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drug with another drug. Reckitt went further, and grudgingly admitted that the drug could also prove addictive to those who have already experienced opiate habits.

However there was no move then, or since, to place the drug on the controlled drug register where it undoubtedly belongs. The reasons are obvious. The commercial viability of the drug rests solely upon its requiring less control and restriction than other opiate-type analgesics. Otherwise it is just one more on an already-too-long list of products of a similar type. No wonder then, with talk of massive export earnings in the air, that it seemed to serve no-one's interest to listen to the irritating bad sportsmanship of a handful of Hull junkies and a too-fussy West German doctor.

At the time of writing, buprenorphine still enjoys the status it always has. The euphoria is under control but the complacency is still there. Wild claims are out. They might cause waves in the light of the West German findings. But there is no doubt that no-one, certainly not R and C, is going to try to reverse the non-addictive image under which the drug was launched. Let sleeping dogs lie and quietly accrue the financial benefits of what was, to say the least, a grossly misleading launch campaign.

Letters written in confidence to R and C found their way into the hands of the Drug Squad, despite the fact that they contained no facts of

interest to, or new to, the police. When asked why they had done this R and C replied that it was because the Drug Squad has "asked for them". That the Drug Squad knew of any such

Super drug may help trawler men

correspondence would be to ascribe to them a facility for clairvoyance such as would surely make every criminal in the city hold up his hands.

That a drug such as buprenorphine should be readily available to anyone who can persuade a recipient of

a legal prescription to part with some is unbelievable, especially in the light of the current carefully orchestrated official concern about drugs. That the Queens Award should be the accolade for someone inventing a new drug, in 1985, is bad taste to say the least. Surely the last thing we need is another way to become a junkie. There are already too many of them.

Instances of its systematic misuse as an alternative to opiates are no longer confined to Hull. The supply is a tiny fraction of what it was once, depending, as it does, upon the willingness of those prescribed the drug to part with some or all of their pills, perhaps for a consideration. But the status the drug occupies in the hierarchy of controlled or restricted drugs means that GP's are likely to be far less circumspect about when and to whom to prescribe the drug than they would be in the case of, for instance, Palthium or Diconal.

No-one need suggest that buprenorphine doesn't have a role to play, or is in itself an evil or unnecessary thing. But it is strongly suggested that it is far from being what it was once purported to be. It is further suggested that R and C are wholly aware of this, and have done nothing to counteract an impression which they know now to be, in part, at least, false.


And it is time they did something about it.

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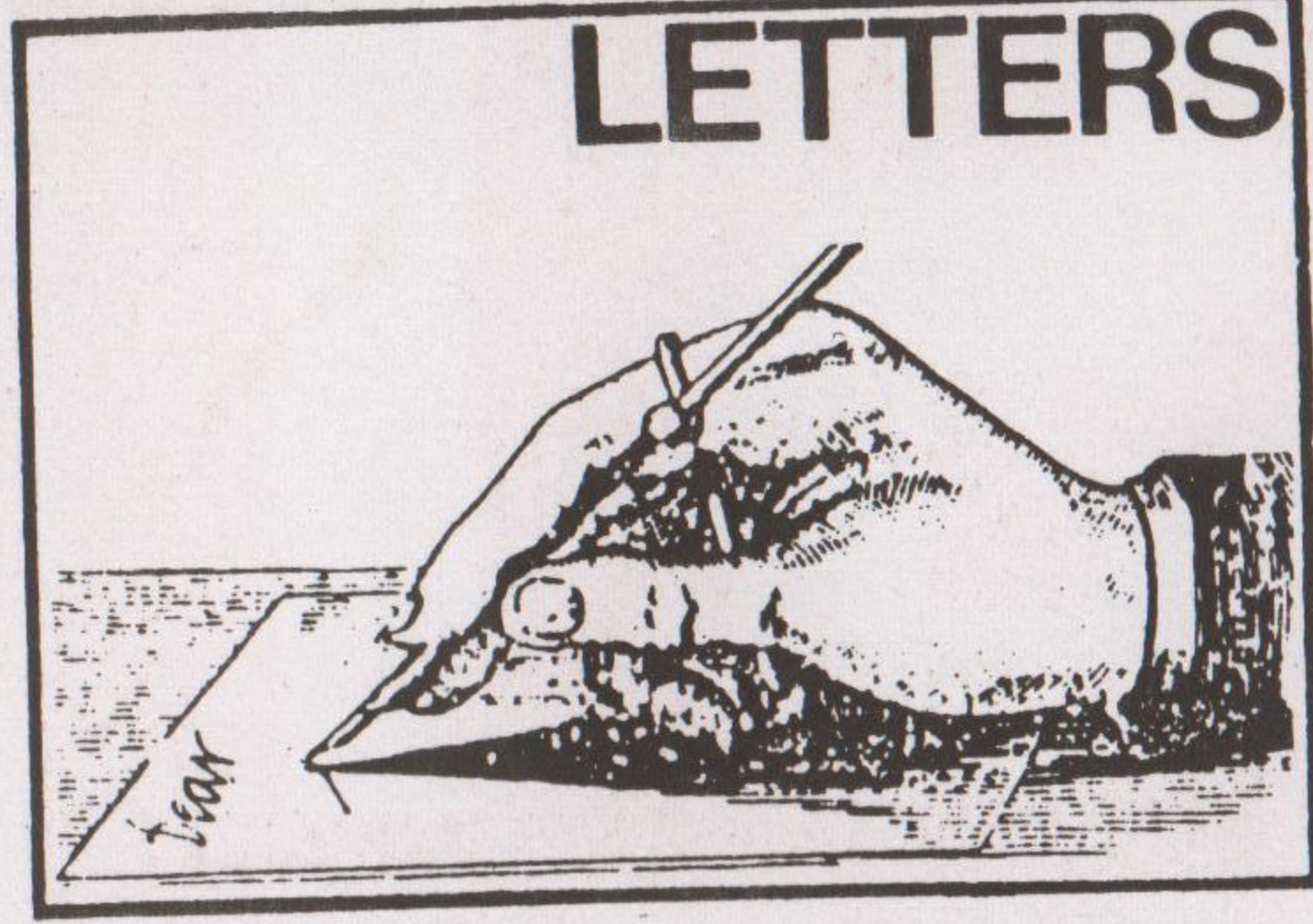
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Dear POST,
Since both of your Oct. and Nov. editions have seen fit to comment upon me and my allegorical novel "The March of the History Animal", I am motivated to respond in line with your right of reply policy.

You have done me and my book the service of a mention but unfortunately on neither occasion did you inform your readers how to obtain the book and judge it for themselves as is the practice of all serious reviews. I now correct that error of omission. The book, 226 pages published by Merlin Books Ltd is available for £3.25 paperback and £7.95 hardback from bookshops and the publisher and from me. The book is also available free of charge for reading, from Humberside City Council Libraries Lending Services.

With regard to the review article by C.C. in the Oct. Post, I have to register my disappointment at his statement "the book was not something I could read all of the way through." If so CC, why then pretend to review it? Why not obtain a review article from someone who had read the book? Many local people, 14 in fact, read the 12,000 word manuscript before publication and 13 produced written reviews or responses. All of these were positive and encouraging. Indeed, to date the only negative response has been from CC of the POST.

Your reviewer CC further comments, "I have to admit I am bloody amazed at the responses from those whose names appear on the cover as 'readers' of the book. Why does the Post print 'readers' in inverted commas? Does the Post disbelieve that Ellen Hood, John Myhill, B.Sc., Alan Dewey, Brian Winter, Barry Fleetwood B.Sc., Janet MacDougal John Pougher, and Doctor Paul Sutton of Hull University read the MS and provided written comments which were used for

publication. I might add that the Post was also provided with reviews and responses from other local people. All of these made positive criticisms of what I had written and did unknowingly encourage me to pursue the work through to final publication, and I am indebted to them. With out reward they read what I had written and commented in detail and with interest. I am left with the conclusion that the responses in the Post by CC and Mr. Snide were born out of a desire to knock and denigrate for subjective political reasons-both responses were negative but fit in with the negative reactionary attitudes one gets used to seeing in the Post.

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Hull.

Dear Post,

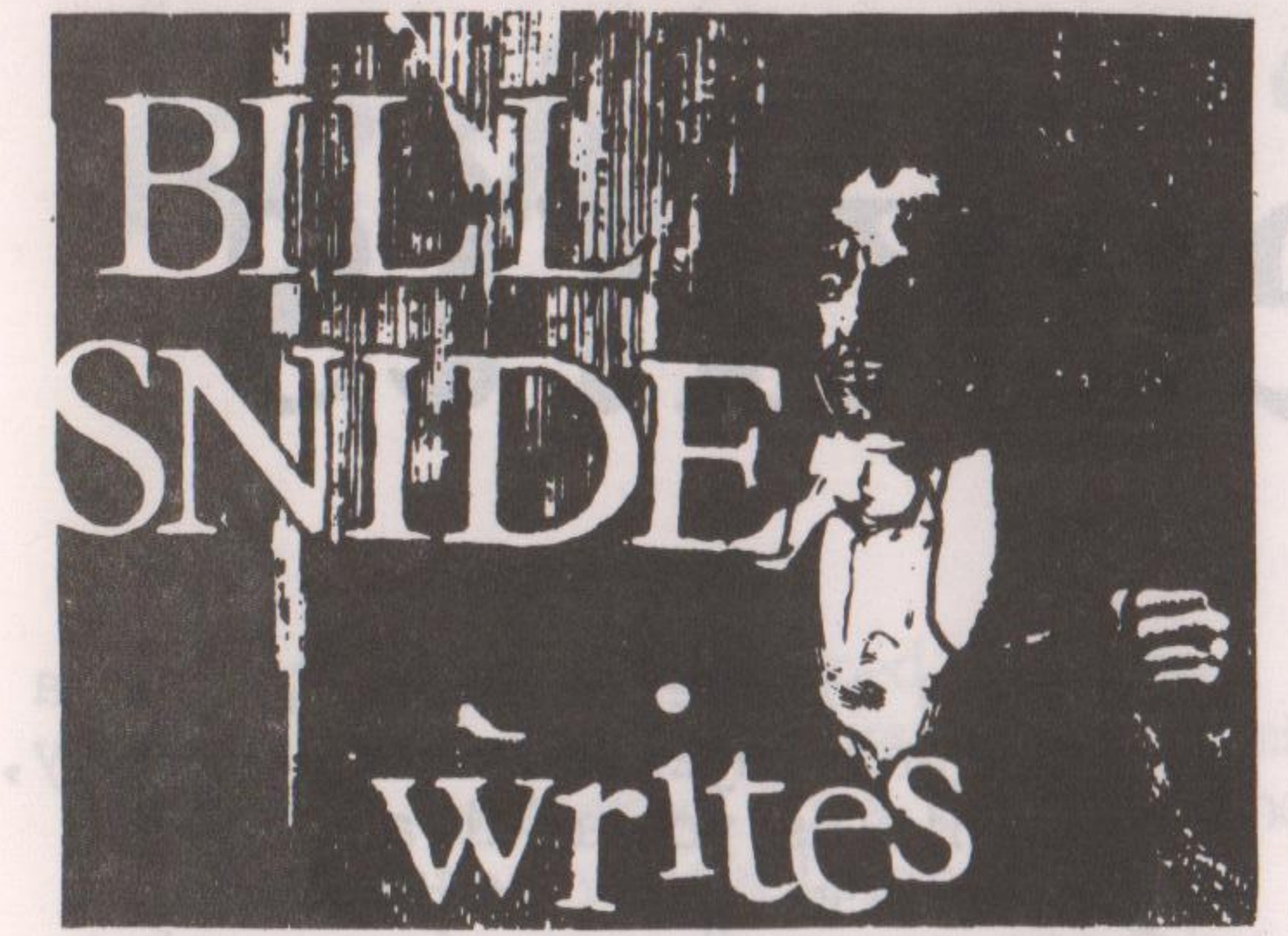
When reading an independent alternative newspaper, it is somewhat of a disappointment to realise that 'The Post' is following the same editorial line as The Sun, Express and Daily Mail. I refer to the article appearing in Post 21, concerning the Militant. In common with the gutter press this article features no political analysis or objectivity, just a series of unsubstantiated claims and accusations presumably as a cheap effort to discredit Militant supporters.

Speaking as a Labour Party member (but not, I hasten to add, a Militant supporter), I do not subscribe to the post-Kinnock speech 'Mili-bashing' tactics currently fashionable within the party. If we are serious about effecting social change within the Labour Party, the policies of Militant need to be debated and the arguments won. Public condemnations and witch hunts are neither helpful nor constructive in a period of unprecedented attacks on the wider Labour Movement from six years of Thatcherism.

It is a pity that the 'Political Briefs' column did not take up the politics of the reproduced leaflet. A critique based on 'the Militant are a bunch of liars' is a wholly inadequate response to the appalling deprivation in Liverpool's Inner City and the City Council's attempts to fight the Tory offenders.

I suggest The Post uses what column centimetres are available to spark debate on the politics of Militant rather than to air the personal bigotry of the author.

yours sincerely,
David Burnby



This rag has seen fit to print some thoughts from local man-about-the-left, Ray Flint on Challen's review of his book, *The History Animal* (copies in Page One Books, Princes Avenue - OK, Ray?), printed in the last Post. Flint, congenial soul that he is in some ways, really is pushing his luck on this. One more word of him and this columnist is going to describe the games of musical chairs which went on in both The Post collective, and the Hull Daily Mail office over his book. (Musical chairs, as in: when the music stops, you have to try and read the bloody thing.)

Challen's review was kindness itself.

The Betty Eaton Show, referred to elsewhere in this dreadful rag, is a soap opera which should run and run. The dear lady barely opens her mouth before - hoopla! - she finds her foot in it. Not so long ago she was muttering about sterilizing women who were in the care of the County Social Services. At the time, unversed in the intricacies of local affairs, yer old Uncle Snide rang Ms. Eaton up to ask her if she had, indeed, suggested this. Ms. Eaton assured me that, even if she had, she didn't mean it to sound the way it did. Aha - another of those 'presentational' problems which afflicts the modern-day Tory.

Listeners to Viking Radio will have noticed the rash of adverts in November for the Department of Industrial Development. The DID is the responsibility of Hull City Council's Estates and Development Committee, whose Chair is Cllr. Pearlman. Last I heard said Cllr. Pearlman was among the philanthropists who had bought shares in Viking Radio. This wouldn't be a conflict of interest, would it?

A moments silence, please, to mark the passing away of Mr Cohen, the frontman for the Teesland Development Group's Princes Dock scheme. Cohen is the first victim of the Curse of Snide laid on all the pill-ocks involved in the affair who refuse to recognize that we are living in a post-Modernist world.

Also on the dock front (as it were), notorious rumour has it that the architect apparently designing the new Ferens extension, part of the Princes Dock disaster, has yet to draw line one.

Ferens boss John Bradshaw knows this, but does Louise West? Ms West, apparently confidently expecting Bradshaws trouser cuffs to be full of brick and plaster dust in the near future, has stopped book- ing exhibitions for the Ferens beyond Spring.

Any minute now the "loonies" in HELP! Conservation Action Group are going to start telling us that with the death of Cohen the whole enterprise will stop; or, even more ridiculously, that Teesland never actually intended building the damned thing in the first place.

One of the ironical results of the miners' strike was a steep fall in Fenner's profits. Fenner's make the conveyor belts used by the NCB. The strike did terrible damage to that part of their operation, their profits fell, pushing down their share price and thus - as it turns out - enabling somebody else to take them over. Its an ill wind, as the trim Mrs Snide is prone to remarking....

The David Burnby letter (opposite)
Robin Ramsay comments:

I wrote the Militant piece. I've been ranting and raving about Militant for well over a year within the Labour Party. (A premature anti-Militant?) Militant are an entry-ist conspiracy. They are, by definition, committed to a policy of lying: they have to. Almost all of their spokespersons' public utterances are a lie. Every time they deny that Militant is an organisation, its a lie. Every time they decline to show us the internal mem- oranda, the instructions from head office to branches, its a lie. To be a successful entryist organisation - and Militant are the most successful since the war - it is necessary to lie. (How else to operate?)

Militant presumably believe that the ends justify the means. Who cares about lying when we can push the revolution forward? On-wards and upwards etc. I don't take that view of things.

Burnby talks of "debating" with Militant. Has he ever tried? It is akin to debating with a member of the Divine Light. He wants argu- ments to be won. How is that poss- ible when all you get is the same well-rehearsed phrases out of Mil- itant members - the public front they all seem to acquire.

Militant aren't interested in debate and argument with anybody except in so far as such activities are useful means of recruiting other people to their conspiracy.

Perhaps, as Burnby says, this is bigotry. Well, so be it. I want open politics - as far as is human- ly possible. Secret cabals within the Labour Party strike me as part of the problem not part of the sol- ution.

Two final points. Sometimes, just sometimes, the gutter press of Fleet Street are correct. In the case of Militant, they have been rather nearer the mark than most of the Labour Party. I make no apolo- gy at all for echoing things said in the gutter press. It's the con- tent that's important - whether true or false - that matters not who says it.

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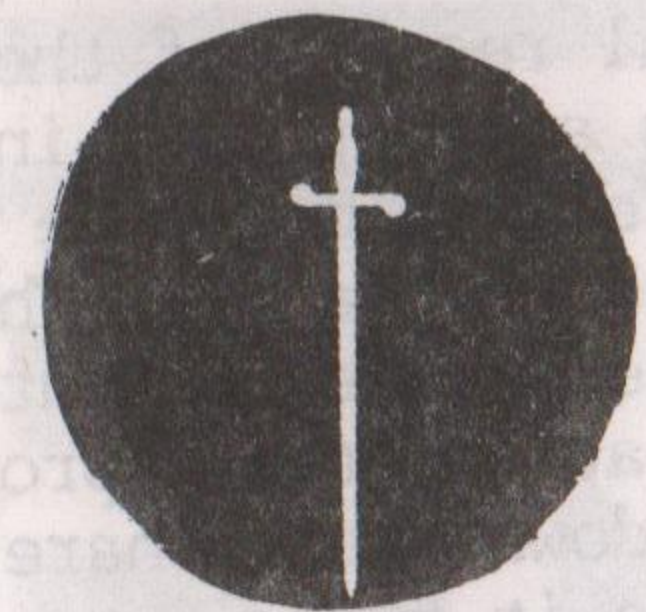
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Doing Reckitts

Reckitt and Colman, the Hull-based pharmaceuticals giant, finally reaped the reward, this year, for its development of a so-called "wonder-drug". The company were given a Queen's Award for Technology in the 1985 Industrial Honours List in recognition of the development and production of a new-style analgesic, BUPRENORPHINE, marketed under the trade name TEMGESIC.

The drug, feted for its claimed absence of potential for addiction, is the child of at least 10 years research, and its launch on to the market some three years ago was accompanied by much euphonious and laudatory clamour in the local and national press.

Reckitt and Colman's aim was the development of an analgesic with the pain-killing properties of the stronger opiates and their close counter-parts, but without the addictive properties all such drugs had, until then, invariably shown.

Until R and C's startling claims, the search for such a drug had been regarded as analogous to the alchemist's futile attempts to isolate the Philosopher's Stone. Heroin, when it was isolated, was claimed to be the non-addictive substitute for morphine. Methadone, which as Physeptone comprises the vast majority of prescriptions to registered drug addicts, was once hailed as the new, non-addictive substitute for heroin. But Methadone, as we now know, has a similar potential for addiction to heroin, which in turn proved to be far more powerful and addictive than morphine.

The benefits of such a drug, could it be successfully produced, would be immeasurable to medicine. The financial rewards for the company first in the market with such a drug would, of course, be immense. And in February 1978, it was announced that R and C had... "at least received the vitally important seal of approval from the Department of Health." (Hull Daily Mail 3 Feb. '78)

BUPRENORPHINE tablets first hit the streets of Hull in 1982. They were known initially as "morphine pills", partly because of the similarity of the word "morphine" to the sound of the name "buprenorphine" which appeared on the popper cards which the pills came in. But it was also partly because the effects of the drug were very similar to the effects of an opiate. They were received guardedly at first by Hull's tiny but growing population of occas-

ional hard-drug users. But they slowly increased in popularity.

It is true that in a strictly aesthetic sense, most users agreed that the little white pills with the R and C sword - "Hey Man! We've been cranking Dettol!" - were not as "good" as smack, or morphine, or Diconal or Palfium; or any of the other opioids or substitutes that Hull's part-time junkies were occasionally able to treat themselves to. But they had two enormous advantages:

NEW SUPER DRUG

And then, no one knows about buprenorphine which I hereby christen BPP. I first heard it from Mr Mason at Reckitt's headquarters astride the M4, which they are trying to sell.

He told me: 'BPP is a pain killer, which is better than any such drug—analgesics as they are called.

'A team of our scientists under Professor Ken Bentley (now with Loughborough University) have been researching this for over 12 years. It will be a successor to morphine, cheaper, I think, to produce and, in any case, without the horrible effects of morphine. Nor will it be habit forming.

'It has already passed the committee on safety of medicines in the UK and is now undergoing extended clinical trials. If all goes well, it should be on the market in 1978. If it lives up to our hopes, we shall have done a lot of good for mankind, as well as for ourselves.'

'But I wouldn't suggest that this should put a penny on the shares at the moment. A lot of things can happen in trials. A few cases of addiction and you're back on research again.'

they were constantly and universally available - no more getting strung out; a unique opportunity to be a real junky at last, without even having to leave home - and they were fantastically, unbelievably cheap. During their heyday buprenorphine pills, "Reckitts pills" as they became known, could be obtained almost anywhere at ten pence each.

And four of them, crushed in a spoon, mixed with a little water, drawn up through a pinch of cotton

wool or a cigarette filter, into a syringe and injected intravenously, gave a hit as powerful as any f10 bag of smack, past or present.

People began to realise that this was the new non-addictive "wonder drug" that so much fuss had been made of for a short while, earlier in the year. And another amazing benefit the drug conferred upon its habitués soon became manifest.

Mere possession of it wasn't illegal. You could get busted, theoretically, for handling stolen goods. But since Reckitt's hadn't reported any large-scale thefts, if the Drug Squad pulled you in for possession of just a few, then once they had determined what the drugs were they would assume you had been given them by someone to whom they had been prescribed. Because even before it had been widely used in the community, buprenorphine was not a controlled drug. It occupied a similar status to, say, penicillin. A doctor's prescription is necessary to obtain the drug over the chemist's counter, but once this has been done then the recipient is at liberty, in a legal sense, to pass the drug to whomsoever he or she pleases.

And the "Reckitts pills" continued to flow. Many more people were into them now, and some of them already on a daily basis. Because of the seemingly limitless supply, no-one had really been forced to test the claim that the drug's withdrawal presented no unpleasant symptoms. But one or two brief hiccups in the distribution of the pills had provided some users with the disturbing experience that deprivation of the drug, after a month or so's continued use, resulted in feelings that were, to say the least, distressing.

All this time, although it was obvious that they knew about the pills, the Police's attitude to the spreading use of the drug was low-key. Only when, as eventually happened, they came across many thousands of the little white pills stashed in a derelict house in West Hull, did the pressure start to be applied. With astonishing aplomb the Drug Squad mopped up most of the remaining pockets - and pannicky users the rest. A few, with astonishing speed and ingenuity, established links and satisfactory arrangements with some of the few people prescribed the drug by their GP for the relief of severe pain. The rest just suffered.

Reckitt's "super-drug" scandal



Most were unprepared for the severity of the withdrawal symptoms. Some were prepared to a degree. The slow but steady development of a tolerance to the drug was one clue that it might, after all, be just another one in the long line of "non-addictive" pain killers proved eventually to be as addictive as its predecessors discovered in the past hundred years or so.

Another clue was the drug's sheer power. It had the facility to render impotent substantial doses of any real opiate or well-known substitute taken within the injection's effective time-span.

People who sought help from their GP's were told cheerfully that it wasn't possible to become addicted to buprenorphine, and anyway, the quantities the users claimed to be taking were quite ridiculous: such doses were way above the lethal ov-

erdose. Hull had no provision for the treatment of drug addicts then. It hadn't needed one. Before 1982 it is safe to say that there had not been any real drug addicts. There were recreational users with varying levels of consumption, even a few who had occasionally been able to sustain a habit for a few weeks or so. But nothing serious. Users either moved elsewhere to be junkies or, more often, remained recreational users. The small number of users in the city made the commercial supply of heroin, at a sustained level, unviable: there wasn't the market to reward the necessary effort.

Reckitt & Colman Limited Statement by the Chairman

studies with buprenorphine suggest it has satisfactory analgesic activity without many of the limitations of morphine and the first Product Licence Application to the Committee on Safety of Medicines in the UK was made in September, 1976.

pre-norphine and any normal opiate-type drug is often a feeling of nausea and actual vomiting, the idea that a large group of people would repeatedly inject themselves with a drug the sole effect of which was to make the user nauseous, is a novel, if eccentric, perspective on the reasons behind drugtaking. But of course that was not the whole story.) Nobody, neither Reckitt nor the police, and not even the medical profession, seemed prepared to consider the possibility of what was by now quite obvious to the users: buprenorphine had considerable potential for addiction.

Late in 1983, a one-time user wrote to Reckitt to point out that it was surely not on to call an addictive drug non-addictive. He gave instances drawn from experience of using the drug continuously for 12 months, and mixing with others with similar histories of buprenorphine use. Many had experienced severe withdrawals and, rather than face them without support or understanding from the NHS, had progressed to illegal opiates.

Reckitt replied, saying that they had never claimed that buprenorphine was non-addictive: the Gov-

ernment would permit no-one to make such a claim about any drug. Some users began to wonder if they had dreamed it all. One searched through cuttings from back issues of the Hull Daily Mail. He discovered articles containing the following extracts:
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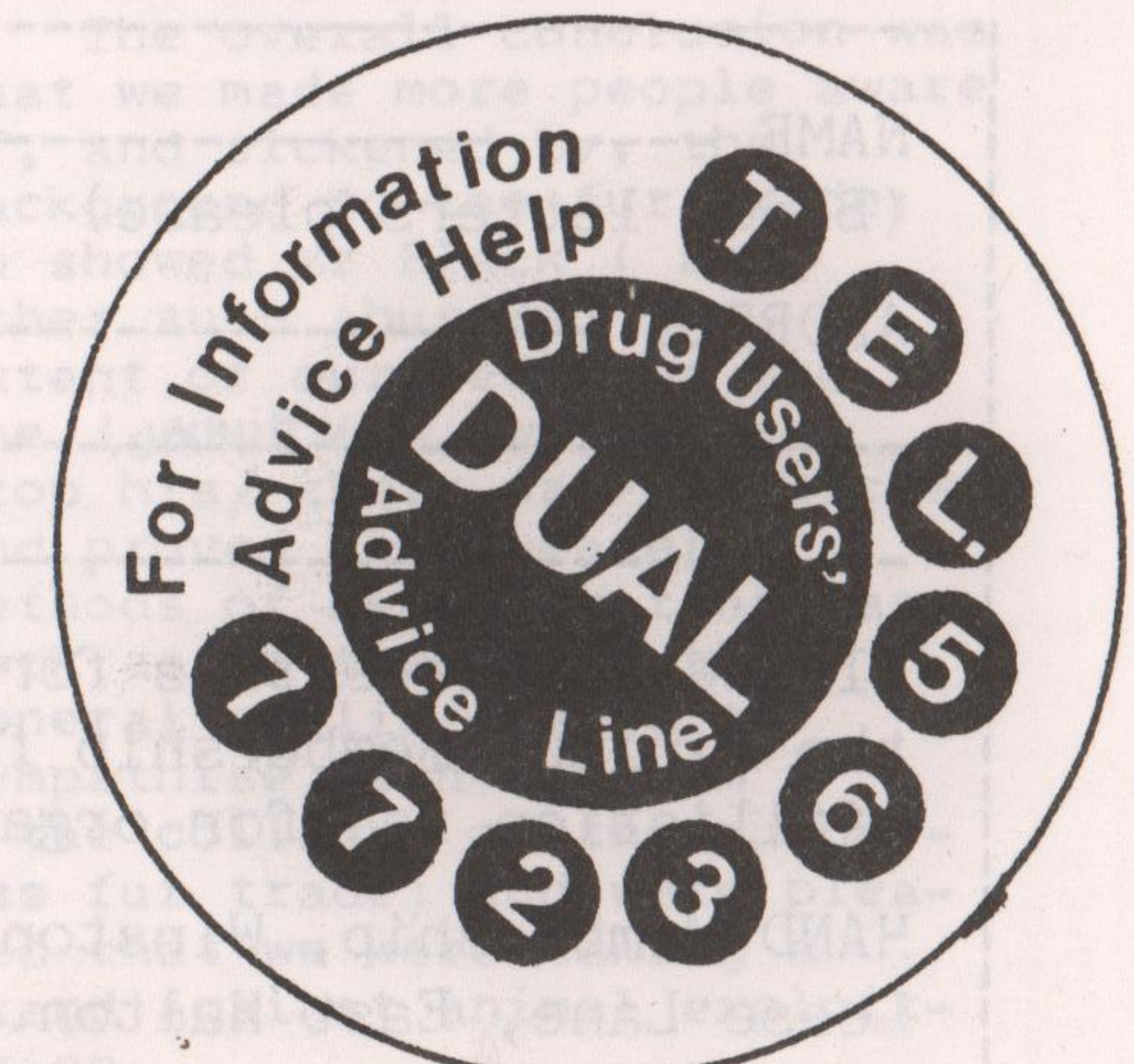
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A Queen's Award for Technology goes to the pharmaceuticals division of Reckitt and Colman for their development of Temgesic, a powerful pain-killer.

** "It was hailed as a "wonder drug" because, unlike morphine, it was non-addictive." (Hull Daily Mail 18/8/83)
And this is by no means the full extent of the implication or outright claims that the drug is non-addictive which have appeared in the press.

In August '83 came the first official recognition that buprenorphine was not all it was claimed to be. The West German authorities had discovered thirty (30) cases of secondary addiction - basically, addiction resulting from taking the

continued back page.



HAND update

There is still been no official announcement on whether South Killingholme on the Sth. bank of the Humber is to be used as a nuclear dumping site or not. The halt of sea - dumping for two years which was called for in 1983 at the London Dumping Convention now looks to be an indefinite halt and therefore NIREX (Nuclear Industry Radioactive Waste Executive) - are driving very hard for land dumping as they believe there is no alternative to it, despite the failure to achieve safe dumping. The method they plan to use was formerly known as "shallow burial", but has now been re-

named as "deep engineered trench disposal". Does this sound safer? It's not. It is exactly the same method. The government has decided it does not want to know about NIREX's activities, with an extra proviso that NIREX can't divulge its activities to anyone else either. Thus it seems that NIREX has been left to carry on its dirty work unobserved by anyone and answerable only to itself. It seems that NIREX has been made incommunicado presumably so that the government can claim total ignorance should NIREX cause them any embarrassment. Under such circumstances NIREX can

claim that it is not the body responsible, and that the government is. So it is that no-one is actually responsible for the actions of NIREX.

Not only is NIREX an unelected body, but it is also apparently unconcerned about the people its actions will affect. As a NIREX rep. says "We will make our own minds up. It does not matter what the people want". At a local meeting at Glanford a NIREX rep. stated that nuclear dumping "is not an emotional issue".

Opposition to NIREX's plans is growing strongly, not only in the threatened areas, but also nationally. The meeting of HUMBERSIDE AGAINST NUCLEAR DUMPING - (HAND) on 12th Nov. was well attended, and the meeting agreed that the aims of HAND should be as follows:

- 1: To prevent the dumping of nuclear waste on Humberside
- 2: To campaign for a national policy for the safe storage of nuclear waste at existing nuclear sites.
- 3: To promote and support these aims and objects among all communities threatened by the dumping of nuclear waste.

There was a proposal to oppose all forms of nuclear production and to include that in the constitution. This was defeated because the meeting felt it may weaken the base of the campaign and leave it susceptible to the attacks of an eager NIREX.

It was agreed that membership of HAND should be 50p for individual members and £5 for affiliated groups. There is also a great need for volunteers as a door to door petition was agreed upon to launch the campaign.

HAND is of no particular political persuasion and cuts through all the political divides, as can be seen from the support of Austen Mitchell (Lab MP) and Michael Brown (Con. MP). All possible support is needed in the fight against NIREX.

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Also Channel 4 are screening a documentary on nuclear dumping due to be shown on the 5th Dec at 10.30pm, co-inciding with the expected govt. decision on where the actual sites will be. Maybe Channel 4 know something that we don't?

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An account from the Anti Apartheid rally in London on November 3rd 1985.

The Anti-Apartheid (A/A) movement had asked for a mass peaceful demonstration. Members of the Socialist Workers' Party (SWP) and the Revolutionary Communist Party (RCP) disregarded this request in favour of their own little strategy which they were determined to follow regardless of the wishes of the great majority at the demo, which was estimated to number approx. 100,000 people. You can picture the scene. The SWP/CRP contingent made up the final section of the march from Hyde Park to Trafalgar Square. Their boistrous slogan for the day, presumably dreamt up at head office, read "One Solution, Revolution." This coupled with rabble rousing tactics of halting the march and then charging, during which party members and other people were knocked down and trampled upon, which showed a total lack of consideration for other demonstrators and citizens.

As the SWP progressed up Whitehall, to Trafalgar square, lengths of stick, what looked like hammer handles, began to appear, along with placards which were broken up. The contingent headed straight for South Africa House where the police were blocking their way. The sticks were hurled at the police. Meanwhile, the RCP contingent had arrived behind Nelson's Column to confront the police. The police were at that moment surrounded. The violence fla-

red. Soon bottles, fireworks were thrown by 'Class War' supporters, metal bars and even drain gratings were being hurled. Those in the crowd that wanted a peaceful demonstration were helpless. The police then stormed in and began to indiscriminately arrest anyone they could get their hands on, which resulted in a stampede and more widespread panic. Innocent families with their children, were in immediate danger.

So what did it achieve? It did not achieve, it harmed the cause; it harmed the effectiveness of the demo; it did nothing to influence public opinion when the press had to report the scenes of violence. The press even drew comparisons between the riots in South Africa and the

impressed by another violent demonstration, and will not bring their children, friends, parents etc. on the next demo. Congratulations to the SWP and CRP for doing the government's dirty work.

It is no wonder the impression is given that there is little difference between the extreme left and the extreme right. They use the same terminology (scum and fascist being popular with both). They are both merely playing political football with our civil liberties.

No matter what happens in the coming years, we are still going to need a police force, though that doesn't mean we stop complaining about the political nature of the force we have at present. We cannot afford to be complacent. If we drop out just because of the intimidation from those that believe if something is wrong you kick it in the teeth until it becomes agreeable, then we can't grumble when it's too late and the day arrives when we have no rights and no freedoms. If we sit back any longer, that day of reckoning



Anti-Apartheid violence

riots at the A/A rally in London. In fact the violence will have driven away the very people we need to convert and get involved, those who maybe less politically aware and committed than us. They surely will not have been

will soon be upon us. It is our society too. Just because we don't want to throw bottles at the police and then congratulate ourselves for being so radical, it does not mean that we don't care. If you think the system is wrong, but are intimidated into not acting because you think your voice won't be heard, now is the time to stand up and say it while we still have the chance. If you don't like the things the way they are, take part, get involved, and help change them.

FUR WARS

Our most time consuming and effective action of recent weeks was a vigil outside Blacks Fur Shop in the town centre. This took place between the 19th to the 25th of October, and lasted for over 40 shop hours - with members of the group giving up their days off work to help out. This seemed like an opportune time for this campaign because of public awareness already having been heightened

by David Barley's poster and movie, revealing the fur trade for the filthy practice it is.

Mr Black himself drove up for a cosy little chat with us on the Monday and promptly drove off in a bemused state when he could not answer a single one of our arguments. It was shown that our presence affected the store because the furs were all removed from the window display and replaced by leather - which the public identify more with.

Good publicity was provided by both Viking and Radio Humberside (with surprise, surprise, the Hull Daily Mail almost completely ignoring us - they even promised to

print a piece about the vigil on the last Friday, but this never emerged.)

The overall conclusion was that we made more people aware of, and sickened by, the background to the fur trade; we showed Mr Black (and other such abusers) the extent of our feelings and the commitment we had to stop his/their mal-practices and proved that peaceful methods of demonstrating can work as on the whole the general public seemed to sympathise with our aim (the collapse of the murderous fur trade) and were pleased that we were taking a stand against animal exploitation.

Salmonella the five ton cover-up?

Over the past two years, Hull has suffered a serious food poisoning epidemic, traced to a local meat processing factory, which probably resulted in hundreds of infections in the Hull area. Although the firm responsible for the infected meat was eventually identified, it has not been named, let alone prosecuted.

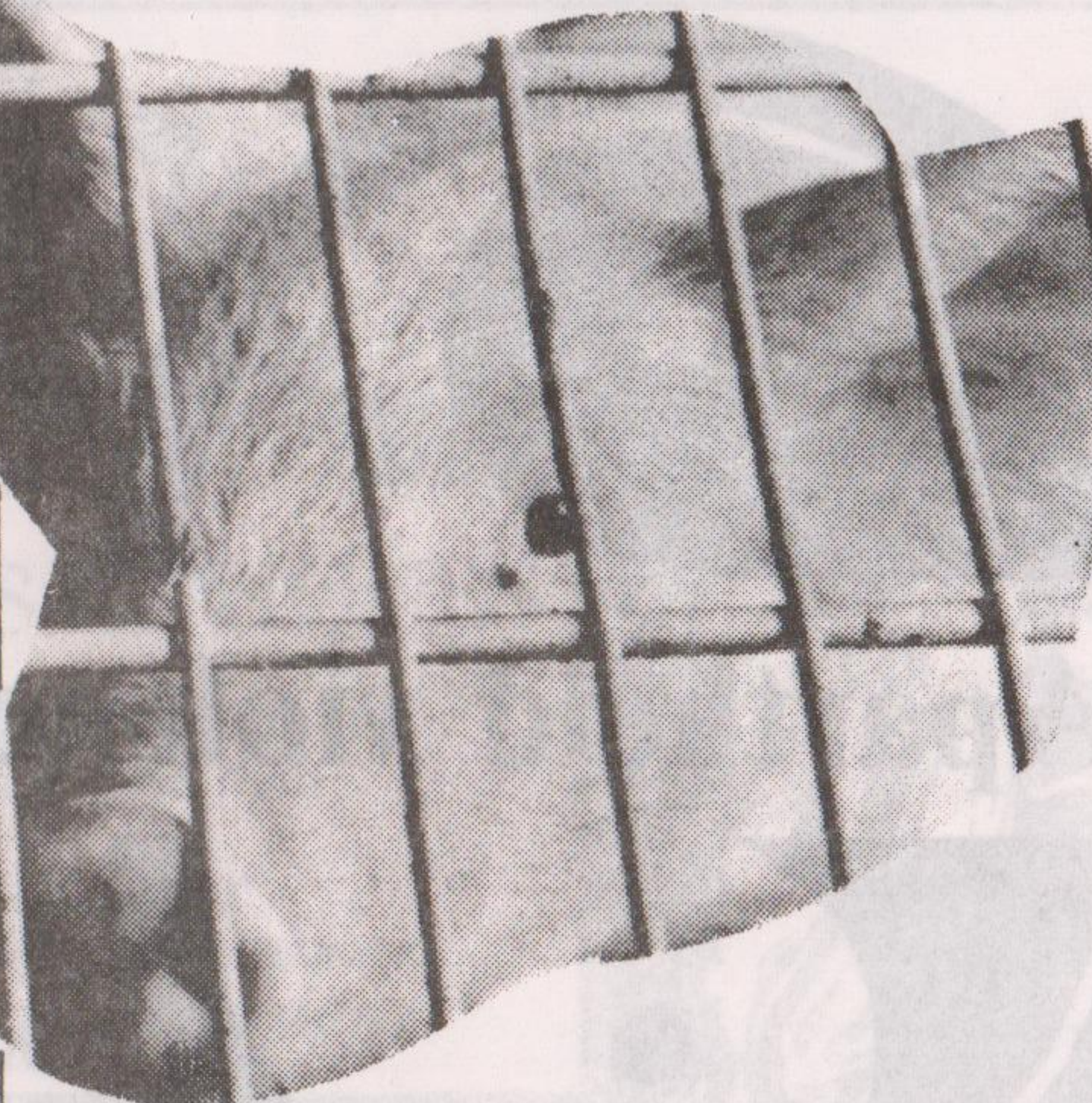
The outbreak was not revealed at the time, but surfaced in the annual reports of the Hull Environmental Health and Licensing Department (EHD). Examination of the report for 1983 shows a severe outbreak of Salmonella poisoning in the latter half of the year. This was traced to meat products manufactured and sold locally. The report concluded that "laboratory results...provide excellent grounds for requiring further improvements in hygiene" in the (unnamed) factory responsible. The EHD believed that the problem had been solved.

Did the improvements recommended at the end of 1983 by EHD staff prevent further food poisoning? Apparently not: throughout the first six months of 1984, new cases of two particular strains of Salmonella continued to grow. According to the 1984 report, Salmonella was first found in cooked meat samples taken from shops early in the year, as part of their regular sampling checks. It seems likely that the same firm was the cause of both outbreaks, and that the 1984 outbreak was simply a continuation of that of 1983. The council officers responsible have neither confirmed or denied this. Indeed, the EHD refused to speak to us at all!

By June 1984, verbal evidence from doctors, patients and medical examination of their samples by the the Public Health Laboratory, clearly implicated cooked Ham produced by one particular Hull factory. It seems astonishing to the layman that it should take so many months to locate the source of the outbreak since food poisoning is a notifiable disease: any doctor diagnosing a case must immediately inform the District Medical Officer. This notification system is meant to aid the local authorities and the Government in curbing the outbreak of infectious diseases. That's the theory! In

practice, Hull's District Medical Officer, Dr. James Dunlop, in his monthly circulars to G.P.s has repeatedly had to remind doctors of the need to notify food poisoning cases immediately, even to the point of quoting the law at them to encourage them to do this.

This prompt notification is particularly important, since only the more severe cases of food poisoning ever reach the doctor's surgery. Most healthy adults simply put mild food poisoning symptoms down to 'an upset tummy', and their illness isn't recorded in the official statistics. As any



doctor will tell you, it is essential to trace the source of a food poisoning outbreak as soon as possible, and prevent infected products from continuing to be sold.

In response to the numerous notifications, the EHD officers at last went into the factory concerned. They remained on the premises full-time, even outside normal office hours. By their own admission, this was an unprecedented step. The factory concerned was producing over five tons of cooked meats per day, of which the Ham, at one and a half tons, represented a daily 2 oz portion for over 25,000 people. This large scale production narrows the source down to only a handful of the largest local producers.

At this point, the EHD knew 'beyond any reasonable doubt' that this factory was the source of the outbreak, sufficient, we understand, to prevent the sale of further meat to the public, and to obtain a conviction in court. They have the power to 'hold up any suspected food pending the results of investigation

and examination of samples" (From Practical Food Inspection, by C.R.A. Martin, a standard textbook on the subject, used by all EHDs.) These powers are contained in the Food and Drugs Act, 1938, and various later Acts. One wonders why the EHD did not use these powers. After all, if they took the unprecedented step of placing their officers in the factory full-time for days on end, they must have been pretty certain this particular factory was responsible.

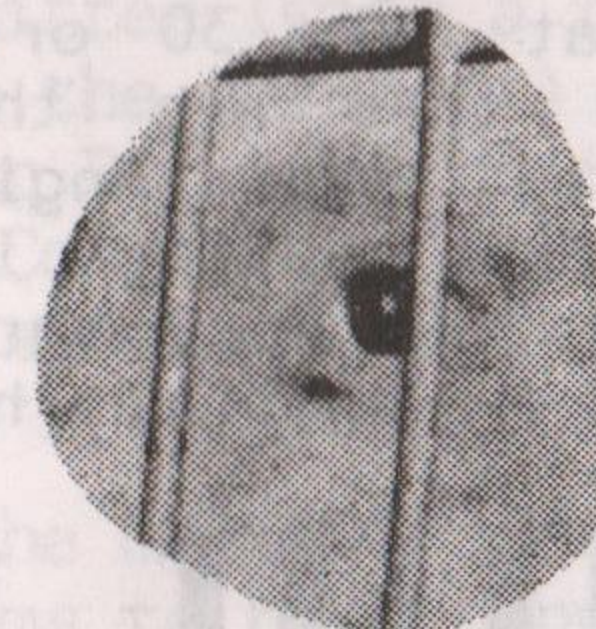
The EHD stress that the company concerned is reputable, with clean, hygienic premises, and they have always co-operated fully with EHD officers. Perhaps it was their fear of a future lack of co-operation that persuaded the EHD not to 'rock the boat' by using their powers to the full. But surely the EHD are appointed to protect the public rather than the company, and its legal powers are there to be used when necessary?

Throughout late June and early July, the company continued selling the infected Ham. The EHD staff spotted "previously overlooked unhygienic practices", and persuaded the firm to increase the cooking times and temperatures, and replace steel work surfaces, all to no avail. Dozens of new notifications of Salmonella were traced to this source. Up to 1% of ham produced was found to be contaminated.



The EHD took hundreds of samples from the factory's cooked meats, and by mid July over 70 samples per week contained Salmonella. The company continued production with each individual ham being tested prior to despatch.

ch. As the EHD report notes: "The first results from the sampling showed that very large numbers of hams had been inadequately processed and the whole batch was rejected". Further batches also showed large proportions of the hams were infected, and it was only at this stage that "the company agreed to cease production." (our emphasis). So even when their ham was as severely infected as this, the company agreed voluntarily to cease production, without the EHD invoking their statutory powers.



Once production had ceased, the District Medical Officer and the head of the local Public Health Laboratory visited the factory, and immediately recommended "significantly increased cooking temperatures" to a minimum of 70°C for one hour. This immediately killed

off all the Salmonella in future batches and the outbreak died off rapidly. So for all the complicated production and testing methods, and the weeks, if not months, taken to locate it, the basic cause lay simply in undercooking the meat. It is astonishing that neither the company nor the EHD realised this earlier.

It has been pointed out to us that the recommendations of the Meat Manufacturer's Federation, the trade organisation for meat producers, are that ham should be cooked for a minimum of 30 minutes at 70°C, and that the factory was abiding by these recommendations. However, they are minimum recommendations only, and it is in any case up to every firm to ensure that its products are fit for human consumption. In this case, the cooking time and temperature had simply not been sufficient to kill off the Salmonella present in the raw meat.

The company clearly saves on its fuel bills by sticking to the minimum recommendation. This does not, however, explain the behaviour of the EHD, whose job it is to act as guardians for the general public in ensuring that food is fit for human consumption. The company's sole aim is to maximise profits, and this

it will do as far as the legal limits set by Government are enforced in practice by local authority officers. Whilst the EHD did eventually trace the cause and demand alterations in the company's production methods, the company has made that extra financial gain, and what's more, their anonymity has been retained. No adverse publicity then or now, no court case, no 'guilty' verdict reported in the Hull Daily Mail. What incentive does this give to other meat producers to maintain their high standards? What confidence does it give us in the officers appointed for our protection, if they fail to expose a firm producing contaminated meat that has infected hundreds, if not, thousands of people?

Note:
The Post is continuing its investigation into this outbreak, and would like to hear from everyone who has suffered food poisoning over the past two years. We would also like to hear from any 'moles' within the local authority or the meat industry. Strictest confidentiality assured. Contact us. The EHD were invited to discuss this outbreak but refused to do so.

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The New Marshmallow

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If it's a review of *The Magic Flute* you're after, then read no further - who wants to read a review a month out of date anyway?

No, for my money - £7.50 - plus another £15-£20 from the taxpayer, my seat at English National Opera North's Magic

Oohh!

Flute was a barely affordable opportunity to catch a glimpse of Hull's Nouveau Centre Of Excellence.

The act of seeing an opera at a theatre is something which should have all the ingredients of a sublime occasion, and so it was truly enchanting to see how the New Theatre's promise bore out.

From the start I was enraptured. To pass through the newly rendered portals, adorned with their Gucci-Go-Faster-Pizzeria Plastic Arches to discover the foyer - now, I've never visited Barbara Cartland's home, but

AAHH!

I'm sure she knows what elegance is, and yes, this was elegance, municipal elegance at its most thoughtful and relaxed. Nowhere have I seen emulsive pastels used with such uninhibited restraint. The New Theatre barely blushes through its blandishments. Yes, this is a place where a Princess can breathe, and know that if she has to adjust her panty hose, we'll all be discreet. We can be trusted in a place like this, because here we feel caressed, rather than smothered as we would be in any other theatre where the once so-popular but oppressive red flocked vinyl wallpaper hangs gratuitously off every piece of roccoco plasterwork.

Yes, this is a Theatre to be proud of, which, like true Royalty is equally at ease with aristocracy as it is with the common or garden pleb. I've never been privileged to visit Barbara Cartland's home, but I feel, I know that right here in Hull, we can share our passions in a scented pink arbor of love, which for all its unspoken intensity can yet keep a grip on itself.

There is something curiously sensual about those great white phalluses standing there, proud and erect in Kingston Square - to think that only 30 or so strides behind them are those big, shiny red fire engines waiting to come rushing into the street, flashing and hungry.. er..oopps . I seem to have

mmm...

split my coffee.. er where was I? Oh yes..the New Theatre - what a tribute to the good taste of our Council's Lounge Lizard Committee, what a triumph for our region! Rejoice, Rejoice REJOICE!

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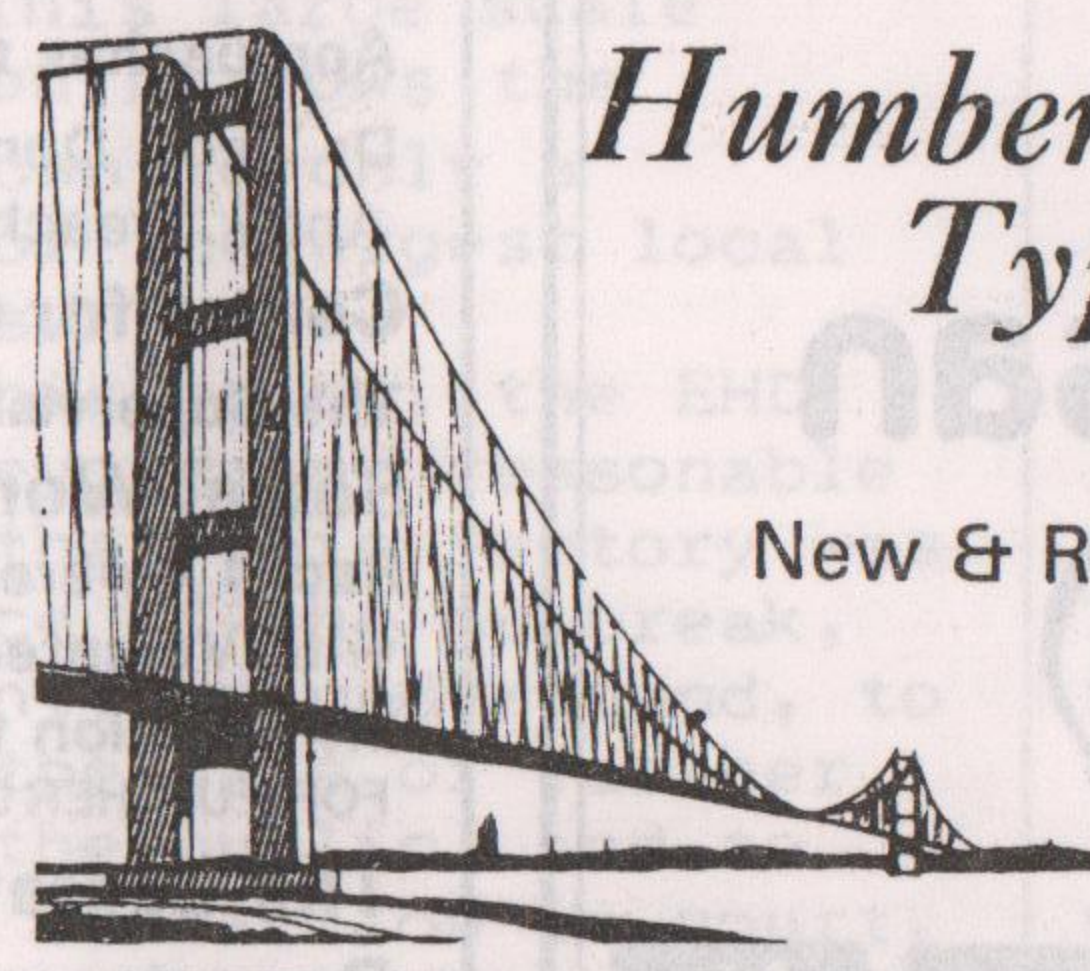
want the theatre to succeed, but not by daylight robbery. And just to try the opera-lover's patience to the extreme, the audience was made to sit in its seats for another half hour after the show while H.R.H. went on stage and met the cast - who were probably also not consulted about it.

If we'd known in advance that we were going to have to share our performance with a pretty leaden audience of sycophants whose main contribution to the evening was the rumblings of their digestive organs, we could have decided to pass up the chance. But I didn't want to let my friend down. It was a long-standing promise. She works nights and had already had to swop a shift.

Although the New Theatre will have its critics, my judgement is that, on the whole, the money has been well spent (if once you accept that the money should have been spent at all; that man does not live by bread alone). I just wish that certain members of the City Council would get it straight that inviting Royalty does nothing to endear them to all those hard-working members of the Labour movement who go tramping streets and knocking on doors to get them elected.

MARITA STAITE

(NB Marita's article was much longer than it appears here. Shortage of space necessitated cutting it severely. Any resulting loss of intelligibility is our fault, not hers.)



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So they spent all this money on giving the New Theatre a face-lift, and I thought: good, about time. And when they'd nearly got it done, I went off and bought my tickets for the opera. I was taking a friend who'd never seen an opera before, and the one I thought best was on for 3 nights, but 2 of them I couldn't go. They took my name and address, saying darkly "It might be the gala opening." Off I then went on holiday.

I returned to discover that the night I had booked Princess Anne was coming to 'open' the new New Theatre, and that as soon as that was known hundreds of people had booked for the same night.

So I thought: great. Not only do I have to sit through the opera in the presence of Princess Anne (not known for any musical bent), but also with 1000 people who are only there because she is.

Next, I read in the 'Mail' that we're being told to get to the theatre ludicrously early, and then to sit in our seats for half an hour before the performance begins.

The only programmes were "souvenir" ones at 3 quid a throw. We didn't bother. Of course, we all

Black, white and blue

Tory racists revealed

The Hull Daily Mail's report on the November meeting of the Humberside Education Committee - "wierdos etc - didn't tell the half of it. Here's some of the bits they missed out.

The Hull Harmony Group had applied for £500 to support their day of workshops and seminars on anti-racist practice for people in education and child-care who are dealing with the 3-7rs age group.

The application - a mere drop in the ocean of the Committee's budget - went through the Under 5's sub-committee (with a recommendation from the officers) but Professor Arthur Pollard, Chair of the Education Committee, refused to endorse the decision and so it had to go before the full Education Committee.

At the meeting of the Committee what seems to have happened is that

some of the Tory members, managing to misunderstand what it was Harmony were doing, rose in outrage at the idea of supporting a "conference" aimed at "indoctrinating" Children.

Among the choicer comments not reported in the Mail were:

** Betty Eaton (Tory, and, God help us, Chair of Social Services Committee): "If we're not careful we will find ourselves having to protect ourselves against these ethnic minorities."

** Ted Appleyard (Tory), following the Bishop of Hull's declaration of support for the Harmony application: "The Lord Bishop meddling in politics...he should get back to getting children into his Sunday schools."; and "Let's put racism under the carpet."

Also ignored by the Mail was the arrival in the Committee room of a party of 40 or so overseas students from Hull University, at least half of whom were black. Their arrival during the debate was a coincidence, and by all accounts they sat, fascinated, by this display of back-woods Tory racism. (A display which their presence toned down considerably.)

Hull Harmony group is going to be somewhat in the red after their day. (A full report on the event will be in the next Post.) From what we hear some of the Labour members of the Education Committee would greatly welcome another application from the group for funding. The Betty Eaton Show really is too good - and too politically damaging to the Tories - to be terminated after this spectacular pilot episode.

On the 11th November Kevin Curley of Hull Council for Voluntary Service, (and a member of Hull Latin America Committee), flew to Nicaragua with vital medical supplies which Hull students helped to buy.

A collection taken in the University Union raised approximately £150, which was added to a similar amount raised elsewhere in Hull. This money was used to buy a comprehensive range of medical supplies from a local wholesaler. The goods included anti-malaria pills, oral re-hydration compound and hundreds of disposable syringes. Kevin Curley will present these to health centres in the villages he visits, including Cardenas in Southern Nicaragua, with which Hull is proposing to twin.



Kevin Curley demonstrating what the right arm is for.



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Policewatch

more on Humberside's guns

The November meeting of the Humberside Police Authority saw the apparently unprecedented event of members of the Authority actually asking questions of the Chief Constable. The cause of this sudden outbreak of interest in police matters was an agenda item in which the Chief Constable informed Authority members of Humberside's arms and ammunition. (Humberside Police have 192 firearms and about 6½% of the force is trained in their use - somewhat less, apparently, than the national average.) A full inventory has been promised to Cllr. Stephen Bayes whose interest kicked the whole thing off.

However, the really important information divulged at the meeting wasn't picked up either by the press hacks present or by the members of the Authority. In the course of his answers Chief Constable Hall assured (sic) the Authority that all the weapons in Humberside's possession were drawn from an approved list, prepared by a working party of the Association of Chief Police Officers (ACPO) with Home Office consultation.

This is new. To our knowledge, no such list has ever been mentioned in public before. And this is significant because we know from previous research that among Humberside's weapons are several semi-automatic rifles. Therefore semi-automatic weapons are on a list approved by the Home Office. This, we think, represents a considerable shift in official thinking on police weapons.

Misreported in the Hull Daily Mail were some comments from Sgt. Scaife, Humberside's firearms expert. Scaife blandly remarked that

the police were trained to fire at the torso because if and when the police open fire the object is to "stop" people. But, as Scaife was happy to acknowledge, hitting people in the torso - especially, we would add, with the new soft-point high velocity ammunition - there is a "fair chance" that they will be killed. Which is, as near as dammit, a statement of a "shoot to kill" policy.

We bumped into Sgt. Scaife outside the meeting and asked him if he had had an easier or harder time from the meeting than he had expected. "Oh, much easier", he said.

and computer

We've now seen the Humberside Police's introductory booklet on the computer produced for internal use. The section describing the "nominal" - ie name - index is the most interesting.

It says, for example, that "this system will initially contain the records of individuals identified from Criminal Records Office records as being active criminals, living or operating within Humberside. New offender will be added as they are convicted." (emphasis added) Which sounds reasonable: the system will just contain details of people with criminal records.

Or will it? The next paragraph says that "Each record will consist of 12 sets of information on each person, including details of convictions, descriptions, MO (modus operandi), associates, vehicles, stop checks, general information and fingerprints....collator records will be available countywide, on a 24 hour basis."

Immediately the picture is getting more complex. Details of "associates"? Who, for example? If I am the friend of someone with a criminal record does that mean I will be on file? What counts as having a 'criminal record'? One shop lifting conviction, perhaps?

"Stop checks" will be there. These are the information on people gathered when the police stop and ask you who? where? why? to see whom? Everybody who is stopped and checked? Just people with criminal records?

What would "general information" cover? We know, for example that minority sexual preferences are recorded in the police's current collator and criminal records.



Will this be in the computer, and if so, what else?

The next paragraph boasts of "sophisticated search techniques" which "will permit operators to inquire on almost any item of information, linking descriptions of offenders to known criminals, identifying suspects with those known to have previous convictions for a specific offence." Which may sound splendid, likely to increase police efficiency and all that, but which, in reality, means that the cross referencing of the existing and new information by the computer will, in itself generate "suspects". X breaks into a shop through a rear window. This goes down as his MO. A shop is broken into through a rear window. The computer searches through its data base and up pops X - a computer-generated "suspect".

This may not seem unreasonable until you ask yourself how this fits with the basic presumption of innocence until proved guilty. Computer-generated "suspects" may find themselves in the position of having to prove their innocence of an offence, their guilt presumed because the computer produced them from its records. And with increased police powers to hold and question people in the Police and Criminal Evidence Bill, the computer-generated suspect may find himself in custody for longer.

And it need hardly be added that a system which records "stop checks" and "general information" is an obvious encitement to do more stop/checks and accumulate more such "general information."

It is here that the dreaded police 'intelligence computer' is taking shape - in the infinitely expandable categories of the computerised collator records.

Finally, an anecdote about the reality of policing in the inner city of Hull. A woman living off Spring Bank heard noises in the empty and already vandalised house next to hers. She called the police. Upon the arrival, the policeman, far from thanking the woman for her public-spirited act, asked her why she was bothering them with stuff like this, asked why she lived in such a place anyway, and suggested she move to Beverley, like he had done, where there are "decent people".

We kid you not.

Education otherwise

Going to school is something most children take for granted. If current trends are anything to go by, however, it looks as though more parents will be choosing to educate their children at home. Education Otherwise is a national organisation offering guidance and support to these parents. The Hull branch, formed 3 years ago, has a dozen or so members. 'The Post' has been talking to some of them.

We first heard about the group after they each received a letter from the Education Authority asking for a written statement of their child's 'Educational Programme'. The details required of curriculum, timetable, books, resources, made some parents suspect that the Authority were able to clamp down on them. A spokesperson has since denied this allegation and added that they are not considering legal action against any of these parents at the present time.

The legal position is defined in the Education Act of 1944. Parents have the right to educate their children at home but the Education Authority must ensure that every child receives an education suitable to its age, ability and aptitude. The Education Authority can impose regulations on its schools but this proves to be more difficult in the case of home education. No two sets of parents teach their children in the same way. Some follow a school type routine with specific periods allocated for lessons and punctuated breaks. The majority have abandoned this



in favour of a far more casual approach. So while the Education Authority isn't directly threatening the group, some parents are worried that they may have to reconsider their methods of teaching.

Why do parents break the mould and keep their children at home? Ann Moss, local organiser of 'Education Otherwise', says that most remove their children from school when they reach a crisis situation. The Child may just be unhappy, or may be unable to learn in a school environment. Hannah is a member of Education Otherwise and is not satisfied with the type of education a school provides. She encourages her children to explore the world around them and to learn relevant skills. Reading and writing and basic maths are taught, but Hannah tries to avoid the subjects that are taught in schools merely with a view to passing exams.

All the parents who spoke to us said that it was important to encourage the growth and development of each child's personality to the full. When asked about the value of academic qualifications one father commented:

"people must be more than just pieces of paper. Children and adults have so much more to offer than that."

There are very few children who have completed their education at home. Ann Moss comments that there's been a massive influx, recently, of children aged 11 and under and there is every indication that most of these will never return to school. In any case, admits Ann, it would be very difficult to re-integrate them into the school system after a long break.

If you are interested in knowing more CONTACT:
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The Post -the true story

After two and a half years of publication-making the Post a veteran amongst British alter-native papers -some changes are being made which will be evident to our readers in the issue. First, a technical one brought on by the theft of our word processor, there will not be anymore justified margins -our columns for the foreseeable future will be ragged edged. (Should you be

offered a CANON AP500 electronic typewriter for £50, do let us know). The content too may change, as a new, enlarged collective has formed. Long serving founder members Colin Challen and Robin Ramsay will be taking a lesser role in future, to spend more time on their Masonic duties. So, all you cynics who accused the POST of being run by a clique -- eat your underpants!

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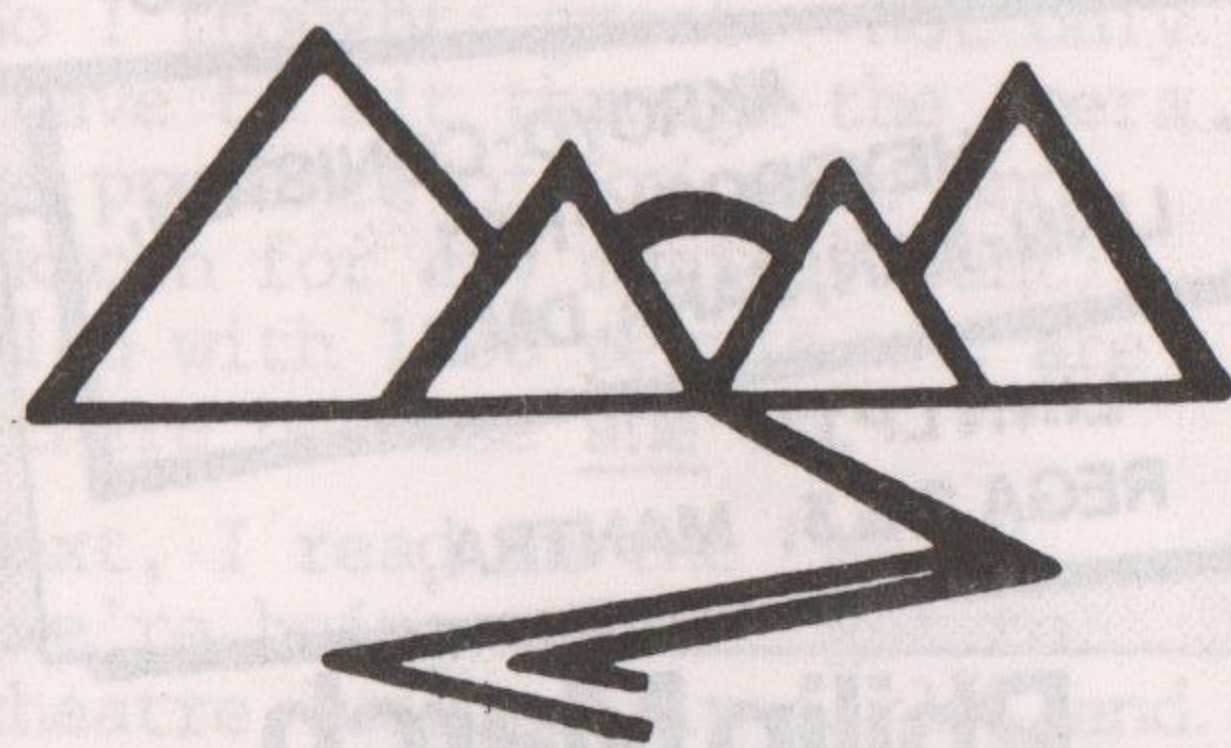
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Gay Night at the Welly Club at 10-2am.

Tuesday 3rd
Up and Under 11 at Spring St at 7.45
Hull Jazz Club at the Haworth Arms at 8pm.
PHILOSOPHY SOCIETY, the Queens, 8pm.
Pink Noise + Support for an ANC benefit gig at the Welly Club.

Wednesday 4th
Spring St. see Monday 2nd
Moses Smith Blues Band and guests at the Bull, Bev. Rd., 8pm.
Donna Franceschild gives workshop: "Developing a character through improvisation", 7pm. Rio Fine Art Building HCHE Queens Gdns.
Hull Univ. Drama Dept. perform Hedda Gabler by Ibsen, 7.45pm. (4-7 Dec.)

Thursday 5th
Spring St. see Monday 2nd
District Blues Co. at Haworth Arms 8pm.
Other Musics present John Berwell and Jan Howarth, percussion duo, Ferens Gallery 7.45pm.
Model Engineering (fortnightly)
Trades and Labour club
Teethmarks in the bathroom floor and 2 other bands at the Welly

Friday 6th
Spring St. see Monday 2nd plus Bouncers 10.30pm.
Rumble (rock and roll band) the Bull Bev. Rd. 8pm.
Hull Latin Committee present Melianto Welly club (tickets only)
O.A.P. Dance (members only) Trades and Labour, Free.

Saturday 7th
Spring St. see Fri. 6th
National demonstration against Union Carbide outside their headquarters in Sheffield. For further info, tel Shef..580127.

Monday 9th
Civic Society public meeting "Lost houses of the East Riding by Edward Waterson, Ferens Art Gallery 7.30pm.
Gay night 10pm-2am Welly club

9th December National Abortion Campaign (NAC) meeting at Trades and Labour Club, Beverley Road, 8pm. Details contact 45005 or 219552

Tuesday 10th
Toad of Toad Hall, Spring St. 7.30
Hull Jazz club, Haworth Arms 8pm
F.O.E. Meeting 170 Victoria Ave
Philosophy Society the Queens 8pm.
Alan Ackbourn's "Just between ourselves", Gulbenkian studio
Hull Univ. 7.30pm (also Thurs.)

Wednesday 11th
Spring St. see Tues 10th
Moses Smith Blues Band, the Bull Bev. Rd. 8pm
Community Action presents "Zoot and the Roots", bluebrass, Welly (tickets only)
Victorian Society 7.30pm. Poster -ngate Gallery
Donna Franceschild workshop (see Dec. 4th) "Theatre-writing: problem solving through improvisation"

Thursday 12th
Spring St. see Tues 10th
District Blues Co., Haworth Arms 8pm
Spina Bifida charity performance Trades and Labour

Friday 14th
Toad of Toad Hall Spring St. 4pm and 7.30pm
Kashmir playing at Welly club

14th December Hull Women for Peace, anniversary coach to Greenham. Tickets £9.50 (waged), £6.50 (unwaged).

Monday 16th
Spring St. see Tues. 10th
Gay night 10pm-2am Welly club

Tuesday 17th
Spring St. see Tues. 10th
Hull Jazz club, Haworth Arms 8pm
Philosophy Society the Queens 8pm.

Wednesday 18th
Spring St. see Tues. 10th
Moses Smith Blues Band the Bull Bev. Rd. 8pm.

Thursday 19th
Spring St. see Tues. 10th
District Blues Co., Haworth Arms 8pm.

Friday 20th
Spring St. see Tues. 10th plus Bouncers 10.30pm.
Rumble (rock and roll band) the Bull, Bev. Rd., 8pm.
Weekenders x-mas party (similar but better than Solitaires) at Trades and Labour

Saturday 21st
Spring St. see Sat. 14th

Sunday 22nd
The Albion x-mas show, Spring St 7.45pm

Monday 23rd
Spring St. see Tues. 10th
Jazz on a Winter's day, Mike Pinnock and friends Adelphi club
Gay night 10pm-2am. Welly club

Tuesday 24th
Spring St. Toad of Toad Hall 2 and 5pm
Hull Jazz club, Haworth Arms 8pm
David Pinchon and guest artist (ballads and guitars) at Trades and Labour.
Philosophy Society at the Queens 8pm.

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Wednesday 25th
Moses Smith Blues Band, the Bull Bev. Rd., 8pm.

Thursday 26th
Spring St. see Tues. 10th
District Blues Co. Haworth Arms

Friday 27th
Spring St. see Fri. 20th
Rumble (rock and roll band), the Bull, Bev. Rd., 8pm.

Saturday 28th
Spring St. see Fri. 27th

Sunday 29th
X-mas craft exhibition, Postern -gate Gallery.

Monday 30th
Spring St. see Tues. 10th
Gay night 10pm-2am, Welly club

January
Wednesday 1st
Moses Smith Blues Band, the Bull, Bev. Rd., 8pm.

Thursday 2nd
Toad of Toad Hall, Spring St. 7.30
District Blues Co., Haworth Arms 8pm.

Friday 3rd
Spring St. see Thurs 2nd plus Bouncers 10.30pm
Rumble (rock and roll band) the Bull, Bev. Rd., 8pm
Solitaires New Year's Party (single, divorced, widowed people) Trades and Labour

Saturday 4th
Toad of Toad Hall, Spring St., 4pm and 7.30pm
Gill Kay, local artist at Postern -gate Gallery.

Monday 6th
Spring St. see Thurs. 2nd
Gay night, 10pm-2am, Welly club

Tuesday 7th
Spring St. see Thurs. 2nd
Hull Jazz club, Haworth Arms 8pm
Philosophy Society, the Queens, 8pm.

Wednesday 8th
Spring St. see Thurs. 2nd
Moses Smith Blues Band, the Bull, Bev. Rd., 8pm.
"Tribute to Elvis", charity night for Hull Royal Infirmary, Trades and Labour

Thursday 9th
Spring St. see Thurs. 2nd
District Blues Band, Haworth Arms 8pm.

Friday 10th
Spring St. see Fri. 3rd
Rumble (rock and roll band), the Bull, Bev. Rd., 8pm.

Saturday 11th
Spring St. see Sat. 4th

Monday 13th
Gay night, Welly club 10pm-2am
Ferens Art Gallery "History of whaling in the port of Hull"
Arthur Credland, 7.30pm.

Tuesday 14th
Philosophy Society, the Queens 8pm.
Hull Jazz club, Haworth Arms 8pm
"The future of Parliamentary Democracy", Patrick Cormack, M.P

7.30pm. Central Hall, King Edward St.

Wednesday 15th
Moses Smith Blues Band, the Bull Bev. Rd., 8pm.

Thursday 16th
District Blues Co., Haworth Arms 8pm.

Friday 17th
Rumble (rock and roll) the Bull Bev. Rd. 8pm.

The following events continue weekly throughout January:
Tuesday: Hull Jazz club
Wednesday: Moses Smith Blues Band
Thursday: District Blues Co.
Friday: Rumble (rock and roll)

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