WHY IS...
FRANK HARDY
Author of "POWER WITHOUT GLORY"

BRANDED
GUILTY BEFORE TRIAL?
WHAT DO THEY FEAR?

* WHY have Messrs. Keon, Scully, T. Oldham, Barry, M.L.A.'s, and Premier McDonald HIDDEN BEHIND PARLIAMENTARY PRIVILEGE in a scurrilous attack on "POWER WITHOUT GLORY"?

* WHY ARE THESE POLITICIANS TRYING TO INFLAME AND PREJUDICE PUBLIC OPINION against the author and his book—pending Mr. Hardy's trial?

Who do these politicians wish to protect from such a clear exposure of CORRUPTION IN HIGH PLACES?

* THE PEOPLE ARE ENTITLED TO KNOW...

WHY ARE THESE POLITICIANS SMEARING HARDY BEFORE HIS TRIAL?
WHO IS FRANK HARDY?

- An ex-serviceman of World War II; Mr. Hardy is a writer and publisher. He is in his early thirties.

- Since the war, Hardy has been building a solid reputation as a writer of high purpose and integrity. His work has received literary recognition in well-known anthologies such as “Coast to Coast,” and one of his plays has been produced by the Australian Broadcasting Commission.

- Frank Hardy believes that writers must show and explain the forces at work in society. His first novel, “Power Without Glory,” is the result of years of research and writing.

PROMINENT WRITERS, TRADE UNIONISTS, PROFESSIONAL MEN AND WOMEN ARE RALLYING TO THE SUPPORT OF FRANK HARDY — AND FREEDOM OF EXPRESSION FOR ALL WRITERS.

The law of criminal libel dates back to the days of the Star Chamber. It has seldom been used except for political purposes. It can involve a heavy gaol sentence. In Victoria it has not been used for over 30 years.

WHY HAS IT BEEN RESURRECTED AGAINST FRANK HARDY?

Is it because prominent politicians and millionaires think themselves injured by it?

The just do not fear exposure.
POWER WITHOUT GLORY

THE BOOK THAT CAPTURED
THE IMAGINATION OF THE
AUSTRALIAN PEOPLE

Tells of Bribery, Corruption, Racketeering
and Violence in Public Affairs.

* AIM of the book is to throw the strong
light of truth on sinister forces at
work in Australian society.

SHOWS the way high officials and
political, sporting and other institu-
tions are perverted by big moneyed
interests and ruthless men.

LIKE THE NOVELS OF UPTON SINCLAIR,
LIKE THE PLAYS OF THE LATE
GEORGE BERNARD SHAW

THIS BOOK STRIKES A GREAT
BLOW IN THE PUBLIC
INTEREST!
UNDER British Law a person is INNOCENT until found guilty.

Mr. Frank Hardy, author of "Power Without Glory," who is being proceeded against for criminal libel, IS INNOCENT UNLESS OR UNTIL HE IS FOUND GUILTY.

- But under cover of parliamentary privilege . . .

JUSTICE IS BEING GROSSLY ABUSED.

- The following are among many comments on "Power Without Glory" made publicly by politicians and reported in the Melbourne "Age" and "Argus":

T. OLDHAM (Deputy Opposition leader):
"... a criminal libel."

PREMIER MCDONALD:
"... salacious and defamatory. . ."
SOME COMMENTS ON...

POWER WITHOUT GLORY

"THE AUSTRALASIAN POST" (Sept. 14):
"...a social document and an indictment...a rounded realism...the author's research into the course of political history has gone deep."

"THE BULLETIN" (Sept. 27): ". . . one could not agree that Power Without Glory is alone in setting a new direction for the Australian novel; but it does, certainly, take its place as one of a group of novels which are initiating a new trend...warmly to be welcomed."

Flora Eldershaw in "MEANJIN": "Does it achieve any validity as a picture of society? The sheer accumulation of detail, the air of faithfully transcribing the record of one corrupt transaction after another...the author's evidently sincere conviction...all to build up an atmosphere of verisimilitude...a strong sustained impression."

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