

Letters to the Editor

RANK-AND-FILE POLICY

It had for years been a grievance of the rank and file of Labor that their political leaders were never prepared to give effect to the main plank of policy—the socialisation of the means of production, distribution and exchange.

In deciding to nationalise banking, the Federal Government will be acclaimed for having at last paved the way to realisation of the hopes of the rank and file. Without Government control of banking Labor could not move very far with the forward policy that changed conditions made more essential than ever.

Though returned by an overwhelming verdict of the people, the Labor Government has been constantly hampered and obstructed by vested interests in its efforts to regulate the economy of Australia when regulation was imperative.

The farming community should endorse the present banking proposal. It is within recollection of thousands of farmers who took up Credit Foncier loans that through pressure of private banking influence the Savings Bank was not permitted to lend its own funds, but

P.O.W. I bet some Australians would not like it if another nation started to find fault with the way that some Australians treat their own natives. People should clean their own country before starting to clean other nations.—DUTCHMAN'S WIFE (Essendon).

In Approval

The parties loudly screaming out that all secrecy of private finance will be infringed, and there may be a link up with the Taxation department, as a result of the nationalisation of banks, are apparently screening the black marketeers and tax evaders.

The great majority of people who are wage earners and honest traders have nothing to fear, as the tax of the former is deducted from their pay envelopes each week by their employers, and honest traders are paying the just amount, as decreed by the Government.

A great many people may even benefit by a reduction of tax, through the emergence from obscurity of numerous transactions of which the Government could not conveniently detect evasions.—LEO OBERMAN (Melbourne).

Kew Bus Service

I consider that the North Kew tramway bus service could be speeded up and passengers could travel in greater comfort if express trips were run during peak periods.