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Since the present crisis had been foreseen and major preparations had been made by Canada to meet it, further action on ~~our~~^{the front} part can only take the form of adjustments and improvements within the pattern of action that we have already taken; that is the only practical way of increasing immediate and effective help in meeting the urgent and pressing need.

There can be no question that conditions of famine and starvation threaten in large areas of Europe and the Far East. While in some places in Western Europe the outlook is somewhat better, the general picture is urgent and desperate. When food supplies reach the present low levels, peoples undergo hunger and starvation, the direct forerunners of disease and disorder.

Canada's Fine Wartime Record

The record of Canadian farmers and other food producers during the war years and since the end of the war has already been magnificent. Starting in August, 1942, Canada contributed nearly twenty thousand tons of wheat each month to Greece, an amount that kept alive almost half the population of that country. Thanks to the splendid efforts