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The price of Freedom is eternal vigilance —

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THOUGHT FOR THE WEEK: "Not many matters are a ground for certainty nowadays, but on two of them it is possible to be fairly dogmatic.

"There will be no sensible improvement in world society until there is a radical decentralisation of money power; and there will be no decentralisation of money power by a centralised government, no matter what it may call itself."
- C.H. Douglas

MORAL COWARDICE BETRAYS AUSTRALIA by David Thompson:

The Tasmanian Liberal Party, by refusing to betray their principles and abandon legislation prohibiting homosexual activity in Tasmania, has left its Federal counterpart floundering. Again the Achilles heel of the Coalition is exposed: the lack of a solid philosophical base from which to launch an effective policy challenge that could reverse years of political betrayal. The Federal Liberal Party would like to support the Tasmanian Government's right to make its own laws, but cannot bring itself to support legislation banning homosexual acts.

Dr. Hewson's endorsement of the Sydney Gay and Lesbian Mardi Gras was, in effect, an endorsement of the very thing that the Tasmanian Liberals reject - the act of sodomy. How is it that the Tasmanian Liberals can clearly reject an act that is physically repugnant as well as morally wrong, but their Canberra colleagues cannot?

This basic philosophical weakness will jeopardise the Coalition's defence of States' rights. If the United Nations Human Rights Committee does condemn the Tasmanian legislation, Australia will be in breach of the International Convention on Civil and Political Rights. Attorney-General Lavarch has confirmed that the Commonwealth would seek to act to override the State legislation, in order to protect Australia's "international reputation".

Opposition spokesman Peter Reith effectively states the position: "If you don't like the laws made by a State Parliament, then you should

change your State Parliament. If you want to go off to Canberra to fix every problem and then go from Canberra to Geneva (the U.N.) then you will not have a system of parliamentary democracy..." Mr. Reith correctly notes that if the Liberals cannot stand by this principle, then "we might as well say goodbye to the federal system". But Mr. Reith himself confirms that he does not support the Tasmanian legislation banning homosexuality. This obvious moral failure will be fully exploited by those who wish to centralise power - not only in Canberra, but internationally by way of the United Nations.

What can the Liberals do? The best they can hope to achieve is to challenge the Commonwealth and Mr. Lavarch to defy the United Nations conventions, and demand that Australia withdraw from such 'treaty' agreements. But it is almost certain that in the attempt the Liberals will wilt when asked to support the Tasmanian legislation on homosexuality, and retreat from the field. The failure of moral courage will again betray the genuine interests of Australian sovereignty, and mark the Opposition as politically helpless in the face of the humanist challenge. What should become the greatest ever challenge to the international centralisation of power in Australia could instead become little more than a squalid political obituary for the Liberals at the hands of the homosexual lobby.

THE MAN WHO REFUSES TO THINK by David Thompson:

The Good Weekend magazine section of the Fairfax press carried yet another "exposure" of what its author Gerard Henderson calls "the lunar right", in last weekend's Sydney Morning Herald and The Age. The main target of Henderson's abuse is again the League of Rights. In his usual superior style, Henderson attempts to make the case that the League gives comfort and ideological support to other, extreme, groups, engaging in racially motivated violence and crime. He also strongly criticises Mr. Graeme Campbell, A.L.P. Member for Kalgoorlie, for appearing on the League platform at the National Weekend in 1993, as this "gave the Australian Right its biggest boost in decades".

In the course of his article, Henderson refers to other "studies" of the League by former communist K.D. Gott (Voices of Hate) and Andrew Campbell, as well as the forthcoming book by David Greason, I Was A Teenage Fascist. Such superficial studies have contributed little to genuine debate. Indeed, so biased and abusive was Gott's effort, that for years the League bought as many copies as possible to distribute as an example of the transparent rubbish of our critics! Henderson's material is little better. He appeals to "genuine conservatives" like Geoffrey Blainey, Hewson, John Stone, Leonie Kramer, B.A. Santamaria, to confront the League, and vanquish it as a political force.

POLITICAL ABUSE: The truth is that Henderson, writing under the guise of impartial investigative journalism, indulges in political abuse of those with whom he disagrees. He exposes himself as little more than a self-appointed arbiter of what is politically correct, and what is not. The League, as usual, is accused of anti-Semitism and racism

clearly implied. But does Henderson reject the League's call for a referendum on immigration? Is Blainey to be condemned for his warning about Asian immigration?

In condemning the League, Henderson asks readers to suspend reality in such matters as immigration and multiculturalism. Events everywhere simply bear out the League's (and others) warnings. The fruits of multiculturalism surround us. The day after Henderson's article appeared, the Immigration Minister, Senator Bolkus, was punched, spat upon and abused by an angry mob of 2,000 Macedonians in Wollongong. A severely shaken Bolkus might reflect on the "success" of Australia's multicultural nightmare. Another journalist, Padraic McGuinness, was much more honest in his assessment: "multiculturalism in Australia is largely a middle-class fantasy ..." It is notable, also, that Henderson studiously avoids mentioning Australians Against Further Immigration, and their support at the polling booths recently.

BANKING MYOPIA: Rather than research the facts concerning banking, Henderson continues to lampoon those who have. He again criticises Paul McLean for his Bankers and Bastards in which McLean deals with the creation of credit, and the influences of banks. Like C.H. Douglas before him, claims Henderson, McLean believes that banks are part of an international conspiracy, to impose modern-day slavery.

Henderson incorrectly charges that the League has devoted considerable resources to attacking the Citizens Electoral Councils, with whom a common belief in the evils of international finance is held. "All is conspiracy, and conspiracy is all...." he writes.

The truth is that other writers are drawing attention to similar issues. Mr. B.A. Santamaria, who writes a column for the Weekend Australian, has also dealt with the creation of credit, debt and banking. He did so again in his column last weekend! McGuinness has also touched on the issue of "world domination". Writing on the international centralisation of power, McGuinness wrote: "...the process has been stealthy, conducted behind a smokescreen of propaganda, and undemocratic..." (Australian, 22/3/94).

DOUGLAS "INCOMPREHENSIBLE": Henderson also makes the comment that the main influence on the League is "the all but incomprehensible teachings of Major C.H. Douglas..." and social credit. This reveals more about Henderson than Douglas. Mr. Henderson is the Executive Director of the "Sydney Institute" - an ideological "think-tank" that assumes an intellectual status. Has Henderson been unable to understand what Douglas wrote? Thousands of others have had little difficulty. Can Mr. Henderson make no sense of "Economic Democracy" or even "Dictatorship by Taxation"?

If Gerard Henderson were to be honest, he comes from a long line of those who do understand Douglas, but fear his proposals, and reject his main objectives, which are the elevation of the individual above the institution. Henderson suffers from intellectual dishonesty and

a form of moral cowardice which prevent him from seeing reality, or even from telling the truth. Perhaps he can think, but refuses to try.

How is the League able to correctly predict the general course of events? Does Eric Butler have a crystal ball? There are basically only two views of history; that events "just happen" (the village idiot theory), or that events conform to a thread of policy.

LABOR ENDORSES KENNETT AMALGAMATIONS: The Labor Party has now openly endorsed the Victorian Kennett Government's amalgamation programme, confirming the League of Rights' view that the Victorian Liberal-National Party Coalition has been taken over by the Fabians.

The League's campaigning has forced the amalgamation issue into the open, with the Labor Opposition in Victoria being compelled to declare itself. The Herald-Sun, Melbourne, of April 5th, quotes the Opposition Local Government Spokesman, Mr. Pat Power, as saying that the Labor Party favours the concept of the present Municipal Councillors being used to implement the amalgamation programme. Labor is seeking the best of both worlds: conceding that amalgamation is necessary, but trying to ease the pain by advocating existing Municipal Councillors implement the programme instead of appointing Commissioners.

The same Herald-Sun quotes the Deputy Prime Minister Brian Howe as having described the Kennett programme as "a welcome initiative". The Fabians and their spiritual bedfellows are quietly congratulating themselves on the work of a Premier they can only regard as a "useful idiot". One anti-amalgamation campaigner in Melbourne has personally contacted the West Australian Liberal Government, which says it is "aghast" at what is being done by the Kennett Government, pointing out that W.A. is going in the opposite direction by breaking up bigger Councils.

The battle is far from lost in Victoria, but there are going to be some casualties. As more Local Councillors grasp the far reaching implications of the Kennett amalgamation policy, resistance is stiffening. All League actionists are urged to increase their efforts. At the end of the day, the League's credibility will be higher than ever.

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