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BOOKS

Rockefeller Brothers Fund Special Studies Report III. Forcign Economic Policy for the Twentieth Century. Garden City, New York, Doubleday & Company, 1958, 82 p.

This report is the work of Panel III of the Rockefeller Brothers Fund Special Studies Project, and it seeks to outline the economic challenge facing the mid-twentieth century world. Economic and social growth has become a matter of primary concern everywhere, and it is felt that, by basing these growth aspirations upon national and human dignity, a more enduring world community will result. This report traces the rise of the current problem, from the disintegration of the nineteenth-century political system, and the emergence of the world-wide desire for a better living standard to be achieved through political action, if purely economic efforts were not sufficient. And this world-wide social revolution has attained an even greater urgency because of the rise of militant Communism. The interdependence of nations of the world is demonstrated, and the importance of the United States as a market and as a source of supply fundamental to the economic growth of the free world. The report endeavors to outline an economic structure to be followed by the United States to advance world-wide economic growth, Many specific recommendations are made: on financing, on agriculture, on the role of private enterprise, on trade policies, on regional and on functional development arrangements, and others. The lack of continuity and meaningful purpose of our present foreign economic policy is decried, and it is advanced that implementation of the recommendations made in the report will greatly strengthen the United States and the free world.

Kracauer, Siegfried, and Berkman, Paul L. Satellite Mentality. New York, Praeger, 1956. 270 p.

This study records and analyzes interviews conducted in 1951-52 with several hundred escapees from Poland, Czechoslovakia and Hungary. It provides a detailed account of the manner in which communism works amongst peoples of satellite states and methods by which the latter offer resistance to Communist pressures. The political attitudes and hopes of peoples of these