

**METAL TRADES
FEDERATION**
VICTORIAN BRANCH



Conscientious Objector, Sydney School Teacher, Bill White, being taken to gaol. Public opinion later assisted in his release.

DAY OF CONSCIENCE ON CONSCRIPTION FOR VIETNAM WAR Monday, November 25, 1968

CITY DEMONSTRATION TO THE HIGH COURT

(assemble at cnr Little Bourke and William Streets at 10.00 a.m.)

AFTERNOON CONFERENCE on "WHAT'S TO BE DONE" (Trades Hall, Melbourne at 1 p.m.)

More than 150 Victorian Trade Union Officials, alarmed at the gaoling of young Australian youth because they refuse to serve in the Vietnam War, have commenced —

TRADE UNION CAMPAIGN FOR CONSCIENCE ON CONSCRIPTION

The Victorian Branch of the Metal Trades Federation has endorsed the Campaign

Many of Australia's twenty-year-olds strongly object to the Vietnam War. They cannot in all conscience serve in a war within a country stricken by foreign invaders for more than a century.

The Trades Hall Council, on 31st October, condemned the sentence imposed on a person because of "conscientious objection to military service".

The Trades Hall Council resolution also stated that "such a law was out-moded, undemocratic, and usurped the basic rights of the individual to exercise his objections to military service according to his conscience".

— "It should be the inalienable right of any individual in a democracy to be permitted to decide according to his conscience and not be dealt with on the same basis as a convicted criminal."

BUT STILL

THESE YOUNG TWENTY-YEAR-OLDS ARE BEING GAOLED AUTOMATICALLY
FOR TWO YEARS IF THEY REFUSE TO SERVE.

(John Zarb is at present in gaol at the Pentridge, Coburg)

WE CAN'T IN ALL CONSCIENCE ALLOW THIS TO GO ON.

METAL TRADES WORKERS MUST PARTICIPATE ON NOVEMBER 25th, 1968

Hold job meetings and elect delegates to attend
the city demonstration and conference.

THE METAL TRADES FEDERATION CALLS UPON YOU TO THINK — then HELP