

We have a group that calls itself the Labour Progressive Party, or under another name it is the Peace Congress. It is not very numerous and we have not been very much concerned. There was at one time a member of that group who became a Member of Parliament, but when we had our spy investigation it was found that his conduct was such that he was prosecuted, convicted and as a consequence lost his seat in Parliament. We have had two elections since then and not one has been returned. Our people, the vast majority of them, feel that there are some who are real agitators for the Kremlin, but that there are others who are good, honest people, who are impressed by the propaganda that is put out for "peace". We fear that kind of peace would not be the kind of peace that our people are looking for.

Question: If the Commonwealth is not a group of nations that can exercise control over its members how do you hope to secure world peace?

We have been saying that the purpose for which the North Atlantic Organization was being built up was to tell them that if there was aggression against any of us we would all fight, and some of us feel that if that had been evident before the first world war, well perhaps the Kaiser would have hesitated; and perhaps if it had been evident before the second world war, perhaps Mr. Hitler and Mr. Mussolini would not have contemplated war with equanimity. They certainly did not start it to have it finish the way it did finish. Now we are saying, these fourteen nations of the North Atlantic Treaty Organization, that we are pledged to each other. If there is aggression against any one of us we will all stand together to fight the aggressor.

Question: Do you share the views of the Pakistan leaders when they say that they think no nation has the right to dictate to Pakistan in the acceptance of United States aid?

I think that Pakistan like Canada is a sovereign state, and that Pakistan like Canada, if it has any serious problem, would welcome any assistance that might be offered for the settlement of the problem, but I would not expect Pakistan, any more than Canada, to want anyone to say that you must do this or that.

Question: Do you share the sentiment expressed by Pandit Nehru about U.S. military aid?

I would not want to be specific. I live on the other side of the world, and I have not the background that your statesmen have here about Asian problems, and quite frankly I do not know just exactly what Pandit Nehru did say. I do know that we are alongside the United States, that they have ten times our population and that they have a national income 17 or 18 times what we have. We would not want them to say to us, do this or do that, and they don't attempt to do so. We are fortunate in the attitude that is maintained towards us by this great nation alongside of which we are living. We do many things in common. We have to provide in common at the present time for defences against air warfare against North America, and we have to