

MORRISON'S SPEECH

- JP. Mr. Morrison, can I ask you is it a fact that the news of the election was actually a surprise to you. 11
- Mr.M. I would'nt say that, I would'nt say that. It reached me in Ottawa and it was very interesting, but I had heard a lot of confidence prophecies before which I heard with the greatest possible interest. 25
- J.T. Will you tell me, sir, why you came home by ship, and did'nt fly home. 6
- Mr.M. Well! there was a lot of work to do; it was a convenient method to do it, and on the whole, in the public interest it was the wisest thing to do. 24
- J.P.
H.C. Can you give us your personal thoughts about the forthcoming election. 8
- Mr.M. I have been through many elections. I feel reasonably confident about it. I think it has been a good Government, and we deserve to win, but there is only one thing to be said about elections; that is, to do your best; work hard; try hard for victory, and when the voting has taken place, and the voting boxes are sealed up. The returning Officer will do the rest, and you have just got to wait for it; that is all. 49
- J.P. Due to the serious International situation, would you say that the possibility of a Ah!...you calling in some of the Liberal party and some of the Conservative party to form a ^{coal} ~~union~~ coalition to deal with the Persian situation, for instance. 18
- Mr.M. I should'nt think so. There has been consultations with leaders of the Liberal and Conservative parties, as we have gone along in dealing with the difficult and serious matter, I gather from the Press that the Prime Minister is seeing Mr. Churchill and that would be in accordance with what we have done hitherto.

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Mr. M. It is a situation on which it is desirable that there should be discussions between the party leaders. 46.

J.P. It must be a great responsibility for you this time. 5

Mr. M. Oh! yes it is. 4

J.P. ~~M: 5~~ with ~~M: 5~~ that the cabinet might resort to force to clear the situation. 7

Mr. M. ^① [I would'nt like to pronounce on that before I get back, and I am able to exchange views with my colleagues.] USE 12

H.C. Do you think your talk, sir, in America has promoted peace or helped to promote peace. 7

Mr. M. Oh! yes.

M.H.C. Would you make any remarks about the situation in Russia at the present moment in connection with your talks out there. 18

Mr. M. Well! I should imagine that the Soviet Union has taken a great interest in the talks out there in Francisco, in Washington and in ~~in~~ Ottawa. This, I would like to say, that neither the Soviet Union nor any of its associated powers have the slightest reason for feeling that we have been preparing for war or aggressive action. All we are concerned about is, to prevent war, and all the policies, and all the twelve powers represented at Ottawa, and of the United States and France and us met at Washington. ^② [The whole purpose of all our policies and all our work is not the making of war; not the precipitation of war, it is to prevent war and make a peaceful world, ^{the sooner} and the Soviet Union co-operate to that end ~~and~~ believe me, the happier I shall be.] USE 90

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QUESTIONS