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EDITORIAL.

COMMUNISM AND THE EUROPEAN COMMON MARKET

Although many arguments are at present being worked overtime in an attempt to persuade the peoples of the British world that they should support Britain's proposed entry into the European Common Market, the one which is probably having the most effect is that unity in Europe is essential to meet the Communist challenge. In support of this argument, it is claimed that Mr. Khrushchev can keep the non-Communist world on the defensive because he speaks as the one mouthpiece of International Communism. Acceptance of this argument is in fact acceptance of the false Communist claim that the Communist world is genuinely united, and that strength comes from this unity.

But the truth is that the Communist world is neither united nor is it basically strong. There is a persistent attempt to impose unity, but this has produced a friction, which has on occasions flamed into open revolt against the Communists. Hungary demonstrated beyond argument that there is no real unity throughout those countries enslaved by International Communism. And because there is no real unity, Mr. Khrushchev is not strong. The apparent strength of the Communists is but a reflection of the failure of the non-Communist world to adopt a positive programme for defeating Communism, not by emulating Communism, but by systematically exploiting the weaknesses of Communism.

The most sinister aspect of the international struggle is the failure of the non-Communist Governments, particularly the Western Governments, to use the great moral, psychological, and material advantages they possess to collapse the Communist structure without even risking a major military clash. Rather than use these advantages, policies are vigorously promoted which progressively whittle these advantages away. The only logical explanation of this situation is that powerful and deeply entrenched forces in the non-Communist world either desire a Communist, victory, or are exploiting Communism to advance a similar programme for creating a centralised World State. Those superior people who reject this view are left then with only one other logical explanation of the situation, and that is that the non-Communist world has made one mistake after another merely because of bad luck and ignorance. We believe that this village idiot theory of history is carefully fostered. It helps ensure that no examination is made of reality as distinct from carefully coined slogans.

It is sufficient for the Communists to make a few apparently critical remarks concerning the European Common Market, and many people immediately think that this represents the Communists' real view of the proposals. The same type of people listen uncritically to what Communists say about the evils of monopolies and come to the conclusion that at least the Communists do support the "small man". But a little examination of Communist doctrines reveals that while the Communists attack

monopolies for tactical reasons, they really believe that the growth of these monopolies is inevitable, and a good thing because it leads toward ultimate State control. Let us now examine the real attitude of the Communists towards the Common Market, as revealed in *Tribune*, the Sydney Communist journal.

Writing in the issue of August 23, Mr. Andy Wallace, a Communist who deals primarily with agricultural matters, states, "the European Economic Community Commission has taken steps to establish a more efficient agriculture by eliminating the small farms where costs of production are high. It has set itself the task of driving eight million peasants of the land in six countries." It will be noted that this Communist writer accepts the view that small farms are inefficient. He then goes on to consider the question of how the Communists are going to work with the small farmers threatened with extinction. Engels is quoted, and the conclusion is reached that "Certainly we will unite with the farmers in their struggles, but it must be in the knowledge that it is Communist belief that large-scale farming is the form of the future and that small scale farming is being brought to an end in all Socialist countries." It is clear from this that the Communists regard with the greatest satisfaction the prospect of the European Economic Community Commission bringing to an end, not only small-scale farming, but also all smallscale industrial activities. And there is no doubt that this is exactly what the planners are going to attempt in Europe. They are going to use their vast powers to advance the very programme of economic centralism, which the Communists teach is so essential for the achievement of their objectives.

What the *Tribune* writer terms "the inexorable march of large scale capitalist production" is in fact the outcome of the application of the type of financial policies advocated by Karl Marx in his ten points for Communising a State. Centralised credit control, high taxation, destruction of all types of inheritance, were all suggested, not as ends in themselves, but as means to an end, progressively creating conditions which could be used to justify still further the centralisation of all power.

THE PURPOSE OF THE ECONOMIC SYSTEM AND INFLATION

We are regularly inspired by the refreshing sanity to be found in that splendid little journal "Housewives Today", which supports the policy of the British Housewives' League. In order that our readers may share some of the light shed by this journal in a very dark world, we republish the following comments by H. R. Purchase in the July issue:

Like all tools, the economic system is capable of use and of misuse. What one group of individuals will justly look upon as the correct use, another group may regard as misuse. What follows is written from the point of view common to the vast majority of the British public, being Christian and democratic (in the correct, not the modern perverted sense).

Roughly the economic system has two branches, industrial and financial. The objective of industry, which includes applied sciences, etc., is to satisfy, as far as is physically possible, the demands of the people for such goods and services as they require, at such a price as to be fair and just to the producers and within reach of customers' incomes.

It is *not* the duty of industry to provide "full employment," "exports" that are never paid for in kind, and similar heavily propagandised wastage of energy and material.

From the point of view of the public, industry should be encouraged to produce what the public wants; but according to men who know, only about 1/10th of production is of any use to the public. Everyone is well aware of the colossal waste of effort on, say, satellites, war material, etc.

Industry in this country, especially in the days when private enterprise was less hampered than it is today, and there were few monopolies, was very successful in producing the right goods. In the early 1930's there was such a glut that large numbers of producers had to be rendered idle. That would not have mattered and would in fact have been a boon to these men if at the same time, they had been paid an income adequate to buy the huge accumulation of goods. But that error was not the fault of industry, it was one aspect of finance.

From what has gone before, it should be seen that the individuals comprising the public should have the final word, the control of what should or should not be produced by industry. We all know that in fact the final word rests with whoever controls finance.

The objective of the financial system should be twofold. On the one hand it should finance the *requirements* of industry, on the other it should ensure that consumers have a sufficiency of purchasing power. You all know quite well that at present finance does neither. Most of you should have seen long ago that in fact the financial system is so arranged as to be the master of industry and of the public, instead of their servant.

It is *not* the purpose of finance to "balance the budget," "increase the gold reserves", "maintain balance of pay-

ments", or to indulge in any other such shibboleths, devised to draw attention from its legitimate function.

President Roosevelt once said: "Things don't just happen, they are arranged that way." That applies also to the economic system, and the reason why it functions in a way we must regard as inefficient and hostile arises from a difference in philosophy underlying it, a difference in outlook, intention and religion. The two great protagonists today are the vast majority of people with their Christian outlook, people who desire freedom of action and to whom the individual is paramount; and facing them, but almost hidden from view, a small number of men, all in key positions, intent on clamping slavery on the mass of the people. Thanks to the blindness, apathy, and moral cowardice of the majority this powerful minority is now not far from producing hell on earth

The financial disease we call inflation is constantly in people's mind, because it is so obviously a swindle, a picking of our pockets. Old-fashioned economists, who, after all, are the advisers of both Government and Opposition, unblushingly call it "a managed currency". Widespread unemployment, coupled with inadequate empayment would cause a national upheaval To avoid this, wasteful production is indulged in, which, by constantly piling more and more costs on industry, and the consumer, inevitably leads to inflation. No doubt the intention is to play this game until the country becomes a Communist state, when nobody will be allowed to think, let alone say, that inflation is a swindle.

Inflation, since its introduction as a policy, has progressed so steadily and so surely that many people would regard it as a great relief if prices could be kept steady. This is rather a policy of despair.

Let us consider the problem of price by looking at a homely example, the wheelbarrow. Imagine a labourer who had a job of shifting earth at a given wage. Moving one ton of earth would cost so much. Now that labourer was inventive and handy. In his spare time he invented, planned and made a wheelbarrow. When finished he was able to shift one ton of earth in one-third the time he formerly took and others still spent. Even allowing him to charge something for his time, skill, inventiveness and materials, the wheelbarrow might last ten years, so that the depreciation charge he could add per hour would be very small. In practice the cost of moving one ton of earth would be a little over one-third what it used to be.

Now this is a simple example but it brings out the principle involved. That principle applies each time a manufacturing process is improved, or more up to date machinery is installed, or new methods applied, or discoveries made, etc. Science is all the time improving methods of production and industrialists thinking out means of reducing costs.

Prices should not be "stable" but should be dropping all the time. Inflation therefore not only filches part of the value of our money, it also takes away the unearned increment arising from improved production.

— H. R. Purchase.

BRITISH SUBJECTS CAN UNITE AGAINST COMMON ENEMY

Subjects of Her Majesty, Queen Elizabeth II, can unite in common defence of their heritage against the threat of the European Common Market. One of our readers has demonstrated what can be done. Following the Melbourne meeting on the Common Market addressed by Mr. D. J. Killen, M.H.R., he wrote to a friend in England (not a Social Crediter) about the issue. The following extract from the reply received speaks for itself and indicates a line of action, which many other "New Times" readers might attempt to foster:

I was greatly impressed by the contents of your note on the Common Market, which reads like a real "cri-decoeur". Your writing to me like this emphasises to me an Australian point of view of which we have been aware for some time and especially since the recent visit of Duncan Sandys to Australia. Your note seems to call for some action on my part but there is little that the private individual can do. However. I am showing it to my friends and I propose to send a copy of it to my Member of Parliament with a suitable covering letter.

I am confident that the thinking section of the population over here is not taking this important matter lightly, but ordinary folk are baffled by the technical complexities, to understand which requires a good knowledge of economics and great political acumen. I can assure you that the view that you express commands a great deal of support, especially among Labour supporters and, as you must have read, even the Conservative Party is seriously divided on this issue.

I have a wholehearted respect for the Christian idealism which prompts you to suggest that "the old Commonwealth can show the world the way to live in voluntary Christian co-operation", but feel that the issue is likely to be determined by other and less worthy considerations. One must hope that our Government is honest in its expressed intention to bear Commonwealth interests in mind when conducting the negotiations and those of us who try to be Christians must pray for a solution which will do justice to the interests of our brothers and sisters in the Commonwealth countries and at the same time relieve the economic threat to the Mother Country, whose continued strength is essential if the Commonwealth is to survive.

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PROFESSOR HALLSTEIN-

A "Cold, Grey . . . Technobureaucrat"

Peter Gladwin, in *London Today*, published in *The Sunday Times* (Perth) of August 27, provides the following comment on Professor Walter Hallstein, President of the Common Market Commission, and the man who will play an important part in the negotiations concerning Britain's proposal to join the European Common Market:

"If there were no other justification for Mr. Menzies' fears that Britain's involvement in Europe will distort the Commonwealth's political structure, Hallstein would be enough.

"If there were no other justification for Right-wing British Tory fears that involvement in Europe will diminish British sovereignty, Hallstein would be enough....

"Hallstein has won the reputation of being, of all the 'Europeans', the least enthusiastic about British membership of the Six, precisely because he suspects that Britain may resist some of the political implications of membership....

"Hallstein, now 60, is a bachelor. He is a cold, grey man who would not look out of place in a monk's robes.... As President of the Common Market Commission, Hallstein is easily the most important of the new European technobureaucrats."

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Europe, and the whole non-Communist world, certainly requires unity. But true unity, unity of purpose, and of common ideals, can never be obtained by the crushing of freedom and of independence. The British Commonwealth has demonstrated an example of true unity, a unity based upon the very opposite of the Communist type of unity proposed for Europe; it has been based upon decentralisation of power, and on expansion of freedom and individuality. This example of real unity will be dealt a terrible blow if Britain surrenders to those who seek to force her into the totalitarianism planned for the whole of Europe. And International Communism will achieve another major victory.

W.A. TOUR CONCLUDES

When Mr. Eric Butler returns to Melbourne from Perth by air next Monday morning, September 11, he will have completed yet another strenuous interstate tour. We will be publishing a fuller report in our next issue, but we can briefly record now that during his three weeks in West Australia Mr. Butler covered enormous distances and gave 20 addresses. Results have been most encouraging for the W.A. Council of the Australian League of Rights. The growing status of the League may be judged by the fact that Mr. Butler's first function in Perth when he arrived from Melbourne, was to meet a group of leading Perth businessmen at a special luncheon given by the Deputy Lord Mayor.

Communist Propaganda In Church Schools: Several months back there was some public comment concerning the fact that the Soviet Embassy was forwarding printed material on Soviet Russia to Australian schools. After a Soviet Embassy spokesman claimed that the material was only forwarded on request, nothing more was heard about the matter. But since then we have ascertained that beautifully produced Soviet propaganda literature, most of it full of false claims, has found its way into many Australian schools and is being used in social studies. In case it is charged that we are generalising without being specific, we mention the Caulfield (Melbourne) Church of England Grammar School as one, which has Soviet literature. We know that several of the senior boys have been impressed by this Communist propaganda. One of the parents of a senior boy at the School has taken the matter up direct with the Anglican Archbishop of Melbourne, Dr. F. Woods.

THERE IS STILL TIME TO MAKE THAT DINNER BOOKING

There is still time to make a booking for the Annual Dinner. But, although a few late bookings can be taken up until the morning of the Dinner, we must stress the fact again that those intending to be present can lighten the burden of the organisers by making their bookings immediately.

While we are pleased that a much larger number of supporters are making their bookings for the Annual Dinner earlier this year, we again stress the fact that those intending to be present can lighten the burden of the organisers by making their bookings as soon as practicable. The donation towards the Annual Dinner will be the same as last year, 35/- per head. The Dinner this year will be held at the Federal Hotel (not the Victoria as in previous years) on Friday, September 22. Guests may arrive from 6 p.m. onwards. When booking, supporters should state whether they desire to sit with particular friends. As far as possible, seating at the tables is arranged to meet all requests. Those attending should also state whether or not they desire a fish dinner.

PLEASE NOTE CHANGE OF DINNER VENUE

Because the Annual Dinner has been held at The Victoria for many years, once again we request that all readers attending this year's Dinner, to be held on Friday, September 22, carefully note that this year's function will be held at the Federal Hotel, Collins Street. Guests may arrive from 6 p.m. onwards.

NEW OFFICES A DEMONSTRATION OF FAITH

The business of New Times Ltd. and its associated enterprises, the Heritage Bookshop and Dietary Health Products, will from now on be conducted at Presgrave Buildings, 3rd Floor, 273 Little Collins St., Melbourne.

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It has been felt that the growing expansion of the various activities associated with *The New Times* demanded much bigger and more central premises. A feature of the new premises will be a much better display of books by the Heritage Bookshop, which is planning to expand its activities. Details concerning these plans will be published later. Dietary Health Products is also planning to expand its activities.

The establishment of our new offices is one more act of faith, because the expansion is initially going to place an added strain on our finances. Will all supporters who have not yet joined the self-assessment scheme, please join with us and demonstrate that our faith is not unfounded.