Protect Your Union!

Remember Our Late Leader's Warning

In his final speech, three days before his death, the Late Mr. Chifley gave what has been described as his political testament. He said:

"The Government hates trade unions and everything associated with them. The policy of the Menzies Government is to produce 'tame cat' unions; not unions that will fight for the workers, irrespective of the consequences. The Government wants unions to discuss things and agree with it. It wants the officials in its pocket.

"I hope that you will not be frightened and made to get over to the 'right' because of the whispered word 'Communist'. I could not be called a 'young radical', but if I think a thing is worth fighting for, no matter what the penalty may be, I will fight for the right and truth and justice will always prevail."

YOUR UNION COULD BE DECLARED ILLEGAL AND ITS FUNDS CONFISCATED IF THE REFERENDUM IS CARRIED!

MENZIES IS OUT TO SMASH THE TRADE UNION MOVEMENT!

We've Got to Stop Him!

VOTE-

2 YES



ON SEPTEMBER 22 - VOTING IS COMPULSORY

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REFERENDUM ON

- MENZIES REJECTED A SUGGESTION THAT PRICE CONTROL SHOULD BE PUT TO THE PEOPLE IN A REFERENDUM (Premiers' Conference, August 15, 1951).
- DURING FEDERAL ELECTIONS 1949, MENZIES PROMISED TO "CUT LIVING COSTS" AND "KEEP PRICES DOWN."

BUT

Prices Have Gone Up!
Profits Have Gone Up!
Living Costs Have Gone Up!
Purchasing Power Has
Gone Down

Why THIS Referendum? IT ENDANGERS PERSONAL LIBERTY

THE HIGH COURT SAID, WHEN IT FOUND THE COMMUNIST PARTY DISSOLUTION ACT WHOLLY INVALID:

"The Commonwealth Parliament has tull powers under the Constitution, without any amendment being necessary, to deal with every offence of a treasonable, seditious or subversive character"

• MENZIES OPPOSED BANNING COMMUNISTS IN 1947:

When Opposition Leader he said:

"One reason why I have repeatedly expressed the view that these people should be dealt with in the open, is that I have complete confidence in the basic sanity of our own people. If we deal with these people we shall defeat them; but we cannot deal with them openly unless their operations are known; unless they themselves are known."

LABOR OPPOSES THE REFERENDUM

because

- It is a direct frontal attack on all established principles of British justice:
- It goes much further than the legislation declared invalid by the High Court:
- It is the most dangerous measure ever submitted to a British legislature:
- It would give the Commonwealth Parliament authority to legislate against the principles of the existing Constitution and the maintenance of individual liberty and democracy:
- The objective, if agreed to, would divide, weaken, and even destroy the accepted Australian way of life.

THE AUSTRALIAN LABOR PARTY ABHORS COMMUNISM AND WILL CONTINUE TO FIGHT IT TO ITS DESTRUCTION, BUT IT REFUSES TO SUPPORT OR EMPLOY IN THAT FIGHT THE EQUAL EVIL OF FASCISM AND ITS METHODS SELECTED BY THE MENZIES-FADDEN GOVERNMENT. THOSE METHODS WILL DO FAR MORE TO STRENGTHEN THAN TO DEFEAT COMMUNISM IN AUSTRALIA.