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## When Will the Liberals Face Up To the Socialist Menace?

### Clear Statement of Policy Wanted

**Although we find the theme rather wearisome, a recent press advertisement signed by Mr. R. G. Menzies compels us to draw attention once again to the fact that the Liberal Party has not as yet advanced any arguments which suggest that it is prepared to face up to the real totalitarian threat confronting the people of this and other English-speaking countries.**

The advertisement, which we mention, states that the issue in 1949 is "Socialism or Freedom". Now, unfortunately, the term Socialism is coming to mean all things to all men. There are some members of the Labour Party who contend that their conception of Socialism is not regimentation of the individual by the State. Mr. Casey, Federal President of the Liberal Party, has, like Mr. Menzies himself, made it very clear that he favours a degree of Socialism. Mr. Menzies once termed himself a "practical Socialist".

#### **Basic Feature of Socialism**

The basic feature of Socialism, as it is generally understood, is the centralisation of power—political, economic and financial. Every genuine anti-Socialist must therefore stand uncompromisingly for the decentralisation of power back to the individual. Where is the evidence that Mr. Menzies will work to this end? We have grave fears that the term "Socialism" is being used more as a political swearword than the description of a great evil, which must be rooted out, lock, stock and barrel. While many Liberals attack Socialism because they feel that this will get votes, they are very careful not to attack all Socialist policies.

Mr. Menzies also says in the advertisement under discussion: "The coming Federal election will not be just a matter of deciding which political party will give us the most in handouts." The politically sophisticated will smile cynically at this statement, recalling that the same Mr. Menzies is in other advertisements promising "hand-outs" in the form of child endowment for the first child. Under present financial policies, this is purely and simply a promise to out-Socialise the Socialists!

#### **Still Waiting**

We are still waiting for some clear-cut statement on the official attitude of the Liberal Party towards Uniform Taxation, "Free" Medicine, the National Health Scheme, the bureaucratic menace, and

many other important issues which are all related to the Socialist question. We suspect politicians and aspiring politicians who attack Socialism in the abstract without outlining practical concrete proposals for reversing Socialist policies.

On economic matters Mr. Menzies' every statement is a gift to the Labour-Socialists. Again we quote from the above advertisement, in which electors are told that the Federal Election will not "be a question of voting for the party which guarantees full employment, for a world shortage of goods guarantees employment for every Australian who wants to work." Is not Mr. Menzies aware that the fear of "over-production" and "unemployment" is uppermost in the minds of a great number of Australians of all sections?

#### **Recession in U. S.**

The Labour-Socialists and Communists are at present going to considerable trouble to point out that an increasing number of Americans under free enterprise cannot find employment because of the recession in the U.S.A. Apparently the world shortage of goods which Mr. Menzies talks about is not helping the American economy. It is now reported that there are nearly 5,000,000 unemployed in the U.S.A., that the number is growing daily, and that it is now being openly admitted that the Americans are experiencing the worst economic slump since 1938.

What have Mr. Menzies and his supporters to say to all this? Have they any constructive proposals to "put forward in the realms of finance which would enable people to be always in the position of possessing sufficient purchasing power to buy all their own production at a profitable price? Do they or do they not agree that the sole purpose of production is consumption, and that the individual should be in the position where from a system of free enterprise he can provide himself with greater production with less man-hours worked that, in effect, the individual should be able to obtain greater genuine

freedom, a freedom that gives him greater opportunities for increasing self-employment and the development of initiative and personality?

#### **Must Face the Issue**

If Mr. Menzies and his supporters do not subscribe to the above objectives, they must, of course, be driven further and further along the same road that the

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### OUR POLICY

1. The preservation of Australia's sovereignty as a part of the British Empire, and the exposure of all internal and external groups which attack that sovereignty.
2. The preservation and extension of genuine local government.
3. The preservation and strengthening of all Constitutional safeguards for the purpose of protecting fundamental individual rights.
4. The encouragement of all activities designed to bring Governments under more effective control by the electors.
5. The preservation and extension of genuine free, competitive enterprise and private ownership, and opposition to all Monopoly, whether it be "private" or State.
6. The support of a financial policy which will (a) permit free enterprise to make available to all individuals an increasing standard of living and greater leisure for cultural pursuits; (b) result in no further increase in the community's indebtedness and the sound business practice of gradually reducing existing debt.
7. Recognising that the basis of any sound economy is agriculture, the encouragement of agricultural policies which win ensure the preservation and building up of soil fertility by organic farming and gardening; and the prevention of soil erosion and the protection of forests and watersheds.

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.

## TO THE POINT

### University Lecturer Advocates Totalitarianism

Writing in the "Daily News" (West Australia) of June 1, 1949, Mr. H. W. Arndt, Senior Economics Lecturer at the Sydney University, and a product of the London School of Economics, says "It is spending that drives up prices." This is one of those gems, which only a professor of economics could produce. According to this intellectual—an intellectual is one who has been educated beyond his intelligence—the only way to reduce prices is for individuals to save their money. Having given this advice, Mr. Arndt proceeds to anticipate the question of how individuals who at present can barely make ends meet with present high prices, can be expected to save: "But most of us aren't in that unfortunate position although we sometimes like to think so."

What brilliance! People who think they cannot afford to save are suffering from imagination. Mr. Arndt also says that "voluntary" saving won't by itself be sufficient to meet the position; that the Government must maintain "adequate taxation." It is an alarming state of affairs when such totalitarian views are advocated by a man responsible for the instruction of large numbers of University students.

### Creating the "Masses"

"The craftsman lives to do the work he loves; the factory hand lives by doing the work he despises."—Dorothy Sayers, in *The Other Six Deadly Sins*.

One of the major objectives of the Monopolists everywhere is to destroy craftsmen, who are individualists, and to build up an army of "masses" who are tied to an exaggerated mass-production factory system which makes as many people as possible submit to centralised control of employment.

### Melb. "Herald" and Communists

Many thoughtful people are asking whether Sir Keith Murdoch is really concerned about the Communists, or whether the publication of material like Cecil Sharpley's is primarily concerned with "bithness." *Woman's Day*, the Murdoch answer to the *Women's Weekly*, has as its Sydney representative a Mr. John Quinn. Mr. Quinn apparently mixes his efforts on Sir Keith's behalf with a little reporting for the Communist Sydney

## When Will Liberals Face Up to Socialism?

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Socialists and other centralisers are following. The basic Socialist doctrine cannot be defeated until the electors compel their Governments to start decentralising all power—particularly Credit Power. Every Liberal Party and Country Party candidate at the coming Federal Elections must be made to face up to this issue publicly on every possible occasion.

*Tribune*. Mr. Quinn is not the only pro-Communist employed by the Murdoch press.

### Churchill's Prophecies

How hollow the prophecies of the "great" leaders of the war years now appear in retrospect. Speaking in the House of Commons on August 2, 1941, Mr. Winston Churchill said:

"The Russian armies now stand before the gates of Warsaw. They bring the liberation of Poland in their hands. They offer freedom, sovereignty and independence to the Poles. . . ."

Four years later, after returning from the disastrous Yalta Conference, Mr. Churchill said on February 27, 1945, "Marshal Stalin and the Soviet leaders wish to live in honourable friendship and equality with the Western democracies. I feel also that their word is their bond. I know of no government which stands to its obligations, even in its own respite, more solidly than the Russian Soviet Government . . ."

Like his fellow "great leader," President Roosevelt, Churchill obviously allowed himself to be used by the powerful Zionist groups who made the principal gains as a result of the war. Mr. Churchill was so obsessed with his desire to destroy Hitler that he neglected to observe the policies of the groups that brought Hitler to power.

### Socialism in Practice

One of the basic ideas underlying Socialist theories is that when the individual works for the "common good" instead of for himself, he works harder and is more contented with his work. It is also claimed by Socialists that when industry is nationalised—i.e. all the people become shareholders in industry—everyone shares in the profits, which under private enterprise go to the "exploiting capitalists".

The growing industrial unrest in Great Britain, typical of which is the recent strike wave, provides further evidence of the fact that Socialism in practice does not work out as is suggested by the theorists. While it is true that a great many of those advocating Socialism are sincere idealists, they are the unconscious tools of unscrupulous power-lusters who are well aware that Socialism in practice means the Monopoly State and enormous power for themselves.

### Depression Politics

It was a pleasant surprise to see the following letter featured on the financial page of the Melbourne *Herald* of June 9:

"Sir, —Mr. Chifley seems to have forgotten all about his "golden age" and is now constantly reminding us that we must expect some sort of a "recession," yet his main argument why Australia should join Bretton Woods was that we would have no more depressions.

"Obviously, Australia's contribution of more than £125 million to this international body was all in vain.

"Dr. Coombs, now Governor of the Commonwealth Bank, also predicts a depression, and to 'prevent' such an event has issued a directive to the trading banks to curtail overdrafts. Depressions are caused by the restriction of bank credit

and can only be prevented by the reverse policy, that is, increasing banking accommodation and a more liberal lending policy.

"In 1921, when all other countries were forced into recessions by the private banks' policy of credit restriction, Sir Denison Miller avoided one in Australia by making overdrafts available through the Commonwealth Bank.

"Now we have the ironical position where the "people's own bank," while mouthing protection from depressions, is adopting the same old policy that will force us into one.

"H. GERRAND, Box Hill."

### Socialist Foundations

Columnist Douglas Wilkie, writing in the Melbourne *Sun* of June 10, makes the following interesting observation: "The legislative foundations of English Socialism were laid, paradoxically, by non-Labour Governments. Attlee has taken up where English Liberals and Conservatives left off, and has sought to consolidate Labour in political office by constantly winning over Labour extremists to the side of moderation.

"It is not so many years ago that Cripps himself was expelled from the Labour Party as an incorrigible left-winger, until he saw the error of his ways (or, as Cripps would prefer to put it, until the Party came around to his way of thinking). Leo Strachey, one of Attlee's senior Ministers, used to be a hero of the Communists. One of Attlee's ablest followers, D. N. Pritt, is an unrepentant Marxist."

Non-Labour Governments in Australia also laid the basis for the increasing Socialism—i.e. Monopoly—being imposed by the Labour-Socialists. And, unless drastically curbed, Mr. Menzies and Mr. Casey will be only too pleased to carry on the good work. They claim that they can run centralisation more "efficiently" than their "opponents".

### Mr. Judah Waten Again

The Melbourne University journal, *Farrago*, of June 8, contains a report of an address given to University students by Mr. Judah Waten, Secretary of the Jewish Council for Combating Fascism and Anti-Semitism. Mr. Waten said "Under the smoke-screen of anti-Communism this country is advancing towards Fascism." But Fascism and Communism are merely two labels describing totalitarianism.

Mr. Waten also said: "They (Fascist-minded people) have accused political Zionists and Communists of having joined forces against the British Empire. But everyone knows that the present Israeli Government is as anti-Communist as the present Labour Government in Australia."

Mr. Waten's organisation is, of course, one, which always faithfully pursues the Communist "line". Mr. Waten held a Communist Party ticket for many years. His statement that the Israeli Government is as anti-Communist as the Australian Labour Government merely serves to confirm the opinion of all those people who contend that the Israeli Government is furthering Communist policies. Or would it be more correct to say that the Communists are the tools of the Zionists, who, having used the Communists to suit their own requirements, are now preparing for a major double-cross?

## LANG ON CHIFLEY MIGRATION POLICY

*Mr. Lang, in the extracts published below from the "Century," of June 3, makes some very pertinent comments on the Federal Government's migration policy. We for our part are gravely concerned, particularly in regard to the large influx of Jews. When one considers the pernicious influence that these people have had on the culture and politics of the U.S.A. and Russia, we are courting disaster by allowing these undesirables into our country. To those of us who place any value on our British heritage, this is a matter of extreme importance. Already it is a well-established fact that a large proportion of Communist funds come from this quarter. Our Universities are permeated with them, spreading their virus of collectivism. Finally, the disasters that have overtaken our Empire and Western Europe principally stem from their influence exerted through secret societies, international finance and news and Communism.*

AUSTRALIA'S CAPACITY TO ABSORB. FIRST, the question of absorptive capacity. The Government set its own yardstick, when it announced its migration policy on August 2nd, 1945. It set the maximum ceiling at 70,000 a year. It based that figure on the basis that no nation could absorb more than 2 percent, of its own aggregate population in any one year. After allowing for the excess of births over deaths, that made provision for an additional 70,000 by migration. That was to be the maximum. The Government went to great pains to prove that no more could be absorbed.

Even then, the Government did not take into consideration the problem of reverting to a peacetime economy.

The Government also gave an undertaking that even the total would be regulated by the state of housing.

Then, on January 7th of this year the Minister gave a new target for 1949, of 110,000. No explanation was given as to why the ceiling limit was to be raised. This new figure was to be only the first rung on an escalator. Three months later the Prime Minister announced an increase to 140,000 for 1949—double the Government's own maximum!

Now we are told that the figure for the 18 months concluding June 30th, 1950, is to be 250,000.

On the Government's own policy declaration, those numbers cannot be absorbed! The Government has abandoned the safety limits that it sets itself.

### HOUSING SITUATION

SECONDLY, we have the problem of housing many millions in the next few years, in addition to providing housing for those who already have no homes, and those Australians who will want homes in the same period.

Last year, 27,972 building permits were issued for Government and private home building, in Australia. That did not mean that all those homes were completed. The Government itself says that 55,000 new homes a year is our maximum output. A reliable estimate is that we already need 400,000 new homes, owing to the war lag.

We certainly will need more than 100,000 new homes a year, if we are to accommodate those now entering. What is going to happen about the lag?

The Minister talks glibly about increasing brick production. But the problem does not end there. How many skilled tradesmen are we bringing in? It is not enough to have unskilled labour. For homes, we need more steel, more processed fittings, more electrical fittings. We need more plumbers, more electricians, more painters, and more skilled carpenters.

The Government talks about putting the newcomers into wool stores. How long does it think they will stay there? Where are we going to put the wool?

**Already the papers are full of advertisements from migrants wanting to buy homes at any price, and of D.P.'s seeking homes where wives and husbands can live together, instead of apart, as under the present Government scheme.**

Our home problem must become worse as the flood-tide increases. Australians can very quickly become the real displaced persons. The Government is already taking scarce building materials out of the pool to remodel such places as Broughton House. It is using up materials for which other homebuilders have been waiting for months.

The Government airily dismisses these facts by saying that it will be able to step up production with all the new labour. How is it going to do that in Sydney or Melbourne? Both cities are slowing down production because of electricity shortages already. If there is not sufficient electricity to go around now, what is going to happen when all these extra migrants arrive? If we cannot build enough home to house the people we already have, how

are we going to house the new flood of migrants? Bunnerong and Yallourn will decide how much we can produce, not the number available for employment.

### PROBLEM OF RACIAL COMPOSITION

THIRDLY, we have the problem of racial composition. Are we going to upset the predominantly British origin of this nation? According to the Census figures taken June 30, 1947, of our population of 7,579,358, we had:

6,880,467 born in Australasia.

541,467 born in Gt. Britain and Ireland.

110,139 born in other European countries.

24,096 born in Asia, and

11,630 born in America.

So, 97.7 percent of the population of this country was born either in Australasia, or in Great Britain and Ireland. We were a predominantly British country.

Now, the Government proposes to dilute the population so far as its British stock is concerned.

On November 28, 1947, the Government signed an agreement with the International Refugee Organisation to bring in a maximum of 12000 displaced persons a year. That was to be the safety ceiling. Within a few months, the number was increased to 20,000 a year. Now, if we accept the Prime Minister's latest figures, we are to obtain up to 150,000 displaced persons in the next 16 months. In addition, we are to bring in Dutch, Belgian, French, and Scandinavian nations, as well as the 40,000 Italians. We are also told that we may have to absorb some of the surplus of 7 million women in Germany.

Whatever merit there may have been in the original agreement, on compassionate grounds, there is no justification for the present mad scramble for D.P.'s. The original quota was to be 17 percent of the total in-take. Now, it exceeds 50 percent!

British migration still lags behind. Ships are said to be the difficulty. But British migrants are not guaranteed accommoda-

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## NEW TIMES ANNUAL DINNER

JULY 14th, at 6 p.m.

VICTORIA PALACE, MELBOURNE

### SPECIAL NOTE

**Arrangements must be made well in advance. In order not to be disappointed, post your applications before JUNE 30!**

**Don't miss this Rally of Social Crediters from all over the State.**

**ERIC D. BUTLER will give an important address—**

**"Action on the Social Credit Front"**

**Other well known personalities will speak during the evening.**

**An excellent musical programme has been arranged.**

**Address applications to**

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## MOND-TURNERISM IN THE U.S.A.?

*The Melbourne "Argus" of June 16 contained the following report: "The appointment of an 'industrial czar' to assist in the permanent stabilisation of the coal industry is being discussed. The proposal has been approved by Mr. John L. Lewis, president of the United Mine-workers' Union, and a vast segment of the northern coal industry, although some opposition has been expressed to it.*

*"It is probable that the 'czar' will be Mr. Harry Moses, president of the H. C. Frick Coke Co. Ltd., a subsidiary of the United Steel Corporation Ltd. The 'czar' would be the permanent collective bargaining spokesman for the coal industry, and would have vast powers to co-ordinate and allocate production, subject to anti-trust laws.*

*"Opponents of the plan say it would result in the creation of an industrial monopoly to match the labour monopoly of the soft coal industry. It would also permit domination of the coal industry by a handful of large northern operators and particularly by the United Steel Corporation."*

*The above will sound ominously familiar to those who have studied the famous Mond-Turner Agreement in Great Britain, which was a major step forward in the creation of the complete Monopoly State. The term Mond-Turnerism has come to mean the technique whereby the controllers of highly centralised Trade Unions—a labour monopoly— enter into agreements with industrial monopolists. Mond, of course, represented such monopolistic groups as the Imperial Chemical Industries, while Turner "represented" the Trade Unions.*

*The creation of industrial monopolies, largely the result of centralised credit policies, automatically results in bigger and more highly centralised Trade Unions. The controllers of centralised credit policies are surely aware of where their policies are leading. Mond-Turnerism, under which the labour monopolists share power with the industrial monopolists and in exchange control labour and 'ensure that there is as little trouble as possible, leads straight to the Jewish objective of the Monopoly State in which every individual—except those wielding the centralised power—is subordinated to an over-riding policy over which he can have no control.*

*It is perhaps rather significant that a Mr. Moses is to be the important figure in the proposed Mond-Turnerism in the U.S.A.!*

## FEDERAL BUREAUCRACY - SKY THE LIMIT

Permanent, Temporary and Exempt employees under control of Commonwealth Public Service Board: —

June 1939	June 1947	June 1948	Dec. 1948	Jan. 1949	Feb. 1949	Mar. 1949
47,043	101,981	120,991	171,100	171,800	172,300	174,200

**Comment:** The increase in Federal Government employees since June 1948, approximates the total net gain by migration.

## SORRY TO TROUBLE YOU

A doctor sends us the following letter that he received from a patient: —

Dear Mr. X —

Many thanks for sending permit to buy vacuum flask. I should be grateful if you will kindly send me permits as below:

- (1) Surgical shoes.
- (2) Bi-focus glasses (my reading-glasses were stolen from Rest Room).
- (3) Artificial teeth.

When not too busy, perhaps you would call in, if further explanation is necessary? So sorry to trouble you. With many thanks in anticipation,

Yours sincerely,

A.B.C.

P.S.—Since leaving off cow's milk, the indigestion is very much reduced. Nestlé's condensed milk suits fine. But the allocation is insufficient. My grocer says, "Ask your Dr. for a permit, and the Food Office will supply."

I should like 6 tins per month. So please:

- (4) Permit for Nestlé's Cond. Milk.

—*British Medical Journal*, April 21, 1948.

## FATHER CHRISTMAS

Sir, —I received the enclosed letter today from a patient who has recently come on to my N.H.S. list. He has never consulted me professionally. It is such a beautiful example of the new status of the G.P. in his patient's eyes that I feel its publication might cause some rueful amusement.

"Will you please let me have a note for the chemist to obtain the following: —

2 bottles Compound Syrup of Cocillana —for my cold.

75 'Benerva' vitamin B 3 mg. (Roche product) for lumbago.

100 'Veganin,' 100 'Aspirin,' 100 'Anodin'—for Mrs. A. and emergency.

I enclose stamped addressed envelope. Thank you." —I am, etc.,

PAUL C. CONRAN.

Seaview, I.O.W.

—*British Medical Journal*, Jan. 22, 1949.

## NEW ARRIVALS

SYNDICATE of new arrivals requires 11 homes, preferably Western Subs. or Strathfield district. All homes will be paid for in cash. Prepared to go to £4,000. Principals only. Advertiser, Box 2308, G.P.O., Sydney.

The above advertisement is taken from the *Sydney Morning Herald* and is typical of many such ads. now appearing in the Sydney dailies.

We perhaps have a suspicious mind, but we are prepared to bet our socks we could pick in one the racial origin of these new arrivals. What is your guess? How many Australians could put up £4,000 in CASH?

## H. N. SMITH

WATCHMAKER AND JEWELLER.

Inspection of Stock Invited. All Work Guaranteed. 1st Floor, McEwan House, 343 Little Collins street, Melbourne. Phone MU2115.

## INHIBITIVE COMPULSION

*We publish below portion of an editorial taken from the Melbourne "Argus" of June 6. The basis of the editorial is one of a series of articles being published each Saturday by the "Argus," written by Mr. E. D. Butler. This is not the first time Mr. Butler has been quoted approvingly in the editorial of this influential paper. Mr. Butler and his fellow stalwarts in the League of Rights are to be congratulated on the splendid work they are doing.*

An article on free enterprise, by Mr. Eric D. Butler, published on this page on Saturday, enunciated one of the major principles of society. "There are only two ways of obtaining human activity," said the writer, "in any sphere: inducement or compulsion," adding very rightly that mental satisfaction is sometimes the only inducement, and thus keeping clear of the Marxian dogma that economics explain everything.

Our Socialists in Canberra, like their kind all over the world, have become both victims and executioners in this respect—a fate inherent in their own ideology. Once reduce the stimulus of inducement—which they brand as "the profit motive"—and compulsion becomes increasingly necessary. Hence the rapid growth of bureaucracy under Labour rule: control taking the place of enterprise.

And the irony of it is that the army of bureaucrats created by Labour socialisation is surely actuated by the profit motive which it is supposed to counter: the Federal Government spends an enormous amount of taxpayers' money in paying civil service salaries.

### INEFFICIENT

The most serious economic defect in this

ideology is, as Mr. Butler pointed out, that it makes for inefficiency: "There are no shareholders' meetings to worry about, the question of making a profit is of little importance and the consumers have little effective control." In other words, once enterprise passes into the monopolistic hands of the State it ceases to be enterprise, because it lacks the healthy spirit of competition.

Monopoly deadens everything. It would do so even in private enterprise. We can be quite sure that Shakespeare's work was all the better because he had an eye on the box-office and on his competitors; yet that did not prevent him from contributing something of immense value to the common good; something that all the Socialist planning in the world could not produce, though Socialists talk so much about the common good.

### TYRANNICAL

Socialism has another glaring defect, and one that is even more serious. Compulsion has no boundaries. Economic compulsion leads inevitably to political compulsion, as we have seen in every country where the Monstrous State has come into existence.

## Lang on Migration

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tion by the Government, like the D.P.'s. Many have been disillusioned by the housing shortage.

Any sound migration policy, integrated to the defence of this country, must provide for at least 80 percent to be British-born. The present racial composition should be preserved. That is most essential for defence reasons.

### IMMIGRANT TYPES

FOURTHLY, we have the problem of whether or not we are getting the right types. The Prime Minister says that unless we get in at the early doors, we will miss out. That assumes we are getting the right types now.

**Most of those who have arrived have been put into unskilled trades. Less than 300 have gone to primary industries. Nearly half are working as labourers on roads, rail and sewerage works, and have had no other training. Many were engaged on similar work for the Nazis.**

An American Congressional Commission investigated these D.P. camps on the spot. The report was certainly not flattering. Under the Revercomb Act, the American Congress set a limit of 205,000 D.P.'s to be admitted to the United States in two years. That is the law. The American Congress refused to sanction a bigger quota, because the D.P. Commission was not satisfied with the types even then available, and the Americans had first choice.

This Government is apparently prepared to accept more than the United States. If

that country, is chary about its ability to absorb more than 200,000 D.P.'s into its 140 millions, how can we expect to absorb the same number into a population of less than eight millions?

The Prime Minister warns us against getting the dregs. That is certainly no testimonial for the scheme. We do not want the scrapings from the bottom of the barrel.

### ASSIMILATION INTO COMMUNITY

FINALLY, we have the problem of assimilation into the Australian community, and the system of indentured labour. The placing of large numbers into camps is bad. They are not being assimilated. They will tend to establish foreign communities, and introduce their own standards, instead of adopting those of Australia.

**The system of indentured labour is even worse. It is slavery. It is the same system as that under which convict labour was assigned in the early days. We are back to that. We thought we were rid of it when we stopped the Kanaka trade. The indentured D.P. contracts himself into such slavery for a period of two years. He has to work where directed. If he breaks his contract he is deported. He can be held in goal indefinitely, awaiting deportation.**

That gives employers a hold over such labour that is repugnant to decent trades unionism. The D.P. is only a free man while he satisfies his boss, and the Minister. If he complains, he is deported.

According to the March issue of the Immigration Department's journal for migrants, some signed up for "at least one year." Now, the Minister has directed that the contract is to be for two years. That is how the old-time slave dealers

## Churchill

"When at Casablanca in 1943, Churchill joined with Roosevelt in demanding unconditional surrender, he made certain that the balance of power, the necessary condition for the survival of the British Empire, would be destroyed. Strategic bombing and a war of unlimited hatred, interlocked as perfectly as the parts of a picture puzzle." But wasn't Churchill's hand forced by public demand for strategic bombing, and on unconditional surrender by Roosevelt? "If," says Nickerson, "Churchill did indeed see the extreme unwisdom of compelling Germany to fight to the bitter end, he certainly gave no public indication of having done so. Both unconditional surrender and strategic bombing are in full accord with the vehemence of his frequently expressed hatred for Hitlerism. If he could have kept up British morale without initiating or consenting to policies destined to go far towards ruining his country, then most of the blame is due to what, under contemporary conditions, is oddly called democracy. At any rate, after a war throughout most of which he controlled British policies, Britain is bankrupt, and the liquidation of the Empire is far advanced. In other words, the statesmanship of this magnificent inspirer of fighting men has disastrously back-fired."

—Major Hoffman Nickerson, in an article in *Army Ordnance*, January-February, quoted in *Not Merely Gossip*, May 4, 1949.

## Mark of the Beast

Swiss tourists visiting the United States are warned by the newspaper *Die Tat* not to carry an umbrella, for fear of "being taken for an Englishman, which is not always advantageous."

### Least-Favoured Nation

Tourist, if you wish to travel  
Freely in the U.S.A.,  
Giving no one cause to cavil  
Whatsoever you do or say,  
If a programme really jolly,  
Lots of fun and games you plan, Do  
remember that a brolly  
Damns you as an Englishman.  
Gladly will your hand be shaken,  
Merrily the corks will pop,  
Even if you are mistaken  
For a Dago or a Wop.  
Ladies to your glances skittish  
Will respond with winking lid—  
But beware of looking British!  
Every Yank prefers a Yid.  
They'll excuse it in Manhattan,  
Through the city if you tramp  
Naked with a bowler hat on;  
But they won't excuse a gamp. Better  
far to be a nigger,  
Black as ink, with head of wool,

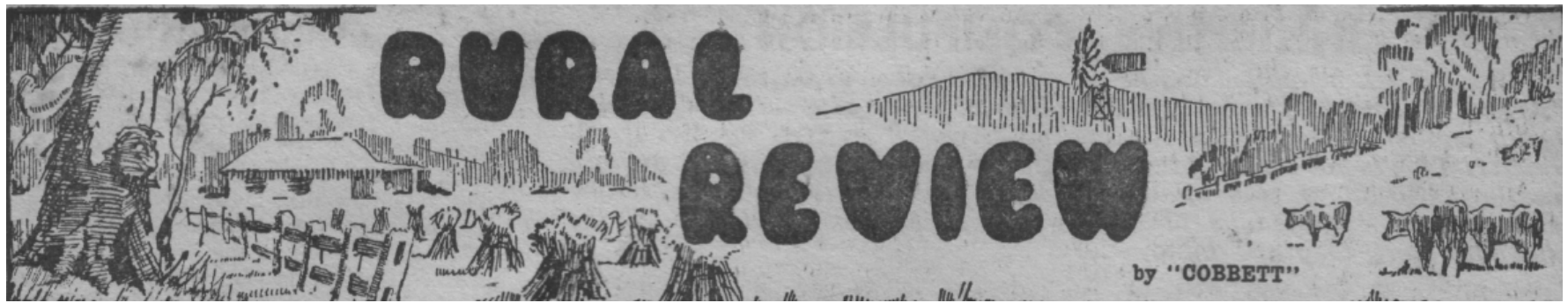
worked on the Barbary Coast. But it is very doubtful if the contract is a valid one.

Every migrant admitted to this country should be a free man or woman. If migration is properly regulated, there will be no need for indentures.

Than invite a scornful snigger

With the emblem of John Bull.

—*Truth*, Eng., March 4.



## Planning the Earth

By GEOFFREY DOBBS

*Soil erosion is fast becoming a matter of major political importance. While it is good that increasing numbers of individuals are becoming interested, we are afraid that this interest is going to be perverted through "resource planning" and other centralised maneuvers to further enslave us to the State. In order that this question and allied ones may be put in their true political perspective, we republish the essay under the above title, which originally appeared in serial form in "The Social Crediter," during September, 1944.*

With one eye on Planning in general and the other on the Snowy River project, which, according to reports, is to be controlled by a national body similar to the Tennessee Valley Authority in the U.S.A., we re-publish the essay under the above title which originally appeared, in serial form, in *The Social Crediter*, England, during September, 1944: —

*Now that the Tennessee Valley Authority has been held up in Parliament (by Mr. Ellis Smith, on May 11, 1944) as an example to be followed in this country, it may be as well for us to look at the main outlines of this project.*

### P.E.P. INFLUENCE

As with so large a proportion of the matters with which Parliament is concerning itself during war time, this was first brought to light here, well before the war, by Political and Economic Planning (P.E.P.), which published an issue of its broadsheet *Planning* (No. 76) devoted to the Tennessee Valley Authority as long ago as June 2, 1936. The account is useful, for it claims to have been "carefully checked with the aid of those interested on both sides of the Atlantic." Clearly those interested on this side are associated with P.E.P., and on the other side with President Roosevelt, on whose proposal the authority was created.

"It is hoped," says the broadsheet, "that the experience gained will not be lost in Whitehall, nor in Delhi and other capitals within and outside the Empire." Since the matter goes down to the terms of our existence on the surface of this planet, it is important that the fundamentals, rather than the local details, should be correctly appreciated.

Briefly, the conditions in the Tennessee Valley area in 1933 are depicted as follows: the region is four-fifths the size of England, with ample rainfall, with every variety of country, soil and mineral wealth, sparsely populated (the Valley itself holds only 2,000,000 people). The soil is eroding rapidly, washing down into the rivers, which in turn suffer seasonal floods and droughts, and the whole area is poverty-stricken and depressed, losing its young men to the towns, and becoming a burden on the more prosperous parts of the country. Since this was the picture also pre-

sented by other areas all over the world, and since it is incontestable that the physical destruction of the soil was brought about by mismanagement, including over-felling of timber, over-grazing of grasslands, and over-cropping of arable, without adequate return, there are but two general assumptions as to its cause, upon which anyone setting out to improve matters, can proceed.

### A REASONABLE BELIEF

The first rests upon the reasonable belief that large numbers of people living on the land all over the world would not simultaneously behave in this suicidal way unless they had been subjected to some very powerful interfering force tending to induce them so to act. Any attempt at rectification would therefore have to start with the identifying of this force, which at the time in question was not very far to seek, and with counteracting it. Agricultural communities all over the world were complaining of debt and of the operation of a money system, which made the progressive growth of debt to the issuers inevitable. The first appearance of a Social Credit Government in North America a few months before the issue of *Planning* (No. 76), can scarcely have escaped the notice of "those interested on both sides of the Atlantic," although the questions thus raised in clamant form, and then undergoing urgent discussion everywhere, are not noticed in their broadsheet, which nevertheless claims to be a "fairly balanced statement" and finds room on its front page for the following sentences: —

**Operating in a part of the United States which has been made a byword for backwardness through the notorious "monkey trial" at Dayton, Tennessee, and the mere recent repeated trials of the Scottsboro Negroes, the Authority has evidently had an uphill job, and its achievements are all the more remarkable when viewed against this setting. They show what a group of men with trained minds and a social outlook can do when given adequate resources and freed from some of the more onerous of current restrictions on development in the interests of the community.**

### A NOBLE ELITE

This picture of a noble *elite* struggling with the inherent depravity of human

nature which has not yet been cured by "progress" clearly indicates that the Tennessee Valley Authority and its sponsors are working upon the second assumption, namely that the trouble is due to the free operation of "private enterprise," and hence that it must be the nature of human beings in general, unless curbed by the socially minded *elite*, to destroy the soil and their own livelihood with it. This assumption has only to be stated to be disproved. On Christian grounds it is heretical and leads logically to Satanism. Biologically, it is ridiculous, and makes the survival of the human race inexplicable. Historically, it is inaccurate, and ignores the fact that the man-made deserts of the world have all been created by the great empires in which the mass of mankind has been centrally controlled by an oligarchy. Politically, it is the essential basic assumption of totalitarianism.

### "A BYWORD"

Just what the farmers of Tennessee, or indeed the rest of us, could do with adequate resources and freedom from restrictions is not enquired into. To allow them such opportunities would clearly be unthinkable. The greed, selfishness, and obstinate stupidity of all who live upon the land, as compared with the enlightened unselfishness of the better paid administrative grades is, of course, axiomatic, and "has been made a byword" by someone or other. I have not, however, seen it suggested that it is the gluttony of sparse rural populations, which has denuded the earth. Nor does their presumed greed for money adequately explain their poverty, or the fact that their primary wants "are satisfied quite frequently without money at all."

**"Grainger County, which is purely rural . . . may be cited as an example of the rest. In 1932 the State and Federal Governments sent tax money into the County 91,000 dollars in excess of the revenue collected there. . . . To the U.S.A. administration such counties are a debt . . ."**

The cure for this shocking state of financial parasitism was to create the Tennessee Valley Authority, and provide it, up to July 1, 1936, with "110,000,000 dollars. The Plan, we understand, was a success. Readers will be staggered to hear that there was more money about in Tennessee, which proves, of course, the necessity for Planning. Furthermore, even in June 1935, the Authority employed over 16,000 persons, and, believe it or not, unemployment was actually lower. We do not, however, hear about anyone being a debit to the administration.

Clearly then, as for war, so for other forms of Planning. When the money is

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needed it is forthcoming. Since the Authority is cited by our own Planners as an example to be followed, it is important for us to note how they started in Tennessee. It is significant that they began with the control of water.

## WATER

Water, being a liquid, is an easily centralised essential of life; and yet one of the first conditions on which we live upon this earth is that it should be to a large extent decentralised. Rain is decentralised water, charged with oxygen. To the extent that it is retained in the soil where it falls, plant and animal and human life becomes possible. Where plant growth is established the rain enters the soil gently, the soil, being broken up by roots into a crumbly texture, and containing a good deal of absorbent organic matter, retains both air and water, and any surplus of water supplies the underground reservoirs where porous rock is present and oozes out steadily in springs, which maintain a relatively even flow all the year round, as do the rivers into which they flow.

With the destruction of plant growth by the clear-felling of forests, over-grazing, over-cropping, or the destruction of soil organisms by the use of chemical fertilisers, or other forms of mismanagement imposed upon the modern farmer by centralised forces, the conditions for life cease. The rain runs off the surface, carrying the soil particles with it. The underground water level sinks. The flow of springs becomes irregular. Floods and droughts characterise the river system. Soil, which has taken centuries to grow, is swept away in a few years, silting up the river beds (thus causing floods) and eventually finding its way into the sea. Deprived of its binding organic matter, the soil on the plains crumbles into dust and is blown away on the winds.

## VAST SANCTIONS

Thus we have to realise that floods, such as those on the Mississippi and the Yellow River, droughts, dust storms, dust bowls and deserts, such as those of North China, Libya and Arabia, are largely man-made, albeit hitherto probably for the most part unconsciously so, and not "acts of God" as commonly supposed. The unconscious stage, however, is now over. Without centralised control over human beings such massive interference with nature on a large scale is impossible, but the vast sanction involved in the control of these natural forces, particularly water, has not escaped the notice of our Planners.

It has been noted that the rain falls upon the just and the unjust, but such an arrangement is not regarded as fair by our Planners, who would prefer that the rain should be gathered into one place, and then "delegated" under strict control through sluices to the people in strict proportion to the "justice" of their claim, as determined by an impartial committee. In case this should be thought far-fetched, the following quotation from *The Rape of*

*the Earth, a World Survey of Soil Erosion* by G. V. Jacks and R. O. Whyte, p. 289, will illustrate my point:—

**"The Russian plan is magnificent in conception, . . . It consists in bringing the principal rivers and water resources of the Soviet Union into one interlocking system under complete human control . . . Flood and drought will be disciplinary measures which Man, and not Nature, will exercise on those who do not toe the line."**

According to Elliot Smith's *Human History*, the first centralised State arose on the banks of the Nile on a basis of water control. It is symbolised for us by the vast slave-built pyramid tombs of its rulers. An attempt, it seems, is being made to return to that system under the ironical name of "progress." It is not enough to believe that our Planners, and the American Planners, have not yet reached this stage; since they are obviously travelling the same path as the Russians, and we shall be fools indeed if we allow them to gain control of the first necessity of life.

[Ed. note: Our readers may have noted that since the publication of the foregoing in 1944, Centralisation of English Water Supplies has been proceeding.]

(To be continued)

## INTERESTING FACTS

Did you know that wheat germ oil was good for shingles? The following story is told by an English writer:—

"At a certain village forge, a child would come in, saying that its mother had got shingles and could they have some cure. Smithy would then put on his anvil a handful of wheat and pass a red hot iron over it till the oil oozed out, when he would collect it on a feather and give it to the child, saying, 'Run home and put this on.' This never failed."

### Seaweed for Potatoes

A field has been continuously sown to potatoes for the past twenty years on a farm near the seashore at Co. Kerry, Ireland. The yield has averaged 15 tons to the acre. Every year seaweed is spread on the field a month before planting and dug in with farm manure and sea sand. Result, according to the writer, "the most delicious potatoes I have ever tasted."

# PHOSPHATE ROCK

At the present time the natural ground phosphate rock is not available on the Australian market. It is not even registered under the Fertiliser Act. The authorities have stated that its use was discontinued some time ago because it was too slow in its action, and its place was taken by super phosphate, which is water soluble. Further, it has been stated that if it were made available it is doubtful if the subsidy would be paid on it. Thus we see how the chemically treated product is given preference while the taxpayer foots the bill.

In view of this situation, primary producers all over the country must take action themselves. They should demand that a finely ground rock phosphate should be put on the market and that if the subsidy on super is to be continued, it should be paid on the untreated rock at the same rate per ton. Representation should be made by individuals and by farmers' associations to members of parliament, both State and Federal, so that the matter may be brought before the Governments.

**There is no reason why the farmer who wishes to use the natural product should not be able to, and so save the considerable expense which is involved in the treatment works and the extra handling charges caused by its transformation into super.**

It is not suggested that the manufacture of super should be banned, but that both products should be marketed in fair competition. Further, it seems appropriate to suggest now that the various bodies which are financed from public funds out of taxes such as Universities, Agricultural Departments and Colleges should cease to act as sounding boards for propaganda put out by the chemical monopoly. The emphasis placed on chemical farming, the treatment of land with inorganic mineral salts, and the advocacy of poisonous insecticides for the killing of plant pests and injections and vaccines for dealing with disease in livestock, is all too apparent.

**Steps should be taken at these institutions to see that students are given every opportunity to learn something of the Living Soil and the relationship between the soil and the health of plants, livestock and man.**

—Cobbet.

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## PETROL MUDDLE

In his frantic endeavour to continue restriction of our petrol supplies, Mr. Chifley has sought the aid of his Communist colleague, Sir Stafford Cripps. Sir Stafford, who is renowned for his austerity and anti-British statements, will not cut much ice with the Australian public on the petrol issue.

Meanwhile, two oil tankers have been idly anchored in Port Phillip Bay waiting for storage space to unload. Local fishermen and residents, who were in conversation with the crews, report that the tankers, after waiting in vain for a week or more, have now left for Brisbane where unloading space may be available.

## DISPOSSESSION

Emanuel (God - be - with - us) Shinwell, Minister for War at the British Labour Conference, announced that "if farmers did not respond to Government directions they must be dispossessed and the land acquired for more useful purposes."

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## Baruch

What Mr. Baruch has worked out for America could not superficially be called an adaptation of the Council of Europe, though the results would be the same. He calls it a "think-pot," or in less colloquial terms, a "General Staff for Peace." We are familiar with the details of his proposal. We need not comment further except to say that, whilst he professes to accept the "law of supply and demand," Mr. Baruch holds that America cannot wait for those natural adjustments to operate. In consequence, he advocates Government control, with all the priorities and controls of Practical Socialism. It is interesting to note that all the old arguments, which heralded nationalisation in this country, are now being turned upon the Americans. They, too, are being wooed on "free" medical service, and "free" social security. And to give point to the argument the planner's big stick, the threat of war, is constantly held over them. The old story, the old game— even in America there's one born every minute.

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## HOW MANY JEWS?

Although, in the years 1946-7-8, approximately 116,000 migrants have reached this country, it is interesting to note that officially not one Jew has arrived. As the average city man knows thousands of Jews have settled here in the last few years, it is apparent they do not want to be listed as such. It would also be interesting to know just how many of the "British" migrants are Jews.

Mr. Calwell has admitted, "No group record is kept of representations made by bodies such as the Jewish Welfare Society or the International Migrant Service."

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