

imperialism. During the immediate postwar period its aim in the west was to extend political control over whatever areas its armies occupied, and to exploit the postwar instability in other countries of western Europe so as to bring into power governments which would be friendly and could ultimately be controlled by the Kremlin. But the Governments and peoples of the democracies have awakened to the danger and, particularly through NATO, have begun to organize their defences against it. An immediate present aim of the Kremlin is clearly to stop this progress toward security and unification by dividing and wrecking the North Atlantic Treaty Organization, by exploiting distrust of the United States within and without that organization.

PROPAGANDA OFFENSIVE

"With this object in view Communist imperialists have mounted an offensive of propaganda and subversion designed to weaken, confuse, and discourage the democracies. The main vehicle of this offensive, that is up to the present although there have been some signs that it has been abandoned, is the so-called 'peace campaign' in which not only the formal peace organization but all communist-front organizations are actively working. Meanwhile, much emphasis is being placed on the possibility of peaceful co-existence between the communist world and the democratic world 'which only the warmongering policies of the United States prevent'--so goes the line, and some misunderstanding is being caused by it.

"The ideal of 'peaceful co-existence', in which indeed every man of good will must believe, presupposes an absence of aggressive intention. The communist imperialists have not produced any evidence that their policies have in fact become compatible with their peaceful professions. They certainly have not produced any such evidence in the present Assembly of the United Nations. A genuine policy of peaceful co-existence implies a readiness to co-operate for the purposes of peace and for the promotion of human welfare. Instead of a readiness to co-operate for these purposes, the communist imperialists resort to propaganda campaigns of hatred and falsehood. 'Peaceful co-existence' in Soviet terminology seems indeed to mean simply all mischief short of war, just as Soviet policy seems to mean military aggression if necessary but not necessarily military aggression."

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WHEAT FLOUR 5-YEAR HIGH: Wheat flour production rose 19 per cent in October to 2,302,489 barrels -- a five-year high for the month -- as compared with 1,939,397 in the corresponding month last year. This brought the cumulative total for the first three months of the current crop year to 6,366,232 barrels, a gain of 17 per cent over last year's August-October total of 5,420,932 barrels.

CARE OF INDIANS, ESKIMOS: The following is an excerpt from an address at the opening of the Third Session of the Council of the Northwest Territories on December 8, by Major General H.A. Young, C.B., C.B.E., D.S.O., Commissioner of the Northwest Territories, in which he outlined some of the welfare and educational work being undertaken among the Indians and Eskimos:

"In the early days of the Northwest Territories hospital services and education were provided by the religious missions, with the assistance of operating grants from the Government. Doctors paid by the Government were located at key points. Welfare work was conducted by the missions, and the relief of distress was undertaken in part by the Government and in part by many of the traders, who presumably hoped to recoup in good years what they gave out in bad years.

"Recently the facilities provided by the missions have expanded, with assistance from the Government. At the same time, the Government has greatly increased its own social services. Six nursing stations are now operated at centres in the Territories not adequately served by hospitals.

DOCTORS INCREASED

"In addition to its own construction programme and its assistance to the mission hospitals, the federal Government has given capital and operating grants to the Yellowknife Red Cross hospital. The number of doctors has been increased, and, through the National Health Grants, arrangements are under way to assist local authorities in providing public health nursing services at certain key centres. Each year an x-ray unit visits the majority of the settlements in both the Mackenzie District and the Eastern Arctic, and while principally designed for the service of the native population, every person who can be reached is given a routine chest x-ray. The services of oculists and dentists are provided by the Indian Health Services.

"The need for expanded hospital facilities has arisen not only from the growing population but also because the new services provided by the Government have greatly assisted the detection of disease among the natives, particularly tuberculosis. Cases requiring treatment not available in the Territories are taken outside, usually to Edmonton, Montreal or Quebec.

"In welfare services the Government has also greatly expanded its activities. One or more welfare teachers, giving part of their time throughout the year to welfare work in the community, are on the staff of each Territorial school. Plans are under way to assist the local authorities in providing the services of a part time welfare worker at Yellowknife. Family Allowances and Old Age Pensions are paid to all eligible residents of the Territories, and agreements have been entered