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FRANCE HONOURS SIR WINSTON.

For the first time for 14 years Sir Winston Churchill met General de Gaulle and a wartime partnership was remembered. The garden of the Hotel de Matignon, official residence of French Premiers, had a more peaceful atmosphere than the London of the World War, where the British and French leaders worked together, though not without the occasional conflict of opinion. But while two men of such opposite temperaments couldn't help clashing now and then, each understood and respected the other.

Now De Gaulle conferred upon Sir Winston the Cross of Liberation. Nowadays, it's the honour most prized in France. Only two other non-Frenchmen have received it, President Eisenhower and the King of Morocco.

There was another honour to come, and to see the second presentation Lady Churchill was there. The accent of the day was on the Liberation of France. It is never forgotten by the General that that salvation was wrought partly by Frenchmen and the Free French. Their emblem was presented to Sir Winston, in crystal form, the Cross of Lorraine. As the 1,054-th Companion of the Liberation, Sir Winston wishes well to his old comrade in arms, General de Gaulle.