# WEEKLY NEWS ANALYSIS

# Russ Break With Japs Changes Entire War Picture in Pacific; Ike Predicts Guerrilla Warfare

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TREATY:

Russ Break With Japs When Foreign Commissar Vyacheslay Molotov curtly handed the Jap ampassador a note denouncing Russia's neutrality pact with Japan, the

Nations' chancelleries anon'T EM Speculation about Marshal Stalin's intentions was heightened in view of the close imminence of the world security conference in San Fran-



MARSHAL STALIN

cisco. Two facts, however, were clear for the record The treaty or-dinarily would have run until April, 1946, yet Russia decided to void it summarily. Marshal Stalin publicly

described Japan as an jaggresage nation.

The Bussian government, more over, accused Tokyo of helping the Nazis.

"Germany," The note recalled, many's allysians helped the latter in herswar against the U.S.S.R." not.

Observers were agreed that Russ siaja action meant a gloser working cooperation between Russia and her allies. How soon that meant an open declaration of war by the Reds on Japan, time would tell.

Even as the bad news came from Russia the Japs got an-"rude reminder that the payoff uof aggression was apaT preaching when it wast an-st nounced from Washington that General of the Army Douglas MacArthur had been chosen to lead all American army forces in the Pacific and Fleet Admiral Chester W. Nimitz had been selected to lead the naval forces in the final drive on the Japa-nese homeland.

General of the Army Henry H. Arnold will command the 20th (Superforts) Air force and will be in charge of all other aerial action in the sector. The chiefs: staff will continue to direct be overall strategy and will rive specific responsibility to macArthur or Nimitz for particmar operations in the Pacific.

This extension of operational territory for the two leaders who have been carrying the war to Japan's doorstep indicated that the "island hopping" phase of the campaign was over and a new strategy involving a direct assault on the Jap homeland was imminent. nav taken.

### JAP CABINET: More Woe Ahead

A steadily heavier burden of trouble was to be the fate of the new Suzuki cabinet in Japan. That was unmistakably forecast in the fall of 4s predecessor—the Koiso

Two major events had contributed to the Japanese government crisis. One was the successful progress of Okinawa island, only 230 miles from the Jap mainland. The other was Soviet Russia's action in denouncing the neutrality treaty with Japan that still had a year to run.

Ushered in as a rallying force against the Allied march toward Tokyo, after the infamous Tojo government had failed, the cabinet of Premier Gen. Kuniaki Koiso had encountered disaster after disaster in its eight and a half months of exist-

How long the new cabinet of 77year-old Adm. Baron Kantaro Suzuki would last was open to speculation. But Japs as well as Americans doom of Nippon was approaching. | across the Danube to Vienna.

# OKINAWA:

Timetable's Ahead

ed. Japanese resistance on Okina, country's industrial structure, he was had stiffened after U. S. army declared. "The wartime controls troops had cut the island in two.

question of the Soviet government's future course with Nippon became a matter of high importance in United southern areas of Okinawa, Marine drawal." A straty strate by 3rd amphibious forces continued extension of their northern lines,

Observers were of the belief that bitter battles would have to be fought and won before the southern portions of the island could be won. In this area it was estimated that between 60,000 and 80,000 enemy troops were concentrated. Nevertheless, Maj. Gen. Roy S. Geiger, marine commander, said the timetable was well ahead of schedule.

### WORLD TRADE: A War Preventive

security conference in San Fran- regarded as a reward for good concisco was Secretary of State Stet- duct. Argentina had followed its retinius' address in Chicago outlining cent declaration of war against the plans for wider world markets in Axis by signing the Act of Chapulwhich the industrial output of the tepec pledging nonaggression in this United States would match other na- hemisphere and had likewise begun tions needs. nelosno . a trow

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tions of international life that will York City allaun sen of make it possible to maintain high. "Rich as we are, we do not have levels of productive employment the human or physical resources to levels of productive employment. and farm income and steadily rising standards of living for all the American people Manage as

## GUERRILLA WAR: Forecast in Europe I disti

The statement to President Roosevelt from General Eisenhower forecasting extensive guerrilla warfare in Europe was being borne out as Allied armies ground their way through Germany and her vanquished satellites.

Unable to form a strong unfied line to combat the Allied smashes toward Berlin, the Nazis command depended on a series of "last man"; stands to delay extinction. Undeniably General Eisenhower's Affled armies on the west were cutting Germany to pieces. Yet spots of resistance remained and each posed a cleanup problem to the Allies. The trap in the Ruhr was an example of this trend.

Over battlefields once reddened by dissipate our patrimony generation the blood of soldiers who fell in the after generation," he declared in Napoleonic wars, American and emphasizing that we cannot afford British divisions smashed in their to continue a cycle of "fighting and drive east to meet the Russians and building and winning and giving the American military advance on to bisect Germany. Far forward away." in the vanguard of the race to Berlin were armored units of General POSTWAR JOBS: Patton's 3rd army. Pressing toward the strategic North sea ports of Bremen and Hamburg were the British forces of Montgomery.

Meanwhile, Lt. Gen. James H. Doolittle was sowing destruction via warplanes on the airfields, rail yards and supply dumps in the Munich area of southern Germany where it was reported Hitler was planning his last stand.

In the east, Russian forces had continued their pressure on Berlin and to the south they cleared Hungary of enemy forces, capturing knew one thing for certain. The final | Bratislava in Slovakia and pouring

## HIGHLIGHTS . . . in the week's news

ART TREASURES: Hidden in a | dank tunnel used by German civil- play of 1,500,000 items of army sur-Among the art found were works of Van Dyke. In addition there were from his birthplace in Bonn.

SURPLUS GOODS: A pre-sale disians near the front, priceless art plus property drew 500 dealers to treasures from France were found | Philadelphia. Although the general simply mean a reversal in the flow by units of the U. S. 1st army. public was not eligible to bid, war of traffic from east to west, he told veterans wishing to obtain stocks Rembrandt, Reubens, Van Gogh and to go into business were allowed to ciation of American Railroads in submit orders, Sales were under the 500 original scores by Ludwig van direction of E. H. Mallory, regional Beethoven, the composer, taken sales officer for the treasury depart- and supplies that have to be moved ment's surplus disposal branch.

## RECONVERSION: Postwar Freedom

J. A. Krug, War Production board

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As military observers had expect- any long-range programming of this were developed with the advice and With the strategic airfields of the counsel of management and labor capital city of Naha as the prize, the in the various industries affected, 24th army corps and the 7th divi- and this same advice and counsel is sien fought flercely against well-or being sought in considering the ganized Japaunits defending the timing of their relaxation and with-

# ARGENTINA:

'Probation' Ends

Argentina's probation period as the bad boy of the western hemisphere drew toward a close as the state department announced it was removing its special economic restrictions against the South American nation.

The new United States policy will put Argentina on an equal footing with the rest of Latin America when it asks to buy commodities in this country.

A significant prejude to the world | The state department's move was an energetic purge of Nazirspies.

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Control of Pacific bases "paid for-with American blood" and the main-tenance of a large postwar navy were urged by Fleet" Admiral Ernest of King, commander of the 

Failure to keep these bases now, will mean that this country will have to fight for them another day. turbing the peace of the United he declared in an address before the the surrender of General Lee's army States and to develop those condi Academy of Political Science in New



ADMIRAL ERNEST KING "Keep our bases."

# Baruch Sees Plenty

Postwar America as a land where jobs will be plentiful was envisioned by 75-year-old Bernard Baruch, adviser to President Roosevelt, in an interview published in the army newspaper Stars and Stripes.

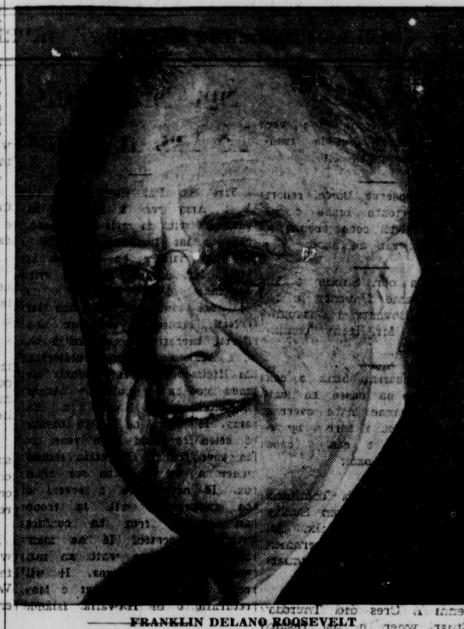
On a mission to London, where he conferred with Prime Minister Churchill of Great Britain, Baruch asserted that servicemen would have nothing to worry about when they got home, and that "there will be more work in the United States than there will be hands with which to do it."

## RAILROADS:

Problems of the American railroads will not be solved by the termination of hostilities in Europe. Col. J. Monroe Johnson, director of ODT, declared.

The end of the German war will a meeting of executives of the Asso-Chicago. Carriers will be confronted with large amounts of troops across the country.

# **Entire Nation Mourns Death** Franklin D. Roosevelte Face Truman



declared the United States would Upped 40 Billion of the state of the

Death resulted from a gerebrat hemorrhage at 4.55 p. m. rabout June 30, 1996. at capity con April 12 and Presidente

The present debt in terms of "man for Legears, one mouth and nine days." The White House was a life Combain defeated. F.D.Row turity value"—the basis on which announced as the site of the funeral, with interment at the statutory limit is set—is about family estate at Hyde Park, N. Yisisiano and midited. With the following year the great limit of \$260,000,000,000 would have a limit of \$260,000,000 would have a limit of \$260,000,000,000 would have a limit of \$260,000,000,000 would have a limit of \$260,000,000 would have a limit of \$260,000,000 would have a limit of \$260,000,000,000 would have a limit of \$260,000,000 w

PACIFIC BASES:

One of Pacific bases "paid for And every citizen who mourned the untimely passing of the war with American plood" and the main. Commander-in-Chief felt that he was a casualty of the war just as surely as every G. I., Marine and Sailor who had fallen in battle."

> President died in wartime. Abra-ham Lincoln, fell under Assassin Booth's bullet just five days after at Appomattox in 1865. Woodrow Wilson lived to see victory oven Germany in World War I, but he fought a losing battle for the League of Nations and died early in 1924, a defeated leader. Many historians believe Lincoln's greatness might have been dimmed in the conflicts over reconstruction that followed the War Between the States, just as Wilson's prestige was lost in the conflict over the league that followed World War I. Thus Franklin Roosevelt, dying atab the height of his careen just as victors was to be echieved over Ger many seemed likely to live in his-

tory as a great man.

As the American people from

Main Street to Riverside Drive mourned the death of Franking may be maintained in helping win for his successor, Harry S. Trumman job of guiding the hation to postwar Roosevelt, their prayers went and For on the shoulders of this slight, gray, 60-year-old Missourian had been laid a responsibility such as no American President had ever

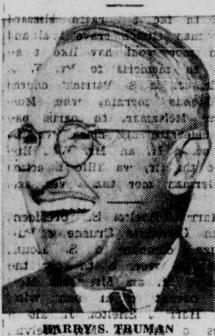
What the consequences of the President's death would be to the United States and the world, time alone would tell. But as Americans recovered from their first shock at the news, they quickly determined two things. The war must be prosecuted to as speedy and victorious a finish as possible. Lasting peace must be established.

And so, regardless of party or of past political differences, the people have rallied behind Mr. Truman. The new President faces the im-

mediate task of directing American participation in the United Nations' blueprints for a permanent world organization. He likewise faces the responsibility of establishing working relations with other members of the Big Three, so that the personal cooperation which existed between Franklin D. Roosevelt, Josef Stalin and Winston Churchill in leading the Allies toward victory

## PRECEDENTS OUT:

Throughout his career as President, Franklin D. Roosevelt was known as the "precedent breaker." That title was first conferred in 1932 when he flew out to Chicago from Albany, N. Y., to address the Demoeratic convention that had nominated him. It continued after his election as a result of his informal methods of transacting business. But it reached a climax in his decision to seek a third term in 1940 and a fourth term in 1944.



32nd PRESIDENT OF U. S.

the peace. He faces the long-range many and Japan are finally defeated.

Known as a plain, modest man who has not dramatized himself personally, President Truman nevertheless has demonstrated on many occasions that he can be a leader of force and determination. His work as chairman of the Truman committee in the U.S. senate investigating the conduct of the war is cited as an example of this. And his conduct of the Vice Presidency has shown that he can work successfully with political leaders of both parties in getting needed measures passed and in reconciling opposing points of view.

The 33rd President was born in Lamar, Mo., May 8, 1884, although the home of the family for four generations had been on a farm near Independence, Mo.

Served in World War I. When World War I broke out, Truman became captain of Battery D in the field artillery of the 35th Division and saw action at St. Mihiel and in the Meuse-Argonne offensive. Back in Independence, Truman

and a war buddy opened a haberdashery business. He married his boyhood sweetheart, Bess Wallace, and they have one daughter, Mary Margaret. Truman later turned to politics

for a career, which started with his election as County Judge of Jackson county, Mo. In 1926 he became the presiding judge of Jackson county, with the endorsement of Tom Pendergast, political boss of Kansas City. He studied law at night and supervised the construction of a great highway system.

# President's Life Was Characterized By Tigorous Action

Unlike the "log-cabin" presidents, Franklin Delano Roosevelt was not born into poverty. When Franklin arrived at Hyde Park, N. Y., on January 30, 1882, he came into a family that had possessed wealth for many generations. The Roosevelts had been thrifty land-owners in the Hudson valley since the first of the family came over from Holland. On his mother's side also there was a substantial fortune. Among his ancestors were many men who had served the state in various capacities.

Young Franklin attended the very fashionable Groton school, where he prepared for Harvard university. After completing the liberal arts course he entered Columbia U. law school, from which he was graduated in 1907. Two years earlier, however, he married his distant cousin. Anna Eleanor Roosevelt. Eleanor was a niece of Theodore Roosevelt, at that time in the White

After two years of legal practice, Franklin entered politics, running on the Democratic ticket for the New York state senate. He unexpectedly defeated a strong Republican candidate. From the beginning of his career he identified himself with reform movements, opposing the powerful Tammany organization in the statehouse. He was re-elected in 1912, by which time he had become a leader of the anti-Tammany faction.

Woodrow Wilson appointed Roosevelt assistant secretary of the navy. When World War I broke but Roosevelt proved himself an efficient administrator, handling billionstanfodellars' worth sef-contracts for ships and supplies. He served in this post throughout the war Ban for Vice President

In 1920 the Democratic pational convention chose him as running mate for James Cox. While campaigning for the vice presidency Robseveltudmade inangeb acquainto ances vaduables in blater intelitical

without hope, Slowly his pow-erful will took command, however, and by persistence he partially regained the use of his muscles! It was during his convalescence at Warm Springs, 80 Ga, that he determined to do, what he could to eradicate the scourge that had almost ruined him. The March of Dimes campaign was the resultion on in

At the Democratic conventions of 1924 and 1928, he aligned himself with the group supporting Alfred E. Smith, New York'so governor When Smith was nominated in 1928,-Roosevelt ran for governor of his state and was elected. At the end of his two-year term he was again elected. this time by the greatest majority ever given to a New York ee Etot o grazin groundavog

As governor he continued theoreform and improvement policies of his predecessor Smith. His achievements attracted nationwide attention. As the depression that began late in 1929 deepened, his efforts to control the mounting business failures, unemployment and dis-tress in his state revealed his abili-ties as a vigorous leader in grave times. It is a vigorous leader in grave

Tisiswept in as President. on 60 When the national convention met Mi Chicago fir 1932 Robsevelt was quickly chosen. He was swept into office by amplurality of seven million votes, carrying 42, states,

Both houses went Demogratic. Before he could take office wave of bank failures threatened the whole economic structure. The famous "bank moraforhim' ofder, one of Roosevelt's first official acts, /closed all banks until they could be reorganized on a sounder basis, thus preventing disastrous runs. In the spring of 1932 came the repeal of the 18th, or prohibition amendment. Then came the National Industrial Recovery Act, or "NRA," under which extensive emergency powers were granted to the President. A series of public works were authorized to combat unemployment, together with huge appropriations for direct relief.

The numerous executive and legislative acts of this first term were approved in general as necessary in the face of widespread suffering. A phrase from one of the President's speeches, "a new deal," developed into a title for the whole Roosevelt program.

In 1936 the convention in Philadelphia nominated Roosevelt by acclamation on the first ballot. He carried 46 states in the elections. This second term maority was so overwhelming that many New Dealers began to call it a "mandate from the people." During this second term a great number of measures were passed to increase the economic security of the individual, particularly the workers, farmers and small businessmen.

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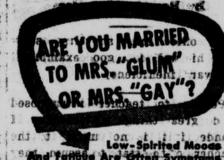
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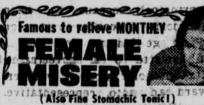
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