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ONE PENNY

Perth Doings

I trust the enclosed article will be useful for your splendid little paper. We are trying to educate the trades hall unionists of this city. I have been endeavouring to fix up a debate on I.W.W. principles between Fellow-Worker Reeves and a trades hall mag Worker Reeves and a trades hall mag-nate, one Banton, but he didn't catch on. We can't get them to defend their principles (if any), nor attack ours. The most we could arrange was to secure a night for Reeves to give a half hour exposition of I.W.V. me-thods at a grand meeting of the A.L.F., a discussion to follow. We are stimulating for a nubilly meeting. We stipulating for a public meeting. We think it will come off all right, but they have an instinctive sense of the inherent weakness of their position, and hence are shy of being drawn in-to any argumentative skirmish.

to any argumentative skirmish.

We are having splendid Sunday meetings on the Esplanade, Perth; it is the equivalent of the Domain in Sydney as the people's forum. Last Sunday the meeting was a bumper success. "Solidarity" and "Direct Action" both sold clean out, and a great sale of literature; also many Trades. sale of literature; also many Trades Hallers attend, and take great inter-est. It is only the shackels that keep them to their moorings in that dead

them to their moorings in that dead sea of political superstition.

We have a Local in Perth now, launched last week. All the founda-tion members are rebels who have been with me through the pre-LW.W. dark ages of this sleepy hollow of the Far West. .

SYDNEY PROPAGANDA

Week-end meetings were well main-tained, though sales of literature in the Domain on Sunday were not up to the average. Fellow-worker King was up to his best form on Sunday night, and spoke for over an hour to a crowded audience at the Hall.

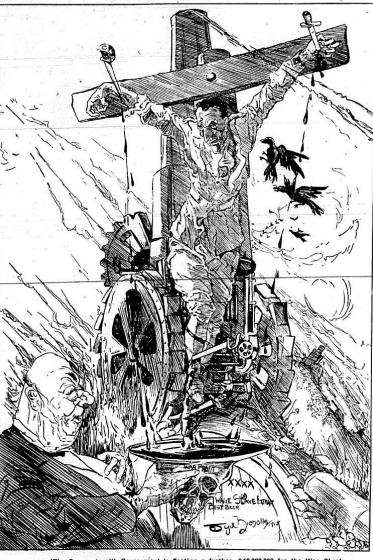
A Fund has been inaugurated for he purpose of getting a band for the Local. We have the musicians, and all that is now required are the instruments. One contribution of £5 has already been offered. A band will be of splendid assistance in breaking new ground at outdoor propaganda meetings, so all members interested, who can do so, are invited to send along their mite.

Fellow-worker G. Washington has been temporarily appointed secretary of the Band Committee. All commu-nications on the matter should be addressed to Box 98, Haymarket.

OUR ARTIST.

"Direct Action" has been fortunate "Direct Action" has been fortunate in obtaining the services of Syd. Nicholis, whose talents as an artist promise to bring him to the top of the tree in the course of time. Although little more than a boy in Years, his cartoons are being reprinted from. "Direct Action" into revolutionary papers in other parts of the world.

ed on the back page of the May Day issue, "War and the Worker," has been reproduced in the organ of the Swedish Central Organisation of Workers, "Syndikalisten." A more recent cartoon, enutled "The Coming Inter-national," has been reprinted in the



(The Commonwealth Government is floating a further £10,000,000 for the War Chest, The prospectus calls upon investors to "show a patriotic spirit especially as no sacrifice is entailed the rate of interest being far higher than in normal times.")

FAT (Intoxicated with "patriotism"): "LONG LIVE THE WAR! HIP, HIP, 'OORAY! FILL 'EM UP AGAIN!"

Lithuanian I.W.W. paper, "Darbinini-

It is the intention of the I.W.W. Press Committee to print an album of Syd. Nicholls' cartoons of which more will be announced later.

FREMANTLE NOTES.

"Compayo lavatore de la monde." F. W. Boggis, being in Fremantie for a few days, Local No. 5 took the advantage of the occasion, and held on November 13th a propaganda meeting for the Littleing for the Italians.

F. W.'s Alex Boggis and Maggi addressed the meeting first, in the litalian language, followed by a short face address by F. W. Reeves.
It was an inspiring meeting. The been first working class meeting of a true lives.

international character ever held in Fremantle. The meeting sustained a spirit of intense enthusiasm. The Italian fellow workers, with the usual excitable and enthusiastic temperament of the Latin races, punctuated the different speeches with a fund of applause. Boggis, in explaining the uses of "Sabotage," related his jail experiences in the strikes and free speech fights in America.

Providing that the LW.W. can get in enough propaganda, there is going to be "something doing" in the next blg strike in W.A.

Prime Minister Hughes has offered another 50,000 men as a fresh sacri-fice to the modern Moloch. Politicians and their masters have always been generous with other people's been generous

SOMETHING DOING.

The following collection was taken up by Fellow Worker W. Tiutene at Rannes, Rockhampton, Queensland, for the I.W.W. Press Fund. Needless to say, the Press Fund Committee deeply appreciate the donations, which have arrived at a moment when we have a big bill to meet for ma-chinery and supplies. The following is an acknowledgment;— W. Tiutene 2/6, A. Zemliaoff 2/6,

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Fitzgerald's Chicks

COME TO SYDNEY TO ROOST AND

RIOT.

It will be remembered that some weeks ago Mr. J. D. Fitzgerald, M.L.C., expressed a wish that "some of the soldiers would come down from Liverpool and kick I.W.W. men and Socialists off the streets." When a man in Fitzgerald's position deliberman in Fitzgeraid's position deliber-ately incites soldlers to acts of vio-lence and bloodshed in the public lence and bloodshed in the public streets, one may expect results of a startling, nature. Consequently there need be no cause for surprise in last Saturday night's riots in Sydnoy. The "Sunday Times." whose particular brand of "patriotism" is on a par with that of Fitzgerald's, even went out of its way to excuse the acts of our heroes," and encourage further trouble of the same character, by expressing the opinion that "if a Hun or two had gone amissing there would be no mourning." te no mourning."

The "Times'" definition of a Hun of course, includes all those who may happen to disagree with it on what constitutes genuine patriotism and other matters connected with the war, matters ponected with the war, matters upon which each individual in the community is as much entitled to his or her opinion, and the expression thereof, as prostitute scribes of the capitalist press and paid patriots of the Expressid they of the Fitzgerald type.

Presumably, Fitzgerald, the Times, Presumably, Fitzgerald, the Times, and the other great defenders and exponents of "law and order," are disappointed with the way in which the valiant brigade who are going to establish order in Europe acted on Saturday night; for with the exception of a demonstration outside the Socialista experix ouarters, neither Socialista ist Party quarters, neither Socialists nor I.W.W.'s were interfered with though the latter held a large meet-ing at the corner of Park and George streets. Some damage to capitalist property, and a few soldiers and po-licemen with cut heads, were the sum fotal and result of Saturday night's excitement. Truly, a satirical com-mentary upon the boasted "constitu-tional," "peaceable," "law and order" methods of the Federal Labor Government which controls the one. State Labor Government which controls the other.

The I.W.W., of course, in spite of that which critics of the Fitzgerald type say about it, and notwithstand-ing the example set by those critics, is opposed to violence and bloodshed; but if it should happen that Fitzgerald's chickens (which have com to roost in such an unexpected man-ner) try to impress the i.W.W. with the necessity of observing the "peace" and conforming to "law and order," it may become necessary to convince Fitzgerald and his "peaceable" cabinet conferes, that the little game of "peace," per medium of half a brick, is a game that two can play at.

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The Murder of Joe Hill.

The following cable appeared in SONG-WRITER EXECUTED PROTEST AGAINST EVIDENCE VANCOUVER, Thurs

"The funeral of Joseph Hillstrom, writer of the Industrial Workers of the World song, Workers, Awaken
—who was convicted on a charge of murder and executed-was the occasion of a demonstration by organisa-tions allied in the cause of social reform.

Representations were made before ie United States Labor Federation at San Francisco, and an expression of opinion was secured to the effect that he ought to have been reprieved, secured his conviction was open to doubt."

We published the circumstances surrounding this case in last week's issue, but did not think we would so soon have to chronicle the result.

The ruling class of the United States has added another cold-blood-ed horror to its long list of crimes against the working class. had been the lowest criminal on earth, the evidence on which he was convicted would not be accepted by any jury in the world. His great "crime," the offence for which he was shot to death, was that he was a member of the I.W.W., and had given his adult life time to challenging the right of the Dollar Kings to hold millions of slaves in bondage

Hill is not the first who has made supreme sacrifice in the same world-wide cause, but we venture to think he is one of the few, the real reason for whose execution the capi-talist class of the United States, with all its ingenuity and influence, will not long be able to conceal from e whose interests Hill has given

his life to serve.
If the ruling If the ruling class of America imagines that this criminal deed is going to strike terror into the hearts of those with whom Hill has been asociated in the struggles and fights of the past, they misconstrue the lessons of history, as well as mistaking the spirit by which the militant working class movement is animated.

The tide of discontent and revolt can not be swept back at the sound of a dozen rifle shots; on the contrary, we mistake the temporament of the I.W.W. in America, if it does not prove to be the signal for renewing the war against the criminal rule of Capitalism with tenfold intensity and

ermination.

t all events, all rebels, all those who love liberty and hate tyranny, will choose the occasion for renew-ing their fealty to the cause for which Joe Hill has given his life.

All nations of the world are to-day ther embroiled in the great war or are suffering from the effects of same. What a reflection upon so called Christianity whose teachers have proclaimed with loud voices acceptance and universal adoption of same would bring to the world peace. Two thousand years of world peace. Two thousand years of Bible teachings, and the result, this awful holocaust. Surely this cannot be the result of the humble Nazarnee the result of the numble Nazar-ene's teachings; no rather is it the result of failing to apply the sound ethics, the ideal philosophy as pro-pounded by the Christ to our sys-tems of government. Humanity has declined to receive His teachings. and to-day is in the coils of unbelief cruelty and darkness, and in the habit of worshipping those who own many lands and worldly goods.

The Nazarene in His day, was re

jected by those in authority who led the people, and the same happens to day. His name is but used as a cloak to hide the greed and avarice of those who profess to be his followers. The Nazarene was a homeless wanderer, an ideal Man who recognised the in-justice done to the people by those in authority. He was sorrowful, well acquainted with grief. The poor were His friends, and His message was for the humble, down-trodden, and heavyladen. His propaganda was to rouse the poor against those in authority, to endeavour to obtain justice for all Where are His professed disciples of to-day? Few bishops, parsons, or priests are to-day homeless wander-ers, few of them care a damn for humble, downtrodden, and heavy-len. They live in ease and luxury, and have but a slight acquaintance with grief, "so slight" that it is but like a fleeting shadow, gone and soon

Were it possible to day, for the ideal Man to return to this sorrowful planet, He would search in vain amongst His professed followers for a humble house, in the door of which stands a man of kindly countenance. With no coin of the realm to pay His way, these professed followers would refer "Him" to some Mission would refer "Him" to some Mission Shelter where they could be sure of exacting ample return for the shelter given out of His physical labour. In our large cities, He would find the buildings tall, big, and grim-like pri sons. He would see the people all in a hurry. He would see anxious faces, many cruel and sinister, many faces, many cruel and sinister, many callous, many careworn and sad. He would find working men and women —even children—tolling in Hellish dens for wages which will not buy a sufficiency of bread for their familiies, so that a few idle rich become richer. He would find that when the leaders of the suffering masses exhorted them to be firm, brave, strong, and united, that when they revolted against the hellish bonds which kept them down, the rich would call forth the guardians society, "the soldiers," a body of men bribed by the rich ones to cut down and mutilate and imprison all such desire to ameliorate their sad

The Nazarene taught in His day the equality of all before God, c munity of goods, mutual help, ch ity and the claim of everyone that worketh to daily bread, shelter and a peaceful life for himself and his children. He would find children. He would find the rich had grown far more cruel beyond even the devil's wildest hopes; they lend money on usury, they adulterate the food of the people, they hoard up huge stocks of food with a view inflating prices and enriching th selves. They increase the rents of the hovels they allow the worker to live in, they have selzed the land and extorted vast sums of money from those who are compelled to till the land in order to live. Everywhere He would find the poor were oppressed and that the rich sinned with im-punity, and amassed more wealth

Wherever the nations call on His name, He would find men without honor, women without virtue, children without innocence, merchants with-

lawyers without law, teachers without wisdom, kings with out clemency, priests without faith. Not one country would He' find in which, despite temples and priests, His message was not utterly ignor-He would find all over the world cruel oppression, greed and avarice He would find it a crime, meriting cruel punishment, for a man pos-sessing no money, to sleep in the open under the trees by the roadside or for asking for bread or shelter without tendering money. He would find that was considered a dreadful crime and deserving of severe pun-lshment in—England and America He would find companies of men, each richer by far than Solomon, whose vocation is to render the commodities which man requires for bare life, such as corn, bread, meat, etc., so dear, that the people must die or become beggars or outcasts. He would find the people have set themselves up a god whose name is money, whom they worship in abject fear, against they worship in abject tear, against whose high priests they dare not lift a finger. He would find His pro-fessed disciples hypocrites, vipers, and blasphemers, for they too, war-ship the God of Money—the graven

would find that if He dared to raise His voice against the classes, that He would be subjected classes, that He would be subjected to more scientific, cruel punishment than the crucifixion. He would be subjected to a living crucifixion, namely, the boycott, the black-list, imprisonment behind the walls of a lunatic asylum. His professed followers would deride Him, and pro-claim Him an imposter. He would find His ideal, still unachieved. He would find a few patriots to itis cause, but not in the churches, not amongst the wealth plutocrats, but in the ranks of the masses, the downtrodden toilers. True but as a flash here and there, nevertheless the possibilty of growing into a flame. masses, in the slums, suffering in once, He would find some men, ne true disciples. He would find silence. He some true disciples. the world wanted leader rebels to-day, as two thousand years ago.

BROKEN HILL ACTIVITIES.

. . Rooms, Palace Buildings, Sulphide . . . street. Wednesday Evening, at 7.30 p.m.—Edu-

Alternate Sundays, at 3 p.m.-Business

Meeting. Alternate Sundays, at 3 p.m.—Econo-

nomic Class.
Sunday, at 7.30 p.m.—Outdoor Propaganda Meeting, near Post Office, in

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welcome.
E. J. KIELY, Secretary,
Local No. 3, I.W.W.

MELBOURNE ACTIVITIES.

Local No. 8, 243 William-street-Monday, 8 p.m., Business Meeting.
Thursday, Propaganda Committee
Meets.

Friday, 8 p.m.—Propaganda Meeting at South Melbourne Market.

Saturday, 8 p.m.—Educational Lecture at Hall,

Saturday, 8 p.m.—Propaganda Meeting at Flinders Park (Yarra Bank).

Library and Reading Room Ope very night. Working-class Papers of lc. Industrial Union Literature of the All rebels are asked to blo sale. along and make themselves known. All slaves will be

J. LAWRENCE, Secretary-Treasurer.

SYDNEY LOCAL.

MEETINGS, &c

Street Propoganda at Bathurst and Liverpool Streets Every Friday and Saturday Evenings, at 8 p.m.; also Sunday Evening, at 7.
Meetings in Hall:

Sunday, 8 p.m., Propoganda,

Wednesday, 8 p.m., Economic Class. Thursday, 8 p.m., Business Meeting. Also, Public Meeting Every Sunday Afternoon in the Domain.

Says the "Pall Mall Gazette," referring to the victory of Stanton in the contest for the late Keir-Hardle's seat at Merthyr-Tydvil:-

"This is the first contest fought in England on the war issues, and is a complete and crushing defeat for the only party which holds a definite antipatriotic policy."

"Unionist newspapers are delighted with Mr. Stanton's victory," writes the "Sydney Herald's" correspondent, an inspired genius, whose pen pens the following gem:—

"Mr. Stanton is an advanced Socialist, but all for the war, and he warm-ly supported the coalition Government and conscription, if necessary He is opposed to syndicalism and peace talk. Thus, he captured most of the Liberal and many Unionist of the Liberal and many votes."

The editor of "Direct Action" has The editor of "Direct Action" has received quite a number of interest-ing side-lights on this advanced So-cialism, of which a few are publish-ed. A political socialist perpetrates the following:-

Advance, advance, ye Socialists, ad-

vance in all your might; Tell unto every nation, that bloody war is right.

From rebellion unto bourgeoisie your legions shall be led, The Red Flag stands for the workers'

blood, and revolution dead.

Fight on! Fight on! ye nations, each peoples' cause is just, s war is most essential that lead-

ers earn a crust; From Blatchford unto Stanton-from

Hyndman unto Wells A patriotic fervor gets the quid pro quo which tells.

Peace talk is an obsession of the

workers of the earth, I lest they take possession, let's strangle it at birth;

Conscription for the Briton is what our party need, The Class War we must sit on or we

are dead indeed!

An old country revolutionary work ing man sends us another:-You're a smoodger, Mr. stanton, and

A renegade, a traitor-yes, and

And if you'd like to listen to it, mis

I'll voice it in my best descriptive verse: You told us in our strike at Tony

Pandy,
To "Get" the police and military,

To use the weapons that we had most

You told us that; you told us-yes, 'twas you! Socialist, they call you, Mr. Stan-

ton? Yes, social in desire for social

In Parliament you'll smirk and smile and cant on

beauties of the "Terrace" and Pink Teas.

And now you boost for War and Empire's glory-

Tell workers they should other wor. kers slay; The same old nauseous, filthy-lucred

story.

Socialists! 'Twas Labour yesterday.

The next spasm comes from a "Nev-er Shall Be Slaves" Briton.—

Mentioned it with bated breath; However, since you've advocated War, we're with you to the death. Tory, Lib. or Lab., we're for you,

Future plutes your name shall bless; In your zest for bloody war you Grant our Empire's righteousness.

Kings will honor, worlds salute your Loyalty and Patriotism.

May it blossom and bear fruit, your Grand new brand of Socialis

A "Sympathetic Socialist" comes through with a sympathetic note. He says he has read the following in the "S.M. Herald":-

"Mr. Stanton was without tion or money. He gave a bill of sale over his furniture in order to raise money for his election expenses."

"Sympathetic Socialist" expresses his sympathy thusly:-

You have suffered for your dear con-

Brave martyr, thus to sacrifice your

For principles you've suffered most sincerely-

And the world admired your gall.

Fellow rebels offered tea-and-toastyou scorned them;

To give you more they were not able. A martyr to the cause-'twas thus

you pawned them Your bed and chair and table

Although you've popped your wretch-ed, poor belongings,

We admire your attitude. You'll find the British Empire can reward one

Who has earned its gratitude.

I. W. W. Preamble.

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 working 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 organise as a class, take possession of the earth and the machinery of production, and abolish the wage system.

we find that the centreing of the management of industries into 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 another in wage wars. Moreover, the trade unions aid the employing class to mislead the workers into the belief that the working-class have interests in common with their employers.

These conditions can be changed and the interests of the work-ing-class upheld only by an organisation 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 on in any department thereof, thus making an injury to one an injury to

all.

Instead of the conservative motto: "A fair day's wages for a fair day's work," we must inscribe on our banner the revolutionary watchword: "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 organised, not only for the everyday struggle with capitalists, but also to carry on production when Capitalism shall have been overthrown. By organising industrially, we are forming the structure of the new society within the shell of the old.

To A Bishop. More "Freedom."

Going Slow. One Year in W.A. Boulder News

R. M. Rose has a word with a

Archbishop Clark says the British Emplah had entered upon the war from a sense of duty and honour, Of course, the British Emplah holds a monopoly of duty and honour, Its only the German capitalists who are in the war for loot and dividends from munition trusts, etc. England is in this war for principle—the same as she went to South Africa for. The same principles have made her great Emplah she is to-day. Ask the Chinese, the Indians, the Egyptians, and last, but not least, the starving ns in England. They will dorse your statements, Archie Bishop. Of course, whether the workers pre-fer a priest-ridden democracy to a fer a priest-ridden democracy to a military gutocracy is a mere triffe to you, Bistop. You only get a few thousands a year for soul-saving, while a cobbler gets a Yew shillings. He's scabbing on you, Bishop, and he ought to be interned, or something

1 always thought, after hearing Bishops and others, that the Germans were a lot of barbarians, etc.; its quite astounding to hear, from you that they have skill and courage. hope Senator P. will hear of this, and take steps to deal with you and your -tatements.

There are great possibilities for Bishops in the backblocks of Austra-An industrious chin-wagger like you, dear Bishop, ought to be a great success at farming on the business end of a pick or a No. 3 shovel. No one but a lunatic would envy such an industrious 'person like yourself You lead a very strenuous life soul-saving. I don't feel inclined to scab on you at your low rate of wages. I might take it on if you get a wage board award. I really do think the Providence could develop this giorious country of yours, Bishy, without the aid of easy-going Australians.

A Bishon that dodges the bullets Bishop, but an easy-going Australian that stops them becomes fertiliser or nitro glycerine-both very useful in Europe at the pro We want m ore enterprising bishops, to make bullets, bayonets, etc., and als oto stop them. One is bishops. just as important as the other. Bishops take great pride in soul-sav ing bun-fights and Y.M.C.A. blow-outs, and are very efficient at draw-ting their salaries. No Bishop ever got fat on soul-saving; that's why got fat on soul-saving; that's why they are thin and humble-looking. If the Germs, come here, the poor dear Bishops will lose their jobs, for the Germs. haven't got any souls to save, according to the "Age" and "Argus." There is no poverty in Collingwood or Footscray, where the Bishops and the factories reside. Women child labor onopolised We don't want it here in ustralia. That's why the enemy. sunny Australia. "Sun" never sets never sets on the British could not trust Providence John Bull in the dark.

ACTIVITIES OF LOCAL No. 6. HALL, LANE ST., BOULDER,

W.A.

Wednesday Evenings, in Hall-Class Meeting

Friday Evening, Boulder Post Office Propaganda Meeting.

Saturday Evening, Kalgoorlie—Propa-ganda Meeting.

Sunday Morning, 10.30 a.m., Hall-Business Meeting. Sunday Afternoon, Keane's Goldfields Hotel, Athletic Club, at 2.30—Lec-

ture

Sunday Evening, Boulder-Propaganda Meeting.

Good Library at Hall. All Reds are invited to dig in and make Industrial Unionism the Topic of the Day.

Push the sale of "Direct Action." The boss loves it.

F. H. LUNN.

A man named Wm. McDermott was A man named wm. McDermott was fined £10 or 3 months hard labour at Bathurst last week for "making statements likely to prejudice re-cruiting." The statement made was as follows:--

"Those men with something to lose ought to go to the front; if any of them asks me why I don't go I say to him, 'I have nothing to lose; why don't you go.' " The capitalist press the report of the case, 'ul Utterances." There graceful Utterances. could be nothing more disloyal in the eyes of the capitalists and the paid who try to urge the other fellow on than to inform them that if they have something to lose they had bet-ter get busy and look after it.

Tom Barker would at the present moment be behind prison bars for similar beinous "disloyalty." if were not for workers rallying to his assistance who recognised perhaps the necessity of urging those whose interests are threatened to go and protect them.

The War Precautions' Act. by the vay, was recently amended to the effect that proceedings could not be . instituted without the sanction of the Federal authorities; an amending clause also requires that, six days' e of the charge against him ld be served upon the accused person. It does not appear from the report of the proceedings that either of these conditions were fulfilled in the case of McDermott. The State Labor Government cannot afford, of course, to notice technicalities of course, to notice technicalities of that kind where a common worker dares to insult the labor politicians

That a man should be gaoled for making a statement of this kind is in itself proof that there is no difference between German Junkerism and Brit-ish tyranny so far as the freedom of the worker is concerned. The Ger man workers and the British workers who are slaughtering each other for such a choice, reminds one of a dog fight where only poisoned meat is the

ADDRESSES OF I.W.W. LOCALS.

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surer, E. J. Kiely, Palace Build-Sulphide-street, Broken Hill,

Fremantle Local, No. 5-C/o, W. John-Fremantie Local, No. 5--C/o. W. Johnstone, Burlington Hotel, Pakenhamstreet, East Fremantie, W.A. Boulder Local, No. 6--Secretary-Treasurer, F. H. Lunn, Lane-street, Boulder, W.A.

ane Local, No. 7—Secretary risbane Local, No. 7—secreta surer, J. J. Burke, "Mimi," street, Milton, Brisbane, Q.

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Industrial Efficiency on the job means prolonged holidays at both suds of the social scale. More holiday jaunts for the boss, and compulsory sight-gaz-ing on the street corner for the work-ing stiff.

(To the Ed tor).

Dear Sir.-Have read "Rebel's" re marks in your issue q. November 13, with great interest, and whilst not in any way doubting your correspond-ent's sincerity, would like to put this point of view under his notice: Does he know this line is being built with borrowed money? Therefore, the lonborrowed money? Therefore, the longer he and his pals make the job spin out, the greater will be the cost of this line; therefore, the interest char-ges will amount to much more; this will mean everyone travelling or send-ing goods over this line will have to pay higher rates to meet the heavy interest bill, and this will go on for all time, or, at least, as long as the

Through going slow when constructing the Victorian railways, the interest charges mounted up so high that at the present time out of every pound earned by the Victorian Railways, seven and sixpence has to be in interest; that is why, least, one of the reasons, why the fares have been raised lately, and fares have this interest all goes out of Austra lia.

The above facts apply to every trade or business where going slow is practised, and it means that to-day where a man spends a pound he only gets about 14s worth of value, the other 6s goes to pay the interest bill that has ben piled up because so many "Rebels" have gone slow in the

WISE HEAD.

These facts are not in keep ing with the I.W.W. policy, nor with the ideals of Unionism, but I feel that your ideals would change if you coul only see the facts as I now see them. mean the emancipation of the worker if every one thing, because if a man loafs he does not loaf on the boss—the boss charges his loafing up to the buyer of the arloafing up to the buyer of the ticle, so you see the buyer-another worker-pays for the other chap go-

W. H.

(Our correspondent is the kind of, man the world has been looking for for some time. We wonder wh workers have not hit upon ple idea of emancipating themselves before. Only do a "fair thing" by the boss, and lo, the millennium dawns. We fancy, though, that there must be something wrong with the theory. A simple examination of in-dustrial history, and a study of a few facts and figures, would seem to show that the more the "fair thing" prin-ciple has been practised in the past, the greater has grown the poverty of those who practised it. We are not aware, for instance, that in the early days of capitalistic exploitation, when eads" like our correspondent "fair thing" axiom into operation to the extent of fourteen and sixteen hours a day, that the purchas-ing power or the amount of wages were extended in consequence. condition of the worker is not determined by high prices or low prices, nor by the amount of interest which out of Australia," or comes into it, for that matter. Prices are fixed by the arbitrary whim of in dual bosses: if they were, we fear that there would be many who hluow not be content to stop at just charging up what our correspondent calls the st of loading." The surplus which the workers produce over their wages is the store nouse from which all interest charges are paid, and the larger that surplus is, the happier is the Paradise of the interest The workers have, therefore, othing to lose by going slow, Wise ead's "facts" and "ideals" notwithstanding.-Ed.)

ADELAIDE READERS

Can obtain copies of "Direct Acand Industrialist Literature from Charlie Russell, bootmaker, Gibson-street, Bowden, Adelaide,

The I.W.W. has been just about year in Western Australia now, It was an eventful occasion in the history of the Labor povement in W.A., when MacMillan, Daly, and Chisten sen arrived there from Broken Hill, with the message of industrial union-In reviewing our propaganda for the last twelve months, the fel-low-workers will understand that i have endeavored to make a scienti resume as I possible could; neither to understate nor exaggerate our ac-tivities, but to observe them, and then to state them as they really

After we had formed the Fremantle Local, we decided to concentrate our energies upon the mining industry, After ice the Boulder Local. few months' activity on the Gold Mile, the bosses victimised our active but what do we care, we had got in our propaganda. After the mine bosses had sacked our speakthe Kalgoorlie Council passed a forbidding street-speaking. However, when the time is opportune for the I.W.W., that Kalgoorlie by-law will be broken. Although the Boulder activities are very quiet just now, the main point is however, that a little propaganda has been done, and that we must wait until the logic vents drives the workers to the the Corinthian a little bunch of rebels gathered together and did great work amongst the Italians; this bunch has been fired, consequently there I.W.W. men on the move all now move. all the mining area of W.A., and as time goes on we have members in every part of the State.

Now that Reeves is in Fremantle, persistent propaganda is being systematically carried on, and esplanade meetings are held every Sunday af-fernoon, which has been the means of forming a new local in Perth.

We have also many friends and sympathisers in the craft unions, take our literature and papers, but who at present cannot leave their craft organisation craft organisations. During the last twelve months the l.W.W. has sold over £100 worth of literature and papers. The I.W.W. has means in this State of reuniting old rebels-members of defunct Socialist parties, etc. All old rebels assure me that never was the outlook more prosperous for a real revoorganisation. This. ever, is consistent with our philosophy, that. The idea of a one big uion can only take place and root in the worker's mind, until the material conditions are ready for it. To me our weakest feature is in the poor attendance at business meetings. The I.W.W. has great and grim struggles ahead of it, all over the world, and ot miss or shirk its share. To wage the class struggle succes fully the workers will have to drilled and disciplined in the neces-sary routine of industrial manage-In strikes and wage wars it is just as futile for the workers rely upon a few officials and prof sional leaders as it is to rely upon

professional politicians.

As the I.W.W. is an effort to form the new society inside the old one, however small or nebulous that effort may be, th e fellow-workers have to attend the business meetings of their locals to gain the necessary experience in industrial management. It seems to me that the propa ganda of deed or action is just as necessary as written or spoken propa-ganda. I noticed that the Newcastle free speech fight and the Barker case a good psychological effect upon fellow workers over here; the the fellow workers over words. "The solidarity of the working at once became something more than platform phraseology. M. SAWTELL

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This fragrant Golden Mile is, I suppose, one of most go ahead places in Australia just now: everything is forging ahead except the thinking power of the worker, and consequent ly wages. Here most men find cons-tant employment—that constant that they have no time to think. They t get paid for thinking, they other men to do their thinking for the inevitable result with naturally those men think first themselves.

Like my predecessors here, I have vainly tried to ventilate the wrongs of a set of men who worked on a mine called "The Chaffers' G.M.," and who still owed a fortnight's pay since
December last year. The local 16th December last year. press here dare not print a word against any mining company. At time of writing all the "unfortunates" forced to sign a paper saving they have received their money, and then after three lawyers have considered it they may get some of their money. the genial condecension Claude de Bernacles. The very name of the said gent stinks from one end of W.A. to the other, and W.A. con-tains a million square miles.

One of our fellow workers, F. W. Larson, has translated from the Swed-ish something called "Why should the working men murder one another." I have it if you would like it, but it is, I think, liable to come under the Precautions' Act, and may be deemed to be prejudicial to recruiting, etc.

I have a mate who is an excellent painter, and I am trying hard to get him to paint enlargements of the il-lustrations in "War-What For?" At present he is engaged "diamonds," all day and every day. By and bye this lad will be a great acquisition to our movement.

I have been room mate recently with several returned soldiers, and I got first hand truth from youder got first hand truth from yonder slaughter yard. It would be good for most of us to actually see just a few bullet holes in people, and it will bullet holes in people, and it will probably be our lot in the near fu-

Corinthian, a little one-horse show over here, contains 75 per cent. ho-boes and recently they demonstrated W.A. what a little D.A. could do. The kind masters at that centre then thought they would spread the good tidings a little further, and issued ng tickets to two or three rebels. That is just how our slavers are spreading he I.W.W. in W.A. They even seem more intent on it than do some of the F.-Ws. themselves. Having all the "bwains" they are supposed to have, one wonders at them se ing us to every part of the State will tell everybody at once. One uld think they would let us stay in ne place where we can't do arm. This victimisation has followed up with such vengeance that there is scarcely any of us left he e. Men have actually scooted, skedaddled from my presence when talking to me in the street when a pimp of the bosses' hove in sight. One of illustrious nigger drivers passes' this office every time he sees a light here. He peered in one evening, and next fired two fellow-workers who were slaves. I am holding on here till forcements arrive, which will be shortly after Christmas, when Local 5, all Corinthian and district, and all rebels at large will "get" here for a big Free Speech Fight. Since the departure of F.-W. Reeves, both Councils, in their wisdom (?), saw at to a bye-law that no street speaking shall be allowed in future, without

Will you, on receipt of this, enlarge our order of Direct Action.

F. H. LUNN.

Every copy of "Direct Action" sold is a kick at the boss. Get subs.

Asinine Aspects of Arbitration. National Power. Future of the Child Eveleigh Engineers

"Bowed by the weight of centuries he leans upon his hoe and gazes on the ground. The emptymess of ages den of the world. Who made him thus, dead alike to rapture and de-spair? A thing that never grieves, and cannot hope; stolid and stunned, a brother of the ox. . . ."

Thus "Edwin Markham," in his fine poem, "The Man With The Hoe." And now, after a quarter century of craft unionism, and the political device of arbifration, the utopia of State capitalism is about to dawn for the full redemption of the wage slaves "Brothers of the ox." we are honor-

nation of being first cousins to the

Witness the proceedings of the Federal Arbitration Court before Judge Higgins, in the case of the wharf lab-orers trouble. 'The Shipowners' Astrouble. sociation, in which two consulting engineers gave evidence of the working capacity of a man, and in which one of these witnesses quoted an authority a man's effort, in comparison with a horse, a mule, and an ass.

It does not appear that any protest as entered against the degrading literally brutal, human beings with beasts of burden.

The theological parasites of capital-ism, when it suits their nefarious purpose, will tell these "brothers of the x"—and now, first cousins to the ass that their creator has "made them a little lower than the angels," whilst set of capitalist pimps discounts this too laudatory compliment by rating them in power of traction much lower than the ass.

What a deplorable reflection that the average worker has not yet got the horse-sense to kick like a mule gainst this insulting measure of his -but if his power of traction be less than the ass's, he surely is a fair ; ival of his first cousin in subsorviency and patience under brutal-

Verily, the A.L.F. should henceforth be dubbed the "Assinine Labor Federation."

But, "sweet are the uses of adverattempt to degrade the workers down to donkey level will, being meekly accepted, induce their exploiters to ro still further, till the point be reached, where the den worm will turn.

workers! You who are yet

in the thraidom of political grafters, and their confederates in the sectional unions, are you blind to the fact all the wealth of this Australian ontinent has been produced by your labor power and that of your fathers and that it can only be maintained and added to, by the present generation of workers, and their children

Know you not that all the rall-ways, bridges, ships, machinery of production, and all structures of iron and our cities with their towering babels of brick and mortar, of stone and marble, owe their existence to the thought force of your me chanical minds and the manipulative cunning of your rough but skilful hands? And only by the creature force of labor power being breathed upon it can it be preserved or re-

Your fractional share of all you produce is only sufficient to keep you from dying at your work-"a living

In reality, as far as you are concerned, all the wealth on this planet is but the mighty obelisken the grave yard of the labor which raised

But Nature is impartial, and its laws of elimination will soon resolve all these forms of wealth of your creation back again into the elements from which your creative power has

It only requires the suspension that power, or a diminution of it, to weaken the position of your masters and to decrease your own strength; to know this is to fully comprehend and value the potency of the strike on the job or off it, and the logic of the little wodoen shoe, which comprises in full the scientific value of

One Big Union and Direct Action by and management.

Without this true solidarity of inorganisation, all strikes in flict more injury on the workers than on their oppressors. And only the working mass rise to the altitude of perception of their full powers, born of wise organisation, will they truly begin the campaign for full economic freedom in the production and cornucopian scale of plenty for and each. At present the animating idea of sectional unionism is by political methods to establish State capitalism in lieu of the present private capitalism, from which change may all the powers of kindest destiny de-Wage slavery would a case, be perpetuated, and we should have a realisation of Herbert ing Slavery," a more dire and drastic form than ne conceived it.

my fellow Australian wage slaves, not that way shall we arrive at freedom's estate for our class; the vealth you produce must not be hand ed into the control of the State. Recognise once for all, that to work for any man or any number of men, is an infamy and a degradation to the one who works. honor or dignity to the worker, nor to the leech that fattens and sub-sists on his waste of tissue.

Oh! fellow sufferers, under the bo dage of politicians, how long is it to tion that by misdirection your splenpowers are much wasted as that of the water upon the rock.

You are robbed and exploited, "You are hired out for gold; You are borrowed and lent,

You are bartered and sold. Do the years of oppression to serfdom

in sure. That you still remain slaves. though you be poor?

And that is your position to-day, after twenty-five years of pinning your faith to the dirty skirts of political grafters and trade union leeches. Is It not time to give effect to the power selves, by Solldarity and Direct Ac-

tion?
"Hereditary bondsman know

Who would be free, .
Themselves must strike the blow."
"OLD EUREKA."

"PUT UP THE SWORD."

The Literature Secretary of Lo No. 2, Sydney, has a stock of Miss Pankhurst's book, "Put Up the Sword" on hand. Miss Pankhurst has been the object of much hostile criticism been howling for her internment for frank and lucid explanation of the causes of war, and her exposure of the inevitable evils that result from militarism. The book is a triumph of compilation, argument, and logic. Every working man and radical should read the book, which has been compiled, and printed entirely in Austra-Every one of it's 232 pages are full of information, most of which is the bought press. The first edition is nearly sold out, therefore an early application is necessary. Local sold over 140 copies during the past week, on their terms of "Take the book for a week, keep it clean, the book for a week, keep it clean, read it, and if you're not satisfied bring back the book and we will re There has not been one returned to date.

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"No difficulties in the outer roses travelled by the British people can defeat the fact that the decisive work of the war will ultimately by done in

the factories," remarks Sydney "Sun" in a leader recently.

The article points out that the source of National Power is, in effect, the job, and shows that "one corner of the United States of America possessed the mechanical means to defeat on the field of battle all the rica combined, though it possessed a population of only ten millions as against 200 millions of its adversarpopulation of It might have gone further and said that a small percentage ten millions, the owners of the "mechanical means" referred to, possess-ed the power of life or death over more than 200 million people-which may be the kind of power the "Sun" aspires to for a nation, but hardly that which the people as a whole would

The point of our argument is, howthat just as a nation is powerful in proportion to the scientific development of the machine, so also is the power of the two classes in mod-, society to be judged by machine job control. The decisive work the class war, as well as the war ern in Europe, will certainly "be ultimate-ly done in the factories"; the conflict must be waged around the machine, and for its possession, for the power derived from ownership is too vast to be left in the hands of a few.

"In every bloody corner of Europe," says the "Sun," "the victorious decision has been gained by the science which, devoted to the invention and manufacture of mechanical means, has scorned the numerical advantage in man-power, and has been able to defy the finer force of spiritual superiority in spite of the consoling assurance of the moralist that Truth is mighty and shall prevail."

propagation of materialism of this kind may prove dangerous to the interests which the capitalist press which represents. Christianity, which Neitzsche rightly described as a slave's religion, has for centuries deluded the workers with the doctrine that they will ultimately be rewarded, if not in the next, by the triumph of that abstraction which the "Sun" writes with a capital T., with the result that they have left their in the hands of "the moralists" nothing but Might matters, the "consoling assurances" of the "pie in the sky" fraternity may lose their po-

When the workers are organised as a united whole around the machine, and become its masters instead of remaining its slaves, there will be no "bloody corners" in Europe or any-where else for the "Sun" to sermonise upon. It is because they have over-looked in the past the fact that the machine and its control is the great propelling force from which all pow-er worthy of the name is derived, that they are to-day at the mercy of purpose of human slaughter instead

of for the uplifting of the race. National power in its true sen will never be achieved until the one big union of the working class seizes e machinery of production and so destroy the power over human lives which its present misusers wield.

An I.W.W. band is in process of formation in Sydney. Money for instru-ments is required. Now then, all you ments is required. Now then, all you out-back wage stiffs who want a treat at Christmas time when you come to the city, send along "the necessary." Anything over a tenner will be reject-

A writer in "Trutn" tells us that there is no difference in principle between the Sabotage which the LW.W. advocates, and the Sabotage practised ty politicians and paid patriots on the public funds. Quite right; but there is a difference in the motives. former is inspired by motives of class interest and social welfare, while the sabotage of the politician is prop personal greed and other un-

One of Perth's most flamboyant ecclesiastical parasites has ma That the starling announcement: new culture has discovered the free-dom of the child to express its own ideas."

Might as well talk about the glories of liberty to an Egyptian mummy, bound with its many wrappings, as of free thought under capitalism, with its educational institutions. Preconceived ideas are poured into the child's mind before it has time to think and develop any individ of its own. The "culture" as yet given to our children is only the old in a new form. All teachings tend to the same end, the buttressing of the capitalistic system. The whip that drove the children of tender years into the factories and mines of Chris-tian England has only altered in kind. The exploitation of the child is as great' to day as ever. The factory and mine owners mutilate the fiesh and deform the bones of nis wealth producers by excessive ton. To-day, aided by Sunday schools, the owners children mutilate, stunt, and deform their minds, by the false education supplied and dictated by the ruling class, which is compulsory and "free." Ye Gods, and labor pays for It is just the right education to make efficient wage slaves. tinuation schools and the night classes save the masters the expense teaching their apprentices trades. The workers think it is a grand thing for their children to be-come efficient. Their hearts swell come efficient. with love and gratitude to a Labor Parliament for this great boon mothers and fathers, what will the end of all this "higher" education be? There will be greater competition for The ranks of the efficient unemployed ever grows larger, thus a-cursing the future of the child. "They can not all be Lord Mayors." If your son or daughter climbs to the top of the ladder of success, he or she must kick others down. How many bright, promising young lives have been sacrificed on the altar of paren-tal ambition. What will it comfort

brought about by the forcing of brain at the expense of health? To have the room lined with certificates of merit and diplomas. too often. Sir Ray Lankaster says ("Kingdom of Man"): "We boldly op rate upon the minds of children in our systems of education without really knowing what we are doing. We know the pain and penalty of mus cular fatigue, but we play with the brains of young and old as though brains of young and old as though they were made of indestructible ma-

others when the clever daughter o

on the verge of insanity.

promising son lies tossing on a bed of

fever or

chinery." Capitalism is bad for man, for woman, but most damnable for the children. Ye wage slaves, wake up! Are you going to leave this world no better than you found it? You have the power to change it if you will, but use it. It is no use begging of your masters.

Elizabeth Browning appealed most eloquently:---How long, how long, O, cruel nation

you stand to move the world upon a child's heart? Crush down with mailed heel its pai-

itation, As you tread onward to your throne amid the mart.

Their blood splashes up, O, gold neap-

And your purple shows your path; But the child's sob in the darkness curses deeper Than the strong man in his wrath."

The child still sobs in the darkness The curse falls on the wrong head. Religion has failed, science has failed, to remove the curse. The workers must not fail

WAR! WHAT FOR?

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"Direct Action" in its last issue circulated a par likely to prejudice tion of the workers, and will, no doubt, be glad to publish this correc

The words in question are: "Threats of direct action without resorting to it on the part of the engineers employed on the rallways, have been sufficient to bring the Commissioner over to their point of view. According to the press report, the paymaster at Eveleigh workshops has been cted to pay the rates demanded.

above is quite untrue. Now, the though a fair inference from the re-port in the "S.M. Herald" of the 22nd inst., which was as follows:— "A meeting of the members of association was held on Friday at the Eveleigh workshops, when matter of the ultimatum ed. After addresses by the district secretary and by a delegate, it was decided to work as usual to-day, the matter in dispute to be dealt with by the executive of the union." (That much is true enough except that the meeting was on Saturday, not Friday.) "It is understood, however that everything has been satisfactorily ged. The paymasters at the have been instructed by the arranged. Commissioners to pay the new award rates from December next." The lat-ter is quite untrue. The question in dispute is still unsettled, and it is a matter of an increase on the award. The union officials asked the men not to carry out their threat of taking direct action, as there was good hope of a satisfactory settlen have loyally obeyed their officials There is a feeling among them, how ever that the resumed discussion is nly a put off, the Commissioners hopto wear down the men's mination, or perhaps waiting for the happy intervention of conscription.

On the Wednesday following the appearance of the above par in "Herald," the men were payed the back money of the award. The same evening the Christmas holidays were posted up, being, though the usua holiday, rather more than was expected. Some have wondered whe ther the commissioners calculated that the satisfaction produced by the holiday announcement, and the extra full pay time, would cause the men to forget their demand for the in

Fitting with this idea, the par in the "Herald" would be inspired by the nmissioners, and intended to give an explanation, which would cover the men's defeat. Very thoughtful of the Commissioners, but if that is their calculation of the men's determination, it is very much out,

publication of this will, perhaps, help to dispel the surprise and irration of the public (owing to the par in the "Herald") when further trouble is ahead at Eveleigh.

MEMBER A.S.E.

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