

ROOSEVELT BURIED SUNDAY

Tremendous Burden Assumed By Nation's New President

NATION RECEIVES TRUMAN'S FIRST OFFICIAL SPEECH WITH APPLAUSE AND CONFIDENCE

New President Pledges Full Cooperation In Continuing FDR's Policies



HARRY S. TRUMAN
33rd PRESIDENT OF U. S.

President Harry S. Truman dedicated his administration to war and peace ideals of Franklin Delano Roosevelt in his first official speech before a joint session of the house and senate in Washington Monday afternoon.

He emphasized with humility the great task which faces him as he assumes the tremendous burden cast on his shoulders by the sudden passing of Franklin Roosevelt, but in his need for cooperative backing he pledges his entire effort to the carrying out of the plans for pushing the war to a conclusive and victorious end, and a lasting peace. He said that he takes this program as a duty.

Both Democrats and Republicans received his speech with applause, as one full of humility and earnestness. Senator Minority Leader White of Maine summed up in four words the common reaction of Democrats, Republicans and diplomats—"I have only commendation."

President Truman's speech in part is as follows:

Mr. Speaker, Mr. President, Members of Congress:

It is with heavy heart that I stand before you, my friends and colleagues, in the Congress of the United States.

Only yesterday, we laid to rest the mortal remains of our beloved president, Franklin Delano Roosevelt. At a time like this, words are inadequate. The most eloquent tribute would be a reverent silence.

Yet, in this decisive hour when world events are moving so rapidly, our silence might be misunderstood and might give comfort to our enemies.

'A Tremendous Void'
In His infinite wisdom, Almighty God has seen fit to take from us a great man who loved, and was beloved by all humanity.

No man could possibly fill the tremendous void left by the passing.

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SANDHILLS PEACHES ESCAPE DAMAGE

Raleigh, April 14.—Although the temperature went down to 34 degrees in some sections of the sandhills last week, no frost damage to the peaches is apparent, the State Department of Agriculture is informed.

No damage to strawberries in the Wallace and Chadbourn areas has been reported.

Rev. John L. Hyatt Suffers Stroke

The many friends of Rev. John L. Hyatt of Qualla will be sorry to learn that he is paralyzed in his right arm, leg and face as a result of a stroke suffered last night.

Mrs. N. B. Davis Re-elected President of Webster PTA

Mrs. N. B. Davis was re-elected President of the Webster Parent Teachers Association for the coming 1945-1946 at the meeting held Tuesday afternoon at the Webster school house.

Other officers elected were, Mrs. Carl Stanford, Vice-Pres., Miss Lora Alice Long, Sec., and Mrs. R. P. Buchanan, Tres.

Mrs. C. C. Buchanan Speaker At PTA

The Sylva PTA met Tuesday afternoon in the Sylva High School building. After the business session Mrs. C. C. Buchanan gave a most interesting talk on the use of books for cultural education. She had arranged an exhibit of books and music, art, nature study and manners as well as posters on these subjects.

PRE-SCHOOL ROUND-UP TO BE SPONSORED BY P. T. A. MEMBERS

A pre-school round-up will be conducted in Jackson County under the auspices of the Parent-Teachers Association for the purpose of enrolling children who will enter school next fall for the first time. In connection with this round-up the Jackson County Health Department will make a physical examination of all children in attendance to determine the presence of physical defects that may be a hindrance to the child's progress in school. Parents will be notified of existing defects in order that they may have an opportunity to have them corrected before the opening of school in the fall. The Health Department will also administer vaccinations for smallpox and diphtheria and whooping cough in children not having previously received immunization against these diseases. A State Law recently enacted by the legislature of North Carolina prohibits the enrollment of a child in school who cannot furnish evidence of having had smallpox vaccination and diphtheria and whooping cough inoculations.

The schedule of pre-school clinics in Jackson County is as follows:

- Webster School—April 17, at 10:00 A. M.
- Cullowhee School—April 17, at 1:30 P. M.
- Beta School—April 30, at 10:00 A. M.
- Sylva School—April 30, at 1:00 P. M.
- Glennville School—May 9, at 10:00 A. M.
- Cashiers School—May 9, at 1:00 P. M.
- John's Creek School—May 21, at 10:00 A. M.
- Dillsboro School—May 22, at 9:30 A. M.
- Qualla School—May 22, at 10:30 A. M.
- Savannah School—May 22, at 1:30 P. M.

NATION OPENS WAR ON BAD BRAKES

Sgt. T. Armond Sandlin of the North Carolina State Highway patrol of this district has announced the participation of the patrol and other law enforcement officers in the National war on bad brakes on passenger automobiles. Sgt. Sandlin stated that there will not be a general brake inspection but all cars involved in traffic violations will be checked not only for proper brakes but the driver's license will be checked.

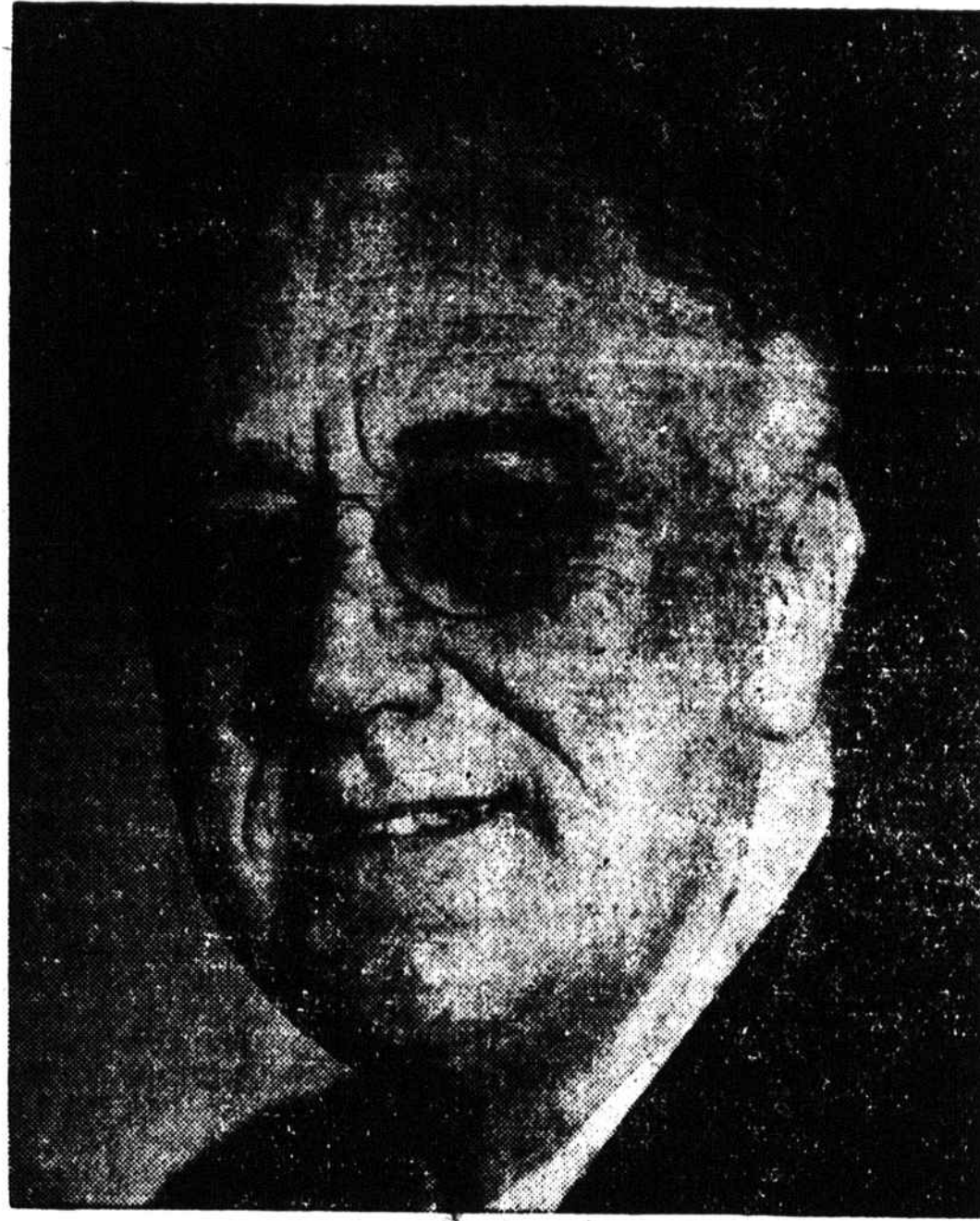
The purpose of the drive is to save passenger cars and the lives of many persons. The unique check will be made by placing a one inch block under the brake pedal and if the brake does not start to grip before reaching the block they are then considered unsafe and in need of adjustment or repair.

Local motorists may save themselves embarrassment and money later by having their brakes checked now.

Capt. Carl Byrd Fisher And James Ainst Whittier Visitors

Capt. Carl Byrd Fisher and Capt. James B. Ainst of Robbins Field, Ga., were week-end guests of Mrs. J. O. Fisher of Whittier. While here they also visited Charles A. Barker who is a patient at Moore General Hospital.

Entire Nation Mourns Death Of Franklin D. Roosevelt; Vast Tasks Face Truman



FRANKLIN DELANO ROOSEVELT
JANUARY 30, 1882—APRIL 12, 1945.

Rotarians Hear Interesting Account Of Trip To War Fronts By Major Brown

Bryson City — Despite nearly four years of German occupation, Paris is still the showcase of France and manages to carry on a number of traditions for which it was famous in peacetime. Maj. Alexander G. Brown, chief of the services division of the AAF Weather Wing in Asheville, told Rotarians of Sylva, Bryson City and Cherokee at a dinner meeting of the Tri-City Rotary club here Thursday night. (April 12.)

Speaking on the general subject, "The Last Time I Saw Paris," Maj. Brown based this talk on observations and impressions of war-time England and France collected in a recent six-weeks familiarization visit to the European theatre of operations.

Areas of extreme devastation mark scenes of the bitter fighting for the coastal sections of France, but the zone of the interior and Paris itself show little effect of the war, he said.

Black markets in France, which have created an extremely difficult problem for allied authorities from a practical and moral standpoint, were an economic necessity and a patriotic operation during the period of occupation, for they diverted a large portion of the available merchandise from German hands, Maj. Brown pointed out.

"Now, with the Germans out of Paris and other French cities, the Frenchman is unable to adjust himself to the moral concept that the black market is wrong," he explained. Food is very scarce in France, and it is a constant struggle to obtain enough to subsist on, Maj. Brown reported.

Despite the extremely low value of French currency, the francs-for-dollars exchange rate makes merchandise cost the American about four times as much as it costs the French, he said.

Turning to his visit to England, Maj. Brown reported the British were still surprisingly well dressed despite strict rationing.

"Bank messengers still wear their traditional silk hats and long frock coats, and the staffs of such hotels as the Savoy, the Mt. Royal and the Cumberland are immaculately attired at all hours in their striped trousers, morning, sack or evening coats and stiffly starched shirts and collars,

he recalled. Stores in England are still well stocked with merchandise, but there are few customers, Maj. Brown said.

"This can be understood when you study the very severe rationing program under which the British live," he said. "A civilian is allowed only 45 clothing coupons a year, and these must also serve for the purchase of linens. Two handkerchiefs cost one coupon, a suit of clothes about 24, a shirt four or six. Without overcoat or hat, the average Englishman can purchase one change of clothes a year under his coupon allowance. With all these limitations, they still appear well dressed, though somewhat shopworn and shiney at the elbow."

The Weather Wing in Asheville serves as administrative clearing house for the Air Forces' far-flung Weather Service, which forecasts for air and ground operations throughout the world.

S. Sgt. George W. Jones, Jr. War Prisoner of Germany

Mr. and Mrs. Geo. W. Jones of Loris, S. C., have received a card from their son Staff Sgt. George W. Jones, Jr., saying that he is a prisoner of war in Germany. The card was dated Feb. 4 and sent from Stalag V 111 A.

S. Sgt. Jones was previously reported missing in action since Dec. 21 while serving with the 423 Inf. 106th Division. He entered the army March, 1943, and received basic training at Fort Jackson and was on maneuvers in Tennessee and at Camp Atterburg, Ind. George, Jr., and his daddy have almost a parallel induction experience. Both attended school at Cullowhee, (W.C.T.C.) George, Sr., in 1918, George, Jr., just prior to his induction. Each entered the army in the same month and at the same army camp; but twenty-five years apart.

Sgt. Jones is the grandson of the late Mr. and Mrs. N. P. Jones of Gay. Here is a list of the grandsons and great grandsons of this couple who are now in defense of their country. Nelson Tatham, Corsey Tatham, Edwin Almond, Robert Jones, Jr., Claude Jones, Francis Jones, Coleman Jones, Lyle Jones, all of Gay and Asheville, and George W. Jones, Jr., of Loris, S. C.

CHIEF EXECUTIVE DIED FROM CEREBRAL HEMORRHAGE AT WARMS SPRINGS COTTAGE

SYLVA PAYS TRIBUTE TO THE LATE PRESIDENT ROOSEVELT

Sylva honored the late President Franklin Delano Roosevelt with a memorial service held at the Baptist church Saturday afternoon at 4 o'clock. All churches participated in the service.

H. Gibson, Mayor, opened the meeting with a few well chosen words before turning it over to the following pastors who represented their respective churches, Rev. T. F. Dietz, Baptist, Rev. R. G. Tuttle, Methodist, Rev. Rufus A. Morgan, Episcopal and Rev. McCullum, Presbyterian.

Music was furnished by a joint choir from the churches.

All business in town was suspended for an hour between 4 and 5 o'clock.

JACKSON SOLDIER HELPS BLOW UP JAP SUPPLY DUMPS

WITH THE 38TH DIVISION ON BATAAN—"We blew up at least a dozen ammunition dumps in these mountains," Pfc. Clarence O. Austin, of Sylva, North Carolina, told an Army Combat Correspondent.

Pfc. Austin was a member of a platoon of the 151st Infantry which was assigned, in addition to their other missions, to destroy the enemy ammunition supplies cached deep in the hills of Zig Zag Pass on Luzon.

"You could see the debris going sky high after our demolition charges set off the Jap dumps," Austin said. "It was a regular Fourth of July celebration," he concluded.

Pfc. Austin, son of Mr. and Mrs. Charles Austin, Route 1, Sylva, and husband of Flora Austin, (same address) has been overseas fifteen months in the Central and Southwest Pacific theaters, and now holds the Combat Infantry Badge, and the Asiatic-Pacific and Philippines Liberation ribbons with one campaign star.

Pvt. Nations War Casualty



Pvt. Rufus D. Nations was reported killed in action in Germany, March 12, 1945.

He is survived by the widow, the former Miss Ruth Bumgarner, his father, Baxter Nations, one brother, Vivian Nations and two sisters, Mrs. Lovell Higgs, of Barkers Creek and Mrs. Earl Henson of Canton.

Mrs. R. U. Sutton Principal Speaker At Savannah PTA

The Savannah PTA held its regular monthly meeting last Thursday afternoon with Mrs. Bragg Allison, president, presiding.

Mrs. R. U. Sutton, past district president, was the speaker, using as her subject, "What the PTA Means to the Home and the Community."

Mrs. Fisher's first grade and the sixth grade tied for having the most mothers present.

At the conclusion of the program refreshments were served.

Is your name on the Victory Quilt? If so, I know you'll want to buy a chance for this quilt soon.

The remains of President Franklin Delano Roosevelt were buried Sunday morning at 10 o'clock in a simple grave in the sunny garden of his family estate overlooking the Hudson River.

For a brief time, the great of the nation—the new president, the cabinet, the members of the Supreme Court, the leaders of Congress, the representatives of foreign powers—were gathered about the open grave.

Mrs. Roosevelt, her son, Brig. Gen. Elliot Roosevelt, her daughter, Anna, son-in-law, Lt. Col. John Boettiger, and wives of her three other sons, Mrs. Franklin, Jr., Mrs. James and Mrs. John Roosevelt and other relatives and close friends of the family gathered about the grave as the simple burial words were spoken by the President's 76-year-old pastor, Rev. W. George Anthony, rector of the Hyde Park church.

Immediately following the burial rites many of the officials, including Mrs. Roosevelt, son, Elliot, and daughter, Anna, returned to Washington on the President's special train.

DIED SUDDENLY THURSDAY P. M.

The Nation was shocked and plunged in sadness when word was flashed to the world that the President died at his Warm Springs cottage at 4:35 P. M. (E.W.T.) Thursday following a cerebral hemorrhage suffered a short time earlier.

In Washington at 7:09 P. M., Vice President Harry S. Truman took the oath as the Nation's 32nd Chief Executive.

"I have a terrific headache" were the last words spoken by President Roosevelt to Comdr. Harold Bruenn, naval physician. A few minutes later he was unconscious.

The body was taken from Warm Springs by train to Washington where it arrived early Saturday morning. Funeral services were held in the East room of the White House Saturday.

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J. R. DILLS FUNERAL HELD SATURDAY P. M.

Funeral rites were held Saturday afternoon at 2 P. M. at the Jarrett Memorial church for J. R. Dills, 72, who died at his home in Dillsboro Thursday April 12th, following an illness of several weeks. Rev. F. P. Blankenship, Rev. T. F. Deitz and Rev. B. S. Hensley were in charge of the service. Burial followed in the Parris cemetery.

Mr. Dills was a life-long resident of Jackson County. He was married to Miss Octa Fowler in 1896. Mr. Dills is survived by the widow, one son Ralph Dills of Dillsboro, two half brothers, Thurman Dills of Dillsboro, Jessie Dills of Cullowhee, one sister, Mrs. D. M. Tallent of Sylva.

Active pallbearers were: Claude Pangle, Claude Queen, James Wike, Weaver Mashburn, Howard Dills and Theodore Snyder. Honorary pallbearers were: Walter Ashe, W. C. Queen, S. W. Enloe, Cole Cannon, Mont Cannon, Elias Monteith, Capt. Weaver, C. B. Thompson, R. F. Jarrett, Dr. A. S. Nichols, Dr. A. A. Nichols, H. L. Holden, Glenn Hughes Roy Cowan, Rance Barrett, Mr. Pressley, P. W. Kincaid, John A. Parris, Dr. D. D. Hooper, Dr. Grover Wilkes, and Dock Sutton.

Flower girls were: Mrs. P. W. Kincaid, Mrs. Ossie Sutton, Mrs. Ruth Buchanan, Mrs. Ed Curry, Mrs. Ruby Middleton, Miss Nina Bumgarner, Mrs. J. A. Parris, Mrs. Mont and J. C. Cannon, Mrs. C. C. Mason, Mrs. Virginia Cox and Mrs. R. S. Barrett.

Training Union To Be Held With The Scott's Creek Baptist Church

The Tuckasegee Baptist Training Union Association meeting is to be held with the Scott's Creek Baptist Church Tuesday night, April 24, 1945, at 8:00 P. M. All Training Unions throughout the south are holding similar meetings on this night and it is hoped that all church in our association will be represented at this important meeting.