

Everett and Other Prisoners Need Your Assistance

War Reaction in Australia

(Continued From Page 1) after twenty years of so-called labor political supremacy, have to resort to mass action to compel the coal barons to concede the eight hours. Besides the miners have adopted in the past the tradition of their efficiency, and slowing down. The miners have won. Direct action gets the goods.

CRAFT UNION HUMOROUS Many years ago the miners of Broken Hill decided to send a man to Parliament to get legislation passed to improve working conditions in the mines. Whom do you think they would send? A miner, or a surface hand, or an engine driver? No! The local undertaker, Jabez Wright, who had the business of burying defunct miners, was sent to Parliament to get something on the statute book to safeguard and insure their lives. And Jabez is still in, and probably the best of a damned bad lot. The coal strike is on. As there is no electric or gas light, the insurance companies have forbidden their clients to use other lights. Among the buildings in darkness is the Trades Hall in Sydney. All the unions affiliated with this proprietorial institution are compelled to forgo their union meetings with the exception of those who have enough courage to hire a room from the I. W. W. No insurance company in Sydney will insure the I. W. W. property, so we can burn what we like.

THE ADVANTAGE OF CONSTITUTIONAL POLITICS The world is gradually losing that arrant optimism, the constitutional ballot box worshiper. And it is about time. Perhaps I may be accused of trying to prevent Brother Seidel from hitting the top step at the White House, or hindering our various star comrades from getting a chunk of the millennium, but nevertheless this is the truth, all of it.

We have a State Labor Party in power in N. S. W.—or had. The big gunners, conscientious, and by and by the referendum hit them in the neck with a 116,000 majority against conscription in the state. The Labour politicians who were conscientious got a panic, and linked arms promptly with the Liberals. They are now what the present administration for an indefinite period. Laborites and their Liberal pals are a majority in the Assembly, and divided up the loot and the nice jobs. Now we have triennial Parliaments in this state, and an election is due this year, 1916. Our "National Party" promptly met and have lengthened the life of the present administration for an indefinite period. They have done themselves in for life, although there is a majority of 116,000 against them. There are hundreds of constitutional prospective politicians who are getting headaches trying to find a constitutional way of kicking the constitutionalists out who have dug themselves constitutionally in. Perhaps some of our dear comrades may have some suggestion that might relieve the situation. Great is the power of the ballot box in democratic Australia. But perhaps in ten or maybe thirty years we may be able to use it again. And our aspiring constitutionalists who are not in, are appealing to the Governor, Sir Gerald Strickland, to protect the democracy from the tyrannous rule of the "National Party." It would make a man die of laughing. But it is so serious for would-be politicians. A replica of a ballot box will be sent to the comrade who can suggest the best constitutional way out of the difficulty.

THE REFERENDUM That monumental piece of intelligence, William Morris Hughes, Prime Minister of Australia, and until recently the darling of the middle class political Laborites, has just received the prize shock of his life. You will remember how in a recent copy of "Solidarity" William, just prior to leaving for Europe, declared his intention of attacking the I. W. W. with the force of a Bengal tiger. While William was getting used to knee breeches at Mr. George Wetton's detached villa, the Political Labor Leagues at their conference in Sydney in May of this year, sent a wire of congratulation to him on the way he was representing Australia. "Shout this case from the top of your voice," Billy came back to hand out conscription. He had a rough job in the Parliamentary caucus, and he had to compromise with a referendum on the question.

The Government started to vilify anyone opposed to conscription and the paid press and politicians fell hell out of the I. W. W. Twelve prominent members were arrested in Sydney on charges of treason. Sensational evidence was manufactured about murder, incendiarism, sedition and Christ knows what not. They were refused bail, and committed for trial: Eleven members were arrested in West Australia, including an 85-year-old veteran, who handled a gun at the Eureka Stockade in 1854, when the miners rebelled against the fiendish devilry of the quarter-deck Victorian of that day. More "sensational" evidence was adduced. A few days before the referendum, some wheat stacks caught fire at the West Australian, including a big stack on a holiday, and were arrested without the slightest evidence. They were thrown into jail, while the Prime Minister "round the country calling the I. W. W. "wheat burners," "incendiarists," etc. When the referendum was over these men were released unconditionally. The referendum of the I. W. W. was carried out with sensational headings. "The I. W. W. burn Victoria Barracks." A subsequent inquiry did not reveal either a fire maker or even a fire. Over insured firms have also having prodigious fires and the I. W. W. is blamed for everything, including droughts, earthquakes, and pestilence.

And when they finished counting the vote on conscription there was a majority of 62,000 against. In this state, where the I. W. W. is strongest, the majority against was 116,000.

THE I. W. W. TRIALS Later—the twelve fellow workers, after a trial of ten days have all been found guilty. Seven have been sentenced to fifteen years, four to ten years and one to five years.

You in America will see the struggle we are in for. Arrange immediately a boycott of all foodstuffs and goods imported from Australia. Shout this case from the house-tops. We are going for a new trial, and we have behind us the support of the forces of the working class.

Long live the One Big Union! MILITANT. (Special to Solidarity) Virginia, Minn. The "Timber Beast" is the fiercest and most dangerous hot up in the snowball country. The One Big Union is coming to the front at last—organized in the woods among the lumberjacks. A phone comrade from the Cusin lumber camp to Virginia, Minn., says the men up there are on strike; they are not taking place in the lumber camps. The Rainey Lake Lumber Co. has 27 camps at Cusin and a big summer camp. Virginia, Minn. has 400 for 400 in both places. All you rebels who want to see 400 grow and remain the banner central union of the I. W. W. come up and see for yourself; there is lots of fun and excitement in the woods and coffee and—It is fine on the firing line—what if you want to see the organization grow? Don't you care you are getting by in some city where you can get a job? If you have a card that that is the end

THOMPSON LECTURES IN NEW YORK CITY

James P. Thompson one of the best lecturers in the labor movement today, will speak, Sunday, Jan. 14, 1917, at Manhattan Lyceum, 84 E. 12th St., New York City. Subject, "Bloody Sunday at Everett." The place of a second meeting at the Lyceum, Jan. 15, will be announced later.

Thompson is touring the country in the interest of the Everett Defense Committee, seeking publicity for the trial of the men arrested at that labor hall in the United States. Workingmen and working women should make free speech by celebrating the illumination of the Statue of Liberty at our front door, and by having the greatest crime against Liberty being committed.

When you want to help to throw the light not only on the surface but also on the dark, sinister side of the crime, then join in a mighty protest against all tyranny and come to Manhattan Lyceum, 84 E. 12th St., January 14th.

PRESS COMMITTEE

CHRISTMAS IN CLEVELAND

The Cleveland I. W. W. annual Christmas dinner was held at the headquarters, 226 Champlain Ave., on Monday evening, Dec. 25. The dinner was a great success, and the evening was spent in a most enjoyable manner. The program consisted of a variety of songs, recitations, and a play. The evening was a most successful one, and the members of the I. W. W. were very pleased with the results.

CANADA AND THE WAR

Fort William, Ont., Dec. 23 Am enclosing a review in clipping and booklet which I thought might be of interest to Solidarity in regard to the war in Canada. The clipping I particularly wanted to send you as it contains a very interesting article on the war in Canada. The article is a most interesting one, and it is well worth your attention. It is a most interesting one, and it is well worth your attention.

BULGARIAN SOC. CONVENTION

Toledo, O., Dec. 25 Solidarity: A few lines on the interesting content of my Bulgarian fellow worker's report on the "Annual" and probably was the question of my admission as a delegate from the I. W. W. One of the delegates from the Bulgarian Socialist Union, who was present at the convention, and who was very much interested in the I. W. W. and its work, was very much interested in the I. W. W. and its work.

From the boys in the Everett jail, comes the following request: All mail for the men in jail here should be sent to the Everett Prisoners' Defense Committee, Box 1878, Seattle, Wash. Vincent Riley and Frank Shafter correspond with Mat K-Fox, Box One-Six.

Industrial Union Literature And Propaganda Mediums

The following is a list of ALL the literature in the labor movement at this time. It will be announced from time to time as added. To avoid errors, please refer to the list. Items marked with * are available only in single copies. Four-page and six-page leaflets are also available at a special temporary. All foreign literature should be ordered from the Everett office. Foreign papers as advertised in these columns.

BOOKS The Trial of a New Society—Justin Short. Single copies 50c, 6 or more at 25c. Single copies 50c, 6 or more at 25c. What Every Mother Should Know—Margaret Sawyer. Single copies 25c, 6 or more at 15c. The New Unionism—Andre Tridon (paper). Single copies 50c, 6 or more at 25c. Report of the Industrial Union of Marine and Shipbuilding Workers—Compiled by Fred Warren, with introduction by Clarence Van Dyke. 25 or more at 5c. \$4.00 per 100.

PAMPHLETS Fabrics—Elizabeth Gurley Flynn. Ten cents per copy, \$5.00 per 100. The Advancing Proletariat—Almer Woodruff. Ten cents per copy, \$5.00 per 100. Political Economy—Preparing the Government—B. E. Wilson. Five cents per copy, \$5.00 per 100. The New Unionism—Andre Tridon (paper). Single copies 50c, 6 or more at 25c. Report of the Industrial Union of Marine and Shipbuilding Workers—Compiled by Fred Warren, with introduction by Clarence Van Dyke. 25 or more at 5c. \$4.00 per 100.

STICKERETS Printing sticker cards, embossed. The "I. W. W." design. Stickers embossed with the "I. W. W." design. Stickers embossed with the "I. W. W." design. Stickers embossed with the "I. W. W." design.

Or One Big Union Banners, 11x18 inches, with the "I. W. W." design. Each banner 25c, 10 or more at 15c. Also in larger packages based on the size of the order.

SPECIAL OFFER An introductory package containing one each of all pamphlets listed, Song Book and Vest Pocket Edition of Walsh Report, value 75c. All mailed on receipt of only 10c. Price lists include postage prepaid.

SONGS I. W. W. Songs (64 pages). Joe Hill Memorial Edition. Ten cents per copy, \$5.00 per 100. \$4.00 per 1,000.

I. W. W. PUBLISHING BUREAU 112 Hamilton Av. Cleveland, Ohio, U. S. A.

SMOKER N BENJIDI A smoker was held in Benjidi, Minn., on Christmas night under the name of "Smoker N Benjidi." Secretary Nels Madison with the object of bringing the Workers together, both organized and unorganized, for educational purposes.

THE REBEL GIRL Words and Music by JOE HILL. This beautiful song the words are a music of which were written by Joe Hill in jail has just been published in the sheet music form of six pages giving both the words and music and notation. A fine cover design by Arthur Machan, printed in colors adds to its desirability for all Rebels. Only a very few are printed and may be had at the following prices: Single copies 25c; 5 copies for \$1.00. Ten or more at 15c each.

SANGER'S BOOKS "What Every Mother Should Know" (Paper—50 cents) and "What Every Girl Should Know" (Paper—50 cents) (Paper—50 cents) (Paper—50 cents)

PUBLISHING BUREAU Both books will be mailed to you address postpaid for fifty cents.

do something along these lines to bring the workers together. GEO. GEORGE GUSTIN Benjidi Branch

All fellow workers of Local 179, Chicago, will kindly attend to special business meeting, Tuesday, Jan. 2, at 211 E. 5th St., New York City. There will be 41 town officers—Schmuckel, Schel.

The Chicago Defense Committee recently organized to help the ransomed men in the Everett Prisoners' Defense Committee, who are in the Everett defense, which other local and national committees may have by their secretaries. The task is to be at defense meetings, for 10c or more. Address: Chas. Plahn, 1001 W. Madison St., Chicago, Ill.

Sam Fisher, Hungarian speaker, is making a tour throughout the State of Illinois, Michigan, Wisconsin, Michigan, Ohio, Indiana, West Virginia, Pennsylvania, New York, New Jersey, Secretaries and members of the I. W. W. are invited to join Fisher in arranging meetings throughout the State. Information address Sam Fisher, 919 Central St., Chicago, Illinois.

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ANOTHER LINK IN THE M. (Special to Solidarity) San Pedro, C. As a New Year's gift, the Marine Traders of San Pedro give the organization for the month of January. For these months past we have been on to receive her, and