

Premier Stalin Sends Invitation To Truman For Meeting

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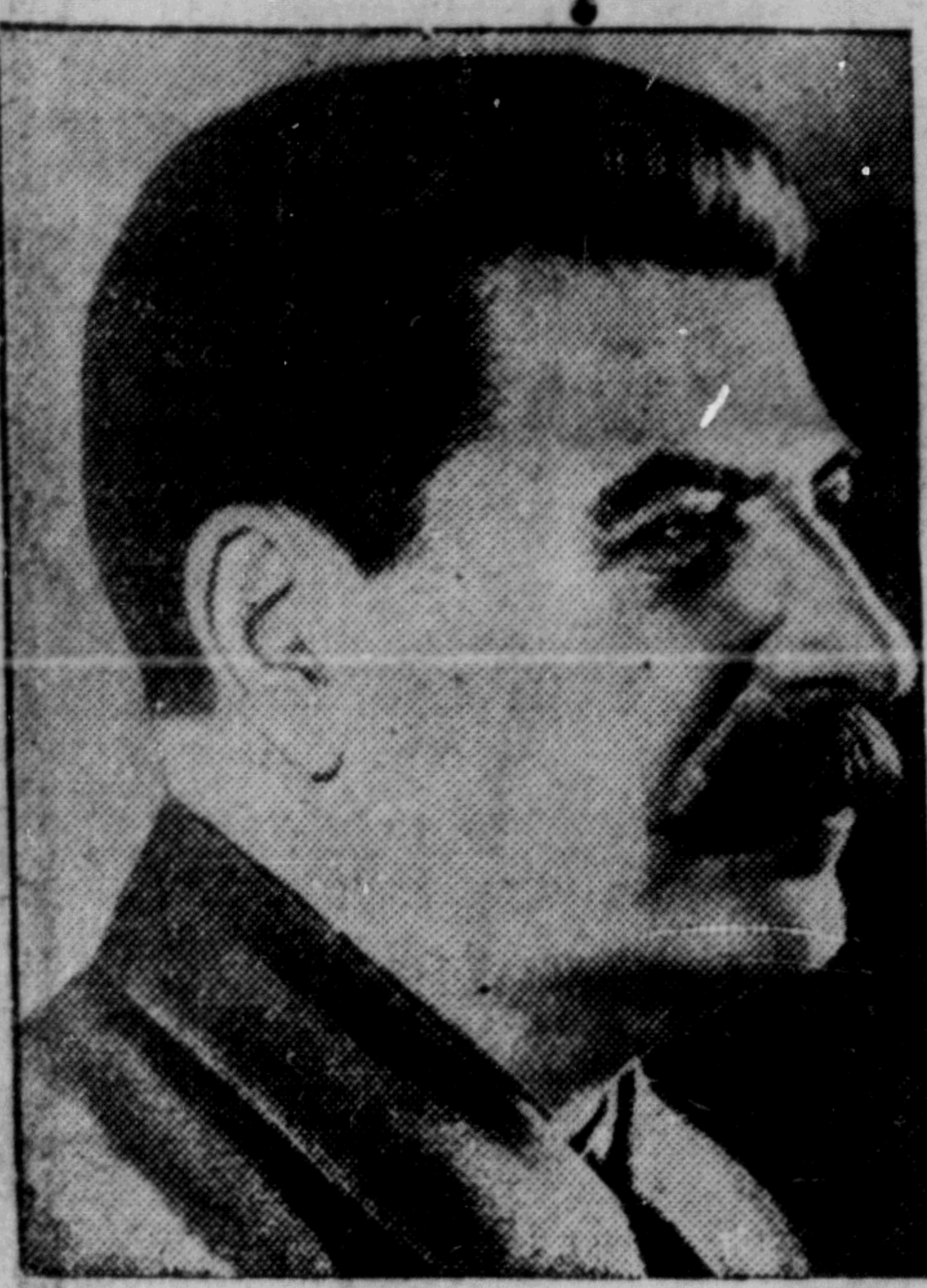
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Stalin offered to meet Truman either in Moscow, Kaininograd, Odessa and Yalta—"wherever the President chooses"—or, alternatively, in Poland or Czechoslovakia if there are objections to a meeting in the Soviet Union.

Stalin said that, although he had wanted to go to Washington for a long time, he had been advised medically against a long sea or air journey.

A White House spokesman at Washington said today that Truman had not changed his position against leaving United States to see Stalin. So far, it was reported that Stalin had sent no direct invitation to Washington for a meeting with the President to discuss United States-Russian differences.

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