The World Today

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Britain's acrid little Field Marshall Montgomery, whose name is more synonymous with massed artillery than with the soothing word, is now revealed as Britain's newest envoy of pacification.

Word from Moscow has it that the marshal is there to convince the Russians that everything is on the up-and-up about the anglo-American arms standardization deal, and that his trip is viewed as the most important mission to Moscow by a Britisher in some time.

His assignment would seem like a big order. The Russians have displayed considerable nervousness over the proposals. They ask themselves just who in the world besides Russia is so big that the British and Americans need to combine against them. They are looking at the other side of a picture which Americans see as a mere commonplace application of lessons learned since 1939, when American industry began making weapons to French and British specifications, and then had to shift to American types.

Military Bases

The Russians, too, are well aware of an angle of the standardization program which has to do with something besides the long-term possibility that British and American forces may have to fight again under unified command. The United States wants to build its own military bases in far northern Canada. The deal hasn't gone through because some Canadians see the project as a further binding of Canada to the U. S. and a corollary weakening of the ties with England. Prime Minister Mackenzie King will be in a lot better position to convince his people if the whole thing becomes one big pool with Britain throwing in too.

From this side, those bases in Canada merely look like insurance taken out in the devout hope that there will be no fire.

From the Russian side they look as such bases would appear to Buffalo and Detroit if Britain were to start military construction in southern Canada.

Montgomery's job, apparently, is to tell the Russians not to get excited; that standardization is merely something that looks sensible from our standpoint in an unsettled world; that the door is open for Russian participation in any deal Britain makes with the U. S.; that it's just like Russia wanting to cement a defense ring in the weak countries which surround her.

The ordinary diplomatic smoothie, subject to the inherent Russian distrust of foreigners, probably wouldn't have a chance of putting the idea over.

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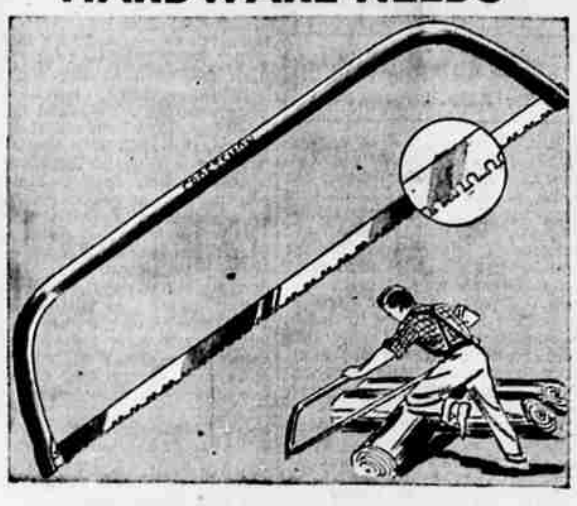

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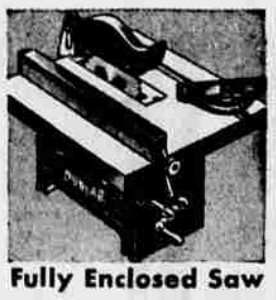

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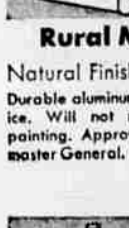

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