

FOR PEACE, JOBS, HOMES DEMOCRACY

FIGHT MONOPOLY

DEFEAT THE MENZIES GOVERNMENT

Your vote on December 9 can help defeat the Menzies Government and express opposition to the rule of the big profiteering monopolies.

Your vote can demand peace, economic security, higher living standards and fuller democratic freedoms.

In this Federal election campaign, as at all times, the Communist Party and its candidates will rally the people to fight for these aims.

The need for action is urgent.

Already 110,000 people are officially registered as unemployed, and tens of thousands more receive less than a full week's pay.

The 60 families who own the major monopoly enterprises make huge profits and live in luxury while housewives scrape unsuccessfully to make their budgets go round; farmers' incomes fall steadily and small businessmen are being "credit-squeezed" out and taken over by big business.

While these 60 families profiteer and exploit the country, working people, trying to express their own aspirations, find their democratic rights being steadily whittled away.

In foreign affairs, Australia has no independent voice. The Menzies Government slavishly follows the plans of the American billionaire war planners, and offends and threatens our Asian neighbours.

The £200 million spent each year on so-called "defence" enriches the monopolies but contributes very little, if anything, to the security of our country.

SUPPORT COMMUNIST CANDIDATES

You can declare your determination to change all this. You can vote out the Menzies Government, representative of the millionaires, and support Communist candidates who stand for widest united action of the Australian working people against monopoly.



TIME TO GET OFF MY BACK

COMMUNIST PARTY POLICY

For Peace

The Communist Party works for a strong, independent Australia and a peaceful foreign policy based on the only sane course for this nuclear age — that all nations, regardless of social systems, should live in peace and settle all differences by peaceful negotiation, not by war.

Communists work for:

- World agreement for universal and general disarmament and the outlawing of nuclear weapons.
- Withdrawal of Australia from the aggressive American-inspired SEATO Pact.
- Negotiations for an atomic-free zone in the Pacific.
- Recognition of the People's Republic of China and support for her full rights in the United Nations.
- Close relations of friendship and trade with all Socialist and Asian countries.
- The end of colonialism in all its forms and the implementation of the U.N. decisions on colonialism, which include the granting of independence to the people of New Guinea and Papua.
- A peace treaty with both German States and against the rearmament of West German and Japanese militarism.

Monopolies Dominate

Only 104 men from 60 millionaire families in Australia direct 249 companies whose capital is valued on the stock exchange at £2075 million.

These monopolies — B.H.P., Coles, Myers, Woolworths, C.S.R., the banks and insurance companies, the breweries and others — dominate all spheres of Australian life.

Starting on a loan from the Commonwealth Bank, in 10 years General Motors-Holdens has returned to its American owners £87 million in profits while increasing its assets by £70 million. Yet this company stands down 8,400 employees, causing them and their families dire distress in order to save a miserable £300,000.

Broken Hill Proprietary, Australia's most powerful local monopoly, last year made a net profit of £15 million. In the same year it handed out to shareholders free share holdings worth about £150 million.

Higher Living Standards and Security for the Working People

To combat the growing economic crisis, to increase purchasing power of the people and to find jobs for the unemployed, the Communist Party calls for:

- Higher wages, a 35-hour working week, equal pay for women and higher rates for young workers.
- Federal and State Government co-operation in stabilisation schemes for each farm industry, to provide a guaranteed price to all working producers covering the cost of production for an amount of produce up to that necessary to provide a living income.
- Reduced taxation on low incomes and higher taxation on the wealthy. Abolition of all forms of indirect taxation on articles of mass consumption.
- Curbs on profiteering monopolies such as legislation to prevent takeovers, strict price controls, capital gains and excess profits tax; reduction of interest rates on hire purchase, housing and farm loans, and nationalisation of the biggest monopolies such as B.H.P., G.M.H. and others.
- Re-establishment of a Commonwealth overseas shipping line to reduce shipping freights and free our trade from the grip of the overseas shipping monopolies.
- A substantial Federal grant to help solve the education crisis, and allocation of 10 per cent of Federal revenue to local government needs.
- A national program of public works, including flood control, soil and water conservation, housing, hospitals and schools.
- A full, free National Health Scheme.
- Higher unemployment and sickness benefits and a moratorium on hire purchase debts and house payments or rents for unemployed workers.
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Menzies Must Go!

The policy of the Menzies Government serves the interests of these wealthy few.

Under this Liberal-Country Party coalition government inflation has worsened from year to year; real wages have declined, farm costs have risen and farmers' net incomes fallen.

Britain's joining the European Common Market will worsen Australia's trading difficulties and shows the need for increased mutually beneficial trade with nations such as China, the U.S.S.R., other socialist countries, and the newly independent countries like India and Indonesia.

But the Menzies Government's aggressive foreign policy stands in the way of developing such trade.

Democratic Freedom

The Menzies Government is destroying civil liberties by amendments to the Crimes Act, legalised phone-tapping, black-listing, gestapo secret police activity, bans and fines against trade unions, and encroachments on academic freedoms. Australians must stop this.

The Communist Party demands:

- Freedom of speech, thought and assembly, and the right to strike.
- Repeal of all anti-working class legislation.
- Curbs on the anti-working class activities of the secret police.
- Full protection of academic freedom.
- Control over the monopoly press, radio and television.
- Equal and complete democratic rights for Aborigines.



Where Does A.L.P. Stand?

The Labor Party follows conflicting policies. Under pressure from its members, supporters and the trade union movement, it adopts many progressive decisions, but fails to act consistently to curb the big monopolies.

The anti-Communist crusade undertaken by some Rightwing leaders of the A.L.P. disrupts working class unity and makes more difficult the defeat of the Menzies Government.

Some A.L.P. leaders are advocating policies similar to the anti-working class Democratic Labor Party, which exerts every effort to split the working class industrially and politically to keep the Menzies Government in office.



In the years 1950-1960 it has arbitrarily increased the average price of steel from £18 a ton to £43 — causing increased costs in every sector of the economy.

Communists For Unity

Friends Of The People - Enemies Of Monopoly

The Communist Party is the only Socialist party in Australia. It recognises that the main problems of ridding Australia of monopoly domination, establishing fuller freedoms and winning a secure, peaceful life can be finally solved only when the resources of our country are in the hands of the working people, that is in a socialist Australia.

The Communist Party is hated and slandered by the spokesmen of monopoly, their newspapers and politicians. Why? Because it is the true friend of working folk and the enemy of profiteers and exploiters.

Communists have long been recognised as good fighters in trade unions, farmers' women's and other organisations for their integrity as incorruptible spokesmen of the people.

The Communist Party always, everywhere, fights for unity of the working people.

That is why the Communist Party strives for united action of all working people to win such common demands of both the A.L.P. and Communist Party for: The repeal of the political and industrial sections of the Crimes Act and the telephone tapping legislation; disarmament, improved social services, national works programs to combat unemployment, recognition of People's China and the establishment of State-owned industries to compete with monopoly.

A vote for Communist candidates is the most powerful vote that can be cast against Menzies and monopoly, for peace, higher living standards and democratic rights.

In seeking your vote COMMUNISTS also advise you to give your second preference to the A.L.P., thus maintaining the unity of the workers' vote, and everywhere put the Menzies candidate last.

Support Communist Candidates

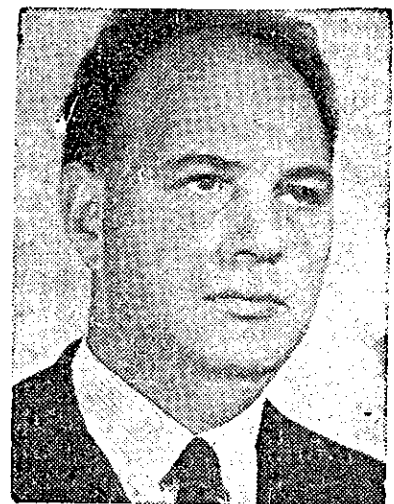
SENATE: C. Jones, J. Nolan, (Mrs.) Pat Pastourel



C. JONES (Senate)



Mrs. PAT PASTOUREL (Senate)



M. JULIUS (Moreton)

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Brisbane: **W. BOWDEN.**

Moreton, **M. JULIUS.**

Herbert: **F. BISHOP.**

Vote COMMUNIST 1, Labor 2, Put the Liberals Last.

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