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

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## "Inspiration Is Not Bounded By Time Or Distance"

Numbers were down slightly at the Annual "New Times" Dinner on September 17th, but the intensity of feeling, which dominated this unique Social Credit function, was like a brilliant searchlight penetrating the darkest of nights. Judging the mood of the evening, Mr. Eric Butler, in a fighting address, quoted from several messages as texts for his message. Veteran Queensland supporter Vince Bermingham and his wife June said "There is not enough darkness in the whole world to put out the light of one small candle." Mrs. Beatrice Palmer, of "Housewives Today" and her husband Jim said that "It is a mistake to spend too much time guessing what will happen, but we must be ready, and fortunately, our plans are flexible. Small forces are not thrown into disarray, as are the battalions of the megalomaniacs, "while Mrs. Mary Blakey of The British Housewives League observed, "Inspiration is not bounded by time or distance, Neither is it bounded by death."

There was inspiration in abundance, not only at The New Times Dinner, but also at the other events of the 1976 National Weekend of the Australian League of Rights.

A cable from Mr. Don Martin National Director of The British League of Rights, asked the Chairman to read verses two and three of the National Anthem as his message. The words of these verses are most appropriate at present. Verse two reads:

"O Lord our God arise.  
Scatter our enemies  
And make them fall.  
Confound their politics  
Frustrate their knavish tricks,  
On thee our hopes we fix,  
God save us all."

Typical of the messages received from country supporters unable to attend, was one from Mr. Bill Petering of Murton, Victoria, who said. "Seasonal conditions, and the daily feeding of stock, make it impossible for us to come. But we do hope that you have a fruitful weekend, and that it is an inspiration and enjoyable occasion for all who attend."

The many messages from around the Crown Commonwealth were a manifestation of the growth of a genuine international family. As both Mr. Ron Gostick and Mr. Pat Walsh from Canada stressed in their messages the constructive work being done through the World Anti-Communist League by The Crown Commonwealth League of Rights, it was appropriate that guests at the Dinner had the opportunity of obtaining advance copies of the historic World Anti-Communist League report on how to halt the financing of economic blood transfusions to the Communists. Early issues of the second edition of Heritage were also available.

The appeal for a thought for embattled Rhodesia, from Dr. Ian Anderson of The Candour League, moved everyone. There were some damp eyes when a recording was played of a poem, Wisdom of Years, by Major the Rev. John Fall, Rhodesian Army Corps of Chaplains. This Anglican Priest, who has lived in Rhodesia for twenty-seven years, makes a special appeal to his clerical brethren overseas. As one guest said, "That message should be played in every Church throughout Australia. It might shame some of those who have been supporting the World Council of Churches to finance Communist-backed African terrorists."

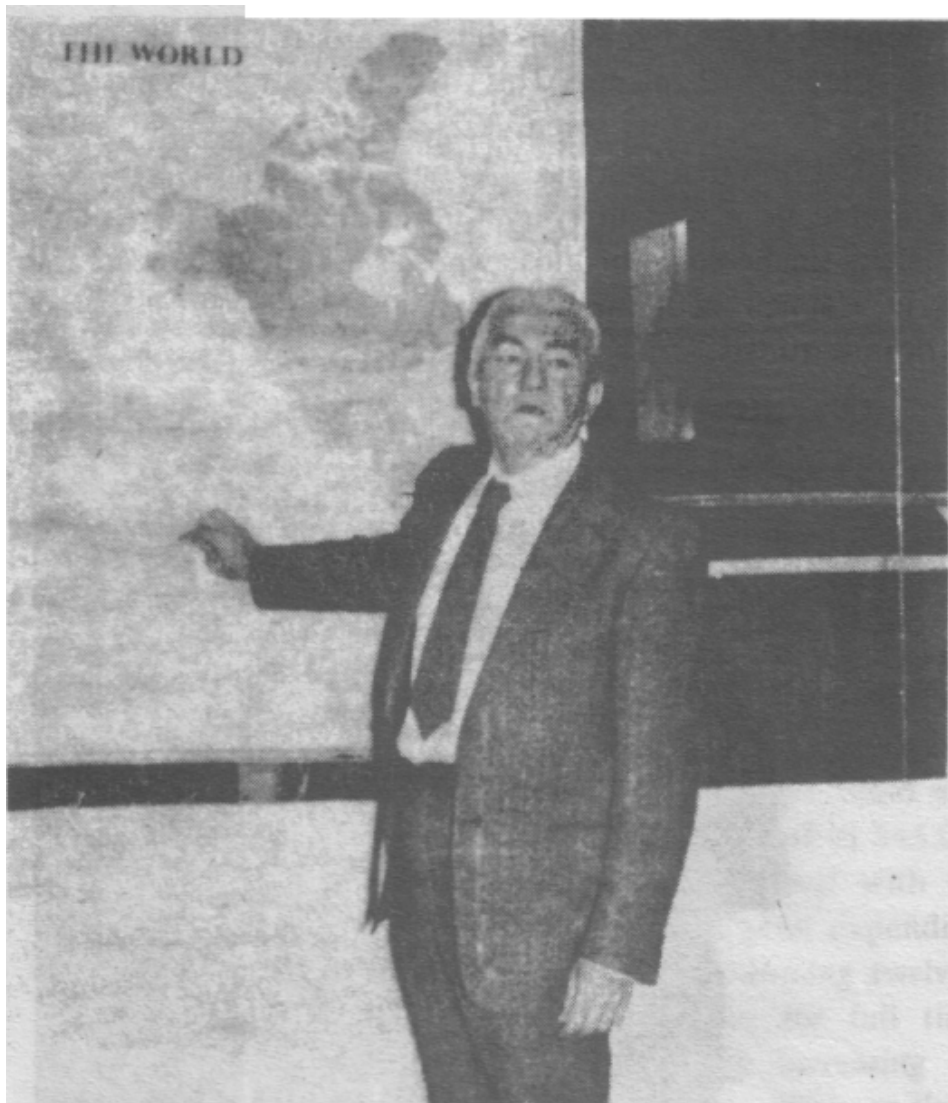


"We are privileged members of that unique League of Rights family" - Chairman, Mr. Jeremy Lee welcomes guests at "The New Times" Dinner.

The toast to The New Times, moved and seconded by two young Western Australians, Murray Jorgensen and Paul Hamilton, was a manifestation of the life and vitality of the League of Rights movement. Mr. Jorgensen, editor of Heritage, the new quarterly journal of The Australian Heritage Society, thanked older supporters for having carried the torch for many years, while Mr. Hamilton told of how his introduction to the League had brought him to a realisation that Christianity was of vital importance.

The National League Seminar was again well-attended, a fact which was commented on by a newcomer, who observed that it was unusual to find that on a pleasant Saturday Spring afternoon, with Melbourne football finals being played, so many people prepared to meet to hear serious national and international questions discussed.

The first Seminar Paper, presented by Brigadier R. Eason, on a realistic defence programme for Australia, made a tremendous impact on those who heard it and the League is taking immediate steps to have the Paper printed in booklet form for nation-wide distribution. It will be a most opportune brochure. In his Paper Mr. Jeremy Lee stressed that a realistic



**Brigadier R. Eason explains the global situation in his Paper on defence at League of Rights National Seminar,**

military defence programme was impossible unless realistic financial and economic policies were adopted. He thoroughly analysed the disastrous Lynch Budget, predicting that it must lead Australia closer to a state of revolution. Mr. Eric Butler gave the last Paper, "Australia's Front Line in Rhodesia". Mr. Butler's Paper was chaired by Mr. John Turner, Treasurer of the Australia-Rhodesia Society. The Seminar finished on a high note with a message to the Rhodesian Prime Minister, Mr. Ian Smith, apologising for the disastrous policy of the Fraser Government. There were heavy literature sales at the Seminar and many new contacts made.

The National Action Seminar on the Sunday was packed for this all-day programme. The mood of the Seminar was serious but determined. A wide variety of reports were presented, with the highlight being a realistic assessment of the critical situation by National Director, Mr. Eric Butler. Mr. Butler warned that unless the League could open new initiatives to meet the situation, it was going to face a desperate position in 1977. He then unveiled several new programmes and concepts, which were greeted with tremendous enthusiasm. A veteran supporter, attending his first National Action Seminar, said at the conclusion, "If only I had known in the past the significance of this national function, I would never have missed one. I thought that this was merely a type of social get-together. But here we got down to the real meat of the situation. It was most inspiring to get the national picture of the League and to realise its growing influence. My advice to all actionists, and would-be actionists is to make certain not to miss next year's National Action Conference."

The National Secretariat Conference of the League took place on the Friday of The New Times Dinner and agreed that the League was now facing its biggest challenge. But it was agreed that the League was never better equipped to move forward. The 1976 National Weekend of the League will go down in history as one of the great watersheds of the League. As Mr. Eric Butler predicted, "1977 will be the biggest test we have had to face. By the time we meet here again next year we may have a clearer picture of our future."

## **The Fallen**

After Grace had been said by Mr. Horton Davies, Chairman of the Christian Institute for Individual Freedom, Dinner guests remained standing for a minute of silence in memory of those supporters who had passed away over the previous twelve months:

Mr. Jim Adams  
Mr. S.W. Butler  
Mr. G. Duke  
Mr. Norman Emmott.

## 'GOD'S SERVANT — THE QUEEN!'

**In proposing the Loyal Toast, Mr. Robert Hunt said:**

In proposing the loyal toast this evening, I would like to indulge you in a little bit of history and a little bit of education (for those who don't already know it) and put the bits together with a central moral for the world of today.

The monarchical system as we are fortunate enough to know it, had very real beginnings. History records that real Monarchs were never made, or elected by some democratic process. Righteous Kings and stable authority never just happened. The most powerful leaders never just stepped into the position and established a dynasty of peace and prosperity.

The first Kings recorded in history inherited their authority, which was derived from the divine king or God of the Land. In the classical Greek language, Basileus denotes the legal hereditary ruler, guiding the life of the people by his justice or injustice but contrasted with the tyrant or usurper. Later the Kings powers become one of benefactor whose will was law leading up to the idea of the divine-kings in Alexander and the Caesars.

Looking at the history of old Testament Israel, the early tribes were ruled by the clan Patriarch and we see Moses leading the Israelites out of Egypt, succeeded by Joshua in what was a virtual theocracy, and a non-hereditary leader, elected by divine calling, and acknowledged by the people. During those times when Israel had turned from God to idol worship, clan leaders like Gideon were called on to rule. There was a degree of social chaos attributed to the fact that there was no real King over Israel. His son Abimelech seized temporary power and kingship after him. Later SAUL was made King under Samuels priesthood as an expedient move to form an army against the raiding Philistines, but he never did quite establish a dynasty, being a warrior at heart.

David, however, was eminently successful and was ever afterwards regarded as the ideal King, establishing a dynasty that lasted for over 400 years until the break-up of the Israelite state in 587 B.C. The security of David's dynasty seems to have been based largely on what has been called the Davidic covenant. David's role assumed something of the priest-king style of the ancient Jebusite Kings, whose priesthood extended back to the time of Abraham. The main responsibilities of the King were the maintenance of righteousness, with the duty not only to act as judge but to preserve justice and proclaim the law. The failure of many Kings, during the time of the Israelite State, to live up to the ideal however, tended to cast the hope for a righteous ruler more and more into the future.



**"History records that real Monarchs were never made, or elected by some democratic process" — Mr. Robert Hunt proposing the Loyal Toast.**

**It is interesting to note that History records the fact that kings and kingdoms failed when the spiritual fibre of the nation was weakest**

With the fall of the southern kingdom of Israel and later the failure of Zerubbabel to restore the dynasty to the throne of the Israelite state, the expectation crystallised into what is technically known as the Messianic Hope.

In the early kingdom it is interesting to look at the ministers of the king.' These included the Captain of the host, the Scribe, and the Recorder plus sundry others. The Recorder was literally one who caused to remember, and was a chronicler of state events. We cannot be certain of the exact terminology, but it appears that the Recorder held the advisory and executive position of a Prime Minister, -quite a powerful position for a Kingly servant!

So thus developed the authority of Kings based on spiritual principles and culminating eventually in the ideal pinnacle of that wonderful document we know as the Magna Carta.

But alas, in a short 700 years we have seen the eventual erosion of that majestic office, until we are faced with the prospect of a Kingdom and Crown robbed of its powers of **AUTHORITY, LEADERSHIP and JUSTICE**. These qualities

which were guiding our forefathers are under attack. Likewise, the spiritual strength of our nation has been sapped away and it no longer up-holds God's commandments.

These qualities, which God has shown us, through the events of history to be necessary for our survival, have been plundered, defaced, and turned about until they reflect only mere man's attempt at a secular, bigoted, and self-centred

set of rules.

The Kingly servants, the Recorder and the Scribe are becoming the usurpers, by threats of menace and open slander.

So I pray that God will forgive us at this time. I pray that you will join me now in upholding God's servant - THE QUEEN!

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### **"Let Us Look to The Future With Greater Hope"**

**In proposing the toast to "The New Times", Mr. Murray Jorgensen said: "I am honoured to be with you all this evening at this, the highlight of the League of Rights calendar. I am particularly honoured to have been asked to propose this toast to "THE NEW TIMES". Six years ago I attended my first "NEW TIMES" dinner and have many happy memories of meeting the League family and taking part in what was a truly inspirational and educational weekend.**

**"In 1970 the League was on the threshold of major new steps forward. These steps have now been transformed into giant strides as the ideals and objectives of the League of Rights are spread further around Australia and the world. We have come a long way over the past years and we still have a long way to go. But we are fortunate to have a vision, a vision that has been kept burning in the hearts and minds of men for almost two thousand years.**

"As we rededicate ourselves to the task ahead, we would do well to remember those who have played their part in keeping this vision alight. As one of the growing number of young Australians coming in contact with the League, I feel it is my duty to pass on a special message. Many old campaigners have passed on. Many are with us this evening, some in body others in spirit.

"I direct this message to all those veteran League supporters in Australia and throughout the world:

"You have carried the torch of truth with a vision of what the world could be like and we are all aware of the adversities and burdens which have been placed upon you. Let me assure you that your work has not been in vain. On behalf of the younger supporters of the League of Rights and on behalf of the majority of young Australians, I say Thank you'.

"Thank you for keeping the torch burning. "Thank you for making us aware of our glorious past. "Thank you for outlining our glorious future. "When you finally hand us the torch of truth, which you have held high for so many years, we shall take up the challenge and carry that torch into the future with pride and honour. "As a final tribute to those veteran supporters, and to The New Times, allow me to read you a short verse, A Nation's Strength, by the American poet Ralph Waldo Emerson, which will sum up my sentiments:

"Not gold, but only man can make  
A people great and strong .....  
Men who stand for truth and honour's sake  
Stand fast and suffer long.  
Brave men who work while others sleep,  
Who dare while others fly .....  
They build a nation's pillars deep  
And lift them to the sky."

"Ladies and gentlemen, let us look to the future with greater hope and renewed spiritual strength. It is with humble pride that I ask you to join with me in drinking this important toast to The New Times."



**"We are fortunate to have a vision" - Mr. Murray Jorgensen in toast to "The New Times"**

## "Make The Word Flesh"

In seconding the toast to The New Times, Mr. Paul Hamilton said that he considered it a privilege to do so, "especially when I've had a mere two years of association with the League of Rights. I feel like a sapling amongst giants."

Mr. Hamilton continued, "A book called None Dare Call It Conspiracy first aroused my interest in the League of Rights. Before that I was something of a Socialist, drifting and accepting without question popular appeals and arguments. I voted Labor and fully agreed with what Whitlam did when he was elected. Well, None Dare Call It Conspiracy and a few discussions with Mr. Ray White changed all that. In retrospect, I think that I was rather compulsive in the way I jumped at the League, but it seemed to 'ring true'. And the writings of C.H. Douglas, which seem unassailable, back this up.

"However, I still felt that there were problems. Certainly world events were explained. I could see what was happening and I understood what was physically required to reverse the course of events. But it was still an empty shell. Gradually I have come to realise that it is not just a case of who has the most conservation, the most guns or whatever. I started to ask myself what's man all about. Why are we all here? Is man just a product of chance - a higher development of primeval ooze? Or is there a higher form than man? Creation or chance?

"So being of sound mind and body — and with two years of university education! — I came to believe that Christianity and creation hold greater sway than chance. One only has to read Wurmbrand, while Solzhenitsyn puts across vividly that there is a great force behind the evil being committed against mankind. Perhaps this extract from The Bible -- Ephesians 6-12: 13 - is appropriate: 'For our struggle is not against the rulers, against the powers, against the world forces of this darkness, against the spiritual forces of wickedness in the

heavenly places. Therefore, take up the full armour of God, that you may be able to resist in the evil day, and having done everything to stand firm.'

"To me, those passages express the fundamental concepts which the League of Rights supports. And it is to this end that I am seconding the toast to The New Times which to me makes sense of such phrases as 'Where there's a will there's a way', and 'Make the word flesh'."



"I started to ask myself what's man all about" - Mr. Paul Hamilton seconding toast to "The New Times".

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## "Wisdom of Years"

The following are the words of Father Falls' call to his cleric brethren overseas, as presented at the Dinner:

What will you give us, my brethren,  
My brethren across the sea,  
For the blood that my countrymen squander  
That Rhodesians may all be free?  
The blood that spurts from my body  
As the mindless bullet strikes home,  
Or the rocket projectile crashes  
And smashes through muscle and bone;  
Will you send us guns or money  
Will you send us prayers or advice  
Will you minute your resolutions  
And your counsels sage and wise?  
Whilst the young men grimly grapple  
'Neath the pitiless African sun,

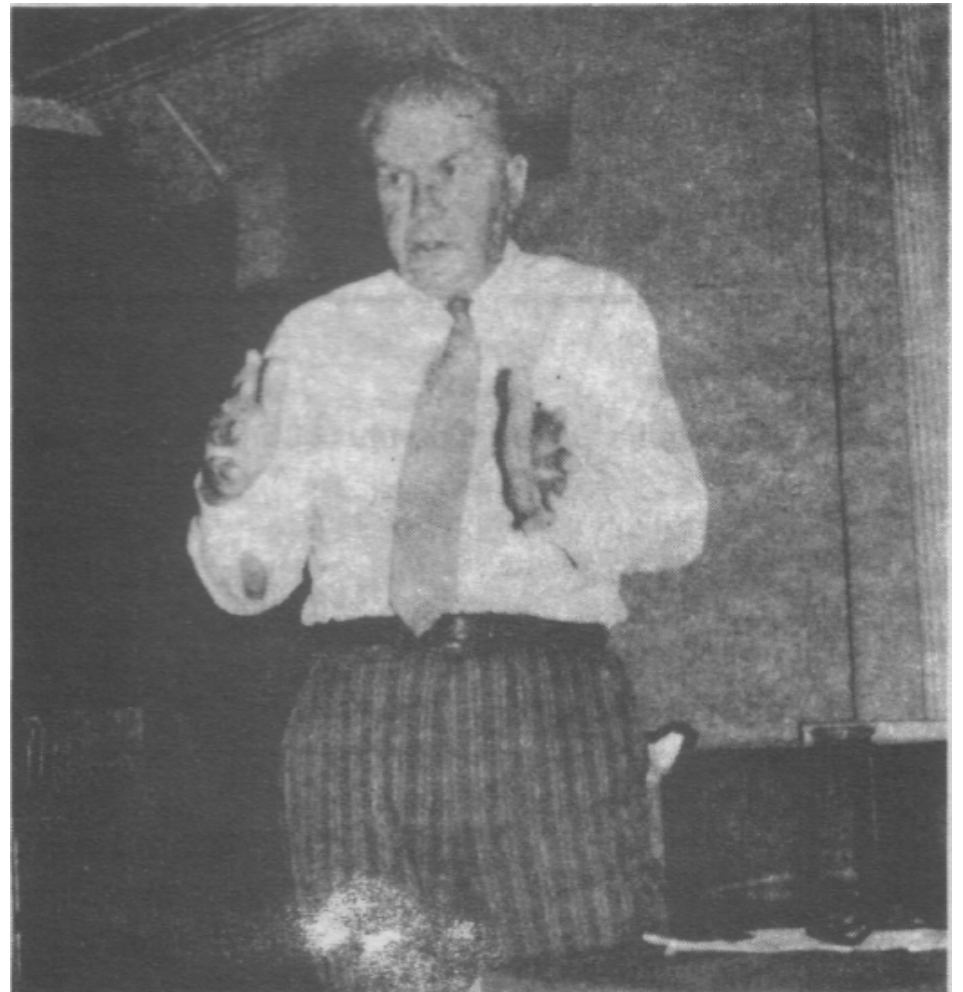
And they shoot and they bomb and they murder,  
And they stand and they fight or they run;  
Will you give them your wisdom, my brethren,  
The hard-bought wisdom of years,  
That the rule of Christ in your country  
Has banished all hatred and fears?  
That the Kingdom of God is in ballots;  
And the franchise equally spread  
Gives peace passing understanding,  
And fills hungry mouths with bread?  
Do you know them, my overseas brethren,  
Those young men of black and of white,  
The terrorist freedom fighters,  
And the disciplined men that they fight?

Do you know of the African Rifles,  
 Who fought for your cause in the War,  
 Who carry themselves like heroes  
 And die like men for their Corps;  
 Whose badge is the spear and the shield  
 Like the ancient warriors of Greece,  
 And who trudge and who sweat and who battle  
 That the land of their birth may have peace?  
 Do you know of their white fellow-soldiers,  
 The Rhodesian Light Infantry Corps,  
 Who drink and who wench and go laughing  
 To the field, as their fathers before  
 Went to Blenheim and Minden and Flanders  
 And the bullet-swept Normandy shore?  
 Do you know of their high aspirations  
 Of their hopes and their fears and their joys,  
 Cast your minds back, my overseas brethren,  
 For you once, like them, were mere boys.  
 Do you know of the bold Freedom Fighters,  
 With their weapons both Chinese and Russ,  
 Whose target's the lonely farm steading  
 Or the over-filled African bus?  
 Who rape and who burn and who plunder,  
 And prey on their poor fellow blacks  
 Who call themselves liberators  
 And claim that they levy no Tax,  
 Save the tax of the midnight visit  
 And the hut-thatch burning red,  
 And the tribesman's tortured body  
 And his hacked and bleeding head.  
 Rhodesian blood, my brethren,  
 By Rhodesian hands out-poured,  
 But hands which are guided and aided

By men who would scorn the sword;  
 Who would scorn the open battle,  
 But work their works from afar;  
 Whose hands are unclean of blood-stains -  
 Which is more than their consciences are!  
 And what will you give us, my brethren,  
 Who have borne the heat of the day,  
 And striven to preach the message;  
 Yes, what will you give us, say;  
 Will you give us praise or censure,  
 For all wherein we have tried  
 To comfort bereaved and wounded,  
 And prayed for those who have died?  
 Ah, well, it is little matter  
 For 'tis God alone that gives  
 The praise or the blame that has meaning  
 For us, and for all that lives,  
 But look to your hearts, my brethren,  
 For all that you give or withhold,  
 For the day of reckoning cometh  
 When the last, full tale will be told.  
 Did you strive for the right, my brethren,  
 Did you succour the poor and the weak,  
 Did you scorn the worthless canting,  
 And lest it the truth, not speak?  
 Did you truly strive for justice,  
 And an honest equitable deal;  
 Or did you follow the loudest voices,  
 And the lead from the "Daily Squeal"?  
 Well, you need not make me an answer,  
 For the right to enquire's not mine,  
 But you'll answer to God, my brethren,  
 And, by God. His mills grind fine!



**"As an Australian I am ashamed of what our Government has done to help Communist-backed terrorism against Rhodesia" — Mr. Eric Butler speaking with feeling at League of Rights National Seminar.**



**Mr. Keith Oldfield emphasises a point in moving a vote of thanks to Mr. Eric Butler for his Seminar Paper.**

## "The Prelude To the Most Intense and Rewarding Growth"

Replying to the toast to The New Times, Chairman Jeremy Lee drew attention to the significance of the 30 years since the first New Times Dinner was held. He pointed out that Christ's ministry started in His 30th year, and that in the three following years the whole teaching of Christianity was developed. The League was a body of individuals in service — loyal to the One "Whose service is perfect freedom."

Mr. Lee said that he believed the 30 years development of the League, with the refinement of its programme of social dynamics, was the prelude to the most intense and rewarding growth in the period ahead. The preparation, which had gone into equipping the League to meet future demands, was the achievement of the many pioneers — often unsung — who had had such vision in the early days.

Mr. Lee said that the many messages coming in from all over the world to the 30th New Times Dinner had significantly created a theme peculiar to this dinner - a theme which stressed that the darkest moment was often the moment pregnant with the greatest hope - a paradox at first sight, but true nevertheless. This paradox was more remarkable for the fact that Douglas himself had first drawn attention to the fact that such a moment would come.

Quoting from the 11th chapter of Douglas's first major work - Economic Democracy, Mr. Lee quoted the author's description of a situation in which the forces of evil and compulsion seemed so monolithic and embracing as to be invulnerable. The danger of such a moment was in the effect on ordinary individuals — tending to silence even the most dauntless. But Douglas had warned against conceding to the visible evidence. This was a form of idolatry. Visible evidence was only part of the truth. History could not be seen, but had a direct bearing on events. Spiritual force and faith were materialistically intangible, although the most vital dynamics in the existing situation. Mr. Lee quoted Douglas further:

"A closer examination ..... confirms the statement already made that a pyramidal administrative organisation, though the strongest against external pressure, is of all forms the most vulnerable to disruption from within."

Already more people were prepared to disrupt attempts to interfere with their freedoms. The League had, through its 30 years of development, built the right weapons for this growing resistance to organised tyranny, and the period ahead dark and tortuous though it would undoubtedly be — would provide the events in which the demand for such weapons would escalate to a final irrestable turning point.

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### "May This Dinner Confirm Old Friendships and Encourage New"

**Mr. Jeremy Lee said that the many messages received at the "New Times" Dinner was a special feature, helping to cement the concept of a family. He felt that the message from veteran British Social Crediter, Mrs. B.M. Palmer, editor of "Housewives Today" was an excellent introduction for other messages: "What will defeat them? Events". We all know who said that (Douglas). It is a mistake to spend much time guessing what will happen, but we can be ready, and fortunately, our plans are flexible. Small forces are not thrown into disarray as are the battalions of megalomaniacs, "The friends thou hast, and their adoption tried, Grapple them to thy soul with hoops of steel" said Polonius. May this Dinner confirm old friendships and encourage new."**

Mrs. Palmer's message was followed by one from another veteran supporter and his wife, Vince and June Bermingham of Greenmount. Queensland: "Greetings members and supporters. There is not enough darkness in the whole world to put out the light of one small candle. May the reflection of your light continue to expand. God bless your continued efforts."

**"We few, we happy few, we band of brothers....."**

**From Mrs. Mary Blakey of The British Housewives League:**

ALTHOUGH I cannot be with you in person on 17th, I have calculated the time, and so on that day shall begin my autumn morning as you will be beginning your spring evening, by raising my glass with you to Her Majesty our gracious Queen; to The New Times and all who work for it; to the Australian League of Rights and all who strive with and through it in Australia's defence - which is also our own; to the Ladies

Line and the Lilac League; and to all those specialist branches which are like facets of the one precious stone. I shall raise my glass to Elma and Eric Butler who I am proud to know and are my friends; to more than 30 of my kinsmen and women who are Australians; and I shall not forget Premier J. Bjelke-Petersen the leading politician who has put his light where it can be seen.

Inspiration is not bounded by time or distance. Neither is it bound by death. It passes from one to another rather like water finds its way through rock - with unseen certainty finding the way it can go. Or it is like yeast - "that magic thing" my little niece calls it, and how right she is.

"From this day to the ending of the world  
But we in it shall be remembered -  
We few, we happy few, we band of brothers ....."

Ay, and sisters too! Shakespeare would feel at home with you.

Ladies and Gentlemen, to you all, singly and in association, present at your Annual Dinner or absent, I send you the very best and warmest greetings on behalf of the British Housewives' League and on my own, and thank Almighty God for your inspiration and example.

### **"I Want To Assure You That We Are Making An Impact On The Global Scene"**

**From Mr. Patrick Walsh, National Coordinator, for Canadian V.P.A. Association:**

We are with you in spirit at the 1976 New Times Annual Dinner. I would like to mention the greatest significant breakthrough made at the recent 9th World Anti-Communist League Conference when the Candour League, represented by Dr. Ian Anderson, was admitted to the WACL, representing Rhodesia. The standing ovation given Dr. Ian Anderson when this was officially announced and the emotion which gripped the freedom Fighters from all over the Free World at this historic announcement was indeed a testimonial to the determination of the Crown Commonwealth League of Rights and its worthy President, Mr. Eric Butler, in bringing to the fore the strategic importance of Rhodesia in the context of the struggle against International Communism.

However, the Crown Commonwealth League of Rights had another significant vindication at the 9th WACL Conference in Seoul, South Korea the unanimous adoption of the Resolution noting that Communist tyrannies around the world have been built up and are being sustained by Western finance and technology and the unanimous decision to authorise the Crown Commonwealth to publish in booklet form the outlines of this Finance-Communist nexus under the authorship of Eric D. Butler. This very important step forward is proof positive that the sister League of Rights grouped in the Crown Commonwealth League of Rights have not wasted their time and efforts in futile anti-communist speech-making at the various WACL conferences but have come to grips with the nitty-gritty of what is behind the rapid advance of the Communist Imperium in recent years. Our pioneer work in popularizing Antony Sutton's NATIONAL SUICIDE is now paying dividends with the great upsurge in League of Rights activities in the UK, Canada, New Zealand and Australia and with the National Forum in South Africa and the Candour League in Rhodesia.

Your National Director, Eric Butler will be telling you about our 1977 plans and projects so I do not want to steal his thunder, but I want to assure you that we are making an impact on the global scene and that it should be a matter of pride that the leaders of the Crown Commonwealth League of Rights have at long last taken their rightful places in the vanguard of the monumental struggle against the forces of Evil - for in the final analysis the conflict of Good and Evil has no meaning if we neglect to reflect that Christ found it necessary to drive the money-changers from the Temple and that is precisely the ever contemporary necessity of implementing the positive

alternative of Douglas Social Credit philosophy - so that we can understand that the ultimate meaning of Social Credit, then, is inseparably connected with the ultimate meaning of the conflict of Good and Evil. Keep up the good work and God Bless."

### **"We Are Heartened By The Knowledge That We Shall Not Be Fighting Alone"**

**From Ivor Benson, Chairman, South African National Forum:**

"Greetings from a part of the world which is now very much at the sharp end in the global struggle. We are heartened by the knowledge that we shall not be fighting alone or only for ourselves as the situation worsens, as worsen it certainly will. Every little effort you can make on our behalf is going to be worth more than ever before; therefore we hope you will give Southern Africa a prominent place in your plans for the coming year, exploiting those deep bonds of kinship which have continued to defy all the efforts of the politicians to break them."

### **"Good Wishes And Kinship From The Canadian League of Rights"**

**From Mr. Ron Gostick, National Director, The Canadian League of Rights:**

"A word of congratulations, good wishes and kinship from the Canadian League of Rights, to all members of The New Times family as you gather once again to recharge your batteries for another crucial year of campaign.

In Canada, while our country in many ways is at an all-time "low", our League programme and strength is growing daily. And this coming year should see a major advance in all aspects of our activities.

One of the great works of The New Times over a very long time has been the exposure of the High Finance - World Revolution nexus and conspiracy, and the need for realistic monetary reform. And the fact that this area of the world's problem has now been injected into the programme of The World Anti-Communist League speaks eloquently for the work of the New Times and those whom it has nourished and developed.

So, on this happy occasion - Good Fellowship! Best wishes to all our "Down Under" friends and colleagues...and every success throughout the coming year."

### **"A Country Must Have The Moral And Psychological Will To Defend Itself"**



**From Mr. Phillip Butler, B.C. Field Director, League of Rights, Canada:**

"Australian patriots are gathered together in that wonderful setting in The Victoria Hotel to experience fellowship and to recharge the batteries for another year of struggle. I can easily picture the setting, as I spoke in this very room on May 26th. One never forgets the experience of a New Times Dinner. This past year has been a trying one for us in Canada, but also a most rewarding year. We have seen the League of Rights in British Columbia expand by leaps and bounds. As the situation worsens more people are starting to feel that we do have the answers and can help to equip them to save themselves.

"The theme of your Seminar this year is timely - Australia's Defence. It is not only important that a country has the equipment with which to defend itself physically, but it must also have the moral and psychological will to defend itself. The League of Rights around the Crown Commonwealth is giving the lead in this vital area. Here in British Columbia we are with you in spirit and urge you to continue fighting the good fight."

### **"Confident That ..... Challenges ..... Will be Met"**

**From Mr. Greg Robinson, Chairman, Ian Smith Community Chapter, Young Americans for Freedom, Toronto, Ontario, Canada:**

"The Ian Smith Community Chapter of Young Americans for Freedom appreciates this opportunity to extend to the Australian League of Rights our very best wishes for the future. We are confident that the challenges which are before you will be met with the same dedication displayed in the past."

### **"A Dramatic And Exciting Development"**

**From Mr. John Armstrong, Christchurch, New Zealand:**

"The work you are all doing is most certainly having a growing impact far beyond the confines of the halls, and the homes in which you meet throughout the year. Not only is this impact felt in Australia itself, but also beyond her shores. Sometimes a development takes place, which highlights the truth of this claim; it would seem that just such a dramatic and exciting development has burst upon the public consciousness here in New Zealand this week. The Social Credit political leader, Mr. Bruce Beetham who recently contested and won the Mayoralty of the City of Hamilton, has just electrified the Establishment here by announcing that he proposes to put before the people of Hamilton his carefully worked out scheme for issuing rate vouchers as a means of easing and eventually solving the

crippling financial burden his City Council and Municipality is facing today."

(Judging by the press cuttings forwarded by Mr. Armstrong, the centralisers in New Zealand are alarmed by the Hamilton proposal. We will be reporting on this in our next issue - Ed.)

Mr. Armstrong concluded his Dinner message: "Continue the good work — the alarm bells are sounding in the corridors of power in Wellington tonight. Keep fighting, ladies and gentlemen, the future belongs to you! Not to Marx, but to Douglas!"

### **"Truth And Half-Truth Cannot Have Equal Value"**

**From E. Fitz-Herbert of Toowoomba, Queensland:**

Among the growing number throughout the world who have been brought to a stage of civic responsibility by the League of Rights, we of the Toowoomba area proudly reflect upon the period of association with that august body.

We aver that truth and half-truth cannot have equal value. The League is the only organisation, which has consistently and fearlessly promoted the truth.

We owe an unrepayable debt of gratitude to our National leader, Mr. Eric Butler, whose dedication and national pride are an example to all who wish to help sustain a Christian society.

We wish Eric Butler and his band of dedicated workers continuing appreciation and support from an ever-growing number of disillusioned supporters.

### **"A Course Toward Paying Just Debt"**

**From Victoria, B.C. Canada, Group 1:**

"We lift our thoughts to be with you on the occasion of The New Times Dinner. May you strengthen your course to live the life of Service. We are convinced you have set a course of action toward paying just debts — and delivering men from eternal bondage. The moral leadership and determined attitude on your part inspire others to emulate your example. Your 'bread' will come back to you as surely as the seasons shall come and go - as surely as the birds and the flowers shall come to herald the approach of spring. We salute you:"

### **The only Objective in Fighting is to Achieve Victory'**

**From the Reimers Family, Haden, Queensland:**

"Greetings and best wishes for a very successful Dinner and Seminar. When you get into a tight place and everything goes against you, till it seems as though you couldn't hold on a minute longer, never give up then for that is just the time and place when the tide will turn. Keep up the good fight. Remember the only objective in fighting is to achieve victory."

### **"Let's Take A Breath of Pure Air"**

**From Mr. Robert Nixon, W.A. Secretary, Institute of Economic Democracy:**

"As the momentous of tyranny grasps for the remnants of Western Civilisation it is reassuring to know one has friends at The New Times Dinner with the will to defend the foundations of Christian liberty. Will 'Yalta' Kissinger succeed with his mission of inverted peace in Southern Africa? The great Christian historian Sir Arthur Bryant, has recently supported the warnings of Solzhenitsyn, and also warns of the atrocities human beings are capable of doing, when Christ's creed of mercy and love is discarded and the Devil's hideous dogma and ideology of hatred, envy and destruction are enthroned in its place. Let's take a breath of pure air, free from the contaminating waves of the notorious alphabet radio, and man those breakers leading the fleets of Civilisation out into blue waters."

### **"It Is First Of All Necessary To Have A Specific And Well Defined Objective"**

**From Howard Reimers, Millaroo via Ayr, Queensland:**

"In considering the design, either of a mechanism or an undertaking, it is first of all necessary to have a specific and well-defined objective and, after that, a knowledge not only of the methods by which that objective can be obtained, but also of the nature and treatment of the forces which will be involved, the materials available, and their reaction to those forces. God bless each and every one attending the Dinner and National Seminar."

### **"We Are Conscious Of A Strong Feeling Of Urgency"**

**From The Gympie, Queensland V.P.A.**

As members of our V.P.A. cannot be present at the League functions this coming weekend we send our very best wishes for most successful sessions that may lead to significant progress in our many fields of interest at the earliest possible date. We are conscious of a strong feeling of urgency and are worried by the evidence of sadly misdirected effort at high levels of government and by the apparent closed minds in many directions.

It is hoped that your deliberations and associated publicity may result in somehow jolting the complacency of our national leaders and causing them to revise their actions on more rewarding lines for individuals and the nation.

One of the supporters who signed the above message is veteran Mr. H.J. Taylor, just turned 91 years of age. Mr. Taylor signed the message in his hospital bed. He had his left leg amputated recently and the other leg will also have to be removed. But, as another supporter writes, "He is still full of fight and ideas for the League."

### **"As The Night Grows Darker So The Light Of Truth Will Shine Ever Brighter"**

**From Mr. David Barton, Collarenebri, N.S.W.:**

"I am sorry that I am unable to be with you all tonight, but I will certainly be thinking of you. The principles involved in French Polishing recently came to my mind. The idea is, that you put on a lot of polish, let dry, then sandpaper nearly all of it off again; put on more polish and sandpaper again - perhaps even more than twenty times, until at last the surface shines and reflects like a mirror. As the night grows darker so the light of truth will shine ever brighter. It is our job to keep the reflections so polished that the light can be seen by all, and so dazzle those creatures of darkness as to immobilise them. As with French Polishing, one must sometimes cut back into misconceptions so deeply that it hurts. Keep up the good work, and God bless you all."

### **"Please Give A Thought To Us Who Are Under ..... Attack From Almost The Entire World"**

**From Dr. Ian Anderson, Chairman, Candour League of Rhodesia:**

Once again we welcome the opportunity of congratulation the Australian League of Rights and The New Times on their National Week; and send our best wishes for the National Seminar which, we note, will "deal with all aspects of Australia's defence - including moral and psychological defence."

At this critical period in Rhodesia's struggle, we would like particularly to stress that no advantage can accrue to any country by assisting in the downfall of other countries, which are working towards the same objectives.

You in Australia know what the good life can be and hope to share it with all within your borders. We in Rhodesia value the good life too and wish to extend its benefits to all our citizens of whatever cost or creed. We see no advantage to anyone — except the communist bloc — in our destruction and the subsequent misery that must descend not only on ourselves but on all who look to the white man for the medical, educational and economic benefits that he provides.

You and others who have visited Rhodesia know what a load of hypocrisy resides in the United Nations condemnation of Rhodesia as "a threat to international peace". (Presumably Northern Ireland and Lebanon are havens of heavenly peace; at least they have never been condemned as otherwise.)

Whilst you are debating the defence of Australia, please give a thought to us who are under physical and psychological attack from almost the entire world, including the active assistance of our enemies in Mozambique by the Australian Government; and include us in your plans for a more militant anti-communist force - spiritual, moral, economic and physical - that could arise from the peoples of the Southern Hemisphere who remain as yet relatively untainted by the present spinelessness of the Western World in its own defence.

We remember at this time the magnificent contribution made by ANZAC forces in defence of the Mother Country in two world wars. Is it too much to expect that some of that same spirit will come to the aid of one last small remnant of the erstwhile British Empire; and that perhaps we may yet welcome an Australian Expeditionary Force in Rhodesia?

With all best wishes for a happy and fruitful weekend.

### **"We Must Get Our Priorities In The Right Order"**

**From Dulcie Willacy of The Warra-Brigalow (Queensland) Lilac League:**

It is fitting that the theme for the 1976 National Seminar should be "Defence".

There is so much to defend. We must get our priorities in the right order - first things first.

Every aspect of our civilisation that we treasure has its roots in the Christian faith and grew out of that philosophy which recognizes man as a spiritual creature and Almighty God as the supreme authority and His precious Son as Saviour Lord.

Therefore our first line of defence is to uphold, without compromise to accommodate those who would weaken that philosophy for expediency, popularity or more sinister reasons the eternal truths and laws preserved for us in Holy Scripture.

Having made that stand, all else follows on. In other words, we must "put on the whole armour of God" if we are to be soldiers in the battle to save individual freedom in all the fields that make up a civilised society.

We are required to use our talents, first to the glory of God and then for the preservation of all the worthwhile institutions embraced by our heritage -- the Christian Church - the Family - the Monarchical System of Government - and all that grew out of this common climate.

May our leaders and loyal supporters place their trust in God and go forth in faith in the sure knowledge that those who work in God's name and in a way that is pleasing to Him, can rely completely on His promises and divine support.

### **"The Best Is Still To Come"**

**From Mr. John Brett, Kingstown, N.S.W. V.P.A.:**

Ten years ago Eric Butler first entered our lives here in the New England. It was a chilling evening just a few degrees above zero. The greater part of Eric's address was also chilling, but he issued a challenge to us, and shook a few out of their complacency.

If we thought we were living in new times then, we could not envisage the impact the League was to have on our lives, or indeed the impact it would finally have on the life of our nation, and beyond.

These tremendous years of our lives have been enlightened, uplifted, and enriched by this challenge, as have been the lives of you all gathered here tonight. Few people, against such stupendous odds, have been able to affect the course of history as the League has, and the best is still to come.

The point where it might have failed has past. The road ahead is wide and open, though it is bound to be rough. With Eric Butler at the wheel showing us the way with tireless endeavour, the year ahead must be the most successful yet.

To you all, as you rededicate yourselves this evening, our best wishes and may God be with you.

### **"Important For All Christians To Stand"**

**From Mr. John Belows, Provincial Director, Canadian League of Rights, Manitoba Canada.**

On the occasion of THE ANNUAL NEW TIMES DINNER in its 41st year of continuous publication, we of the Manitoba branch pray for the success of your great annual event.

We are at war on a continuing basis against Satan and his evil forces embodied in the International-Capitalist-Communist-Zionist conspiracy. As such every believer in Jesus Christ is called to be involved in the war, to resist Satan and his agents. St. Paul in his letter to the Ephesians Ch 6: 13, 14 tells us "Wherefore take unto you the whole armour of God, that ye may be able to withstand in the evil day, and having done all, to stand. Stand therefore..." It is therefore important for all Christians to stand and to let the enemy see who you are where you are and what you stand for.

May your 1976 Annual Dinner give you new strength and encouragement not only to stand, but to move forward in the coming year with greater dedication to the cause of Freedom.

Veteran South Australian supporter, Miss Clara Gliddon, sent her warm greetings and urged all supporters to remain strong in the Christian faith.

### "An Inspiration To All Of Us"

**From James P. Hull, Chairman, Campus Alternative, Rexdale, Ontario:**

On behalf of all members of the Campus Alternative organisation may I extend to you our heartiest congratulations and warmest good wishes on the occasion of the Annual New Times Dinner and Australian League of Rights Seminar. The hard work and steadfast determination of the Australian League of Rights and The New Times is an inspiration to all of us.

### More Messages

Nine members of Gayndah Qld. V.P.A. said they were "looking forward for changed times"; Roy and Esme Earle of Dalby. Qld. said "prevailing with you in spirit and truth against the gates of hell"; Darling Downs (Qld.) Electors' Association sent best wishes expressing the hope that "May the light grow brighter as the darkness grows deeper"; Neil McDonald of

Mount Hagen, Papua New Guinea sent best wishes and some "rough verse":

"Let's turn on the lights", they said.

With us there'll be no hitch.

Now we in darkness grope — without a hope.

Because they won't reverse the switch."

Chairman of Sydney Regional Council, Mr. Roy Gustard, sent greetings from "the nation's premier city" and expressed hope that "you are all fighting fit for the crucial battles ahead."

Mrs. Jean Ogg of Toowoomba, sent a telegram of good wishes and said, "God bless and give you strength and courage".

Mrs. Betty Luks of Morphett Vale, South Australia, wrote of God the King who sent His only Son to be a perfect sacrifice for frail man and said, "My prayer for the League of Rights gathering is that each individual supporter will recognise the Perfect Sacrifice made for him or her....."

Mr. Eric Isaachsen, South Australian Secretary of Heritage Society, sent his best wishes and expressed the view that League workers were "the hope of Australia." Mr. Hugh Varnes, a student Minister from Tasmania, sent best wishes on behalf of "a group of Christians". Mr. and Mrs. John Nietscke of Koonunga. South Australia, recalled how they had attended last year's Dinner when there was "something pleasant in the air that you could almost reach out and touch...

We join with you in spirit as you rededicate yourselves for freedom and the Christian society."

Mr. Sid Wood of the New Zealand League of Rights said that he was disappointed he could not be present this year. "We shall be thinking of you and look forward to reports of events in The New Times."

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## Basic Fund Set at \$45,000

The National Secretariat of The Australian League of Rights has decided that in view of the rapidly deepening crisis situation, both national and international, the League's Basic Fund of \$40,000 for the past two years must be lifted to \$45,000 for 1976-77. The Secretariat anticipates that with this Basic Fund, the League can build its total expenditure to meet the heavy demands over the coming twelve months. Only a small increase in salaries for full time League officials is planned. There are increasing operational costs resulting from inflation. With an increase of a mere \$5,000 to the Basic Fund, the League is confident that it can finance a massive expansion programme over the coming twelve months. Contributions from Queensland and Northern New South Wales should be sent to Mr. Jeremy Lee, Kingstown, Via Armidale, N.S.W. All other contributions to Box 1052J, G.P.O. Melbourne, Vic. 3001.