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Now, when our land to ruin's brink is verging,
In God's name, let us speak while there is time!
Now, when the padlocks for our lips are forging,
Silence is crime.
—Whittier.

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Fifth Column in Anti-British Plot!

The British People Are Being Purposely Starved!

By ERIC D BUTLER

There is a great deal of definite evidence which shows that a group of international plotters—aided by fifth columnists—are deliberately using Food Control as a major weapon in their "post-war" attack upon the heart of the British Empire.

The latest news from Great Britain indicates that the British people—the housewives in particular—are putting up a brave fight against Socialist traitors in the House of Commons.

The people are learning in the hard way, that Socialists and Communists are prepared to sacrifice those they are supposed to represent—all in the cause of world sovietisation.

Canadians have had some bitter first-hand experience of these "internationalists." A Jewish Communist Member of the Canadian Parliament and some kindred high officials were recently arrested and imprisoned because of their disclosures of vital military secrets to Russian spies. They had the effrontery to say in their "defence" that they had a greater loyalty (to totalitarian Russia!) than loyalty to British-Canadian sovereignty.

The sooner we Britishers, the world over, realise that the rabble-rousing Communist who rants on street corners, or chalks his childish slogans on walls, is not the main danger to our way of life, but rather the Communist and Socialist "intellectuals" who have wormed their way into the big Government Departments and elsewhere, the sooner we will take action to defeat the dreadful threat confronting us.

OUR OWN FUTURE INVOLVED

"Some people may contend that what happens in Great Britain should not greatly concern Australians.

One of the leading international Socialists from this country, Dr. Evatt, who is notorious for his anti-British views, has fostered this idea.

But—sentiment and so forth apart—surely it is obvious, to all realistic and loyal British-Australians that the preservation of our way of life depends upon the preservation of the British Empire as a whole.

If the people of Great Britain are brought to their knees, by food control imposed by local agents of the International Plotters, OUR future will be very gloomy indeed.

For this and other reasons, let me once again bring forward some startling facts about international food control and how the British people are being sacrificed, as part of a deliberate plot.

THE ROLE OF U.N.R.R.A.

A major role in the international food racket has been played by U.N.R.R.A., which has been used to pour huge quantities of food into Communist-dominated parts of Europe.

The Canadian paper, "Toronto Globe and Mail," of April 18, reports an official of U.N.R.R.A. who resigned his job in Germany, declaring that displaced persons in Europe say they were better off under the Germans. He also says that large quantities of food are being wasted. He alleges that high officials, who hope to keep themselves for life in the job of controlling food, are living at the best hotels and are eating remarkably well.

In Italy he saw no signs of malnutrition. Meat and vegetables can be easily bought. He charges U.N.R.R.A. with having shipped 500,000 tons of coal to Italy from Great Britain last January, despite the fact that the British people were eking out their fuel and were half frozen. Italy has a warmer climate; also a good electricity supply system, largely hydro-electric (no fuel needed), which could have been used more extensively for heating.

IT'S HARD TO RECONCILE

A report in the Canadian "Toronto Star" of May 7 states that Swedish fishermen are unable to dispose of all their catches, and are throwing thousands and thousands of fish back into the sea.

Another report states that Holland has had to destroy large quantities of surplus vegetables. Food officials claimed that tomatoes and cucumbers in particular are considered luxury foods, and that there was no reasonable justification for their being sent to Germany.

Try and reconcile this latter information with the propaganda concerning the alleged starvation in Germany.

Can it be that the precious food denied to the British people in order that it may be sent to Germany is all right for the Germans, but that the appetites of the Germans are so delicate that they couldn't eat surplus tomatoes and cucumbers from Holland?

PURPOSEFUL PROPAGANDA

Let us briefly refresh our memories with some of the lurid stories of starvation in Germany and elsewhere that we were told late last year.

Mr. Victor Gollancz, the Jewish near-millionaire Socialist, whose publishing house produced most of the propaganda that put the present Socialist Government into office in Great Britain, said on October 19 of last year that "12,000,000 people may die of starvation in Germany in the next few months." Other reports said that Germans were digging mass graves for themselves well in advance of the winter, because when

that time came they would be too feeble from malnutrition to do the job.

In spite of this monstrous propaganda, there has been no evidence of Germans actually dying of starvation.

Mr. Gollancz also quoted Miss Ellen Wilkinson, a Socialist Member of the British House of Commons, as saying during last October: "There is no doubt that quite a number of German children will die before the winter ends, because food cannot be got to them."

There is no evidence of this dying of starvation. In fact, Mrs. Roosevelt, after her visit to Germany early this year, said on February 14: —

"The Germans look as well fed as, or perhaps better fed than, the British. The children, especially, appear to be healthier in Germany."

FOOD AS POLITICAL WEAPON

There is not the slightest doubt that food is short in some parts of Europe—in fact, there is evidence that in Eastern Europe the Communist-dominated Governments are using food as a political weapon.

But why do the Communists' friends in Great Britain—Gollancz and his kind—distort these facts?

Can it be that they are deliberately trying to provoke revolution in Great Britain, or weaken the people in case of war with Russia, or are they "merely" trying to perpetuate control of the British through rationing?

These are serious suggestions to make, but let us recall two of many items of news, which are at least thought provoking:

An inconspicuous report in the Melbourne "Herald" of July 8 states that a member of the executive of the Irish live-

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NOTES on the NEWS

The Liberal Party has turned a smart political trick on its opponents by maneuvering Labor into rejecting payment for the first child under the child-endowment scheme. Now the Liberals have the battle cry that Labor voted against what they say was equivalent to an increase in the basic wage.

It will be remembered that the Liberals (alias U.A.P.) brought in child-endowment, as a result of a strong hint from the Arbitration Court, as an alternative to an increase in the basic wage. Then Labor advocated including the first child, but have done nothing about it since they gained office. Now the Liberals have stolen a march with this election appeal.

Of course, John Citizen would really pay himself via the pay-roll tax, which would be increased, and, of course, included in the prices of goods. This incident is an illuminating example of putrid Party Politics.

PEACE PARLEY: The long-awaited peace parley has arrived at last. It has been proposed that "organisations of a Fascist type shall be forbidden," but, so far, "Fascism" has not been defined; it most likely means any political set-up similar to that of pre-war Germany or Italy—for example, Soviet Russia. Military training to supply permitted armed forces will be allowed. It seems rather strange that compulsory military service has not been banned, because obviously conscription is essential to aggressive Fascism—without it, Germany or Italy could never have developed their military might. Here we witness the mockery of the peace proposals. Again, there is no condition insisting on a referendum in each country to decide whether or not the people concerned want their nation to go to war. Without minimum safeguards such as these the peace is a snare and a delusion.

COMMONS COMMOTION: British Labor Members are said to be very angry because of a poster dealing with bread rationing, issued by the Face The Facts Association. The poster announced an intention to publish the names of the Members of the House of Commons who voted for bread rationing, and described them as enemies and dictators. From this it seems that the Face The Facts organisation has scored a big hit in getting under the skin of these so-called workers' friends who evidently didn't want electors to know who voted to limit their bread. Since bread rationing is not wanted by the British people, it is beyond doubt that their political servants are emulating Hitler's tactics in imposing it; this being so, obviously they must be enemies of the people. Naming the individual Members responsible for unwanted measures is the correct procedure, which could be followed to advantage in Australia.

MONASH MEMORIES: A considerable amount of space in the Melbourne "Age" of July 20 was devoted to the establishing

of a new settlement, "Kfar Monish," in Palestine, named after Sir John Monash. The Jewish National Fund and other Jewish agencies have provided most of the capital for this venture. The article said: "There will never be any currency inside the boundaries of this new settlement, and, like all others, life will continue on thoroughly organised lines . . ." Everyone will work on assignments provided by the working sub-committees; everyone will be given the work to which, in a committee's opinion, they are "best suited." Here is communal Planning deluxe, and it illustrates the similarity between Communist and Jew. There are other such settlements where the anti-life is practised, and there is the regimented Army life in which the slaves obey without question. It is the "Protocols" pattern of "when our kingdom is come." Read the "Protocols" for amplification.

ATOMIC ALARMISTS: Warnings of a "fear psychology" caused by "Atomic" propaganda now comes from America and from Professor Oliphant, who apparently realises that it has been overdone. In this connection the U.S. Psychological Association says: "The psychological impact of the bomb on all countries is a crippling feeling of impotence, ignorance and general insecurity." (Although these so-called scientists do not seem to know it, that is precisely the mental condition that the world power-lusters seek to create.) Continuing, the report says: "An equally dangerous reaction is that frantic precautions against this unknown danger may cause us to accept suppression of free speech." That, of course, is only part of the plot; we already have the U.N.O. world government, the World Bank, and the world food control, whilst internally our lives can be taken by conscription and our wealth by taxation. It should not be long before the peoples of the world realise that there is a master plot to create a world dictator-

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Significant Political Pointers

Those people who never tire of complaining about the "anti-Semitism" of some Gentiles, might care to explain, if explanation is possible, the recent use of the Sydney University paper, "Honi Soit," to put forward pro-Zionist and bitterly anti-British propaganda.

It is instructive to bear in mind that the Professor of Law and Jurisprudence at the Sydney University is the Jewish Zionist, Julius Stone. Needless to say, Stone is a Socialist.

Ten thousand free copies of the issue of "Honi Soit" containing the lying anti-British propaganda were distributed in Sydney.

Such tactics by the local Zionists, together with the murderous bomb tactics of their friends in Palestine, should at long last convince thinking Australians that tolerance can be taken to extremes.

If local Jews are going to continue their anti-British agitation in this country, Mr. Calwell should be instructed to ask them to leave instead of helping more to come here.

THE POLICY OF U.N.R.R.A.

It is revealing to notice where U.N.R.R.A. has been allocating its supplies in Europe: - Albania, 25,000,000 dollars; Byelorussia, 50,000,000 dollars; Austria, 75,000,000 dollars; Ukraine, 158,000,000 dollars; Czechoslovakia, 262,500,000 dollars; Greece, 375,000,000 dollars; Italy, 409,000,000 dollars; Yugoslavia, 432,500,000 dollars; and Poland, 442,200,000 dollars.

It will be noted that the two Russian Republics and the three Russian dominated countries—Poland, Yugoslavia, Czechoslovakia—have received most of the allocations.

There is nothing like starving the British to bolster up the Asiatic tyranny in Europe!

TOTALITARIAN TACTICS

The totalitarians at Canberra proceed from one outrage to further outrages. The "A".B.C. (Mr. Moses, general manager) is to have its own news gathering agency!

The "experts" predict that this agency will cost £200,000 a year. The taxpayers can confidently expect that it will cost them considerably more.

And so more of the people's money will be spent for them by bureaucratic staffs who will decide what "news" the tax-

payers should hear. No wonder Hitler was so confident that National Socialism would win in the end!

The first step towards defeating the Canberra totalitarians is to deny them ANY further powers at the coming Referendum; and further, to give NO support to ANY election candidate who will NOT give a written pledge to work for (first and foremost) a drastic reduction in all taxation and a reduction of the number of bureaucrats to the 1938 level.

THE NEW DESPOTISM

Any elector who believes that there is responsible Government at Canberra should ponder over the manner in which recent legislation has been rushed through the House.

During 30 minutes of one evening no less than seven Bills were passed. Members of the Government congratulated Members of the "Opposition" on their collaboration in getting the legislation passed so quickly.

The only people who fully understand this stream of legislation are the "advisers" who frame it. They are for all practical purposes the Government. The sooner electors grasp the fact that more power for Canberra means more powers for the framers of the never-ending stream of legislation, the sooner they will realise that the power of the Canberra Government must be very strictly limited if democracy is to be made to work in Australia.

GERMANY AND RUSSIA

While the world's press informs the bemused peoples everywhere about the millions of deaths the Nazi war criminals were

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THE TRUTH ABOUT THE REFERENDUM

All Your Questions Answered

By ERIC D BUTLER (Concluded from last issue.)

QUESTION: What is the exact wording of the power over industrial matters desired by the Federal Government?

ANSWER: It is proposed that the Federal Government shall have power over "Terms and conditions of employment in industry, but not so as to authorise any form of industrial conscription."

Q: Of what value is the proviso, "But not so as to authorise any form of industrial conscription?"

A: It is of no value whatever. Once the bureaucratic power-lusters at Canberra have control of the terms and conditions of employment in industry, they can do all sorts of things to regiment employers and employees, but disclaim that it is industrial conscription. For example, in 1944 the present Government passed the Unemployment and Sickness Benefits Act. Any person needing the very paltry unemployment "benefits" provided under the Act has to submit to the conditions imposed by the officials administering the scheme. They can send an applicant for relief away to Alice Springs to work, if they so desire. If he will not go, he can be refused relief. What is this but industrial conscription?

RELIEF AND REGIMENTATION

Q: But surely the individual seeking unemployment relief should be prepared to submit to some control in exchange for the money the Government provides for him?

A: The point commonly overlooked is the fact that taxpayers seeking unemployment relief are merely requesting some of their own money back, money which the Government takes off them in not only direct, but also in indirect taxation. If people can only get access to a proportion of their money by accepting officially prescribed work anywhere in Australia and submitting to terms dictated by Government bureaucracy, then conscription is being introduced, irrespective of what words are used to describe this procedure.

THIN EDGE OF THE WEDGE

Q: Is there any direct evidence that the proposal to give the Federal Government control of all industrial legislation is the thin edge of the National Socialist wedge?

A: Yes, but there is far too much to quote it all. Here are a few items:

Dr. Evatt has said: "Today, with the enormous development of industry and industrial organisation, corporate control and finance, there is no longer a full right in every person to choose his own vocation in life." (vide "Post-War Reconstruction in Australia.") Speaking at Canberra on February 11, 1944, Dr. Evatt said: "... Full employment cannot possibly be achieved unless some authority is empowered to exercise wide powers to determine how employment is to be expanded."

"Key" members of the bureaucratic army of occupation at Canberra have indicated why they want greater powers. Dr. Coombs, principal economic adviser at Canberra, has said: "What I said was that in the post-war world more decisions would be made by public authorities as to the allocation of resources than has been the case in the past..." (vide "Post-war Reconstruction in Australia.")

Dr. Lloyd Ross, another economic adviser, said prior to the 1944 Referendum: "But we need also the recognition of the need for more State control, State guidance, and State ownership." In other words, we all need more regimenting by Dr. Ross and his fellow-totalitarians. The only answer to these totalitarians is a "No" vote on all three issues at the Referendum.

INDUSTRIAL DISPUTES, Etc.

Q: It is suggested, then, that the States can, and should, look after their own industrial problems?

A: Yes. They understand those problems much better than the central Government at far-away Canberra.

Q: But what about industrial disputes which spread beyond one State?

A: The Federal Government ALREADY has power to help to settle any such dispute. Section 51 of the Federal Constitution makes particular provision for it.

That is a fact which Canberra power-lusters conveniently "forget" to explain to the unsuspecting electors who don't know, unfortunately, what is in the Constitution.

POINT FOR LABOR VOTERS

Q: Have not non-Labor Governments also asked for greater powers for Canberra and attacked the Constitution?

A: Yes. Labor voters should bear in mind the fact that the Bruce-Page Government in 1926 and the Lyons Government in 1937 asked for industrial powers identical with those being asked for by a Labor

Government today. As far back as 1933, Mr. R. G. Menzies said that he was in favour of amending Section 51 of the Constitution "by giving the Commonwealth power to legislate generally in respect of all industrial matters."

Q: Why, that is exactly what Dr. Evatt now advocates, is it not?

A: Exactly. Liberal Senator Leckie truthfully said at Canberra on April 12: "When a Liberal Party Government proposed an alteration of the Constitution to grant to the Commonwealth power to deal with arbitration and conciliation, the Labor Party strongly opposed it and the Referendum was defeated. Now, the Labor Party supports a similar proposal."

It is to be hoped that Labor voters grasp the significance of this admission.

A POINT FOR FARMERS

Q: Did not the Lyons Government also ask at the 1937 Referendum for power over Orderly Marketing?

A: Yes. In fact, the Federal Country Party, in Parliament this year, voted in favour of Dr. Evatt's "orderly marketing" proposals.

Q: But don't they realise that these proposals, if carried at the Referendum, could, and undoubtedly would, pave the way for complete socialisation of primary production?

A: Yes. They tried to get Dr. Evatt to include, in the proposed Constitution amendment on this matter, a guarantee that Federal control would not be used to introduce direct control of production; but even this was not permitted. One Country Party man, Mr. G. Bowden, speaking at Canberra on April 10, said: "It is held by many authorities that marketing cannot be successfully organised without control of production." And yet, Country Party Members voted for Dr. Evatt's proposals to give the Federal Government complete power over the marketing of primary production!

NON-LABOR NO SAFEGUARD

Q: It would appear that genuine private ownership and free enterprise is being undermined by the very people who allegedly defend it?

A: All centralisation of power leads to Monopoly control of every aspect of the people's lives. "Anti-Labor" Governments have been just as keen on centralising power as have Labor Governments. One of the greatest blows against local government in Australia was the Federal Government's arrogant decision early this year to make Uniform Taxation permanent, thus destroying the right of the people in any one State to decide what taxation they desire and how it shall be spent.

Q: But weren't Liberal and Country Party Members opposed to the continuance of Uniform Taxation?

A: No. They were only opposed to the method of operating it. It should be pointed out to Liberal and Country Party supporters that not one of their so-called representatives at Canberra even recorded a vote of protest against the Labor Government's Bill to make Uniform Taxation permanent.

MONOPOLY PRESS POLICY

Q: What policy has the Monopoly press of Australia pursued on this issue of increasing the powers of the Centralised Canberra Government?

A: Generally speaking, it has, as might well be expected, supported the policy of greater centralised control by Canberra. The Melbourne "Herald," one of the Murdoch chain of newspapers, has consistently advocated greater powers for Canberra. It only disagrees with Dr. Evatt and Co. on the best method of tricking the electors into granting the powers. On April 4, Labor Member Fuller said at Canberra: "In reply to the claim that State Governments should be permitted to deal with many matters of national character, I cannot do better than cite an argument advanced by the Melbourne 'Herald' some years ago in a leading article, which pointed out that there was little logic in the contention that powers which are regarded as safe in the hands of one Government must be regarded as dangerous in the hands of another."

To Labour supporters it must seem very peculiar that "Labor representatives" quote the "Capitalist" press to support their arguments.

COMMONSENSE AND HISTORY

Q: What is a concise answer to Mr. Fuller and the Melbourne "Herald" on the point raised?

A: Would it be agreed that powers regarded as safe in the hands of an Australian Government would be just as safe in the hands of an International Government? Obviously not. The further Government is taken away from the people, the less control the people have over the Government. The Canberra Government was established to look after genuinely national matters such as Defence, not to interfere in local Government matters. The electors of any one State, who understand their own problems, better than anyone else, should have the sovereign right to look after their own affairs. Local Governments are a necessary

safeguard against Monopoly Government, just as genuine competitive enterprise is a safeguard against Economic Monopoly.

Q: It is contended, then, that increasing individual security and individual liberty can only be obtained in local, decentralised Government?

A: History overwhelmingly supports this contention. The successful growth of the British Empire has been based on the idea of a group of self-governing units voluntarily associating for common objectives. The Australian Commonwealth can only become truly great if it is built on local, self-governing States voluntarily associating on matters of common interest.

"PROOF OF THE PUDDING..."

Q: What is the most damning indictment of complete Federal control?

A: The record of all Federal Governments since 1910 in the Northern Territory.

The Commonwealth has had complete control—ALL the powers—in the Northern Territory since the end of 1910, but it has not produced there the Utopia it promises to create in the other parts of Australia if it gets more powers.

At the very time when the Federal Government is asking for the increased powers, the citizens of the Northern Territory, who have had plenty of bitter experience of Canberra control, are so outraged that they are demanding local self-government.

THE ROAD TO FASCISM

Q: What will be the final result if increased powers are given to Canberra?

A: As previously pointed out, these increased powers will in reality be used by the Federal "army of occupation," the bureaucracy, the heads of which are rapidly becoming the real government at Canberra. Increased powers for the bureaucracy now will mean subsequently still more demands for further powers. Once the move towards centralisation really starts, it is very difficult to resist it. Increasing government by bureaucracy will mean increasing control by domineering official upstarts, of every aspect of people's lives. High taxation will be maintained as one of the methods of control. The inevitable end will be open Fascism in Australia.

LABOR LEADERS' WARNING

Q: Surely the term Fascism is a little strong?

A: No. Read what Members of the present Labor Government said in their official case against giving increased powers to Canberra in 1937, when the Lyons Government conducted its Referendum. This is what those Labor Members wrote in 1937:

"WHITTILING AWAY DEMOCRACY:

Once again democracy is attacked. There is never a bold, frontal attack. That would alarm us and we should unhesitatingly resist. But little by little control over the things that matter is stolen from the people. By delegating to unrepresentative, irresponsible authorities the reality of power, our elected persons evade responsibility.

Here, under the cloak of technical and ambiguous language, upon the pretext of an emergency, is another attempt to whittle away our self-government. Those who believe that responsibility should accompany power will vote 'No.' Protect the freedom, which the Constitution guarantees: Defend the 'Seamless Garment' of Australian unity: Resist every attack upon Democracy. VOTE NO!"

Q: The men who said in 1937 that it would mean "whittling away democracy" if the Federal Constitution were altered to give the Federal Government increased powers, are today attempting to do that very thing?

A: That is so. It only proves the truth of what the great Lord Acton said: "All power corrupts and absolute power corrupts absolutely."

Wise electors must not trust centralised bureaucracy with any increase of power. They must not vote "No" on all three issues at the coming Referendum; they must persuade as many of their friends and associates as possible to do likewise. The future of Democracy in Australia is at stake.

CALLING ACTIONISTS IN VICTORIA

The Referendum and Election fight has now started in earnest. Every possible effort must be made to secure a "No" vote at the Referendum, to make candidates realise that electors are determined to take a more active interest in framing their own policies, and to generally advance the understanding of genuine Social Credit. This can and must be done.

Mr. Eric Butler's full time, apart from several Victorian meetings, will be devoted to (a) Tasmania, where he will be speaking under the auspices of the Tasmanian Chamber of Retailers and Professions, and to (b) South Australia, where he will be working under the auspices of the very powerful "No" Committee. However, until September 1, Mr. John Weller and Mr. John Johnstone will be campaigning together in Victoria. Mr. Weller is then going to join Mr. Butler in South Australia.

During the last four weeks of the campaign, Mr. John Johnstone will endeavour to cover as much of Victoria as circumstances and co-operation permit. Mr. Johnstone is thoroughly conversant with his subject, is a good speaker, and can do a big job if he gets co-operation. In order that advance organisation can be arranged, all those who desire to avail themselves of Mr. Johnstone's services should write to him (care of Box 1226, G.P.O., Melbourne), IMMEDIATELY.

CURRENT COMMENT

By JOHN WELLER.

The "Labor" Party, which is of course concerned to protect the "worker" from the power of the monopolist, seems set on appointing as chairman of the proposed Coal Board, Mr. J. Keast, chief general manager of Zinc Corporation Ltd., and New Broken Hill Consolidated Ltd.

And then there's also Vesteys, you know, to prove their genuineness.

Mr. Chifley, in expressing surprise that gas and electricity rationing had not been "tapered down" sooner, has apparently overlooked a factor which Mr. R. C. Evans, general manager of the Metropolitan Gas Co., Melbourne, has shown quite clearly renders any policy of genuine conservation quite unworkable.

The factor is simply that any surplus over immediate deliveries is promptly "diverted" — where is not disclosed.

Mr. Evans remarks: "... As a result of rationing and appeals for economy, the Metropolitan Gas Co. actually used 24,000 tons of coal less in the year ended June 30, 1946, than in the previous year, but stocks were not improved. We are still forced to operate from shipment to shipment..."

"Our experience has been that if consumption is reduced by rationing or other means, then deliveries automatically shrink to match the saving, and no benefit results."

This experience is by no means confined to gas. Wherever arbitrary rationing has been imposed industry has been forced to restrict its output to a limited demand. THERE HAS BEEN NO SAVING. When we are prevented, for example, from purchasing cream, no cream is "saved." The dairyman simply goes out of production.

The policy of arbitrary restriction of consumption leads inevitably to a forced restriction of production, a policy that can only be described as deliberate sabotage.

... Soviet Information Bureaus are now active in Syria and Lebanon, and Tass distributes a weekly news review free of charge to the local papers. The lately-formed Arab Workers' Society in Jaffa, Palestine, has obvious Soviet affiliations; unlike the other Arab parties, it is notably more anti-British than anti-Zionist. —"Atlantic Monthly." (Quoted in the Sydney "Bulletin," June 26, '46.)

Over the war period the Federal Government increased its annual expenditure from £76 million to nearly £700 million, an amount more than half the national income.

It is still managing to spend our money at the rate of approximately half the national income.

After winding up his recent financial statement in Parliament Mr. Chifley still seemed to have failed in explaining (among other matters):

(1) Why there is an apparent discrepancy of an extra £10,000 in disposals proceeds;

(2) If there is any truth in the allegations concerning escrow holdings of Government securities by trading banks;

(3) Why the Army payroll was only £20,000,000 less in spite of heavy demobilisation; and

(4) Why £90,000,000 of income tax has not been collected.

MR. CALWELL AND THE "REFUGEES"

An Unpublished Letter to "The Age"

A Sydney reader recently gave us a carbon copy of a letter he sent, for publication, to the editor of the Melbourne "Age." He said that it had NOT been published, and we have not subsequently seen it in that paper. It reads as follows:—

Sir.—The statements of Professor Woodruff, Chairman of the Victorian International Refugee Emergency Council, in defence of Mr. Calwell, Immigration Minister ("Age," May 18), are not borne out by facts.

Mr. Calwell's own denials regarding his alleged preferences to Jewish migrants vary a great deal and contradict themselves.

There is, in fact, very strong evidence to support the belief that Jews, some of them obviously not persecuted, find a welcome to Australia, which is not, at present, extended to others. There is definite evidence of recent arrivals, from both Europe and Asia, and a ship is now on its way here from Denmark with a further contingent. Landing permits are constantly being granted to Jews abroad and seemingly, in spite of the Minister's statements to the contrary, they do arrive here ahead of other anxious migrants.

The Jewish Unity Committee in Sydney is planning to transport 25,000 Jews to Australia this year, apparently with Ministerial sanction, and aims to acquire disused army huts from the Government for their transitional accommodation.

Some months ago a Melbourne Jewish body convened a meeting to honour Mr. Calwell, and proposed to plant a grove of trees in Palestine and to name it after him. One is justified in asking if all these and other known facts add up to one particular race of people receiving preference over our own British brothers and sisters in the matter of entry into Australia.

An important aspect is that those arriving receive privilege in the way of establishing themselves in business, denied our own men, who are still in the Services under the points system.

—Yours sincerely, "G.C.L.," Sydney, 21/5/46.

MR. BUTLER'S QUEENSLAND CAMPAIGN

Between forty and fifty businessmen and friends attended Mr. Eric Butler's address in Rockhampton on Tuesday, July 16. Colonel Davidson, endorsed Country Party candidate contesting Capricornia against Mr. Forde, was present.

Mr. Butler's exposure of centralised control and the real reasons for the coming Referendum was enthusiastically received. An excellent report of this address appeared in the Rockhampton daily, the "Bulletin," which is widely read throughout Central Queensland.

The meeting at Mount Morgan on Wednesday, July 17, was poorly attended. However, those present were very interested and purchased literature.

A small but attentive audience heard Mr. Butler, again in Rockhampton, on Thursday, July 18. Another excellent report appeared in the local paper.

MARYBOROUGH, DUNDOWRAN AND MURGON

Leaving Rockhampton by plane on Tuesday, July 23, he addressed a meeting in Maryborough that night. Literature sales were heavy after the meeting. A lengthy report of his address appeared in the Maryborough daily paper.

On Wednesday, July 24, a hurriedly arranged meeting at Dundowran was well attended. Some excellent work is being done in this area by the Bromiley brothers, Mr. Churchward and others. They are confident that they will have an overwhelming "No" majority in their district at the coming Referendum.

On Thursday, July 25, Mr. Butler addressed one of the best meetings of the tour, at Murgon. Messrs. Mickim, Thompson and Atkins are doing an excellent job. It was decided at the meeting to form a local electoral group and to start work on the Referendum and Election issues immediately.

TOOWOOMBA, TAR A AND NEVILLTON

Although there was a comparatively small attendance at the meeting in Toowoomba on Monday, July 29, Mr. Butler was given a splendid write-up in the widely read Toowoomba daily, the "Chronicle."

FIFTH COLUMN IN ANTI-BRITISH PLOT

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stock trade has complained that British trade missions have repeatedly ignored Eire's offers to send additional food supplies to Great Britain. Another press report states that the British Ministry of Food is under fire because it declined to buy 175,000 tons of turkeys offered from Argentina.

All this sort of thing is not accidental. It is no more accidental than the Communist-fomented strikes in key industries in this country.

THE COMBINED FOOD BOARD

Some good people are saying that we should intensify rationing in Australia in order to help the British people. But, while the "British" Government accepts anti-British international food control, increased bulk export of food from this country would not necessarily mean that the British people would get more. If they actually got the extra from us, a similar or larger quantity now coming from elsewhere would be diverted. Before he recently resigned as British Food Minister, Sir Ben Smith admitted in the House of Commons that he was at the mercy of the Combined Food Board, which has its headquarters in Washington, U.S.A.

Some of the worst enemies of the British Empire reside in Washington. It would

FEDERAL ELECTION ISSUE

The Canberra bureaucracy is sabotaging production. Government by bureaucracy is destroying local self-government.

The big Government Departments are taking over every form of economic activity.

The bureaucracy is using the financial and taxation system to introduce a dictatorship.

No worthwhile reforms can be introduced in the face of a highly centralised bureaucracy.

The next Federal Elections must be used to ensure that all candidates, irrespective of label, who will not pledge themselves to reduce the number of bureaucrats at least to the 1938 level, receive a stream of last preference, votes.

Use these booklets in the anti-bureaucracy fight: "Sack the Bureaucrats," by Eric D. Butler, 6d. "Democracy Flouted," 6d. (Both plus 1d if posted.) Both booklets obtainable from the United Electors of Australia, 343 Little Collins Street, Melbourne, C.I.

On Tuesday afternoon, July 30, he spoke at Tara. This was a very enthusiastic meeting and the local supporters are also forming an electoral group for immediate action. Messrs. Weymouth and Tucker are the two leading stalwarts at this centre.

The little school at Nevillton was packed to capacity on Wednesday, July 31. This very successful meeting was arranged at short notice by Messrs. Birmingham and Starke. Mr. Butler's address made such an impression that it was spontaneously decided to form a Voters' Policy Association immediately. A large number of those present remained after the original meeting to do this. After the association had been formed, finance was arranged and the secretary was instructed to inform the sitting Member, Mr. Fadden, what action was proposed. All candidates will be approached before the coming election. It was decided that a written assurance in favour of at least 40 per cent, reduction of all taxation, be requested from all candidates. The Referendum proposals will be opposed.

APPRECIATION AND RESULTS

Mr. Butler's handling of his subject matter has caused much favourable comment. An old social creditor at Murgon said that he had heard all the prominent social credit speakers in the past, but Mr. Butler's address was the best he had ever heard. He congratulated Mr. Butler on his great clarity in analysing points and thus making them perfectly clear to his listeners.

Mr. Butler's contact with Queensland social creditors has rekindled enthusiasm, and his advice has been much appreciated. Everywhere there has been a request for his return to Queensland before the next State elections, early next year. He hopes to do this.

Literature sales have been heavy, and a steady stream of new readers for the "New Times" has been obtained.

Further reports of Queensland meetings will be published as they come to hand.

be instructive to know more about the groups actually controlling this Combined Food Board which continues to impose more and more food-cuts on the British people while NEVER imposing similar food-cuts on America!

On March 10, for example, this Board was responsible for diverting a vessel in mid-Atlantic with ten thousand tons of flour for Great Britain. The shipload of flour was diverted to Germany! And now the British are having bread rationing foisted on them, in spite of the intense opposition of all loyal sections of the community.

Great Britain's present Food Minister, Mr. Strachey, who is notorious for his pro-Communist views, obviously holds the dictatorial belief that he knows what is "good for" the British people. He also says that bread rationing will only be necessary for a few months. (This is the sort of thing totalitarians say every time they impose new controls on the people. They say that these controls are only temporary—like some of our "temporary" taxes!)

CRUSH THE FIFTH COLUMN

There is a powerful Fifth Column established right throughout the British Empire.

During the war years it has built up an enormous bureaucracy in every British country, and the "key" members of this bureaucracy are either Socialists or Communists. They are the local agents of the International Plotters; they desire to continue food rationing and other controls as a major step towards Socialism.

Socialism is Monopoly—Monopoly of everything and everybody—a society in which every citizen is completely at the mercy of the all-powerful official.

All freedom-loving citizens must energetically fight this threat of serfdom. NOW. In this country, an overwhelming "No" vote at the coming Referendum will be a big start.

Of course you desire to do something to help the British people. Send more individual food parcels. Never mind the lurid propaganda you hear about Europe; don't be an unconscious tool of the anti-British groups. Expose our Empire's enemies. Bring the facts to the attention of all your friends and your Member of Parliament.

HERE'S A FISHY MYSTERY!

The following is from "The Social Creditor," England, of May 18, 1946:

One of the enigmas of the present period through which (we hope) we are passing is the destination of the superior qualities of fish, meat, etc. It is quite impossible to suppose that the ratio of inferior descriptions of, e.g., fish to the total catch has greatly changed, and we are informed on good authority that the fishing grounds are better stocked, and catches are larger and easier, than for many years before the war.

But not once in months does the ordinary individual ever see sole, turbot, halibut, or even plaice—in fact, most of the fish available is difficult to name. Who is getting the good fish? Is it all going to Professor Laski's friends, or does it come under the necessity for increasing our exports?

VOTERS' POLICY GROUP AT RED CLIFFS

Similar Moves at Mildura

Social creditors in Red Cliffs, Victoria, have formed a non-party Electors' Policy Group, for the specific purpose of encouraging the electors to initiate their own policies and insist that Members of Parliament both State and Federal represent those policies.

Mr. S. W. Butler, secretary of this Red Cliffs group, is reported in the Mildura press as follows:

"We have formed here recently an Electors' Policy Group, and if any candidate, irrespective of Party label, desires our support in the coming election he must first sign a pledge that he will—

"1. Represent the wishes of the electors at all times, irrespective of pressure from elsewhere.

"2. Work for an immediate reduction of the bureaucracy to the 1939 level.

"3. Work for an immediate reduction in all taxation by nothing less than 40 per cent.

"4. Oppose any international agreements that will infringe on the sovereignty of the Australian people.

"We must ignore Party labels and unite in demanding the results we desire from our representatives."

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It is reported that a similar Electors' Group is to be formed in Mildura.

We also note with interest and quote from a report in the Mildura "Sunraysia Daily" dealing with the disbandment of the Cardross Branch of the United Country Party:

"It was suggested by Mr. Gallagher and Mr. A. J. Richmond that an association be formed with a membership subscription of £1 a year to build up an election fighting fund to support any candidate who promised to produce results, irrespective of Party. This matter had been discussed by ex-members of the U.C.P. 'down South.' It was decided that those present go into the matter, and that a meeting be called at a later date."

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We recommend the line of action taken in Red Cliffs to supporters in all centres of Australia. Why not form a Voters' Policy Group to work against all candidates who will not pledge themselves to fight the Taxation Monopoly, the Bureaucratic Monopoly, and Bretton Woods, etc.?

A BIG MOVE IN W.A.

Social Crediters Active

A report received from Mr. W. F. Andrews, honorary secretary of the Douglas Social Credit Movement of West Australia, announces the start of a campaign to raise £250 for the express purpose of bringing the truth about the Referendum before the people of West Australia in order to combat the propaganda of all political groups favouring a "Yes" vote.

Mr. Andrews' report continues as follows: "Our aim is to once again 'go on the air' and put forward common-sense programmes, which will enable the electors to make up their minds as to the danger of a "Yes" vote, and to encourage them to vote for their own policy. The cash required will be utilised solely for this purpose, and we appeal to all West Australian readers to render to the movement in West Australia a degree of financial support which will once again make the welkin ring throughout West Australia.

The war is not over—the "pursuit of policy by other means" is the Referendum—which in essence is a frontal attack on the Australian Constitution. Those who wish to preserve local government, from their Roads Boards to their State Parliament, should be up and doing to ensure that a "NO" majority is registered throughout West Australia. Every penny subscribed will be faithfully used as outlined above.

The Subiaco branch has launched a campaign to publicise Alberta—scattered pars, in the "leading" daily paper, advertisements on trams and the use of talkie travel films at a public lecture in the Modern Woman's Club are being utilised to inform the people of Perth of the Alberta Experiment. (Donations to this particular campaign can be sent to Mr. C. R. Willcocks, 114 Gloster-Road, Subiaco.)

Our address: Douglas Social Credit Movement of W.A., 544 Hay Street, Perth.

SPOTLIGHT ON THE S.E.C. MONOPOLY

"Alleging that despite the huge reserve fund held by the State Electricity Commission, 12,000 farmers in Victoria are without electric light and power. Mr. Hyland, M.L.A., asks what steps the Commission was taking to extend its undertaking. He said that the Rural Development Reserve Fund had stood at £800,000 nearly a year ago, and that he knew of at least six reserve funds. He asked if it was not a fact that, after putting £2,662,739 into six of its reserve funds, the S.E.C. had made a profit of £3,233,314 for the five years to June 30, 1945. He claimed that the S.E.C. was making no attempt to explain to thousands of people suffering inconvenience of rationing why they were being so inconvenienced."

—Radio & Electrical Retailer," Sydney, July 18, 1946.

SPECIAL APPEAL TO ALL READERS

Although our regular weekly income from sales is not yet sufficient to cover the increased cost of publishing an eight-page paper, we decided that, in view of the importance of the Referendum and Elections, we would publish four eight-page issues before September 28. Having seen the first of these last week, readers will agree, we think, that we can produce a very attractive and interesting journal if we can have eight pages.

CANNOT WE ALL STRIVE TO MAKE THIS A PERMANENT AND REGULAR FEATURE? It should make it easier for readers to get new readers. We can publish a regular eight-page paper after the Referendum if all readers will, over the next two months, make a really determined effort to do all in their power to increase our circulation. The circulation has of course been increasing slowly. But more than this is now required. How many friends or associates have you who will need the truth about the coming Referendum? Why not send in quarterly subscriptions for them? Do you buy two copies every week in order that you can give one away to selected contacts? These and many more things can be done.

Another 1000 regular readers and we could continue as an eight-page weekly. Those who require free back numbers for distribution can obtain them either by writing to, or calling at, our office, 343 Little Collins Street, Melbourne. Also, we have plenty of last week's special eight-page Referendum issue available at only 2/-per dozen, post free. If only every present reader will get just one more new reader, we will have much more than enough to publish an eight-page paper every week.

SURELY EVERYONE WILL MAKE THE EFFORT. Our great fight won't have finished when we defeat the Referendum. An expanding paper is urgently required for this fight, the fight to save the remnants of our civilisation.

MORE CONTROLS MEAN LESS COAL

In the British House of Commons on May 21, 1946, Sir G. Fox asked the Minister of Fuel and Power the average weekly drop in coal production since 1938; and if there were any signs of any steady increase in production.

Mr. Shinwell: "The average weekly output of saleable coal at coal mines in Great Britain since 1938 has been as follows:

Year.	Tons.
"1938.....	4,353,000
"1939.....	4,437,000
"1940.....	4,290,000
"1941.....	3,957,000
"1942.....	3,905,000
"1943.....	3,730,000
"1944.....	3,521,000
"1945.....	3,350,000

"The decline in production has been checked—output in the weeks prior to the Easter holiday was as high as the weeks before Christmas. Over the coming year, I am confident that output per man will increase, but total output also depends on the labour force in the industry. Everything, therefore, depends on whether it will be possible to maintain the labour force at its present level."

COMMUNIST ON CHURCHILL

From the "Social Creditor" (Eng.), 18/5/46:

Mr. Gallacher, our one titular Communistic M.P., "thought up" and employed a really devastating gibe against Mr. Churchill. He called him Victorian. We were so appalled at the use of language such as this in the House of Commons that we pondered long on what he could have meant (beyond, of course, a detestation of the highest general standard of living in the world, no coupons, no serious housing difficulties, no bombs, real whisky and beer, Gilbert and Sullivan instead of Sinatra and Bing Crosby, and no "B.B.C.") Then we saw the light. In Queen Victoria's glorious days, there was nothing in Parliament remotely resembling Mr. Gallacher. My, my!

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ATTEMPT TO FRIGHTEN AUSTRALIAN MOTHERS AND WIDOWS

(A letter to the Editor from BRUCE H. BROWN.)

Sir,—Of the three questions to be put to the people in the Referendum on the 28th September, the one relating to Social Services seems to me to be of reprehensible intent, being designed to obtain a "yes" vote from mothers and widows under the mistaken impression that if they do not vote "yes" they will lose maternity allowances, child endowment and widows' pensions.

If they vote "yes" for this, it may be expected that a lot of them will vote "yes" for the other two, as a matter of course.

The simple truth is that maternity allowances, child endowment and widows' pensions are being paid now under Federal law, and that this law will continue in force regardless of the result of the Referendum.

There are only two ways in which that law would cease to operate, viz.: Either by repeal through the Commonwealth Parliament or by declaration by the High Court of Australia that the relative Acts are unconstitutional.

PAYMENTS NOT THREATENED

So far as I have been able to ascertain, no candidate for Parliament has ever suggested that these particular payments ought to be discontinued, and all political parties have declared unequivocally that they stand not only for a continuation of the benefits, but also for the extension of them.

No action to interfere in any way with the payment of maternity allowances, child endowment and widows' pensions will therefore come from the Federal Parliament—or from any section of the community.

The only other possibility is that some individual person may challenge the validity of the legislation by an appeal to the High Court, and obtain a declaration that this particular legislation was beyond the power of the Federal Parliament. But even if that should happen, the payment of maternity allowances, child endowment and widows' pensions would be continued because no Federal Government would dare do otherwise.

LABOR AND LIBERAL MEN GIVE ASSURANCES

This particular aspect has already been mentioned in the Commonwealth Parliament.

On May 6th Senator Fraser, speaking officially for the Commonwealth Government, said:

"If the Referendum fails, the Commonwealth will ask the States to carry out, under their health powers, an agreed plan which the Commonwealth will subsidise."

Mr. Harold Holt, a Liberal member of the Commonwealth Parliament, and a lawyer, also has said:

"The Commonwealth could still make financial grants to the State Government for these social benefits."

It is therefore clearly beyond question that all social service benefits can be con-

tinued under existing powers, and that they will be continued regardless of anything the High Court "might" say.

We thus come to the simple position that the question is being put to the people ostensibly because some members of the legal fraternity have expressed "doubt" regarding the constitutional validity of the Commonwealth laws on the subject, but, as mentioned earlier, more probably because it may lead some of the electors to vote "yes" as a result of wholly unwarranted apprehension about the continuance of the payment of maternity allowances, child endowment and widows' pensions.

QUESTIONS FOR CANDIDATES

Anyone who feels doubtful on this issue can have that doubt satisfied by putting questions to every candidate at the forthcoming elections. It is suggested that every Labor candidate be asked to answer the following:

(i) In the event of a "no" vote at the referendum on the 28th September, is it likely that the Government will take steps to repeal the existing social services legislation affecting maternity allowances, child endowment and widows' pensions?

(ii) If the answer to (i) is yes, would that be done before arrangements had been made with the State Governments for the payments to be continued?

(iii) If the answer to (i) is no, can you say definitely that the existing laws will be continued and payments made by the Commonwealth as at present?

(iv) Is it also correct to say that even an unfavourable decision by the High Court would not cause any break in the payments, but merely a transfer of the work to the State Government as the agent of the Commonwealth?

Similar questions, suitably modified, should also be put to every non-Labor candidate.

Electors should not be deceived. The Commonwealth has full power under the existing Constitution to arrange for any payments to be made as directed by Parliament, either through its own Departments or by asking the appropriate State Government to act as its agent. The only necessity is for the Commonwealth to provide the Finance, and it is fully empowered to do this without interfering with the Constitution at all.

—Yours faithfully, BRUCE H. BROWN, 189 Hotham Street, East Melbourne, C.2. 4th August, 1946.

SIGNIFICANT POLITICAL POINTERS

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responsible for, and while the Russian prosecutor at Nuremberg states what blood-thirsty monsters these Nazi war criminals are, it is instructive to take our minds back to 1939 when these same war criminals were aided and abetted by the Russian dictators to wipe Poland off the map. Stalin telegraphed von Ribbentrop as follows:—

"The friendship of the peoples of Germany and the Soviet Union, cemented by blood, has every reason to be lasting and firm."

As has been mentioned in these notes on previous occasions, post-war Russian policy towards Germany has been designed to harness up German technical efficiency to Russia's colossal natural resources. At long last a realisation of the danger of this policy is dawning on many people. The following comment by Trevor Smith appeared in sections of the Australian daily press on July 29:—

Russia's reversal of policy over Germany is perhaps the biggest single event in foreign news since the war ended.

The Soviet is bidding for all-out acquisition of the Reich—a union of two vast totalitarian Powers to give Russia yet greater military and economic efficiency.

This policy may yet culminate in a concordat making the Molotov-Ribbentrop pact, which stunned the world in 1939, seem an anaemic affair.

The Soviet somersault is the reason for the Big Four impasse over Germany. It was at the Russians' insistence that the Western Powers at Teheran, Yalta, and Potsdam conceded the principle of Germany's permanent economic subjection, and

anybody advocating otherwise was bitterly accused by the Russians of favouring a "soft" peace and provoking Allied disunity. M. Molotov in Paris transformed all this, and now is proclaiming Russia as the champion of "an independent prosperous Germany."

This situation has provoked apprehensive comments in the British Press. The "Sun day Dispatch" says that a Russo-German union "must be prevented at all costs—the issue of such a union will be war."

HOLLYWOOD & VOTES AT 18

From every quarter of the globe comes striking evidence "Of the manner in which the scum of Hollywood, suitably aided by "modern education," have debauched the young generation and persuaded them that all wisdom started with them, that their forefathers were stupid and reactionary, and that all the institutions they so painfully built up to protect the individual should be swept away.

Increases of juvenile crime in most countries, particularly in America, where the process of debauchery has been taken furthest, are a striking and frightening indication of what is happening.

And now we are told that we will have greater democracy if we reduce the voting age to eighteen years!

Electors should strenuously protest against this proposal in Australia.

It is this writer's opinion that, so far from reducing the voting age, it should be increased to at least 25. The average boy or girl of 21 years of age is not even interested in political matters. They generally start to take an interest when they assume responsibilities in the community, such as marriage.

THE BRETTON WOODS PLAN

The weight of opposition to the Bretton Woods international monetary scheme has obviously had a very decided effect at Canberra.

Even Mr. Menzies states in correspondence that he refuses to commit himself one way or the other. BUT HE SHOULD BE PRESSED BY HIS ELECTORS TO MAKE A DEFINITE STATEMENT BEFORE THE ELECTIONS.

From New Zealand comes the news that the non-Labor politicians, the Nationalists, have reached a majority decision to oppose

ratification of Bretton Woods when it comes before Parliament. This information should be useful to those Australian electors who have non-Labor "representatives" at Canberra. —E. D. B.

RESIST BUREAUCRATIC TYRANNY

Civilisation is only going to be saved by individual acts of resistance to bureaucratic tyranny. Major Douglas has suggested that every legitimate demand that can be made on the bureaucracy should be made. If YOU resist, you encourage other people to resist.

One of our Geelong (Vic.) readers has been resisting the right of the taxation bureaucracy to deprive him of more of his money than he considers he is responsible for under the "Pay As You Earn" taxation scheme. In his last letter to the Deputy Commissioner of Taxes, he states:

LETTER TO TAXATION BOSS

"Though not wishing to prolong this correspondence, I am still puzzled why I have no explanation why my assessment No..... is £5/13/3 in excess of deductions. Page 3 of a booklet issued by the Commonwealth Government, entitled 'Pay As You Earn Taxation—How It Works,' states: 'Your deductions will in future keep you up to date with your tax.' Page 7 of the same booklet mentions 'NEW STYLE: July 1944, and after—Get a job . . . start deductions right away. Lose a job . . . owe nothing! Well, I am at present unemployed. How have I come to be owing anything? I will admit this—that the reason I am unemployed is voluntary; excessive taxation has removed the incentive to produce. Thousands of others are also slackening production because of heavy taxation."

A SINISTER ENEMY WITHIN

"It is not so long since I was in the army helping fight the enemy, but not aware that a more sinister enemy was stealthily entrenching himself behind our backs. It is unfortunate that we taxpayers are nothing more than symbols and numbers to your Department. If it were realised that we are human beings who have to live despite the intolerable taxation, perhaps a personal explanation would be forthcoming. As it is we have very little opportunity of redress of what we consider to be injustices. Please endeavour to explain in the simplest possible manner, the reasons for my alleged underpayment . . . if it really exists. -----In bewilderment, Yours sincerely"

A similar letter was sent to Mr. Dedman.

You say that such letters are only pinpricks? But if there are enough pinpricks, results are obtained. Do not lose one opportunity of resisting tyranny. Every opportunity you neglect means one further step towards serfdom.

ANTI-REFERENDUM FUNDS REQUIRED

We have received the following from Mr. W. J. Carruthers, honorary secretary of the Victorian Social Credit Action Group, 32 Kendall-street, Ringwood, Victoria:—

"My Group confidently expected that the recent first half-yearly report of our Campaign Director, Mr. Eric Butler, would have inspired all genuine social crediters to forward without delay their subscriptions to our fighting funds. But while the gallant few continue to bear the brunt of the financial struggle, others still 'leave it to George.'"

"There must be no relaxation in our efforts; they must be intensified. The coming Referendum can and must be defeated. But it must also be used to force widespread public exposure of our anti-British enemies, an exposure that can play a vital part ultimately in saving our civilisation. Money is urgently required in order that this exposure may be as complete as possible. To those social crediters who have not yet subscribed to our funds, we again appeal to lend a helping hand in waging the good fight. Do it NOW. Soon it may be too late."

AN HISTORICAL HIGHLIGHT Background of American Civil War

"When a slaver arrived at Boston, your pious Puritan clergyman offered public prayer of thanks that 'A gracious and overruling Providence had been pleased to bring to this land of freedom another cargo of benighted heathen to enjoy the blessings of a gospel dispensation . . .'" The first Abolitionist paper was published in Tennessee by Embree. Benjamin Lundy, his successor, could not find a single Abolitionist in Boston. In 1828 over half the people in Tennessee favoured Abolition. At this time there were one hundred and forty Abolition Societies in America—one hundred and three in the South and not one in Massachusetts. It was not until 1836 that Massachusetts led in Abolition—not until all her own slaves had been sold to us [Southerners] at a profit, and the slave trade had been destroyed" [by Great Britain].

—"The Clansman," by Thomas Dixon.

Notes on the News

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ship, a plot which this paper has been exposing for many years.

SOVIET SECRETS: Ex-Comrade Kravchenko's book, "I Chose Freedom," in addition to dealing with certain unsavoury characteristics of Stalin, describes the book, "Mission To Moscow," as "a strange half literate book, more absurd than evil, a hash of ignorance and double talk, and in large part silly." In contrast with the general view of Russian relationship with the Allies, Kravchenko points out that "until Germany turned on her, Russia was faithfully abiding by the terms of the non-aggression and trade pacts, and U.S.S.R. had for nearly two years been depriving itself of sorely needed food, fuels, metals, oils and munitions to help him [Hitler] subdue Europe." This corroborates earlier evidence of Russia's opportunism, and it should help to assess just how little faith can be placed in those in control of Russian affairs. It will be readily seen that Russia could have prevented the carnage if she had so desired.

CRIME AND CRIME: While child slayers and other criminals continue to evade our police force, detectives have succeeded in arresting four men who were evading excise regulations in order to make almost unobtainable supplies available to the public. These men are said to have stolen cigarette papers from the Government; later they were fined £97. Our crime sleuths have been busily engaged in seizing these papers from shops who bought them in good faith and were making them available to their customers at lower prices because excise had been evaded. All this because of excise, which is a hidden form of taxation. It now transpires that in addition to being prevented from making your own beer or tobacco, it is illegal to make your own cigarette papers beyond a certain limit. Apart from these attacks on our liberty, it is criminal to waste the police force on such tasks, when they are so urgently needed to combat the present dangerous crime wave.

SOCIALIST SPEED: A London report informs us that the Socialist Government has speeded up legislation by having as many as five or six Bills passing through standing committees, more or less at the same time; which goes to show how little regard is paid to careful consideration of the legislation. It is quite clear that in these circumstances M.P.'s would know little or nothing of these Bills. Here in Australia we have much the same thing; in fact, men who voted for Bills on Party lines have admitted that they did not understand the Bills they voted on.

PUBLIC PROPERTY: The British Government has taken over the estate of Sir Watkin Williams-Wynn in lieu of death duties; this is the first instance of action being taken under the scheme introduced by Mr. Dalton (but readers of the "Protocols" will remember it was prescribed therein). However, the estate is not to be given to the proletariat—oh dear, no! A few Government bureaucrats are taking it over. —O.B.H.

THE PREFABRICATED CRISIS

Under this heading, the following appeared in "The Social Creditor," England, June 8:

The shadow-boxing which takes place in the House of (very) Commons on each occasion on which the next, please, industry comes up for "nationalisation" ought to convince anyone who requires convincing that the only question at stake is the terms on which the Big Shots will move over from the Board Room to the Ministry. The shareholders, the "owners" of the properties involved, can so easily be dealt with by inflation and taxation that they present practically no problem, as Professor Laski indicated when he brushed away the question of compensation for the coal mines. It must be remembered that there is nothing whatever in the policy and actions of this "Socialist" Government which is not contained in the pronouncements of P.E.P. and the New Deal, two related organisations which were accepted as the policy makers from 1931 onwards, with decisive Conservative majority in the House of Commons. The whole process is what it was described in the United States as—"not a New Deal, but a Jew Steal." There is little or nothing experimental about what is being done—all the component parts of the racket have been tested separately in the railway swindles of nineteenth century Wall Street dollar-crested South American "revolutions," the Russian and German inflations, by means of which the middle classes were exterminated, and the labour regulations introduced "in war, or under threat of war." There is, however, the jostling in the bottleneck, which is the fatal flaw in centralisation. Whether that will explode the bottle, as well as the neck, seems to be the only practical question of the next year or so.

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