's golf tournament in 1942 stepped into the picture today as one of the chief threats to the defending champion, Mrs. Estelle Lawson Page of Chapel Hill, N. C., who is seeking her seventh Pinehurst triumph.

Louise Suggs of Lithia Springs, Ga., won medal honors yesterday with a 71 in the qualifying round, while Mrs. Page qualified with a 73, as did a South Carolina star, Mrs. Jane Crum Covington of Orangeburg.

SLOAN GETS DRAFT CALL
 NEW YORK, April 17 (AP)—Bruce Sloan, New York Giants' outfielder, was scheduled to leave today for Oklahoma City to take a pre-induction physical examination.

Women with PILES Get DOCTORS' Tip

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A cat named Tabby interrupted proceedings at a tent theater by giving birth to quintuplets on the stage.

Director Jack Marco called off rehearsal.

The play—Modern Marriage.

When a black cat crosses a person's path in Dallas, it could mean bad luck—for the cat.

A black cat's hide is worth about 30 cents. Cat hides of other colors also are sold, but prices are much lower. Cats of all hues are bringing 15 and 20 cents, and then dyed a solid color and converted into collars and cuffs for milady's coat.

Not so satisfied was a negro who entered a Dallas cafe and ordered a cup of coffee.

He drank part of it, pulled out a .45 caliber revolver, shot out the lights and left.

Zurita Favorite

NEW YORK, April 17 (AP)—Fight chatter: Juan Zurita, the hometown hero, remains a big favorite to retain his NBS lightweight boxing title against challenger Ike Williams of Trenton, N. J., in their 15-round go at Mexico City tomorrow night. As one Mexico City sports writer observed: "This is Juan's first defense of his title in his home town and he cannot afford to lose."

Mack Forecasts Golden Age Of Sports Post-War

PHILADELPHIA, April 17 (AP)—Connie Mack says there will "definitely" be another golden age of sports after the war.

"We had our biggest sport year after the last war. The boom ought to be even bigger after this one. Believe me, I'm looking forward to it," Connie said in a radio broadcast last night.

Beginning his 45th year as manager of the Philadelphia Athletics, Mack, 82, said the St. Louis Browns are "the team to beat" in the American league.

Philanthropist Dies

LULING, April 17 (AP)—Funeral services will be held tomorrow for Wray Richards, 48, philanthropist and prominent Texas oil man, who died here yesterday.

Richards, head of the W. R. Drilling company and the Wray Richards Tank Enterprises, operated offices in Longview, Houston, Corpus Christi, Alice and Luling.



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Regionals To Turn Up Track Stars

By HAROLD V. RATLIFF
 Associated Press Sports Editor
 DALLAS, April 17 (AP)—This is the week of the regional schoolboy track and field meets—the last step in a far-flung campaign before the state meet in Austin.

The most unusual track man in Texas this year is a chunky youngster from Adamson (Dallas). He's Rhea Nichols and he entered the low hurdles the week of the district meet, in his first race turned in a time of 22.8 Saturday night, he broke the city record with another 22.8.

This young fellow is a remarkable track man. He's a top broad jumper as well as runner.

Some of the best marks turned in this year in Texas are Perry Samuels' 9.7 in the 100-yard dash and 21.5 in the 220 and Samuels' work with the Thomas Jefferson sprint relay team that has registered a 43-2—just one-tenth of a second over the state record.

But the boy who appears certain to break a state record is August Erfurth, the great Brackenridge hurdler. He has run the 120-yard high in 14.1 and that ties the state mark set by Archie Jones of Longview in 1941.

Senate OKs Many Governor's Appointees

AUSTIN, April 17 (AP)—The senate today has confirmed over a score of appointees made by Gov. Coke R. Stevenson.

Among those receiving approval in an executive session yesterday were:

Henry Reese of Gonzales, to be a member of the board of directors of Texas A.&M. College.

Dr. C. S. Carter of Bells, Grayson county, Dr. T. J. Crowe of Dallas, Dr. E. W. Wilson of San Antonio and Dr. T. T. Lawson of Bowie, as members of the state board of medical examiners.

A. C. Burney of Cleburne, J. K. Norway of Kingsville, C. W. Neal of San Antonio, Dr. N. A. Cox of Lubbock, CHARLES KOBERG OF SAN ANGELO, H. K. Maier of Beaumont and J. W. Barton of Temple, as members of the board of veterinary medical examiners.

Max M. Rogers of Huntsville, Roy C. Archer of Austin, L. Broeter of Alice, Ballard Caldwell of El Paso, O. L. Parrish of Ballinger and George L. Davenport of Eastland as presiding judges of judicial administrative districts.

Dr. Koberg is the son of Mrs. Charles Koberg, Sr. of Big Spring.

BOBO TO PITCH

PHILADELPHIA, April 17 (AP)—Louis (Bobo) Newsom persuaded Manager Connie Mack to let him pitch the opening game for the Philadelphia Athletics with the Washington Senators at Shibe park today. Emil (Dutch) Leonard will serve them up for the Senators.

STRANGE YARN

ALBUQUERQUE, April 17 (AP)—Siro Chiorri, the owner of an Albuquerque bar, reported that a prowler has entered his place of business three times in three weeks. Nothing was taken, he said, but on each occasion the intruder rearranged the furniture.

SPORTS ROUNDUP

By HUGH FULLERTON, JR.
 NEW YORK, April 17 (AP)—Tulsa, Okla., golf clubs have organized a non-profit association to stage a 16-man invitational golf tournament in September with all the proceeds going to the rehabilitation program for wounded servicemen. . . . George La Hood, the Georgia freshman football candidate who had been so thoroughly busted up playing prep ball, kept his record intact by busting his nose in dummy scrimmage last week. . . . That was about the only undamaged bone he had left. . . . Bob Brickman, the Cleveland matchmaker, is talking about building an arena at Tucson, Ariz., after the war and staging fights, basketball and ice skating.

One-minute sports page—Lt. Commander Red Strader, coach at Sampson, N. Y., naval training center, figures the Navy's shifting big-name stars to the combat zones won't have much effect on athletics. There'll be plenty of good players left to complete their normal tours of duty at mainland posts, Red claims.

Service dept.—During three seasons of Panama Canal Zone baseball, Mickey Harris, ex-Red Soxer, hasn't succeeded in fanning Terry Moore, ex-Cardinal, once although Mickey struck out 20 in the playoff for the Pacific championship. That's one reason why Terry hit .489 for the season that just ended. . . . In the middle of a recent inter-allied tennis match of Kuning, China, an officer appeared with a report of a rumor that the Germans had surrendered. Lt. David Price of New York, who was having a ding-dong match with George Lin, suggested they should continue as if nothing had happened. He was right, but he lost the match.

Civilian Goods Supply Apt To Be Tight For A Long Time Yet

(While James Marlow is en route to the United Nations conference at San Francisco, his column will be written by other members of the Washington staff of the Associated Press.)

By STERLING F. GREEN
 WASHINGTON, April 17 (AP)—Some of the worst shortages may come after victory in Europe.

Some of the really troublesome shortages—the day-to-day needs that worry housewives and cause hours of hunting in the stores—in shirts, shoes, house dresses, children's overalls and infants' underthings, are likely to be worse before they are better, come V-E day or not.

The War Production Board (WPB) right now is wondering whether to start a big new campaign to patch, save and wear out.

Fewer shoes will be made in the next several months because of deep new cuts newly imposed on leather supplies for civilians. WPB wants manufacturers to make 150,000,000 pairs of fabric-and-

rubber substitutes, but the manufacturers generally are not eager to do it. It would require some conversion of machinery.

The shortages are not confined to clothing. Automobile batteries are scarce right now, for instance, and a 40 per cent drop in manufacture this month was averted only by dripping into the country's depleted lead stock pile.

Jay Turner Succumbs
 MINERAL WELLS, April 17 (AP)—Funeral services were to be held in Sweetwater today for Jay Turner, 27, cattle buyer of Sweetwater and former Texas Golden Gloves heavyweight champion. Turner died here yesterday.

Lumber will be scarce for months. So will paper, photo film and many other things. Supply of those items can not be improved for some time after V-E day.

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Man Who Is President Attempted To Re-Enlist When US Drawn Into War

(This is the second of five stories on the life of President Truman. The writer, George K. Wallace, is a veteran political writer of the Kansas City Star and has known the new president intimately since his entry into politics.)

By **GEORGE K. WALLACE**
Political Writer, Kansas City Star

INDEPENDENCE, Mo., April 17 (AP)—Three great loves have influenced and guided President Truman's life since before the turn of the century—affection for family and friends, for military life and for politics—and the military influence was as strong for 20 years in the middle part of his life as politics have been later.

President Truman, if he had had his way, would be a colonel of artillery in Europe or the Pacific today instead of commander-in-chief of the armed forces of the United States.

For, with the coming of World War II, Harry S. Truman got out his old World War I uniform and tried it on. It fitted as well as it always had, and Truman tried valiantly to enter again the service in which he had served actively and ineffectively for 36 years. But he was 56 years old, a senator in Washington, and no longer able physically to serve.

Rejected, Truman decided that the next best thing he could do was to watch as closely as possible the government expenditures in the war effort to be sure money wasn't being wasted.

Remembering some of the exposures of graft that followed the first conflict, Truman said:

"It doesn't do any good digging up dead horses after the war is over like the last time. The thing to do is dig this stuff up now and correct it."

Truman sponsored a resolution to set up a committee to check on war expenditures. The senate approved, but cut the appropriation to \$15,000 and handed Truman the chairmanship because it was his idea.

Truman took that routine committee chairmanship and by hard work, intelligence and luck ran it out to the presidency.

Truman's interest in military affairs began somewhere about 1896—probably inspired by the Spanish-American conflict while

Truman was a sophomore in the Independence high school. His greatest hero was General Robert E. Lee.

There wasn't enough money in the Truman family to start Truman to college in 1901 after he finished high school, but he dreamed of West Point and an army career.

He succeeded in getting an alternate appointment to the military academy but failed on the physical examination. His eyes gave him trouble then and now—possibly a throwback to the thousands of books he had devoured from the age of 13.

Truman joined the Missouri national guard in 1905 when he was 21 years old. He was assigned to Battery B as a buck private, and for ten years Truman served there while helping his father run the family farm.

When the first world war came, Truman helped to organize the Second Missouri field artillery, which became the 129th field artillery of the 35th division when mobilized on the United States' entry into the war.

Truman took officers training at Camp Doniphan and was graduated as a second lieutenant. In France a few months later he entered another officers school, won his captaincy and was assigned to command of Battery D of the 129th.

The battery had been recruited at old Rockhurst high school in Kansas City, and consisted mostly of Catholics. Truman, a Baptist and a Mason, led it to the Argonne front Aug. 15, 1918. The battery was on the line in the Vosges mountains when "cease firing" sounded on armistice morning. On the way home, the men took up a collection and gave him a loving cup.

Harry Truman performed some feats with his battery that old line experts hardly could believe. Judge Albert A. Ridge, who served with him, now says: "I saw him calculate firing data in his mind faster than some officers could do with instruments."

"Once in the Vosges mountains in Alsace, Battery D was ordered to fire gas barrages. The Germans opened up and shells began cracking all around. Truman

stood in the open giving commands, he didn't know the meaning of fear."

Truman and his battery fought in the Vosges, at St. Mihiel, in the Meuse-Argonne and at Verdun.

"Truman slept in the same mud and ate out of the same pots and pans that we did," Eugene P. Donnelly, now Jackson county public administrator, recalls. "When his men started on leave Truman would call them in individually and ask them how they were fixed financially. If they were short Truman would lend them 250 francs personally."

"Truman was a stern disciplinarian," Donnelly says, and Judge Ridge adds, "he didn't hesitate to send us to the guard house. That fellow had humility, but not from timidity. It rather was from a realization of his obligations."

Truman was mustered out a major May 6, 1919, and returned to Independence. Soon afterward he entered the field artillery reserve as a colonel and still holds his rank.

The constitutional and military history of the United States today are his favorite studies. He is even yet an ardent amateur military strategist and, as President Roosevelt took great interest in his old first love—the Navy—so President Truman likely always will be close to the army.

(Tomorrow: Truman's early life: "I'm just a plain farm boy.")

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By Licht



"Imperial Council announce great relief for Hon. Taxpayer—Save huge expense of going to Washington to dictate peace—Force Enemy to come to Nippon instead!"

Flowers From Taxpayers Pocket Ruled Out By Attorney General

By **PAUL BOLTON**
Herald Austin Correspondent

There'll be no more corsages for wives of members of the legislature—or anybody else for that matter—purchased with contingent expense funds of the Texas legislature.

The attorney general's office, in an opinion to the comptroller, has put a period to expending legislative funds for other than strictly state business.

The comptroller's office raised the question when bills were submitted through the house committee on contingent expenses to pay for various flower offerings—for the ladies at the inaugural, and in commemoration of deaths.

The attorney general ruled that taxes may be levied for public purposes only.

Before many years pass, Texas may see a "like father, like son" development.

The former Governor James V. Allred reports that his son Jimmy, 15, is bent upon following the law; and is intensely interested in politics. Allred, Senator, believes in allowing the boy to follow his own inclinations.

During last summer's disputes in Texas, when it was considered altogether possible that a shift in the Texas vote could affect the outcome of the electoral college vote, young James made an exhaustive study of the electoral system and followed the fight throughout the campaign.

(Big Spring people remember how young Jimmy, visiting here with his grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Claud Miller, used to pass out literature on behalf of his dad or those his father supported.—Ed.)

to the legislature in January or February of 1943.

Those were the days of the coal mine troubles; and during the course of his talk, Hill said: "People from the combat zones get a tremendous letdown when they come home. I came to the coal strike. I couldn't conceive of a thing like that happening. I would draw a gun on a striker as quickly as on an enemy."

Hill says that the phrase which stuck in his mind was about Hill's willingness to draw a gun on a striker. He says at that time he began thinking about legislation to insure workers their jobs when they get back from service, and he wrote letters to other states for information on that type of legislation.

Out of that he evolved what he calls his right to work bill, the chief purpose of which is to abolish the closed shop in Texas. Hill dismisses the argument that the bill is in violation of the federal constitution as an abrogation of the right of contract. He argues like this: The right of contract can be subordinated to the public

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