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Can We Trust Russia?

THE LIFTING of the Berlin blockade and the possibility of a settlement of the problem of the establishment of a government for Germany, are giving rise to conjecture as to subsequent developments in the field of relations between Russia and her satellite states on the one hand, and the western powers on the other.

Most informed observers appear to believe that the resolution of the difficulties in Germany will open the way to the lifting of at least some of the trade barriers now existing between East and West, and hence, eventually to the betterment of mutual understanding and the brightening of chances for lasting peace.

There should be none who do not wholeheartedly wish for the fulfillment of those hopes, but many of us will wonder how deep the source of the apparent change of Russian viewpoint may be. Does it spring from a better understanding of the necessity for real freedom in human relations and government? Or is it a superficial change of attitude adopted as a pose to facilitate the moral and material disarmament of the opponents of Communism and thus render world domination an object more easily attained? It could be a change of heart for the better or a new tactical variety of psychological warfare.

The record of communistic materialism is not such that we should mistake, at this stage, any alleviation of symptoms for a permanent cure of the disease. Therefore, the western democracies are not likely to take any precipitate action to dissipate the strength behind the Atlantic pact, nor the moral strength, the economic strength, nor the military strength.

The good faith of communistic countries has not as yet been favorably evaluated or determined. The record in this respect is not impressive. Their really peaceful intent has yet to be established.

The possession of armed might, some may say, has led to war in the past but this has happened only when that armed might has been preponderant and available to one side only, the aggressor side. A true democracy cannot be an aggressor, the people would not permit it.

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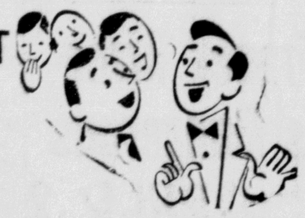

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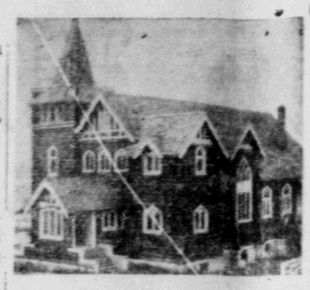

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From Vancouver (Friday) — R K. Blakely, S. Gilmour, R. Campbell, E. Morris.

Associated Boards Convention Set

Dates for the annual convention of the Associated Boards of Trade of Central British Columbia, to be held this year at Smithers, have been set for August 18, 19 and 20, according to notice received at the office of the Prince Rupert Chamber of Commerce. Prince Rupert, with a committee already at work preparing resolutions, is expected to have a good delegation at the meeting.

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From Reader's Digest, May, 1949.

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