They Don't Like It

THE imperialists and their numerous spokesmen of press and radio go into a tantrum whenever anyone threatens to expose the fact that the foreign policy of our government is a far cry from the principles of world cooperation laid down by the late President Roosevelt.

Latest to call down their wrath upon his head is Elliott Roosevelt, son of FDR himself.

Elliott was rash enough to write a book about his intimate discussions with his father, discussions which showed FDR had in mind a post-war policy directed against colonialism and against encouragement of reactionary groups anywhere in the world.

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He made the rather obvious charge in his book that this policy was being deliberately betrayed by the current leaders of our nation's policy.

The charge has been made before by other intimates of FDR, such as Henry Wallace and Sen. Claude Pepper. Each has been crucified, in turn, by the organs of Big Business.

Because of Elliott's book, the imperialists have set in motion their huge propaganda and diplomatic machinery to discredit him. Note how the statements on American foreign policy attributed to him in Moscow, which went no further than his book, were seized upon, headlined as "pro-Russian" and sensationally played up as if they were treason. That sterling patriot and lover of international harmony, John Rankin of Mississippi, even demanded he be court-martialed.

It seems any statement is "pro-Russian" which implies it is possible to live in peace and friendship with the USSR but not by means of the Byrnes-Vandenberg program.

The main purpose of the howl against Elliott is to cover up the fact that the policies of our government today are not those laid down by Roosevelt. Among those now trying to "protect" the father from his son are an astonishing number who hated the father and his program when he lived.

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