

# Churchill Claims U.S. Version of Yalta Papers Contains 'Some Mistakes'

## Prime Minister Disapproves of Early Publication

London—(U.P.)—Prime Minister Winston Churchill told Parliament today that the American version of the Yalta papers contains "some serious mistakes."

He added that it seemed to him it would have been "a good thing" if he had been consulted on the text before it was published.

Churchill was plainly annoyed at release of the embarrassing Yalta documents by the U.S. State Department against his express wishes.

The Prime Minister, lone survivor of the Big Three who charted the postwar world at Yalta in February, 1945, made it clear by implication that he disapproved and resented the American decision to publish the documents in his lifetime.

**Not Official Record**  
The British government, he said, did not decline to agree to American publication. "It is of course the American version and in no sense an official record of the powers concerned," Churchill said.

"I have not seen anything but the extracts which now appear in the press. Even these disclose some serious mistakes."

"On general grounds, Her Majesty's government informed the United States that in their view it was undesirable that detailed records of important international discussions should be published so soon after the event."

"If this became an established practice, it might hamper the free exchange of views at future conferences."

"In any case, it would seem a good thing to consult together on the text of any publication during the lifetime of the individuals concerned."

The 80-year-old Prime Minister who with President Roosevelt and Premier Josef Stalin made up the Big Three at Yalta, went on:

"When the United States government asked if we would nevertheless agree to publication, Her Majesty's government gave their consent. This does not, however, imply that we accept responsibility for the accuracy of the American version."

"When we receive the full text of the U. S. publication we will consider whether any corrections are necessary, but, as the document is reported to extend to 500 pages, I cannot promise the house any speedy action."

Laborite Percy Daines asked if Churchill would convey to the United States government the British view that "publication of documents of this sort should be dependent upon national necessity rather than upon the desire of one party in the United States to take advantage of another."

Churchill replied quietly that the Yalta conference had "aroused very acute party issues in the United States," whereas in Britain it had not done so.

Churchill spoke for less than five minutes. His cool attitude made it clear that he was nettled by the American decision to publish the secrets.

He spoke curtly, and stood with his shoulders hunched in an aggressive pose, as if daring questioners to try and push him around.

## Bonneville - Idaho Exchange Pact OK'd

Washington—(U.P.)—The Federal Power Commission yesterday approved a power-exchange compact between the Bonneville Power Administration and the Idaho Power Co.

The 20-year power-exchange contract calls for the company to spend three million dollars for a 50-mile transmission line from Baker to La Grande, Ore., to connect with Bonneville lines.

## Highlights Contained in Yalta Papers

Washington—(U.P.)—Highlights of the Yalta papers country by country.

### JAPAN AND CHINA

As the price for entering the war against Japan, Russia demanded Japan's Kurile islands, the southern Sakhalin and neighboring islands which Russia yielded to Japan in the Russo-Japanese war, port rights in Dairen and Port Arthur, a "status quo" in Outer Mongolia and railroad rights in Manchuria. President Roosevelt agreed in principle but emphasized he would have to consult Chiang Kai-shek. He also said he preferred that Russia lease the ports and rights to the Manchurian railroad from the Chinese or that both be controlled by international commissions.

### GERMANY

Stalin called for "dismemberment of Germany" as part of the Allies' surrender terms. Churchill agreed in principle but opposed including dismemberment in the surrender terms. Roosevelt said he thought the division of Germany "into five states or seven states was a good idea."

### POLAND

Roosevelt at first insisted on free elections in Poland with U.S., British and Soviet ambassadors observing them. But Rus-

sians opposed the idea of the observers and Roosevelt dropped the demand. Roosevelt also gave in to steady Soviet pressure to give Russia some of Eastern Poland.

### FRANCE

Churchill strenuously urged

that France be given an occupation zone in Germany and representation on the Allied Control commission for Germany. Roosevelt and Stalin agreed to the occupation zone but opposed a commission seat for France. Roosevelt later suddenly changed his mind in favor of France on the commission and Stalin gave in without an argument.

### INDOCHINA AND KOREA

Roosevelt proposed unsuccessfully an international trusteeship for French Indochina and Korea.

## Footnotes To Yalta Conference

Washington—(U.P.)—Footnotes to history in the newly published Yalta papers.

Scrawled pencil notes by Alger Hiss were included in the documents. Hiss attended the Yalta conference in his capacity as deputy director of the State Department's office of special political affairs. He later was convicted of perjury for denying that he had supplied secret government information to a pre-war Communist spy ring. His notes reproduced verbatim with his own abbreviations and shorthand were largely a stenographic record of meetings he attended with no outward evidence of pro-Russian sympathy.

The documents bore the official title: "The Conferences at Malta and Yalta, 1945." They were released in two bulky volumes totaling 834 pages. Both together were the size of the Manhattan telephone directory. Indicating that they were published in great haste, the volumes given reporters were stamped "Uncorrected Galley Proofs." They contained numerous typographical errors.

Two paragraphs of the printed volumes were carefully inked out before they were distributed. A State Department spokesman refused to say what was thus deleted, but said "nothing of substance" was left out.

Roosevelt said he was optimistic that the end of World War II would usher in 50 years of peace. Stalin replied that as long as he, Roosevelt and Churchill were alive, he felt confident

"none of them would involve their countries in aggressive actions." But the Russian leader added that in 10 years all three of them might be dead. Ten years later, Churchill is the only one alive.

The State Department said the documents it made public, while a "definitive record" of the Yalta conference, were "not so complete as might be desired." It said it had tried, but failed, to gain access to the private notes made at the meeting by three leading U.S. participants—James F. Byrnes, then a presidential assistant and later governor of South Carolina; Averell Harriman, then ambassador to Russia and now governor of New York; and the late Secretary of State Edward R. Stettinius.

Fighting giraffes swing their long necks like baseball bats in an effort to knock each other off balance. They can deliver pile-driver blows with their cloven hoofs.

## Mrs. Gall Describes 15 Known Cases of Welfare Money Abuse

Salem—(U.P.)—Mrs. Goldie Gall, of Lebanon, whose husband was severely beaten by a man she believes was misusing welfare money, says she knows of 15 cases of welfare abuse.

Mrs. Gall told a ways and means subcommittee, under oath yesterday, that most of the cases involved misuse of aid-to-dependent children funds after a deserting father had returned to town and resumed living with the mother.

John Brugman, attorney for the welfare commission, told the subcommittee headed by Sen. George Ulett (R-Coquille) after Mrs. Gall testified that cases in which fraud was indicated will be thoroughly checked to see if legal steps should be taken.

**Drink Up Checks**  
Mrs. Gall said in several cases where the father had returned and was able but not willing to work, the mother had continued to accept the welfare checks, and mother and father—leaving the children with a baby sitter—would go to a tavern or night club to drink up part of the check.

She also told of cases where women deserted by their husbands were continuing to accept checks when living with other men.

Also mentioned were several

cases of girls under 18 who had children out of wedlock. In one case, she said, the girl's mother was claiming her teenage daughter as a dependent and accepting welfare relief while the girl-mother was receiving her check from welfare after the father had deserted.

Sen. Ulett wanted to know if Mrs. Gall was connected with the welfare commission. She replied she was not, but she was interested in such cases because her former husband had deserted their children.

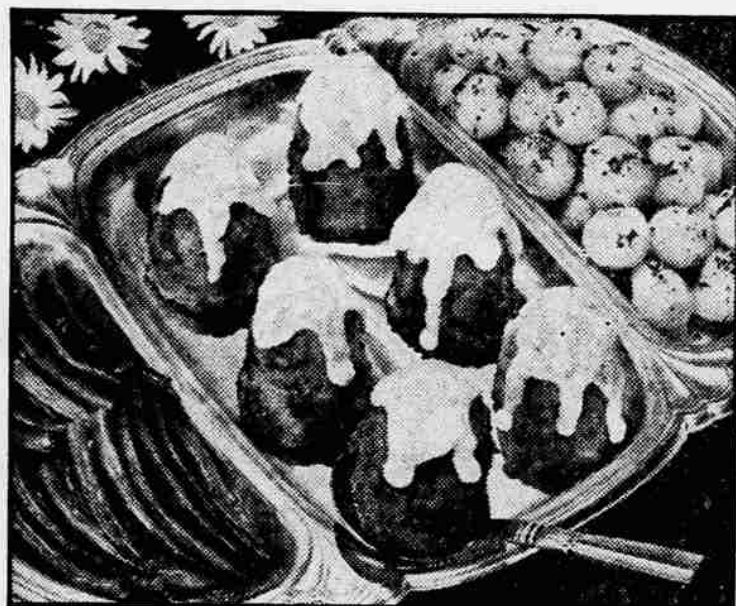
As she had to work at housework for a living, she said her mother took charge of her children back in the 1930s and eventually brought court action to win formal custody of the children.

Mrs. Gall said she had written to a Lebanon newspaper describing cases of welfare abuse, and afterward her home was entered and her husband beaten. She said she was sure that assailant had come to beat her but she was away working at the time.

Asked what could be done to correct abuses, Mrs. Gall said she thought the welfare commission when apprised of such cases should make the welfare recipients account for all the money given them.

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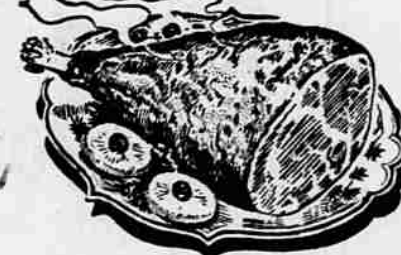
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