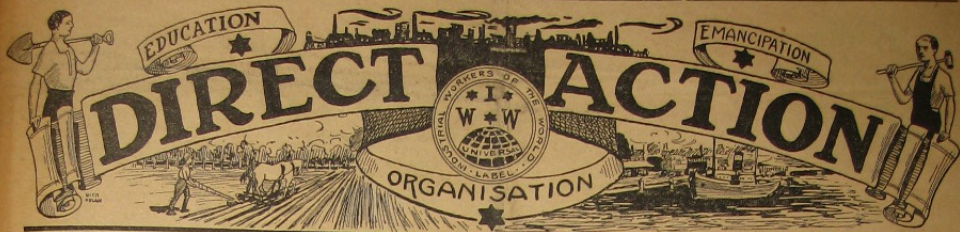


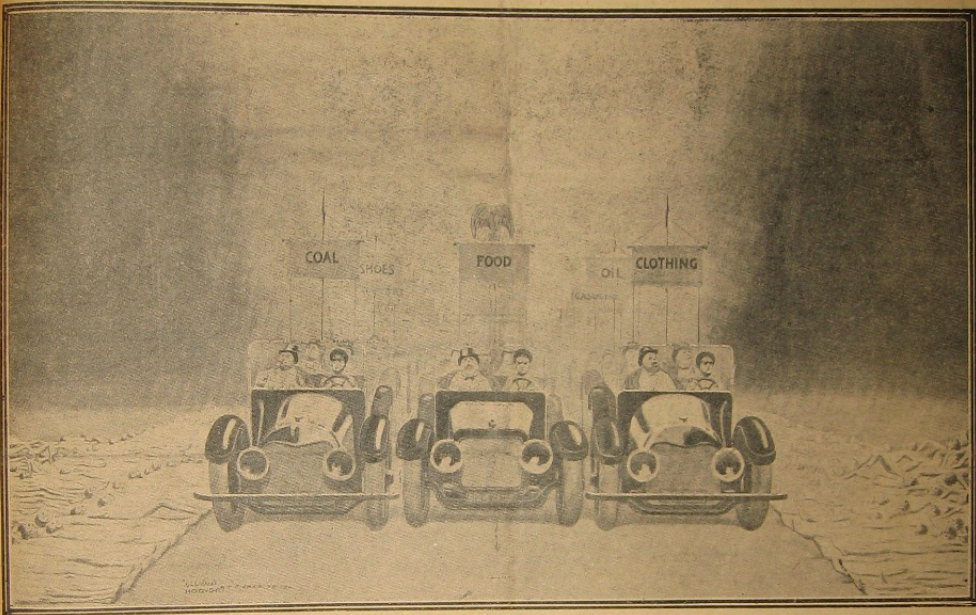
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## The Conquerors.

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## To Members and Sympathisers.

## Sydney.

## So Say All of Us.

Fellow Workers,—

The I.W.W. is now on its trial. It is now facing the most critical period in the whole of its history. The next few weeks will greatly determine whether we will live, or whether we will die.

The Amendment to the Unlawful Associations Bill, which has been introduced into the Federal House, aims directly at putting the I.W.W. out of business, and its members into gaol. That is the direct import of the Bill.

The I.W.W. has been long enough in Australia now for the working class to know what it is, and what it stands for. The question which one is now faced for is: Is the I.W.W. worth fighting for? Is it worth going to gaol for?

The answer to these questions will largely determine the future of the I.W.W. in Australia. In fighting for the preservation of the I.W.W. we are taking part in one of the most glorious fights in working class history.

In fighting for the maintenance of Industrial Organisation we are doing glorious work for our class, and performing a valuable service for posterity.

There are hundreds of men and women in Sydney who have never taken the platform before, but, if necessary, are prepared to do so today, and declare their belief in the I.W.W. This fight cannot be dropped, or we will be disgraced forever.

The members in Sydney are prepared

to go right on with the fight, and when the gaoling starts, if it ever does, members in the country are asked, if they think the I.W.W. worth fighting for, to make for Sydney and help to keep the fight going, and show Billy Hughes that he cannot act the Prussian in Australia without some opposition.

Members in other states are asked to make for the nearest centre of activity, and let the whole world know that they are not going to quit this great fight against despotism.

Only by a bold and open front can we expect to win. "It is our war." Let us all do our duty. Wobblies, the eyes of the world are upon you, so let us now show to the world that we are worthy of our steel. This fight must be won, or we will be thrown back for years. Solidarity can win it. Unity can bring victory. The future is ours if we only hang together. Remember, "an injury to one is an injury to all."

Forward the One Big Union.

—Editor.

Not content with hounding down I.W.W. unfortunately, there appears to be a very political tendency to band upon the innocent wives and children of the I.W.W. men now that there is such a lack of Christian charity abroad in "Liberal" circles, or is the fever for social and political capital out of efforts to get the sufferings of woman and children? —Brisbane Standard."

The past week has been full of activities. Owing to the tremendous boom Billy has given the I.W.W. of late, the toilers are calling from all quarters for the I.W.W. to send along a speaker.

On Sunday, July 22nd, a monster demonstration was held on the Domain to protest against the amendment to the Unlawful Associations Bill. The speakers were all in the best of trim, and the meeting was one of the best ever held on the Dom. A huge crowd of people applauded the speakers, and cheered again and again for the I.W.W.

In the evening of the 22nd, Mrs. Jennie Scott Griffiths was lecturing in the hall, and an overflow meeting of about 5,000 people was held in Sussex-street. Monday night, July 23rd, saw Bathurst street completely blocked when the I.W.W. began to expound its philosophy. The following Tuesday night a very successful meeting was held at Darlinghurst; Wednesday night, Redfern; Thursday night, Glebe; Friday night, Bathurst-street; Saturday night, Bathurst-street. All meetings were highly successful, and tremendously enthusiastic all through. Last Sunday saw an other huge crowd in the Domain to listen to the philosophy and principles of the I.W.W. During the afternoon over 470 was collected.

Last Sunday night a Ball house listened to Puller-Worker. Sinclair lecture in the hall, and a large meeting was also held at the Haymarket corner. Things are looking good.

The same programme of propaganda meetings will be held this week, and the weeks following until we are all "inside."

The business meetings of Sydney Local will be held on Saturday afternoon, instead of Thursday as usual, owing to that night being given over to a propaganda meeting.

From N. Y. Life

## So Say All of Us.

The "New York Times," referring to the great Russian Revolution of the moment, said:

"THESE MEN, CALLING THEMSELVES REPRESENTATIVES OF THE WORKINGMEN, AND OF THE SOLDIERS, IN RUSSIA, ARE EXTREME RADICALS AND SYNDICALISTS CORRESPONDING TO THE I.W.W. AGITATORS IN U.S.A."

So you see, men and women of Australia, you, of the I.W.W. movement, have been given the credit unconsciously of having as much intellect as the great and noble revolutionists of Russia!

I wonder if Billy Hughes had read the "New York Times" before he introduced the recent amendment to the Unlawful Associations Bill?

Surely not! Bah, if he did, he surely realised he was agitating a Revolution in Australia. And if he does persist in pushing hard this recent amendment, well, he'll get his revolution quick and lively. And a victorious one, too! And all the other organisations, associations, unions and "what-nots" in Australia, whose aim is the same as the I.W.W., viz. the emancipation of the workers, are revolution — it seems by big numbers — to hop into the revolution, to the tune of "So, Say All Of Us."

—Mrs. RUDOLPH.

A correspondent wants to know how much a Member of Parliament earns. Up to the present there is no record of a member of Parliament earning anything—he gets, however, £500 a year and a few perquisites.

All the thieves in all the jails have not stolen as much as one multi-millionaire.

Working to make a living for your family is not irksome, but having to make a living for the boss's family does rub a little hard.

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**What Will the  
Future be.**

The future of the I.W.W. in Australia looks very stormy and troubled. The days to come are full of great significance, and perhaps, many surprises. The divers antics of some politicians and industrial magnates look as if, before long something will be done.

If the Prime Minister of Australia is to have his way, thousands of good living people are going to be made prisoners; many hundreds of men and women who are quietly following their daily occupations are going to be thrown into goal; many wives are going to see their husbands torn away from them and children in convicts' clothes, thousands of children are going to lose their fathers.

All this is likely to happen if W. M. Hughes has his way, and this and perhaps much more, because some people believe that the world could be much better, and are striving to bring about an ideal state where crime, poverty, and the slums will be abolished and the workers get the full product of their toil. This is for what the I.W.W. stands.

In the Amendment to the Unlawful Associations' Bill, which the Prime Minister is trying to make law, it is stipulated that all I.W.W. members can be arrested, all literature and publications seized, and all property confiscated. Any firm or individual found trading with the I.W.W. is liable for six months in jail. This is a very big order, and will take some doing.

The wholesale arresting of men and women, and the confiscation of private goods of people who do not worship at the same shrine as W. M. Hughes will not be countenanced by any lovers of freedom and fair play.

The future looks very interesting, and more than I.W.W. men are watching what step Hughes is going to take.

The I.W.W. is not something upon a slate that can be wiped off in a few minutes. The I.W.W. is even something more than an organisation. The I.W.W. is a principle, a hope, an ideal.

Anyone who attempts to kill a principle and wipe out an ideal must be invested with supernatural power, and our little supported Prime Minister is a very long way from being a Superman.

The sacred principles of the I.W.W. are so embedded in the minds and souls of thousands of men and women in Australia to-day, that they are determined never to renounce them, no matter what the cost.

The principle of One Big Industrial Union of all workers irrespective of sex, creed, or colour, and the ideal of an Industrial Republic where all shall work and all shall prosper in Australia, much attention and respect in Australia to-day, that thousands of men and women are prepared to go to gaol tomorrow, rather than reject their beliefs. The cause is too grand and noble to desert, and we will never turn traitor, no matter what the result.

We sky it quite steadily and openly,

that we are not anxious to go to gaol; we would very much prefer to be "outside" than "inside"; we would rather be in the company of our families and friends than associate with prisoners and warders; we would sooner sleep at home in a bed than in a bunk in a cell, but if it ever comes to a test, we are prepared to stand up, even life itself, rather than reject our principles.

There are thousands of men and women in Australia to-day who have given their word, that rather than desert this noble Cause of Humanity, they are prepared to face the worst.

This stern and bitter struggle for freedom is too serious, too sacred to give up. In this earnest fight for emancipation we cannot afford to retire. The I.W.W. has never quibbled a fight yet, and we are not going to squib the coming battle. Let the little Welshman go his hardest, he will find before he is through, that the I.W.W. is something to be reckoned with.

The Bill which the Prime Minister is trying to make law, is of a very far reaching character, and it is recognised by many trade union officials, as not being aimed solely at the I.W.W., but at every syndicate against the present conditions. The ramifications of this Bill cover all working class organisations, and it is of just as much importance to the smallest trade union as the I.W.W.

If the worst does arrive and the I.W.W. is put out of business, what then? It will simply mean that the most militant union will be singled out and dealt with under the very same laws and in the same way as the I.W.W., and so our ideal union is crippled and ruined in Australia.

This is the aim of the industrial kings, it is the object of the exploiters of labor.

When the master class has succeeded in strangling unionism, it will then be a sad and sorry day for the working class. The day of the "industrial kings" will be a day of great intensification, job conditions will become wretched, and the toilers will be reduced to a state of industrial servitude, hitherto unknown. As agitation waxes, and the voice of democracy be stifled, all who protest will be dragged up under this new law, and goal will be the penalty.

If the masters win the first bout, the rest of the fight will be very easy. It now behoves the whole of the working class to realise what is waiting for them if they do not wake up. This fight against the Unlawful Associations' Bill Amendment concerns every one who works for wages, and who wants to live the evil day of seeing Australia being reduced to a state of vassalage we must be up and going.

By Solidarity we can resist anything, by Unity we can accomplish anything.

The I.W.W. is the One Big Union of the workers of the world, and we must stand and show to all tyrants, great and small, that they cannot tamper with the rights of the working class.

N.R.

**Unlawful Associations.**

F.W. George Hill, who appeared before the "beak" in Melbourne last week to answer a charge under the Unlawful Associations' Act, was found guilty and sent along for three months.

On May 6th, at the I.W.W. Hall in Melbourne, F.W. Hill gave an address on "Revolutions in Russia, Mexico—Australia."

During the course of the above speech it is alleged that Hill "did not make statements calculated to hinder the transport for purposes connected with the war of troops and warlike material."

Hill said in his lecture dealt with the revolutions in Mexico and Russia, and that he did not advocate a bloody revolution in Australia, as there was no call for such a thing.

Despite the abundance of evidence brought forward in Hill's favor and the very scanty evidence of the Crown, nevertheless Hill was found guilty and sent along to durance vile.

It is very evident that it is necessary recent happenings all that is necessary for the police to secure a conviction, is to say the accused is a member of the I.W.W., and the rest is easy. This being so, there are going to be a lot of more convictions in the near future, so before it is too late, it behoves the working class to stand together with the Big Union and put a stop to this persecution of working class agitators.

**Testing the Labor Movement**

The I.W.W. has to go, at least that is the decision insisted by the Czars of this island entrusted to the head of the people's parliament, and he is endeavoring to give effect to his masters' wishes in-to his belief—**the best possible way, and that way is to suppress it through Act of Parliament.**

**BUT THAT IS NOT ALL.** The instruction forwarded to the chief engineer contained the remarkable command that **RESPECTABLE** unclean men and women were not intended to wipe out both in one deadly swoop, but the strange and mysterious things which were first to happen did not happen, and thus the unions breathed on until now.

The man now manoeuvring capitalism through the stormy times is the best man for the job in Australia. He goes to his work with a thorough knowledge of labor's strength, and his psychology; he understands its weaknesses and its psychology; he understands its habits, and its habits in the labor army. The colossal task of smashing labor could not be entrusted to a better man; he has been in our fortress and chartered our plans. What a grand thing for organization! How showed were the capitalists twenty years ago; their foresight has now amply repaid their patience!

The labor unions—whose banners boldly flaunt the motto, "Only in strength" are now going to be the "gullible spots" in the labor movement that which they talked so boldly.

As I have stated the wrecking of the Labor movement is a big task; it is, if that movement were solidified, a task, in that section by section, is quite an easy matter to a man who understands its make-up.

The first section to be attacked is the I.W.W.—the most militant wing of the labor host; the preparation of this attack has taken place; the leading propagandists were heartlessly assaulted and rail-roaded, on framed-up charges; the great and stupid mass

looked on stupidly. So far as good, Another was hurled at the I.W.W. by our teachers illegal, and still the wonderful how of labor looked on unmoved. Plute's general—though quivering with expectation and fear of the unions will—on the first two shots—has not got the gauge of the labor force, and see nothing but pain falling on ahead, with the I.W.W. out of the way the rest of the unions will—unless too harmless and slavish to bother about—be broken like dried reeds.

The attack on the I.W.W.—if it succeeds—marks the beginning of the end of unionism in Australia.

The days are not very remote when to even mention the position of the working-class will be a MORAL crime, and when any attempt to improve that condition will be a prelude to a **GRAND MORAL TRAGEDY.**

We had thought those days were gone, but the exigencies of the newer capitalism have recalled the past. Only prompt, determined and united action of the workers can save them from the abyss out of which they have crawled so painfully.

The attacks on the I.W.W. are made in response to the commands of **boo'die's** demand for cheap labor—the interest on big loans must be faced by the craft unions, one by one; "door" labor—and these attacks are but a test of labor intelligence, power and spirit.

The position we are facing alone to-day must be paid, and it cannot be paid out of the pockets of the craft unions, they are beaten to a frazzle or so neutralized that they may as well union men!

**WHAT IS YOURS! THAT IS PLUTE'S PLAN! WHAT IS YOURS!** Remember, these are the masters' press, a force to adopt arguments of such a vile and infamous nature, it exposes the weakness of its position.

**"Our Reptile Contemporaries."**

With the usual expert mendacity and accomplished perversion, the capitalist press had much to say of late upon the I.W.W. and such happenings.

According to the mercenary scribbles of Plute's press, the I.W.W. is the greatest anathema that ever hit the earth. If cheap abuse and vile slander could kill anything, the working class would be no more. If lies and insinuations could gag men, no I.W.W. man or woman would now be outside. If the sewer arguments of the yellow press carried any weight, then all leading advocates of Truth would now be dead.

During the past few months, the press of Plutocegar has once again been seized with a fit of vomit, malice, and spite against the I.W.W., and has again exposed itself in its true colours. Being devoid of sound arguments, it descends to the level of the gutter. In its impotent fury, it vomited lies.

In an attempt to try and poison the minds of its readers against the I.W.W., the daily sheets of the commercial press have been pouring the virus of hate and slander through their columns every day. These gutter journals have been endeavouring to turn the working class against the I.W.W. by continually hurling filthy lies and insinuations that militant organizations of the working class.

In order to try and force the authorities to take further action against the I.W.W., the yellow press of Pat and Co. has said to lay that all healthy minds turn away in disgust.

It is surprising to some people, how the maliciousness of the bosses can carry them so far into the realms of immorality. Nothing is too despicable, nothing too low for these sausage wraps to say, when dealing with the I.W.W.

The flood gates of vituperation have

**SHIPOWNERS' EVENING HYMN.**

Abside with me; fast falls the evening;  
The darkness deepens; men, with me abide;  
When other workers lie, and comforts seek,  
Toll for the "idlers"—O work for a week.

Swift to its close ebb out the wharves' day;  
Swags' joys grow dim, its glories pass away;  
Sleep and decay in all ships I see;  
O you who do not sleep, O stay with me.

I need the workers every passing hour;  
What but your sleep can spoil the shipping power!

Who like yourselves may help and strength can be!  
Through day and night (and time, no! O work for me)

(Singing on the job, not at church!)

**PREMIER NOT HAVING ANY.**

At the official opening of the new WaterSide Workers' Hall at Mackay recently by Premier (Mr. Ryan), a somewhat peculiar toast was given—the I.W.W. members in goal. The proposer of the toast said that twelve of the best I.W.W. workers are now in jail, having been taken away by the enemies of the working classes and shut up for ten or twelve years. Mr. Ryan declined to participate in the toast, which was drunk in—

—Coffe Harbour Advocate.

**WHAT OTHERS THINK.**

That it seems a pity to waste a fat-welled I.W.W., when he'd hold down profitably in a corpse factory run on modern German lines—

—Coffe Harbour Advocate.

## The Raid.

The I.W.W. hall in Sussex street, Sydney, was paid a special visit by the detective and police force on Sunday, 22nd July.

A meeting was in progress in the hall, which was being addressed by Mr. Jennie Scott Griffiths, and an overflow meeting was being held in Sussex street in front of the hall, at which 1500 people were present.

At about 8.30 p.m. a large squad of detectives and police arrived on the scene. The peaceful meeting outside was broken up, and the crowd dispersed. A cordon of police was formed round the hall to prevent any one from escaping.

The Inspector-General of Police, Mr. Walker, and a score of lesser lights, made for the hall and stopped the meeting. The Chief then mounted the platform and read a proclamation under the War Precautions Act, empowering him to search any person or place which, in his opinion, was a violation of the War Precautions Act. The search then commenced. One by one the thousands of people were searched, and the whole building was ransacked from top to bottom. While the people were being overhauled in the hall, wobbly songs were sung with great gusto. The "hoolies" were surprised at the good humour of the crowd, and wondered how in such a large crowd no one "did his block," and everyone took the whole turn out in the best philosophical manner. As each one was searched he or she was then bundled outside into the street, where some big John Hops told them to get home. But the crowd did not feel like going home. Just to show that they were not "down-hearted," about five hundred men and women formed into a procession and marched up George street singing "Solidarity for Ever," the "Red Flag," and other wobbly songs.

At about eleven o'clock the procession broke up and the members wended their way to their homes, and congratulated themselves that they had had a good enjoyable night.

The police were in charge of the building until noon Monday, when they handed it over and evacuated.

All literature (not very much was in the building), the Local's books, correspondence, and all "Direct Actions" were confiscated.

Nearly a thousand people being searched, and the police being in charge of the premises for sixteen hours, nothing has yet been discovered that would lead to the arrest of any person. So far no arrests have been made, and no incriminating evidence has been discovered.

If there was anything "crook" about any member, or any documents of an incriminating nature, they would have been discovered Sunday night, but nothing has been discovered.

This should be sufficient evidence that the I.W.W. is not guilty of the numerous charges which are constantly being used against it. It is now up to the yellow police and legenerate politicians to keep quiet until they can get something to work on. So far, they have nothing.

## No Master.

That man to man, We've heard and known  
That no one master need.  
To live upon this earth, our own,  
The great of slaves long passed away,  
For us hath forged the chain,  
Till now each worker's patient day  
Builds up the House of Pain.

And we, shall we, too, crouch and quail,  
Ashamed, afraid of strife;  
And lest our lives untimely fall  
Embrace the death in life?  
Nay, cry aloud and have no fear;  
We few against the world;  
Awake, arise! the hope we bear  
Against the curse is hurled.

It grows, it grows; are we the same,  
The feeble band, the few?  
Or what are these with eyes adame,  
And hands to deal and do?  
Nay, cry aloud and have no fear,  
NO MASTER, HIGH OR LOW,  
A lightning flame, a shearing sword,  
A storm to overthrow! — Wm. MORRIS.

A scientist says gold can be made artificially out of other substances. The old-fashioned way of taking it out of the workers' veins is preferred so long as popularity with the employer, however.

# Billy's Latest Yell.

A BILL FOR AN ACT TO AMEND THE UNLAWFUL ASSOCIATIONS ACT 1916.

BE it enacted by the King's Most Excellent Majesty, the Senate, and the House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Australia, as follows:—

(1) This Act may be cited as the Unlawful Associations Act 1917.

(2) The Principal Act, as amended by this Act, may be cited as the Unlawful Associations Act 1916-1917.

(3) The Principal Act, as amended by this Act, is amended by adding at the end thereof the following words:—

(c) any association which the Governor-General, by notice published in the "Gazette," declares to be in his opinion an unlawful association within the meaning of the last preceding paragraph."

3. After section three of the Principal Act the following section is inserted:—

"3A. Whoever—  
(a) becomes a member of an unlawful association; or  
(b) after the expiration of one month, from the commencement of this section, continues to be a member of an unlawful association,  
shall be guilty of an offence.

Penalty: Imprisonment for six months."

4. Section six of the Principal Act is amended:—  
(a) by omitting the words "not being a natural-born British subject born in Australia"; and

(b) by omitting the words "either of the last two preceding sections" and inserting in their stead the words "any one of the last three preceding sections and who fails to satisfy the Attorney-General that he is a natural-born British subject born in Australia."

5. After section seven of the Principal Act the following sections are inserted:—

"7A. Whoever—  
(a) knowingly gives or contributes money or goods to an unlawful association; or  
(b) receives or solicits subscriptions or contributions of money or goods for an unlawful association,  
shall be guilty of an offence.

Penalty: Imprisonment for six months.

"7B. (1) No book, periodical, pamphlet, handbill, poster or newspaper issued by or on behalf of or in the interests of any unlawful association shall—  
(a) if posted in Australia be transmitted through the post; or  
(b) in the case of a newspaper, be registered as a newspaper under the provisions of the Post and Telegraph Act 1901-1916.

(2) Any newspaper, registered prior to the commencement of this section which is issued by or on behalf of or in the interests of any unlawful association shall, as soon as practicable after the commencement of this section, be removed from the register.

(3) Any book, periodical, pamphlet, handbill, poster or newspaper posted in Australia, the transmission of which would be a contravention of this Act, shall be forwarded to the General Post Office of the State in which it was posted, and shall be forfeited to the Commonwealth and shall be destroyed or disposed of as the Minister directs.

"7C. Any person who knowingly prints, publishes, sells or exposes for sale any book, periodical, pamphlet, handbill, poster or newspaper issued or intended to be issued by or on behalf of or in the interests of any unlawful association shall be guilty of an offence.

Penalty: Imprisonment for six months.

"7D. After the expiration of one month from the commencement of this section, no member of an unlawful association shall be eligible to be or to continue to be a member of the Public Service of the Commonwealth, or to hold any office or employment, permanent or temporary, under the Commonwealth or any authority of the Commonwealth.

"7E.—(1) All property of any kind, real or personal, belonging to an unlawful association, or held by any person for or on behalf of an unlawful association, may be taken possession of or seized by any person thereto authorised by a Minister of State or by a prescribed authority, and shall thereupon be forfeited to the Commonwealth.

(2) Where any property has been taken possession of or seized as forfeited under this Act, unless any claimant thereafter enters an action against the Commonwealth within six months for recovery of the property and after due prosecution of the action establishes his claim, the property shall be deemed to be condemned without further proceedings, and may be disposed of as directed by the Minister.

"7F. In any prosecution under this Act, proof that the defendant has at any time since the beginning of the present year been a member of an association shall, in the absence of proof to the contrary, be evidence that he has continued to be a member of the association at all times material to the case.

"7G. Where, in any prosecution under the law of the Commonwealth, any question of unlawful intent or purpose is in issue, the fact that the accused is a member of an unlawful association which practises, advocates, or incites to action with that intent or purpose, shall be deemed to be relevant to the issue.

"7H. Any person thereto authorised by a Minister of State, or by a prescribed authority, may at any hour of the day or night, with such assistance as he may require, break into the premises or place occupied or occupied by an unlawful association, or in which any member of an unlawful association or any property of an unlawful association is believed to be, and seize any articles, books, documents or papers found therein."

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## Ballad of the Agitator.

By A. HOLDSWORTH.  
You shall read the scroll of our lives, red,  
We write,

On the night black walls of pain;  
You shall trace our trails by the gibbet post—  
Fate, moments of our sin;  
Where the wretched bones,  
In dark underones,  
Still defy the accused chain.

In the silent north, where the pinewoods sleep  
Till they shudder, reel, and crash;  
Where the miser mountain's hoards reveal  
At the torments thrust and thrash;  
We unfurled the flag—  
Yes, the old red rag—  
In defiance of law and lash.

We obeyed the call of that stern-wind,  
Her decree we made them plain;  
For her lovely eyes o'er the skyline pry,  
And her lips are sought in vain.  
But we sowed the seed,  
In the hour of need,  
And the slaves will reap the pain.

We are known where coral and palm creep  
out,  
From the sun-white glazing sand;  
We have stamped our backs in the deadly heat of  
"Over-the-Bar" in  
He it kauri pine,  
Be it sea-deep mine,  
We have battled hand to hand.

We have shown our hand in the drowsy East,  
And the yellow man and brown;  
They have joined the ranks of our martyred  
ones.

They have laughed the tyrant down—  
There are lonely graves,  
'Mid the Eastern waves,  
That shall find a fair renown.

We have scoured the breadth of the seven  
seas  
With the old red flag in tow;  
We have told the man on the F'stite head—  
It has told the boys below:

Oh the grimy ones,  
They're son o' zuns,  
When it comes to a kick for dough.

There is not a land where the slave must rest,  
Not a town of spot or sun,  
But we have dared the worst, and we gave  
our best,

And no work was freely done,  
Though no tar be shed,  
O'er our martyred dead,  
We are ever marching on.

Whilst remains a breath 'twixt Earth and  
Sky  
To unfurl our ensign red;  
Whilst the hand of toil wears the brand of  
slaves.

Whilst the children cry for bread;  
We will make no pause,  
We'll fight for the Cause,  
Till the last of us be dead.

## Political Prisoners.

Under this Unlawful Associations Bill, it is very probable that many active members will be put behind the jail bars.

Now, reader, what does not frighten the average man and woman of the I.W.W. organisation, but looking into the matter closely, it will be pretty dangerous for I.W.W. women of Australia. From what I understand, the jail system in Australia is at a pretty low ebb, and cannot be compared in advancement with the terrible Russian or of the Russian political prisoners are treated separately and apart from unfortunate criminals. And to high-minded, educated Australian women of Revolutionary ideas, it will be painful, indeed, to see them in the former degraded, unfortunate poor stricken woman.

In America the revolutionary woman is sentenced to the workhouse.

Now, reader, what events, as I've explained, Russia at its very worst, discriminated political offenders from criminals, America is also doing same.

What will Australia do? When Carl Wilhelm Blumack Billy Hughes commences his raid on I.W.W. members, it is up to Australia to ferret right into all matters, and not allow such Australia through stand off the world.

Mrs. RUDOLPH.

Some writers have called this wonderful creation "God's" noblest handiwork.

Oh, skin me alive, and work me to death,  
Shut off my allowance of soul,  
And I'll vote you, boy, 'til my very last  
breath—  
Because I'm a Henry Dub.

Jump on my stomach, embrace my pay,  
And fasten my head with a rock,  
And I'll put you in office, election day,  
Because I'm a Mr. Block.

# Industrial Organisation.

# The Voice of Freedom.

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 among millions of our people, and the few who make up the employing class have all the good things of life.

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

We find that the controlling of the management of industries lies fewer and fewer hands makes the trade unions unable to cope with the ever-growing power of the employing class. The trade unions foster a state of affairs which allows one set of workers to be pitted against another set of workers in the same industry, thereby helping to defeat one class by the wage war. Moreover, the trade unions aid the employing class by making the workers into the belief that the winning class has interests in common with their employers.

These conditions can be changed and the interests of the working class upheld only by an organization formed in such a way that all its members in any one industry, or in all industries if necessary, cease work whenever a strike or lockout is called in any department thereof, thus making an injury to one an injury to all.

Instead of the conservative motto, "A fair day's wage for a fair day's work," we must inscribe on our banner the revolutionary slogan, "ABOLITION OF THE WAGE SYSTEM."

It is the historic mission of the working class to do away with capitalism. The army of production must be organized not only for the everyday struggle with capitalism, but also for the final abolition of the wage system. Industrially we are forming the structure of the new society within the shell of the old.

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J.T.—Very good. We will send all the help we can get soon.

A word to the wise is sufficient, but 500,000 workers show will convince the tools of the capitalists.

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It has become a custom in the Labour Movement to accept without question any suggestion or doctrine put forward by Labour's spokesmen or the Labour press. Through lack of careful analysis of our movement, such quick remedies as the Right to Work, Insurance against Unemployment, Old Age Pensions, Co-operative Societies, etc. (all meaning to the unorganised workers the right to be exploited) have for years been foisted upon us.

ONE BIG UNION.

The latest of these high-sounding phrases is ONE BIG UNION. This phrase has been shouted from the platform and the press so often without sufficient explanation of what it really means, that it has become a platitude to the workers. To the average worker it means a conglomeration of crafts merged into one big union, without any reference whatever to the industry they are employed in. If we organise one big union of workers without due consideration to the lines of industry, we are not advancing the Labour Movement, but creating an organisation that is unwieldy, cumbersome, and altogether unsuited to carry on the everyday struggles of the workers. One big union of workers organised on the lines indicated would be reactionary rather than an improvement on the present obsolete Craft Unions.

ONE BIG INDUSTRIALLY-ORGANISED UNION.

If we change the phrase into ONE BIG INDUSTRIALLY-ORGANISED UNION, we have an organisation of a very different kind. The army of production being grouped into industries, with a further grouping of the industries into sections, we are not only equipped to take part in the every-day working-class struggles,

but we are educating the workers to finally take control of the industries they are engaged in.

THE TRANSPORT INDUSTRY.

Take, for instance, the Transport Industry, consisting of the Railwaymen, Seaman, Waterside Workers, Carters, and Tramwaymen. This industry is already organised into Crafts Unions and Federations of Crafts Unions. From a Trade Union standpoint, they have reached their limit in organisation. If the workers are to be efficiently organised in this industry, our next step must be a TRANSPORT WORKERS' FEDERATION, and finally a TRANSPORT WORKERS' UNION.

OTHER INDUSTRIES.

The Miners, the Building Trades, Metal Workers, should organise their industry. With each section organised, there could be a further linking-up of the sections. Such an organisation would be in a position to fight the Battle of Labour effectively. It could easily withstand the onslaughts of the Employers or HARD-WOOD BATON GOVERNMENTS. For the purpose of effectively organising the workers on the job and educating them to control their Labour power, (and finally the industry), Local Autonomy must be a guiding principle in industrial organisation.

ONE BIG UNION OF CRAFTS.

means organisation from the top down (and government in the same direction).

ONE BIG UNION, INDUSTRIALLY.

means organisation from the bottom up (and government by and for the WORKERS).

—'Watersider.'

## Billy the Bounder on the Bufoon's Blunder.

The I.W.W. is a strong militant band of earnest men and women, standing shoulder to shoulder in a grim struggle for economic freedom.

Economic freedom means the right to live a decent natural life without having to submit to slavish, poverty-stricken conditions, hideous and pitiful surroundings, semi-starvation, ill-fed babies, neonely clothed, poisoned by rotten and filthy food, breathing foul and poisonous air, living in drain-pipes and bligees, unnatural sex conditions, denied the right of freedom, that the very cattle and hinds of the fields enter, constantly faced with the worry of unemployment, ill-health and unconsented employment, forced to sweat and labor in hell holes and dens owned and operated for the wealthy, wealthy capitalist parasites.

That is some of the things that are meant by wanting economic freedom.

There is worse than that. WORSE with big capitals. Things that crawl and writhe and hiss, slimy underground reptiles that rear their ugly venomous heads, produced by rotten, putrid economic slavery.

"The vilest dregs like poison weeds, bloom well in prison air."

The air of capitalism is tainted all the time, foul as hell, and the working class must fight, combine, organize, for freedom.

Billy, the bounder, the dishonest, servile tool of his masters, the lords and ladies, dukes and duchesses, anods and hoodlums, pirates and parasites, has succeeded in a breach.

Being a blundering of his masters, when they pull the strings Billy squeals.

The aforesaid bunch of hoodlums find this

A prince can make a belted knight, A marquis, duke, and a' that, But an honest man's about his might, Gilds with his swart face a' that, For a' that and a' that, Their dignities and a' that.

The plib of sense and pride of worth, The higher ranks than a' that, This let us pray they come it may, As come it will for a' that, When sense and worth o'er a' the earth, Shall bear the sway and a' that, For a' that and a' that, His coming yet for a' that, When man to man the world o'er, Shall brethren be and a' that.

ROBERT BURNS.

Who says the working-class never have any feelings, they try to count the unemployed.

The cost of living will fall when the work takes a tumble. Get wise.

aristocratic positions (as well-fed, luxurious lives, living upon the toil and flesh and blood of their victims, the working-class, threatened by the intelligent rising I.W.W.). They have brought pressure to bear upon Billy, and in his role of clown to the dukes and duchesses, he makes a great show, turns over a brand newsmittance, and begins and ends with a shock of mysterious cryptic message was found by the forces of law and order in a raid upon the I.W.W. rooms. The sleuth hounds of the force are not upon the trail, the combined might intellect of the force is trying to find out the meaning of the mysterious message. Whether a reward is offered is not stated. Perhaps, it accounts for the wreck of the Cumberland.

The "Mirror" and the "Sunday Times" are not upon the trail. What does the message mean? According to the report printed in the "Sun," this is what was found scattered about the rooms of the I.W.W., were found cards bearing the following—

"If water rots your boots, what will it do to your stomach?"

It is said that this terrible and awful mysterious card is the most important capture of the raid.

It is understood that the police searched diligently for signs of German gold, several marks were found, but, unfortunately, they were not of German currency.

Billy is baffled.

We await with amusement the next funny shriek of the little man.

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By FRED HENDERSON.

Load across the world it ringeth, we have heard it on its sleep,

though our slumbering was deep, Many a man whose heart hath failed him in the long and weary night,

Now with soul aghast is watching for the dawning of the light

And the voice o'er all the nations has gone forth upon the wind,

Bearing hope to those departing, sight to those who wandered blind;

"Wake, oh men, the loud voice crieth, "wake, if ye be men indeed;

Will ye sleep and slumber ever, bound to serve a tyrant's greed?

Surely all too long, oh toilers, have ye been the slaves of gold;

Are ye men or have ye quite forgotten of your sires of old?

Hope not Freedom from the masters who reap pleasure from your pain;

All the freedom they would give you is but lengthening of the chain,

When they close ye pits and reekles, they may see the dawn of day,

We have heard and we have wakened, lengthen it a whit,

Soothing ye the while to slumber, that ye be content with it.

Shake it from you altogether; come, clasp hands, the night is late,

And the golden dawn is flushing round about the eastern gate.

And we rise, our chains upon us at the voice that thrills us through us;

Lo, the pleasure that greets us; we are but a weakened fee,

And around us lie our comrades, knowing not the bonds they wear,

Seeing not the light we gaze at, feeling not the hope before us;

Loudly, loudly, let us call them. See them rising one by one,

Till our little band grows stronger underneath the rising sun.

Free we must be, in our souls the seraph wings of Liberty,

Thrill (ill every chord is trembling as a harp-string's melody,

See, the clouds begin to scatter; brighter, brighter grows the day;

Happy we see the morning hold the long, long night at bay!

We, the toilers, shall no longer be the passive driven slaves;

We have seen a nobler future. What though beset with many graves

Be the way that leads to freedom? Shall we shun the glorious day?

Though our very names should perish in the eagerness of fray,

Lo, our hearts are set upon it, and our feet are on the road,

Burn the bridge, and let us forward—on to Liberty's abode!

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