

Why Not Try Freedom?

By LEONARD E. READ

■ "It is not an everyday occurrence that a country like Argentina, hardly out of the lethal embrace of a dictatorship Scylla, and apprehensive lest it fall under the spell of a U.S. Charybdis, should turn for advice to an American. Yet, the Centro De Difusion De La Economia Libre of that country invited

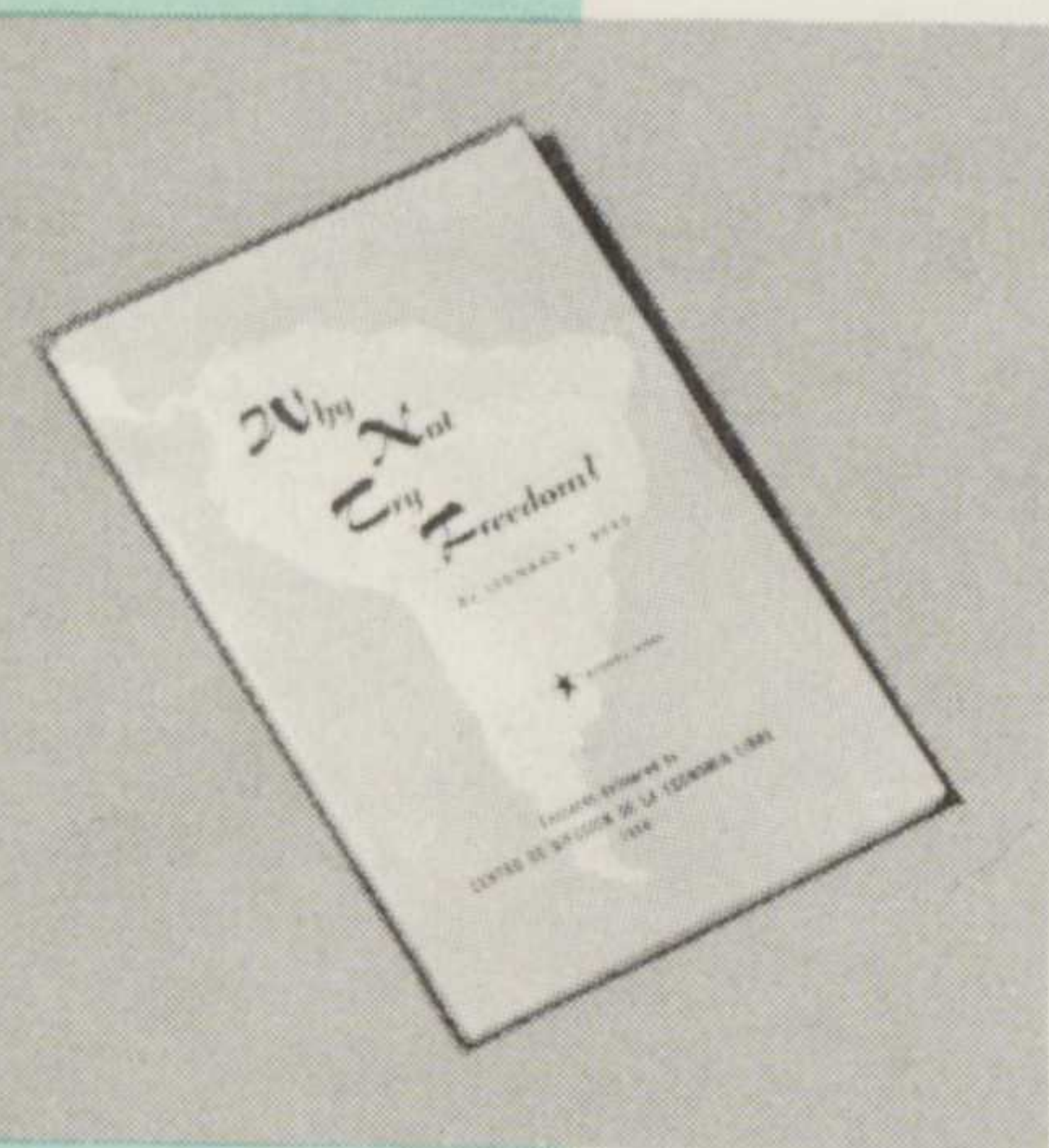
Leonard E. Read to deliver six lectures on the philosophy of liberty in Buenos Aires.

"I cannot resist the temptation to call this book a Libertarian Manifesto . . . a well-reasoned and systematically developed argument for the libertarian world view.

"From the ideological angle, Read finds that 'the goal of man's earthly striving' must be 'viewed within a moral and spiritual frame of reference.' Consequently, 'any behavior, personal or collective, which tends to retard man in his pursuit of the ideal life is . . . ipso facto bad, evil or immoral.' He develops his thesis through man's 'own unique capacities' and their uninhibited expression in 'energy exchanges' and a 'dependence on interdependence,' in which process each individual's unique capacities will augment and inspire the unique capacities of others."

Alexander St.-Ivanyi, *The Freeman*

In addition to defining the libertarian ideal and showing how so much of the modern world has forsaken it for authoritarian ways, the book concludes with a chapter on "Libertarian Means and Methods."



The TVA Idea

By DEAN RUSSELL

■ "With surgical skill, Dean Russell dissects not only the Tennessee Valley Authority in operation, but the philosophy of industry socialization, which the TVA represents. In a mere 100 pages, packed with supporting data, Russell thoroughly debunks the blatant claims made for TVA by its starry-eyed supporters. He then raises a warning that the TVA is more than just dams and power plants—it's an idea, the extension of which involves loss of individual freedom and drastic political, social, and economic consequences."

John Fisher, *Chicago Tribune*

This evaluation of TVA since its beginning is offered for those who wish to use it for testing the soundness of such government projects, present and future. Chapter headings include:

- Flood Control
- Navigation
- National Defense
- Interest
- Taxes
- Administrative Agencies and Authorities
- TVA: Yardstick or Birch Rod?
- Private Enterprise and River Development
- The Power Lobby
- Monopoly or Competition

