Dungarees for Deadbeats.



SYDNEY, January 6, 1917. ONE PENNY

Defence Agitation.

RELEASE AND DEFENCE COMMITTEE LITERATURE

The Defence and Release Committee are issuing leaflets and books dealing with the bitter attacks upon the LWW, and its members. They have printed 100,000 copies of Harry Boote's article, —"Guilty, or Not Guilty!" which appeared in the "Australian Worker." This has been followed by the publication of another leaflet entitled, "A Challenge to those who malign the Industrial Workers of the World." The latter deals with some of the despicable attempts by certain people to discredit the organisation. Bundles of 100 of either of the above leaflets will be forwarded to any address for one shilling or 7s 64 for 1,000.

any address for one shilling or 7s 6d for 1,000.

Following these we are printing a large quantity of "The Speeches from the Dock" in booklet form. These will be retailed at 3d each and 2s per dozen. All the proceeds go to the Docence and Release Fund. Orders for any of this literature must be addressed to the Committee, Box 98, Hayamatet, ASA Warden and Miller in W.A., as well as the boys who were sentenced in Schory, Order early, as they will be out this week.

METROPOLITAN BOARD OF WATER AND SEWERAGE EMPLOYEES'

ASSOCIATION.

To Secretary of I.W.W.

Gaol.

For Our Freedom.

SINCE THE START OF THE BIG OFFENSIVE AGAINST THE RANKS OF LABOR, A FEW MONTHS AGO, THE FOLLOWING MEMBERS OF OUR CLASS HAVE BEEN CONVICTED ON CHARGES OF CONSTRUCT OF SEDITION, OR ON OTHER CHARGES ARISING OUT OF THE CONSCRIPTION ISSUE:

IN SYDNEY.

TOM GLYNN, J. B. KING, PETER LARKIN, DONALD GRANT, CHARLIE
REEVE, BILLY TEEN, DON MCPHERSON, JOE FACAN, BOB BESANT,
THOMAS MOORE, BILLY BEATTIE, and JACK HAMILTON.

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BOB SEMPLE, FRED. COOKE, JIM THORNE, PETER FRASER, TOM
BRINDLE, and WILLIAM McMANUS.
IN VIOTORIA.

JACK CURTAIN AND THE TWO BROTHERS, GRANT.

TWENTY-ONE OF THESE MEN ARE STILL IN GAOL, AND, WITHIT THE AID OF, YOU, FELLOW-WORKERS, MANY OF THEM WILL THERE FOR A LONG WHILE.
WHILE THESE MEN WERE OUT THEY FOUGHT FOR YOU AND YOUR

CONDITIONS ARE RAPIDLY DEVELOPING WHICH MAKE IT IMPERATIVE THAT THEY SHOULD BE SET FREE.

YOU WILL BE NEEDING THEIR HELP IN THE NEAR PUTURE, BUT APART FROM THIS SENSE OF SELF-PIESSERVATION, YOU SHOULD NOT PROGET THAT IT IS "UP TO VOU" NOW, TO FIGHT FOR THEM.

miscarring of justice.
Should your union deem it advisable to comply with the request herein set down a meeting of all concerned can be considered to the constitution of the constitution

DEPENCE AGITATION.
The following resolution was carried almost unanimously by Sydney Branch, No. 2 of the Amalgamated Society of

prison walls!

BETSY H. MATTHIAS

SYMPATHY WITH I.W.W.

Our Moral Codes.

The great work before the LW.W. is to give to the working class a philosophy for the basis of an ethical south the working class in character.

The codes that are handed to us to day by the different subsidised institutions of the master class are so atopud that were it not for the power of the class state no same man would think of obeying them. Modern capitalism, with its accuracy greed for gold, has altered and arranged the teachings of the early Christian movement to suit its own ends, thereby ushering in the age of Portranism with its 'turn the other check' and

The "boss" is out to get as much work for as little pay as he can force the worker to accept, and while on this business he doean't take any notice of the Purisan morals he helped to cein. In this class struggle Labor's fighters have been shot and batoned by hired thugs or thrown into prisons at the command of expitalist attorneys; when the "boss" is fighting the working man he believes that night is right. Let the workers threaten high is right. Let the workers threaten the expression of a Bengal tiger.

HE doesn't care a damn shout the "camel and the eye of a needle" or the "pie in the sky" start; he is out to get his pie right here, and the only place on earth he can get it is out of thy workers' hides.

We have to admit, that constituted as society is at present Right and Wrong cut no ice so long as the boss has the night. He has the "night" because we are thoustled, but we can geatable out to the color of the property of the control of the property of the night. He has the "night" because we are thoustled, but we can geatable out a class.

might into One Big Union, and defy HIS ethics.

The LW.W. is building the One Big Union, and we are going to fight whilst hunger and want are found among millions of workers and while the bos feeds whimself, his pets and poolles on the best. If our actions add to the happiness and well-being of the working class 17 IS MORAL from our point of view.

We refuse to seeb upon one another, in spile of the dictates of craft union officials; we will make an injury to one member of the working class the concern of all.

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Industrial Unions.

The Industrial Workers of the World The Industrial Workers of the World always emphasise the supreme importance of organising the workers upon the best lines, that is to say, upon scientific lines. Obvessorly, if unionism is good, the more perfect the union the better must be its results. Urat or Trades Unions came into be-ing because the workers recognised the value of solidarity in dealing with the boss.

They were in the long ago the ex-ression of the industry of the time, hose were the good old days of "shop" roduction, when one craft was clearly ad easily distinguished from its neigh-sur, and which the employee had quite good chance of, some day, becoming an

ago, and it should be good enough for us!
But IT IS NOT good enough for the
LW.W.! Neither will it much longer be
good enough for the younger members of
the working class outside the LW.W.
Labour's organisations must be perfect;
they must be scientific, and must towards
that end be brought into harmony with
the economic advance of capitalist mathods!

it. The industrial unions can have no better recommendation than the savage treatment its prepagandists meet with at the lands of the captains of industry. THEY fear the coming of the O.B.U., and, therefore, WE should lasten it.

By The Way.

DEGENERATES AND OTHERS.

THE DEPRESSION IN THE TRIPE

From America.

SAN FRANCISCO BOMB CASE

urphy, her uncle, in San Quentin Penitum-for murder, D. J. Kidwell, her step-er in Folsom Penitentiary for forgery. Chief of Police David White. Former oyee of the Pacific Gas and Electric Co.

A Suppressed Poem

(By ROBERT BURNS).

The appended suppressed poem of Post Burns was recited to me from memory b Burns enthusiast of 75 years of age. It more than 20 years since he got the poom for

How blindly we are taught to view of Divine Power. To gull the mob to keep them under, The ancients tell their tales of wonder, A plous fraud, a Holy blunder, A rainbow sign. An earthquake, or a blast of thunder, Or Hell Divine.

To those who are inclined to swallow doe
A wondrous story nothing loses.
The dexterous feats ascribed to Moses
Are proofs so plain.
By sleight-o'haun Hermon poses

To those that believe in tradition
Let sense tak' place of supersition,
The Royal masse competition
And Sacred fountain,
O' could a midge by faith's volition,
Enlarge to a mountain.

The God o' mercy just and good Held forth as in angry mood Drooned the world in a flood To punish Haman, Turned waters into Blood, Just like a demon.

He murdered thousands in a trice,

Wi' hokus-pokus, rod and haun,

The great bombasts surpasses
Like dykes the ocean stood in masses,
They had fleeting prophets, speaking asse
Forby a saut wife,

The Apostle Paul by fancy whim Soared up to heaven as in a dream, But Satan brought him back, it wad seen So says himsel'. But hoe could Nick to Heaven climb Wha's chained the Hell.

This dam'd and wily serpent Niek,
Promised long a michly trick,
He played the trick on God's first-born,
An' got him scourged,
Nalled tae a stick,
And croosed wi' thorns.

Now search the subject thro' the peice.
It's fraught wi' blunders such as these,
That Reverend Priests their flocks may flee
Wi' wily conscience,
Wid teach human being by degrees
Tao swallow nonsense.

The Royal Dignitaries o' each function Set God's Kingdom up for auction, A lump and bargain Drive silly mortals the destruction By their dam'd jargon.

But commonsense shall gain the day.
Loomed by Nature's glorious ray,
Atheism shall flee away
Wr Priests and de'ils;
Sound reason shall her sceptre sway
Hard at her heels.

(From "The Spur.")

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FILL IT IN NOW!

The Truth About Everett.

TVEREITS BLOODY SUNDAY.
The Sydney papers have lately been glostics over the wholesale mutdering of workers at Everett (U.S.A.).
For the benefit of the public, whom the papers love to deceive, we give a full account of the affair, as told by the Everett Workers' Defence Committee:
"What was it, then, that happened in Everett" EVERETT'S BLOODY SUNDAY.

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Forest Wash, 'the City of Smokestacks,' as it is sometimes called, is a small, but thriving town, between thirty and forty miles from Seattle. When we say that it is a thriving town, we mean that the triven town the pole of view of the masters.

But the share of prospectity that has fallen to the workers is a very small one. The sawmill workers are paid diagracefully low wages for a ten hour day. 'The shimple-weavers there had been on strike since last May. The longtheremen had also been involved in Industrial conflict. On the Pacific Coast, the Merchatts' and Manufacturers' Association, the Commercial Citobs—and other employers' unions—had been straining every nerve to fact the organization of a labor and to bring shoot their longestor 'Open Shop'. Labor bodies came in for the order carrier of presention at the hands of the benchmark of the strain of the st

"LEGAL" LAWLESSNESS.

After this, the outrages became common.

Union men were arrested, held incommunicado in Jail, and subjected to daily beatings. The socaled "Prosperous and respectable" element of the commercial Chub, some situations, and the obedient officers of the launchers of the Commercial Chub, some situation, who were the abject tools of the limited of the commercial Chub, some situation, who were the abject tools of the limited and any who were the abject tools of the limited and any who were the abject tools and the more enlightened and liberal of the business and professional men, were indignant at this government by thuggery and requested the LW.W. in Seattle to text, this arbitrary and unexpected problittion of free appects. Accordingly, on Monday, October 30, about thirty men laft Seattle for Execution.

I.W.W. in Seattle to test, this arbitrary and unexpected problition of free speech. Accordingly, on Monday, October 30, about thirty men left-Seattle for Everstil by steamer, with the intention of peaceably trying out their right to hold a street meeting in the town. At the dock they were met by a large party of numen, armed with saga and quas, and with sears around their pecks, which they drew up, masking their faces. The men were loaded into waiting machines and the seat of the s

EVERETT INDIGNATION.

After the little party had stroggied back to settle, a number of them were treated at the settle, a number of them were treated at the settle, a number of them were treated at the settle, a number of them who was to set the settle client of the settle client of

"CITIZENS OF EVERETT!

The above was given out some days before the event. It certainly does not appear as though desperadoes, plotting a dark deed of murder, would advertise the fact by means of handbilla! Yet, the bosses would characterise this simple announcement of a posteroil meeting as "hotting to riol" and "intent to resalt given turbouring" left, Seattle docks with some 250 men on board. About forty left later by the S. S. "Gallating" but never reached their destination.

The men showed the "Yerona" had all paid

With a your teadors abouted shorth MCRao.

We are all leaders!" replied the men, who had no intention of having one of their name. The control of the contro

Winchesters! Pacing the sherif and his detail—on the further side of the "Verona"—were more men on a turboat and a whart. Pacif for sweep the steamer and must have also done much destruction among their accomplies on the opposite whart, according to the reports of many witnesses. In fact, it is more than probable that the mortality among the sheriff point of the property of the other pacific points are caused by the wild fring of the other section opposite them, on the other pier.

Chidley.

It was with profound sorrow that the thousands of friends of the late W. J. Childre heard of his death. Expressions of sympathy were heard on every hand, for the persecution of childre by the authorities had made him notorious and had gained him thousands of friends.

notorious and had gained him thousands of friends.

Almost everyone is conversant with the facts of Chidley's persecution—or shall I say his martyrdom.

I say his martyrdom.

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He had slow adopted a rational dress, and from the time when he first appeared in public advocating the natural life until his tragic death in an asylum, Chidlely had been prosecuted 18 times, gaoled four times, confined in Callan Park Asylum twice, in Kenmore on one occasion, and twice taken to the Reception House.
All this because he was determined to speak the truth.

His book, "The Answer," was des-

speak the truth.

His book, "The Answer," was destroyed and suppressed, but it re-appeared again in a revised edition.

The recent trial at which Chidley's sanity or insanity was determined was hut a hollow mockery. The result was a foregone conclusion. His case was an example of what British justice-may do. No justice has ever been shown to a reformer. Where was the justice in the treatment of Galileo, of Socrates, and in the treatment of all the martyss to the cause of science and progress?

All who knew Chidley personally had the greatest respect and admiration for him. His whole life reflected the purity and noblity of his motives.

For six years he fought single-handed

and nobility of his motives.

For six years he fought single-handed against tremendous odds.

Opposed by convention, by prejudice, false morality, by vested interests, and by an autocratic Government, Chidley had fought gamely to the end—a rebel he lived and a rebel he died.

At last his cemies have won—so they consider. But, though Chidley is silenced, his teachings live.

Socrates met his death at the hands of the authorities of his day, but his philosophy renains—an immortal monument to his name.

to his name.

Will history be repeated?

Is Chidley and his doctrine silenced forever? Is it the end, or is it but the beginning? Is it death, or is it victory?

HARRY MEATHERINGHAM.

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compinary cases, should be of not more than elx or seven hundred words.

Owing to the seiture of U.W., properly in Melbourne, we are unable to publish list of subscribers to Melbourne Defence Fund until same is returned by the police.

There is ONLY one Union. The Class Union. Within it, there is a place for every worder in industry. There is NO foreigner, save the exploiter. The abolition of the wave system is inevitable. Therefore, working men and women, organize today is to the ONLY Union, the Industrial Workers of the World.

"Carlista," aboard of which were thirty-eight free speech warriors. The captain of the "Verona" stopped the "Carlista" and cried to

"For God's sake, don't land they'll kill you! We have dead and wounded aboard now!" Thereupon the "Carlista" put about and retuned to Seattle.

Then and Now

"In Great Britain and Australia unen ployed on an unprecedented scale will in evitably follow the ending of the war." —"Australian Worker."

When unemployed in thousands roam the streets in misery,
And we've a breadline stretching from the railway to the quay,
When you seen the baggard faces with their looks of tall despair,
And above the cry of anguin, dark forebodlags fill the sir,
Then maybe you'll get wery.
Ferhaps you'll organise
When you bear your children pleading for the food the boss deales.

When you see horror spreading and the wolf snarls at the door, You learn with grim reality the suffrings of

the poor; You will know the kind of poverty that burns

You will know the kind of poverty that burns into the soul, And the stung of pious charity—the pauper's meagre dole; Then maybe you'll despise The parson's stiffling lies, You'll forget the politician, and as workers organise.

WHERE DO YOU BELONG?

Do you belong in somebody's kitchen, attoor basement, doing their dirty work, attending to their most infinate personal needs, hiring yourselves for all the time you are awake into the services of others who treat you as an inferior being?

Do you belong there?

Are you satisfied with your lot? Are you could be a slaver before boars, higher wages and respectful treatment from your lot?

wages and respectful treatment from your employers?

If so, you belong in the Domestic Workers' Industrial Union, an organization of domestic slaves who have broken away from the monotones drugery of their existence, who have robelled at the outrages imposed on them, and fort to better their coulding.

They realise that their only hope lies in arousing the workers to a knowledge of their own power, and that they only strength lies in organization. They invite you to join them, knowing that your wrongs are their wrongs, and that an injury to one is the encemer of all. Don't hold back and allow them to fight your buttle. Don't still yet by while the struggle against the enemy, which is your enemy, is going on, and then step feward in the end and reap the benefits you don't deserve.

and reap the benefits you don't deserve.

Endorse them, support them, join them
That is where your interests lie. Have you
served others so long you have forgotten you
have interests of your own? Join the Domestic Workers' Industrial Union. They need you,
and you need them THAT IS WHERE YOU
BELONG.

-From "Solidarity."

WHY YOU SHOULD READ "DIRECT ACTION."

H. CLARK.

BACK ON THE JOB.

We are now on the job in the smelters, and utting in the doops' very successfully. The shave in this industry are sorking made terrible conditions; the boss will not ear of any kind of Union, except the A.S.A., this is about outti. The shaves on the wharf are talking about risking after the New Year, if the bost doesn't. Once through with a 2e rise. All present some of them are working twelve dums a day, while others are walking the hard with amount stemuchas. He was a super-turbation of the walking the same walking the hard with amount stemuchas.

raft Unionism has showed its uselessness e, as elsewhere, but the workers are still anging on" by the last thread, soon that thread must break, and make way a new and more scientific organisation.

BRUTALITY

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Rockhampton Workers, Awake! The Tramway Union.

Workers, Awake!

The capitalist who to-day is the person possessing the power to bend others, to his will, has three great assets the property of the property

UNLAWFUL ASSOCIATIONS.

The I.W.W. is now an unlawful asso-

The I.W.W. is now an unlawful association.

Mr. W. M. Hughes has decreed that any organisation which favors, advocates or practises tactics likely to impede the production of commodities and of untionally required commodities in particular, is liable to be declared unlawful, and any of its members practisation. The I.W.W. being an organisation. The I.W.W. being an organisation which desired the workers to live a long while advised them not to work too hard, and for doing so fell under the ban of the Unlawful Associations Bill.

Now comes the news through the daily press—no search headthnes this time, how-press—no search headthnes this time, how-press—no search headthnes this time, how-down't have been also been also

The Tramway Union.

In the issue of the 22rd I noticed an article headed "Tames McStomeslacke," which recreated the comments on, and the restreated the comments on, and the restreated the Comments on, and the restreated the Tramway Union, in that democratic larger, "The Dully Telegraph." In that democratic larger, "The Dully Telegraph." In that democratic larger, "The Dully Telegraph." In the larger of the transway men, and on behalf of the transway men, and on behalf of the transway men to the month pole of all transway to the month of this creature who claim in the service are in sympathy with the fighters who are now rolling in Big Biggs' dumpoon. Such men as McCarthy and a rew ollers at the best of the transway union have been gulting them for the last ten years. So ext. McCarthy, next elections! I would like to comment on the uright treatment of I.W. men in the transway service. One man years are period for a tortright for behalf a further, with loss of pay for that period; several outcomes of the period of the comment on the uright treatment of I.W. men period for a tortright for behalf a further, with loss of pay for that period; several outcomes on the force the Comment of the uright treatment of the uright treatment period for a fortright for behalf a further, which is claim, and have views and children depending on them, are now in search of another master, glouply because they belonged to an orradiation branded criminal by Jingo journals and politicians.

Ver, the majority of transway men have a

STATEMENT OF PRINCIPLES.

The working class and the employing class have nothing in common. There can be no peace so long as hunger and want are found emong millions of working people, and the few who make up the employing class have all the good things of the.

Between these two classes a struggle must go on until the workers of the world organize as a class, take possession of the carth and the machinery of production, and abolial the wage system.

We find that the centring of the management of industries into fewer and fewer hands makes the trade unions unable to cope with the evergrowing power of the employing class? The trade unions foater a state of affinise.

The following resonance and the resonance meeting held last Saturday night. That we pledge ourselves in every possible way to urge the unions and councils to make tnessenant demands for the terms of peace. The Milhants of Labor are opposed to militariam is every form. It was forcibly contended that the public facility is to be made and have been as the public facility of the public facil

THE GAOL ARGUMENT
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STATEMENT OF PRINCIPLES. AS THE "BOSS" WOULD WISH THEM

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