

James F. Byrnes

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Friendship without self-interest is one of the rare and beautiful things of life.

~James F. Byrnes

Power intoxicates men. It is never voluntarily surrendered. It must be taken from them.

~James F. Byrnes

Too many people are thinking of security instead of opportunity. They seem to be more afraid of life than death.

~James F. Byrnes

German militarism and Nazism have devastated twice in our generation the lands of German neighbors.

~James F. Byrnes

Most of the victims of Nazi aggression were before the war less well off than Germany. They should not be expected by Germany to bear, unaided, the major costs of Nazi aggression.

~James F. Byrnes

Provision was also made for the distribution of Germany's foreign assets among the Allies.

~James F. Byrnes

The conditions which now exist in Germany make it impossible for industrial production to reach the levels which the occupying powers agreed were essential for a minimum German peacetime economy.

~James F. Byrnes

The American people want peace. They have long since ceased to talk of a hard or a soft peace for Germany.

~James F. Byrnes

What we want is a lasting peace. We will oppose soft measures which invite the breaking of the peace.

~James F. Byrnes

The nearest approach to immortality on earth is a government bureau.

~James F. Byrnes

It is not in the interest of the German people or in the interest of world peace that Germany should become a pawn or a partner in a military struggle for power between the East and the West.

~James F. Byrnes

We have learned that peace and well-being are indivisible and that our peace and well-being cannot be purchased at the price of peace or the well-being of any other country.

~James F. Byrnes

The German people were not denied, however, the possibility of improving their lot by hard work over the years. Industrial growth and progress were not denied them.

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