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EDITORIAL

HAS CRISIS HOUR ARRIVED?

Regular readers of this journal over the past few years should be fully aware of the significance of current developments in the Middle East. Even before these words are set in print it is possible that the grand strategy to defeat Western Europe could reach its climax. This strategy is simple: To deprive Western Europe of the vital oil supplies, which come from the Middle East. If these supplies can be cut off for only a few short months, the economies of Western European countries would collapse. There would be mass unemployment and a revolutionary situation, which could enable Europe to pass under complete slavery.

It now becomes clearer to see in retrospect why the Washington-Moscow Axis took such drastic action to prevent the British from restoring their position in the Middle East nearly two years ago. We have never supported the view that the British and French were the tools of International Jewry in the Suez campaign. All the available evidence indicates that the directors of International Zionism regard Israel and the Israelis as merely instruments to reach a much larger objective than the establishment of a small Jewish State in the Middle East. Zionists in the British House of Commons defended Nasser when he sought, with the aid of pressure from Washington, to force the British to abandon their military bases in the Suez area. Nasser would never have been where he is today if it had not been for the support of International Zionism. Military clashes between the Israelis and Nasser obscure the realities of the situation.

Nasser would not be making the impact upon the Arab world today if it were not for the presence of the Zionist State of Israel. There is still considerable opposition to Nasser amongst the Arabs, many of whom still have some regard for the British, but the fear of further expansion by the Zionists enables Nasser, strongly supported by Moscow, and, of course, by the International Monetary Fund, to cause the type of trouble now so evident in Lebanon. Israel is, therefore, the key to the situation in the Middle East. If the West, particularly the Western European nations, are to avert the great disaster now looming over them, it is essential that they curb the Zionist penetration of the Middle East and, if necessary, take the necessary military action to protect their oil supplies.

We are not admirers of Sir Anthony Eden, but there does appear to be reason to believe that either he or some of his military and diplomatic advisers realized what was necessary to meet the situation.

The American anti-Zionist Jew, Alfred Lilienthal, in his book *There Goes The Middle East*, draws attention to the fact that some time before the Suez debacle, Sir Anthony Eden made an address in which he suggested that the position in the Middle East could be stabilized if the Israelis would accept as final the boundaries laid down by Count Bernadotte just before he was murdered. Advocacy of this policy by Eden immediately made him the victim of the same type of worldwide Zionist-sponsored campaign directed against Neville Chamberlain when his Government decided before the last world war that all further Jewish migration into Palestine must be stopped if the goodwill of the Arabs was to be obtained in the war ahead.

The defeat of the British and French attempt to restore their physical control of the Suez area was a tremendous blow to British prestige, even in places like Kuwait, where British-Arab relations had been excellent. Nasser's prestige was increased and the Communists intensified their penetration of the whole area. They now have a submarine base established on the Red Sea and are active in fomenting trouble right throughout the Arab world. The campaign against the French in Algeria and other parts of North Africa is part of the grand strategy designed to defeat Western Europe in one blow.

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NEWS SECTION

The "Capitalist" Press And Communism: We have over the years drawn attention to the fact that while the "capitalist" press of the world prints barely sufficient material to enable the Socialists and Communists to attack it as the "mouthpiece of the wicked exploiters," most of the material published helps feed the revolution destroying Western Civilisation. The most recent example is Khrushchev being given pages of space in the Western press to reach the minds of millions of people. And there has also been the spectacle of Mr. F. E. Chamberlain, Federal A.L.P. President, being given space to tell Australians about his conducted tour in Red China. Mr. Chamberlain's material contains some of the most dangerous material yet published in Australia on Red China. Dupes of the Socialists who believe that the "capitalist" press is strongly opposed to Socialism are unaware of the fact that the progress of Socialism has been made possible, not by the pennies of the workers, but by the financial support of some of the most powerful financial groups in the world.

Union Seeks Thirty-Five Hour Week: The first attempt to secure a national thirty-five hour working week in Australia is to be made by the Australian Federated Union of Locomotive Enginemen. Other Unions are to be asked to support the policy. While the policy of a reduction in working hours has much to commend it, and is physically possible, the opponents of the policy will stress the fact that industry cannot afford to finance the policy. This is undoubtedly true under present financial rules. But the rules can easily be altered, and if the Federated Union of Locomotive Enginemen really desires to ensure that their policy be beneficial, it will examine present financial rules with a view to urging that they be modified to serve the policy of shorter working hours. Unfortunately, however, it appears certain that the financial question will be ignored and the natural resistance of employers exploited to intensify class warfare.

Barney Goldfine's Influence In Washington: The revelations concerning the intimate relationship between Mr. Sherman Adams, often referred to as the "shadow President" of the United States, and Mr. Barney Goldfine, confirmed what many American patriots have been saying for some time. Needless to say, all the press reports on this unsavoury case make no reference to the fact that Mr. Goldfine is an influential Zionist Jew. He has been referred to as a "Russian."

The fact that President Eisenhower has decided to keep Adams in the White House in spite of his

association with Goldfine, clearly indicates that the American President is either a complete idiot or is under influences which he is afraid to resist. Whatever the complete truth about this matter, the incident provides further evidence of the fact that President Eisenhower's Administration has been captured by the same groups, which dominated Roosevelt and Truman. American Gallup Poll figures reveal that public support for the Republicans has declined to approximately the all-time low reached in 1936.

The Trade War And Communism: "This is a trade war between Europe and the United States, carefully designed under the 'need to capture foreign markets.' No wonder the Western Powers are in disarray. The only way that Communism can be countered is to set an example of a better way of life — a better way than the cold war for foreign trade. On every side this war goes on — this small paper is full of examples of it.

"Every Chancellor of the Exchequer, every Prime Minister, as they succeed one another in the hopeless quest of improving the lot of the little man, exhorts us to indulge without stint in this cold war — 'export more than we import,' 'cut down costs' — which means exactly 'undersell the foreigners.'

"It is not as if we all had enough ourselves. An immense unsatisfied market exists inside the country.

"*The Times* says that if Mr. Khrushchev cannot play the western leaders off one against another, he will have a good try with their peoples. (He will have plenty of material to play with, because the discontent arising from the trade war will lie ready to his hand.)

The remedy? This has already been set out clearly in the Report of the Committee on Finance and Industry, under the Chairmanship of Lord Macmillan, and published by the Stationery Office in Command paper 3897. Look up the evidence under May 1st, 1930, by C. H. Douglas."

Housewives Today (England), May, 1958.

Dictatorship By Treasury Officials: It is so rarely that politicians will admit that Finance Ministers are dominated by permanent Treasury Officials that any admission of the truth requires that it be placed on record. The following appeared in the *Daily Telegraph, England*, on April 5 of this year:

"Writing less than a fortnight before the Budget, Mr. Enoch Powell, one of the Ministers who resigned with Mr. Thorneycroft, has made a devastating expose of the inner workings of the Treasury. His article, which appears in this month's *Banker*, categorically asserts that the Treasury Ministers are no

longer in control of the level of Government expenditure . . .

"Rising prices, expenditure which is governed by the number of births, open-ended commitments to agriculture or to local authorities; these cannot be dealt with by annual estimates alone . . .

" . . . In spite of Mr. Macmillan's efforts to get the Treasury to produce better statistics, its service to the public is still woefully inadequate . . .

The figure of £237 million which it has just announced as the balance of payments surplus for 1957 . . . is really . . . a guess within £50 millions or so either side . . . Reform of the Treasury is plainly one of the most urgent tasks to be undertaken . . ."

Similar reform is urgently required at Canberra where Dr. Coombs and his associates arbitrarily decide the rate of credit expansion.

Mr. Menzies On Housing Finance: In answer to a Trade Union request for £200 million for housing, Mr. Menzies said that the suggested release of reserve funds held by the banks "would be contrary to central bank policy." This means, of course, the policy of Dr. Coombs. If it were not for the division in the Labor Party, the housing question could play a big role in helping to defeat the present Federal Government. Time and time again Mr. Menzies and Senator Spooner, National Development Minister, have shown themselves to be completely divorced from the realities of the housing situation. Both employers and employees in the building and associated trades, have repeatedly stated that there are no physical problems preventing a big increase in the rate of home building. The problem is finance. While at present it is true, as Mr. Menzies told the Trade Union deputation, that even if frozen central credits were released, the banks need not necessarily allocate increased credit for housing, there is nothing to prevent the Federal Government from making adequate credits, under proper safeguards, available to those desirous of building. The Government could make financial credits available for house building in exactly the same way that it makes credits available for public works. The people clearly indicate that they desire housing before public works. But "central bank policy" prevents them from implementing their own policy with their own credit.

Mr. Colin Clark On American Recession: In a speech delivered in New York City on April 14 of this year, Mr. Colin Clark, whom many regard as an unorthodox economist, made the remarkable statement that "the American farm problem . . . at last appears to be within sight of a solution." This statement followed a claim by

Mr. Clark that the "depression of 1929 was preceded and intensified by a depression in farm prices." Mr. Clark makes no reference to the fact that the depression in farm prices, like the depression in other prices, was caused by restrictive financial policies. Apparently Mr. Clark regards restrictive credit policies as only a minor cause of depressions, because he also stated in New York that "Undue severity of monetary policy also contributed to the (current American) recession." Apparently some severity was justified. And to suggest that credit restriction only "contributed" to the American recession is a perversion of the truth. Mr. Clark's sound views on some matters have unfortunately encouraged many people to accept uncritically his dangerously misleading views on credit policies.

Mr. Clark suggests that there is no possibility of another major depression because of the much greater population growth of today in America and other countries. This growing population will require more food and houses. Mr. Clark claims that it was the slow population increase before 1929 that helped create the depression because there was no expanding demand for food and houses! Mr. Clark clearly reveals that he and economists like Sir Douglas Copland are in basic agreement: we cannot prevent depressions unless there is continuing expansion of both population and industry. This is a perversion of means and ends.

De Gaulle And World Jewry: Further information to hand reveals why the French military leaders and other patriotic Frenchmen feel that De Gaulle is being used to defeat the objectives they sought. Mr. Ben-Gurion of Israel has sent a message to De Gaulle, to which De Gaulle has replied: "I thank you for the kind message . . . I salute the courageous Israeli nation with which France maintains solid links of friendship and shares identical spiritual ideals." The Jewish Chronicle makes the following important contribution to an understanding of the question:

"The new French Cabinet includes a number of Ministers who have evinced friendship for Israel and for the Jewish community. Prominent among them is the Minister of Justice, M. Michael Debre, who is of Jewish origin. His grandfather was the Chief Rabbi of Strasbourg. Also in the new Government are M. Guy Mollet, a staunch friend of Israel, M. Pierre Pflimlin, who has often shown himself to be sympathetic to the Jewish cause, and M. Andre Malraux, who is closely associated with several Jewish and Zionist organisations. He has written a book on Israel and often campaigns for the Friends of the Hebrew University. M. Malraux wrote the foreword for the book *Israel*, by IZIS."

Union Secretary's Views on Automation: Following a recent statement by a shoe manufacturer that within a few years automation in the shoe industry would result in a shoe being produced in 15 seconds, the Federal Secretary of the Australian Boot Employees' Union, Mr. J. Condon, said his union raised no objection to automation as it would lead to a shorter working week. It would give employees more leisure hours and increased purchasing power, because costs would be saved by one man working two machines instead of one. Mr. Condon has the correct idea concerning the purpose of automation. But he knows little about the present financial costing in industry if he believes that automation will automatically result in leisure and more purchasing power. Under present financial rules, costs relating to the automatic machinery will be charged into prices. But as no purchasing power will have been issued to meet these costs, how will consumers obtain the purchasing power to buy shoes from the semi-automatic factories? And the answer is of course, that new credit money will be created by the banking system and distributed through other forms of economic activity—rockets for outer space, etc.—deliberately created to maintain "full employment". This has been going on for a long time and it is surprising that Mr. Condon and other representatives of employees do not object to what is a most vicious form of exploitation. They should demand leisure and adequate incomes to buy what automatic factories can easily produce. If they do this, they will put the Communists hopelessly on the defensive.

Legalised Robbery

Modern taxation is legalised robbery, and it is none the less robbery because it is affected through the medium of a political democracy, which is made an accessory by giving it an insignificant share in the loot. Nor do I think robbery is its primary object. I think policy is, much more than mere gain, its objective. I think it is most significant that every effort is made by economists of the type turned out by the London School of Economics to instill into the Labor Party that it is possible to obtain some sort of millennium by the process of stealing. It is one of the many symptoms which make me fairly sure that there is a close connection between High Finance and the propaganda supplied to what is called revolutionary labour in every country . . .

—C. H. Douglas in *Warning Democracy*.

Queensland - N.S.W. Tour Concludes Today

Mr. Eric Butler returns to Melbourne today after three weeks of intensive campaigning in Brisbane and Sydney. Seventeen addresses were given in twenty-one days, two radio interviews, and numerous personal interviews. Mr. Butler reports that this tour has been the most successful of those conducted this year. A full report will appear in the next Action Group Bulletin.

Article Section in Next Issue

The article section in this issue was to have been a condensation of Mr. Eric Butler's paper on psycho politics presented to the Queensland Young Liberals' Winter Political School. Unfortunately, however, the paper is not yet available as roneoed copies are being made by the Young Liberals for distribution. The condensation will appear in our next issue. A tape recording of Mr. Butler's address, which has been widely commented upon, will also be available later for any who may desire to make use of it.

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do not need to risk a military clash with the West in order to accomplish their objectives in the Middle East. We pointed out at the time that the Eisenhower Doctrine for the Middle East, put forward after the British and French had been forced to retreat, was in reality an open invitation to the Communists to intensify their penetration and subversion. This Doctrine offered no protection whatever against the real threat. It was probably not designed to do so. And the crisis in Lebanon is the result of the policies of the Moscow-Washington Axis. It indicates the shape of things to come.

As usual, press reporting on the Lebanon crisis neglects to deal with the basic issues. We have seen no reference in the daily press to the significant fact that just before the crisis the story was widely spread in Lebanon that the Government was asking for an unconditional gift of 160 million dollars from the U.S.A. The suggestion was also made that unless the U.S.A. made this gift, Moscow might. The fact is, of course, that anti-Western feeling has developed as Nasser's stocks increased. Objective observers point out that as the pro-Western Arabs see Nasser getting loans not only from Moscow, but also dollars from the West, even they feel that they should try and play the same game. Anti-Western feeling must continue to increase as the West makes no sign whatever of dealing with either Israel or Nasser.

This situation has not come about by chance. It has been produced by long-range planning and has been a classical example of dollar diplomacy aiding and abetting the spread and influence of Communism. The "United" Nations will, as usual, be used to try and prevent any direct military action to help restore the position. The hour of crisis may shortly be upon us. In that event it is to be hoped that responsible men in positions of authority have sufficient knowledge of the realities to take appropriate action. Supporters of this journal are urged to ensure that shortage of funds does not prevent us from ensuring that our military and other leaders are apprised of the truth about the situation.

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