

## Realism About Russia

IN ALL NEGOTIATIONS that are taking place, sympathetic consideration must be given to Russia's natural desire for its own security, but we should not acquiesce in the accomplishment of this objective by the enforcement of Russian rule upon unwilling and weaker people. The lesson of Munich should not be forgotten.

Furthermore, while we may well be grateful for the co-operation and the gain in mutual understanding during the war years, and the measure of progress that has been marked by the United Nations, we must not close our eyes to the fact that there are still many close parallels between Hitlerism and the present Russian system.

There is the dictatorship. There is the one-party system. There are the youth organizations. There is the secret police. There is the door closed to information from without—closed even more tightly than in Germany in pre-war years. And last and more serious than all the rest and to which all the rest contribute, is the thought control that wrought such havoc both in Germany and Japan.

Let every effort be made to bring about the friendship and mutual helpfulness that we know will eventually prevail, but let us not condone evil for the sake of a peace that is no peace.

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### LATE CHARLES STEWART

ALTHOUGH Ontario-born, Hon. Charles Stewart of Alberta, who died yesterday was in essence the real Western farmer, with the same calm, philosophic outlook on life that the great open spaces develop in one. His early experience made him a philosopher, for few "breaks" came his way. It was the virtual annihilation of the family homestead in Simcoe county by a cyclone that turned his thoughts to the West. At Killam, Alberta, he made a new start. But misfortune again dogged him: a hailstorm wiped out all his season's work, leaving him almost penniless. That was bad enough, but another blow was to befall him as soon as he had secured employment in which he had hoped to recoup his fortune by a winter's work. He had obtained a job as bricklayer and had been working only a few weeks when a strike was called, and once more the future premier of Alberta and federal minister was on his beam ends.

That, however, was the last big crash. Thenceforth, Mr. Stewart moved ahead. Steadying things up by selling agricultural implements, he continued to work his farm; and, as the gods admire the man who can bear their buffets and smile through, his life began to prosper.

His career in Alberta politics was one of worthy achievement and was a useful stepping stone to the wider federal field. It was in the triumph of 1921 that he came to Ottawa and accepted the portfolio of the Interior, a post for which his prairie experiences aptly fitted him. His record in that department was one of lofty accomplishment; to the Western farmer "Charlie" Stewart was a real friend "at court."

His best achievement was the legislation which returned the natural resources to the prairie provinces. An intricate and vexed problem, he negotiated it with eminent success and to the avowed satisfaction of all concerned. While always mindful of his responsibilities as a Dominion minister, he nevertheless saw to it that the basis for this transfer was a fair and equitable one to all. It required the delicate tact of a diplomat to smooth over the rough places that revealed themselves in the course of the negotiations. But Mr. Stewart had tact, and what was, perhaps, of greater importance, he had a human sympathy founded upon an understanding of prairie problems which was begotten of personal contact with them. An able, sincere and thoroughly dependable minister, he was a diligent worker and a competent executive.

## SWEDISH TARS LOCATED V2'S

Stockholm Editor Says Countrymen Did Much to Help Defeat Germans

REGINA, ©—Sweden did many things for the Allies which could not be published during the war. Dr. K. G. Bolander, a senior editor of the Stockholm newspaper Svenska Dagbladet, said in an interview here during a Canadian tour.

Dr. Bolander said the alertness of Swedish sailors led directly to the bombing of Peenemünde where the destructive V2's were being developed. The bombing has been credited with delaying the V2 attack by several months and shortening the war.

Swedish sailors had noticed that vast amounts of concrete were being taken into Peenemünde and reported these and other activities to the British.

The Swedish people were interested in Canada but had no inkling of the vast industrial strides taken by the Dominion during and since the war.

Dr. Bolander said that much had been made of Sweden delivering ball bearings to Germany for the manufacture of fighter planes to "shoot down American

boys." The fact was that a much greater quantity of bearing were delivered to Britain by British speedboats from the port of Lysekil.

When Allied planes flew over Sweden they were met by a mighty barrage but none were shot down because gunners had been instructed not to shoot at the planes. The display was merely for Germany's benefit. On the other hand, 40 German planes had been shot down, Dr. Bolander said.

### CREEPING ROOF

BRIGHTON, Eng., ©—The 200-year old lead roofing of Chichester Cathedral is "creeping like a caterpillar" and leaving gaps at the top, Lord Leconfield, Lord Lieutenant of Sussex, said in launching a \$120,000 fund for repairs.

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Yours faithfully,  
H. M. DAGGETT

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