SOLDIERS' GUARDIAN

## **UNITE!** Fight For Independence and Victory !

BATTLE STATIONS have been sounded in Australia. Every man, woman

and child must take their place - soldier and civilian, officer and private. We are fighting a ruthless enemy. He bayonets prisoners in Hong Kong —

has declared whole areas of Hong Kong open brothels. He proposes to carry these bestial methods into Australia.

Our country, families, freedom, are menaced. All must unite; whether we have wings or pips on our shoulders, stripes or plain khaki, or a navy blue suit. All must fight as one.

WE MUST DEVELOP THE OFFENSIVE SPIRIT, batter the enemy wherever we can get at him, smash him wherever he may set foot on Australian soil.

WE SOLEMNLY PLEDGE THAT WHILE WE BREATHE WE WILL FIGHT THE FASCIST ENEMY. WE WILL NOT SURRENDER !

We must get in touch with trade unions, shop committees; we must tell the workers we are 100 per cent united with them in the fight for a free and happy Australia — tell them we are proud to see them forming Workers' Defence Units to fight with us. We should consult how they can increase production of equipment.

To strengthen the work of our armed forces we need Soldiers' Committees with representatives from privates, N.C.Os and officers — committees which will bring every section into co-operation, suggest better training methods, raise morale and solve the many problems that hamper real unity.

Our fighting strength would increase if such Soldiers' Committees regularly let us know about the military situation and showed the way to greater efforts.

Lieut. General Sturdee's "offensive" orders must become reality. Good-bye to useless parade ground drill methods. We want more tactlcal exercises on tEking cover, advancing under fire, unarmed combat, m thods of improvising equipment, of platoon movements in realistic battle practice so that nothing will be strange to us in real action.

We need bivouacs in which infantry, artillery and air force co-operate.

We need to know how the VDC works so that we can co-operate with it in action. We want the promotion of all keen, enthusiastic privates on the basis of ability. We want an increase all round in our pay and dependants' allowance.

WE DEMAND THAT BRITAIN, TOO, SHOULD TAKE THE OFFEN-SIVE AND LAUNCH A SECOND FRONT AGAINST HITLER IN EUROPE, TO JOIN FORCES WITH OUR SOVIET ALLY.

The quick defeat of Hitlerism will hasten the smash of the whole Fascist Axis --- including JAPAN.

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