

# The End Is Not Yet-the Plight of the United States-the Recognition of Russia

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the United States?" a: "The Communist propaganda aims to overthrow the United States government and spread atheism among the population." - q: "Why did the United States recognize Soviet Russia?" a: "The United States recognized Soviet Russia due to commercial interests and the influence of infidel college professors and modernistic leaders." - q: "What are the consequences of recognizing Soviet Russia?" a: "Recognizing Soviet Russia may lead to the destruction of American capitalism and the spread of communism in the United States." - q: "What is the role of the Young Communist League in the United States?" a: "The Young Communist League is a organization that aims to influence children and young people against the United States government and inject atheism into their minds." quotes: - "Your Republic will be pillaged and ravaged in the twentieth century, just as the Roman Empire was by the Barbarians in the fifth century, with this difference, that the devastators of the Roman Empire came from abroad, while your Barbarians will be the people of your own country and the product of your own institutions." - "The American Communist Party is one of those few in the world upon which history has laid a task of a decisive character from the viewpoint of the world revolutionary movement." - "If the Communist declares his loyalty to the Red flag and for the destruction of our government by force and revolution, if he be an alien, I would deport him right now." applicationPoints: - "Be aware of the dangers of communism and atheism in the United States." - "Support patriotic societies and institutions that oppose the recognition of Soviet Russia." - "Be cautious of the influence of infidel college professors and modernistic leaders." keywords: - "Communism" - "Soviet Russia" - "United States" - "Macaulay's prophecy" - "Communist propaganda" - "Atheism" - "Infidelity" - "Socialism" - "Capitalism" - "American capitalism" ---

We must now turn to the United States and its internal conditions. We remind our readers once more of the remarkable words of that great, far-seeing historian, Macaulay, who almost a hundred years ago made a prediction as to the future of our American Republic. "Your Republic will be pillaged and ravaged in the twentieth century, just as the Roman Empire was by the Barbarians in the fifth century, with this difference, that the devastators of the Roman Empire came from abroad, while your Barbarians will be the people of your own country and the product of your own institutions." When we wrote our Conflict of the Ages, we added, after quoting his words--"God save our country from such a fate." In view of what has taken place during the last three years we fear the great historian's prophecy may be fulfilled.

In the Congressional Report No. 2290--"Investigation of Communistic Propaganda," given to the House of Representatives we find the information, well attested by facts, that the Communists, under the direction of Moscow inaugurated a nation-wide propaganda to overthrow the United States Government. Year after year this assumed greater proportions. The same was done in England and in 1930 Mr. Ramsay McDonald, the leader of the Labor Party in Great Britain, brought about the recognition of the Atheistic Republic.

Diplomatic relations were resumed. A powerful protest was then launched against this unholy alliance. The action was branded as "The Government's fatal step." In the London Morning Post the following statement was made: "Our politicians for the sake of filthy lucre will dare to bring these men into our country and send our men to theirs, all because they fear they will suffer commercially." It was well said "for filthy lucre's sake." The 'honor of God and the welfare of the people had no "consideration.

Three years later the United States did what Esau did. He sold his birthright for "the red pottage." So the United States in 1933 consummated the "Esau deal." But England's eyes were soon opened. The vicious alliance brought its fruitage in an increased agitation to corrupt Great Britain and change it into a communistic state. Nor did the commercial anticipations materialize, so that Great Britain terminated the

relationship. But we must follow the events of the years which preceded the recognition of the Reds by the United States, the increasing propaganda, the onward march of radicalism, the spreading lawlessness and moral corruption.

It came to light in the Spring of 1930 that American Communists and the agents of Moscow had secret meetings in Danzig, Germany, to formulate plans for intensive Communist action in the United States. A million rubles, that is, five hundred thousand dollars, were given by Moscow to spread Communism in America. The fund was to be used especially in Chicago, Philadelphia and Baltimore. The movement included the appointment of about forty "Instructors" to spread the "Red Gospel" throughout the United States.

This propaganda was widely felt. Many prominent men sounded a warning, but while these activities were going on the country was asleep, thinking that our boasted "rule by the people and for the people", the different institutions, the "American Federation of Labor" were redproof, and little was done to counteract the insidious propaganda. The investigation carried on by a congressional committee uncovered the nationwide propaganda. "The friends of the Soviet Union" among whom we find modernistic preachers, rationalistic educators, and others, staged an opposition meeting as soon as the findings of this committee were published.

Four thousand enthusiastic Communists packed the Star Casino, Lexington Ave. and One Hundred and Seventh Street, New York, and alternately booed and cheered as seven speakers denounced the Fish Committee investigating radicalism, and lauded the Union of the Soviet Republics. The Jewish editor of "Die Freiheit," Jewish Communist daily, explained how he testified before the committee, which, he said was merely an anti-Communist organization. The sympathy for Sovietism among clergymen, educators, college professors grew constantly, till in 1935 we find thousands of these rationalists turning to the left, siding with Soviet Russia.

It was a sickening sight when in the Spring of 1935 a procession of ten thousand Socialists and Communists, marching through the streets of New York City, was headed by one hundred "clergymen," some in cap and gown, others in clergy garb. Then came various public demonstrations in Washington, D. C. Hunger marches, unemployment demonstrations, the veterans' march demanding the bonus and others. As it was proved Communism had everything to do with these demonstrations.

In 1931 Isaac Don Levine in a biography, published by the "Cosmopolitan Book Corporation" said--"that the destruction of American Capitalism and the Sovietization of the United States is one of the chief aims of Stalin." According to this biography, Stalin is personally conducting the Communist activities in the United States. He quotes a paragraph from one of Stalin's speeches:

"The American Communist Party is one of those few in the world upon which history has laid a task of a decisive character from the viewpoint of the world revolutionary movement. I think that the moment is not far off when a revolutionary crisis will develop in America. And when a revolutionary crisis develops in America, that will be the beginning of the end of world capitalism as a whole. It is essential that the American Communist party should be capable of meeting that historical moment fully prepared, and of assuming the leadership of the impending class struggle in America. Every effort and every means must be prepared in preparing for that, comrades. For that end the American Communist must be prepared and bolshevized."

In the presence of such an audacious propaganda the American self-security spirit is inexcusable.

During the summer of 1931 the former Premier of Belgium visited the United States. Monsieur Theunis gave a number of public addresses in which he warned against the aggressions. We quote from one of his addresses:

"But there is another aspect of the Russian question which is infinitely more serious. The problem is not economic alone; it is something more than a material question --the question of markets. It is above all a moral question, a question of civilization.

"As a matter of fact, two economic systems are in open conflict. On the one hand, there is the present Western system, which, through the long and patient work of the centuries, has brought about a prosperity and well-being theretofore unknown. It is sufficient to have a superficial acquaintance with the United States to realize how far all the social strata have benefited from that civilization through a considerable improvement in their standard of living.

"This economic system is based on private initiative, on the development of the individual and on the maintenance of personal liberty in the greatest possible measure.

"It rests in reality on the very foundation of human nature itself and consequently tends to permit the realization of the broadest aspirations of the human heart.

"On the other hand, the system which is proposed by the Soviets as the ideal system reduces the individual to the role of an inert organ, a part of a vast machine which crushes him by its formidable strength.

"The total suppression of personal liberty, the absolute subjection to anonymous orders--such are the characteristics of this regime. All classes, from the peasant to the workman, are reduced to a state of complete slavery, under the absolutism of an all-powerful, heartless and pitiless bureaucracy.

"The idea of the family, of human affection, everything which is most sacred in the hearts of men, even the love of parents for their children, is brutally crushed out as being useless to the economic development of the country. It would seem as if the only considerations still allowed to subsist were purely material ones, and that, through an abominable reversal of the natural order of things, questions of money were the supreme guiding principle of the State. To this inhuman concept everything, absolutely everything, is sacrificed, even religious facts, that magnificent hope in supreme justice which throughout the centuries has enabled man to rise above himself and to find all through his existence consolations and joys."

These are not only sound and wholesome words, but they are as true as true can be. Why did America not listen to them? Why had our present administration to rush into the recognition of Sovietism, a prominent step in the direction of governmental suicide?

One of the most serious aspects of the Communistic propaganda is their activities among children and young people. In a thousand different ways they try to influence them against our Government and to inject the poison of atheism into their young minds. The "Young Communist League" is the American section of the "Young Communist International" of Moscow, the central organization of the Revolutionary Youth of the World. In our country this league is bitterly hostile to and does everything it can to oppose and undermine military training in schools and colleges, civilian military training camps, the National Guard, Reserve Officer's Training Corps and other organizations. Then they have hundreds of summer camps with thousands of young people of both sexes and they receive instructions in elementary revolutionary

tactics, while hatred of the United States, hatred of our flag and hatred for religion is taught them.

In the three years preceding the resumption of diplomatic relationship between the United States and the Soviets, frequently threats of violence were made by the Communists. In 1932 the Novy-Mir a communistic daily, reprinted a Russian poem which appeared in Pravda published in Moscow. We give a literal translation:

"The bullets burn blacks and whites

With the same fire.

Well, but what next? . . .

We will utterly destroy

The golden tower of terrible New York!

Our angry fingers tickle till the blood comes.

The fat, terrible throat.

We

Will destroy

Down to the seventh generation

The decadent supports of the floors.

In vain its maidens will fall on their knees

Before our sharp and shining knives!

Out of the midst of Red hatred

We will catch their bloody dogs

And scalp them!

The iron framework of its mansions and towers

Will melt in the fire

And become smaller than sand!

Its corpse

Is melting in our fire.

There will be no remnants for the funeral,

A blazing black torch

He will light the last front for us!"

Yet on the plea "this is a free country" these increasing threats passed unnoticed. But threat of revolution and planning revolution is not freedom of speech, it is treason. In April 1932 Representative Eslick from Tennessee raised his voice against this increasing communistic revolutionary activity and suggested legislation against it.

"If the Communist declares his loyalty to the Red flag and for the destruction of our government by force and revolution, if he be an alien, I would deport him right now."

"If he be an alien naturalized I would revoke his naturalization, take from him his citizenship and send him along with the unnaturalized outlaw."

"If he should be an American citizen proclaiming allegiance to the Soviet flag and for the destruction of our government by revolution, when he proclaimed this publicly I would make his words the overt act of law, declaring it to be a felony, and send him to the penitentiary, where he belongs."

Legislative measures were adopted, but the full enforcement is lacking. It is said that there are a large number of foreign agitators, these vicious trouble makers, under sentence of deportation, yet they are allowed to remain here and continue in their pernicious work. Who in Washington is responsible for this? Are there camouflaged revolutionists in Washington holding official positions who obstruct the execution of these laws?

The question "Should Russia be Recognized?" was not a new question. Since the close of the world-war it was brought up again and again. But our noble and patriotic Presidents rejected all efforts which were made to accomplish this. But the recognition question was systematically pressed from coast to coast. Especially prominent in this agitation we find infidel college professors, and the modernistic leaders of apostate Christendom, having abandoned faith in God's revelation and true Christianity, turned Socialist. Then a certain class of business men also favored the recognition, as they expected an enormous trade with the Soviets. On the negative side we find lined up all patriotic societies, the rank and file of all intelligent, loyal and sane Americans. True Christians en masse opposed recognition and friendship of a government whose program is "Down with Capitalism! Down with God! Down with religion and Down with the Church!" Much of this agitation for recognition was engineered from Moscow. The Soviets themselves had admitted that they could not exist without foreign aid. Were the United States, England, Germany, France and Italy to stop trading with Russia, complete collapse would follow in a short time.

Strong warnings and objections to recognition were sounded. The Executive Committee of the "Chamber of Commerce of the State of New York" in a set of resolutions demanded the economic ostracism of Soviet Russia. Here are some of the findings and statements of this great commercial body:

"It is necessary that trade with the Union of Socialist Soviet Republics be discontinued in order to conserve the economic well being and political institutions of the world," the report says, asking an embargo on Soviet commodities, no further exportation of American industrial equipment and no technical advice to the Russian Government.

"It has been established by official inquiries conducted by governmental agencies of many nations, including our own, that no material distinction exists between the policies of the Union of Socialist Soviet Republics and the direction of the Third International," the report continues.

"Both these bodies are agencies of the Communist party now in control of the major part of the former territories of the old Russian Empire. Furthermore, it is a matter of common knowledge and denied by none, that the fundamental policy of the Communist party is the promotion of a world revolution. The constitution of the U. S. S. R. makes it perfectly clear that the destruction of existing governments outside of Russia is the objective."

"However, it is not to be overlooked that, by itself Soviet Russia could not, certainly in any brief period, accomplish its ultimate aim without outside assistance and the help of the very nations whose economic welfare it professedly seeks to destroy. Are we prepared to assume the responsibility of aiding the Russian regime to hasten the accomplishment of its advertised objective?"

Yet all these warnings passed unheeded. The agitation continued. The Soviets themselves with their five year plan, in which they ignored all economic laws, made great efforts to save themselves. Litvinoff-Finkelstein appeared with his lying peaceful declarations before the "League of Nations." It was at a time when the Soviets' war preparations were assuming greater proportions. To show the lies of the godless Soviets we mention the following.

When Litvinoff-Finkelstein appeared in Geneva with his peace propaganda, at the same time in the summer of 1931 the official organ Comsomolskya Pravada, printed a fiery appeal to youth, calling upon them to devote that summer to war-training.

Among the advocates of recognizing Russia we find the leading modernists of America. In an article printed in the organ of Liberalism, "The Christian Century" Dr. Sherwood Eddy said: "Why is it that, with all its glaring evils of dictatorship, tyranny, and the shameful treatment of its class enemies, atheistic communism in Russia is actually building a social order of greater economic justice, less neglected unemployment, more racial solidarity and brotherhood, of cleaner political life in its cities, with less lawlessness, crime, bootlegging, graft, racketeering, prostitution and corruption than in our own country?" These laudatory words were not true three years ago, nor are they true today. The former Assistant Secretary of the Treasury in Washington, Mr. Eliot Wadsworth, now a member of a leading engineering firm, on his return from Russia, told an entirely different story. Radicalism at the same time assumed alarming proportions in our institutions of learning. One Professor of Education at Columbia University, a disciple of John Dewey, a member of radical organizations, denounced "flag-saluting in schools" the teaching of "military science in colleges" and "the glorification of war in history". In New York City "The National Students League" was organized. According to one Joseph Cohen, a student in Columbia University, the league is a students' revolutionary organization. He got up and said: "We have concluded that the way out for the students is the revolutionary way out, and that no other way exists for American students." Then arose one Arnold Johnson, student in the Union Theological Seminary, a hotbed of the most subtle infidelity and socialistic propaganda, and he said: "We students have been the victims of the educational institutions in which we have been prisoners. We have nothing to lose but the chains of drugged minds."

In the early part of 1932 a serious riot in connection with the Ford Company took place in Detroit, Michigan. Over five thousand Communists and their sympathizers crowded into the Cass Technical High School Auditorium where a mock trial was held with communists as witnesses and judges. The whole Ford family was found guilty of murder with others, because a number of the Reds were killed and injured. The Northwestern High School in Detroit was used for another meeting of communists, indicating that these revolutionists are given free access to public institutions. How prominent these agitations became in

Colleges, Universities, Theological Seminaries, we reprint a number of newspaper headlines, collected by the National Republic:

"Red Flag flown on the New Cornell Memorial--Missouri students tour Russia.--Children join the Reds.--Red Flag planted above Bryn Mawr--Students Rebel U. S. Culture-- Demand Nationalization.--Professor of Williams College criticizes U. S. for not recognizing Russia.--Commonwealth College Celebrates Anniversary of the Russian Revolution.-- Five Year Plan Posters Hung High at Smith's College.-- Earlham College and the Red Flag.--President University of Missouri Dropped on account of Sex Questionnaire.-- Young Reds call on Children for Soviet Drive in New York Schools--Rise in Your Classes.--A Soviet-Pacifist Propagandist addresses De Pauw University Students.--Superintendent O'Shea testifies on Communist Activities in Schools. --Columbia University Professor Plans Student Tour of Russia.--Bryn Mawr Graduate Classifies 'Daily Worker' (Communist Organ) Third in Social Values of Daily Newspapers.--Four Thousand Columbia University Students hear Communist Denounce Capitalism.--Washington University Professor fired for Praising Soviets.--Student Publication heaps Ridicule on Washington, Lincoln and American Flag. -- Two Hundred Harvard Students Battle Police.--Limitation of Armament urged by College Radicals.-- Vassar Presents Play written by Rebel.--Red Propaganda in Our State Schools. --Communist Student League Flourishes in Chicago University.-- Three Freed in Red Flag Raising at Cornell.--College Military Course Protested by Reds."

We give only a fraction of these headlines.--The report also records many student--strikes and other activities which flavor of rebellion.

Nor must we forget that the Red defending "American Civil Liberties Union" encouraged this kind of a spirit. In the fall of 1932 this Red defending organization, which numbers among its members atheists, infidels of every description including leading modernistic preachers and educators, issued a twelve page pamphlet soliciting funds for "legal action against the lawless New York Police". The N. Y. Police, one of the finest in the country, did only their duty when they took drastic action against the violent revolutionary activities of Communist leaders. Among those who joined in protest we find Henry Sloan Coffin, President of Union Theological Seminary; Prof. Charles Beard; Prof. John Dewey and Susan Brandeis, daughter of one of the judges of the Supreme Court. Shortly after this appeal, the same Red defending union issued a six page pamphlet entitled "The Right to Advocate Violence". Among the organizations which are linked with revolutionary societies we find the "Methodist Federation for Social Service". They claim to work for "a new social order". This Methodist bureau is cooperating with the "International Labor Defence" the Communist branch of the "International Red Aid of Moscow", which organization is agitating strikes, riots and moves for the overthrow of the United States government by force and violence. The Methodists have other similar organizations like the "Committee on Militarism in Education" and "The Labor Research Association" which circulate a lot of radical literature. One of their leaders is the former head of the "Federation of Churches," modernistic socialistic Bishop McConnell. Whole Methodist Conferences like the "Rock River Conference" held in 1933 in Dixon, Illinois, adopted Socialistic teachings; others followed the same trend. How they have progressed and gone from bad to worse may be learned from the startling fact that in the year 1935 preachers denounced the righteous indignation of true American citizens expressed in an anti-red campaign.

"In a 'vigorous resolution,' as the official organ of the Communist Party of the United States (section of the Third Internationale of Moscow) puts it, 'one hundred and fifty ministers of the Methodist Church denounced the virulent anti-red campaign.'

"These ministers also denounced proposals presented to Congress by Walter S. Steele, of the National Republic, and others who appeared as witnesses before the congressional committee investigating un-American activities, who proposed legislation which would put the communist racket out of business in this country, and would establish an investigation bureau within the United States Department of Labor. These red ministers are possibly fearful that they will be caught in the net.

"The resolution was adopted without a single dissenting vote at the New York Weekly Preachers Meeting. The meeting was held at the offices of the Methodist Federation for Social Service in New York City, of which Rev. Harry F. Ward is chairman and Winifred Chappell (supporter of a communist for President of the United States in 1932) is secretary.

"These one hundred and fifty ministers by this resolution have not only put themselves on record as being in favor of communist agitation, but they undertook to smear their parishioners with the taint also by indicating that they are 'spokesmen for thousands of parishioners in New York and New Jersey.' They also denounced the drive to clean up schools and colleges and the weeding out of communist teachers.

"Among the ministers who voted for these resolutions, according to the communist organ, were Rev. Frank Kingdon, President of Dana College; Rev. George S. Kackland, New Haven, Conn.; Rev. Arlo A. Brown, President of Drew College; Rev. Ralph Burney, Westfield, N. J.; Rev. Eugene Schrigley, Richmond Hill, N. Y.; Rev. Luther W. Auman, Jamaica, N. Y.; Rev. Norman Twiddy, Hempstead, N. Y.; Rev. Howard D. McGrath, Kingston, N. Y., and others."

Such is the religious "progress" in the United States! If such a thing had happened in 1900 these "clergymen" would have been denounced as traitors. But it is all the fruitage of the encroaching religious apostasy. They deny the faith once and for all delivered unto the saints. But it is not the worst. After Mr. Roosevelt had been elected President, 286 American Colleges represented by 800 college presidents and professors sent to the President-elect a petition making a strong plea for the recognition of the Soviets. The effort emanated from the "Reconciliation Fellowship" which has carried on for years a work of a socialistic-revolutionary character. At the same time the "American Alliance of the United States" composed of straight thinking loyal American citizens appealed to the next President not to recognize the Soviets. The agitations for recognition increased and talks of a violent revolution increased, while prominent leaders warned against it. Said former Vice-President Charles Dawes in a letter: "Socialism leads to Communism and Communism leads straight to hell." In an excellent article in the National Republic March, 1933, Mr. Reynolds said the following:

"Will our Government abide by the vast majority of our citizens who are opposed to the recognition of Soviet Russia, as has been our steadfast policy over the past sixteen years and which without doubt has been the only logical course we could or should have followed, or will the new administration comply with the minority demands of a handful of so-called 'progressives,' parlor pinks, radical professors and special-interest groups, and reverse this policy? Practically every real American organization in the United States has gone on record as definitely opposing recognition, including those representing labor, farmers, veterans, civic, fraternal, church, commercial and industrial groups, and if recognition is given it will be in direct opposition to the will of the majority of the American people.

"Recognition will legalize the unfurling of the Red flag throughout the United States, over embassies, consulates and trade bureaus of the Soviet. The Red flag will fly legally protected for the first time in American history. And through protection and diplomatic immunity what goes on in our nation beneath that

flag cannot be prevented. Do you endorse that?"

The new President had taken office. Astounding things began to happen. Virtually a new brand of dictatorship, unknown in American history, was assumed by him. He surrounded himself with a set of advisers called a "Brain Trust" to end depression and unemployment. A number of these "Brain Trusters" were known as radicals, advocating an un-American program. To what it has led, how it has plunged the United States into greater confusion, instead of decreasing, growing non-employment, we reserve for later pages. The Recognition question, next to our economic and financial ills, became the most burning question. The Chicago Tribune contained in May, 1933, the following true and excellent Editorial:

"While the proponents of Soviet recognition are getting ready for their next effort in Congress, the dictatorship is taking further measures of persecution and extermination against what remains of the educated classes. This is a part of Stalin's recently declared war on the bureaucracy, which the Kremlin authorities declare is full of graft and constitutes an overhead absorbing far too large a proportion of public expenditures. We have no doubt. It is a common condition of bureaucracy, but that is what socialism or communism is and must be, a bureaucratic tyranny. What interests us in Stalin's war is that his agents of purification are beginning with discharging every employe not a proletarian, that is, every one with any education, every one formerly a bourgeois. 'The remnants of these dying classes,' says the amiable organ of the new dispensation, Pravda, 'must be dictatorship of the proletariat. The enormous expense of the government apparatus must be further reduced and the mass discharge of employes will be in vain unless every member of the former intelligent classes and bourgeoisie is eradicated.'

"We commend this to our American liberals and parlor pinks who cherish a warm regard for the bolshevik regime as a noble movement for uplifting the masses. They have been contrasting the miseries of unemployment in capitalist America with an alleged absence of unemployment in this planned society of communism. In Moscow there are reported now 100,000 idle. Six thousand, says Pravda, are being discharged weekly in Leningrad. Throughout the towns and cities of Russia, under the new card system, men and women are being turned out to find existence if possible in the country, and the remnants of the educated are the first to be driven out. They are not even permitted to leave Russia. The object is to exterminate. Holy cause of the proletarian revolution! Probably there has never been in civilized history a movement of human destruction on so vast a scale.

"The silence of this gigantic atrocity is hardly less amazing. They made the world welkin ring with their indignation over Mooney, and Sacco and Vanzetti, but what are they doing now and what have they ever done during these years of Bolshevich savagery, persecution and mass slaughter? And soon we shall have them demanding from Congress that the American Government shall clasp hands with Stalin, welcome his emissaries, and salute the bloody banner of the world's greatest despotism with the guns of our Republic."

As it became known that the new President, surrounded by his famous "Brain Trusters" would not heed a nation's protest, appeals were made to him to beware of recognition, and to follow in the footsteps of Presidents before him, from Wilson to Hoover. On the other hand certain business men and industrial leaders saw nothing but the "red pottage." It was their lure. But if people ever were fooled these selfish industrial leaders were made fools of. To what the recognition of the Soviets would lead was anticipated by many. It has all been more than realized.

The President ignored the protest of millions of our best citizens. To show the immensity of this protest we quote that excellent American Monthly the National Republic:

"Among the more powerful groups that have recently gone on record as being opposed to recognition is the United States Chamber of Commerce, the most powerful commercial group in the country representing thousands of American industries. Only a few days ago this organization adopted a resolution presented by James A. Farrell, former head of the steel industry, which resolution emphatically opposes recognition of Russia.

"The American Federation of Labor, representing nearly five million American workers, recorded its opposition to recognition several months ago, and this stand was reiterated recently by William Green and Matthew Woll, president and vice-president, respectively, of the organization.

"The American Legion, with over one million members, sponsored a mass meeting in Washington on April 18, at which over five thousand representatives of groups and organizations of all types whose memberships total nearly sixty million Americans, protested against recognition.

"The state of Massachusetts alone sent the President 672,874 names to a protest. The Daughters of the American Revolution reiterated their opposition to recognition at their annual congress in April, over 3,000 elected delegates from 2,500 chapters joining the protest. In Massachusetts, the Civic Welfare Alliance also went on record in opposition, as did the American Coalition of Patriotic and Fraternal Societies at their annual conference in Washington in April. This group delivered to the President protests from ninety-six constituent organizations. The National Patriotic Council protested against recognition at their April conference in Washington at which over twenty states were represented. The Chamber of Commerce of the State of New York renewed its opposition when only three members voted against the resolution. This organization represents the more powerful commercial associations located in New York.

"Opposition not only to diplomatic recognition of the Soviet government is expressed by these societies representing every walk of life in the United States and the sentiment of sixty million voters, but also to official trade recognition and any other type of recognition.

"Every argument employed by the pro-Soviets has now been refuted with documentary evidence, but the Reds and their duped followers continue their fight in behalf of the crumbling Soviets. The communistic Friends of the Soviet Union, the communist student and labor groups and the industrialist traders with Russia, as well as exporters and a few international bankers carry on the Red drive for recognition as the opposition grows by leaps and bounds."

The modernists, claiming that they represented millions of church-members, kept on urging recognition. One of their magazines *The World Tomorrow* under the editorship of Kirby Page, Reinhold Niebuhr, Rev. John N. Sayre, Bishop McConnell and Rabbi Edward Israel recommended to their readers as a good book Lenin's revolutionary work *Toward the Seizure of Power*. In the same month Germany had hundreds of copies of this pernicious book consigned to the flames.

Well, it came! Russia was recognized by our new administration as a help to bring back material prosperity. Every true American patriotic citizen hung his head in shame. And Christians realized that a big downward step had been taken by America. They knew that it could not have the approval of God and that His blessing would be withheld from a nation which claims to maintain a righteous government, and joins hands with murderers whose one ambition is to destroy law and order.

A high European authority said--"The United States is courting disaster in recognizing the Soviets. The Soviets can neither respect nor fulfil the clauses of the agreement." The notorious Litvinoff came to our

shores. He was welcomed in the "White House," saluted as an honored and welcomed guest. Agreements were made, one of them that all red propaganda should cease in America. But an atheistic, a godless government can no more be trusted than a vicious cat. Feed it and it will scratch and bite your hand. Then followed that which we rightly may call "Our American Disgrace", one of the darkest blots upon the pages of American history. Before Litvinoff left our shores November 24, 1933, a banquet in his honor was arranged and given in the Waldorf Astoria Hotel of New York City. Among the guests were such men as Gerard Swope, Mr. Atterbury, President of the Pennsylvania R.R.; Mr. Houston of the Baldwin Locomotive works; the son of Thomas Edison; Owen D. Young; Henry Morgenthau, Sr. and a lot of Pinks, the sickly looking pink "clergy" and others to do homage to the atheist. Says Time of December 4, 1933--"As Comrade Litvinoff waddled in to take his place beneath the Crossed Red Flag and Stars and Stripes, the "Star Spangled Banner" brought all to their feet, and few sat down when the organ switched into the Internationale, the Red Soviets' hymn." As probably a very few of our readers have seen or know the correct text of this song, we print it in full--

Arise ye toilers of all nations.

Condemned to misery and woe;

To hell with humbleness and patience,

Give deadly battle to your foe.

Wipe out the rule of wealthy classes.

Arise and smash your thralldom chains;

Let power be wielded by the masses.

Let those who labor hold the reins.

Refrain

Proletarians rally

For this final big fight;

In-ter-na-tio-nally,

All toiling folks unite.

No god, no king, no politician

Will win for us a better day;

So let us drop the old tradition.

Forge weapons for the coming fray;

Roll up your sleeves, all working fellows,

Put fire beneath the melting pot,

Set up the forge and blow the bellows,  
Let's strike the iron while it's hot.  
The earth and all its boundless treasure  
Belongs by right to those who toil;  
No parasites of wealth and leisure  
Shall claim possession of the soil.  
We hail the mighty tempest raging,  
The flash of lightning through the gloom--  
For us, the dawn of life presaging;  
For them, the knell of mortal doom.

Even before Litvinoff had set sail he gave evidence that the agreement "not to carry on revolutionary agitation in the United States" would not be followed. His lies were discovered later and soon the results of the "Red pottage Esau Deal" appeared, till in 1935 they have assumed the proportions of the most threatening menace in American history.

The President appointed one W. Bullitt ambassador to the Soviets. He has been known for many years as a Communist sympathizer. He was accused by British newspapers in 1919 of being on the payroll of Lenin. He devoted all his energy and available means to bring about Russian recognition. His efforts became so persistent in the face of Woodrow Wilson's opposition to recognition, that he was accused by Mj. Tumulty, Secretary to President Wilson, of having brought about the physical collapse of that great Democratic President. His appointment was one of the blunders of Roosevelt and showed his sympathy with Sovietism. Would such a man, whose life has been devoted to Communism properly represent true American interests in Soviet Russia?

And now before we follow the trend of events in our country and review the increasing serious world-conditions up to 1935, we must give some attention to the religious and moral conditions in the United States.

Has there been any progress and improvement? Did the years of depression and increasing distress bring more soberness? Did crime increase or decrease?

The years of depression and financial distress did not bring, what earnest Christians hoped for, a return to God and a spiritual revival. Apostasy from the faith continued. It became more blatant. Colleges and Seminaries fell in line with the rationalistic denials. The denials of the Deity of Christ, the atoning, sin-bearing work of our Lord, the miracles, the resurrection and the negation of other cardinal doctrines of true Christianity spread in every direction. Just as the New Testament predicts so it came to be. "Their word ate as does a canker" (2 Tim. ii:17). The time had come when Protestant Christendom would not endure sound doctrine (2 Tim. iv:3) The preaching of the true Gospel, the power of God unto salvation, became less and less.

Having rejected supernatural Christianity, they turned to what is termed "social salvation." The "Federal Council of Churches of Christ in America" sponsored this "new" Gospel. To accomplish this the leaders turned to some of the radical groups. Some of these are associated with the Third Internationale, which is seeking to destroy all churches and religion. Socialism became for many of these Modernists the future Saviour of the race. The great Methodist denomination seems to be fully committed to this program. Harry F. Ward became the leading spirit of the "Methodist Federation for Social Service." In his book, *The New Social Order*, he says that the system under which our government is living is doomed to go, and whether or not the new order comes peaceably or through violence depends upon the so-called middle class. This class according to this socialistic Modernist must bow to the inevitable and allow the proletariat of the world to establish the new social order for which Ward and his Methodist brethren are working, or a violent revolution will follow.

In the Spring of 1934 the influential New York East Conference voted socialistic, obsessed by this "social salvation" delusion. The modernistic Bishop McConnell went on record with a strong attack on the recovery work of the present administration. The report which was adopted by several hundred preachers demands social ownership of the banking system and natural resources. According to the *Rochester Journal* (Rochester, N. Y.) of December 1933 the Colgate-Rochester Divinity School (Baptist) heard an address that the future missionaries should receive special instructions. We quote from the address of Professor C. C. Weber: "Communitistic and Socialistic principles will be taught by the missionaries of the future in an attempt to overthrow capitalism. Capitalism is un-Christian and unethical and must give way to socialism and communism, and the missionaries of the future must be social revolutionists . . . He will sustain the workers by picketing with strikers and organize protest meetings against police interference. He will point out the contribution of Soviet Russia in her attempt to establish a new social order."

In an enlightening article on the Revolution of Religious Views published in the *Herald-Tribune* of New York City we read the following:

"The arrest of a flock of students from the Union Theological Seminary for picketing in the recent dressmakers' strike might cause the visitor to make inquiries, and he would find that there was a definite trend among students for the ministry and young clergymen toward making the church a sociological institution: that many of them were getting their doctrines from the writings of social reformers, from the British Labor Party and from Soviet teaching rather than from books of theology. He would learn that the intellectual leaders among the young clergy criticized the church as a reactionary middle class institution: that they regarded the ideas of the saving of souls and of the reward in the hereafter as relics of days of unenlightenment, and that it was their program to direct the energy and devotion and emotional enthusiasm of religious men and women toward the solution of the industrial, social and racial problems of the present day. He would find young clergymen here and there engaged in such enterprises as organizing strikes or inducing the white members of the parish to mingle socially at dances and card parties with their Negro co-religionists."

That real, sane and practical American, the late President Calvin Coolidge was right when, a few months before his death, he made the following statement:

"I wouldn't for a minute be critical of the Church or its work, but I think most of the clergy today are preaching Socialism. None of us knows much about economics, but some preachers seem to know nothing at all. They are very apt to study under some half-baked college professor who has never handled a pay roll or had any knowledge of practical affairs."

Space forbids to mention other attempts to produce the fictitious progress of evolution. We record the "International Good Will Congress" and the "Federation of the World Faiths." In the latter Hindus, Confucionists, Mohammedan, Jews and Christians come together. The different world-religions are represented as being so many different ways to God. Brahma, Krishna, Buddha, Confucius, Laotzu, Zoroaster, Moses, Mohammed, Baha'ullah and Christ are all wayshowers. But what about the words of our Lord "I am the way--no man cometh unto the Father but by Me"? The atheists in their annual meeting were right when they issued the following statement:

"The forces of modernism have won a sweeping victory in the last few years. Modernists now control the entire machinery and corporate life of the Presbyterian Church, from the permanent judicial commission, which ordains the ministers, to the editor of one of the official magazines of the church.

"The same can be said of a majority of the larger Protestant denominations. Much as we dislike modernism, because of their illogical compromising, we must recognize that for many, modernism is but a stop over on the road to atheism. Perhaps we should have a little more patience with these, our weaker brothers, who are unable to go straight from orthodoxy to atheism without resting in the camps of liberalism on the way."

While the statements as to the Presbyterian church are not altogether true, what these atheists say as to the end of the way for Modernism is certainly the truth. It shows the rapid departure from the revealed Truth of God. True it is there is a loyal, a conservative part in Protestantism. But they are in a minority and from a human view point fight a losing battle.

And now the moral conditions. Do the depression years 1929 to 1935 show an improvement? The best answer to this question is found in the overcrowded conditions of the penitentiaries and other prisons. Many millions were expended to build larger penal institutions. Here are the statistics of the second depression year 1930. In seven cities of the United States--New York, Chicago, Philadelphia, Detroit, Los Angeles, Cleveland and St. Louis, there were committed 37,193 crimes of violence. This enormous figure is not the peak. The years which followed show a constant increase. Lawlessness and law defiance swept over the country. During 1931 every day, including the Lord's day, thirty three people were murdered, in all 12,045. Since then there has been no decrease. As stated in a former chapter, according to J. Edgar Hoover crime in 1934 cost the United States fifteen billion dollars. Criminals organized powerful crime corporations, patterned after big business with large capital. The late Dr. Hibben, President of Princeton University gave an address in 1932 in which he pertinently referred to this crime menace:

"These leaders have the intelligence and organizing skill to merge under their control criminal activities varied in nature. Thus to the ordinary crimes with which the criminal of the old order was concerned --burglary, bank robbery, petty thieving--the criminal leaders have added an organized traffic in narcotics and white slavery, racketeering and highjacking. Gangsters and gunmen unite with lesser criminals to execute the commands of the leader.

"The criminal organization exercises political power through leaders in their own districts. Through their political connections they are able to control the appointment of criminal court magistrates and jurymen. It must be confessed, and with considerable humiliation, that the power that the criminal classes have acquired of late years is due to their organization, and their organization is made possible by an astoundingly large working capital gained in the illicit liquor traffic. The machinery of the law breaks down in many quarters because unprincipled criminal lawyers invoke legal delays and employ many devices in

an effort to defeat justice.

"Crimes of violence have increased at an alarming rate. It is estimated that robbery with assault and kindred crimes of violence have increased in the last fifteen years by approximately 1,000 per cent.

"Even the small and inconspicuous shops do not escape paying tribute to racketeers," Dr. Hibben went on. He said the gangster today has such political power that he is assured of immunity if arrested and can escape conviction and often even trial.

"We claim with pride that we are a free people, but our freedom is menaced as never before in the history of our nation. Crime in former years was largely confined to attacks upon property. Now it has turned to threats of violence, and often murder, and even attacks upon children. The home is menaced. Many of our industries are obliged to pay systematic, permanent tribute under a modern feudal system. In this feudal system, however, the overlord is the criminal leader, without mercy and scornfully defiant of law.

"The State of Liberty is losing its significance, for the freedom which it symbolizes may fast disappear unless there is a permanently awakened consciousness; unless we, as a people, come to a vivid realization of the powerful nature of the criminal gang organization and the full extent of their political license, and the enormous amount of money involved--money which means power."

These well chosen words give a true picture of the crime conditions in 1932 and they have not become better in the three years which followed. Much of these crimes were charged to prohibition. No doubt such was the case. Repeal has come. Has crime become less? There is more drunkenness than ever before and the obnoxious saloon is back with all its evils, nor has the repeal stopped the bootlegging industry, for in 1935 the U. S. Government appropriated over a million dollars to fight bootlegging. We do not need to say more. The daily newspapers every morning give us the evidences that the age is not making for righteousness and law-abiding. Add to all this the vicious efforts to overthrow our government, and we face a condition of things which no other generation in the past has faced.

Moral degeneration is also going on at a frightful rate. First of all there are the increasing number of divorces. We can begin with the first family of the land in Washington, D.C. and then go to the Hollywood immoral gang, more or less glorifying divorces. The divorcees also include a certain Pacific coast woman, a veritable religious mountebank, who returned recently from a "missionary trip" exhibiting her painted finger and toe nails, and Mrs. Pearl Buck, once a Presbyterian missionary. The increase in divorces has mounted higher and higher each year and there seems to be no end to it. Companionate marriages, trial marriages, have also increased. No record is kept of this legalized prostitution, strongly advocated by certain preachers and educators.

The degenerating tendencies of our dying age are revealed by hundreds of girls and women. Less than a generation ago the painted lips, the painted cheeks and the indecent dress were the mark of the street walker, the prostitute. And so was cigarette smoking and drinking. But today this is the fashionable, the up-to-date thing to do. The new saloons now called "Taverns" are daily filled with young people of both sexes sipping their cocktails. One of the most disgusting sights to the writer is a white-haired grandmother holding between her painted lips a cigarette. Year after year the dress of girls and women has become more bold and indecent till in 1935 they parade the streets more than half naked. Colonel Water De Lamater, commander of the 71st Infantry Regiment, New York National Guard, fearing the morale of the guard, has forbidden girls and women who are half naked, attired in what they call "shorts" to enter Camp Smith, Peekskill, N. Y.

The moral conditions in educational institutions are equally bad. It begins with the High Schools. A physician in a town of about ten thousand inhabitants told the writer that in one year eleven girls around the age of fifteen, became mothers. In certain other higher institutions, Colleges and Universities, the moral conditions are even worse. But we must refrain from defiling our pages with more of the filth of our dying age and collapsing civilization.

We briefly mention the equally terrible increase of self-murders. Since 1931 they have arisen year after year. In 1934 they reached over 25,000. In 1931, according to statistics twenty thousand men, women and young people committed suicide in the United States. Among them millionaires, paupers, educated and uneducated men and women, merchants and professional men. The Life Insurance companies became alarmed on account of the losses they sustained. The Metropolitan Life Insurance Co. paid in 1921 in claims on account of suicide \$880,871. But ten years later these claims amounted to \$6,494,254. Since then they have steadily increased. It is now suggested that a national society for the study and prevention of suicide be formed. Will it stop this awful dole of self-murder? And now we hear of an approaching "World Suicide by Birth Control." The decreasing birth rates among the white peoples are alarming, while the colored races increase constantly, so that Oswald Spengler in "The Hour of Decision" predicts a colored world revolution, which will sweep away the white population.

We have spoken of these conditions in the United States. They are the same in European countries. Decline, increasing decline, is in evidence everywhere.

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