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Now or Never

WHAT is "The Cold War"? - The Cold War is the war described in our article, "NOW or NEVER", published last month.

The apparent reduction of "tension" in which the world is said to be rejoicing is NOT the end of the brief respite foreseen by Douglas, during which "those who know what to do and how to do it" are given their opportunity.

The initial response of readers of this journal to our appeal has been good - especially from among those who have already played their part in keeping intact a genuine policy of Social Credit, uncorrupted and undiluted. Seeking further and wider support, we repeat:

"This journal will support any group adopting the NOW or NEVER policy and will communicate advice and information. It will not organise or countenance a 'Movement'.

"DECENTRALISATION IS THE KEY.

"IT IS PROPOSED THAT AUTONOMOUS GROUPS TO IMPLEMENT THIS INTENTION BE FORMED AT ANY AND EVERY LEVEL TO TAKE SUCH ACTION AS MAY BE POSSIBLE AND APPROPRIATE IN THE CIRCUMSTANCES OF EACH GROUP."

Definitions

(CHAPTER 1 OF PART 1 OF The Brief for the Prosecution BY C. H. DOUGLAS: 1944).

In the main, the indigenous British do not take kindly to explanations. Whether by education, heredity, climate, diet, or the accident of geographical situation, and all of these have been adduced in extenuation, we distrust logic, prefer action or experiment, and view life as a process of dealing with situations as they arise. It has to be conceded that the technique has produced remarkable results, and it would be a poor service to its exponents to suggest that the qualities it requires are not worthy of honour and cultivation.

But it has inadequacies, and one of them has been much in evidence during the armistice years. It requires a policy outside itself—if you prefer the word, a religion—a binding back to reality. Faced with policies of a deductive character, based, not so much on experience as on ideals, (using the word in its popular, rather than true sense), the "practical" man has a strong tendency to allow himself to be deprived of the tools of his own method. He isn't interested in theories; and when the steady prosecution of courses based on a theory results in a global war, he is discovered to be not merely without mental, moral, and material equipment, but committed to obtain them on ruinous terms.

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FROM WEEK TO WEEK

"We already have sufficient experience of what happened in Greece, Belgium and parts of France (always backed by a prepared clamour from the 'British' Socialist Party) to be assured that a massacre of the Right has been prepared. The text-book is available to anyone who supposes we are alarmists. It is written by Stalin, and its title is Problems of Leninism . . ." (T.S.C., Feb. 10, 1945).

The September, 1962, issue of American Opinion contains a long account of the betrayal of Algeria, including the massacre of the Right. But even more terrifying is its disclosures that the same process is beginning in France itself. It appears from the information and analysis given that de Gaulle is in fact a Communist, brought to power in accordance with a long-range strategy. His task has been to destroy the French Army, as a preliminary to the elimination of less conscious and organised opponents to Communism.

It ought by now to be completely clear that 'independence', anti-colonialism, and aid to underdeveloped countries are absolutely suicidal policies, promoted and financed by the avowed enemies of Christian civilisation. Any politician who continues to support them should be hounded from office. The loss of Algeria was designed as the forerunner of the overt Communist take-over of France; what will be left of Europe when that happens? Can the politicians save Britain then? As American Opinion puts it, Britain will be taken over "by telephone". WAKE UP.

The Australian Industries Development Association says that trade problems are worrying most countries in the world. In a report released in Melbourne today the Associ tion says industrialised nations will have to export surpluses to maintain full employment and economic growth. It says developing nations need imports to lift their living standards but they cannot always pay in cash. The report says the industrialised nations can well finance their own exports because their production is much faster than underdeveloped countries can afford to buy. It says Australia's recent experience with time-payment was successful. credit sales of wheat helped external balances, as well as reducing the cost of building extra storage facilities. The report says that if Australia was to hold its own in the trade war it would have to use the weapons of extended credits and accept foreign currency."

The above is a news item broadcast by the A.B.C. in its mid-day news on 5th November 1962. At first sight meaningless jargon, it is in fact a good example of the poison we have been brain-washed into swallowing. Why do we have to engage in a trade war? If industry is producing a surplus, why expand industry? What sort of a "weapon" is extended credit? Who is the enemy? How do credit sales reduce the cost of building storage facilities? How does a credit sale help the external balances? What are external balances? What do we do with them? -?-?-?

The key to the present situation lies in the persistence in a viciously erroneous economic policy. But despite the intense brain-washing, the viciousness must gradually become apparent, as productive capacity and surpluses mount. It is against that day that Communist police-power is being mounted.

"There is a working coalition between the scum of the underworld and the richest men in the world to murder those from whom alone redemption for the underworld can come, in order that any threat to the power of the financier may be removed. The underworld will be dealt with just as easily as Stalin deals with any opposition, when the underworld has done its job." (T.S.C., Feb. 10, 1945).

CUBA: Intelligence Digest for November 1962 devotes its first review to "Latin America: An Explosive Situation". It says, inter alia, "As far as Latin America is concerned, Russia is working day and night to create a situation which will divert the United States from its world-wide commitments and leave Russia a clear field in the Middle East, and China a clear field in South-East Asia." The writer warns that the whole of Latin America could in the very near future become "a vast Communist enclave".

However, this situation and its dangers have been apparent to groups in America for a considerable time, and particularly to groups within the armed forces whose duty is the defence of their country. To these groups the consistent playing down of the dangers by the State Department, the President, and his advisers—some of whom had in effect assisted in the installation of the Communist regime in Cuba-went from the incomprehensible to the farcical to the dangerous. They demanded action—drastic action. It was therefore necessary for the plotters to make action impossible.

The Cuban 'crisis' from its first moment bore the hallmarks of stage management. An article in U.S. News and World Report, Nov. 12, 1962, entitled "'Managed' News a New Weapon in U.S. Arsenal" reveals that during the crisis news reporters charged that they were being denied information, and even misled. It quotes the Washington Evening Star, Oct. 3. "It subsequently was revealed that only those portions of the news were made available by Mr. Sylvester (Assistant Secretary of Defence for Public Affairs) which he and other omniscient manipulators of public opinion decided, in their infinite wisdom, would best serve to create the 'image' of this country's activities they wished to manufacture and place before our people and the world.'

The objective of all this was to defeat the U.S. defence Mr. Kennedy was able to give a solemn undertaking that Cuba would not be invaded. Now what can the Admirals and Generals do?

The Export Racket

"I once knew a man who was able for quite some time to dine out on the question: 'What is the use of an Englishwoman?' Obviously, there is a variety of possible answers to this query suited to a variety of different audiences. The official reply, however, is that the main purpose of an Englishwoman is to maximise industrial exports to the dollar area.

"The question is not as frivolous as it looks nor, indeed, is the answer as far-fetched as it seems. In simpler terms, the question asks what a modern, up-to-date, industrial community is trying to achieve. Industrial man likes to see an efficient, well-run, tidy and punctual world. No matter how rich and prosperous his country is, he wants to see it richer and more prosperous. No industrial plant can ever be permitted to stand still, it must get bigger, its capital investment must become larger, the number of branch depots it controls must increase, its exports spread more widely round the world and the number of its vice-presidents proliferate without end. And each consumer must possess two cars, a deep-freeze, and television sets, nylon shirts and plastic fishing rods without number. It is for all these that he is prepared to suffer the tensions of industrial employment; it is on this basis the patriotic Englishwoman dedicates her life."

-Magnus Pyke in The Science Myth.

Last year Great Britain's wool clip was 84.9 million lbs., the heaviest for thirty years and an increase of 8.4 per cent. over the previous year.

Nearly two thirds of the clip was exported, mainly to Italy.

DEFINITIONS (continued from page 1)

Nevertheless in 1940, when the native had shaken himself loose from some of the fetters forged for him by the idealist, he once again demonstrated his active power of survival. It was not the planners who saved at Dunkirk the British Army which they had insisted should be centralised under the senile incompetent Gamelin—it was the Baconian little ships. But the operative word in this observation is "when." It is one thing to say that inductive *methods*, given time and direction, are sound. It is quite another to say that time will always be given. And most of the time available in which to counter a menacing situation is lost in deciding what is the nature of the situation, more particularly if you don't know what it is you are trying to do.

Dr. Arnold Toynbee, the Secretary of the Royal Institute of International Affairs, informs the harassed Briton through the medium of its Journal that "we" are working feverishly but with all "our" might, to undermine the sovereignty of "our" respective nations (which implies undermining the property rights which have been transferred from individuals to the "nation") and thus conferring it on some still more mighty, but studiously unspecified recipient. Almost before Dr. Toynbee has finished speaking, Herr Hitler undermines the sovereignty of most of the nations of Europe, and Mr. Churchill, amidst approving applause from as far away as North America, announces that "we" will fight him on the beaches and in the streets, and "we" will never give in.

At the same time, Dr. Toynbee and his staff are provided with comfortable occupations in the pleasant city of Oxford, presumably to go on undermining national sovereignty at the expense of the British taxpayer. It must be admitted that ail this renders the deductive or idealistic method very complex and difficult to understand.

The difficulties do not end with the contradictions between what he is told and taught to think, and what he is ordered and forced by circumstances to do. He feels that, while the idealist knows where he is going, but not for publication, he himself can't quite see where he is bound, yet is on his way. Mr. Eden assures him that although the New Order must be built through war, it will be built notwithstanding. Herr Hitler says he has built it. So far as can be seen, the New Order has a common characteristic either as sponsored by Mr. Eden, or as constructed by Herr Hitler. Millions of uncivil servants appear as though by the wave of the Wicked Fairy's wand, and "order," with, on the whole, disappointing results. General Dittmar somewhat surprisingly suggests that even in Germany, "the selfishness of governmental departments which do not look beyond their own sphere, and disregard the interest of the nation as a whole" (German Radio, January 25, 1944) must be curbed. Idealists everywhere view with alarm, the language used to describe the backbone of the Classless State, "Returns in triplicate, accompanied by the appropriate vouchers." Unregenerate yeomen have been heard to say that if half the inspectors who are paid comfortable salaries, with travelling expenses, rendered on the prescribed Form, to hinder farmers from carrying out repairs to buildings, could be taught the elements of bricklaying, they would go far to remedy the shortage of building labour besides permitting that which is available to do a little work.

And then, there is Russia. Since the Dreyfus Case, with which Russia has, perhaps, more in common than would appear at first sight, no subject has provided so widespread an opportunity, not merely for dogmatic and mutually exclusive statements on matters of fact, but for arguments which seem to close for a considerable time the enquiry as to whether mankind really is a reasoning animal.

Even taking the highest figures put forward by those concerned to support the idea that National Socialist Germany is anti-Jewish, the alleged atrocities against continental Jewry do not come within millions of those committed by the Soviet Government in one operation alone—the "collectivisation" of agriculture. But the world rings with the woes of the Chosen, while Russia is idolised by multitudes. Eugene Lyons, a Communist by conviction, a trained observer, one-time United Press correspondent in Moscow, and subsequently on the staff of Tass, the official Russian Press Agency, in his book, Assignment in Utopia, observes:—

"A population as large as Denmark's or Switzerland's was stripped clean of all their belongings—not alone their land and homes and cattle and tools, but often their last clothes, and food, and household utensils—and driven out of their villages. They were herded with bayonets at the railway stations, packed indiscriminately into cattle-cars and freight-cars, and dumped weeks later in the lumber regions of the frozen North, the deserts of Central Asia, wherever labour was needed, there to live or die. Some of this human wreckage was merely flung beyond the limits of their former villages, without shelter or food in these winter months, to start life anew, if they could, on land too barren to be cultivated in the past. — Tens of thousands died of

exposure and epidemic diseases while being transported and no one dared guess at the death rate in the wilderness. . . . I saw (my emphasis) batches of the victims at provincial railroad points, under G.P.U. (Ogpu) guards, like bewildered animals staring vacantly into space. Those meek, bedraggled, work-worn creatures were hardly the kulaks of the propaganda poster."

Try reading that extract at a "Workers" meeting in any industrial town.

Mr. Max Eastman, the friend of Lenin, who spent years in Russia during its most formative period, remarks "instead of being better, Stalinism is worse than Fascism, more ruthless, barbarous, unjust, immoral, anti-democratic, unredeemed by any hope or scruple . . . "it" is Socialism, in the sense of being an inevitable though unforeseen political accompaniment of the nationalisation and collectivisation which he had relied upon as part of his plan for erecting a classless society" (Stalin's Russia, 1940, p. 82).

While Mr. F. A. Voight obligingly completes the picture by remarking in regard to Germany "Marxism has led to Fascism and National Socialism because, in all essentials, it is Fascism and National Socialism" (*Unto Caesar*, 1939, p. 95).

That is to say, Socialism and Fascism stem from the same root. It is part of the purpose of this book to show that practically all forms of economic, industrial, and political totalitarianism can be traced to the same root.

The idea uppermost in the minds of the working-class idolater of the Soviet system is that the rich have been abolished. In 1939, only 22 years after the Bolshevik accession to power, Trotsky (Bronstein) who ought to have known, stated "the upper 11 or 12 per cent. of the Soviet population now receives approximately 50 per cent. of the national income" (quoted in *The Managerial Revolution*, J. Burnham, 1942, p. 43).

This differentiation is sharper than in the United States, where the upper 10 per cent. receive 35 per cent. of the national income.

The situation of the 88 per cent. in Russia is immeasurably worse than the similar residue in England or the United States.

Until recently, it was a commonplace of "Labour" propaganda that war is a device of the "Capitalist." If you are careful to define your terms, and associate the word "capitalist" with the favourite Socialist ideal, "internationalism," there is probably a good deal of truth in the statement. But Russia, the idol of the proletariat, is considered

to have demonstrated the success of Socialism by first provoking, through a non-aggression pact with Germany, and then waging, war on an unprecedented scale. Even in this, a population of two hundred millions, embodying traditionally brave soldiers, would in all probability have been decisively and irrevocably defeated by a country, Germany, of eighty millions, unless assisted by Great Britain, a country of forty-five millions which had withstood Germany single-handed for a year.

My object in traversing a somewhat familiar terrain is not so much to attack or condemn any particular body of opinion, as to bring into relief something which forms a peculiar handicap to our native talent for "dealing with situations as they arise." "Situations" present themselves to our judgment in words spoken or written. It is evident, that, to a considerable extent, words have come to mean, not merely what we want them to mean, but what we want them to mean in regard to a particular subject.

This is confusing, and an effort to resolve the confusion in respect of a few of the commoner words of political controversy seems to be overdue. That this confusion is not accidental, but deliberate, is unfortunately true. Perhaps as good a key as any to the fundamental policy is provided by the remark of Lord Haldane, who, it will be remembered, claimed that his spiritual home was in Germany. He was asked why he persuaded (!) Sir Ernest Cassel, one of the richest men in the world, to settle large sums on the London School of Economics. He replied "Our object is to make this institution a place to raise and train the bureaucracy of the future Socialist State" (Quarterly Review, January, 1929).

It will be noticed that a special education, differing from that of the existing Schools was necessary. And an inspection of the teaching staff indicates that this was to be inculcated primarily by German—or Russian—speaking Jews. It is ludicrous to suppose that Sir Ernest Cassel, a German-speaking Jew, provided large sums in ignorance of their objective.

In this connection, the growing revolt against pseudoscience is significant. It has been observed in many quarters, and notably by Dr. Tudor Jones, F.R.S.E., that modern science is becoming a mass of superstitions. The tendency of modern, and even not-so-modern Universities to produce communists has been traced to the insistence of their teaching staffs on the unlimited validity of such theories as that of Darwin, largely discredited in informed quarters, but presented to immature minds as fully established.

THE BRIEF FOR THE PROSECUTION

By C. H. DOUGLAS

This book is the last of the contributions to the understanding of world politics written during the war of 1939-1945 by the author of Social Credit. The series began with This 'American' Business (August, 1940) and continued and expanded with The Big Idea (1942), The 'Land For The (Chosen) People' Racket (1943), and, Programme For The Third World War (1943).

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