

YUGOSLAVIA — MENACE TO PEACE

Yugoslavia is one of those unfortunate nations that has suffered a double tragedy during the last seven years. First it was conquered by the Germans, and second, it was liberated by the Russians. It seems, if only from the time element, the latter affliction is the greater.

In 1943 Tito, through his "First National Assembly", declared that he wanted a free and equal federation of the people of Yugoslavia. He wanted democracy, or so he hoodwinked the world into believing. Britain and the United States gave their support to this puppet of Moscow, and their support was in part responsible for his ascent to power.

Let us see what sort of democracy friend Tito has given his countrymen. From the first he aimed at control, not co-operation. In the process of obtaining complete political domination of his country Tito has liquidated nearly a million Yugoslavs. Entire classes are slated for eventual annihilation. This tyrant employs a ruthlessly efficient agency to enforce his will. The O. Z. N. A., ironically called the Department for the Defence of the People, is empowered to arrest without a warrant, and execute without a trial, any person considered to be an enemy of the people. It is easy to understand why there is a reign of fear and terror in this tortured country.

In case any of us still harbor delusions regarding Tito & Co., the following quotations should rid us of them. When speaking of those who oppose him or his government, Tito said, "They will have to disappear from the face of this earth." ("America," Nov., 1946). He has shown that he intends to carry out this sinister threat.

One of the chief obstacles to Marshall Tito has been the Roman Catholic Church, whose doctrine is incompatible with his policy. He has been carrying on a persecution of Catholicism which culminated in the arrest and conviction of Archbishop Stepinac, Primate of Yugoslavia, for crimes **against the people**. There is little need to deal further with this theme.

Tito's policy toward the people of Yugoslavia was clearly expressed by Moshe Piade, a leading Communist, when he said, "The altar lamp of the terror must never be extinguished. The people must have fear." ("America", Nov. 1946.)

As if it were not enough to forcibly destroy every last vestige of democracy, Tito is attempting to instill a burning

hatred for everything the word stands for in his country. If he is as successful in this as he has been in destroying democracy itself we shall once again have an army of war mongers in our midst.

Yes, Yugoslavia is an example of Russian "liberation" —or enslavement. While the free people of the world deplore this condition, do we all realize that Great Britain and the United States sanctioned it? Let us hope that they have been fooled for the last time by Russian "double talk".

Let the free people of the world awaken to the fact that Stalin is out for world domination, and Yugoslavia is an example of it. If we are to prevent another war we must thwart his diabolical plans while there is time.

How can the United Nations Organization hope to find a formula for peace when it cannot prevent the enslavement of a single nation? The charter of this organization says that it cannot interfere in the internal affairs of a member nation, even when this nation is a threat to peace.

This is a strong indictment of the U. N. O. It is a condition which demands an immediate remedy — or else.

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SIC TRANSEUNT

O, but it's fun to go cantering,
Carelessly laughing and bantering,
Off for a turn in the park:
Up the main street to go clattering,
Urging the horses and chattering,
Gay through the gathering dark;
Then over the tracks to go galloping,
Glimpsing the fleecy and scalloping
Clouds on the rim of the sky.
The coats of the horses, now lathering,
Shine by the hastily gathering
Stars out to see us flash by.
Past the brook at a trot, and now groping
The tree-shaded trail gently sloping
By the Abbey's dim portals of grace.
Then back the home-stretch to come thundering,
Sending the frostily sundering
Snow flying back in our face.
O, but it's fun to go cantering,
Chattering, laughing and bantering.
Off through the vanishing park.

—A. P. C.