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The price of Freedom is eternal vigilance —

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THOUGHT FOR THE WEEK: "We have nearly all fallen into the clutches of six myths ... the myth of equality ... the myth that work is intrinsically good and beneficial to the worker's soul, whereas it is the Curse of Adam. The myth that heredity is in some way ... superseded. Shall we call this the illusion of merit? The myth that there are no rare spirits whereas society is held together and all good things advanced by exceptional individuals. Mass movements are the perpetual movement of the Gadarene swine. The myth of the more the merrier. The myth of... the desirability of uniformity. Whereas individualism is the basis of all quality, and can only flourish in freedom. Equality is the great enemy of quality."

- Robert Fordyce Aickman, in the March, 1945, issue of The Nineteenth Century

THE GOSPEL OF SACRIFICE: The founder of Christianity said that He had come in order that the individual might enjoy the life more abundant. Premier Jeff Kennett of Victoria says that he has come to make certain that the demands of the Debt Merchants are met, even though this means a further lowering of the standard of living and quality of life for many Victorians. Premier Kennett admits that his Government's programme means further hardships for the community, saying that he is sorry about this "but it's the only responsible thing to do". The real credit of Victoria is its productive capacity, and this is enormous. There is no physical necessity to cut still further community services. As we predicted, the Kennett Government was doomed to go from disaster to disaster while it slavishly followed the dictates of financial orthodoxy. It is not surprising that there has been a major slump in the electoral support for the Kennett Government. Growing industrial chaos is inevitable.

While it is probably true that the Victorians are suffering the most under the gospel of sacrifice, Federal Treasurer Dawkins is going to ensure that no States escape. Dawkins serves the same Debt Merchants that Jeff Kennett seeks to appease. Last week Mr. Dawkins made it clear that he was attempting to convince what are generally described as the "financial markets", stating that he would make every effort to

reduce the deficit as the long awaited economic recovery gets under way. As yet we see no sign of any such recovery.

So confident were the Liberals of winning the recent Federal Elections that when the four Liberal Premiers met with Dr. Hewson prior to the elections, they committed themselves to supporting a 10 percent reduction in Federal grants to the States. Dawkins will be reminding the States of this commitment and insisting that they adopt the type of programme being attempted by Jeff Kennett. The future for Australia is extremely bleak under debt-finance. Federal Treasurer Dawkins is now in the "hot seat", without even being able to say, like Kennett, that having inspected the books he has found the situation far worse than he thought. Dawkins was in charge of the books before the elections!

Explosive days are ahead with no escape unless the debt-financial system is faced.

REPUBLICAN STRATEGY UNFOLDING by David Thompson:

There is no doubt that the next term of Government under the leadership of the insufferable Keating will rival the Whitlam years for their fervour of revolutionary change. Keating is not the man to let the grass grow under his feet. In a private election-eve dinner for his personal staff, Keating made the following significant comment: "I think that given the chance to hit our straps with some real authority, the authority of a national election behind us, we can really do some very interesting things in world terms ... I reckon that we'll do more things here than any other Western Government will do in the next three years if we get up..."

Keating and those who inspire him clearly wish to rip apart the traditional Australian identity completely, substituting something as yet unidentified, but being oriented more to "Asia". In this respect, Keating carries forward the Fabian traditions of the modern Labor Party, which were spelt out by Prime Minister Hawke in his famous 1984 Centenary Address to the Fabian Society in Melbourne.

The first target must be the Crown (of Australia) since this embodies the very essence of genuine Australian identity. But any attack on the Crown that can significantly change the system of government, involves a massive change to the Constitution. This requires a referendum, and even with opinion polls running as they are, this is no certainty for the republicans. The strategy must be to undermine the Crown wherever possible. The oaths of allegiance for citizenship purposes have already been watered down.

NO IMMEDIATE FRONTAL ASSAULT: It is clear that a long-term propaganda campaign will take place before any referendum is held. Every chance will be taken to weaken the Monarchists. But rather than a frontal assault on the Constitution, the republicans propose to begin with the States. The weakest State is Queensland, in constitutional terms. The ALP abolished the Upper House in 1924, leaving Queensland Premiers

nominally unchallenged in what they may do. Thus, Wayne Goss proposes to take effective steps to remove the Crown from every possible part of Queensland public and legal life.

With Premier John Fahey demonstrating his disloyalty, and NSW Opposition leader Bob Carr proposing to follow Goss' lead, this strategy could be followed in several other States. Queensland could well prove to be a major test. Already Sir James Killen has publicly challenged Goss' proposal.

HAYDEN MAKES A POINT: Interviewed by Laurie Oaks for Channel 9 last Sunday, the Governor-General, Hayden, warned that simply changing the office of Governor-General for "President" would not prevent the events of 1975 being repeated. Hayden added that the Queen has not 'interfered in any way' in Australian politics, and that without massive changes to the Constitution, including abolishing the Reserve Powers, a "President" would not make for significant structural changes. It is also notable that the ABC report of this interview edited it in such a way that a completely different construction was placed on Hayden's comments. Needless to say, the republicans were enraged by Hayden's comments.

BRIEF COMMENTS: While the soul-searching continues among the ranks of the Liberal Party, still shocked by the electoral disaster of the Federal Elections, with general agreement that the GST should be forgotten, the National Farmers' Federation refuses to accept any responsibility for its contribution to the Keating victory. The NFF spent large sums of money, estimated to have been at least \$400,000, for a campaign in favour of the Fightback policy, including the GST, in a number of electorates regarded as marginal. The aim was to have the Coalition Parties elected. Confronted by the reality that the campaign was a failure, the best that executive director Rick Farley could offer was the weak excuse that the swing to Labor was less in the rural areas than in the cities. Mr. Farley sought to engage in a little damage control by mentioning that the National Party had won the Queensland electorate of Kennedy. But Mr. Farley did not mention that National Party Member Bob Katter has been a strong opponent of the Hewson policy, and has been scathing in his references to "level playing fields". The NFF has badly failed rural Australia, persistently refusing to direct attention to the major problem: unpayable debt.

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The Australian Institute of Jewish Affairs reports, after a survey of 400 students at 10 Universities, that "racism" was rife; Australia should cut immigration and migrants primarily from Europe and North

America were preferred above Asian migrants. 15 percent thought that Jews were too interested "in making money", while 14 percent said that the Italian community "was too heavily involved in organised crime in Australia". 40 percent were opposed to any further land rights for Aborigines.

Commenting on the findings, Zionist-Jewish leader Isi Leibler said that the findings were "disturbing" and was most concerned about the attitude concerning Asians. There was an urgent need for education and legislation to tackle "racism" in Australia. The reality is, of course, that the multicultural society inevitably produces frictions which the Leiblers then seek to exploit to further totalitarian legislation.

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As we go to press, the Federal Government is attempting to head off the David Irving appeal in the Federal Court concerning his ban from Australia. Legal delaying tactics are being attempted to prevent a hearing in the Federal Court, scheduled for April 29th. Obviously the Government fears publicity.

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BASIC FUND URGENCY: With every day that passes the future of Australia is being increasingly threatened. The open assault on the very core of the Federal Constitution, the Constitutional Monarchy, has resulted in growing numbers turning to the League of Rights for a constructive lead. The League is well equipped to provide the lead, but it must have adequate finance to do this. As we go to press the Basic Fund is still short by approximately \$2,000 of its minimum target of \$60,000. The Basic Fund appeal **MUST** be concluded by the end of this month. We not only require sufficient to reach the target, but sufficient to provide a surplus to help finance the big battle planned on the heritage and constitutional fronts. Rush YOUR donation IMMEDIATELY to Box 1052J, GPO, Melbourne, 3001.