

THE COMMON MARKET

British Freedom and Democracy in Danger

Joining the Common Market would result in great economic damage to this country, with steeply increased prices of food. This is admitted officially, and it would be worse, not better, later on, as Britain's European competitors took advantage of her higher prices, and tariffs ruined the biggest part of her trade, which is with countries not in Europe.

The political consequences would be much worse. The Common Market is a scheme to destroy national democracy and make the nations subordinate units of an all-powerful international dictatorship. We were told of this plan 30 years ago by the historian, Arnold Toynbee, who described, in a speech to an international gathering, how it would be promoted deceptively, with "all our statesmen and our publicists protesting that, whatever changes we make in the international situation, the sacred principle of local sovereignty will be maintained inviolable.....all the time denying with our lips what we are doing with our hands".

Suppression, deception and lies have been a feature of the Common Market from the outset. Mr. Wilson is pretending it will not be a federation, but his Foreign Secretary, Mr. Michael Stewart, has been more frank about it in his endeavour to please the "Europeans". Both he and Mr. Wilson are prepared to sign the Treaty of Rome and accept government by regulation without the consent of the governed, as laid down in section 189. **And the Conservatives, led by Mr. Heath, appear to be prepared to do no better.** Their leaders too have said they fully accept the political implications, though they pretend to their members that Britain would be joining a partnership of nations, which is a lie.

Loss of Self-Government. If Britain joined, she would lose her self-government in all important matters and her right to manage her own affairs in the interests of her own people. Politically, economically, judicially, socially, she would become part of an international collectivism ruled by the institutions of Europe. No doubt her present democratic Parliamentary system (admittedly already farcical due to the representatives of the people being instructed how they must vote), would be continued for a few years before it was replaced by an even more farcical "democratic" international Assembly with even less power.

Subordination of Parliament. What is it that can make reasonable men and women shut their eyes to the facts, sacrifice the freedom of their country and accept subordination of their Parliament and of themselves to foreign rule? To argue that Britain will be isolated and helpless if she does not join up with these more Communist countries of Europe is ridiculous in the circumstances of her almost complete dependence upon American nuclear power.

The Power of Finance. The only possible explanation seems to be the support which is being given to these plans for internationalisation by high finance, and the realisation of the country's dependence upon finance.

"We have to face the fact that the power in the world today is in the hands, not of Governments, nor armies or navies, but of Finance".

So said the *Sunday Dispatch* of 16-8-31 at a time of an earlier crisis; and that is still the position. Power is in the hands of finance because our country is ruled by the Labour Party as well as the Conservatives under a system under which nearly all the money needed by the nation is issued as interest-bearing debt.

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This has been going on for a long time and is well known to our economists and bankers. It is the cause of the rising prices, the enormous national and local Government indebtedness, the ever-increasing taxation and rates, and the doubling of the rent which must be charged for every Council house. The cost of additional money needed for expansion, which is issued at high rates of interest, restricts production by farmers and producers of every kind, increases prices and puts the producers into debt. The nation's money is inflated and charged up as debt!

Free Trade Possible with Freedom. As a common market with free trade if desired, could be agreed to without sacrificing national freedom, it is plain that better trade is not the real object. One of the chief objects undoubtedly is to perpetuate and consolidate this debt system and the power of Finance by ensuring that the nations are more securely under financial control, dependent for money upon the international usurers and their agents, who issue it in the form of promises to pay money, with promises to pay gold at the summit.

No Entry on any terms. Entry into the Common Market should not be allowed on any terms. No pretence of terms and conditions or assurances and excuses for entry, made by either side, should be believed. They would mean nothing after Britain ceased to be an independent power.

There is only one thing for us to do; use our votes intelligently. Vote for country, not party. Sack the betrayers. Make sure that no Common Market man will ever again receive your vote, no matter what party he belongs to.

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