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Went down the River today
on the Potomac to discuss
plan, issues, and decisions.
Took Charlie Ross, straight thinker,
honest man who tells
me the truth so I under-
stand what he means;
Matt Connelly, shrewd Irish
man, who raises up the
chips and shows me the
fugs, lowest, fair, "diplomatic"
with me; Judge Fred Vinson,
straight shooter, knows Con-
gress and law they think

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a man to trust, Judge
Rosecrans, one of the ablest
in Washington, keen mind, a
lucid pen, a loyal Roosevelt
man and an equally loyal
Truman man; Steve Early,
a keen observer, political and
other wise, has acted as my
hatchet man, absolutely loyal
and trustworthy, same can
be said as about Rosecrans.

We discussed public relations
in Germany, Italy, France, Hol-
land, Belgium, England and
Russia. Food, fuel, transporta-
tion and what to do about it.

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Japanese War and the relations with China, Russia, and Britain with regard to it; Supreme Commander and what to do with Mr. Pina Donna, Brass Hat, Five Star McArthur. He's worse than the Cabots and the Lodges - they at least talked with one another before they told God what to do. He tells God right off. It is a very great pity we have to have stuffed shirts like that in key positions. I don't see why in Hell Roosevelt didn't order Wainwright home and

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Let Mr. Arthur be a martyr.
Guess he was afraid of the
Latogge Press - Mr. Cornick -
Patterson Axis. We'd have had
a real General and a fighting
man if we had Winwright
and not a play actor and
a fiasco man such as we
have now.

Don't see how a country
can produce such men as
Robert E. Lee, John J. Pershing,
Eisenhower, Bradley and at
the same time produce Custers,
Pattons and Mr. Arthurs.