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The price of Freedom is eternal vigilance—

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Thought for the Week: "A mass of evidence establishes the fact that there is in existence a persistent and well-contrived system intended to produce, and in practice producing, a despotic power which, at one and the same time, places Government Departments above the sovereignty of Parliament, and beyond the jurisdiction of Courts".

Former Lord Chief Justice of England, Lord Hewart, in
The New Despotism.

WHERE IS THE OPPOSITION?: Federal Opposition leader Andrew Peacock bravely says he is prepared to fight an election on the issue of tax reform, stating that while the Government was divided on its taxation policy, the Opposition had put forward a detailed tax package at the last Federal Election. But the Peacock taxation policy only varied in degree from that now being "floated" by the Government. Mr. Peacock says he welcomes the proposal to broaden the tax base, a support for more indirect taxation, and the reduction in income tax. Deputy Liberal leader Mr. John Howard and former Treasurer said that the contents of the "White Paper on taxation were "largely predictable". He then went on to say, "The document is good in parts, and some of the central proposals canvassed are in line with coalition tax policy. This is not surprising, as the same "experts" who advised Mr. Howard are now advising Mr. Keating, and those "experts" have been consistently pressing for more indirect taxation. It should not be forgotten that Mr. John Howard was the Treasurer who attempted to impose a Sales Tax on books and magazines.

There is not the slightest doubt that if the Hawke Government attempts to legislate to give effect to Mr. Keating's "preferred option" on taxation, it will be defeated at the next Federal Elections. The general attitude of the Opposition at present is to accept its good luck that the Government appears to be determined to commit suicide, and to eventually regain office by default. It is safe for the Opposition to be critical of issues like capital gains, death and and gift duties, but it refuses to make a real stand on an issue like

the savage increases in fuel tax. At a time when farmers are being destroyed by rising costs, the National Party remains as silent as the grave on the latest blow to the rural community. John Howard virtually applauds the blow, correctly pointing out that while in Government, the Opposition parties were responsible for the pricing policy which has forced Australian produced oil prices higher and higher.

Hopefully the growing national upsurge against any higher fuel prices will force at least a few of the Opposition Members to give a lead. Desperate and concerned members of the rural communities should concentrate upon their National Party Members, both State and Federal. Queensland Premier Sir Joh Bjelke-Petersen has already expressed his opposition to the fuel charges.

(All League supporters in the rural communities should be using Jeremy Lee's latest book, a real block-buster, Australia's Looming Farm Disaster!, \$5 posted from all League offices).

LOCAL BANKS RAKING IN PROFITS: While the three listed Australian banks are collectively petrified of the addition of 16 foreign banks to the market, they are making their killing while the running is good. Asset growth by the three banks, the ANZ, National Australia, and Westpac, for the March half year was phenomenal. Collectively, the total assets of these banks increased by 32%, an increase of \$15.7 thousand million, to just under \$120 billion. (Australian, 27/5/85). The banks were even the major beneficiaries of the public servants' strike, gaining interest on the hundreds of millions in uncleared cheques!

The inescapable conclusion is that once the 16 new foreign banks are a part of the Australian financial scene, holding stock in the Australian banks will be a hazardous investment.

CYCLONE AID TO BANGLADESH

We recently reported that in the opinion of an international aid expert, Mr. Udo Middelmann, of Switzerland, third world countries are becoming addicted to famine relief aid. "So much of the famine in Africa is due to faulty philosophical, social and political opinions. It is not a weather problem, it is a problem of ideas, he said.

Well, the Bangladesh cyclone disaster was certainly a weather problem, but the magnitude of the disaster could have been minimised, according to a senior meteorologist from W.A., if only the Australian Government had smartened up its ideas. The Canberra Government has been quick to donate \$200,000 of taxpayers money in emergency aid for Bangladesh, but had previously refused to help finance a cyclone warning system for the Bay of Bengal. A request for \$250,000 had been turned down in June 1983, and a second request for only \$60,000 had also been turned down. Mr. Bob Southern, the principal tropical cyclone expert with the World Meteorological Organisation, said the Bay of Bengal averages three major and 12 minor cyclones every year.

If the Federal Government insists in spending our money on liberal

aid projects, we should at least insist that the money is spent in such a way that we have some chance of preventing the disasters, rather than spending enormous amounts on the results of disaster.

BRIEF COMMENTS: The May issue of our monthly, Intelligence Survey, carries a recent interview with the distinguished British historian, Mr. David Irving, by a journalist from the Dublin Sunday Independent, in which Mr. Irving outlines how in spite of his best-selling books, publishers are backing away from publishing his book on Winston Churchill. Irving was the man who denounced "Hitler Diaries" as fakes at a time when establishment historians like Trevor-Roper were accepting them as authentic. Irving documents his books thoroughly, and it appears that he has documented how Churchill was rescued from political obscurity by the Political Zionists, some of whom financed him during his years in the political wilderness. Irving says that many of those controlling the publishing houses do not want his book published because he exposes the men who lost the Empire and Commonwealth. We wonder how many other books have been suppressed because they give a different version of history.

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The trial of the former schoolteacher, Mr. Jim Keegstra of Alberta, Canada, continues, with a media coverage which gives a most inadequate and misleading picture of what is actually happening in the court room. The Prosecution called more than 20 witnesses. Former teaching colleagues of Keegstra have testified favourably about him and his teaching. Mr. Keegstra's former School Principal testified that Jim Keegstra was "renowned for his generosity", and that he championed the cause of widows" and opened his home to the needy. While the trial has been going much better for Keegstra than the media suggests, it will be a miracle if a jury selected from a community saturated with "Holocaust" propaganda in the media, will be able to bring down an objective verdict.

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If the American threat to open a full-scale trade war with the European Economic Community is carried out, the inevitable result will be devastation for big sectors of the rural economies of Canada, New Zealand and Australia. The USA has huge stocks of some agricultural products and it has been suggested that the Reagan Administration give \$3000 million to subsidise an export programme for agricultural products at "give-away" prices.

The Australian rural communities are already under tremendous pressure primarily as a result of rising costs. Increased fuel costs are adding to what could be the greatest rural disaster in Australian history.

The decision by the American House of Representatives in favour of trade sanctions against South Africa, following the decision by the American Senate Foreign Relations Committee to

recommend an immediate ban on United States bank loans to South Africa, indicates that the international campaign to bring South Africa to its knees, is gaining momentum. The South African Government has pointed out that international trade sanctions against South Africa will mean that one million foreign black workers in South Africa will have to be sent back to their own countries. This would further increase the growing problems of these countries.

The Soviet strategists must laugh into their vodka as they watch the "capitalist enemy" working to assist their revolutionary programme in Southern Africa while at the same time refusing to apply trade sanctions against the Communist nations.

Could we hear from the Federal "Opposition" at Canberra on an issue which is one of life or death for Australia? Are you there, Mr. Andrew Peacock?

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Zionist madness has extended even to having a grave in Brazil dug up and bones examined to ascertain if an alleged war-criminal, Josef Mengele, was dead or not. The well-finance and never-ending pursuit of alleged Nazi war criminals (described as such even though no trials have found them criminals) is an expression of Talmudic hate and vengeance and is far removed from the Christian law of love.

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Unless a miracle happens in the Phillipines, where the communist-led New People's Army of 12,000 is making steady progress, there will be a Left-wing government within the next few years. Guerrilla assaults against the USA Clair Air Base and the Subic Bay naval base must be anticipated before much longer. What do our Australian politicians think about the situation? Or don't they think at all? There was never a greater need for Australia to increase its military defences and to foster closer ties with the U.S.A.

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A recent nation-wide survey revealed that more than half of teachers do not believe that the Queen should be head of State. No comment should be necessary.

NEW W.A. OFFICE PREMISES: We advise readers that the office premises of the W.A. Bookshop have been shifted from 156 St. Georges Tce., to 167 St. Georges Tce., to the first floor of Bible House, on the opposite side of the Terrace. In addition, the name of the bookshop has been changed to "Heritage Bookshop". Correspondence should still go to P.O. Box 7409, Cloisters Square, Perth, 6000, and our telephone number remains 321 8931.

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