one or two generations, were the likely outcome of a global sweep of a general breakdown-crisis due to strike with great force, throughout the planet, beginning very soon.

Until the change from a monetarist, to a credit system of the type specified by the U.S. Federal Constitution, there is no hope for a civilized form of society on this planet for a generation or more to come. It would be the darkest period of time, of probably several generations' duration, throughout this planet, in the civilized memory of human society today. Do not be surprised by that; the world has spent more than two generations in creating the presently global onrush of a global economic breakdown-crisis. The hope for the future would be that we could eradicate the hegemony of the cultural influences, over past several generations, which had brought this present crisis about, that within no less than a pair of generations since the assassination of U.S. President John F. Kennedy unleashed the ruined long war in Indo-China, with the present hope that several new generations would bring the world back to a takeoff point matching what we have lost since about the

Spring of 1968.

Those Who Have Doubts

Given all that bad news for the planet as a whole, the relatively good news is that a leading circle of U.S. economists has come to agreement with me on the causes of the present general crisis now gripping the U.S.A. and European nations as a whole. For all competent such economists, my pedagogical "Triple Curve," first presented publicly, in January 1996, as part of my U.S. Presidential-nomination campaign at that time, is now proven to have been the only competent estimate of the direction of the economy during any point since that time.

All varieties of monetarist dogma for economics have now failed, totally, and miserably. All the economists and relevant others who rejected both my warnings and my analysis on which they were premised, have been proven not merely wrong, but intrinsically incompetent. It is that incompetence which, unfortunately, still controls the policy-shaping of all but a few nations of the Keynesian-ruined economies of the

German Election a Pyrrhic Victory for Merkel, FDP

Sept. 28—Yesterday's parliamentary election in Germany put an end to the Grand Coalition of the three biggest parties, bringing to power a narrower bloc of Chancellor Angela Merkel's Christian Democratic Union (CDU/CSU, with 33.8%) and the ultra-liberal Free Demoratic Party (FDP, 14.6%). Voters smashed the Social Democratic Party (SPD, 23%), which is now out of the coalition, thereby removing whatever small margin of resistance it might have offered to the austerity demands of the globalist financier oligarchy.

Helga Zepp-LaRouche, the chairwoman and Chancellor candidate of the Civil Rights Solidarity Movement (BüSo), commented that the efforts of the "forces of the Empire" to put in their preferred candidate were successful. However, this is a Pyrrhic victory, she said, and the new government will soon experience a hard landing, as it confronts a

new phase of economic collapse.

The new coalition is expected to implement the same policies of cost-cutting and banker bailout which caused the crisis. This will further decimate the physical economy and lower living standards.

The majority that Merkel's new government will command in the Bundestag (parliament) is, in any case, slight, and the cost- and tax-cutting views of the new coalition partner, the FDP, will most likely give rise to dissidents within the CDU. In other words, this is not a stable government.

But the BüSo, the only party that posed a real alternative, reached a qualitatively new high point, putting Zepp-LaRouche's party in a position to reap the fruit of its work in the future. It crossed the 1% "barrier" in numerous districts, notably, in Berlin, and in the eastern state of Saxony (Leipzig, Dresden, etc.). This is the threshold below which popular opinion holds that parties are "not serious." The BüSo is now well situated to reach and cross the mandatory 5% threshold for representation in the Bundestag, in the next elections.

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