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## ROOSEVELT RILES TO BE HEARD TODAY AS GRATEFUL NATION MARKS DEATH OF LEADER WHO FOUGHT FOR ENDURING PEACE; U. S. THIRD ARMY SLASHES MUNICH-BERLIN SUPERHIGHWAY

### 32-Mile Eastward Drive All But Splits Germany In Half

Yanks Outflanking Nazi Capital And Pilsen, In Czechoslovakia, And Batter Last Lines Of Retreat For Enemy Fleeing South

PARIS, Saturday, April 14.—(AP)—The U. S. Third Army severed all direct roads and railways between Berlin and southern Germany yesterday with a dazzling 32-mile eastward drive that all but split the Reich in half.

La Gen. George S. Patton Jr. struck with all his wanted fury, cutting the Munich-Berlin superhighway and his wanted army and driving a wedge of steel within 90 miles of the Russian lines and 38 miles of the Saxon capital of Dresden.

The Third Army was outflanking both Berlin and the Czechoslovakian munitions city of Pilsen, and driving hard against the last lines of German retreat.

Patton's columns, their exact positions marked by artillery, were believed already 20 miles east of the western tip of Czechoslovakia and were unopposed across the state of Prussia, 32 miles south of that Balkan democracy's northern frontier.

Hardly a mile from the border, the Fourth Army's spearhead hurled the Mulde river 10 miles northwest of Pilsen, a week's slog clearing the way for Russian drives to Prague and the Nazis' "mountain redoubt" in southern Germany after taking more than 130,000 Nazi prisoners in the battle for the second city of Hitler's greater Reich.

Vienna, 2,000-year-old city where Hitler as an embittered and obstinate leader, the conqueror of world conquest, fell, the combined Soviet and American forces were driving toward the city.

Patton's troops were believed to be cutting across Germany 15 miles north of the Czechoslovak border and 115 miles from the North German Plain in retreat eastward as far away as 100 miles northwest of Berlin.

The enemy on the North German Plain was in the greatest immediate peril from the Third Army, which after crossing the Rhine, brought up a spearhead of one hundred 100-mile drive that reached the river north of the crossings and much closer to Berlin.

Behind the bulk of the Third Army, the Red Army's greatest objective, Russian and Nazi aerial reconnaissance indicated serious war was approaching for Russia's final hour.

Even as Patton's tanks were rolling back the German Army across Austria between the Danube and the Drava rivers on a 150-mile front toward Hitler's last fortress.

### TRUMAN TAKES OATH AS PRESIDENT OF UNITED STATES



Harry S. Truman (left center) is sworn in as President of the United States at the White House in presence of high government officials. Left to right are: War Secretary Henry Stimson; Commerce Secretary Henry A. Wallace; War Production Board Chief J. A. Rogers; Navy Secretary James Forrestal; Agriculture Secretary Wickard; an unnamed person; Attorney General Francis Biddle; Truman, State Secretary Edward R. Stettin; Jr.; Mrs. Truman; Interior Secretary Harold I. Ickes; Chief Justice Charles E. Hughes; J. Edgar Hoover; J. P. Morgan; Fred M. Vinson; Rep. John Martin; Rep. Hiram Bingham; and Rep. John McNamara. (AP Wirephoto.)

### GRIEVING NATION PAYS HOMAGE TO LATE PRESIDENT

Truman Decries Mourning Day, Urges Prayers As World Gives Tribute

WASHINGTON, April 13.—(AP)—Saturday was set aside today as a day of national mourning for Franklin D. Roosevelt.

President Truman, in his first proclamation, set the tone for the occasion by urging all Americans to gather during the day at their places of worship and pay homage to the memory of his predecessor.

The new President, in that document, summed up his own tribute: "The courage of great men outdressed them to become the country of their people and the people of the world. It lives beyond them and it will live on."

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### City Joins Nation In Tribute, Business Halts During Funeral

Tucson joins a sorrowing nation today as its business, military and political units plan observance of a period of mourning for the late President.

Either for the entire day or for the hours during which President Roosevelt's funeral service will be conducted at the White House, the city's churches will be open for special prayers.

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### President To Be Buried At Boyhood Home In Hyde Park

Sorrowing Villagers At Warm Springs, Ga., Pay Final Respects; Had Written Speech Asking For 'End To Beginning Of All Wars'

WASHINGTON, April 13.—(AP)—Franklin Delano Roosevelt, who gave his life to help restore the world to sanity and lasting peace, was en route today to receive the final tributes of a grateful nation.

His body was put aboard the train at Warm Springs, Ga., shortly after 11 a. m., eastern war time, for a 23-hour run to Washington after an impressive military procession from his Pine Mountain cottage.

The train was in Washington at 10 a. m. tomorrow morning. Hundreds of persons lined the railroad tracks and viaducts as the train arrived in Atlanta for a 40-minute operating stop.

At the station and presented arms at the train's approach. With Mrs. Roosevelt and other members of the family, the president's body was taken to the White House.

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