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Marshal Stalin and Clark Kerr discuss the strategy in France and hurting Germany by taking industrial centers.

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The Marshal indicated satisfaction at the plans to take the Ruhy and remarked that when the Russians took Extowion and the Upper Silesia, Germany would be deprived of her coal and much of her industry.

The British Ambassador commented briefly upon paratroop operations near Arnhom. He them inquired whether the Marshal would like to prophesy as to when Berlin would be taken. Marshal Stalin stated that he was a bed prophet and did not like to make prophecies since he might be wrong. He remarked that the Germans were extremely tenseious and stubborn.

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