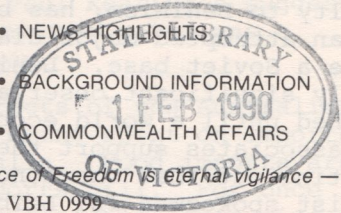




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The price of Freedom is eternal vigilance —

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THOUGHT FOR THE WEEK: "Insanity is the condition where the mind has lost touch with reality. Contemporary insanity, now very widespread, is largely the result of the brainwashing which goes under the name of education, but because it is so common, is not recognised for what it is. Belief in socialism is completely pathological, because socialism is contrary to human nature and behaviour, and requiring, by definition, the subordination of individuality, has to be enforced by the few on the many."

- Dr. Bryan Monahan, 1967.

WHAT HAS HAPPENED TO COMMUNISM? Anti-Communism has since the latter part of last year become fashionable. As yet Dr. Jim Cairns has not publicly recanted and apologised for the misleading nonsense he talked about the Soviet Union and Communist China. Moscow-trained John Halfpenny, currently acting as the real Premier of Victoria, left the Communist Party to join the Labor Party, but has never repudiated Marxism-Leninism. A study of the activities of the different sections of the Marxist movement in Australia suggests that an attempt is being made to restructure the movement in order that Socialist ideas can be presented in a more acceptable form. There is tremendous emphasis on the environmental question, seen as one which can be used to recruit large numbers of idealists to accept the necessity for a further centralising of power. The essence of Socialism, even when presented with the "human face" that Mikhail Gorbachev talks about, is central planning in one form or another.

The nature of reality is not altered by using a different name to describe it. At the conclusion of the Second World War large numbers of German National Socialist officials had no difficulty in becoming officials of the East German Communist Government. Several observers have drawn attention to the fact that many of the prominent officials who served the Communist Governments, now in disgrace, are still exercising power. "Reformed" Communists are simply a type of Fabian Socialist. Fabianism has been a much more deadly variant of the collectivist virus than Communism. The Fabian virus has made a deadly contribution to the demise of the old British world, working together with the centralist policies of financial orthodoxy.

As we have consistently pointed out, Gorbachev, still expressing his

loyalty to Leninism, has been forced by reality to accept the necessity for an attempted major dialectical step backwards in an attempt to preserve a Soviet base. Lenin took the long view of history and made the highly significant observation that the World State could not be established until a world economic system was established. Gorbachev and his associates support the New International Economic Order, correctly pointing out that the concept is rooted in the ideas of Lenin. Senior Zionist spokesman Isi Leibler says that he has told the Gorbachev Government that Western Jewish businessmen were encouraging their governments "to get involved commercially in the Soviet Union so as to support perestroika in the difficult period it is going through (vide The Australian Jewish News, June 12th.

The struggle for the world has entered a new and more dangerous phase. Stemming from the same philosophical root as Communism, Hitler's "anti-Communism" merely made a major contribution to the drive for centralised power. There is going to be greater instability than ever, and the greatest contribution Australians can make to their own future, and to that of that Western Christian Civilisation of which they are a part, is to resist valiantly every policy of centralisation irrespective of how it is labelled.

THE HAWKE-KEATING ELECTION STRATEGY: As we anticipated, Treasurer Paul Keating has found it possible to ease interest rates minimally in preparation for the coming Federal Elections. The small reduction in the interest rate will not seriously affect the growing number of economic casualties throughout Australia, but is designed to have a psychological impact. The damage inflicted by the Hawke-Keating strategy is much greater than most people realise. The publicity concerning the fall of the tycoons like Bond, Skase and others tends to mask what is happening to small businesses and primary producers. Accounting firm Ernst and Young say that Australian businesses are now collapsing at the rate of one every day. The Australian Small Business Association reports that between six and ten Melbourne retailers are closing their doors every week. The plight of primary producers is probably worse, but barely rates a mention in the media.

If there were a genuine Opposition, a government inflicting a type of massive economic bloodletting under the guise of "responsible" management, would be swept from office. But electors perceive that there is no genuine alternative. As at the last Federal Elections, a relatively small number of urban electorates will decide the result. These electorates have a large number of that new middle class which both directly and indirectly is sustained by government programmes. There are growth industries in the various forms of social welfare activity. It was the new middle class which saved Hawke at the last elections, and may well save him again. The highly organised "green" movement will also be a major factor.

While Prime Minister Hawke will nominate the election date which he feels will best help him to win, our view is that he is unlikely to have an election before Anzac Day, April 25th, when he is scheduled to be at

the Gallipoli Reunion. The odds tend to favour Paul Keating's suggestion of May 12th. The Keating announcement on interest rates was a signal that the election campaign is now under way.

BRIEF COMMENTS: One of the most astonishing aspects of the Australian economic scene, is that \$160 million a month is being spent on imported foods, most of which are also produced in Australia. Food imports are a major contributor to Australia's crippling imports bill. For once Senator Boswell of Queensland has said something sensible, observing that Australian primary producers were the victims of overseas products which were being subsidised. The sensible policy would be either to restrict the importing of food which Australia can readily produce, or to apply the Second World War policy of consumer discounts, which would reduce the price of home-produced foods, and at the same time help to reduce inflation. But the Hawke Government is wedded to internationalism and visualises large sectors of Australian industry, including primary producers, being "re-structured". Sensible Australians would be well advised to plan ahead and ensure that they have adequate basic foods available. The internationalists could achieve what was once considered impossible: a domestic food shortage.

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Generally overlooked by the world's media was an historic statement by Pope John Paul II in August of last year. The statement sent shock waves through Zionist ranks. The Pope rejected the view that Jews are God's Chosen People, a view which the Zionists have used constantly to protect themselves against charges that, for example, they have a Divine right to do almost as they like. On August 9th the Pope said, "The Jews are no longer God's special people because of their infidelity to God. God's covenant with the Jews has been superseded by His new covenant with Christians. This new covenant comes through Christ." Needless to say, the Pope is now being described as "anti-Semitic". We are not theologians, but observe that Judaism, irrespective of its form, is rooted in Pharisaism, which Christ denounced in the strongest possible terms. If made today, His comments would result in a charge before some Race Relations Board. The basic issue between Christianity and Judaism is philosophic and the Pope's statement may help to clarify a question which has confused and misled many Christians.

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Writing in The Age, Melbourne, conservative columnist Michael Barnard comments that when he was a boy growing up in England, and joined other boys in the age-old practice of stealing a few apples, the farmer reacted by kicking a few backsides. Parents were not told in case further discipline was applied. But today any such discipline would result in assault charges. Juvenile crime has today become a major social problem in all countries, with the present British Conservative Government introducing legislation to make it possible to fine parents

who "fail to control delinquent children". But, as Michael Barnard points out, much of current juvenile violence and crime is the result of governments everywhere conniving or acquiescing in the steady undermining of parental and teacher authority. Thus the current nonsense about "child rights", and the bizarre spectacle of children "divorcing" their parents. The subject of proper authority is one little understood today, with the appalling results which can be seen everywhere. Sexual promiscuity, drug addiction, and the mindless behaviour of so many juveniles, as witnessed by the state of Melbourne's trains, are all manifestations of a breakdown of an authority rooted in the natural order.

As Malcolm Muggeridge pointed out some years back, more of what passes for education is not an answer to juvenile delinquency. It is one of the causes of the problem.

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Former Liberal Party Minister, Ian Macphee, darling of the political trendies, has just lashed out at the New Right in the Liberal Party, and really at politicians generally.

He commented over A.B.C. National that Australian politics were "rotten" (as if we didn't know...O.T.) and that ten years would see the end of the party system as we have known it over past decades.

Again, we observe that politicians can be brutally frank, and particularly when they are outside mainstream politics, as is Mr. Macphee now.

BASIC FUND PASSES \$50,000: With the contribution of \$7,445 since our last published figures, the League's Basic Fund has now moved to \$50,445. The League is managing to keep abreast with its commitments and expanding programme, but the big test is coming as the League gears up for its massive pre-election campaign. The balance of approximately \$14,500 must be found. A flood of contributions from those who have not yet donated - the majority of readers - is essential. Please help NOW. All contributions to Box 1052J, G.P.O., Melbourne, 3001.

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