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LAW-BREAKING A LUXURY!

ASKIN MAY BOOST ALL FINES

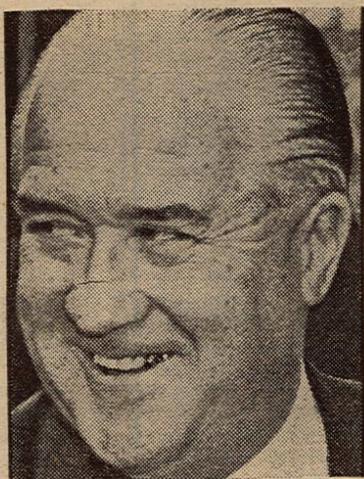
PREMIER, Mr Askin, strongly hinted today that the State Government may increase fines for all law-breaking offences.

He spoke of "other jurisdictions of the law" when questioned on the Government's plan to increase traffic and parking fines.

The Premier said he thought there was a general feeling in the community that fines should be brought up to date with current money values.

"That is not only for repeated parking offences by erring motorists, but also in other jurisdictions," he added.

"The level of fines was fixed years ago and is out of date.



MR ASKIN

"They no longer serve as a deterrent.

"This is the main purpose of fines.

"At the same time, they help bring in revenue lost by the drought.

"A good case may be made out for calling on offenders to help make up lost revenue, rather than law-abiding motorists."

Mr Morris has revealed that the Government plans to introduce the higher traffic fine schedule before Christmas.

The \$4 fine for illegal parking is almost certain to be lifted to \$8.

The Government may introduce multiple fines for illegal parking.

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This would mean that a motorist could be fined \$8 for illegally parking for the first hour, and \$8 for each additional hour.

Other traffic fines likely to be increased include crossing double lines, driving without a licence, not supplying information at the scene of any accident, not observing traffic signs and disobeying traffic lights.

Most offences now carry a maximum \$10 fine.

N.R.M.A. general secretary Mr W. Mason said the traffic fines increase plan was ill-timed.

"Many motorists will feel that, with the State Budget coming up, this is an ill-timed scheme by the Government to raise more revenue," he said.

"We do not feel any severe increase in fines is necessary, although action may be needed in respect of illegally parked vehicles which block lanes in peak-hour traffic."

'STICKS OUT LIKE GRANNY'S TEETH'

Why I rewrote Lord's Prayer

THE traditional 1662 version of the Lord's Prayer "stuck out like Granny's teeth" in a modern language liturgy.

Canon D. W. B. Robinson, Vice-Principal of Moore Theological College, said this today.

Canon Robinson is the man who drafted the controversial "radical" version included in the Church of England Prayerbook Commission's report on experimental forms of modern worship.

He today described his new Lord's Prayer as "a fill-in."

"I don't think it is as important an issue as it has been made out to be," he said.

"It is only a starting point." Canon Robinson is a member of the Prayerbook Commission.

Translation

He said he drafted the new version to fit in with the Commission's modern liturgy, to be placed before the Anglican General Synod next week.

The modern liturgy has been recommended for experimental use in parishes to test its suitability for modern-day worship.

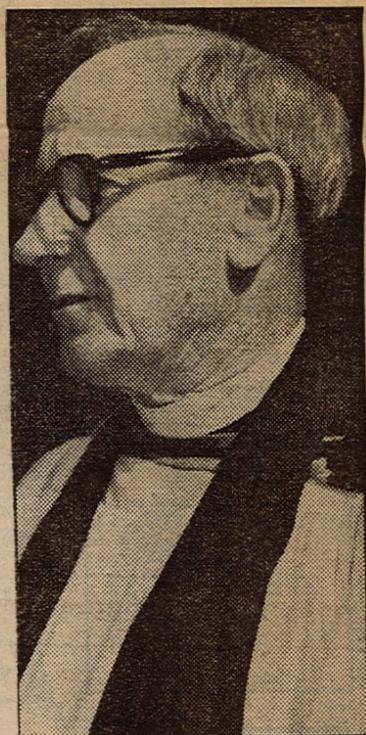
"Something had to be done about the Lord's Prayer in the radically modernised liturgy," Canon Robinson said.

"The 1662 version stuck out like Granny's teeth."

He said his drafted version had not been discussed fully by the commission, and was not even entirely original.

Part of it came from a translation by E. V. Rieu, and part from the New English Bible.

"But I think it could come into use if people decide they want it," he said.



CANON ROBINSON

"Parishioners could get permission from their bishops to use it."

He expected experiments with the new liturgy to the Book of Common Prayer to last at least eight years.

The Commission had not dealt with revisions to the Psalms, Canon Robinson said.

Experiments

But for churchgoers who wanted modern language versions, the Commission had recommended translations in the Revised Standard Bible or by the French Jesuit priest, Father Gelineau.

Canon Robinson, married with four children, was born at Lithgow in 1922, and educated at Shore and Sydney University.

He studied theology at Cambridge and was ordained in Sydney in 1950.

BITTER WORDS!

"Sun" Special

NARABI, Thursday. — Zambian Foreign Minister Simon Kapwepwe, who stormed from the Commonwealth Prime Ministers' Conference yesterday, has savagely attacked Britain's Prime Minister, Mr Wilson.

Mr Kapwepwe accused Mr Wilson of being a racist, determined to create a fascist Government in the rebel colony of Rhodesia.

"It is no use talking to Wilson," the Minister declared angrily yesterday.

"He has no intention of giving government to the majority in Rhodesia.

"The little hope we had that he would bring democratic government to Rhodesia has almost gone.

He hinted Zambia is almost certain to carry out her threat and split the Commonwealth over Britain's Rhodesia policy.

● Britain's ultimatum to Rhodesia, page 7.