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In the moorish-cum-gothic Vorontsov Palace near the Crimean holiday resort of Yalta lived the British delegates during the eight-day three-power conference which shaped the destiny of mankind. It is an ironic commentary on the fortunes of German arms that Hitler two years ago ear-marked the Palace for energy his then victorious general Manustein.

At the nearby Lavadia Palace lived the Americans, and here also was held the conference of the big three, who met in the what was the banqueting hall when the Lavadia was the summer palace of Csar. To cinemas throughout the free world Paramount War Correspondent Edward Hawkins now brings a film report which will rank among the historic documents of the second world war. Through the Dardanelles, aboard a British ship flying the Turkish flag as a mark of courtesy to the analogy of the second world war at the war correspondents privilegal and the war correspondents privilegal and the war correspondents privilegal and the war sources and the second world was a fine of the last war a Turkish motorboat piloted the British vessel.

course the British ship neared Sebastopol, the Black Sea port at which the season pilot boat came alongside, bringing the pilot who took the ship into harbour.

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reduced to the skeleton of a city, it was a short journey to the airfield at which landed the chief representatives of the Western Allies. Foreign Commissar Molotof received some of the distinguished visitors on behalf of the Soviet Government. FieldmMarshal Alexander's presence probably indicated imminent military developments in the Mediterranean theatre of war. Field Marshal Brooke, as Chief of the General Staff, was, of course, the chief military delegate of Great Britain.

Foreign Minksters Stetinius, Molatof and Eden faced a heavy programme.

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Marshal Stalin came to pay his respects to Mr. Churchill. Here was held the separate conference of the three foreign ministers and their staffs, ironing out some of the relatively smaller problems, and some saving the time of the conference proper. For some time to come they will meet every three months to co-ordinate the foreign policy of the three Allies.

In company here with Sir Charles Portal, Chief of Air Staff, is the Prime Minister's daughter Sarah, the only member of his family to accompany him to the Crimea.

Here was laid the last remaining hope of the enemy, that disagreements would military victory, enable Germany to play off one against the other and even reduce the war to stalemate. By no means was that to be the outcome of the Crimean Conference. A life-long flam for hats served the Prime Minister to good account on this Middle Eastern occasion.

The distinguished man upon whose sturdy shoulders falls the responsibility of the government of Russia came to the conference with the enviable prestige of being the architect of the greatest land victories of the war. It is old history now that the conference agreed on military and political measures likely to shape the course of history for generations to come. It is of interest here to record the impressions of Edward Hawkins, the war correspondent who made this graphic film report. He says:

Although I wasn't a participant in the talks I did get the impression that everything went very smoothly. The Big Three appeared to be in perfect concord, Mr.Churchill in particular being on the top of his form. I've spent more years than I care to remember covering news events all over the world but I can safely say that memories of the Crimea Conference will be among the most vivid of my life.