

Yalta Conference Details Still Too Hot To Become Public

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The Yalta conference, it has just been decided, is still so diplomatically hot after 10 years that its full details can not yet be made public.

That was the conference which President Franklin D. Roosevelt, Prime Minister Winston Churchill and Premier Josef Stalin held in February, 1945, at the Russian Black Sea resort of Yalta in the Crimean Peninsula.

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since then to crowd it out of memory.

Yalta provided for Russia's entrance into the Pacific war against Japan. It provided for the full liberation of all the countries conquered or dominated by Nazi Germany.

It also provided, among other things, for the "complete disarmament, demilitarization and dismemberment" of Germany.

The Roosevelt - Churchill - Stalin talks in the one-time summer residence of Czar Nicholas II in the Livadiya suburb of Yalta were held in the deepest secrecy. No newspaper correspondents were even permitted to accompany Roosevelt and Churchill to the Crimea. It was not until two years later that the full text of the Yalta Treaty was made public.

A Sell-Out
It has been charged that Yalta was a diplomatic sell-out to Soviet Russia.

Russia got enormous concessions for its promise to declare war on Japan, including the

Japanese Kurile Islands and Japan's half of Sakhalin Island.

Stalin promised to enter a pact of friendship and alliance with the Chinese Nationalists.

Russia did enter the Pacific fighting—five days before Japan accepted Allied surrender terms.

Instead of helping to liberate the countries Germany had enslaved or dominated, Russia Communized most of them. Instead of entering an alliance with the Nationalists, Stalin betrayed them to the Chinese Reds.

Study Urged on Cargo Ship Plan

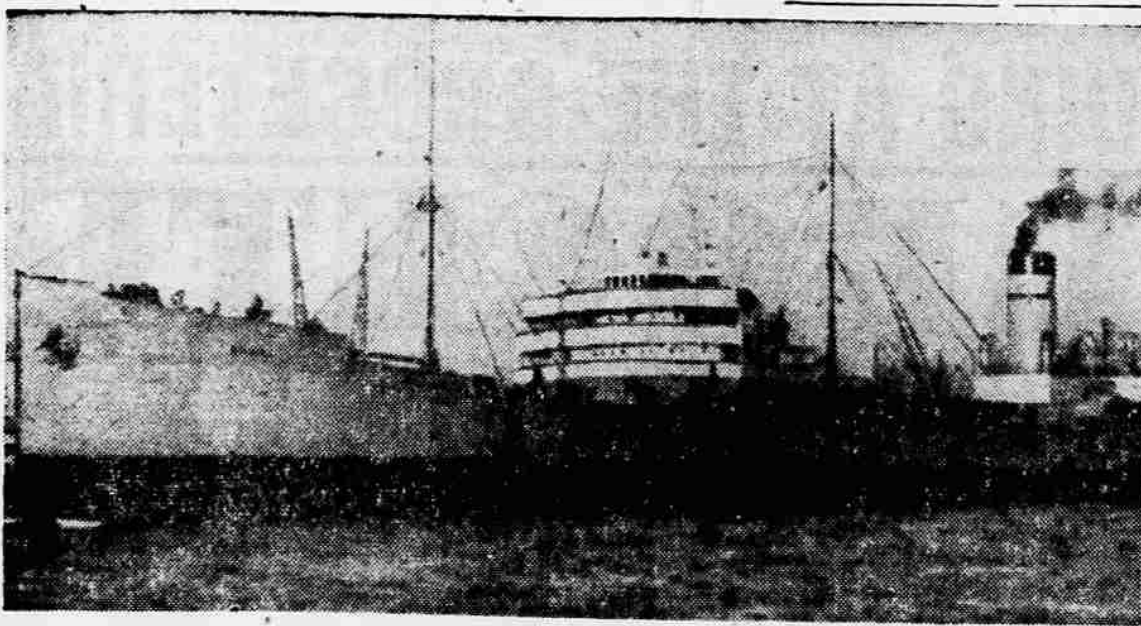
San Francisco — (U.P.) — An AFL maritime union leader has urged other unions to give "careful study" to Harry Lundeberg's plan to make American bulk cargo ships more competitive with foreign ships.

This plea came yesterday from Vincent Malone, president of the AFL Marine Firemen's Union, which has often supported Lundeberg and his AFL Sailors Union of the Pacific.

Lundeberg's plan would cut operating costs by reducing the number of crewmen on bulk carriers, and by restricting overtime pay. In addition, all crewmen would belong to the SUP.

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FUEL SHIP CREW REBELS—A crew rebellion forced the Finnish tanker Aruba (above) to quit its course for Communist China. A company spokesman at Helsinki said the ship will now head for a non-Communist port. It carries 13,000 tons of fuel for Red China, enough for 5000 jet missions against Formosa.

Meat Freight Rate Reduction Attacked

San Francisco — (U.P.) — Western meat producers and packers have appealed to the Interstate Commerce Commission for suspension of a westbound railroad rate reduction on fresh meat which does not include a similar reduction in westbound livestock rates.

E. Floyd Forbes, president of the Western States Meat Packers Association, said the rate reduction of 50 cents per 100 pounds on fresh meat was announced in Chicago Managers Committee of the Transcontinental Freight Bureau.

"The reduction can be ruinous to western livestock producers and packers" by permitting "the West to be flooded with dressed meat slaughtered and packed east of the Rocky Mountains," Forbes said.

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