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The price of Freedom is eternal vigilance –

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THOUGHT FOR THE WEEK: *"Constitutional safeguards: Public opinion has been so confused and perverted by subtle-totalitarian propaganda that there are a great number of people who accept without question the idea that once a Government has been elected to office, it should be free to do as it likes until the next elections... Laski has written: 'There is no reason to doubt that the prerogative of the King seems to men of eminence and experience in politics above all the means of delaying the coming of Socialism.' This is a particularly significant statement. Laski said his fellow-totalitarians in all parts of the British Empire realise that the Monopoly State cannot be created while the powers of Parliament are limited by Constitutional safeguards..."*

– Eric D. Butler in *Steps Toward the Monopoly State*, 1949

THE VERY REAL THREAT WE FACE by Betty Luks:

As a younger woman I had read of the horrendous experiences of such men as Lutheran pastor Richard Wurmbrand under the brutal communist regime in the eastern-European country of Roumania. I went on to read Solzhenitsyn's works and realised the western world was also in dire peril, but, because the battle being waged was not by military means, but by a much more subtle means of warfare, few people could 'see' what was – and is – happening. I had noted the comment of one person, based on the lessons of the 20th century alone, that those who thought a totalitarian New World Order would be run by saints were not only gullible but incredibly stupid.

Wartime referendum: I wonder how many of our younger readers know the Australian League of Rights grew out of the "VOTE NO" campaign waged against the wartime bid to centralise more power in the hands of the Canberra politicians? The Fabian Socialist, attorney-general at the time, Dr. H.V. Evatt, tried to do so at the 1944 "Post-War Reconstruction" Referendum – and, thankfully, failed. Dr. Evatt was forced to go to a Referendum only because the Tasmanian Legislative Council refused to be a party to the House of Assembly's proposal to grant the powers to Canberra without reference to the Tasmanian electors.

In 1942 Dr. Evatt had courted the States' Premiers and Leaders of the Opposition getting them to adopt the proposal of deferring the holding of a Referendum, but asking the various State Parliaments to

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the Federal Parliament "for a limited period". The proposal was rejected by Tasmania's Upper House thus forcing the centralists to a referendum.

In a Melbourne *Argus* article, October 25th, 1947, written prior to the Victorian State Elections of that year Eric Butler wrote: "After visiting Stalin in 1946, Professor Harold Laski, of the Fabian Socialist London School of Economics, made the statement that Russian Communism and British Socialism were merely two distinct roads to the same objective." He also observed British and Australian Governments "both have the same totalitarian objective, but different techniques are required to reach it". And, "The written Federal Constitution and the High Court have compelled different tactics in Australia."

Just in case you may be thinking those objectives ended with the 'collapse' of the Soviet system, remember, labels mean nothing – "By their fruits you will know them". What was not quite so clear in the 1940s, as it is today, was the hidden link between Capitalism and Communism. It was through the great pioneering work of such men as Eric Butler and Jeremy Lee, and authors such as Gary Allen – *None Dare Call It Conspiracy*, Douglas Reed – *The Controversy of Zion*, Ivor Benson – *In This Age of Conflict*, Antony Sutton – *Wall Street and the Bolshevik Revolution*, and Carol Quigley – *Tragedy and Hope*, that those who pay enough attention to detail can now 'peer through the veil' of those 'hidden' forces and their Plan for a New World Order – and bring their Plans out into 'the light of day' for all the world to see.

P.S.: Most Australians have yet to recognise, let alone acknowledge, the stupendous efforts made over many years and under most difficult circumstances, by men such as Eric D. Butler and Jeremy W. Lee in their endeavours to warn, educate, and motivate us, to also take up the fight against these devilishly clever forces – to retain our freedoms and keep government in its place as servant, and not master.

ANOTHER MASSIVE ONSLAUGHT ON OUR CONSTITUTIONAL MONARCHY – Mr. Philip Benwell, National Chairman of the Australian Monarchist League writes:

"As I have been warning for some time, the Republicans, particularly those in the media and the Parliaments, have been preparing for a massive onslaught on our Constitutional Monarchy. In 1999 they were unable to succeed because the Australian People (as opposed to the supposed intellectual elite) stood their ground and voted down a republic and they will not succeed this time provided we, ourselves, stand our ground.

I have often quoted the words of Ben Chifley – and they are no less relevant today: "If an idea is worth fighting for, no matter the penalty, fight for the right, and truth and justice will prevail."

The Australian Monarchist League is preparing for what is to come and very soon our website will be updated and ready to meet the challenge. However, as with the phone poll, e-mail is our fastest weapon but unfortunately so many of our members and supporters remain computer illiterate. It is therefore important that we increase our e-mail database, which always remains strictly confidential and is never broadcast to others.

Would you therefore give consideration to contacting persons whom you know to be sympathetic to our cause to ask whether they would like to receive our e-mails, which I hope you will agree are not very intrusive?

Editor's note: Those *O.T.* readers who would like to receive Mr. Benwell's e-mails can contact his organisation at: secretary@monarchist.org.au

Mr. Benwell reminds us: Submissions to the Senate Inquiry into an Australian Republic are now being pasted onto their website and can be seen at: http://www.aph.gov.au/Senate/committee/legcon_ctte/republic03/submissions/sub_list.htm

Please do respond to this Inquiry opposing any plebiscites, referendums or indeed any sort of republic. Briefing notes to assist you can be found on our web-site: www.monarchist.org.au

THE 'A.C.A.' PHONE POLL: The *A Current Affair* telephone poll on the question "Do you want a republic?" was announced on Tuesday, January 27th, 2004, with a resounding 66.3% NO result. However, when contacted the following day Channel 9 advised that the NO figures were 61.5% out of a total 13,640 calls.

Whichever figure is correct, over 60% NO is similar to the 1999 Referendum figures and is a resounding defeat for Republicans and is in direct conflict with the *Sunday Telegraph* Newspoll results on the imprecise question: "Do you Want an Australian Head of State?" where 64% of 1,200 persons questioned returned a YES vote.

The Newspoll results were publicised on most television, radio and print media but the phone poll, with over ten times the number of people involved, was blatantly ignored with the results unpublished even on the A.C.A. website!

One wonders what the situation would have been had the figures been in favour of a Republic instead of so devastatingly against?

Further information and 'ammunition' in the battle for our Constitutional Monarchy:

The Moral Implications of Centralised Power by Eric D. Butler: In an Introduction to Eric's book, author and lecturer Anthony Cooney writes: "In this question – Power versus Freedom, the distinction between 'Democracy' and Law is all important. 'Majority Rule' is a claim that 'Might is Right'. The continuity of custom (and Constitutional Monarchy...*ed*) is the guarantee against clobbered up 'Majorities'." A very important book to study in relation to the Peoples' rights and the pursuit of power. **\$9.50 posted.**

The Twilight of the Elites by David Flint: This book challenges the policies promoted by the "elites" (those in positions of influence in the media and other high profile positions) and presents sensible and practical alternatives. **The chapter headings give an outline of what David Flint has to say:-**
The Success Story of the Twentieth Century: The Australian Federation; The Elite Agenda and the Media; A Commonwealth without Borders; A Treaty for the Dissolution of Australia? Any Republic Whatever it Takes; An Elite Population Policy? Financing Their Agenda, Restoring the Federation. Contained therein is an excellent outline of traditional Australian values capable of inspiring a challenge to current and future "elite" policies. **Single copy – \$30 posted; two copies – \$55 posted.**
Make cheque/money order out to: Heritage Books, Box 1052, G.P.O., Melbourne, 3001.

WE ARE YOUR 'REPRESENTATIVES' – WE THINK by Kenneth McFadzen:

At a public forum held by the Free Association in Mackay on January 29th, to hear candidates for the coming State elections present their policies and answer questions from the floor, it was stated by the National Party (N.P.) candidate that they were responsible to the electors' will before the Party.

The National Party's State leader, Mr. Springborg, has publicly stated that any N.P. candidate who distributes preferences to One Nation will be disendorsed.

It was made fairly clear by those at the meeting that preferences should be given to One Nation over Labor – the NP candidates 'fumbled' around this question. I suppose we will have to wait to see National Party "How to Vote" cards, to find out whether the Party or the Will of the People prevails.

JOBS GOING OVERSEAS IS A HOT ISSUE IN AMERICA by Jennifer Grundy:

In America almost three million jobs have disappeared in three years, mainly manufacturing and textiles, because of cheap exports.

The C.E.O. of the National Milk Producers Federation, Jerry Kozak, has said, "Australian products would swamp our markets and wipe out thousands of small-to-medium-size family farms in the process." Mr. Kozak even linked the free trade agreement to the war on terror, "No homeland can be secure if the quantity and quality of its dairy supply is in doubt." Kozak also pointed out that Mr. Bush said two years ago, "It is in our national security interest that we be able to feed ourselves." (*Advertiser*, 28/1/04)

The age-old trade war between Australia and America continues, with those involved at the grass roots in primary and secondary industry concerned not only for their own welfare, but for the overall loss of jobs, which in turn means the slow decline of small communities to the detriment of the nation.

When are the decisions which bring about such devastating results going to be reversed? If we are fighting to find markets for products, does this mean an oversupply? Can it be revealed that we do not always produce goods because they are needed, but because the money or income is needed?

Trade should not mean a conflict between "them and us" but should be a way of distributing genuinely needed goods among willing parties. Complicated trade agreements tend to take control of policy making, while attempting to avoid trade wars. It would be preferable to encourage each nation to be self-sufficient in supplying their own needs and exporting or importing only that which is genuinely required.

If production and distribution is to be kept in balance, without individuals losing purchasing power, the issue of debt free money must come into the equation.

What is physically possible can be made financially possible. The physical side means hard work and organisation to produce and manufacture – the financial side is a matter of implementing a policy to make money or credit available, without burden, so that what is produced can be readily purchased. The only purpose of production is consumption.

This can be done, has been done and must be done again if stability for all is to prevail.

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