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The price of Freedom is eternal vigilance –

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THOUGHT FOR THE WEEK: Bread for my Neighbour: Christianity has all too often meant withdrawal and the unwillingness to share the common suffering of mankind. But the world has rightly risen in protest against such piety... The care of another – even material, bodily care – is spiritual in essence. Bread for myself is a material question; bread for my neighbour is a spiritual one. – Jacques Maritain

THE MARRIAGE OF THE PRINCE OF WALES: The marriage of HRH The Prince of Wales and Mrs. Camilla Parker Bowles will take place on Friday, April 8th, 2005, at Windsor Castle.

The Prince of Wales has said: "Mrs. Parker Bowles and I are absolutely delighted. It will be a very special day for us and our families."

Mrs. Parker Bowles will use the title HRH The Duchess of Cornwall after marriage. It is intended that Mrs. Parker Bowles should use the title HRH The Princess Consort when The Prince of Wales accedes to The Throne.

The wedding will be a largely private occasion for family and friends. It will comprise a civil ceremony in Windsor Castle. There will subsequently be a service of prayer and dedication in St. George's Chapel at which the Archbishop of Canterbury will preside. We wish them well.

THE CHRISTIAN FAITH – FOUNDATION OF WESTERN WORLD by Betty Luks:

It has been a week of 'brick-bats' for the writers of *On Target*. Oh well, it goes with the territory; we shouldn't be in the business if we are not willing to take the criticisms – and be willing to respond and explain to our friends.

One criticised us for conducting a Telstra Campaign, when half of the shares were already sold, and, as for describing Australia as "totally independent and a sovereign nation when obviously we no longer are (Phillip Benwell's article last week..ed) I fear the organisation has lost its bearings..." Another subscriber thought we were letting sensationalism creep into some of our reports and we should be concentrating more on the local/national scene.

The League of Rights' position cannot be understood apart from its stated policies which has as its foundation 'the Christian revelation of God'.

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James Reed restated the Christian concept of the 'philosophy of law' in the February edition of The New Times Survey. The following is an extract from the article "Christian Philosophy and the Foundation of Law":

"For the Christian, God is the creative source of Being who brings into existence the natural law binding on all mankind. Thomas Aquinas (1224-1274) the greatest Christian natural law theorist, in his *Summa Theologica* defined law as 'an ordinance of reason for the common good, made by Him [i.e., God] who has care of all the community and promulgated.' Law must therefore be just 'having the power of binding the conscience'. Just laws are ordered to the common good. For Aquinas, citizens have no obligation to obey unjust laws: 'an unjust law is not law' and unjust laws 'are acts of violence rather than laws.'

The Christian philosophy of law (or jurisprudence) held that man by nature was free. Without free choice, original sin made no sense. The free and lawful person also became the fundamental conceptual framework of the common law. Such free persons also possessed human dignity, having been made in the image of God. 'Everyman' is thus free, responsible and good..."

TELSTRA CAMPAIGN – A DEMONSTRATION OF THE SOCIAL CREDIT: The Telstra Campaign is one issue that could unite the Australian people to act together and achieve an objective upon which they all agree – that the major Telstra shares should remain an asset of the Australian people.

If those who are concerned about the direction in which this country is being taken, could join the campaign and inform their parliamentary representative it is their WILL the shares are not to be sold, and insist the representative is to represent them – and vote and act accordingly – it would be a demonstration of the social credit, or faith, or belief of the Australian people that they can act together on an issue AND ACHIEVE THE RESULTS THEY WANT. It would be A DEMONSTRATION OF SOCIAL CREDIT IN ACTION!

And the Telstra issue is one issue which could bring the fragmented Australian people together at this point of time... Their actions WOULD BE A DEMONSTRATION THERE IS SUCH A THING AS A SOCIAL DYNAMIC (A MORAL FORCE) IN OUR SOCIETY, AND IT IS A LATENT FORCE FOR GOOD.

The power we are appealing to is 'the power of the people' – the only legitimate power that can come against those politicians who have sold out to Mammon. (One of the major strategies of the political parties is to 'divide and rule' the people.)

If the people came together on the issue and

- Insist their political representatives vote against the sale
 - Understand how their (the people's) will should be re-presented in Parliament
 - Grasp the significance of what they have done – what they have demonstrated
 - Realise how their own (will) power, directed in right action through the right channels, can legitimately work for 'the common good' (for the good of all the people)
- they would have demonstrated to themselves how their parliamentary system could and should be working and the social dynamic which helps it work.

Eric Butler stated the case succinctly: "Centralised planning not only must lead to some ultimate form of tyranny but is a tyranny in itself because it suppresses freedom of individual initiative within the framework of true law.

All tyranny is that which robs the individual of power in association with others to determine policy."

SOVEREIGN NATION: As for describing Australia as "totally independent and a sovereign nation when obviously we no longer are, I fear the organisation has lost its bearings."

We can well understand the frustration of the long-term reader when seeing that term used in the context of Australia as still a 'sovereign' nation. After all, the League of Rights has spent the last sixty years warning the people of this great land their freedoms are being eroded "from the enemy within and without", and to claim it is still a sovereign nation is simply not true.

In his media release, Phillip Benwell of the Australian Monarchist League used the term in the context of assuring Australians, due to convention, both Prince Charles and Her Majesty Queen Elizabeth had to wait to be invited to visit this land. To me he is saying: Don't be fooled by the republican propaganda and the accusations the Royal Family have no interest in us - the authority to make the decision to visit us isn't theirs to make.

I am sure Mr. Benwell is quite aware of other threats to our freedoms and institutions. We admit we are human and do make mistakes, and yes, at times use inappropriate words conveying the wrong impressions. Sorry about that.

Sovereign nation and Constitutional Monarchy: The "Money Power" or Mammon has always recognised Kingship as a danger to their schemes and aims. Kingship (comes from the same root word as 'kind', 'kinship', 'kinder') is woven into the fabric of a society or nation. Kingship (originally meaning 'leadership') stretches as far back as the origins of the race, the community. It is woven throughout their social and historical fabric.

The ideas of "multi-racial" and/or "multi-cultural" societies or nations do not come from ancient traditions, and it is especially important to grasp *the pedigree* of these modern ideas.

C.H. Douglas' words from "The Big Idea" are particularly apt: "The tendency to argue from the particular to the general is a special case of the sequence from materialism to collectivism. If the universe is reduced to molecules, ultimately we can dispense with a catalogue and a dictionary; all things are the same thing, and all words are just sounds – molecules in motion. That is the ultimate meaning of "Equality" – having no quality..."

And that is exactly what has happened to the Western world. The nation, i.e., the people, along with their systems and institutions, built up over centuries, have been attacked and de-structured – the aim being to reduce us to 'molecules'.

Australians must exercise their own freedom: But the reality is it is up to the Australian people to exercise their own freedom – or lose it!

OVERSEAS FOCUS VERSUS LOCAL/NATIONAL: There are many issues now confronting us which effect people world-wide; the war in Iraq is one example. Although we 'hone in' on John Howard because his responsibility and accountability is to the Australian people, the war of aggression in Iraq affects many people of many nations; not the least the Iraqi people themselves.

The issue of 'conscription' is another matter of importance. Just because the subject of conscription hasn't yet 'surfaced' in this country doesn't mean it hasn't been discussed behind government 'closed doors'. It is being 'floated' in the US to gauge the peoples' response and could be 'in the pipeline' in this country.

Again we quote C.H. Douglas: "Why is it becoming more difficult to bring peace upon earth, and to make effective, goodwill between men? What is the dynamism which will encourage the conquest

of the earth, the sea and the air, but will only permit the substitution of poverty by slavery? Why does the mouthing of the phrase 'the Common Good' merely ensue in individual evil?

More particularly at this time, there is a tendency to exalt war into a cause instead of a symptom. The more closely the structure and psychology of war is studied, however, the more clearly it appears that war is neither a cause nor a symptom, but a method. In the words of Clausewitz, 'War is the pursuit of policy by other means'.

Once this fundamental idea is grasped, the fact that wars occur in the face of the expressed desire of all but a small fraction of the world's population to remain at peace, takes on a new aspect." We seek to shine the spotlight on those who lied about the 'weapons of mass destruction' and pushed for the war in Iraq.

TERMINATOR TECHNOLOGIES: Although the following report is about Canadian action, genetic modification of the earth's food supply concerns us all. Those who have been following the genetic modification of seeds know that "Terminator Technology would take away farmers' traditional rights to save harvested seed for replanting – the basis on which agriculture was developed over thousands of years. Seed saving is essential to the maintenance and further evolution of agricultural diversity world-wide, the basis of food security," as Bob Phelps of GeneEthics has warned.

And the Genetic Use Restriction Technologies (GURTS) relates to the Public opposition to the introduction of these "suicide seeds" in 1998 which forced the UN Convention on Biological Diversity (CBD) to impose a de facto moratorium on further development.

Attempt to overturn international moratorium: Canadians are being alerted by The Action Group on Erosion, Technology and Concentration (The ETC Group, headquartered in Ottawa, Ontario, Canada) that their Government representative at a United Nations meeting this week in Bangkok, will attempt to overturn an international moratorium on Terminator Seed Technology.

Terminator seeds are genetically engineered to be sterile and thereby prevent farmers from saving seed. This is an extremely risky and controversial technology. Some scientists worry about what could happen if the terminator is unleashed on the environment. They fear that terminator technology could migrate from one farm to another, or from a farm to wild plants.

And activists in developing nations are concerned that the technology would put too much power in the hands of a few international agribusinesses.

The GeneEthics Network in Australia has sent out an urgent communiqué to the Canadians, which they ask us to also do. It reads: "Your government will betray all humanity if you enable this ban to be lifted, especially without the full knowledge, participation or consent of civil society."

The ETC Group announced an emailing campaign urging "the Canadian government to immediately take action to direct the Canadian delegation to back continuation of the ban on GURTS. Also to develop, with other governments, a process for a permanent prohibition on all GURTS technologies.

For those with access to the Internet: The Campaign has set up an ACTION ALERT that allows you to send an instant e-mail to the following Canadian officials:

- 1) Prime Minister Paul Martin
- 2) Hon. Andy Mitchell, Minister of Agriculture and Agri-Food
- 3) F.B. Fadden, President, Canadian Food Inspection Agency

Visit the following web address to take action now:

http://www.thecampaign.org/alert_terminator.php

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