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New York City.—The Swedish economy has afforded good health, good recreation, good housing, good education, security, and equality of opportunity, not for the few but for the many.

This is the main theme expressed by Arnold S. Zander, president of the AFL's State, County, and Municipal Employees Union, in the sixth and final article in a series prepared for the Workers Education Bureau of America on the general topic, "Sweden: Laboratory in Economic Democracy."

Portions of Mr. Zander's article follow:

"The Swedes have most advanced social and economic order because they have few rich people and no poor. They have achieved an amazing measure of equality.

"They do not have the sumptuous dwellings of our well-to-do, but neither does one find slums. They have both less splendor and less misery. It may be said that enjoyment is less excessive but it must be added that comfort is more general. He who would defend full freedom for the mountain lion and the wolf would be uncomfortable for a time in Sweden, where the order of things is such that domestic animals can make their contribution without being constantly in danger of attack. Monopolies do not exist in Sweden except as public enterprises, but competitive enterprises are freer there.

"Sweden is not a land of slogans and catch phrases. The 'enterprise system' needs to be defined and must be shown to contribute to economic stability or it has no charm for them. They use it where it works to advantage, in the areas where free competition actually obtains. To them, communism is not 'Red Fascism,' another catch phrase, but a system which destroys personal liberty and freedom. The Swedes have a way of judging communism by its destruction of freedom and not by the roll of the words.

"To them the 'American enterprise system,' as ordinarily described by business leaders, undisciplined, uncontrolled by consumer co-operative competition and public yardstick operations, would mean booms and busts and finally a depression so deep that there would be no recovery, but only mass unemployment, disillusionment, chaos, and dictatorship.

"Sweden points the way in tempering capitalism, in building automatic controls in the competitive system, in equalizing opportunities, and in advancing the historic trend toward equality.

"When I asked why they had done some of the things they have I was told that they are a poor people and could not afford another depression. They said, 'If we were to have the kind of depression you are going to have in your country it would mean ruination and the loss of our rights and privileges. We hope your great wealth will carry you through. We don't have such wealth.' They were forced by their poverty, they said, to defend themselves against chaos by properly adjusting their economic system.

"I asked them how it was that they were able to take such forward steps. They pointed out that they had not left in private hands the power to stand against advances which goes with the ownership and control of monopoly industries. They have been able to gain a sense of assurance about the future by removing forces opposed to progress."

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