

CHURCHILL SALUTES DEAR DESERT RATS

It was fitting that one of the last public acts of Winston Churchill should have been to review the Victory March in Berlin. Mr. Churchill, more than any other one man was the architect of the victories that carried the British forces into the German capital. It is in the role of leader of the nation and not of a party that he will be remembered. The free world owes more than it can repay to Winston Churchill. Ten thousand men of the three services marched past.

~~The Stars and Stripes was hoisted at U.S. Headquarters in Berlin in the presence of President Truman, Mr. Byrnes and Mr. Stimson. It is the same flag that flew in Washington when America declared war, and in Rome the day after liberation. It will be hoisted in Tokyo - probably a good deal sooner than the Japs like to think.~~

Meanwhile at Potsdam the meetings of the three powers continue. Newspaper correspondents are loud in their complaints that very little news gets beyond the doors of the Council Chamber. ~~Glimpses of the leading actors, in their offstage moments, have to suffice.~~ ~~At this stage the shadow of the British election overhung Potsdam.~~ Film correspondents were allowed to take pictures now and again before sessions began. Marshal Stalin will now be the only member of the original Big 3 still in office. However, the understanding forged at Teheran and strengthened at Yalta will endure between the 3 great powers. In continued harmony ~~Britain~~ the British Commonwealth, the United States and Soviet Russia ensure the lasting peace of the world.