

GOOD EVENING EVERYBODY:

The wires have been loaded with important news tonight. For instance, the Congressional hearing on the subject of what to do about the American Communists produced flaming testimony today. Testimony from Willaim C. Bullitt, who was at one time American ambassador to Moscow.

Bullitt stated that Soviet Russia is planning what he called -- "an ultimate attack," on the United States. Our former Ambassador to Moscow argued this from the well known principle of Marxian communism. The classic Soviet view has been, presumably still is, that Marxian Communism cannot triumph and be safe in Russia if bourjeoise liberal states exist elsewhere in the world.

Said Former Ambassador Bullitt: - "The time may not be far distant before it will be necessary to insure the safety of the United States."

Therefore, he recommended that we keep our atomic bombs ready, and have fleets of planes ready to hurl the atomic missiles, if a sudden emergency should arise.

Congressman Bonner, a North Carolina Democrat, asked Bullitt what would happen if Russia had the atomic bomb. Bullitt replied: If Russia had it, the bomb already would have been dropped on the United States. And he described ~~xx~~ the American Communist Party as a fifth column outfit that's part of Soviet preparation for eventual war with the United States.

The United Nations today began its consideration of a general disarmament program. The Soviets having ~~■~~ blocked the American proposals for controlling atomic warfare and abolishing the bomb, ~~xxxx~~ attention now shifts to the general disarmament idea -- which the Soviets themselves, ~~int~~ introduced. Immediately, there was a suggestion by British delegate Sir Alexander Cadogan who said that before there is any kind of all around ~~disarmament~~ disarmament, the United Nations must be provided with a military establishment for enforcing the peace. In other words, establish a United Nations army as a safeguard -- then disarm.

SUBSTITUTE YALTA

(The publication late today of the official agreements made at the Big Three conferences, at Teheran, ~~xx~~ Yalta and Potsdam - verifies two recent disclosures made of clauses that have been kept secret.)

We recall how last week at the Moscow Conference, Molotov suddenly sprung on Secretary of State Marshall a secret agreement that the late President Roosevelt made with Stalin at Yalta, -- an agreement <sup>(whereby</sup> ~~xxxxxxx~~ <sup>)</sup> Germany was to pay the astounding sum of twenty billion dollars in reparations, of which Soviet Russia would get one half, ten billions. When Molotov made this Yalta provision public, the British at the Moscow conference immediately disassociated themselves from it, stating that Prime Minister Churchill, at Yalta had refused to agree with <sup>(those)</sup> ~~xxx~~ <sup>^</sup> astronomical figures.

So what do we find tonight, now that the complete text of understandings at the Yalta Conference have been made public? That <sup>the</sup> ~~^~~ text as issued

by the State Department, <sup>(Or</sup> shows the Molotov version of the agreement at Yalta to have been entirely correct.) So, we learn officially from our own government, <sup>^</sup> a thing that had been kept secret until now -- that <sup>(</sup> President Roosevelt ~~had~~ did concede to Stalin half of the reparations to be paid by Germany, ten billion<sup>s</sup> out of a staggering total of twenty billions -- with British Prime Minister Churchill dissenting.)

The other thing confirmed by the text of Big Three ~~xxxxxxxxxxxx~~ agreements, ~~xx~~ as made public tonight, has to do with the disclosure made earlier today at the London Parliament. The British Prime Minister of State for Foreign Affairs declared that at Yalta there had been a secret agreement whereby German prisoners of war were to be used as labor in payment of reparations -- huge ~~xxxxxxxx~~ numbers of prisoners forced to work on a giant ~~xxxxxxxx~~ scale. <sup>R</sup> Well, Soviet Russia goes in for forced labor in a big way -- one of the characteristics of the

Communist Utopia. The Soviet regime has been attacked repeatedly and bitterly for ~~thxxx~~ its huge institution of slave labor. *And* now in the London Parliament, the statement was that (the Big Three at Yalta made a secret agreement that part of the reparations to Soviet Russia would be forced labor by Germans - in effect, slave labor.)

That, too, is verified in the text as released tonight. There's one provision which states that Germany must ~~be~~ pay reparations in the form of both goods -- and labor.

As for the rest of the three documents setting forth the agreements made at those three international conferences of the Big Three, Teheran, Yalta and Potsdam, ~~--- were given~~ *--- we now have* a whole series of things more or less known:- The Big Three, on one occasion or another, made decisions on such matters as the D-Day invasion of Normandy, and the advisability of getting Turkey to to into the war. One proviso

at Teheran concerned Bulgaria, now a Soviet ~~st~~ellite but at that time Bulgaria was a Nazi Satellite and the decision was that if the Bulgars joined Nazi Germany in an attack on Turkey Soviet Russia would make war on Bulgaria.

It may take some time before all the details in the documents disclosed today are studied and analyzed.

The publication of the texts of the Big Three meetings was at the demand of Congress.

So tonight there is much talk about promises that F D R may have made to the Soviet dictator at that famous Yalta Conference of the Big Three -- Roosevelt and Stalin and Churchill.

Demands have been made that the whole story be disclosed -- all the promises that Roosevelt made to Stalin. There seems to be plenty of mystery. Was an official record made of all the talking and promising that went on between the late President and the Red Chieftain?

One surmise is that there were documents, formal

declarations, which are being kept secret. Another belief is that the Roosevelt pledges were made in confidential talks with Stalin -- with stenographic notes, possibly, as evidence.

Or maybe the Soviets may come up with Roosevelt commitments, of which we have no record at all. All of which leaves this country of ours in a peculiar position.

The whole trend of events has been such as to compel a publication of the official Big Three texts. Even if we ~~might~~ only now have the official versions, this is in line with the American way. In the crisis that faces this country right now, the best American method is to give the people all the information. Let the people have the facts.



There's an interesting personal question at the Moscow conference -- one pertaining to the social side -- hospitality. British Foreign Secretary Bevin has had an interview with Stalin at the Kremlin. We don't know what Bevin said to Stalin, and vice versa, but probably they hoisted a number of those Soviet toasts. <sup>TP</sup> Previously, French Foreign Minister Bidault had gone to see Stalin at the Kremlin, so now two of the visiting Foreign Ministers at Moscow have had a personal pow-wow with the Red Dictator. The one that has not ~~yet~~ as yet been to the Kremlin is our American Secretary of State, George Marshall. <sup>TP</sup> The question is: When will he see Stalin? In answer the Moscow speculation notes that both Bevin and Bidault asked for interviews at the Kremlin. They ~~was~~ weren't invited -- they asked. And the word at the American delegation ~~is~~ in the Soviet capital is that General Marshall has not asked. He has made no overtures to see Stalin.

In fact, the Secretary of State told American news men yesterday that he had no plans for a visit to the Kremlin, which <sup>(raises)</sup> ~~raises~~ the question; will ~~the~~ General Marshall be the one of the three foreign Ministers of the western democracies who will not be <sup>(received)</sup> ~~received~~ by the Soviet dictator?

Meanwhile, at the conference, our Secretary of State today offered proposals for a reduction of the occupation forces in conquered Germany. He suggested that the American, British, Russian and French should cut their armies in Germany to a minimum. This argued General Marshall would relieve the Germans of a large burden -- which they now have to support. They, are required to maintain the forces of occupation. So the more ~~the~~ the burden is lightened, the more nearly the Germans will be able to support themselves, and will not have to depend on outside relief. Meaning, relief provided ~~justified~~ by the United States and Great Britain.

HOOVER

A plan to keep American tax payers from being swindled out of billions of dollars was advanced today by former President Herbert Hoover. He recommended that in occupied Germany, the American and British zones, industry should be put into operation again. <sup>TP</sup>The former President criticized the way in which German industry, both light and heavy, has been curtailed, -- restricted to such an extent that the Germans cannot support themselves and have to be maintained by relief from the United States and Great Britain. <sup>R</sup>Herbert Hoover pointed out that both Soviet Russia and France have violated the Potsdam agreement for the economic unification of the conquered country. They are taking huge amounts of commodities out of their zones for reparations, as a result of which the Americans and British have been pouring in goods for relief. <sup>TP</sup>We are making good for what they take out. "The net effect," declares former President Herbert Hoover today, is "that the United States and ~~the~~ Great Britain through

relief are paying Russian and French reparations."

This is a new and pointed emphasis on the irony of the situation, whereby the American taxpayer is being ~~re~~ tricked into paying for the damage done by the criminal <sup>aggressions</sup> ~~aggressions~~ of the Nazis. Maybe those damages should be paid for -- but, why should we do the paying? The simple fact of course is, that Germany can't possibly make good for the havoc of the war of which Germany was guilty. No aggressor country can ever pay up -- in defeat. This being so in the present case, it would ~~seem~~ seem as if some people over there have the idea that the smart thing is to push off the burden onto your Uncle Sam.

That's what Herbert Hoover wants us to avoid -- to some extent at any rate.

## LIGHTNING

There's a weird thrill in the thought of a plane being hit by lightning -- and it is a triple thrill when the plane is hit by lightning three times. That's what happened to a flying fortress in far eastern skies, winging from Japan to Okinawa.

Lieutenant Colonel Michel McCoy of Los Angeles was at the controls, the fortress flying at eight thousand feet through snow, sleet and rain -- thunder and lightning. There was a blinding flash and the plane shook as if blasted by <sup>an</sup> explosion -- lightning striking the right wing-tip. <sup>R</sup>The fortress flew on, and then was hit twice again in rapid succession. This time, the effect was a fantasy of terror. The floor of the radio compartment was ripped open. "Air", relates Colonel McCoy, "rushed up through the bottom of the fuselage because the camera doors had been blown away." <sup>R</sup>The lightning smashed seventeen holes in the right wing and aileron. The under side of the left wing was battered. And

there were holes from nose to tail, and wiring had melted. All the radio sets were burned out, as was the turbo-amplifier. That's what three strikes of lightning did to the Flying Fortress -- and aboard the plane the airmen were afraid they were about to burst into flames.

"We decided" says Colonel McCoy, "to descend as rapidly as possible in order to ditch the aircraft in case of fire." So down they plunged through the violent electrical storm, and at fifteen hundred feet they broke out of it. Suddenly, they were in quite placid weather, ~~xxxxxxx~~ <sup>and</sup> their plane was not abaze. So, they went on serenely to Okinawa -- in a Flying-Fortress that had borne the brunt of the electrical flames of the sky.

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I happened to be in a plane, crossing the Atlantic, during the war, that was struck by lightning -- struck once, etc. And so long until Monday.

## REPUBLICANS

*Taken from early broadcast*

These are days of public opinion polls.

Even the political parties are going in for them to determine what their own leadership is thinking.

The magazine "Republican", <sup>the</sup> party organ of the G O P., for example, engaged a public opinion analyst to sound out the State and County chiefs of the local G O P organizations all over the country. The object -- to find out what local leadership thinks of the foreign and domestic ~~public~~ policies of top ranking Republicans ~~in~~ who are mentioned for the Presidential nomination in Nineteen Forty-eight. <sup>R</sup> So who do you think came out first in point of foreign policy? *Yes,* Vandenberg of Michigan, <sup>at</sup> seventy-two percent of the local Republican leaders give their okay to the stand on world affairs taken by the Senator who ranks as the number one Republican in foreign policy.

What about domestic matters? The answer is -- Dewey of New York. Seventy-five percent of the local Republican leaders give their approval to the domestic policies advocated by the New York Governor.

On the foreign side, after the seventy-two percent for Vandenberg -- came Dewey, fifty-eight percent, Taft <sup>— 10 points down —</sup> forty-eight, Bricker thirty-nine, Stassen <sup>only</sup> thirty-five. And so on down the line.

In point of domestic ~~politics~~ politics -- Dewey with seventy-five, is followed by Vandenberg seventy, Bricker sixty-one, and Taft fifty-nine.

People in the West will be interested to know that Governor Warren of California ~~comes~~ comes eighth in the foreign policy poll, twenty-three percent of the Republican leaders favoring his expressions of opinion in world affairs. In the matter of domestic ~~politics~~ policy, Governor Warren is fourth, with forty percent.

It is pointed out specifically that this survey of local Republican leaders has nothing to do with Presidential preference -- Senator Vandenberg, for example having repeatedly declared himself out of the race for next year's G O P nomination. The Poll merely states party leadership in the matter of approval of positions taken -- Vandenberg leading on foreign, Dewey on domestic policies.



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its huge institution of slave labor.

Following the Yalta Conference there were reports that the Soviets would use German prisoners in immense droves as slave labor -- and now the official disclosure is that the slave labor angle was one of the secrets of Yalta.

In the House of Commons today the British Minister of State for Foreign Affairs declared the London government was preparing a full publication of its records of the ~~the~~ Yalta Conference. Meanwhile, he admitted that prisoner-of-war-labor as reparations constituted part of what would be published.

He was reminded by a Labor M P that former Prime Minister Churchill who was one of the Big Three at Yalta, and <sup>former</sup> Foreign Secretary Anthony Eden had repeatedly stated that there had been no secret agreements at Yalta, everything open and above board. The Minister of State for the Labor government indicated coldly that he could not reply for the Ministers of the former Cabinet-- "I can only answer for this government" said he.

FOLLOW YALTA

The latest tonight is the release in Washington of the texts of all those big three conferences -- Teheran, Yalta, and Potsdam. The full formal proceedings at all three were made public by the state department this evening -- and right now the bulky ~~documents~~ documents are being studied for significant angles. Thus far, nothing startling seems to have developed. The Teheran text shows the big three in favor of Turkey joining the war -- Soviet Russia agreeing to declare war on Bulgaria, if Bulgaria should collaborate in a Nazi attack on Turkey. There are agreements pertaining to the D-day invasion of Normandy, and other matters about which we have heard.

This is only a hasty preview of pages upon pages of Big Three conference texts, which have to be read closely and carefully to pick out the ~~significant~~ significant angles.

COMMUNISTS

In Washington a congressional committee began hearings today on the subject of action to be taken against the American Communists. The first three witnesses ~~reported~~ represented the American Legion, the nation's largest organization of veterans. They told the House Committee on UnAmerican activities that the Communist Party ~~should~~ should be outlawed. <sup>R</sup>The testimony from the American Legion described the faction of American Reds in the following words: "The willing instrument of a foreign power bent on the destruction of American democratic ~~government~~ government by violent uprising."

<sup>R</sup> James F. O'Neill, National Vice Chairman of the Americanism Committee of the Legion, urged a law to deport any ~~alien~~ alien found to be a Communist. Also -- revoke the citizenship and deport any naturalized citizen who is a Red. <sup>R</sup> Legion Vice Chairman O'Neill added that there should be an investigation of writers at Hollywood -- to see if any of them are introducing Communist ~~sympathies~~ sympathies

into motion pictures.

At the same time, the committee voted a citation for contempt against Leon Josephson, who is ~~xxx~~ alleged to be the key figure in a ring of international Reds engaged in faking passports.

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π In the world wide Communist conspiracy much use is made of fraudulent passports, which enable Stalinist agents to get from one country to another. Josephson, former New Jersey attorney, has refused to testify before the committee -- hence the charge of contempt.

R Congressman Nixon of California states that the Department of Justice will be asked to presecute Josephson for revolutionary conspiracy. That would duplicate the charge against Gerhart Eisler, who has been called Chief Soviet spy in the United States.