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The Case Of Bulgaria - - -

Bulgaria joins the list of nations forced to submit to Hitler either by duress or force, certainly not by choice. Like Czechoslovakia, Hungary, Poland, Denmark, Norway, Holland, Belgium, France, Rumania and the rest—to say nothing of poor misguided Italy—The Bulgars will now co-operate with Germany while hoping for Great Britain to win. The reason is, of course, obvious. Bulgaria is more fearful of what Germany will do to her in the meantime if she fails to co-operate than what Great Britain will do in the course of fighting the war. And, after the war is over and Great Britain wins, she knows she will get a square deal.

This is the condition that places the diplomacy of the fair-dealing democracies at a disadvantage with the duplicity and menace of the ruthless dictatorships whose sole object is to gain their ends by fair means or foul. It is the rule of fear or force, lying and double-dealing. Certainly Bulgaria must know from the experiences of the others that any undertakings Hitler may have made to her will be respected only so long as it does not interfere with the Fuehrer's program of aggression and his lust for conquest.

It is just another illustration of what might eventually happen to Canada and the United States unless Hitler is stopped before he has conquered all else.

The obvious aim of the Nazi drive through the Balkans is, of course, to strike at Great Britain in the Mediterranean area. All intervening events are merely incidental to that aim. If Turkey and Greece hold out, they will, doubtless, be attacked. It is useless to think otherwise.

That is why Great Britain is rushing to the aid of these nations and it is why we here in this country should do everything we can now in aiding Great Britain through supporting our own government in its war effort.

Efficiency In War - - -

In spite of criticisms, the federal Department of Munitions and Supply is, doubtless, fully alive to the necessity of increased efficiency in Canada's production of the sinews of war. Even here in Prince Rupert we may become restless at times and wonder why this and why that is not being done.

In changing the country from a peace time easy-going basis to the hard-working was status, a great deal of organization is required. The ministers themselves are, doubtless, doing all in their power to find and rectify the weak spots. They, we are confident, are as anxious as we to win this war and criticism will be welcomed by them, no matter whence it emanates. It is a low and unpatriotic person, however, who would be inspired by solely political reasons to take advantage of and embarrass the situation. Unfortunately that appears to be the object of some.

War Savings Certificates - - -

In urging all to buy or pledge themselves to buy war savings certificates to the full capacity of their ability to do so, we would suggest that this is not a charitable matter but sound good personal business. Many of us may be glad a few years hence that the government encouraged us to save. The savings thus accrued may stand us in good stead at a later date.

Buying war savings certificates is making no gift. We might also remember that, if we do not respond to the appeal to save voluntarily, the government has it in its power to take from us in the form of taxation what it needs and not give it back either. By all means, buy war savings certificates. You yourself will in the end be the greatest beneficiary by so doing.

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The sum of \$107 was cleared at the dance given on Valentine's Day by the Board of the Skidegate Inlet General Hospital. The affair, which was held in the Skidegate Mission Hall, was exceptionally well attended. Members of the board residing in the village had charge of the decoration of the hall and also supplied the cakes for the midnight supper. In the gaily decorated hall, amid hearts, serpentine, balloons and confetti, the merry-makers danced until 2:30 a.m. Several novelty dances were held, the winners being Mrs. George Chastaney, Mrs. O. Hill, George Turner and Bill Murray. At supper time a drawing was held for a black slate toilet case—hand carved and eight inches in length—which had been donated by a member of the Mission. The winning ticket was held by George Rasmussen. A grand march, led by Mr. and Mrs. William Russ, was a feature of the evening. Music for dancing was supplied by the Harmony Boys. At the door were Mrs. Solomon Wilson, Mrs. Albert Jones, Mrs. D. McCall, Mrs. E. C. Stevens and Mrs. W. Barry. During the evening Dr. McCall thanked all present for their support and paid tribute to the many individuals who assisted in making the dance the success it was.

It was a gala night for the youngsters recently when Rev. B. S. S. Hartley's amateur movies were shown in the church here in aid of the Auxiliary to Alford Bay. Very interesting were the views, including those of beauty spots on the Islands, logging camps, Indian relics, etc. Some scenes were shown of Vancouver Island including the famed Butchart Gardens. There were excellent views of the United Church Mission boat the Thomas Crosby. To bring the enjoyable evening to a close, a brief cartoon comedy was shown, to the delight of the little ones.

Alfred Carlson of the Extension Department of the University of British Columbia has been a recent visitor to the Islands in connection with the work of the Credit Unions. He spoke to an interested audience at the school, Queen Charlotte, illustrating his lecture with lantern slides. The progress of the Maritime Credit Unions was shown, as well as many local scenes. Excerpts from articles by leading thinkers of the day, including Dorothy Thomson, Bruce Hutchison and J. B. Priesley, were read. Mr. Carlson reported that more progress is being made by wage-earners than by those having seasonal work as far as the Credit Unions are concerned. In November of last year there were in British Columbia thirty-one unions while by February this number had increased to thirty-six. At the close of the talk a question period was held.

The regular monthly meeting of the Ladies' Auxiliary to the United Church was held last Thursday at

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the Manse when Mrs. B. Hartley was hostess. The newly elected president, Mrs. Gordon Joliffe, was in the chair. Rev. B. Hartley led in prayer after the opening hymn was sung. Mrs. Hartley played the piano accompaniment for the hymn. The president opened the business meeting by making a short speech in which she thanked the ladies for the honor they had done her and in which she outlined the aims and objects of the auxiliary. After routine business, a novel "Hobby Sale" was held, at which the sum of six dollars was realized. This money will be used to purchase curtains for the chancel rail. At the close of the meeting refreshments were served by the hostess, assisted by Miss Agnes Mathers.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Gale entertained their friends in their new building at Queen Charlotte recently. There were sixty guests, both old and young. The young people enjoyed dancing in the spacious store to the music of the local boys' orchestra. Two prizes were given for "spot" dances. At supper delicious refreshments were served by the hostess, assisted by her daughters, Miss Elsie and Eileen, and their young friends. All present admired the splendid structure that is covered outside by a brick-like composition of red and has a green roof. Inside, the store and upstairs apartments are finished in beautifully grained fir veneer.

The Ladies' Auxiliary to Alford Bay held a meeting last week at the hospital when Mrs. McCall, the wife of the superintendent, was hostess. A letter of thanks from the boys at the "Bay" for curtains the auxiliary had provided was read. It was decided to hold a showing of amateur movies in the church soon to raise funds to purchase further necessities for the airmen. A collection amounting to five dollars was taken and will go towards the same purpose. Tea was served by Mrs. McCall at the close of the business meeting.

The Queen Charlotte Social Club held a bridge party in the school recently. The winners were: Mrs. Roberts, first, and Mrs. Duval, consolation Mrs. D. McCall and Mrs. G. Chastaney were in charge of arrangements. Refreshments were served at midnight. Proceeds will go towards a new Community Hall.

The fourth anniversary of the Rug Bee Club was celebrated recently when the regular fortnightly meeting was held at the home of Mrs. Gordon Joliffe. There were nine members present. As the hostess had finished her hooked rug, the afternoon was spent in knitting on Red Cross garments and in playing a few hands of bridge. Tea was served at a daintily appointed table in the afternoon.

Members of the cast of the forthcoming production of the Farthest West Dramatic Club include Edna Beaven, Claude Duval, George Turner, Mrs. V. Douglas, Mrs. Ruth Barry, Alwyn Chastaney and George Rudge.

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An audience which completely filled the Capitol Theatre last night thrilled to the music provided by the regimental band of the First Battalion, Rocky Mountain Rangers. Never before in the city had such a fine band been heard. Rarely has there been such a musical treat. An ovation was accorded and it was heartily merited. Those who had seen and heard the band on the occasion or so it had been on parade since the regiment arrived here knew it was a smart marching band. The concert last night revealed that it is much more than that—an outstanding concert organization. The group, numbering twenty-seven, is complete and well balanced. Evidently, each of the individual members is an artist in his own right. Not only is the band a credit to the regiment itself but also to the city of Kamloops which is its home. Prince Rupert music lovers will not be satisfied until they have heard more. That was apparent from last night's acclaim.

Fully equipped with effects in addition to the conventional instruments, the band featured descriptive numbers which were flawlessly executed and timed. Outstanding were the humorous "Lightning Switch," an ingenious knit medley of many familiar numbers which veritably brought down the house; the pastoral fantasia "The Smithy" (Alford) and the humorous march "Jolly Copper-smith." Fine indeed with its tonal effects was also Kotelby's intermezzo "In a Monastery Garden." Rounding out the program were the rousing opening march "Old Glory" and Miller's medley overture "The Golden Crescent."

Equally excellent solo features were the song "Without a Song" (Elison) by Band Sergeant Docker who gave as his encore "Prayer Perfect," violin solo by Bandsman Holt "Scene de Ballet" (Beriot) with "Chansonette" for an encore; piano solo by Bandsman Edwards "Children's Overture" (Quilter) the encore being "Waltz in C Sharp Minor" and the grand "Lost

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Lieut. Oscar W. Sjoquist, director of music for the regiment, carried out the duties of conductor with precision, smoothness and discrimination, his control being noteworthy.

Capt. F. H. Allwood, entertainment officer, acted as master of ceremonies.

Before the opening of the program, D. G. Borland, manager of the Capitol Theatre, welcomed the band as an ex-service man personally and on behalf of his company. He called upon Lieut. Col. J. E. Wood V. D., officer commanding who spoke briefly. Then Capt. Allwood took charge of the proceedings.

Near the close of the program, Dr. H. L. A. Tarr took to the platform to extend appreciation to the band and the theatre management for having staged a wonderful entertainment in aid of the Red Cross of which he (Dr. Tarr) is local president.

The Program
The program was as follows:
March, "Old Glory" (Ord. Hume)
Pastoral Fantasia, "The Smithy" (Alford)
Song, "Without a Song" (Elison)
Band-Sgt. Docker.
Humefesque, "The Lightning Switch" (Alford)
Violin solo, "Scene de Ballet" (Alford), Bandsman Holt.
Intermezzo, "In a Monastery Garden" (Kotelby).
Piano solo, "A Children's Overture" (Quilter), Bandsman Edwards.
Overture, "The Golden Crescent" (Miller).
Cornet solo, "The Lost Chord" (Sullivan), Band-Cpl. Day.
Humorous March, "The Jolly Copper-smith" (Peters).
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United Services Tag Day Is Held

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