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Do About It*

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## PREFACE

Let me say that no one *knows* when the United States is headed for some form of violent inflation. The chances are six to four that the nation's voters periodically will *head in that direction*; but for me to make a long-range forecast, would be foolhardy. Furthermore, if such an event is to happen, no one knows how it will occur. I merely now say that only a spiritual revival can prevent it from becoming a catastrophe.

I began this study with some sympathy for inflationists and with a feeling that any form of inflation surely could help certain groups of people. The study however has opened my eyes to possibilities of which I had never dreamed. These you should know. This is especially true as inflation grips a nation without its knowledge,—as cancer grips an individual, or as a thief comes in the night.

Another thing:—Before writing this book I was sure it is possible to shape one's personal affairs in advance so he need not suffer financial loss from even violent inflation. I now am not sure of this. Some hedges are far better than others; but the inflation disease takes different forms. A hedge for one form will not serve as a hedge for some other form. *Read this book and decide for yourself.*

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