THE NEW TIMES

Registered at the G.P.O. Melbourne for transmission by post as a newspaper.

\$4.00 per annum post-free.

Box 1226L. G.P.O. Melbourne.

"Ye shall know the truth and the truth shall make you free"

Vol. 35, No. 8

THE ENEMY WITHIN THE WESTERN WORLD

CRIPPLING EFFECTS OF INFLATION

By Eric D. Butler

The following survey was written by Mr. Eric Butler at the conclusion of his 1969 international tour, which ended in South Africa last month. This survey makes it clear that the Western world is being undermined by the crippling effects of inflation at a time when it is being threatened by an increasingly aggressive International Communism.

The U.S.A. has been able to develop a technology, which enabled two men to be put on the moon. The motives of this exercise, and those which will follow, may be questioned and debated, but there can be no disputing the incredible technological developments which have taken place in the U.S.A.—and to a lesser extent other industrialized nations in recent years. However, President Nixon's claim that the moon project has produced greater unity amongst the peoples of the world is one of those superficial political statements, which bear no relationship to reality. Not since the American Civil War has there been greater disunity in the U.S.A. President Nixon faces an increasingly explosive situation in which financial policy is a major factor. Inflation has been continuing at a high level in the U.S.A. and President Nixon is under heavy pressure to do something about it. While I was in the U.S.A. the Federal Bank was starting to apply pressure to the banking system to curtail the rate of credit expansion in an endeavour to slow down inflation. But now it is being stressed that even a greater curb must be imposed on credit creation and expansion. If this is done under present financial rules, the U.S.A. is threatened with the highest level of unemployment since the end of the Second World War. And mounting unemployment is first going to affect the Negro, particularly the younger Negro, now concentrated in the big American "concrete jungles". The revolutionaries will be delighted with this development, as they will be provided with violent recruits for their campaign to destroy America from within.

The situation in the U.S.A. is so critical that mature observers of the world revolution are seriously asking whether the time is now approaching when the U.S.A. is to be plunged into chaos through financial policy. While the American situation calls for more than a reversal of present financial policies of mounting debt, increasing taxation and rising inflation, nothing really effective can be done in the absence of a change of financial policy. The degree of the American sickness can be seen in the disastrous defeat in Vietnam. President Nixon has made it clear ever since he was elected that

he felt he had no alternative to a retreat from Vietnam. The U.S.A. and its allies like Australia and New Zealand have not been defeated by North Vietnam; they have been defeated by the forces of world revolution, financial policy being one of the major instruments used by these forces.

Fabian Trudeau's Betrayal

Inflation in Canada has been running at approximately the same high rate as American inflation. Fabian Socialist Prime Minister Pierre Elliott Trudeau offers no real solution. But he does offer the classical Fabian "solution" of greater centralization and "rationalization". Faced by resentful Canadian wheat growers, who have been throwing some of their surplus wheat at him, Prime Minister Trudeau obviously feels that there is one thing he must do, and that is obtain diplomatic relations with Red China at all costs. As in Australia, much of the increased wheat production in Canada has been the result of farmers substantially increasing their production under the financial whip of rising financial costs caused by inflationary financial policies. Under inflation the farmer is like the donkey chasing the carrot. By running one mile some years ago, the donkey could obtain one carrot. Inflation has now forced the donkey to run two miles to obtain the same one carrot. If inflation continues, then within a few years the donkey will be forced to try to run four miles and still only obtain one carrot. The total result is greater production and greater pressures to send the surpluses abroad to the Communist nations. This is inevitable so long as there is no challenge to present financial policies.

One of the major "secret weapons" of the Red Chinese is that they offer a vast potential market to non-Communist nations like Canada. Fabian Socialist Trudeau and his fellow Fabian, Foreign Minister Mitchell Sharp, have been providing a sickening, and frightening example, of the depths to which Western political leaders are prepared to sink in dealing with the Red Chinese. Sharp humiliated Canada to the point where he recently went cap in hand to Stockholm in an endeavour to meet Red Chinese diplomats. Sharp plaintively said "I would be happy to see any Chinese representatives that wanted

to see me." The Red Chinese completely ignored him. The Trudeau administration has become so desperate in its determination to recognize Red China that it has now made it clear that it will break diplomatic relations with Formosa if this is the price demanded by Peking. Canadian recognition of Red China and rejection of the Chinese Nationalists would almost certainly have farreaching international repercussions, stimulating a greater demand for recognition of Red China in the United Nations. A Red Chinese embassy in Ottawa would provide a thinly disguised facade behind which the usual Communist espionage structure could be erected. This would enable the Red Chinese to operate across the border into the U.S.A.

For some years the "defeated" nations of the Second World War, Germany and Japan, have been held up as examples of "economic miracles". The "miracles" are coming to an end. Both West Germany and Japan are suffering from mounting inflation. Both are now striving to find outlets for a mounting volume of production pouring from the new industrial machines they have built upon the ruins of the war. And both are giving Red China special attention.

Destroying Western Europe

As I predicted at the start of the European Economic Community (the "Common Market") the programme for centralization in Western Europe could only aggravate basic financial and economic problems, not solve them. Events have confirmed this prediction. And so the call goes out for even greater centralization. The rural areas, the traditional backbone of Western European nations, are to be revolutionized by deliberately removing five million farmers over the next 10 years. This is described as a "humane" approach to this economic war on the smaller farmer and his way of life. It can only be described in this way when we compare it with the Stalin method of imposing collectivized farming in the Soviet Union. Stalin preferred the much more direct approach of the bayonet and the machine-gun. In the non-Communist world continuing inflation is the more "humane" weapon preferred to drive both farmers and manufacturers into bigger units.

Fabian Socialist Harold Wilson and his international financier friends like Sir Siegmund Warburg formerly of Germany, press on relentlessly with their campaign to destroy British power and sovereignty forever. As I also predicted, the Wilson programme for controlling inflation—rigid fixing of prices and wages—has been completely disastrous, as no doubt it was intended to be. In spite of the fact that the United Kingdom has one of the finest industrial plants in the world, with a technology second to none, and could easily lift production enormously if necessary under a realistic financial policy. Prime Minister Wilson says that Britain "cannot afford" to stay "East of Suez". The British withdrawal from "East of Suez" has been one of the most disastrous retreats by the West in the face of Communist global expansion. The shape of things to come is clear as the Soviet

ANNUAL DINNER WILL PROVIDE LINK WITH SOCIAL CREDIT FOUNDER

"The New Times" came into existence in 1935 as the direct result of the ideas of the late C. H. Douglas, founder of Social Credit, and the genius who provided mankind with the possibility of defeating the threatened collapse of yet another civilization. The number of those who knew Douglas personally, and worked with him, is now very small. This is why the presence of Dr. Geoffrey and Mrs. Dobbs at the 1969 Annual Dinner of "The New Times" to be held at The Victoria, Melbourne, on Friday, September 19, at 6.15 p.m., will be historic. Dr. Dobbs, a senior lecturer at the University College of North Wales, Bangor, is taking his sabbatical leave in Australia. A genuine intellectual, Dr. Dobbs has made many valuable contributions to Social Credit thought, in a number of fields. Older "New Times" readers will recall his classic, "On Planning the Earth". His wife, formerly Elizabeth Edwards, who was at one time secretary to the Social Credit Secretariat, has authored children's books. Dr. Dobbs is known internationally for his opposition to the fluoridation of public water supplies, and is regarded by the fluoridators in the United Kingdom as probably their number one enemy.

Dr. Dobbs will be speaking at the Annual Dinner, providing guests with some of his recollections of Douglas and his ideas. It is also hoped that Mrs. Dobbs will also say a few words. This is probably the last time that anyone who knew Douglas personally and worked with him will be a guest at the Annual Dinner. The 1969 Dinner will, therefore, be uniquely historical, and those who miss it unnecessarily will be allowing history to pass them by. Because of the heavy pressure on seating at recent Annual Dinners, it is strongly recommended that all those attending send their donations immediately. The donation is \$4.50 per person, and must be paid in advance. Guests should state whether they have any friends with whom they wish to be seated, and whether they desire a fish dinner.

All bookings to Box 1226L, G.P.O., Melbourne, 3001, or phone 639749. Fill in form provided.

strategists thrust their growing naval forces into the Indian Ocean and across the only life-line linking Western Europe with the vital oil supplies from the Persian Gulf. The Soviet's massive spending to establish naval bases in Somaliland, and the pressure on India, moving increasingly closer to the Soviet, to provide naval bases in the Bay of Bengal, are all part of an ominous pattern. Mr. Wilson explains these Soviet moves as quite natural. The Soviet is afraid of Red China! I found it necessary in South Africa to explain to South Africans that the official reluctance by the Gorton Government to face

the realities of Soviet activities in the Indian Ocean did not mean that all Australians were so blind that they could not see the far-reaching significance of what was happening.

C. H. Douglas observed that the Socialists were the chosen instruments of International Finance. Events have proved this time and time again. There is no more striking evidence of this truth at the present time than the plight of Britain, now placed under the strict supervision of the International Monetary Fund by Fabian Socialist Harold Wilson. Month by month Mr. Wilson is obliged to demonstrate to the International Monetary Fund that he is imposing the necessary financial restrictions on the British people in exchange for the last loan granted. Karl Marx said that the British would never make their own revolution, and that foreigners would have to make it for them. Intensification of financial pressures in the United Kingdom today could be the cause of producing the same type of racial conflict destroying the United States from within. Lenin said that one of the major strategic objectives of his revolutionary movement was the elimination of the British Empire. That objective has been almost completely achieved, primarily, although not exclusively, through financial policy. Douglas said that the British Empire could prove to be the first empire in history to be destroyed by unrealistic bookkeeping.

South Africa On Inflation Course

Rapidly expanding its economy under the same financial rules operating throughout the Western world, it is only logical that the South Africans should be experiencing the same financial results, the main one being inflation, as other countries. While I was in South Africa I was interested to read that the Bureau for Economic Research of Stellenbosch University (described by the Afrikans as a "conservative" university) stated that if "South Africa is to achieve its full economic growth potential", a higher level of inflation than the Government-budgeted two percent annual rise is necessary. The Bureau predicted a 3.5 percent rise for this year and about three percent for 1970 and 1971. The South African Government is using the same type of central banking controls being used in other countries in an endeavour to keep inflation under "control". Financial orthodoxy is the Achilles heel of what has been aptly described as "the Gibralter of the South". Much of South Africa's "outward policy", particularly towards African countries to the north, is based upon the concept of making the South African economy work by seeking a constant "favourable balance of trade". The "outward policy" resulted last year in a dramatic increase of South African exports to Zambia, the principal forward base from which Communist-backed terrorists are operating against both Rhodesia and South Africa. Last year South Africa substantially increased its exports to Zambia, the total figure being 76,000,000 rands (a rand is valued at a little more than one Australian dollar) while imports from Zambia fell to only 11,000,000 rands. International

"THE CONTROL AND CREATION OF MONEY"

There is no more important subject at this moment than financial policy. The root causes of the policies destroying the independence of farmers and businessmen can only be understood against the background of understanding supplied in this booklet. Write for your copy now!

Prices: 1 for 25c, 5 for \$1.00, more than 5 copies an additional 20c each.

Order from

THE INSTITUTE OF ECONOMIC DEMOCRACY

P.O. Box 3,

Paddington, Queensland, 4064.

trade is realistically what children call "swapping". A boy who swapped 76 marbles for only 11 marbles would know he had made an extremely bad bargain, with a loss of 64 marbles. But when children have been given a suitable indoctrination course at a university, they believe that a loss is a gain! The South Africans are, under the whip of financial orthodoxy, joining in the race to build up the "underdeveloped" countries. The British did this for approximately a century. The South Africans might well consider the state of the British before they get too carried away with the concept of becoming "the industrial power house of Africa".

No Solution Says Australian Treasurer

Back in Australia I note that Federal Treasurer W. McMahon, a figure addict if ever there was one, is still insisting that he has no solution for inflation—except to "control" it. He reminds me of the farmer who found that his highly priced tractor was not performing satisfactorily because the governor was permitting the tractor motor to race. His only method of attempting to keep the motor down somewhere near its proper working speed was to desperately drive the tractor to do an increasing amount of unnecessary work. An "expert" called in said that he had no solution to the problem of the governor. The farmer reacted by "firing" him and getting in an expert who adjusted the governor so that the tractor operated smoothly. Mr. McMahon is like the "expert" who said he could not adjust a tractor governor. He openly admits that he is incompetent. He should be asked to provide a solution to a financial governor producing disastrous results in the economic tractor, or be "fired".

Mr. McMahon's only approach to the inflation problem—in reality it is the approach of the permanent economic "advisers" for whom Mr. McMahon is little more than the public relations front man—is to slow down inflation by credit restrictions. This was adopted at the time of the Menzies Government when the late Mr. Harold Holt was the public relations man for the "advisers". The restraints on the economic governor were so severe that serious unemployment resulted. The electorate revolted at the 1961 Federal elections by nearly throwing the Menzies Government out of office. It barely survived with a majority of one. The Labor leader, Mr. Calwell, had proposed turning the inflationary credit policy on again by a deficit budget of £100,000,000, in order to get rid of unemployment. Mr. Menzies, as he was then, used his best oratory to attack such an "irresponsible", "irrational" and "wildly inflationary" proposal during the election campaign. But after barely surviving he lost little time in bringing down his own deficit budget of £118,000,000! Charged by one of his own Cabinet colleagues of taking over Labor's policy, Mr. Menzies retorted that if this was good enough for 50 percent of the electorate, that was good enough for him! Such is the reality of politics.

Financial Stability—Or Disaster?

Determined to win this year's Federal elections, Prime Minister John Gorton is making it clear that he is prepared to accept even greater doses of the inflation drug. No dangerous restrictive policies for him. These can come later after the electors have been safely placated by bigger bribes from their own credit. The lesson is clear. No internal stability is possible under present financial policies of stopping and going. And increasing instability inside the non-Communist nations made genuine resistance to Communist pressures impossible. Lenin has been credited with the prediction that inflation was the Communists major secret weapon for destroying the "capitalist" nations. Irrespective of whether Lenin said this or not, the truth is beyond dispute. The Western people must either use the necessary political pressure to deal realistically with the basic causes of growing inflation, or their days are numbered. One nation has to pioneer the way to salvation. There is no reason why it should not be one of the old British Commonwealth nations to lead the way, to apply the teaching of the great British Prime Minister William Pitt, who said that Britain should save herself by her own exertions, and the rest of the world by her example.

MARGINAL MEANDERING

The following poem appeared in the "Walcha News" (New England, N.S.W.), 5th June 1969.

The Minister for This and the Minister for That Met in their favourite club for a cosy little chat.

They talked about the country, and agreed that on the land The clamour of the cockies was getting out of hand.

Said the Minister of This, "I've never heard such fuss,
They expect a style of living that's only fit for us!"

Said the Minister of That, "With you I quite agree,
Next thing they'll want an eight-hour day and weekends by
the sea!"

Said the Minister of This, "Very soon they'll be suggesting That they copy long-haired students and go marching and protesting!"

Said the Minister of That, "They might even go on strike Or try and put the blame on us for things they do not like!"

The Minister of This then revealed that he had planned
To move more than half the cockies entirely from the land.
Their future and their welfare would become the tender care
Of the Minister of Here or the Minister of There.

The tool to work this change would be an economic squeeze Assisted by the banks with a loan and credit freeze. Their land would then be taken into much, much bigger blocks And assist to solve tax problems for the lawyers and the Docs.

If any independent ones attempted to resist,
Professors and Economists could come in to assist.
An intensive course of brainwash by learned Uni. boffins
Would leave hard-core resistors fit only for their coffins!

The Minister of That applauded loud and long,
And said that such a brilliant scheme could surely not go
wrong.

But when he thought again that night he had a nagging doubt If it really was desirable this plan should come about.

With fewer cockies on the land, and so less competition

The poor consuming city folk would be in no position
To get their food-stuffs quite so cheap, perhaps not quite so fresh,

For the doctors and the lawyers might demand their pound of flesh!

So the Minister of That thought his colleague he'd deceive, And for this unholy purpose he had one card up his sleeve, For the Minister of This did not realize what it meant When the transfer of land titles required "Minister's Consent".

So stick it out you cockies, though your overdrafts may grow, For Ministers will come and Ministers will go.

Though your titles are restricted, and your debts are out of hand, There will always be a place for the cockie on the land!

—By "POMME DE TERRE"

STUDENTS AND AFFLUENCE

Writing in the German publication, Die Neue Gesellschajt, Professor Heinz-Dietrich Ortlieb of Hamburg University who is also director of the World Economy Record Office, said: "We should not forget that the younger generation is of our own making, that is, it is the product of our economic miracle. One would have to be blind to overlook the ambivalence of young people's extremely emotional reactions. They despise affluence and yet automatically claim the right to enjoy its benefits. They have no respect for their parents' achievements because they do not know what to make of them . . . The opposition of our young, would-be revolutionaries, is not so deep-seated that they would be prepared to take upon themselves the sacrifice of self-education. They do not want to shame the older generation, but merely frighten them. The mass of students and young people are as disinterested in public affairs as they ever were. The only thing, which has changed, is an increasing interest in variety and cabaret-like events at universities and in the streets. And every year new age groups of young people will swell the numbers, and many of these people will be in less and less of a hurry to grow up." Professor Ortlieb added: "These occurrences will become permanent and will be further increased if, in the interest of university reforms and under pressure of demands for reforms, students are allowed more responsibility and rights than they can master. Anyone who cannot deal with a responsibility rationally takes refuge in emotions. This means he looks for reasons to get worked up and put the blame on someone else."

A NEW LABEL FOR THE SAME FLUORIDATION DOSE

Comments by Eric D. Butler, National Director, The Australian League of Rights, on the

"Report of the Royal Commissioner (The Hon. Malcolm Peter Crisp, a Justice of the Supreme Court of Tasmania) into the Fluoridation of Public Water Supplies" issued in Hobart in July 1968.

This report has been hailed by the supporters of fluoridation as yet another "authority" to be quoted in favour of their proposals. The great majority of Australians will not even see a copy of the Report, still less read it. They are expected to be overawed by the fact that after an exhaustive examination of all the evidence, a Justice of the Supreme Court of Tasmania was able to make authoritative pronouncements on the many aspects of the fluoridation question.

It is no reflection on Mr. Justice Crisp to say that he has no more qualifications to speak authoritatively on fluoridation than large numbers of intelligent lay people who have made it their business to read exhaustively on the subject. His judicial experience in weighing evidence must be conceded, but it is only necessary to read through the table of contents, noting such headings as "Elementary Fluorine Chemistry", "Fluoride Metabolism". "Multiple Roles of Fluoride in Caries Resistance", "Fluoride and Cell Metabolism" to name only a few selected at random, to realize that it is beyond the human capacity of any one man, even a judge, to master even in a lifetime, all the issues upon which judgment is made. Mr. Justice Crisp, was, of course, provided with enormous technical assistance even in the compilation of his Report.

WHO SHOULD JUDGE?

View of Eminent Adelaide Scientist

The fundamental question to be asked is: Why should Mr. Justice Crisp's judgment on fluoridation of water supplies be preferred to medical and other experts who are much more qualified than the Judge? To take one example, why should the opinions of the layman, Mr. Justice Crisp, be preferred to those of eminent men like **Professor Sir Stanton Hicks,** an internationally recognized expert in the field of nutrition, or Professor Sir Arthur Amies, former Dean of the Melbourne Dental College. Both these men have made a deep study of the fluoridation issue over many years, and both oppose it. Even if it is admitted that there are equally qualified men who have endorsed fluoridation, then who is to judge which experts are correct? The essence of Mr. Justice Crisp's Report is that he has taken it upon himself to pronounce that all the many experts throughout the world opposing fluoridation are wrong. Now Mr. Justice Crisp, like every other person, is entitled to his views, but in a free society is it right that his judgment should be forced upon other people who may reject it? Mr. Justice Crisp clearly supports the modern totalitarian concept of Parliament, because in his summary he states:

"Whether or not to fluoridate communal water supplies requires a decision on a major matter of public health

and the decision should be made by Parliament. It is not a matter of water supply for water purposes, and to regard it as such is to confuse the principle with the vehicle of administration. The decision required transcends the capacity of local government. It is not a suitable subject to be decided by popular referendum and in any case to entrust the decision of such a serious matter of public health to a referendum would be an abrogation of Parliamentary responsibility."

CAN WE STOP BIG BROTHER?

This is a most remarkable and disturbing statement. In the first place the state of an individual's teeth does not come within the scope of "public health". Tooth decay, like other non-communicable diseases, is a personal matter. Not unless, of course, the totalitarian virus has grown to the point where the State—Big Brother—must make itself responsible for every aspect of the individual's health. It can be agreed that a referendum is not a suitable method for deciding fluoridation, but this is the last resort left to a freedom-loving people if their elected representatives take it upon themselves to compel the individual to accept fluoridation.

There is also the disturbing statement that "the decision on fluoridation transcends the capacity of local government". If the elected representatives of the people should make a decision for the people on fluoridation, why are local Municipal Representatives less qualified to make a decision than State Members? Can it be that Mr. Justice Crisp, and those who think like him, fear that as Municipal Government is closer to the electors, and more responsive to their wishes, it is less likely to impose fluoridation of public water supplies? One may well ask why leave the matter even to State Governments. Surely it could be declared a "national health issue"? **EXPERT IGNORED?**

One of the most concise statements concerning the basic medical and scientific principles underlying the fluoridation issue was presented to the Tasmanian Royal Commission in writing (he was unable to be present in person) by Professor Sir Stanton Hicks. This is an unanswerable case against any individual being compelled to take fluorides except as prescribed by the individual's medical adviser. Sir Stanton observes how the development of medicine has evolved to where "The physician is thus held responsible for the proper treatment of his individual patient, and this applies to the administration of physiologically active substances. These substances may range from common salt or glucose, to strychnine. The adjustment of the dosage to the individual case is the direct ethical responsibility of the physician who may delegate it at his personal risk. It would be

no valid excuse in law for a physician to claim in the event of a fatal issue, that he had given the appropriate dosage instructions, but had not troubled to keep the patient under observation, because he had recommended the average dose."

A study of Mr. Justice Crisp's Report raises the question of whether he in fact was ever presented with Sir Stanton Hick's statement. Sir Stanton receives but a passing mention once in the whole report (paragraph 221) mentioning that he would administer it "as a matter of individual prescription". His basic medical and ethical objections are ignored. As the source of Sir Stanton's reference to individual prescription is given as a letter he wrote to *The Medical Journal of Australia*, November 11, 1961, and as his name is not mentioned in Appendix "B", which lists all those who submitted evidence, it is reasonable to ask, "Did one of those 'assisting' Mr. Justice Crisp take it upon himself to withhold Sir Stanton's submission?"

MASS MEDICATION

Perhaps the most revealing statement in the Report is to be found in paragraph 854. After repeating once again that fluoridation of public water supplies is a "public health measure", the Report admits that "It has, I think, unique features and though I deprecate any attempt to attribute any pejorative sense to a conventional label it does possess implications in regard to both the present and the future which entitle it to be regarded as a precedent". This is what opponents of fluoridation of public water supplies have stated. It is a unique measure. And it is a precedent for using the public water supplies for other "public health measures". Already it has been suggested that the public water supplies might be used for controlling the birth rate, and for other purposes. Where is this type of development to end?

The Report repeats the cliché first devised by the promoters of fluoridation: "Fluoridation is the adjustment of fluoride level of drinking water to a value recognized as optimal for the prevention of caries" (paragraph 940). Sir Stanton Hicks in his submission to the Tasmanian Commission observed, "Reference to the popular press discloses the fact that constipation is almost a universal disability, and the sale of laxatives correspondingly prodigious. Many water supplies contain so much magnesium as to cause intense diarrhoea in some people. What is the normal or natural or desirable percentage of magnesium that a drinking water should contain? "Presumably Big Brother could also 'adjust' the magnesium supply in the public water system to deal with constipation!"

CHLORINATION

The lack of objectiveness of the Report is clearly demonstrated by the repetition of the dishonest argument introduced by the fluoridationists, that fluoridation of public water supplies is the same as chlorinating the public water supplies. Chlorination is a genuine public health measure, designed to destroy harmful bacteria

in the water, and to make it safe for all to drink. It is not put in the water to produce a physiological action in the human being. But in paragraph 844 of the Report, fluoridation and chlorination are mentioned as being the same!

ALLERGY

The Report admits that some people are possibly allergic to fluoride when he states in paragraph 469— 'In relation to allergy and fluoride idiosyncrasy, the fundamental question is, do such individuals exist? I am by no means convinced that they do. But the categorical negative is unjustified. I think the residue of evidence in a doubtful field requires that one should accept the possibility that there could exist in the community some individuals who will react adversely to concentrations of fluoride at levels far below those which will affect normal beings." Mr. Justice Crisp, with no medical training, remarks in paragraph 522 that if so-called allergic or abnormally intolerant individuals" do exist, "the statistical significance of such individuals is so small, the consequent harm so slight, and once recognized so easily prevented, that in relation to the expected benefits of fluoride I can see no real balance being achieved."

Now the Report is not strong on statistics, because in paragraph 521, it is admitted that there is "a risk of 'mild' dental fluorosis in approximately two percent of children". Even the "authorities" upon which the fluoridationists rely have always admitted that the percentage of those who will suffer with fluoridation of public water supplies at the recommended 1 ppm will be in the vicinity of 10-15 percent. In other words, the fluoridationists have always admitted that there is a calculated risk for at least ten percent. Fluorosis is the first evidence of toxicity. But Mr. Justice Crisp dismisses this, as he does the work of expert allergists like Dr. Walbott of the U.S.A. It is clear from the report that he is merely repeating what others say about experts like Walbott.

FLUORIDE TABLETS

Dealing with the use of tablets to resolve the fluoridation issue, the Report contradicts itself. Paragraph 876 states that "I am not aware of any publicly administered tablet programme that has shown any glimmer of success in relation to the vital aspect of sustained administration over even the minimum period of the first eight years of child life", but in paragraph 880, it is stated that "It did not seem, however, that tablet programmes had been publicized or pushed with any vigour. The Department of Health Services has supported fluoridation of water and has, therefore, refused financial support to issues of tablets, and the general municipal policy has seemed to be rather a lukewarm one of making them available without any promotion."

FLUOROSIS

Another contradiction in the Report is to be found in paragraph 964 which reads, as opposed to paragraph 521 already mentioned, that "With water fluoridated at optimum levels there is a probability that up to 10 per cent of young children will be affected by dental fluorosis

EXCLUSIVE ADDRESS BY ERIC BUTLER AT ANNUAL DINNER

One of the highlights of the Annual Dinner on September 19 will be an exclusive address by Mr. Eric Butler, in which he will report on the highlights of his 1969 world tour. No supporter who can possibly attend the Dinner should miss this address. Now recognized as one of the most important political figures in the Western world, Mr. Butler will give his impressions of major developments in the countries he visited—New Zealand, the U.S.A., Canada, the United Kingdom, Rhodesia and South Africa.

Make a firm booking now. Donation for the Dinner, to be held at The Victoria, Little Collins Street, Melbourne, on Friday, September 19, at 6.15 p.m., is \$4.50 per person. This must be paid in advance. The accompanying form can be used for this purpose.

or mottling due to variable intake." The emphasized words admit what anti-fluoridationists have always stressed: the dosage cannot be controlled when it is common knowledge that children drink different quantities of water. The Report admits in paragraph 966 that "Chronic toxicity or fluorosis may result from too high levels of fluoride ingestion. Its earliest symptom is dental fluorosis or mottling in the young and the prevalence and degree of this condition can constitute an early community warning in relation to fluoridation levels." But having made this significant admission, the Report goes on to say, "There are many other causes of dental mottling and enamel defects in children's teeth and fluoridation at optimum levels may be expected to substantially reduce their effects." But, as mentioned, paragraph 964 states that fluorosis is caused by "variable water intake" which raises the question of how the problem of fluorosis caused in this way can be corrected by taking more fluoride!

Paragraph 970 admits that "In a temperate climate fluoridation of one part per million plainly constitutes no danger to normal individuals (what happens to those not normal?) under ordinary social and environmental conditions. Intake may be significantly augmented in the case of some individuals, due to abnormal dietary habits or industrial conditions." There are many individuals whose dietary habits and conditions must result in an ingestion of fluorosis far in excess of what the "experts" claim is the "safe" limit. Fluoridation of public water supplies does not provide for individuals, only for "masses".

Paragraph 982 states that "Fluoridation is not unreasonably described by its opponents as 'mass prophylaxis' or even—though possibly inaccurately—as 'mass medication'. But its proprietary should be determined on its intrinsic merits, not on semantic labels." The question of whether a proposal has any merits or not does not alter its reality. The Report admits that fluoridation is a form of medica-

tion which its authors claim will benefit the individual. It is clear, therefore, that fluoridation of the public water supplies is an attempt to apply mass medication—medication which all must have, the young and the old, the sick and the well. No wonder the Report said that the measure was "unique".

WHO PROFITS?

The excessive cost of fluoridating public water supplies is one, which the Report does not deal with at all satisfactorily. The Report falls back on the claim that fluoridation of public water supplies is more "effective". Speaking in the New South Wales Legislative Council on December 11, 1968, the Hon. C. H. Cahill said that statistics show that of all the water taken from public reservoirs, only a quarter of one percent is consumed by the public. And children are only a percentage of that public. It is estimated that the cost of fluoridation for Sydney will be \$160,000 for the first year. This means that a mere \$400 of this will be consumed by the public, and if the children are, say, 25 percent of the population, this means that only \$100 will be for the children it is alleged fluoridation will benefit. All the rest of the fluorides will go down the drains, through industrial processes, and on to gardens. Clearly fluoridation of public water supplies is good business for those supplying the fluorides!

The Tasmanian Report makes it clear that it relies heavily upon other Reports, like the New Zealand and South African Reports, and the Irish Court case. It, in turn, will be used in a similar fashion. No court case or Commission can deal adequately with the fluoridation issue, which must be left to the medical experts and scientists. In spite of favourable Commission Reports, the overall picture is one of mounting scientific opposition to fluoridation of public water supplies. The latest item to come to hand is from Canada. Under the heading FLUORIDATION MAY HARM KIDNEY PATIENTS' BONES, the following appeared in the *Toronto Daily Star* of January 25:

"VANCOUVER—Fluoridated water may be making bone disease worse in patients who use artificial kidney machines regularly to cleanse the blood, two Ottawa scientists said today. Their work in spotting the problem and examining its effects has resulted in a decision in Ottawa General Hospital not to use the city's fluoridated water in the kidney machine treatment . . . Dr. G. A. Posen, director of the haemodialysis unit at Ottawa General and John Marier of the National Research Council's analytical chemistry division, told the Royal College of Physicians and Surgeons that fluoride seems to build up in the bones of people on long-term kidney dialysis."

We record the passing of one of our early supporters with the death of Mrs. Myra Shambrook of Myrtleford, Victoria, after a long illness. We extend our sympathy to Mrs. Shambrook's family and friends.

NEW TIMES—AUGUST 1969
Page 7

"JUST LIKE THE 'THIRTIES IN THE RURAL AREAS"

Reporting on his impressions of his recent three weeks tour in Western Australia, Mr. Eric Butler states that the mounting interest, and serious concern, is "just like the 'thirties in the rural areas." Most of Mr. Butler's tour of Western Australia was in the rural areas, where representatives of the hard-pressed primary industries gave Mr. Butler enthusiastic receptions as he explained that the plan to centralize farming under the pressure of debt finance, heavy taxation and growing inflation, was operating on a worldwide scale, and that the ultimate objective was to break the back of what independence remained in the rural communities. Typical of the keen interest was a packed meeting at Dumbleyung where questions went on until after 11 p.m. The previous night another packed meeting, at Bruce Rock, continued until just on midnight. Every seat was taken at a Farmers' Union dinner in Bridgetown. Mr. Butler was given a tremendous reception. The League of Rights' latest publication They Want Your Land is increasingly becoming a major topic of conversation in Australia's rural areas. The League plans a major follow-up in Western Australia during October.

PROPHETIC

"The advent of a universal republic, which is longed for by all the world's worst elements of disorder and confidently expected by them, is an idea which is now ripe for execution. From this republic, based on the principle of absolute equality of men and community of possessions, would be banished all national distinctions. Nor in it would the authority of the father over his children, or of the public power over the citizens, or of God over society be acknowledged. If these ideas are put into practice, there will inevitably follow a reign of unheard-of terror."—Pope Benedict XV, Motu Proprior, Bonum Sane. 25/7/1920.

POLITICS AND INFLATION

From U.S. News & World Report, June 23

The outlook is being called dangerous. For the first time, worry is genuine that recession may follow inflation. You're hearing loose talk of wage and price controls. Business is reported easing, but prices keep soaring. People are confused. The real story of what is happening—behind all the talk—is this:

The Government's policies are cooling as of now—as planned. Non-farm employment has dropped to the lowest level since last December. Consumers are buying less. Fewer goods were sold in May than in April. Builders aren't starting as many new houses. High-interest rates, tight credit, are beginning to bite in—also as forecast. Cities, school districts are finding it too expensive to raise money for new projects. "Margin-

al" borrowers are being cut off by banks. That's what is supposed to happen when money is hard to get.

Trouble is, inflation doesn't seem to die. Prices keep jumping. People and business men remain unconvinced that Washington will risk recession in the end. Congress's delay in extending the income tax surcharge raises the possibility that the country will have even more money to spend, prolonging inflation. So anti-inflation measures will continue. You can expect the credit squeeze to grow more intense. Federal Reserve has no intention of easing it. This raises the danger business will be slowed too fast in coming months. Recession, as a result, is no longer ruled out for 1969 or 1970. Stock market probably is in for highly unsettled trading for some time.

Mr. Nixon's success in gradually corralling inflation turns pretty much on what happens to taxes. White House campaign for this tax plan will go all out. If the surcharge doesn't pass? Don't take the talk of wage and price controls too seriously. That's an attempt to make high taxes look good. Congressmen have little stomach for controls, short of all-out war. Ditto for the Administration. More Federal red tape doesn't fit the Nixon plan.

Mr. Nixon, in short, is learning what other Presidents have: that politics and control of inflation don't mix.

(The above report is a striking comment on what has been described as the stop-go finance-economic policies of the Western nations. The Americans have demonstrated an amazing technological capacity to send men to the Moon, but are apparently unable to implement a realistic financial policy to ensure that they eliminate inflation, deflation, and economic crises! There are, of course, powerful interests determined that no such financial policy should be implemented. Present policies suit their purposes excellently—these being to create, if possible, the centrally planned State, and eventually the centrally planned World State. Editor.)

WHO ARE THE MARCUSIANS?

Herbert Marcuse, born in Berlin in 1898, became a member of the fanatical Sparticist Communist movement, and left Germany when Hitler came to power, taking up residence in the United States. Marcuse has now emerged as the "philosopher" of the New Left. He is the apostle of destruction. Marcuse is today the idol of large and growing numbers of radical youth, who are shouting his name right around the world. The importance of Herbert Marcuse in the international Student Power movement will be examined by former Royal Canadian Mounted Police undercover agent Patrick Walsh at the Annual League of Rights Seminar in Melbourne on Saturday, September 20. The significance of student unrest will be the central theme of this year's League Seminar. Every reader should make a note now of the date and plan to be present. Remember, Saturday. September 20.