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Youth Wants to Know Why . . .

Instruction in elementary sociology, so that youth may have an understanding of social organization and their part in it, is one of a number of positive steps which might be taken in the homes and the schools to counter the present rebellion against authority on the part of young people.

Attention has been drawn to the present guidance program of the Detroit public schools, which is based on the belief that youth does not accept restriction without asking why the community demands conformity to certain laws and rules.

"Too frequently time is not taken to include young people in the planning or to interpret plans to them," it is stated. "The adolescent, in his need to convince not only himself but also the whole adult world that he is grown up, exaggerates his behavior by constant rebellion. However, once convinced that breaking laws and rules does not indicate adult behavior, but rather the opposite, he frees his energy for constructive effort."

It is well recognized that laws cannot be enforced unless they have the support of public opinion. This should be recognized as applying also to the rules and laws which youth is expected to accept and obey.

It is not enough to tell youth what to do and especially what not to do; they should also be told why. The failure to do so is a fundamental weakness in the moral teaching of today. It is because of this that the word "moral" is so much "in bad odor" with youth.

Few young people have been told that morals are simply time-tested, unwritten rules, devised by man for his own protection; if there were no such rules, society would quickly have to invent some.

The old-fashioned father demanded unquestioning obedience. The children of today, reared in a much more democratic, free home and community atmosphere, and invited to express themselves, are willing to comply with reasonable rules; the wise modern father explains why he counsels certain conduct.

In a wider sphere, the democratic community cannot expect compliance from adolescents any more than from adult citizens, unless that community makes an effort to explain the mutual need for social co-operation.

They Do Not Fight Alone . . .

Our purchase of Victory Bonds does not line up as an active participant with the Canadian in battle dress in the grim battle being waged in Europe. We cannot fool ourselves on this point. For there is little or no sacrifice here in Canada that can be related even remotely to the hazardous life or death work in which our boys are engaged overseas.

Yet the purchase of Victory Bonds is vital to the well-being of our men in battle for two reasons. First the cash we thus provide maintains the flow of necessary material to the fighting forces. Secondly, and perhaps more important, the enthusiastic support which Canadians at home give to a Victory Loan informs the boys overseas better than any other method we have at our command that the hearts and minds of the overwhelming majority of folks back home are with them.



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SOVIET BURIES MARXISM

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starvation," "a wretched of the earth."

For that belief, naturally, Communists found ready and intense acceptance. Naturally their missionaries found multitudes of sympathetic ears and willing hands to help destroy the "oppressor."

If the idea seems like the nonsense the official Soviet body now declares it, don't forget that in addition to the millions of workers who accepted it, there were also plush drawing rooms and revered academic halls that accepted it too.

Now uplifted as the official Soviet theory are these: Savings, capital, investment are necessary to a progressive society. Market prices are properly determined by the needs of profitable operation and the circumstances of competition. The factor which must determine wages is not primarily the need of the wage earner but the amount of stuff he produces; that all men are not equally valuable in production; that, as they phrase it, "the labor of a citizen of a Socialist society is not qualitatively uniform."

The new Soviet gospel specifically recognizes the desirability for incentive pay and for piece-work payment, long fiercely opposed by some labor unions.

"Surplus labor must always exist under any system of society," they declare, pointing out that it is needed for "socialist accumulations," by which they mean capital, to maintain armed forces, schools and other public services.

REPUDIATE IDEA OF EXPLOITATION

Out the window goes the Marx

doctrine of exploitation. This was the axiom that the interests of the different groups or classes in society are unalterably opposed; that the largest class must therefore wage unremitting warfare on all the other classes.

Out the window goes the Marxian materialistic conception of history. According to Marx and his disciples, wars start solely because of economics, because of human greed, and they end for the same reason. Hence the intense preoccupation of old-style Communists and of people like Mr. Coldwell with "proving" that behind this war as other wars lie the machinations of greedy businessmen.

The Soviet has been approach-

ing the present momentous step for a long time. It has been sinning much against the Marxian gospel. But this solemn and official burial of the intellectual parents of Communism is nonetheless remarkable.

It long since introduced Stakhanovism or special pay for special work. Disbanding the Internationales was in effect calling off the foreign missionaries of world revolution. In permitting a revival of religion, the Soviet committed further sin against the Marxian dieties who regarded religion as not only useless but positively dangerous, "an opiate of the masses."

Not many months ago, Communist leaders in North America announced that they were prepared to "go along with" capital-

ism; that they had called off the battle to overthrow governments and societies in capitalistic countries. And recently as the New York Times points out, the Soviet press ignored the 61st anniversary of the death of Marx, formerly one of the great holy days of the Soviet state.

Recently, too, the pictures of Marx and Engels in Stalin's conference rooms have been replaced by pictures of Soviet generals.

This official burial of Marxism brings Soviet economic theory into line with Soviet realities. It makes it possible for the Soviet to live in and co-operate fully with a world run on capitalistic business principles.

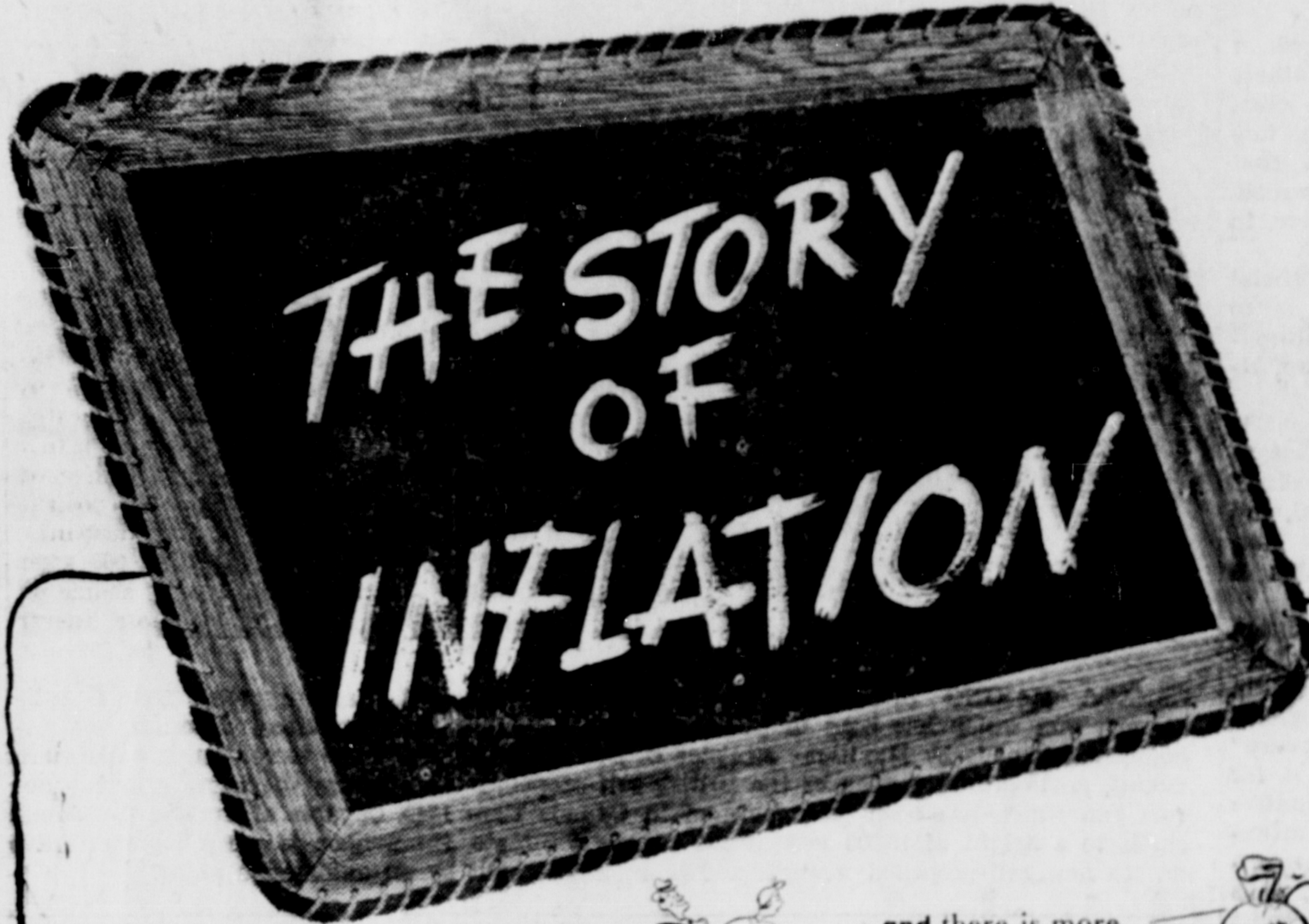
Where then does Russia stand? Roughly just about where Germany now stands. State social-

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ism has been abandoned for state capitalism. Our Canadian Socialists are going to find this burial of Marx embarrassing. Surrounded as he is with Marxians and pseudo-Marxians, Mr. Coldwell will have to move quickly to some new theories to base his platform. Or, he will have to go on riding from Moscow to Ottawa.



...in one easy lesson

In wartime, more people are working

and there is more money to spend

but half of what is made is for war

so consumers can't get all they want

and people will bid more for what is available

so prices go up . . .

and workers need higher wages

costs of production go up

and producers and dealers need higher prices

and the vicious spiral of inflation gets started

but wages and salaries don't catch up with living costs

the spiral grows — and the sky is the limit

money buys less and less

hardship and confusion sweep over factory, farm and home

SO: TO PROTECT US ALL FROM THE RISING COST OF LIVING AND THE DISASTER OF INFLATION

a ceiling is set on prices

wages and salaries are controlled to prevent higher production costs from pushing up the ceiling

and excess profits are taxed away

and individual incomes are taxed more heavily

Victory Loans are launched

to pay the costs of war

supplies are divided fairly among producers and merchants

rationing is introduced to ensure a fair share to everyone

at prices within the reach of everybody

and nobody is permitted to take advantage of the war to get more than his share

while the boys are out there fighting

(This is the third of a series being issued by the Government of Canada to emphasize the importance of preventing further increases in the cost of living now and during the war.)

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