

P.J. - Sumoco. Thurs., Dec. 27, 1945.

Good evening everybody:

News from the Moscow conference at last, and what news.

If the big three foreign ministers had achieved nothing else, their agreement on atomic bomb control makes their meeting <sup>of vast</sup> ~~many, many~~ <sup>importance,</sup> ~~times worthwhile.~~ Whether it will work, of course, remains to be seen, but at first hearing it does sound like a practical and practicable scheme. At any rate, it seems to be designed for the benefit of the greatest number.

*So far we haven't* *that is*  
~~We do not yet have~~ the joint statement to be published simultaneously in Moscow, London and Washington. That will not be released for publication until ten o'clock tonight, eastern standard time.

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The information we have is divulged by our own state secretary James Byrnes.

First, let us consider their plan for controlling the atomic bomb. In a nutshell, they agreed to create an atomic energy commission as part of the united nations organization. This body is to concentrate its efforts on making sure that atomic energy be used only for peaceful purposes. It will devise a system for establishing the strictest control of the secret and

production of atomic energy, in order to prevent military use of atomic weapons. ~~For~~ Further details <sup>we'll have to wait</sup> of ~~this scheme~~ we shall learn ~~when~~ <sup>for</sup> the official statement of all three foreign ministers, ~~to~~ <sup>later</sup> ~~told to the world~~ tonight.

<sup>still</sup> Another important agreement they concluded was for the control of Japan by four members of the U N O, ~~at the~~ <sup>the</sup> United States, the Soviet Union, China, and the British empire, <sup>and ourselves,</sup> Each of these powers will be represented <sup>to</sup> on <sup>a</sup> the controlling <sup>board</sup> ~~body~~. <sup>a</sup> The far eastern commission <sup>to</sup> will sit in Washington. Hitherto, <sup>and Molotov have</sup> Stalin ~~has~~ declined to become <sup>in on this</sup> a member of ~~that~~ commission, <sup>But</sup> now the Soviet Union will join. <sup>is</sup> The control board, consisting of a member of each of the four great powers, will enforce the directives and recommendations of the far eastern commission. <sup>with</sup> General MacArthur ~~is~~ <sup>is</sup> to stay on the job as enforcement authority and supreme commander, <sup>But henceforth</sup> but he will be under the orders of the four power council. <sup>And then,</sup>

Russia and the British Empire are to be represented in the military occupation of Japan, but only with forces of token strength. And, the four big powers will have the right to veto

any recommendations of the far eastern commission.

They also agreed on a plan for Korea. The same four powers, Uncle Sam John Bull, the Soviet Union and China <sup>to</sup> will exercise a trusteeship <sup>forlorn</sup> over that country, for five years. They will promote the development of Korean resources and the Korean political system so as to enable the Koreans to exercise <sup>after 5 yrs</sup> the full independence which the Cairo agreement of two years ago promised them. In the meantime, the American and Russian military commanders in the two occupation zones <sup>are to</sup> will get together and <sup>do their utmost</sup> try to iron out the difficulties of administration and communications.

Aside from the big fact that they developed a real plan for the disposal of atomic energy, it <sup>seems most</sup> is cheerful and encouraging to find that they agreed at all. Evidently, it betokens a spirit of ~~friendship and understanding~~ which was ominously lacking before the Moscow conference began. Secretary Byrnes <sup>referred</sup> said as much <sup>to it today as a most</sup> himself. He said it was a very constructive conference, and they cordial relations established among the big three <sup>with</sup> give hope of settlement of other problems in the same spirit.

## Add Conference

Evidently the Russians are also quite pepped up over the agreement between the foreign ministers. Last night Uncle Joe Stalin celebrated the end of the Pow-wow by going to the Bolshoi theatre in State. It was the first time he had been to the theatre since V-E Day.

Secretary Byrnes in a postscript to his first announcement to the papers gave out some encouragement about the matters which were not settled at Moscow for he said, "outside of matters covered in the communique, the foreign ministers discussed a number of other matters and by an exchange of views clarified subjects for the three governments so that it will be easier for them to secure action in the future." And he added: "and there will never be a time when matters will not be pending among the three governments, because new questions will arise as the days go by."

Pope.

*The Pope today*  
Pope Pius the <sup>his</sup> ~~T~~ <sup>eleventh</sup> repeated the plea for world unity which *— much the same plea*  
he has uttered several times <sup>before</sup> since he ascended the Papal Throne.

His message directed to Americans of all creed was conveyed through Archbishop ~~Francis J.~~ <sup>the new</sup> Spellman of New York, Cardinal designate.

"World peace," said the Pontiff, "will not be born by itself. It must be born of the spirit." And he continued: "hatred and the lack of mutual understanding in peoples have formed a fog too dense for reason's light to penetrate. There is only one way ~~to be declared,~~ of escaping from the mesh in which war and hate have wrapped the world," <sup>he continued,</sup> "And that way is to return to unity, a unity not restricted to any one people, but a universal solidarity established on the foundation of mutual interests and common destinies of all peoples."

<sup>special</sup>  
Pope Pius had some ~~kind~~ words for the American people. He <sup>says</sup> ~~considers~~ <sup>that Americans</sup> they have a genius for splendid and unselfish action. <sup>And he</sup>  
He points out that the destinies of humanity are now largely in their hands. "One of the worst evils of the war," he said, <sup>is</sup> "that it <sup>strikes</sup> struck at the heart of human society, which is

family life, and wounded it to death. It ~~let~~ <sup>By letting</sup> youth escape from  
the normal discipline of home and school, weakened <sup>ing</sup> the bonds  
of wedded life and released <sup>ing</sup> a flood of lusts."



Add Pope

*The Pope*  
His Holiness also addressed a letter to the Bishops of  
*in which he*  
Germany. He said he had multiplied his prayers for the German  
people, especially for those in Berlin and Eastern Germany,  
meaning those in the parts occupied by the Russians. He warned  
all the priests of his church not to interfere in political  
matters. That, said he is the way to contribute in a true  
manner to harmony, order and stability in Germany, avoiding  
above all dictatorship of any form.

Actually, this letter was sent as long ago as November first,  
to Cardinal Faulhaber, the archbishop of Munich and all the  
other archbishops and Bishops in Germany. *But* It has only just  
been made public. In expressing his sympathy with the German  
people, it referred specifically to the unhappy events occurring  
in eastern Germany. And he followed that out by warning them  
not to attempt resistance.

## Germany

Tonight we have more evidence of wide dissension  
between the <sup>three Paramount Power and the French</sup> French and the other allies over the control of  
Germany. It is contained in a report by General Joseph  
T. McNarney, the American Commander in Europe. <sup>who</sup> He accused <sup>s</sup>  
the French of hampering the recovery of the Germans <sup>by</sup> because  
they refuse <sup>ing</sup> to give up the present four-power system of  
controlling the country. The French attitude, said the General,  
to ~~Washington~~, is creating a problem that <sup>is</sup> <sup>ing</sup> becomes more and more  
serious, every week. The French have consistently refused to  
approve of the plans on which the Americans, British, and Russians  
<sup>ourselves</sup> agree, plans to treat Germany as a single unit, until the  
Allies make a definite decision about the French demands to  
separate the Ruhr and <sup>the</sup> Rhineland from the rest of Germany.  
<sup>Yes!</sup> McNarney explains that the longer these plans are delayed,  
the more the Germans will resort to barter and other abnormal  
economic relationships. <sup>which</sup> That will make it more and more  
difficult to follow the Potsdam formula of <sup>+</sup> treating Germany as  
a single economic unit.

The General also mentioned the grave conditions caused by



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physical factors such as inadequate communications, the continued breakdown of transportation. Furthermore, unusually light rainfalls <sup>has</sup> have caused low water in German waterways.

The purge of the Nazis <sup>is still on and by</sup> have been going on. By

November ~~one~~ million persons had been investigated. On the other hand, strict price control so far has fended off the threat of inflation, which seemed to be inevitable last fall, and the cost of living has not risen more than one percent, says General McNarney.

## Add Germany

Here is another side of the picture, a little sketch of what the Russians are doing in their zone. They have one controlling purpose, and that is to keep the German war machine ~~dead, and dead~~ <sup>defunct</sup> forever. Correspondents at the old university ~~town~~ <sup>city</sup> of Halle met Major General Kotikov, head of the Soviet Military government in Saxony. Halle is one of the old German university towns, not far from Leipzig. Kotikov, for a Russian was amazingly frank with the newspapermen <sup>and</sup> ~~journalists~~ <sup>journalists</sup>. He told them the Russians are prepared to stay in Germany until they've carried out their aims, no matter how long it takes. Evidently they mean it, because the <sup>wives</sup> ~~wives~~ of the Russian army officers are joining them, taking up permanent residence with their husbands, in homes formerly occupied by Nazis. Said Kotikov: "we must have a military government here so long as it is necessary to be secure against aggression."

At the same time, he believes that the Germans, as soon as all their war plants have been taken away from them, must be returned to normal life as quickly as possible. The Soviet officials are determined to stick closely to the terms of the

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Potsdam declaration.

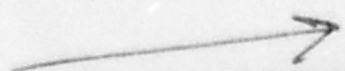
Kotikov's own policy in Saxony is to prevent any war factory from operating and to make sure no armament industry can spring up in the future. And he is proceeding with the job of locating isolated war criminals and removing Nazi party members from all German public office and all German enterprise. Also, he maintains a firm hand on the German civilian government which now administers the entire civil affairs of the province.

France

In the last month or so, news from France has come so piecemeal that it was not quite clear what was going on. But today it becomes evident that what is happening is a new French revolution. Not a violent one, no tumbrils, no guillotine, no street barricades. It is an economic revolution.

The de gaulle government has devised a three year plan for recovery, with the same purposes, if not the same methods, as the five year plan with which the Soviet Union accomplished so much. At the head of the French economy will be what amounts to a brain trust. It will include cabinet ministers, technicians, and scientists. Its job will be to bring about the modernization of French industry and make it more comparable to the production capacity of America, Great Britain and Russia.

Another major purpose will be to mechanize French agriculture thus reducing the amount of food that the French have to import. They will also aim at bringing about a balance between imports and exports. At present the proposition is highly detrimental to the French people.

The theory of the cabinet is that international economy is based on the American dollar. 

therefore, if France is to have its share of world trade, the Franc must have a sound value in relation to the dollar. The pound sterling is no longer used as the criterion.

The first step towards achieving this plan was the ratification by the French constituent assembly of the Bretton Woods agreement. The assembly also gave its okay to the economic agreement with Washington, under which we are to advance the French government five hundred and fifty million dollars through the export-import bank.

Palestine

Two days after Christmas, and ~~rioting never was worse~~ <sup>more rioting</sup> in the holy city, in all ~~quarters~~ <sup>parts</sup> of Jerusalem were rocked by explosions throughout the evening. Fires ~~broke out at many~~ <sup>too,</sup> different spots. ~~They were~~ <sup>But these</sup> quickly brought under control, and no casualties are reported. But it was a violent and thoroughly uproarious evening. ~~Sympathy disturbances at~~ <sup>Also</sup> Tel Aviv and Haifa. ~~Apparently they were so planned as to~~ happen at the same time as the attacks in Jerusalem. There were street battles with pistols and machine guns. The rioters shelled a police station set off bombs at a railroad station. The police station had only just been rebuilt after the riots which destroyed it last year.

Note- Mr. Thomas:

Here is a note from Dorothy quote - sun check came through today. Transfer from central hanover not necessary because of this. Dorothy unquote ~~M~~MARCHIA

## Reorganization

President Truman has already begun his job of reorganizing the federal government. The first agency to fall under the axe is the smaller war plants corporation. It is to go out of business by January twenty-eighth. The functions of the S W P C are divided between the department of commerce and the reconstruction finance corporation. In signing the order, Mr. Truman said that this is an important move toward establishing a permanent government program for helping small business to grow and prosper.

Apparently most of the functions of the smaller war plants corporation will be exercised by secretary Henry Wallace. It is the lending and surplus activities which the R F C will handle, and that includes helping veterans obtain surplus war goods.

## Strike

When the Yale and Towne strike began at Stamford, Connecticut, the union pickets succeeded for a while <sup>even</sup> in keeping even to officials, executives and office help out of the factory. Neither the state nor city police of Stamford did anything about it.

But today there is a different story. The union notified the authorities that it was going to resume mass picketing this morning. So both Stamford city cops and state police, more than a hundred and twenty-five of them, went on the job and broke up the blockade. The pickets were so strong at first that the state police captain in charge called for reinforcements. So cars were rushed to the scene full of officers, armed with night clubs. Nobody got hurt, but there was plenty of pushing and shoving. In the end, the path was cleared and officials of the company went into the plant. Six pickets were arrested charged with breaches of the peace. They were taken to head quarters, fingerprinted, and five of them <sup>in</sup> detained.



Korean

At American military headquarters in Seoul, capitol of Korea, appeared an iron worker today. He asked the officers to help him find a house for his family. Only a month ago, he returned from Japan, where he had been doing forced labor for the Japanese. As credentials, he showed the following letter signed by a couple of American soldiers who had been prisoners of war in Japan. It read: "The bearer of this note is a Korean by the name of Kim Hae Wong. He is a right guy. He gave us lots of <sup>breaks</sup> ~~breaks~~ when things were tough in Forty-Three, forty-four- and forty-five, besides feeding us with his own rations when we were starving, so please help him in any way possible."

That note was signed by sergeant W. C. Meeker of the army air forces, formerly of Bataan, and master sergeant John M. Stanke of the thirty-first infantry regiment which was cut to pieces on Corregidor. Both of them, while prisoners of war, had been forced by the Japanese to work in the Hirohata Iron factory near Kobe. There they were helped by the Korean for whom they wrote a note

Note: ~~in the lead story, fifth paragraph, where we talk~~

*of high commendation - Kim Hae Wong - a right guy. And now Hush-a-wang, a right guy.*

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