FOR RELEASE MONDAY, JULY 31.

An appeal for action in establishing a permanent economic union of the nations of the world and in approving the United Nations monetary and financial agreements drafted at Bretton Woods was submitted today in a letter to the President and to the members of Congress by 83 citizens from 32 states. The list of those submitting the appeal includes college presidents, authors, editors, publicists, farmer and labor union officials, members of the clergy, representatives of women's organizations, lawyers, economists and business men, and the officers and directors of the Citizens Conference on International Economic Union.

The "urgent appeal for prompt Government action in participating in the inauguration and development of a comprehensive program of international economic collaboration" is submitted in the belief that "a continuing United Nations organization is imperative if full employment is to be achieved at home and abroad and the peoples of all nations are to be aided in providing for themselves food, shelter, clothing and other necessities of life."

Signers of the appeal state in part, "We believe it is necessary for the United States and all other nations, through multilateral agreements and the creation of appropriate international agencies, to provide the following mutually beneficial services: Extend long-term credit to member nations to promote full employment and expand the production of food, goods, and services for foreign markets, as well as for domestic consumption.

"Reduce or remove barriers to international trade so that the standards of living in member nations, including the United States, may be raised,

"Stabilize the currencies of the producing and trading member nations.

"Enable goods to command goods and establish liquidity, nationally and internationally."

Among those signing the appeal are: Charles Criswell Arbuthnot, Ohie; Emily Greene Balche, Massachusetts; William Rose Benet, New York; John M. Booker, North Carolina; Fred M. Butzel, Michigan; Raymond Taylor Bye, Pennsylvania; J. Leon Clark, Louisiana; Albert Buckner Coe, Illinois; Ernest O. Holland, Washington; Lois V. Holler Iowa; Allen B. Kline, Iowa; Mrs. Henry R. LaBouisse, Jr., Washington, D.C.; John A. Lapp, Illinois; Morris S. Lazaron, Maryland; Judge Calvert Magruder, Mass.; Helen McKinstry, N.Y.; William Lee Notestein, New Jersey; Roland Roger Renne, Montana; Reid Robinson, Colorado; Samuel S. Stratton, Vermont; Alfred W. Swan, Wisconsin; W. Guy Tetrick, West Virginia; Charles J. Turck, Minnesota; Webb Waldron, Connecticut: James F. Zimmerman, New Mexico; Louis Bromfield, Ohio; Rufus E. Clement, Georgia; Remsen Dubois Bird, California; B. W. Dempsey, Missouri; Henry F. Grady, California; William Ernest Hocking, New York; Hamilton Holt, Florida; Victor P. Morris, Oregon, J. Raymond Walsh, New York; and William L. White, Kansas.

Louis H. Pink, Chairman of the Citizens Conference on International Economic Union, in releasing the appeal for action which is sponsored by the Conference, said, "The definite results achieved at Bretton Woods are an encouraging sign that we shall be able to effect world cooperation which will go far to eliminate the basic cause of wars. We must not relax our efforts, for the recommendations have still to be adopted by our Congress and by the proper authorities in other nations. We must be willing to experiment in order to create machinery which will outlaw the economic nationalism which brought the world to its present chaos."

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July 31, 1944

To the President and Members of the Congress:

The undersigned citizens of the United States request the President with the authority of Congress to take the initiative in bringing about the establishment of a permanent economic union of all of the nations of the world.

Fourty-three nations accepted the invitation of the President to attend the recent monetary and financial conference of the United Nations, held at Bretton Woods, New Hampshire. It is understood that a United Nations meeting on world trade will be called in the not far distant future. Political leaders of both major parties have expressed interest in creating an international economic organization. On March 7 of this year Senators Thomas of Utah, Kilgore of West Virginia and Truman of Missouri introduced a resolution (S.J.RES.120) declaring that such action is necessary for the following reasons:

"Economic collaboration among the United Nations has demonstrated its effectiveness in mobilizing the resources of member nations for the prosecution of the war.

"Continued economic collaboration among member nations, promoting the fullest and most effective use of their resources, is essential, not only to the winning of the war but equally to the establishment and maintenance of an enduring peace.

"Such economic collaboration requires an increasing expansion of the trade of the United States with friendly nations and is a recognized need of American business, labor and agriculture to the end of maintaining full production and employment."

We too believe that a continuing United Nations organization is imperative if full employment is to be achieved at home and abroad and if the peoples of all nations are to be aided in providing for themselves food, shelter, clothing and other necessities of life.

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Enable goods to command goods and establish liquidity, nationally and internationally.

We believe in the strength and the preservation of the United Nations. We believe that the principle of mutual assistance, operating through an integrated program of economic, financial and commercial agencies, is the necessary foundation of a solid and lasting structure of world peace.

We believe that an economic union of the nations of the world should be launched at the earliest time possible. To be effective, the necessary agencies of economic cooperation must be set in motion before the war ends.

Therefore, we submit this urgent appeal for prompt Government action in participating in the inauguration and development of a comprehensive program of international economic collaboration.

This appeal is submitted by the following citizens;

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Dear Mr. Green:-

Maybe you will remember the contact which we had by correspondence more than a decade ago. At that time we were in the midst of the long depression and, if I remember right, you had proposed a sharing of the jobs with adequately shortened working hours, while the needs of the people were, of course, just as big as they are now, or even bigger, both for consumers and durable goods, a condition which naturally requires capacity production at full time, or overtime rather than shorten-

Today we are in a war prosperity which any time may come to an end. If there ever has been any doubt on our ability to produce, this war period has demonstrated that this problem is solv-

However, the problem of exchange and just distribution of our production is not solved, and this is a money prob-

The iron necessity of making money unhoardable, so that surplus money, money savings, are invested and the gap between production and exchange closed, permitting production to expand and absorb unemployment, has in the meantime been recognised by numerous eminent economists, as you probably know.

Therefore, it will, no doubt, interest you to learn that we of the Neo-economic School have in the meantime developed a money note which, streamlined as it is (stampless for regular use). will serve the requirements of modern business and exchange capacity production fully and distribute it also justly.

This new note permits perfect matching of our production, however big it may be, with effectively exchanging money, resulting in a permanently stabilized price level or stable value of money. Every increase of such active money means increase in the exchange volume, every decrease an adequate decrease in the exchange volume. There fore, the fluctuations of the general price level can, by simple volume regulation, be reliably and permanently eliminated. This will eliminate the periods of inflation robbing the workers of their wages by money depreciation, and the periods of deflation robbing the workers of their jobs or wages altogether by unemployment. The profits from these fluctuations of the value of mondisappear and make possible an adequate wage increase.

This NEO-money will also eliminate the other forms of unearned income which the workers have had to pay in the past. Uninterrupted production, as insured by this NEO-money, will increase the wealth in real-capital goods, in homes, etc., to such an extent that their investment-yield will ultimately fall to zero. The more houses-the lower the rentals. Under such conditions real without a costly, wage curtailing op- culating money. Deprived of this mon capital goods must be placed at the pressive bureaucracy. What such un- etary support, the markets collapse disposal of the workers at an ever decreasing profit-rate, ultimately profitfree, with nothing to pay to the owners but the refund for wear and tear (amor-

intense competition of these real capital goods with each other for use.

The sinking of the real-capital interest will lower also money-capital interest correspondingly until here also the condition of interest-free credit, with nothing but the return of the principal is established, the just economic order.

The law of competition--so cursed in our contracted economy, in our new order, expanded by demurrage money, will apportion naturally all the unearned profits of the past to the workers. There will be such a demand for workers that the employers, in order to get workers, must offer higher and which a sinking capital-interest left rate of exchange in the foreign trade. them, while Capital must be satisfied with whatever market conditions yield exchanging products and services do-

International Issues

Letter to William Green Monetary Nationalism vs. June 9, 1944 tization), at a rate determined by the interes competition of these real capit. Financial Internationalism

The Solution of the Problems Faced By The International Monetary Conference Monetary Conference,

Gentlemen:-

The problem before you is to bring order into the monetary chaos which has prevailed in the past, and thereby permit a smooth and rational exchange of goods and services, both domestically and between the nations.

Such order is naturally established if the exchange value of the monetary unit is nationally stabilized, as seen by the stability of the price level, which, in turn, establishes amongst the nations higher wages from the profit margin with such stabilized price level a fixed

It is the limitation and inability of

To the Members of the International | tion of the production at an even price level.

The result of such economic breakdown on the domestic markets reflects itself in a similar way in foreign markets. The outstanding fact of the probblem of foreign trade is that home markets are the foreign markets of other nations. But a contracted and depressed home market ceases to be a foreign market. In the face of unemployment and unsalability of home products, foreign products are naturally unwelcome and prevented from entering by means of tariff walls. Under such conditions, have-not nations cannot secure the vitally needed raw materials and products for their own existence in exchange for products of their own make and the result is war, started under some pretext.

Only domestic markets which expand under the sway of an orderly money policy, safeguarding the price level from falling, can and will welcome foreign products in exchange of raw materials and foods, and only under such conditions will foreign trade be conducive to steady enrichment of the nations involved.

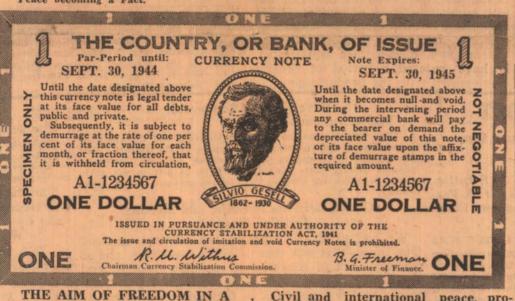
However, Gentlemen of the International Money Conference, a big "BUT" is blocking the road to this great goal.

Natural law decrees that expanding production of real-capital goods will decrease their interest yield on the investments; this will impede investments, and thereby money circulation. On the other hand, expanding production requires an adequately increased issue of money, which will further lower the interest rate. Traditional hoardable money will however, with a sinking interest rate, be withheld, hoarded in ever larger masses, which must then a latent inflation which will turn tensely acute when it is more generally realized that too much money faces the

To stop expanding production at an interest rate unattractive under ordinary conditions, of, say, three per cent, would however prevent the coming of the age of full employment and general expression of the scarcity of goods and their use at this premium. But if you want to push through the interest wall against productive contraction, unemployment, poverty and debt slavery, then you must introduce a money which cannot be hoarded, in which savings must be invested to close the gap between production and distribution, a demurrage money as illustrated on this page. Only with such a money can a policy of stabilization effectively and permanently be carried out, a policy from which will ensue full employment, capacity production, general prosperity and the opening of the domestic markets to the very extent as domestic materials and products can be bought by other nations.

Stabilizing purchasing power of the national money units on the home markets, expansion of home markets to capacity production thereby excluding the idea of competiton from foreign pro ducts, adequate exports in payment of

The only Money making possible Permanet Stabilization of the different National Price Levels. They establish stable Foreign Rates of Exchange regulating Imports and Exports automatically for Balance. With all Unemployment eliminated by actively circulating money matched with Production, Domestic Peace is established, and with Capacity Production, the essential consition of International Free Trade is realized with International Peace becoming a Fact.



PRODUCTIVE ECONOMY

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and these market conditions press the mestically which leads to social disinintereest yield continually down with tegration, to unemployment and poverevery expansion of real-capital goods, an expansion which cannot now be prevented by means of a capital strike. without profit, at nothing but the refund. Interest exploitation has cut all working incomes to 50 per cent. Elimiey or real-capital goods, which the nation of the interest exploitation will workers in all fields had to pay, will double all working incomes and increase them with every expansion of production. Instead of competition of many unemployed workers for a few jobs, we shall have the competition of many jobs (employers) for few workers with ever rising wages while capital must SERVE, must co-operate terest rate falls by the increase of realeven at 0 per cent profits.

briefly outlined in the statement on

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Civil and international peace, progress and prosperity depend, not upon be replaced by additional money issues the establishment of an International to maintain the price level. This creates Neo-Economy teaches that there are Bank, an International Monetary Unit no tyrants under such a system if it is and the restoration of the archaic and based on money reform and land re- iniquitous gold standard, but upon the form. The powers of ownership and of stabilization of the purchasing and debt collective bargaining, while guaran-teed in their respective rights, will units that are in general use within the nations of the world.

ty, to crime and civil strife, and it is prosperity, as interest is naturally the the limitation and inability of exchanging vitally needed raw materials and Capital, with unhoardable money, must foods for their own products which ultimately co-operate with Labor even lead nations to commercial and military

The gold standard, while fixing the relationship of national money with gold, completely disregards the relationship of the volume of national mon ey in circulation with the volume of production which alone determines the purchasing power, money's value, as measured in products. Instead of such regulation, the interest rate is made the basis of the money issue. If the incapital investments, money issue (cre-The realization of the full proceeds dit) is contracted whereas the increased of labor, the dream of all who make a volume of production should be matchliving by work, will thus be realized ed with an increased volume of cirhoardable money will bring to Labor is involving contraction of production, unemployment, general depression, all because of the lack of proper regulation of the issue of money for the distribu-

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The Pabst Contest of Post-War Unemployment

The winners of the Pabst awards have now been announced. Two New Deal economists were awarded the two first prizes. Amongst the winners of the additional 15 awards we find at least three who have become acquainted with the Gesell teachings.

There is Mordecai Ezekiel, chief economic adviser to the Secretary of Agricontact by correspondence and, who, a few years ago, stated to the Monopoly Committee:

"The gap between production and distribution must be closed. Unless we do close the gap by borrowing or taxing away the uninvested savings, buying power cannot equal the amount produced at full production and our economy will not keep people or plants employed... Idle savings constitute the weak link in the purchasing power chain... Money must be spent or invested-not hoarded."

These statements show the influence of the Gesell teachings, although the ment borrow or tax away the money stabilized economic structure whenin spite of a falling interest rate because of the increasing investmentsernment taking completely over.

great interest in our teachings as a sub- ment and foreign nations. With the scriber of our paper.

Pierson, formerly of Yale U., now also been considered a dangerous competibook, Full Employment, reviewed in ogy. And her attempt to reach an agreeour February 1943 issue. There he ment with Poland would have been states:

"Production for markets will maintain itself only if producers, operating on this principle, anticipate that aggregate consumers spending will continue, either automatically or as a result of conscious social action, in such relation to their aggregate anticipated money costs as to justify or motivate production at an undiminished rate ...

In other words: Supply of products muts be matched with Demand for procirculating money.

Consumers spending (by consumption or investment, the editor) must be adequate to full production.'

loans, buy commodities or any assets other than money beyond immediate needs, lower the rate of interest, expand demand for securities, lower the interest rate on bonds, increase the desire to lend money, thereby lowering the rate of returns of such lending ..

government money, against money borculture, with whom we have been in rowed at interest from private banks, standing of the perfect solution by monfor a demurrage money, as advocated by Silvio Gesell.

> our claims for demurrage money, also "that it will keep government interference at a minimum" and remove "the half measures that, powerless to put an end to depression, will seem to the nation too high a price to pay for any lesser benefit."

The awful price we had to pay for the economic patchwork measures of latter do not propose that the govern- the New Deal administration amounts mate triumph of our plan. not only to 8 years of continued depressavings of the people, but rather induce sion, with ruin and poverty of the peothe people to invest themselves in the ple, and to the volume of wealth that could have been produced during that period, but also, coming in the wake of the depression and efforts to get out the principal will be safeguarded of it in the material waste of Lendagainst loss by the elimination of in- Lease, and war with the blood of unflation or deflation and panics. The Ge- told numbers of sons of mothers. With sell proposals permit the people to go our simple but effective measures, again into business instead of the gov whereby economic freedom is safeguarded and enhanced, we would rapid Then there is Rev. Dr. John F. Cronin ly have entered a period of general Hull."—Vickers let the Cat out (America Preeconomist at St. Mary's Seminary, Bal- employment with the products going to ferred. Indianapolis, Ind.)

FREEDOM AND PLENTY timore, Md. Prof. Cronin has shown our people instead of to the governmastering of our economic conditions The third winner, with whose name by a scientific money reform, here and we are acquainted, is Prof. John H. G. in England, Germany would not have at Washington. He is the author of the tor, regardless of her or Russia's ideolwelcomed, instead of being frustrated in order to get a last chance to wipe her out by a general war.

Some day, the full price of our idiotic economics will be figured out. Let us hope that OUR FREEDOM will not be

What these 17 winning post war emplayment plans, out of 35,767, propose in detail, we do not know yet. We shall ducts in form of a sufficient volume of refer to them in future issues. However, derstand why no award was made to THE BOOK WHICH "POWERFUL any plan proposing a scientific money system without compromise with bu-It would "increase the incentive to make reaucratic measures, apart from the proposal of public works for the transition period directly after the war. We could not propose half-way measures, as they create new problems. But this advantage of such plans is considered a weak-Prof. Pierson stands for the issue of ness in the eyes of judges who, as far as we know, have no thorough underey plus land reform, and of whom one was the Chairman of the Fed Res. Bank In short, Prof. Pierson confirms all of New York, the institution forming the arch-enemy of money reform.

If any of the plans or any of their proposals will be applied, they will have to face a supreme judge, natural economic law, practical experience. We look with calmness to this judge before whom nothing can permanently stand that is not right. In this knowledge we have great hope for the ulti-

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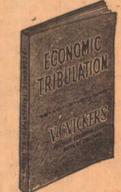
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(A Chapter and a Lesson to Statesmen, from "A People's Runnymede")

"A People's Runnymede" by Robert J. Scrutton, leader of the English popular movement for 'A People's Common Law Parliament (Parliament Christan)',i published London, 1942.

SUMARY OF THE SECTION PUBLISHED IN THE JUNE ISSUE: Poverty and war have a common root. Many statesmen know the principles to eliminate this root, which should be inserted into any plan of postwar reconstruction, but vested interests are against it. To protect these vested interests, sailing under the guise of nationalism and prestige, peace conferences, with the struggle for world markets as basis for their discussions, were turned into war conferences. War became inevitable. To insure the food supply in war, England wanted to be strong on the seas. Exportation of industrial products compelled her to import foreign agricultural products while the impoverished English masses could not buy English farmers' products. America and France wanted strong Navies for the same reason as England did. With Germany completely disarmed, all were afraid of an unknown foe and they left their Disarmament Conference, agreed that their Navies should be made stronger. To provide an excuse for their armaments, Germany was permitted to preserve balance of the power. Continued increase of armaments of other nations led Hitler to full armament after his repeated proposals of full disarmament were turned down. The economic system forced the nations into commercial conflict which turned nations wanting peace into nations wanting war. International finance dominated the policies of the leading Powers. Without tribute from the exchange of goods it raised, nationally and internationally, barriers to the friendly exchange of goods and raw materials in accordance with the needs of the nations to feed the hungry millions and preserve peace. Goods were left to pile up in the store-houses and ports of the world. The blessings of Nature, bumper harvests, became a curse, and economists, bare of common sense, began their insane fury of destruction of wealth, trying to establish economic balance, by regulating the PRODUCTION SIDE through destruction instead of getting firm control over the MONEY SIDE by means of UNHOARD-ABLE MONEY, for increased exchange and consumption, after all attempts to achieve this result by the increased issue of traditional money (pump priming) had failed.

Justice — Access to Raw Materials The Fundamental Condition of Peace.

Lord Marler asked the Government what steps were being taken towards meeting the inequalities in international distribution of raw materials. He asked:

"the government to consider the just distribution of raw materials and markets at once and not wait until there were threats of direct action and war... Until this was done they could not get rid of the tension in Europe and the whole world ... It was bigger than a mere Colonal problem ... Peace could not be lasting unless it was based on justice, and that meant economic justice; and the people of the U. S. A. felt extremely strongly on this matter."

Have-Nations Responsible Viscount Samuel said:

"The British Commonwealth undoubtedly had the chief responsibility in this matter of the supply of the essential raw materials... Governments in possession of raw materials (should) declare their general policy to be not to use their powers of restricting supplies so as to put pressure on any other oountry."

Choice Between Refusing and Meeting Justified Requests.

We had to choose between two distinct courses. One to say that war was probably inevitable, and so envisage certain countries as possible enemies and keep them as powerless as we could. The other was may be in their commercial or military wars, if we to say that war need not be inevitable, and our duty was to remove causes that would tend to war and do sion, of the conditions which give rise to dictatorwhat was reasonable to meet any legitimate request, ship. no matter from whence it came.

The Earl of Plymouth said: "The collaboration of the United States was of particular importance.' They had the bulk of the world's gold.

The Indifference of the Rich Nations But Lord Snell said:

"It was clear that His Majety's Government had no intention of facing these difficulties in spite of the urgency of the problem ... Placed as we were we had a special responsibility, (and the co-operation of all nations would not be obtained by waiting for a spontaneous addance. Somebody had to

take the lead, and it would be possible for the government to ask that in some form or other this matter might be explored." Such suggestions were beyond the pale—to share, and share alike, was too big a price to pay for human

happiness and peace. Causes Were Left - With Effects To Follow

In 1931 there were ominous rumbles in the Far East. A Japanese delegate at Geneva said to the Daily Telegraph.

"Unless the League Council can find a means of safeguarding Japanese interests in Machuria, we must remain there. Moreover, we must have space to breathe somewhere. Our population is increasing to such an extent that there is no room for all Japanese in Japan itself."

Mussolini said: "We must expand or explode!" Herr Hitler said: "We must export or die!"

Resign and Die - But Do Not Fight To Live

The difficulties of Italy and Germany were how to obtain raw materials and food supplies. Translated, the League of Nations said:

"We cannot help you in your economic difficulties. We are sorry that your population is overcrowded and that you have great difficulty in obtaining the necessities of natural life. It is unfortunate that a handful of nations control most of the resources you need and will not share them with you, if you cannot obtain them by peaceful means you must not fight for

Arrogance of the Rich

The actual working of Article 16 stated bluntly:

"Should any member of the League resort to war in dis-regard to Articles 12, 13, or 15, it shall ipso facto be deemed to have committed an act of war against all other members of the League."

Various member nations of the League resigned and recoursed to war to obtain what was denied to them by friendly intercourse.

Whose Fault Are Wars, Before God?

It is hypocrisy to condemn economic or military aggressors or dictators, no matter how rightless they will not remove the economic causes of the aggres-

Traditional Money System Provides Neither **Products Nor Money Exchange** Submit - Or Be Crushed!

The nations which were in the category of the "have nots" were treated as we treat our unemployed. "Our economic policy has no provision for exchanging goods and services without the use of money, but as the system cannot give you the money we must withhold the goods you need. We are sorry for your condition, but bear your troubles peacefully; any attempt at violence to obtain a sufficiency of food, warmth, and shelter will be crushed by the forces of law and order.

No Money (Gold) - No Materials.

This is the only implication we can give Mr. Eden's words on September 1937, after Germany and other countries had asked for assistance in solving their food problems.

"I am afraid no modification of the British or any other preferential system can provide an adequate remedy for the difficulties of those countries which, by maintaining exchange control, find themselves at a disadvantage in obtaining imports of raw materials and other things which they require. For as the Committee's report clearly shows, the principal difficulties of these countries arises not in obtaining raw materials, whether from colonial areas or elsewhere, but in paying for those raw

Interest and Debt Enslavement Only Avenue of Escape

The great commercial nations - America, Great, Britain and France-had lent, and were willing to continue lending money to foreign countries so that they could buy their goods. But Italy had learned her lesson by past experience and refused to entangle herself in debt. She occassionally iginored orthodoxy and fed her people by exchanging her industrial

Letter To William Green

(Continued from page 1) page 4 of the enclosed issue of FREE-DOM and PLENTY. No Bureaucracy, no State-socialism, no Communism can ever bring such advantages to the workers as our simple but fundamental proposals for the realization of a FREE-SO-CIALISM. There remains but one wage curtailing factor: the private rent on land. Being a social product, it should be collected and used for the benefit of all the people, or the Mothers, as Henry George and Gesell proposed, while equal opportunity of access to land and natural resources can also in a smooth evolutionary and just way be accomplished by the Gesell proposals.

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In the face of the tremendous issues at stake, I implore you to study once more our teachings which impressed you formerly, but from which you lost sight through side-issues. I am going to mail you my paper currently, and also the booklets No. 1-5 if you will read them. No. 3 to 5 present convincing facts of highly successful applications of our money teachings which, indirectly, are confirmed by every day eeconomic life. I know that a man in your pothe time for the study of the one vital nial interest." issue: the solution of the problem of 25c in coin exchange and just distribution of our production, so that bureaucratic enslavement can be avoided and man remain free.

May I hear from you as I did former-

ly? Thank you.

Very sincerely yours, Hugo R. Fack, Editor.

MONETARY NATIONALISM INSTEAD OF FINANCIAL INTERNATIONALISM

(Continued from page 1) the imports, fixed international exchange rates with all nations having established a stabilized price level, exchange rates only slightly fluctuating by the temporary trade balances which, by stimulating or inhibiting exports or imports, as the case may be, automatically restore equilibrium in trade and lead the foreign exchange rate back to its normal stand, without interest and debt enslavement of the individuals and nations, and without an International Monetary Fund. Such are the great benefits to be derived from our fundamental proposals.

Gentlemen, are you going to let a block of gold stand in the way of the progress and peace of the world? The greatest thinkers the world over have condemned the use of gold as money, as involving poverty and crime, and as economic science proves to be true. Dictatorship, tyrannical forms of government are the result of bad economic conditions, chiefly due to a chaotic money system. Let us remove this cause and we shall remove the bad forms of government and truly free the world. Prosperous men and nations want to be free and will free themselves.

Dr. Hugo R. Fack, Editor. "Financial internationalism permitted control of the national money supply and, with it, support of a monetary system that has plunged every nation into the miseries of irretrievable debt and the world into economic strife."

> -V. C. Vickers, former Governor of the Bank of England.

The modern tendency towards communism is entirely due to the fact that the primary function of money, the distribution of socially produced wealth, has been replaced by an entirely subordinate and alien one-how to issue money so as to make it a source of resition has little time. Still he must find venue to the issuer and to bear peren-

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-Prof. Soddy, Nobel Laureate.

What Our Readers Say-

For enclosed amount send copies of your June issue, with the bold, truthful and convincing article "The World Bank". I read Henry Kaiser's article in "The Progressive". Can America Win the War? Kaiser speaks eloquently and visions a new and happy world, but with all his honest words on monopoly he fails to specify and explain the basic monopoly in the means of exchange. Kaiser does not know and understand, as we do, thanks to Silvio Gesell. Will Kaiser drink at this Fountain of Knowledge, like all others who want to realize the splendid thrilling vision of Henry Kaiser? Will Kaiser listen to the reasons we have imbibed from two great prophets, Henry George and Silvio Gesell, who teach the practical way to bring Production and Distribution into balance? Or is he too set to learn basic truths on which alone his philosophy of a free economic order can stand? W. H. Sikes Kansas

More power to you in your noble, but quite uphill work (especially in view of the stolidness thus far of the great masses of mankind) I thought your explanation of "The World Bank in the June issue of "Freedom and Plenty" very instructive and illuminating and want to thank you personally for it. Regarding this colossal accumulation of gold in the vaults of Ft. Knox, Kentucky, I have hitherto had my suspicions, for I cannot evade the surmise that those responsible for it have in mind virtual subjugation of the weaker races of the world H. D. Hutchins EMOI by its employment. Note of the Editor:-Also the people of the dominating nations will be subjugated by the gold standard. Wherever applied, the law of interest exploitation and economic contraction

will prevail. For the past 21 years I have been searching for the light in economic matters, and can only say that it was a providential day when, some two years ago, I came upon Silvio Gesell and his teachings, and your educational work and paper. Silvio Gesell was indeed a genius in money matters, and his teachings are, it seems to me, the last word in economics. He satisfies the mind and answers the questions of why and wherefore. I am thankful to God for this privilege of finding a way to solve the world's economic and social problems a la Gesell: I am happy to be connected with your work and paper. N. Dak. (Rev.) John C. Wingering

I always pass your paper around ... but, oh, how difficult it is to get people to read anything serious. Funny papers, sport news and capitalistic propaganda is their main dish.

I doubt if the Pabst Contest judges gave any serious attention to essays from the money reformers, as they had a member of the Federal Reserve System on their committee of judges, also three reactionaries. But I hope you and others sent in some strong stuff to let them know what we are thinking.

Utah

I maintain that in the long run people as a whole have no better or worse government than that to which their own wits entitle them.

I am now re-reading Claude Bowers' "Jefferson and Hamilton". In it, one can find the seeds of the present ruling power in America.

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-Cassius in Julius Caesar.

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products for the food she could not produce herself, money monopolists by the force of economic sanity Russia also offended against the cmmercial powers by exchanging goods for goods. They were condemnaccepted as legitimate trade. It did not gather interest. Trade was trade, in the opinion of the money power only when men stood at ports entering cargoes into ledgers "Imports and Exports". Barter only fed people.

Hitler Or No Hitler "Barter Meant Aggression"

Germany, like Italy and Russia before, was trying to escape the entanglements of world debt. England was quite willing to lend money to buy raw materials, but they insisted upon exchanging goods for goods. They would not be drawn into the system of increasing debt, booms and slumps. The Times has since said that Germany's barter system made her an aggressor in the world market.

Germany's Barter Exchange Means War

On October 11 and 12 and November 13, 1940, this organ of High finance said:

"One of the fundamental causes of this war has been the unrelaxing efforts of Germany since 1918 to secure wide enough foreign markets to straighten her finances at the very time when all her competitors were forced by their own debts to adopt exactly the same course. Continuous friction was inevitable."

Germany's Financial System Ended Difficulties Germany adopted a new monetary policy after which, The Times said:

"Germany ceased to experience any financial difficulty."

In this country the people suffer the burden of heavy and increasing taxation, but in Germany, says

"Nothing is ever heard of the necessity of increasing tax-ation, compulsory savings, or the issue of enormous public war loans. Quite the contrary. Recently an important tax was abolished. Public savings bank deposits touch new monthly records again and again. Money is so plentiful that the interest rate on the Reich loans could recently be reduced from 41/2 to 4 per cent. Hitler seems to have discovered the secret of making something out of nothing, and to have evolved a system based on perpetual motion."

Persistence In Old Financial Methods Will Lose Peace.

"These changes", we are told, "may well call for drastic readjustments in our established conventions. A hidebound persistance of methods and doctrines which were sound fifty years ago may easily prove as costly in the financial and economic field of actual war. It might not lose the war; it would certainly lose the peace."

Germany's Unpardonable Sin

-and that was unforgivable. She was acting like the worker who went on strike against a system which deed by the world's economic experts. Barter was not prived him of adequate food supplies though he was quite willing to exchange his labor to pay for them. In 1937 Hitler said:

> "Germany will enter no more obligations to pay for her goods imports that she is not capable of fulfilling. The German Government thus takes the standpoint of the respectable merchant who keeps his orders in harmony with his power to pay." He said:

> We laugh at the time when our national economists held the view that the value of a currency is regulated by the gold and securities lying in the vaults of a State Bank; and more especially we laugh at the theory that its value was guaranteed thereby. We have instead come to learn that the value of the currency lies in the productive capacity of a nation."
> Humanity Fed; — Finance Starved.

> The world financial monopoly stood aghast. If Germany succeeded in her plan of economic penetration, other nations might follow her example. The whole world would then exchange goods for goods on a basis of equality and good fellowship. No one would want to borrow, and the financial pyramid of debt, from the apex of which Almighty Finance ruled the world, would collapse. Humanity would be well fed, but the financiers would lose their power.

> The politicians said that the barter system of Gerfail to prove orthodoxy right. The war between rival monetary policies began in earnest.

> Editor's Note: We intend publishing the complete chapter, "The Peace We Lost" from A People's Run nymede in a pamphlet of about 24 pp. with a Preface and an Appendix which we shall offer at 25c per

> > "A People's Runnymede" by Robt. J. Scrutton, 200 p., linen, \$1.50.

Book Review

Honest Education-The Price of Peace, with Plenty for All, by Sam Evans Hayes, 100 9x11 inch pp., \$1. per copy, 500 Ridge Drive, Seattle, 5, Wash. "Education on the causes of our social ills must be spread to avoid revolution with bombs, bullets and bayonets and usher in an inevitable revolution fought and won with books, brains and ballots to destroy legalized theft emanating from the private monopoly of the Gift of God to all men, land, and from the private monopoly of the control of the social medium of exchange and measure of price, money." Hayes wants the unearned income outlawed. He rejects the New Deal method of charity, leaving causes intact, and proposes to tax away the economic rent on land, and the interest exploitation by demurrage money. But then, in contradiction to his own principles, the author proposes \$50 to every adult and \$25 to every child Germany was trying to break the credit ring of the monthly to rapidly increase consuming power. With most money

reformers he omits to link, inseparably, the money issue with the stability of the price level. The fact is that purchasing power cannot be added by printing of money. The total value of circulating money equals at all times the sum total of the products, both in inflation and in deflation. Only increased production represents an increase in purchasing power. The problem is to increase production by making money purchase the existing production and follow up increased production with an adequately increased volume of the active money. But as long as money can be withheld, production remains contracted to that very extent. Therefore, only by means of demurrage money can the problem of purchasing power for the masses be solved—and rapidly. The author proposes a number of steps to solve the social problem. Candidates for public office should be able to answer a questionaire, the answers to which, as given, are not always correct in our opinion. But the proposal in itself is excellent. Our public office holders, with few exceptions, are gross ignorants on the vital public problems; Nationalization of the Federal Reserve Bank; Resumption of coinage and money issue by the State in order to enforce centralized government issue of money. The latter proposal is fraught with great danger unless stabilization of the state pricelevel would be made the guiding star of money issue. The author proposes also, apart from the socialization of the medium of exchange, the "socialization of all our means of production and distribution through public purchase of our privately owned capital structure." Apparently the author does not see that an unhoardable money, by the elimination of the real-capital and money-capital interest, places all real-capital goods at the disposal of the workers, free of charge, with nothing but amortization to pay to the owners for the refund of the capital invested, while the owners, self-responsible and self-interested. many and other peoples was sure to fail. It had to will keep their property in better shape than socialized property ever will be kept, unless at the expense of the community. In spite of these flaws and the tendency toward communism, the student of the money problem will find a wealth of good material in this book. However, we wish such students had first sharpened their e onomic knowledge with Gesell in order to recognize the fallacies and not fall a prey to the communistic

> Money-The Human Conflict by Elgin Croseclose, published by the University of Oklahoma Press, Norman, Okla, Price \$3.25. This book is a valuable addition to the literature on the money problem. It shows the influence of money on the various civilizations and reveals the utter mess and confusion in which the money and currency systems have been for the past twenty centuries. Students of the money problem will agree that the money systems are still messed and confused. The author has apparently no knowledge of the one natural and scientific solution as offered by Silvio Gesell: money must be provided with the urge to enter the markets like products because of perishability, and the money volume must be regulated for stability of money's value.

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