

Practical Anarchy

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GLASGOW BACKS THE MINERS...



CORTONWOOD MINERS SOUP KITCHEN

UNEMPLOYED SOLIDARITY!

IT'S TIME
TO LINK UP
EVERY STRUGGLE

"WHAT WE'D LIKE TO SEE IS THE UNEMPLOYED COMING DOWN AND SUPPORTING PICKETLINES".

These were the words of a miner early on in the strike, at the picket line outside Ravenscraig. Mass Action of this kind would not only increase the miners chances of victory but would be a major breakthrough for the working class as a whole.

Solidarity between workers directly and not through Union hacks and mediators is vital if we are determined to turn the tables on past defeats and sell-outs.

Direct links between workers in other sections and areas and with the unemployed are essential.

Over the past few months some unemployed people have been active in collecting for the miners in various areas in Glasgow. There

have also been actions by unemployed activists and anarchists.

■ JUNE — The windows of the Polish Consulate were smashed with coal in protest at the Polish government scabbing on the miners strike.

■ LAST WEEK the offices of the accountants PRICE WATERHOUSE (who sequestered the South Wales N.U.M. funds as well as money collected for food) were occupied for several hours — an action which led to 13 arrests.

The longer a dispute goes on the more we need to use our imagination, just as the 'hit squads' in England have shown.

We got news recently that Scottish miners were taking similar actions: in August the Weighbridge and several scab lorries at Hunterston were damaged.

With every action and every day that the miners strike continues one rallying call cries out loud and clear: **CLASS SOLIDARITY.**

We urge the miners to go THEMSELVES to workplaces and speak directly to the workforce in order to get support.

We urge ALL people who see the miners fight for what it is — the fight of the whole working class — to organise their own collections, blacking, picketing and strike action to support the miners.

We urge the unemployed to take active support in this struggle and for people to encourage them in this.

We have seen the way the ruling class acts in solidarity in order to defeat us. If we are to have any chance of victory we have to counter their lies and tactics through the strength of a **UNITED CLASS STRUGGLE.**

NEIL KINNOCK HAS A MESSAGE FOR STRIKING MINERS: Don't go on picket lines!

If you do you give the impression that you are trying to win this dispute without relying on the 'proper procedures' i.e. the TUC and parliament.

The people who believe in parliamentary democracy however don't tell you that this means certain defeat.

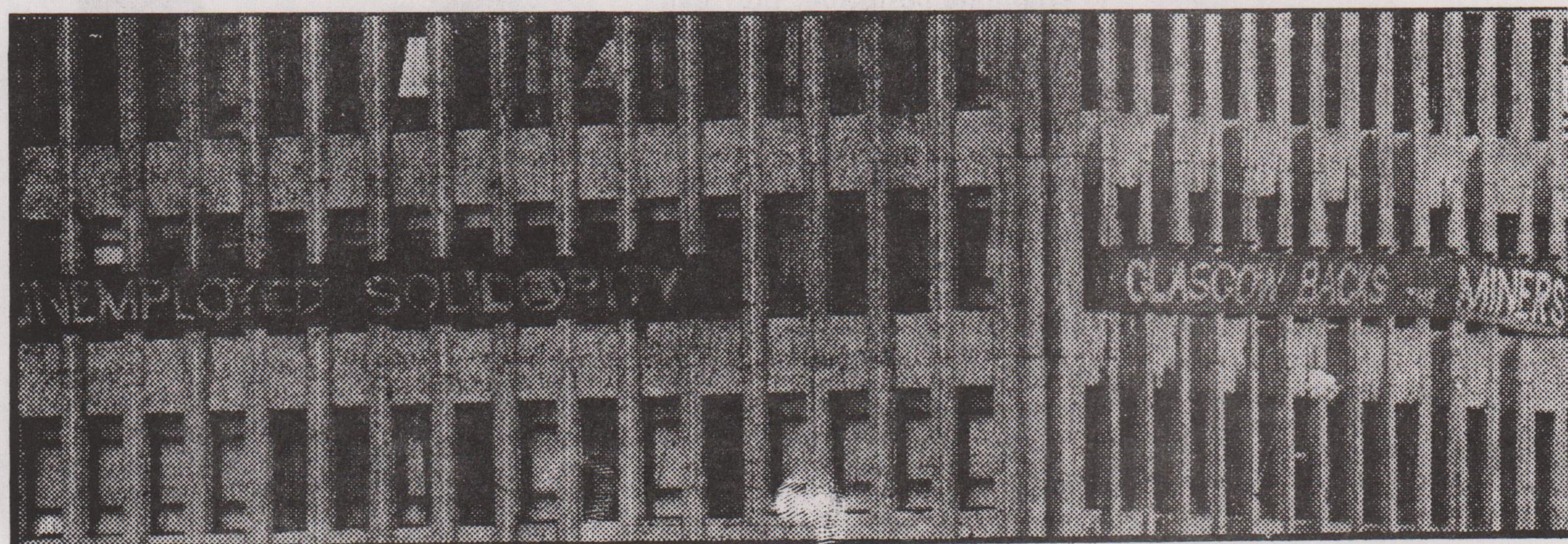
However the other side of the argument means that if you want to win this or any other dispute then you do not rely on leaders, bureaucrats or any other self-seeking ladder climbers.

The direct action of mining communities making decisions at a local grassroots level and carrying out these decisions, whether it is organising picketing, food/money collections, soup kitchens or sabotage is the best answer to Kinnock.

We don't need him or his pathetic attempts at gaining favour with the capitalist press and therefore getting votes.

We know Kinnock supports the 'impartial police'. Look at the pictures on the back and front of this leaflet. **WHOSE SIDE ARE YOU ON?**

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