

## Guidance for the People at the Top

On the day when the unknown dead soldier  
Was buried among gun salvos  
At the same midday hour  
From London to Singapore  
Between twelve two and twelve four  
For a full two minutes, all work stopped  
Simply to honour  
The dead Unknown Soldier

But all the same  
Perhaps instructions should be issued  
For a ceremony at last to honour  
The Unknown Worker  
From the great cities on the teeming  
continents  
Some man from the tangle of traffic  
Whose face no-one noticed  
Whose mysterious character was  
overlooked  
Whose name was never heard distinctly  
Such a man should  
In the interest of us all  
Be commemorated by a substantial  
ceremony  
With a broadcast tribute  
"To the Unknown Worker"  
And  
A stoppage of work by the whole of  
humanity  
Over the entire planet.

Bertolt Brecht