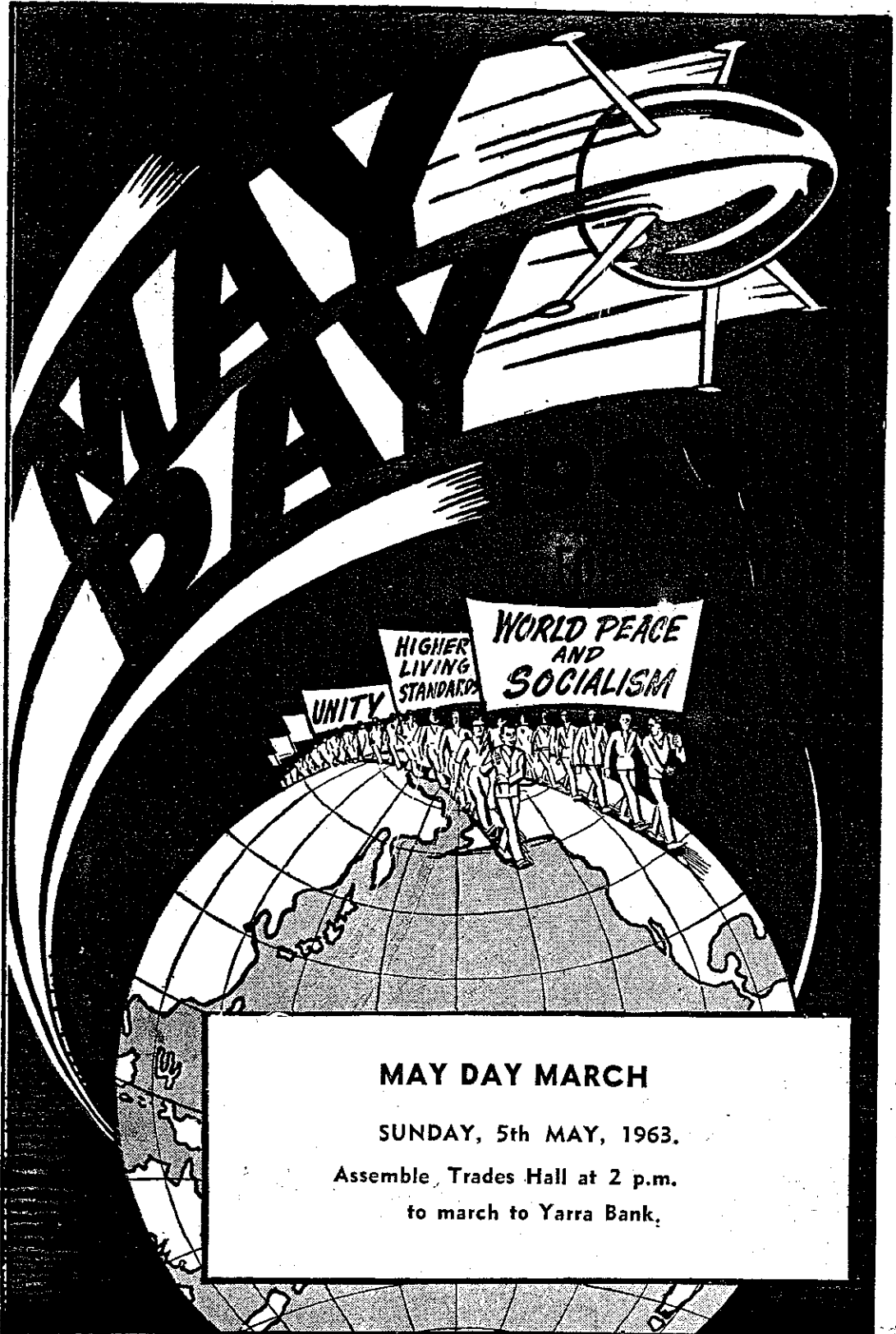


MARCH WITH YOUR MATES ON MAY DAY



MAY DAY MARCH

SUNDAY, 5th MAY, 1963.

Assemble, Trades Hall at 2 p.m.
to march to Yarra Bank.

March In Unity For The A.C.T.U. Programme

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THE DAY WE CELEBRATE AND WHY!

Here's "cheers" to May Day!

May Day is the Workers' Day!

It is the only Day celebrated by workers in every country of the world.

It is the Day when workers express their greatest unity.

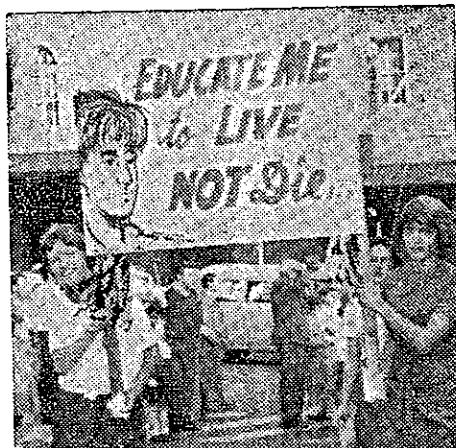
MAY DAY IS UNITY DAY

It was born over 70 years ago as a UNITED, INTERNATIONAL DEMONSTRATION for the Eight Hour Day.

It concentrated the thoughts and activities of ALL on achieving the shorter working day, and ever since has been the rallying point for struggle around the MOST URGENT NEEDS of the workers.

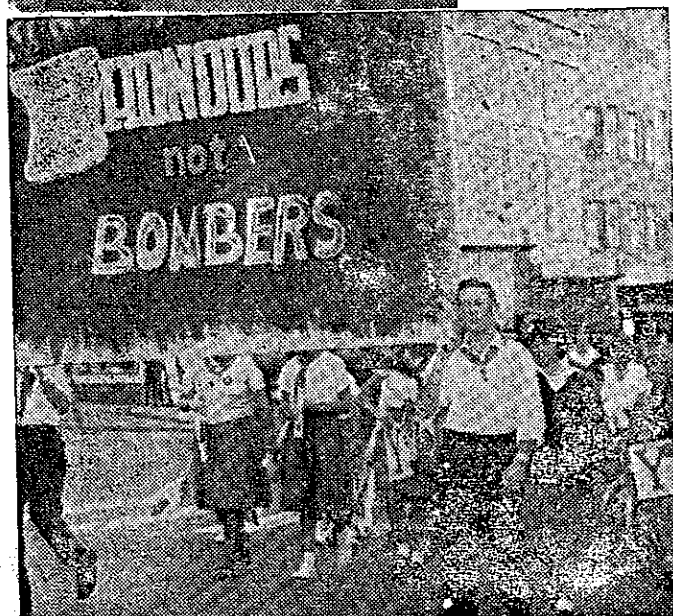
May Day has survived savage attacks by employers, depressions, economic crises, fascist dictatorships, wars. It has survived because it has brought workers together in FORCE OF NUMBERS, in the strength of unity, providing a UNIQUE OPPORTUNITY to demonstrate for what they want, what they need, what THEY MEAN TO HAVE.

So, the eight-hour day was won . . . then the 48-hour week . . . the 44-hour week . . . the 40-hour week.



The right to a basic wage was won. Then margins. The right to paid annual leave. Public holidays. Sick leave. Long service leave. Workers' compensation.

Without demonstration, organisation, struggle, none of them would have been won. That's the lesson of May Day . . . THE DAY OF WORKING CLASS STRUGGLE.



May Day, The

Australia - Peaceful And Prosperous

DEMONSTRATE FOR THE DEFEAT OF THE
MENZIES GOVERNMENT!

MARCH FOR A.C.T.U. PROGRAMME



Today, the handful of wealthy families who run our industries through huge, interlocking monopolies and determine the policy of the Menzies Government, are attacking wages, conditions, trade union rights and endeavouring to further involve Australia in their war plans.

But there is an alternative —

The policy of the trade union movement, as set out in the programme of the Australian Council of Trade Unions.

March and support —

- FULL EMPLOYMENT . . . use all our resources to fully develop our country and PROVIDE JOBS FOR ALL.

- A BASIC WAGE . . . adequate for the needs of the family adjusted quarterly in accordance with reliable cost of living figures.

And Now The "ORDER of the Thistle"

- INCREASED MARGINS . . . raising the metal tradesmen's margin from £4/16/9 to £7/9/-, with proportionate increases in all margins to restore the 1947 level of margins.

- INCREASED ANNUAL LEAVE . . . an additional week's leave for all workers under Federal Awards as the first step.

- 35-HOUR WEEK . . . to return to the workers some small share of increased productivity and to offset the effects of mechanisation and automation.

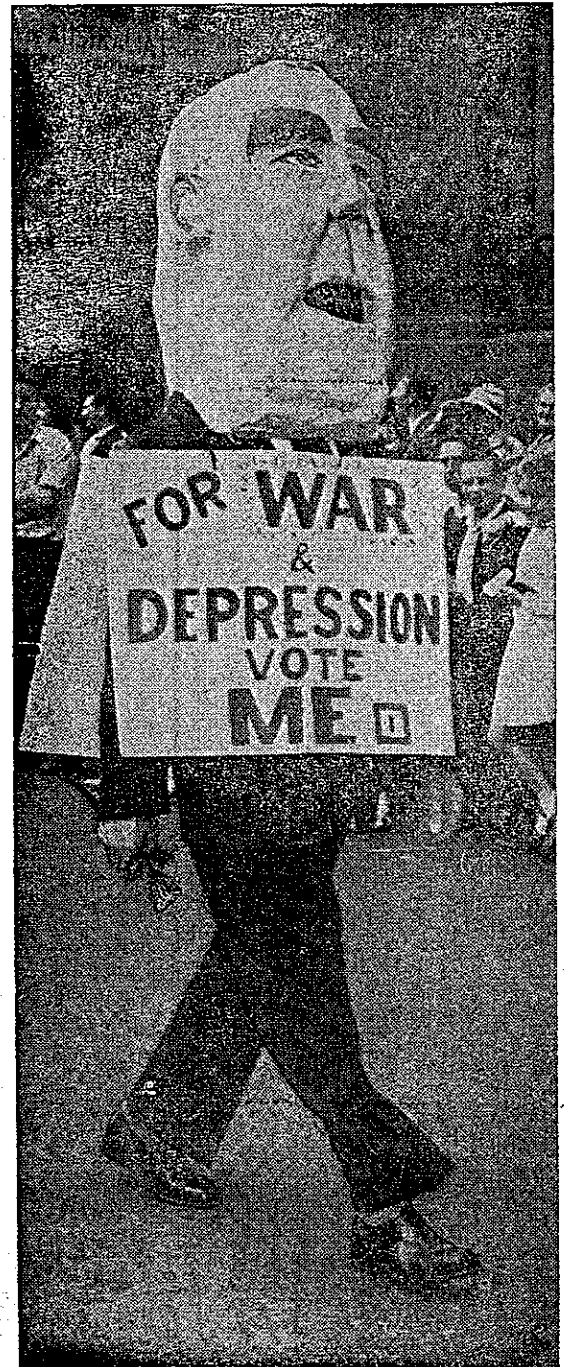
- IMPROVED EDUCATION and technical training.

- OPPORTUNITIES FOR YOUTH . . . Federal aid for education.



People's Day.

- EQUAL PAY . . . without discrimination of sex.
- FOR THE REPEAL of the Penal Clauses of both Federal and State Arbitration Acts . . . as demanded by the A.C.T.U. Congress . . . as promised by Mr. Calwell in his last election speech . . . as decided by annual A.L.P. Conference . . . as demanded by the Communist Party and all sections of the labor movement.
- A PEACEFUL WORLD . . . no nuclear weapons in the Southern Hemisphere . . . no foreign bases on Australian soil . . . the recent A.C.T.U. interstate executive endorsed these important decisions to safeguard peace adopted by the Australian Labor Party.



WE DEMAND

No foreign bases . . . no nuclear weapons on Australian soil!

Clip the wings of the monopolies . . . nationalise key industries!

Establish an Australian national overseas shipping line.

Colonial freedom is the key to Australia's security — no Australian troops in South-East Asia!

Combat disruptors with Union unity!

Build the unity of industrial and professional workers, small business people and farmers in a mighty front against monopoly!

Strengthen international trade union unity!

SOCIALISM is the only final security — work and fight for it!

March on May Day to —

demonstrate for our demands;

show our strength;

display our unity;

challenge our enemies.

Make the decision now —

I will march;

I will get my mate to march;

I will get my family to march;

I will get my friends not able

to march, to join the throng

on the sidewalks.

Keep this in mind —

The more in the ranks the
more impressive the demon-
stration;

The bigger the march the
stronger the blow for our
demands;

The more on the streets the
greater the publicity;

Don't leave it to the other
fellow.



International Solidarity—May Day in Wollongong, 1936

From "May Day" by Henry Boote

Editor of "The Worker" (A.W.U. paper)

Dedicated to the Labor Council of New South Wales, on the
occasion of the May Day Procession in Sydney, 1938.

May Day, righteous is thy fight,
Send thy slogan through the night,
Echoing through thy wide domain,
From deep to deep, from height to height —

"WORKERS OF THE WORLD UNITE!"

SEE YOU ON MAY DAY

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