

This issue of the ACE Journal features a debate on the crucial issues of poverty, social security, and possible reforms: in particular, we examine perhaps the most radical reform 'on the market' (so to speak), namely the basic income guarantee. Christian economists may or may not agree that the authorities should ORGANISE the relief of poverty. Even when they do so agree, however, exactly how to go about such achieving this goal is not always clear. Hence this debate. Tony Walter - author of, amongst other books, A Long Way From Home and Fair Shares? - and Andrew Dilnot - Senior Research Officer at the Institute for Fiscal Studies - provide a most illuminating discussion. Neither finds the present system - nor its effects - at all ideal. May we all apply our minds and experience to these matters, so that more justice may be done.

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#### NEWS

We will be having reports from the Oxford conference, mentioned last issue in our next issue, later this year.

#### CORRECTION

In the last issue, 1986 No.2, we reprinted two articles from the journal of the Graduates Fellowship of the Australian Fellowship of Evangelical Students, Interchange. We mistakenly called the group the Sydney Christian Economics Group. The Sydney Christian Economics Group has its own separate magazine, ECRG Review, and subscription, and an advertisement for this group is printed in this issue, on the inside back cover. Interchange, on the other hand, is a magazine which covers a wide range of subject matter, not just economics. Subscription forms for the Sydney Christian Economics Group can be obtained from Dr. Shirley Dex, Economics Dept. University of Keele, Keele, Staffs. ST5 5BG.