**FAR NORTH QUEENSLAND AWASH**

800 leave flooded town

BRISBANE, Tuesday — Ingham, a rich sugar town of 6,000 people, 70 miles north of Townsville, is under water tonight in the devastating Queensland floods and 800 people have been evacuated.

The countryside became a vast lake around Ingham when the Herbert River broke its banks. The sugar cane fields are all under water and many workers have been evacuated to higher ground.

While residents argue about the town being abandoned and the banks have notched up record peaks, the Herbert River continues to rise. Households with flooded homes have to be evacuated. The SES and the army are on standby but have not been called out.

Proby of Ministers defended by Holt

The business interests of the Federal cabinet, critics said today, had been put above the public interest, but Mr Holt, who responded to the charge, said Mr Bob Hawke had never been so strong as now.

Mr Holt said the House of Representatives had not attacked the Coalition because it had been too busy with tax cuts, and had left the opposition isolated.

**LABOR HOSTILE**

-Unease mounts over tariffs

By PETER LONG, Economics Writer

The pages turn today, with treasury officials in Canberra, already preparing the weekend for the Right to Claim

**DEATH OF BISHOP BURGMANN AT 81**

Bishop Ernest Henry Burgmann, 81, Bishop of Cairns and First Roman Catholic Bishop of the area, has died in Townsville. He was the first Bishop of the Catholic Church in Australia.

**Thalidomide charges**

Formed charges have been laid against 12 doctors and a company for failing to warn of the dangers of Thalidomide.

**Suharto pleads for tolerance**

From CREIGHTON BURNS, South-east Asia Correspondent

**Divorced vicar plans to wed**

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