

WASHINGTON *Calling*

A Weekly Sizeup by the Washington Staff of the Scripps-Howard Newspapers



WASHINGTON, April 14.—The Truman administration:

It's too early to speak with complete assurance, but this is the way it looks now:

There will be many cabinet changes in time. The senate will have more to say about running the country than ever before in recent history.

MR. STETTINIUS is almost certain to give way to James F. Byrnes as secretary of state. It will not happen before the San Francisco conference, but Mr. Byrnes will go to San Francisco as the President's personal representative. Mr. Byrnes was at Yalta, knows what went on there.

Mr. Stettinius was appointed with the frank understanding that President Roosevelt was to be his own secretary of state, that the state department "team" was to be held on a tight rein, removed if it didn't perform as F. D. R. wanted.

Mr. Truman was to have nominated Mr. Byrnes for vice president at Chicago, until Mr. Roosevelt changed the signals. With Mr. Truman and Mr. Byrnes at the helm, chances for senate ratification of treaties will be improved.

Morgenthau Expected to Be Replaced

MR. MORGENTHAU will go. Edward Pauley, California oil man and treasurer of the Democratic national committee, or John Snyder, St. Louis banker and close friend of the President, are mentioned as possible successors.

Secretary of War Stimson has been talking of resigning after V-E day and the possibility is greater now, but he will not leave by request.

Attorney General Biddle probably will go. It had been rumored here that Mr. Biddle would appoint Maurice Milligan, Mr. Truman's most hated political enemy, an assistant attorney general. Mr. Milligan will not get the appointment now, and Robert E. Hannegan may get Mr. Biddle's job. It has been traditional for national committee chairmen to go into the cabinet as postmaster general, but Mr. Hannegan aspires higher.

FRANK WALKER, now postmaster-general, has stayed only out of friendship for Franklin D. Roosevelt.

There are no present rumors about changes in the navy department or interior. Secretary Ickes has worked closely with President Truman on various war matters.

A new secretary of agriculture is likely.

SECRETARY WALLACE probably is secure in his new job. He has a large personal following in the Democratic party, a factor that will count with President Truman.

FRANCES PERKINS will make her resignation good this time, as she has been trying to do for so long. But no one has yet hazarded a guess as to how Mr. Truman will find a labor secretary acceptable to all factions.

Old Friendships

LOOK FOR A SENATE coalition to dominate the administration. Tom Connally (D. Tex.) is likely to head it. Senate has long seethed with resentment of the strong executive; President Truman has sympathized with this point of view. He'll turn to old friends on the hill for advice, guidance. And Mr. Connally is one of the oldest; President Truman credits him with being potent in re-electing him to the senate.

He asked Mr. Connally to serve on the Truman committee, help him with that work. Mr. Connally was his choice to notify him formally of his nomination as vice president.

Another close adviser: Senator Carl A. Hatch of New Mexico.

Harry Hopkins will disappear from public life promptly. His place as close confidant, adviser, probably will be taken by Hugh Fulton, former secretary of the Truman committee, now practicing law in Washington. He rode to the White House with Truman Friday morning.

CHANGES in the high command will not take place, with the possible exception of Gen. Brehon Somervell of the army service forces. Somervell and President Truman clashed sharply on Canal, other matters. If Somervell stays he'll be strictly in army services and supply.

President Truman has a military background; probably will feel the close sympathy with the army that Mr. Roosevelt had for the navy. He wanted to go to West Point but was stopped by a poor eye; was a charter member of the Missouri national guard. He's still a reserve officer, wanted active duty in this war. His heroes are military, he's a close student of military campaigns, an authority on the civil war. He's served on the senate military affairs committee for the past 10 years.

But under Truman, armed forces will have less to say about civilian affairs. He has bucked them on many such matters, resents military intrusions on civil

MOORING FOR FDR DECREED IN MOSCOW

MOSCOW, April 14 (U. P.).—Black bordered red flags fluttered over all official buildings in Moscow today in keeping with an official decree calling for two days of mourning for President Roosevelt.

The mourning decree was unprecedented. Hitherto such an honor has been reserved for the highest Soviet leaders.

Mr. Roosevelt's death still overshadowed everything else in the minds of the government and the people alike, it appeared. They hoped President Truman would fill the gap in the Big Three ranks.

The government newspaper Izvestia said:

"The Soviet people always will cherish the memory of the great American statesman, President Roosevelt, who has done so much to strengthen Soviet-American friendship."

"All freedom-loving nations will remember him as a great organizer of the struggle of the free nations against the common enemy and as a most outstanding battler in the cause of democracy and progress."

WAVES Feted



Rosemary Pruitt

OPEN HOUSE will be held for WAVES Rosemary Pruitt and Ruth Rather from 2 to 5 p.m. tomorrow in the home of Petty Officer Pruitt's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Hollen N. Pruitt, 329 N. Gray st.

Petty Officer 3-c Pruitt, a former Times employee, is stationed in Cleveland, O., and will return to her base Tuesday. Special Officer 3-c Rather will return to Washington, D. C., Friday.

BROTHERS MEET IN PARIS

Pfc. Vincent J. Migliano and Sgt. Joseph Migliano, sons of Mrs. Rose Migliano, 250 W. 42d st., met in Paris on Good Friday after being separated more than a year. They also met last year when they were stationed in England.

DEMOLAY PARENTS TO HOLD MEETING

The Parent Council of the Indianapolis chapter of the Order of Demolay will meet at 8 p. m. Monday in the chapter house, 1017 Broadway.

Officers of the council, which was organized in January, are Mrs. R. J. Stuch, president; Mrs. Joe Voorhis, vice president; Mrs. R. J. Sheets, treasurer; Russell S. Woodin, secretary; Russell S. Burch, corresponding secretary, and Thomas E. Burch, chaplain. Mrs. Edward Schumann is telephone chairman and Mrs. Goldie Schlegel is publicity chairman.

SLUGGED AND ROBBED OF \$325 IN BONDS

Stick-up men last night slugged James Cavanaugh, 412 N. East st., and took \$325 in war bonds and \$15 in cash. The attack was made by two men at East and Vermont sts.

Pvt. Patrick Sone, Wakeman general hospital, Camp Atterbury, was robbed of \$30 at New York and Blackford sts.

Marines' Choice



VICTORIA CAMPBELL

2½-year-old daughter of Marine S. Sgt. William H. Campbell, formerly of Indianapolis, is the girl a unit of marines in the Pacific "would most like to meet 18 years from now."

Vicky's photograph was selected from more than 150 snapshots entered in the Red Cross contest at her daddy's base. The granddaughter of Mr. and Mrs. William P. Campbell, Bloomington, she now is residing with her mother and 5-month-old brother in Fredericksburg, Va.

TRIPLE OFFENSIVE MOUNTED IN BURMA

CALCUTTA, April 14 (U. P.).—The allies continued the war against Japanese in the Burma theater by land, sea and air today. The triple offensive resulted in the sinking of several coastal vessels in the Andaman sea, the entering of Hlaingdet by troops in the Meiktila area and widespread destruction by bombings throughout Burma.

The unspecified number of Japanese coasters was sunk in a continuation of the anti-shipping sweep which caused the destruction of a Japanese convoy by the East Indies fleet in the latter half of March.

Prior to the naval battle the British fleet bombed Sigi and the port of Blair in the Andaman islands west of the lower coast of Burma. Shore installations were also bombarded at Great Coco island, north of the Andamans.

The entering of Hlaingdet, eight miles east of Thazi, by troops of the 14th army opened the way for a drive eastward along the road leading into the Shan states.

FDR's Flowers on Jefferson Grave

MONTICELLO, Va., April 14 (U. P.).—A wreath ordered by President Roosevelt was one of the last acts of his life today lies upon the grave of Thomas Jefferson.

The wreath was placed on the grave yesterday during Jefferson day ceremonies by Gen. E. Warner McCabe, commander of the University of Virginia's school of military government.

SOLDIER KILLED IN AUTOMOBILE CRASH

T. Sgt. Steven M. Dougherty, 25, Toronto, O., was killed yesterday in an automobile accident on state road 67 near Emerson ave.

He was stationed at Ft. Harrison. The car in which he was riding crashed into a bridge abutment and plunged over the bank of White river.

Three soldiers with Sgt. Dougherty were seriously injured. They are T. Sgt. Edward Snook, Tiffin, O.; Pvt. Donald Drake, Marquette, Mich., and Pvt. Robert L. Brooks, St. Louis.

"This generation of Americans has a rendezvous with destiny. ...It behooves us now to meet that destiny."



In Memory of FRANKLIN DELANO ROOSEVELT
who spoke and lived these words.

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Teachers to Learn Rules And Supervise Marble Games

Readin', writin' and 'rithmetic will be tossed to the four winds Monday when school kids knuckle down to qualifying rounds in 'The Times-City Recreation Division marble tournament.

Four representatives will be selected from each of the some 150 city, township and parochial schools for participation in the sectionals on April 28.

Meanwhile school teachers supervising tourney play have been asked to attend a demonstration session at 3:45 p. m. Monday in the Central Y. M. C. A.

Indianapolis Recreation Director K. Mark Cowen will demonstrate with agates and crystals for the teachers' benefit.

Purpose of this display is to prep all teachers, public, parochial and township, who are helping in the tournament. Instructions also will be given on how to conduct regulation marble rings as required by tournament rules.

Winner of the competition will be awarded a pre-war bicycle. The runner-up gets a sweater. All sectional victors are to receive medals, and mothers and dads will be invited to spectate the sectional play.

F. B. I. GRADUATES THREE

Three Indiana policemen today were graduated from the F. B. I. national academy in Washington, D. C. They are Sgt. Thomas V. Curley, Gary; Chief of Police Donald L. Long, New Castle, and Capt. Earl L. McPherson, Marion.