

PREFACE

The present issue is made up exclusively of articles written in the Institute alongside the pursuit of larger bodies of research. Dr. Pollock's article and that of Dr. Kirchheimer originated from lectures aiming at a fundamental economic and social critique of National Socialism, delivered at Columbia University as a part of a series by the Institute. Dr. Marcuse's article expands his paper for the same occasion into a more comprehensive discussion of the problem of the individual in present day society. The article on Reason and the one on Veblen represent the fruit of a joint effort of their authors. It became clear to us that thorough study and earnest analysis of Veblen, America's great sociological critic of culture, would help us better to understand the catastrophic change in human nature, outlines of which the article on Reason attempts to sketch.

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