

to help them, far beyond what could be said of any other nation in the world. But the people as a whole do not realize this, therefore it is easy for propaganda to mislead them.

Brutal dictatorships have controlled most of Latin America. The one that ruled Mexico until 1912 was overcome after a period of semi-anarchy by a clever arrangement whereby a party claiming to espouse revolutionary and democratic objectives was able to gain control and hold it until now. Every few years it goes through the form of electing a new president whom the party had already selected. A few years ago oil was discovered in Mexico but even so Mexico is still impoverished and its coinage almost worthless, because Mexican politicians fattened their pockets and their Swiss bank accounts. This is recognized by practically all who know anything about developments in that country. Yet, while there are strong revolutionary movements in many Latin-American countries, none has amounted to much in Mexico in recent years. The communist leaders are not ready to cause trouble there, though the situation could easily be ripe for such a development.

Recently the brutal and vicious dictator, Somosa, ruled the small country of Nicaragua in Central America. The communists attempted, as they have in many countries, to build a revolution against him, but failed. Then a real democratic revolutionary movement was begun and the communists joined with it. After the revolution succeeded the communists (the Sandinistas) seized control, drove out the democratic leaders with whom they had worked to overthrow the Somosa government and established a thorough-going communist dictatorship in Nicaragua. The Soviet Union has sent great amounts of military equipment and ammunition to Nicaragua. The young men are being forced, as well as enticed into the army. Great preparations are being made