WHARFIES STILL FIGHT FOR DEMOCRACY

Our fighting men fought and died for freedom.

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The workers kept the fighting men supplied, working long hours and putting up with many hardships. The Germans and Japanese are defeated and the people of the world look for the freedom they have fought for.

The independence of the peoples of the world has been guaranteed by the decisions of the world conference, including the World Trade Union Conference.

An independent democratic republic has been set up by the people of these islands.

They refuse to allow the return of the brutal Dutch imperialists.

Why do they refuse?

They demand the right to organise into trade unions which are banned by autocratic Dutch rule.

They don't want a few pence a day for a day's wage!

They don't want to be condemned to illiteracy.

They want to live as a free people.

They want their independence.

Sydney watersiders have refused to load the Japara, the Elibrador, the General Van Spek and the Patras as they are to be loaded with material to wage war against the people of Indonesia.

Our Branch Executive met this morning and discussed the decision reached by the Indonesian seamen. Over 1,000 members in the pick-up-shed endorsed the Executive recommendation that we refuse to load the Manyak-Tanah, the Janssens, the Van Outhorn, the Van Heutsz, the Khoen Hoea, and any other Dutch ships.

We still fight Fascism:

The Indonesian seamen are refusing to take ships loaded with material to shoot down their own people and Indonesian sailors have already refused to man a Dutch warship to shoot on their own people, who have now got their freedom.

The loading of these ships would be a definite challenge to the democratic ideals of the Australian labor movement. To assist the Dutch in any way is to assist avaricious Dutch Imperialism against Indonesian democracy.

The workers of Australia are solidly in support of Indonesian workers.

Gaol and worse fail to frighten the people of Indonesia.

We must demand that the people of Indonesia be allowed to select their own Government.

KEEP OUT THE DUTCH IMPERIALISTS!

LONG LIVE FREEDOM!

Authorised by the Brisbane Branch Waterside Workers' Federation of Australia. E.C. Englart Secretary. 24/9/45