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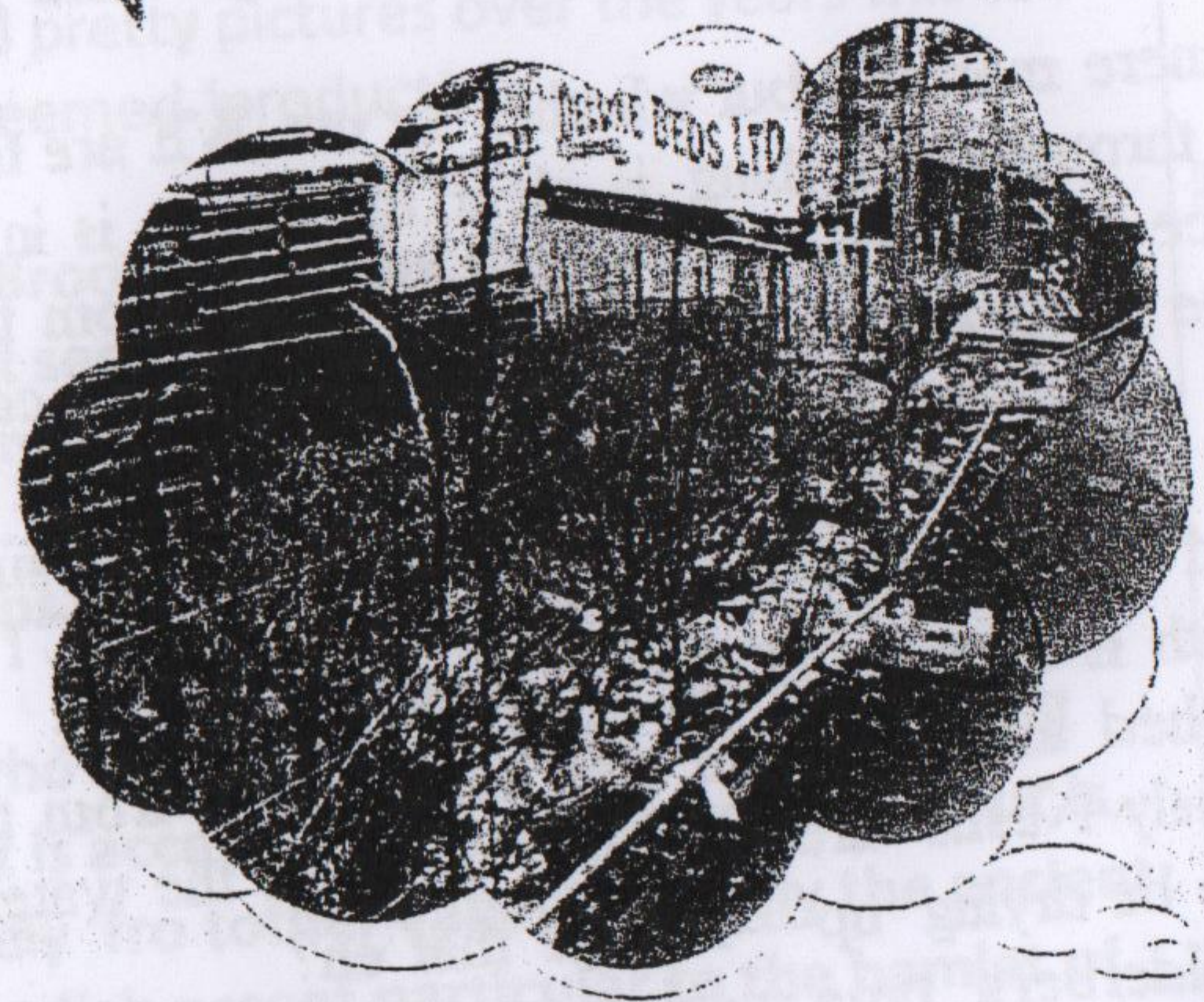
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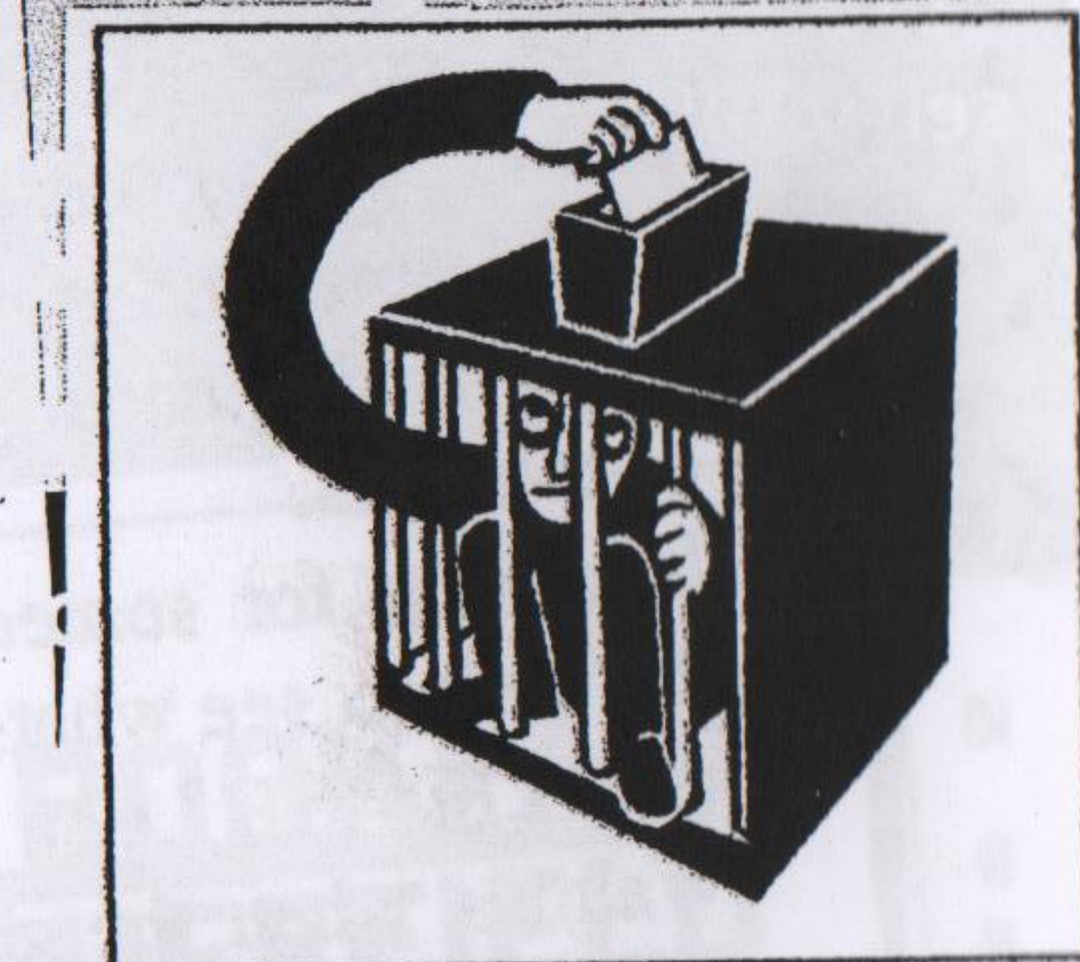


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# REALITY BIT

its like pulling teeth

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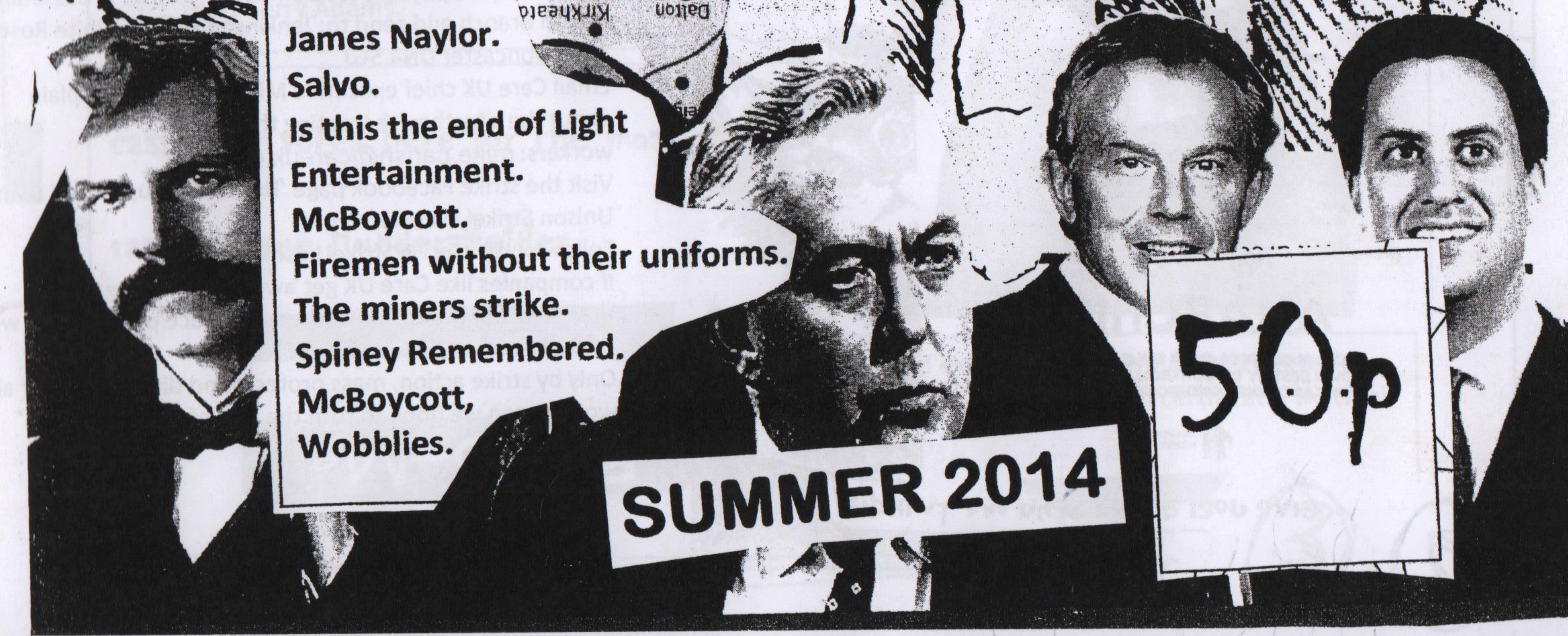
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## SUMMER 2014

50p





A BENEFIT FOR WOMENS RIGHTS GROUPS

# EQUAL FEST

We are being burdened by workloads and taxes, our pay is frozen, or cut. Managers will not negotiate and just force changes through. They erode our terms and conditions and make us redundant. Then we are pauperised waiting for benefits, paying council tax and sanctioned for not applying for jobs that aren't there.

Everything our fore-bares gained through collective action the government want to take back. Our NHS and services are being sold off to private sector vultures.

There will be no Labour government coming over the horizon to save us, they too represent corporate interests, the answer lays with YOU and your willingness to be involved in the struggle. Leave it up to someone else and you sell your children's birthright with your apathy.

## GET INVOLVED

When the word goes out to take to the streets DO IT, no matter what the issue, it is precisely the un-governability of masses people that makes politicians back down, in fear. **MAKE IT HAPPEN.** It is only this that gets results.



## ANARCHISM

RECLAIM CONTROL OVER THE COURSE OF YOUR OWN DESTINY BY CONTROLLING IN THE FIRST INSTANCE THE CONDITIONS OF YOUR WORK



Give poor a good send over to India!

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### SUPPORT CARE UK STRIKERS

We live in the days when the powers that be are attempting to roll back time and deny us of the working conditions for which our parents and grandparents fought, wage cuts and changing terms and conditions to our detriment are the order of the day.

One group of workers in Doncaster however are showing the true metal that is needed to resist these changes. When a group of care workers were moved over from the NHS to the private company Care UK an immediate attack on their terms and conditions began as the private company wanted to squeeze as much profit as they could out of this group of workers. The attack on pay rates, holiday and sick pay amounts to a near 50% cut in their income and will not be tolerated by this group of workers who care for some of the most vulnerable people in society.

In a secret ballot by UNISON they voted to commence industrial action that has so far resulted in two weeks of strike action.

On Saturday 12 April a protest was held outside the Fat Face store at Orchard Square in Sheffield. Fat Face is owned by the huge multinational Bridgepoint Capital which owns Care UK.

Bridgepoint also have huge stakes in Pret a Manger, Virgin Active, Leeds-Bradford airport and many more. The message of the protest was that will continue to embarrass brands on the Bridgepoint portfolio until Care UK stop attacking their staff.

The Doncaster workers have so far held a total of sixteen days of strikes. They have received an impressive level of solidarity from trade union branches and workplace collections totalling something like £20,000.

Strikers have been getting out to speak at union branches and meetings around the country to raise solidarity. Because of Care UK's intransigence and the number of days of strikes the workers have been forced to take they need solidarity. Rush solidarity messages and requests for speakers to:

[admin@unison-dab.org.uk](mailto:admin@unison-dab.org.uk)

Make cheques payable to: Doncaster, District & Bassetlaw Health Branch and send to: Jenkinson House, White Rose Way, Doncaster DN4 5GJ

Email Care UK chief executive Mike Parish to complain about the way they're treating their workers: [mike.parish@careuk.com](mailto:mike.parish@careuk.com)

Visit the strike Facebook page 'Doncaster Supported Living Unison Strike' click here

Follow on twitter: @StrikeUnison.

If companies like Care UK get away with cutting wages then so other groups of workers who face privatisation will suffer likewise.

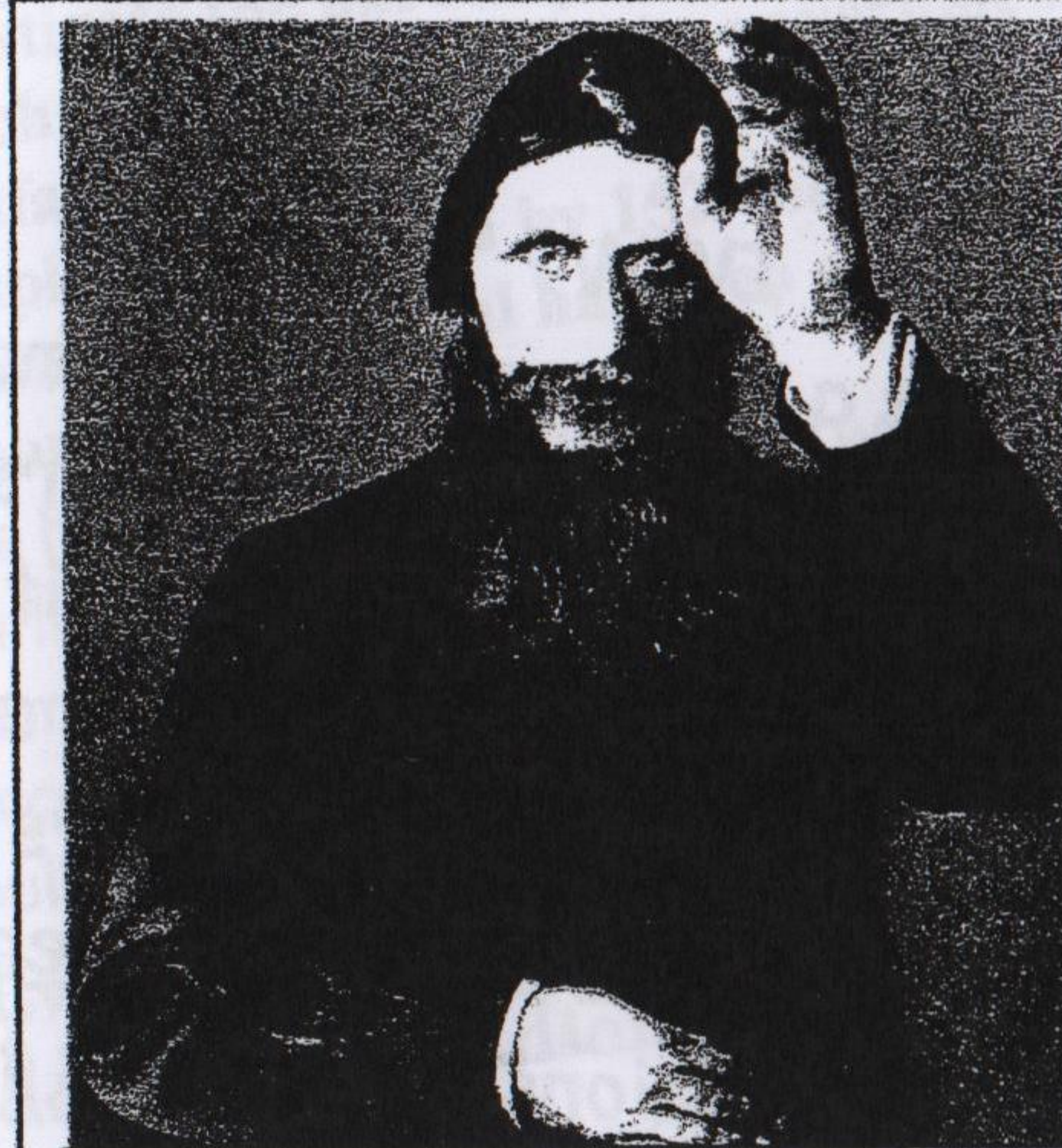
Only by strike action, mass protests and direct action of all workers can we hope to turn the tide of attacks on our people.

## REARGUARD summer 2014 Look Alike CompETition..

and now presenting the runners up in this years rearguard action Rasputin look alike competition .....



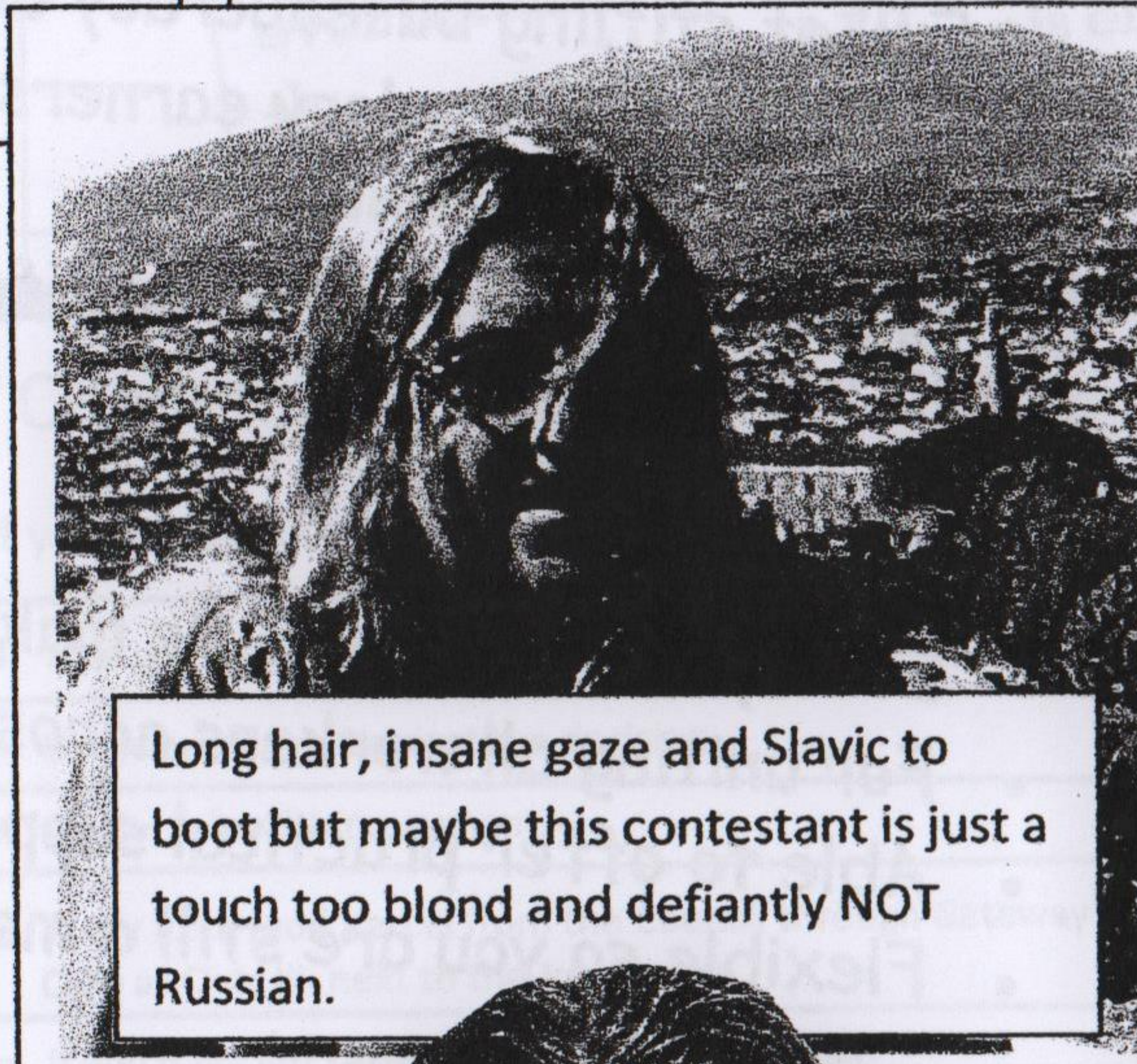
Piercing eyes, unkempt beard and even a dodgy Russian hat this contestant is definitely in the race.



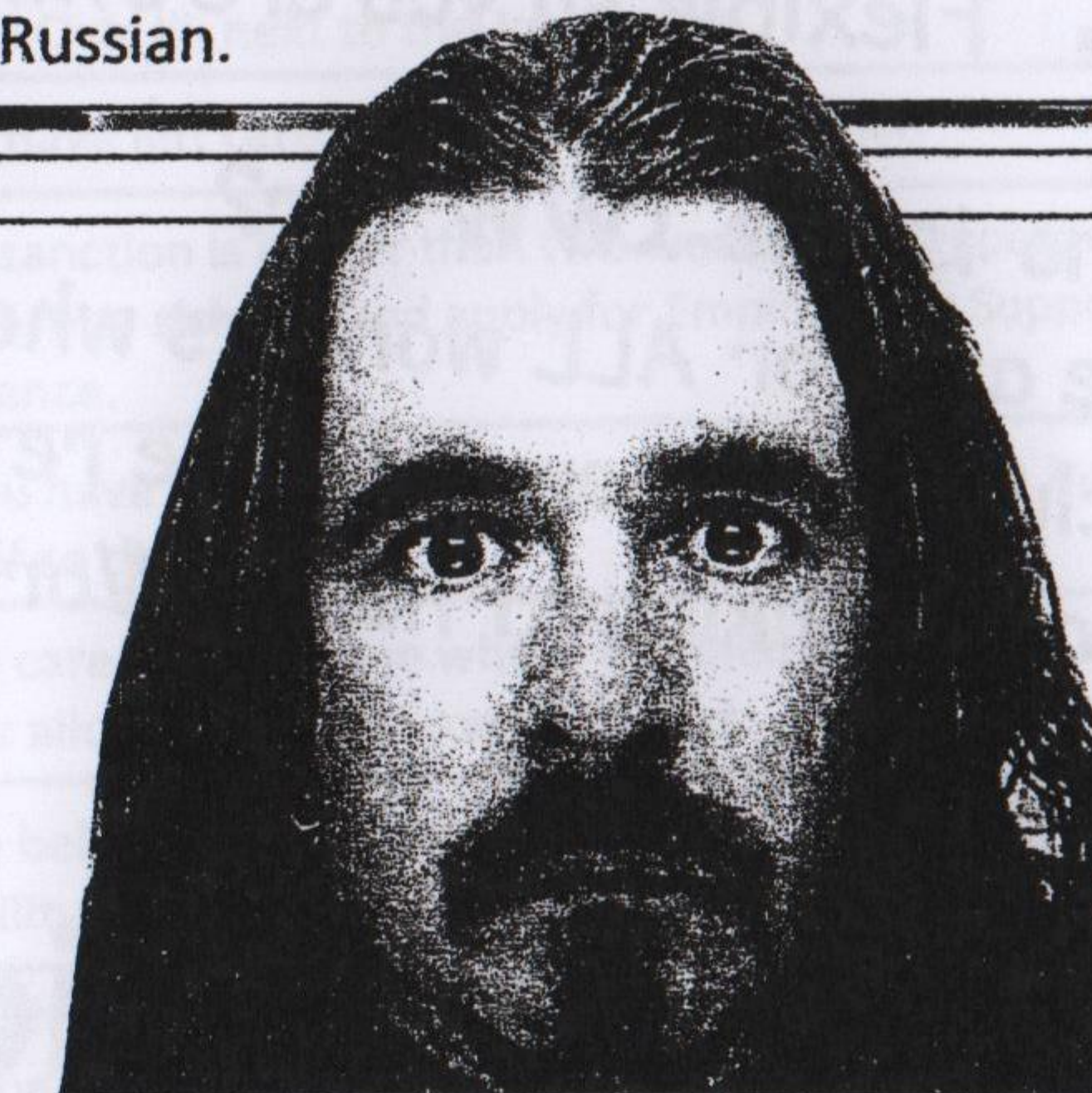
Sex appeal, mysticism and chic, the old indestructible himself.



Mmmm wild hair, sharp intellect, but maybe a bit too genial, more Grizzly Adams than Gerry Adams.



Long hair, insane gaze and Slavic to boot but maybe this contestant is just a touch too blond and defiantly NOT Russian.



Wild eyes, mad hair, would you allow this man to have a shot gun certificate, we think not.

cast your votes here for the most eligible rasputiesque Huddersfielder.



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# About the International Workers of the World.

## Why the IWW?

We are a grassroots and democratic union helping to organise all workers in all workplaces. The IWW differs from traditional trade unions. We believe that workers have greater voice if we are organised within our own industries. For example, teachers, cleaners and secretaries who work in a school should be classed as education workers and all be in the same union. Furthermore, unions in one industry are far stronger if they are in the same organisation as all other industrial unions. Our aim is to see society re-organised to meet the interests of all people, and not just shareholders and corporations.

## We are NOT:

- Full of stifling bureaucracy or linked to any political party or group.
- Led by fat cat salary earners who carry out deals with bosses behind your back.
- Going to sell you services, life insurance or credit cards.

## We are:

- Led by membership. We make all decisions and we all have the final say.
- For uniting all workers across trades, industries and countries.
- Able to offer practical support for members in their workplace.
- Flexible so you are still a member even when you change job or contract.

## Who is the IWW for?

We are for ALL workers who do not have the power to hire or fire. This also includes workers who are retired, students, unemployed, part-time, temporary or those working at home. Workers who are members of other unions are also welcome.

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# LETTERS OF RESIGNATION

# T W A I T S

A BREWERY sign was altered to spell out a swear word after angry staff were told they face the sack. The logo was changed after bosses at Daniel Thwaites revealed relocation plans threatening 60 in Blackburn.

## BARCLAYS



## THE DEATH OF DEMOCRACY

Vox Popula a Welsh internet discussion group has heralded the death of democracy after a vote was taken in Parliament and then completely ignored. On Monday 13<sup>th</sup> January Michael Meacher MP proposed a motion to Parliament to investigate the hardship and destitution which is been caused by the governments Welfare Reform Bill. Despite been passed by 152 votes and two against the proposal has been completely ignored.

We have always said that what we have in parliament is only an illusion, a slither of democracy and that real democracy will occur when people take to the streets and build it themselves.

Even Charles I could'nt ignore the decisions of Parliament but then he had the London mob breathing down his neck.

The only time the authorities have ever listened is when they fear that the power they hold dear is ebbing away onto the streets.

## Challenging Benefit Sanctions:

If you are sanctioned we would advise the following:

- That you lodge a 'mandatory re-consideration'.
- Lodge an appeal against the decision.
- Ask for a hardship payment.
- Apply for a food parcel from the Council through Gateway to Care at Civic III, next to the Job Centre.
- If you have left care, inform your care worker.
- If the sanction is longer than two weeks then approach your doctor for a sick not and apply for Employment Support Allowance.
- Do you have a partner who can put in a joint claim instead of you, if so do that.
- If you care for someone who is disabled you may be eligible for carers allowance and income support.
- If you believe that you have been treated unfairly because of a disability including dyslexia then seek legal advice.
- If you have been sanctioned for not being able to perform a task because of your disability again get legal advice.
- If you believe that you have been discriminated against in any way such as sanctioned for not applying for a specific job for religious reasons, then get legal advice, and contact Benefits Advice on 01484 221000.
- Contact your local MP Barry Sheerman Huddersfield 01484 487970 based at the Media Centre Northumberland Street. Colne Valley Jason McCartney 01484 688364.



# Regall Tyrannie discovered!

## WHAT KEEPS ME GOING.

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OR,

Someone asked me other day what keeps me going politically, why I continue to resist, to commit myself to activity and demonstrations, why I at times put my job and liberty on the line when the government seems all powerful and the people all impotent, apathetic and consumed with their own narrow pleasures?

Good question!  
Believe me I have witnessed many of the defeats of the past 30 years at close quarters, I have seen people chewed up by life in a million horrific ways, I have worked with the victims of war and rape and drugs and had my fill of the corrupt society that makes people suffer.  
What keeps me going is this.

That I see in the radical movement all around me the beauty and potential of humanity, I see people waking up and questioning what is happening in the world, not in sufficient numbers, but the networks are growing, and every protest no matter how small brings people together, every sticker placed on a lamp post, every conversation in a pub adds to this vibe and the message that we will resist and that in that resistance is beauty and humanity and love; and that in asserting our joy and preserving what is most noble and life affirming we are being ourselves devoid of the cruelty and pretence that society tries to enforce upon us.

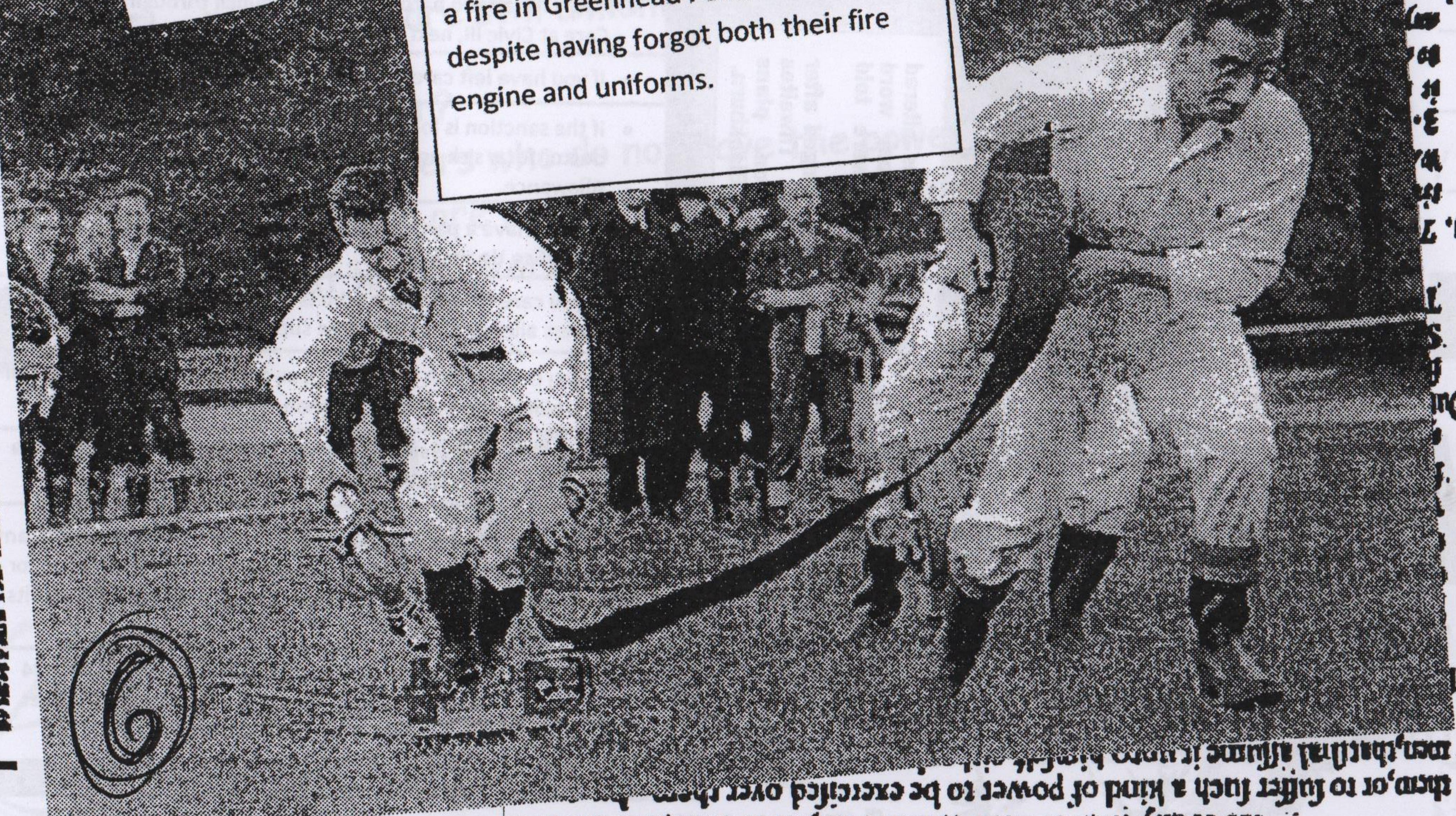
And that as we build our networks we open out our arms and embrace those around us and no matter what the tyrants throw at us we build a new society here in our hearts and that is real and it is the vibrancy of a thousand and one connections, of countless acts of solidarity great and small that bring people together.

And even if we fail in our goal make no mistake that by coming together and resisting, we will leave the world a better place and lighter and happier than if we had succumbed to the dark hand of cynicism.

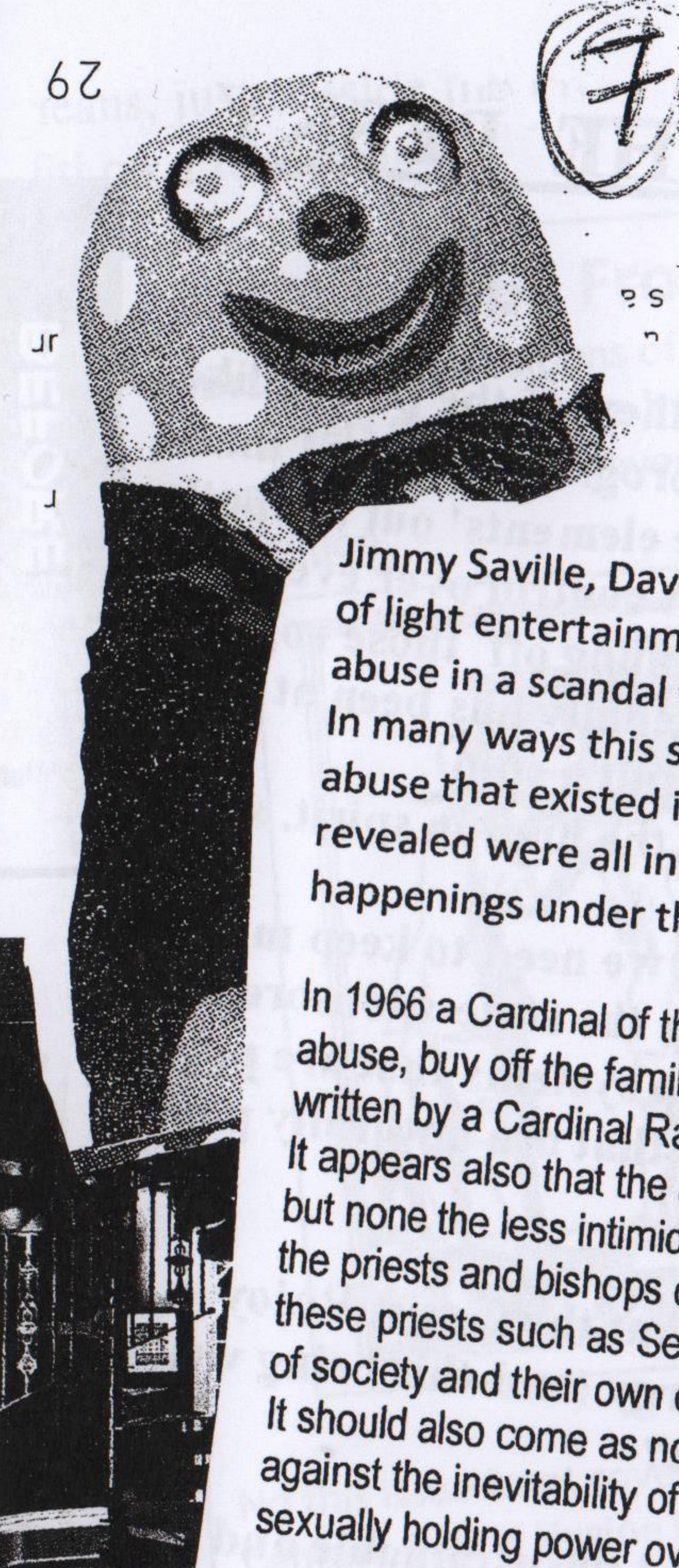
Resistance is joy, it is staring the oppressor in the eyes knowing that we have done our best for the people around us, for our children and grand children and that in the process we have truly lived life.

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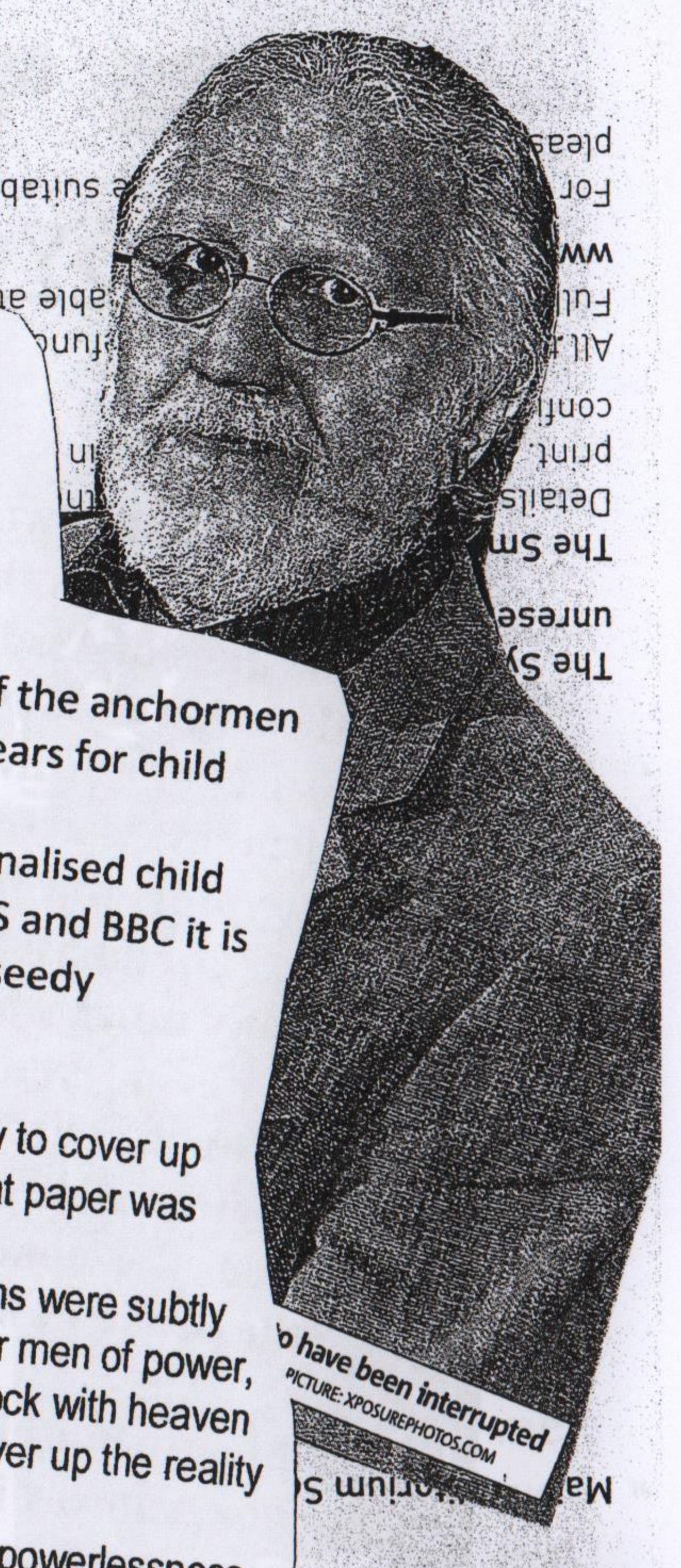
Huddersfield Fire Brigade putting out a fire in Greenhead Park in 1962 despite having forgot both their fire engine and uniforms.



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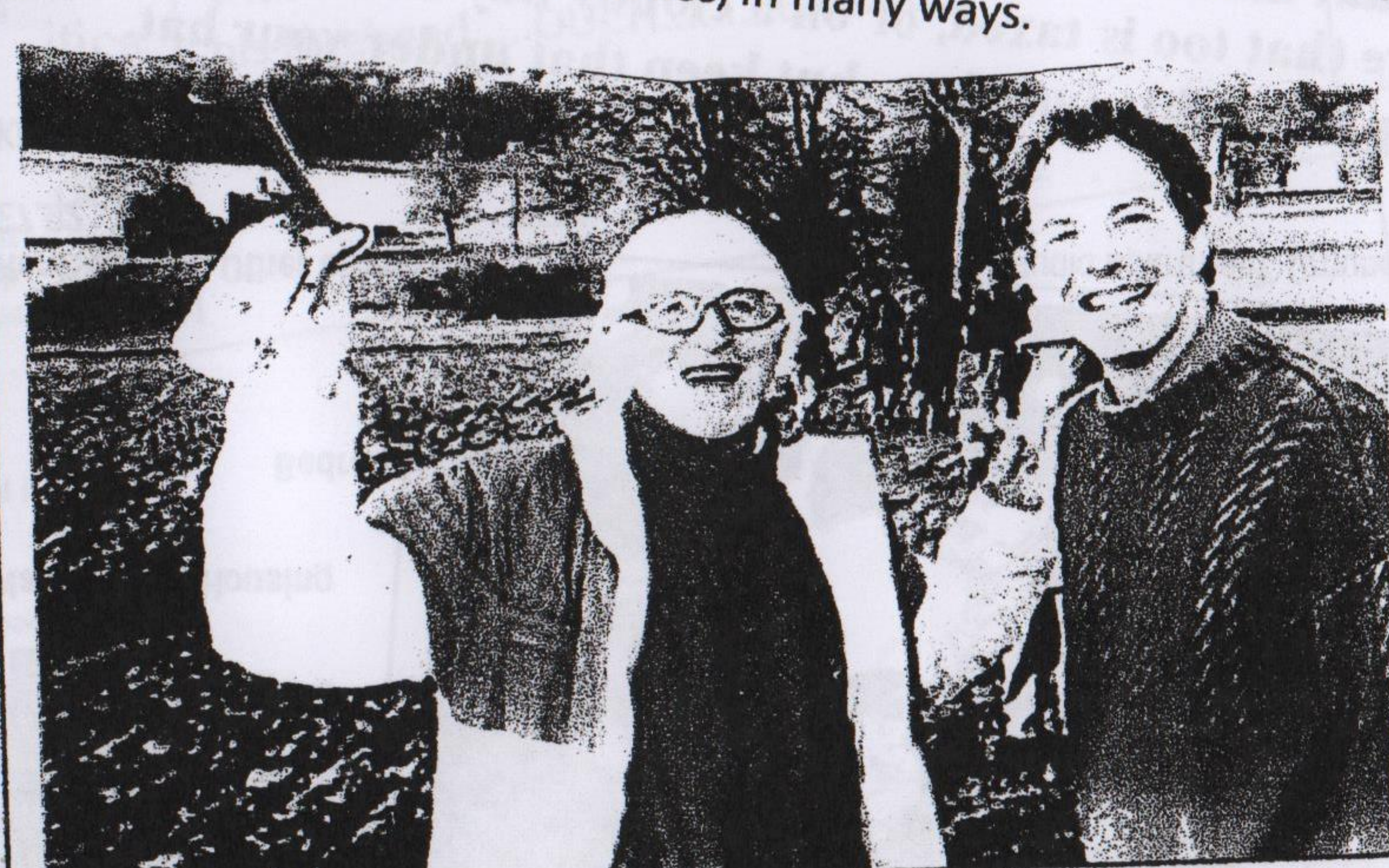
# Is this the end of Light Entertainment?



Jimmy Saville, Dave Lee Travis, Rolf Harris (no not Rolf) and Roland Rat just some of the anchormen of light entertainment, Top of the Pops and Children's TV cited over the past two years for child abuse in a scandal that has rocked both British TV and the NHS.  
In many ways this should come as no surprise considering the widespread institutionalised child abuse that existed in the 1970's and 80's. The Church, Care Homes and now the NHS and BBC it is revealed were all involved in a conspiracy of silence, of hushing things up, brushing seedy happenings under the carpet and ignoring the pain of abusers victims.

In 1966 a Cardinal of the Catholic Church actually brought out a paper advising the Church how to cover up abuse, buy off the families and disappear kiddy fondling priests within the Church structure. That paper was written by a Cardinal Ratzinger who years later became Pope Benedict.  
It appears also that the NHS and BBC was gripped with a conspiracy of silence as abused victims were subtly but none the less intimidated by these institutions from making allegations of abuse against other men of power, the priests and bishops of light entertainment, and whilst the priests of the Church dazzle their flock with heaven these priests such as Seville dazzle people with the glitz and flamboyance of the spectacle to cover up the reality of society and their own dark ambitions.  
It should also come as no surprise because it is a question of power; attempting to overcome the powerlessness against the inevitability of death by courting fame and also attempting to compensate for powerlessness by sexually holding power over more vulnerable people and dominating them.

Of course not everyone in the limelight is a predatory peado and not every kiddifondler is someone who is in the public eye, nor desires it, but distinctly both these situations in some people are about trying to have power over people, very much like the hierarchical structures of the Church, health service and BBC. Whilst these organisations may not be able to cover such crimes up these days nevertheless one of the lessons is to watch people in the limelight for fear that they may be intoxicated by the power it gives them, and that can be power over people which is un-healthy and damaging all round. This goes that goes for socialist politicians such as Galloway and Scargill as much as anyone else, not that we would want to tar them with the same brush as Saville or DLT. Power corrupts and corrodes, in many ways.



Blair and Saville, all megalomaniacs together.

# Touched up back stage by Mr Blobby.

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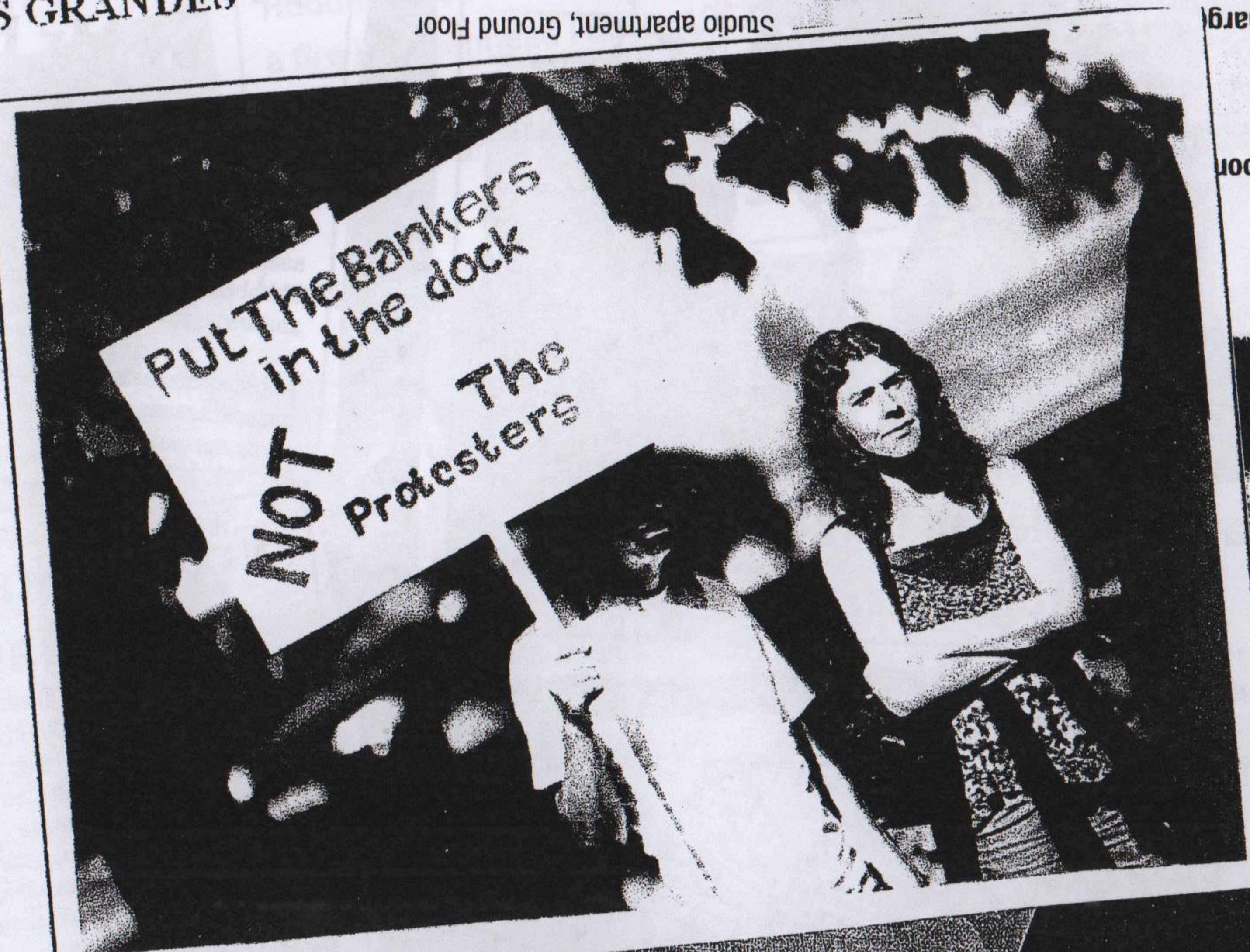
# McBOYCOTT TAKES A PEEK AT THE PESKY PEEKERS.

Talk about 'own goals, and losing the PR battles that in fact lie when they..of the power, like to convince us that our interests are at the heart of their surveillance programmes, and that the likes of Assange, Manning, Snowden to name a few are just 'rogue elements' out to spoil their fun as they manipulate social networks, email, and the rest to get control over every aspect of our lives. Its not as if threatening, imprisoning and maybe killing off those rogue elements is actually change anything.....look how efficient the death penalty has been at stopping murder and all the other heinous crimes it was supposed to put a stop to....Fortunately , whatever they throw at us they will NEVER break the human spirit, so many more whistleblowers will keep appearing. However, even the more anarchist server, Riseup.net is warning that we need to keep moving to 'open source' and encrypted forms of communications to side-step the state-sponsored infringements of our freedoms, and are currently working to develop systems that are not from the 'commercial retail world' who offer transcription services that are naturally part of the brave new world order.

Meanwhile closer to home in sinking but sunny Spain word has it that the fascist Rajoy government is intending to tax people who live with renewable energy (and this being written on a puter powered by sun...as always) so whats that all about then?

Firstly it could be to fuck off those who think the system is crap and unsustainable and so prefer to live as much outside it as possible, and by taxing them its possible that they will have to 'live in the dark' metaphorically and literally, so demeaning them to the same status as a Dully Mail reader most of whom appear to have spent most of their lives in the cellar of ignorance.

Another possibility is that the ones who will get screwed will be those who guzzled all the grants to build huge solar fields just to make money... eco or philanthropic reasons were just not in that equation...and I hope that that is the case or else my next missive will have to be sent to you by Morse Code...before that too is taxed, or on a cloudy day I can also use my newly acquired bike genny to keep the lights burning...but keep that under your hat.



Former Top Of The Pops presenter

Nashayman Housing  
Bedroom  
Rent: £63.57, Other charges £7.92  
Kirklees Council

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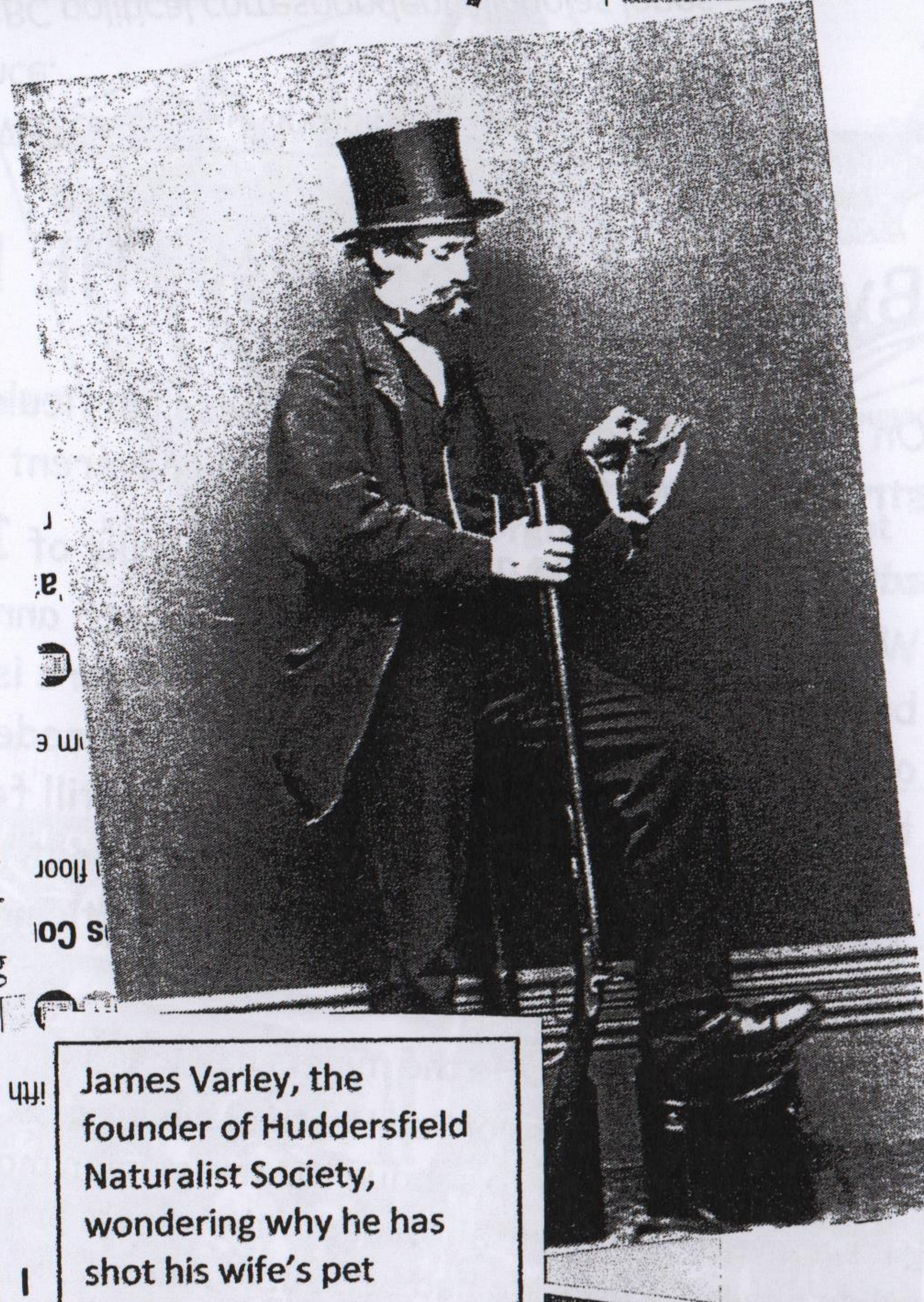
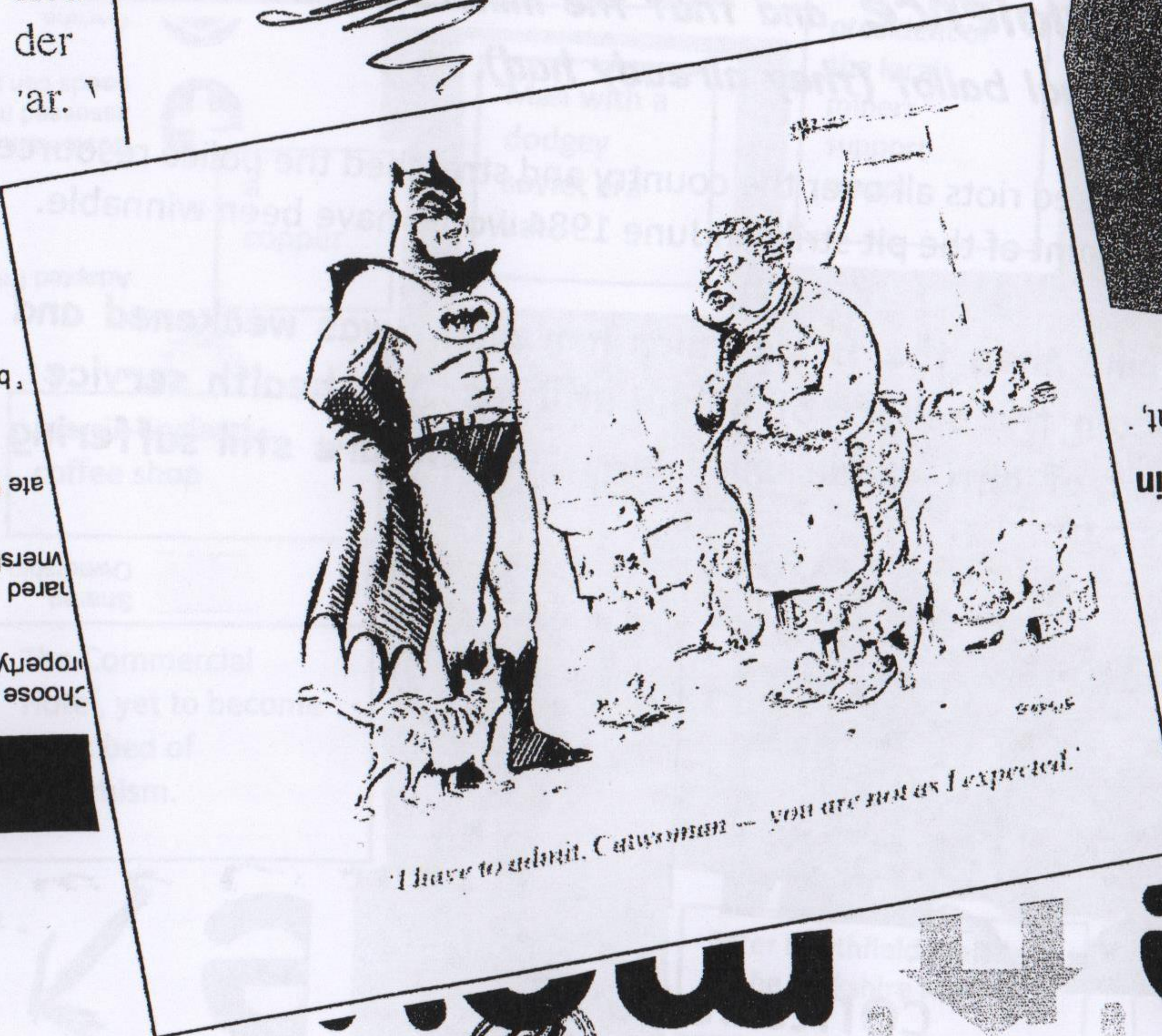
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## ISSUE 67 Front Cover.

With the last few editions of Rearguard featuring front covers depicting the battle o Bardays, we thought that this front cover may merit some explanation.



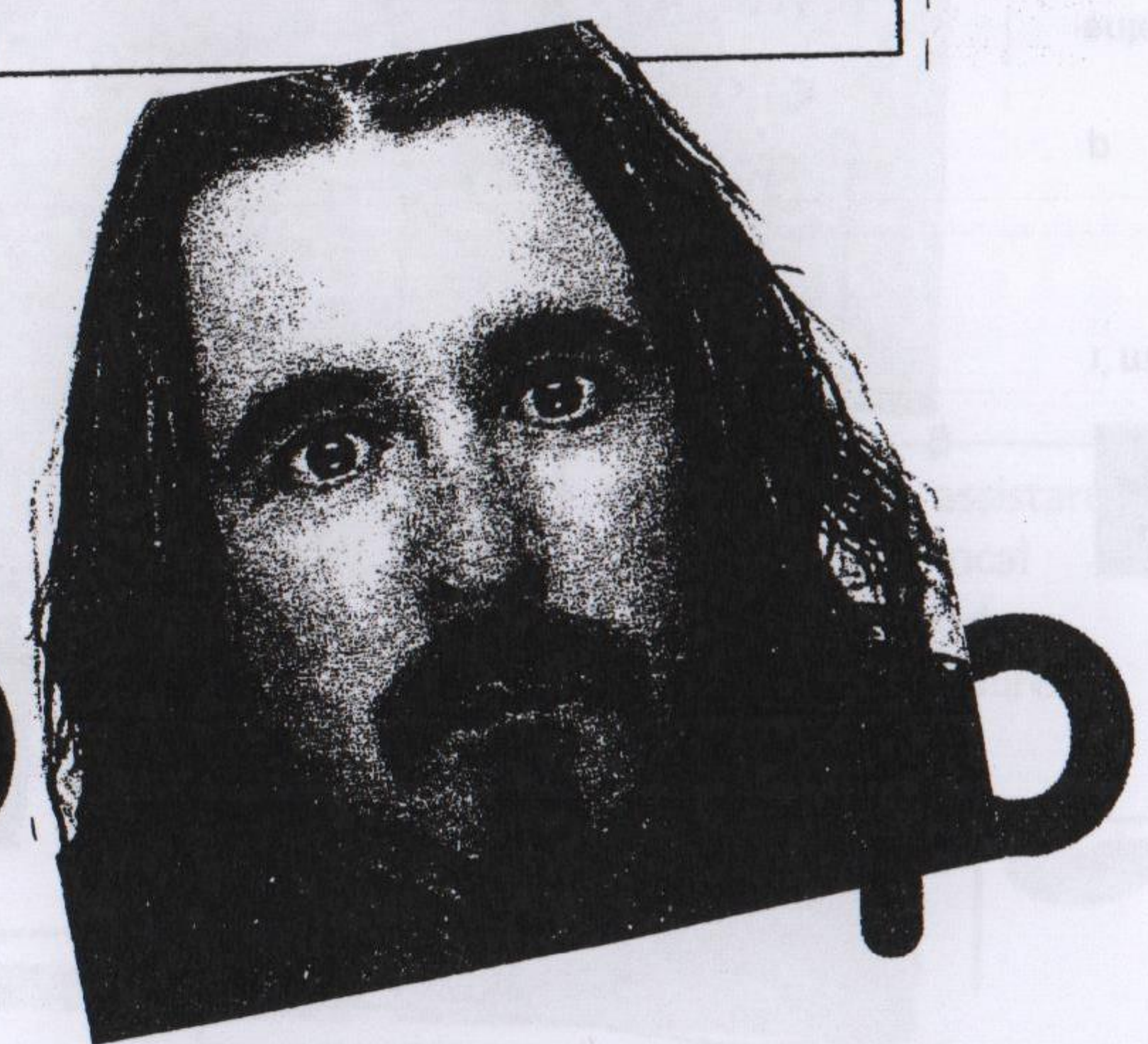
No this issue front cover is not an advert for 17<sup>th</sup> Century Dental Hygiene it is in effect a picture depicting James Nayler from Wakefield who in 1656 earned the wrath of Cromwells regime by entering the city of Bristol on the back of a donkey with his friends throwing leaves and clothes on the road in front of him in resemblance of Jesus's entry into Jerusalem. This was in contravention to the blasphemy Act of 1650 which made atheism and taking the piss illegal. Poor Nayler was whipped then tied to the pillory, he had his tongue bored with a hot ireon and B for blasphemy branded on his forehead.....OUCH.....Bastards.



James Varley, the founder of Huddersfield Naturalist Society, wondering why he has shot his wife's pet Budgie.



Mrs Varley, getting her revenge.



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# A parable for our times..from Alan O'Dale (Nicked from Salvo)

He writes: "I have completed perusal of your venerable organ and, having recovered from the trauma of the frog story, I have just one query to put to you. I don't expect a reply, just clarification perhaps in some future discussion. I agree with much of your criticism of the Labour left and the left outside the LP - particularly your caveats against hero-worship. You rightly say that they don't represent the Socialism of Morris, Carpenter, Bruch Glasier et al. BUT the only alternative you seem to suggest is that the LP represents the best of all possible worlds, that this is the concrete reality and it is immutable. There must be some Aesopian fable illustrating the point I am trying to make, but I can't recollect one - so I will make one up. (and here it is - ed.)

"Once there was a troupe of monkeys who lived in a dark, dark forest. Some of the monkeys said, 'Let's climb to the top of the trees. There the most delicious fruit grows and it is warmed by the rays of the Sun.' But the leaders of the monkey's said, 'No, it is impossible to get to the top of the trees, and besides, there is no fruit there and no sun. It is only the idle dreamers who tell us there is. You must be content with scampering on the lower branches and eating the hard bitter fruits that we can reach.' So the monkeys stayed on the lower branches and the leopards, seeing them there, frequently climbed up and began to kill them one by one. So, between the attacks of the leopards and the bitter fruits, the monkeys grew weaker and weaker. So some of them said again "Let's climb higher in the canopy, we can escape the leopards and have a better life". Others said, "We must climb, or perish, because we fear some disaster will overtake us all, even if we don't reach the sun." But the leaders of the monkeys said, "No, if we stay on the low branches we can see the leopards coming and if they take a few of us, and know that we are not going to climb higher, they will be content and not chase us.' So a few of the monkeys decided they did not believe the leaders any longer and began to climb up towards the Sun and the sweet fruits.



Then the leaders of the monkeys cried out - 'You are deserting us. Traitors. It is your fault that the leopards are devouring us. It is impossible to climb to the top of the trees and you are persuading too many of the young monkeys to follow you. You are putting the whole troupe in danger.' So the monkeys squabbled and screeched and the sound echoed throughout the forest bringing leopards from far and near. Some monkeys, wavered and, disheartened, came back down only to be beaten into submission by the leaders of the monkeys. Many of them, with no fight left in them, surrendered to the leopards, as their leaders said they must. However, other monkeys kept climbing, even though it was not easy, and there were other perils as they climbed, such as stinging hornets and mighty snakes which squeezed the life from those they ensnared. But they kept climbing towards the Sun. Now, as well as those monkeys who kept climbing and those who descended to die beneath the jaws of the leopards there was another group. They sat on the lower branches muttering about their leaders and about the leopards and dreaming of the sun

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and the sweet fruits in the highest canopy of the trees. But they didn't move. Sometimes they shouted up to the monkeys above, 'We are coming... not yet - but soon. We want to share the Sun with you.' Other times they said to their leaders, 'We are loyal to the troupe, we are with you in the fight against the leopards', even though the leaders did not fight and some even shook the branches fiercely so that monkeys fell to the ground and were torn apart. 'That stops the leopards climbing the trees and threatening us all.' They explained, 'It is for the good of the troupe.' 'So the monkeys who believed in the Sun, but who stayed in the lower branches, became fewer and fewer. Some were thrown to the leopards.

Others became leaders themselves, and only mentioned the Sun when they wanted to impress young monkeys who they feared might want to climb higher. But they always added, 'Yes, we believe in the Sun and the branches of sweet fruits, but now is not the time.' While to the loyal monkeys they confided, 'The fools, there is no Sun.' And so it went on. The leopards grew fatter and the monkeys grew weaker and fewer. Saddest of all were those who sat on the dark lower branches dreaming of the Sun, while the leaders threw them one by one to the leopards. And did the climbing monkeys reach the Sun? That is another story. But what we do know is that one day a great fire swept through the forest burning the underbrush and the lower branches of the trees. The monkeys, prohibited for so long by their leaders from climbing, all perished, along with the leopards. Only those who had climbed to the higher branches survived the smoke and heat - and now that there was no going back, carried on, striving for the Sun...."

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### THE HOUSES OF THE RICH

In the 1620 during a depression in the cloth trade in the west country, the authorities put measures in place to stop or delay master cloth manufacturers from making people redundant. Why? Because they had to, because the destitute would band together in groups of 50 or 60 and go to the houses of the rich to demand money and food. The hungry would size grain shipments and sell it at a fair price and threat of such action would force the authorities to assist the poor. If when anyone is sanctioned dozens of people were to descend on the jobcentre and if this were to happen nationwide, then the odious practice of sanctions would cease.

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## ANARCHISM

Anarchists strive for a society in which the resources of the world are used by all for the common good not just for the profit of a few, where people are able to sort their problems out collectively without politicians, bosses or managers telling us what to do.

Society is divided into the rich who own the wealth, land and corporate interests and the rest of us who own nothing except our ability (if we can) to work for corporate interests to earn the money we need to survive. Austerity is all about them squeezing more profit out of us.

## LEADERS

Anarchists do not believe in leaderships who hold a special status to tell others what to do or think. Anarchists lead their struggles collectively. Each person plays their part and by everyone relying on their talents to work for the common good not for the fame or power of individuals. Everyone has a say in decision making and everyone's ideas are valid.

## RELIGION

Anarchists tend to believe in the power of nature and the potential of human beings and not organised religion. Anarchists strive for a secular world run by everyone. However this doesn't stop individual anarchists holding spiritual or even religious beliefs as long as no one is oppressed or harmed by the practicing of those beliefs and as long as those beliefs don't give power to hierarchies of priests or control people through sin and guilt.

## MUTUAL AID

Is about people helping each other to get things done, this could be trading skills sharing resources and being giving. Most importantly this is about being there for each other in times of trouble supporting each other and growing as individuals and a group and showing solidarity to each other's struggles. To anarchists the struggles of the unemployed against benefit cuts is the same fight as workers taking strike action against compulsory redundancies.

## DIRECT DEMOCRACY

We don't elect representatives but believe in everyone participating in a struggle or society having a say in what's happening.

## SEX

Anarchists believe in autonomy, in other words people having power over their own lives and not been dominated by others. Personal relationships including sexual relationships should be free of bullying, violence and domination. Anarchists strive to work with each other to understand how to make our relationships healthier.

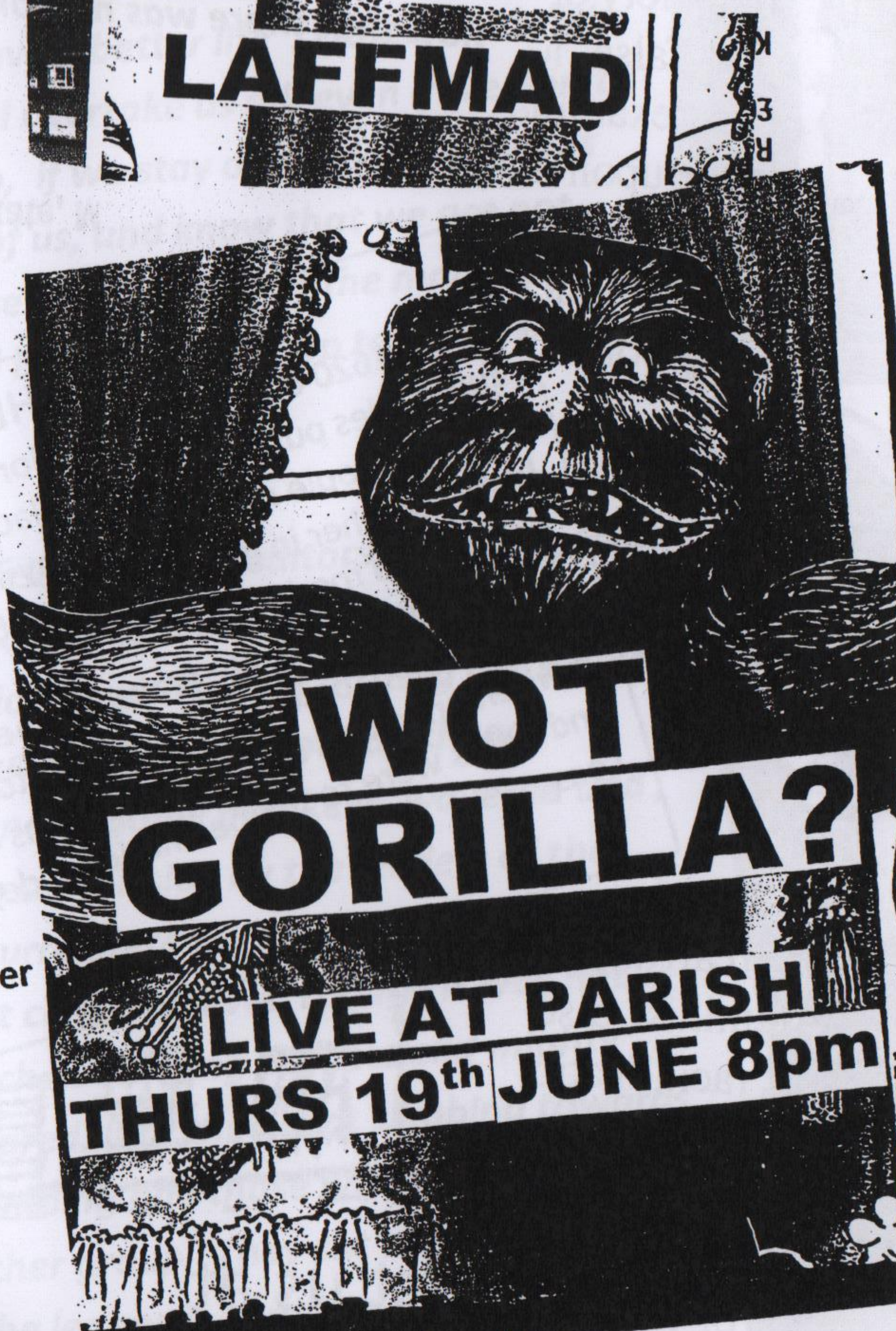
## JOIN

If you agree with most of what's in this leaflet, then we urge you to get involved with the struggle for a better world and get in touch with us. If you agree with this leaflet you have already joined.

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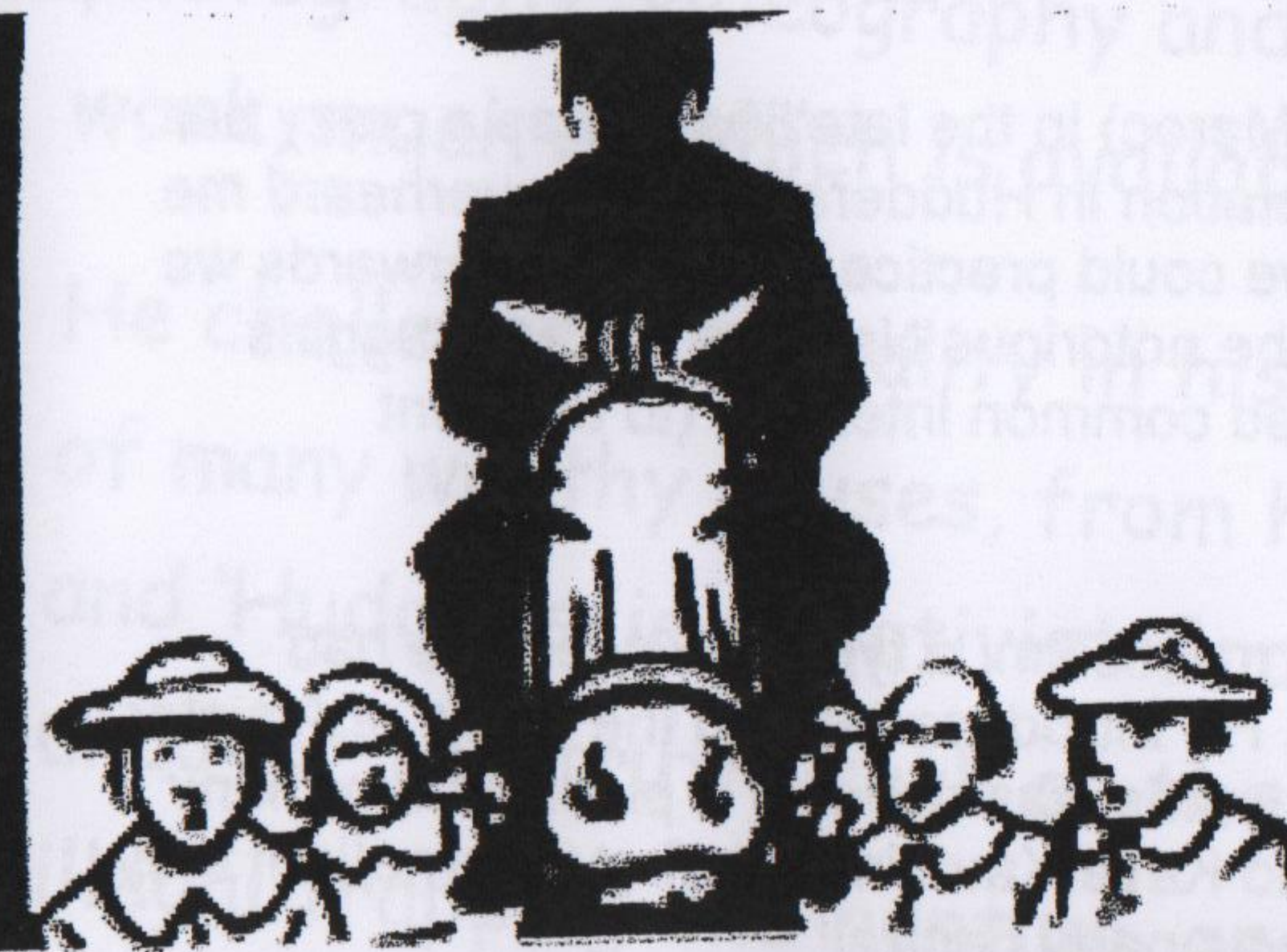


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In 1656, a Quaker named James Nayler rode into Bristol in pouring rain. He was on horseback and accompanied by six followers chanting.

Holy, holy, holy is the Lord of Israel.



Because Nayler appeared to be impersonating Jesus' arrival in Jerusalem, he was suspected of blasphemy he and he and his followers were arrested. Even other Quakers thought he was a dangerous fanatic.



He was sent to London where Parliament debated his punishment for 13 days. They decided he was to be whipped 310 times. Next he was locked in the pillory and the public executioner bored a hole through his tongue with a red hot iron (because the tongue had spoken blasphemy). Next another red hot iron was used to burn the letter 'B' for Blasphemy on his forehead.

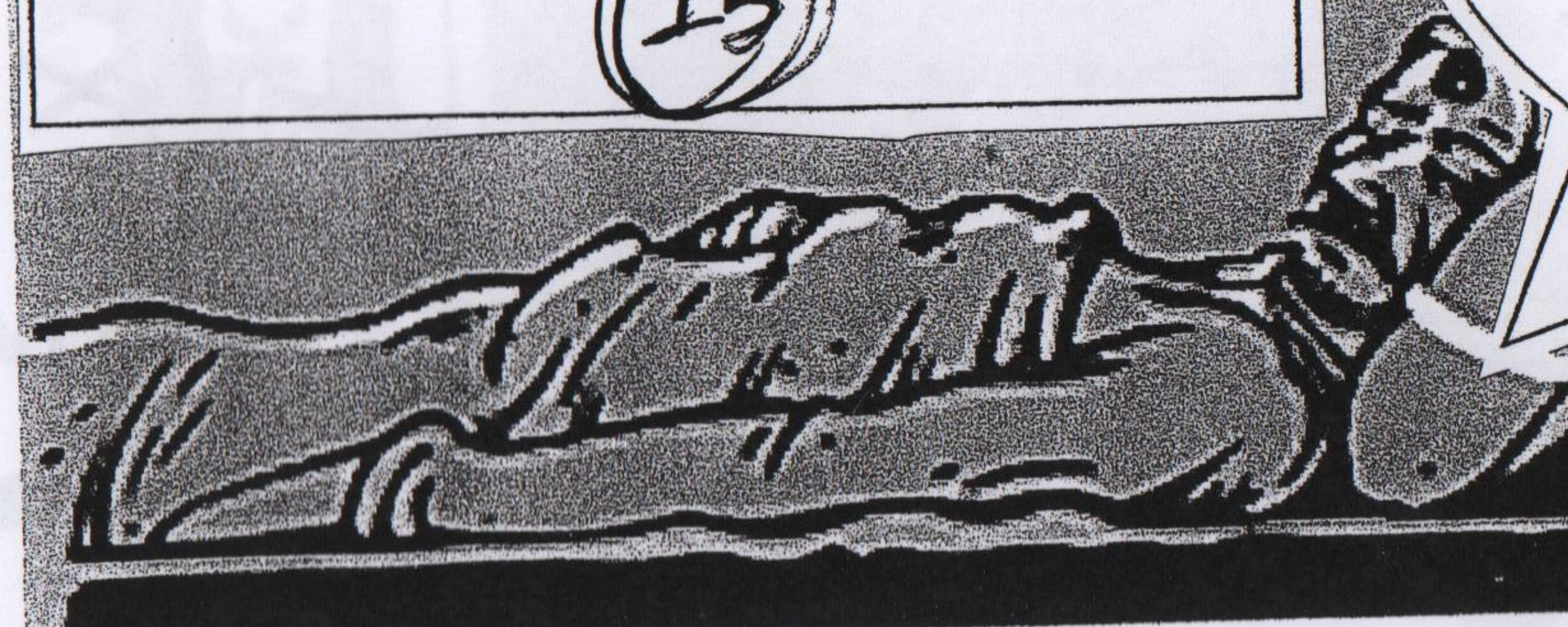


He was sent back to Bristol where he was tied to the back of a horse drawn cart in Thomas Street and led round town being flogged all the way. Finally he was returned to London for two years imprisonment, he died soon after being released.

Some say James Nayler was a lunatic, but others see him as a very spiritual figure. On his death bed he made a statement which is still valued by Quakers today.

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"There is a spirit which I feel delights to do no evil, nor to revenge any wrong, but delights to endure all things, in the hope to enjoy its own in the end. Its hope is to outlive all wrath and contention, and to weary out all exaltation and cruelty, or whatever is of a nature contrary to itself.



...is of a nature contrary to itself.



**Andrew Kelly ('Spiney') 2/3/69 - 26/4/14.**

I first met Spiney in the infamous Long Island Bar (now Bar Maroc) in the late '80s. It was a crazy bar where you could openly take drugs, right next to the Police station in Huddersfield! He overheard me saying I was in a band and mentioned that he had a place we could practice. Not long afterwards we were bundling our gear into a psychedelic van destined for the notorious Norman Aldous Baggins studio. We met through music and drugs, and these remained common interests (to different degrees!) throughout our friendship.

It was clear from the start that Spiney had a keen interest in mysticism, a typical Pisces! He had rejected the drudgery of factory work in favour of a freer life. He introduced me to the ideas of Aleister Crowley, and he himself dabbled in Chaos Magick. N.A.B. studios was not only a place where many bands practiced and recorded, including Beggars Bones, and Kava Kava in their first incarnation, they hired out their PA to small local raves, and the studio itself was party central!

Unfortunately due to differences between the protagonists, including Andy Shades and Happy Dave, and the messy, chaotic nature of the place, the business failed after a few years. Refusing to part of 'normal' society, Spiney always struggled against the grain, but 'freeloading' is not easy and he ultimately became destitute, homeless and nearly toothless! He was a true tramp for a number of years, sleeping wherever he could, turning remote derelict buildings and mills into makeshift homes, raiding supermarket bins for the food they waste, with a dog as his only constant companion (first Saintly, then Hecktooth - the scourge of local postmen!).

Drugs became less recreational, more of an escape. Inevitably his lifestyle led him into scrapes with the law, and at one point he served a short time in Armley. He often gave the appearance of a madman, but ultimately he was officially diagnosed with serious mental health problems and was sectioned for a few months in 2013. Through this experience he found a partner, and this, along with medication, seemed to make him happier, more stable and content. Certainly he gave that appearance the last few times I saw him, which was at the Junglism nights at Bar1:22. Unfortunately his desire to get high killed him when he stupidly indulged in the risky practice of inhaling solvent gas.

His father, Edward, recounts that from his early life, Spiney displayed a rebellious nature. Edward himself is head strong and eccentric, and Spiney's mum, June, who passed away about 15 years ago, became blind, which probably forced him to become quite independent.

I remember him as a space cadet, agog in the ether, embodying the 'nice-nasty' duality of the universe as he saw it. Magick was probably an attempt to empower himself in this oppressive world. He recognised the injustice of our unequal society, and joined me in a number of protests, particularly against the Poll Tax, for which he once drove a mini bus load of us up to Glasgow for a national demonstration.

He was a lover of music and of nature. He was an enthusiastic musician, eventually favouring electronic means over his guitar. His musical output was prolific, too chaotic for most tastes but there were a few gems in there. He filmed and photographed the local landscape extensively, particularly the Coine Valley, and he took direct action, often single handedly, against badger baiting.

Although our lives diverged, we never fell out, and although he could be very trying, I never stopped loving him, and I think he appreciated that. He introduced me to the beauty of The Lake District, and the power of Castlerigg stone circle, for which I am very grateful. His life was bitter sweet, but after mourning, currently I'm remembering the sweetness!

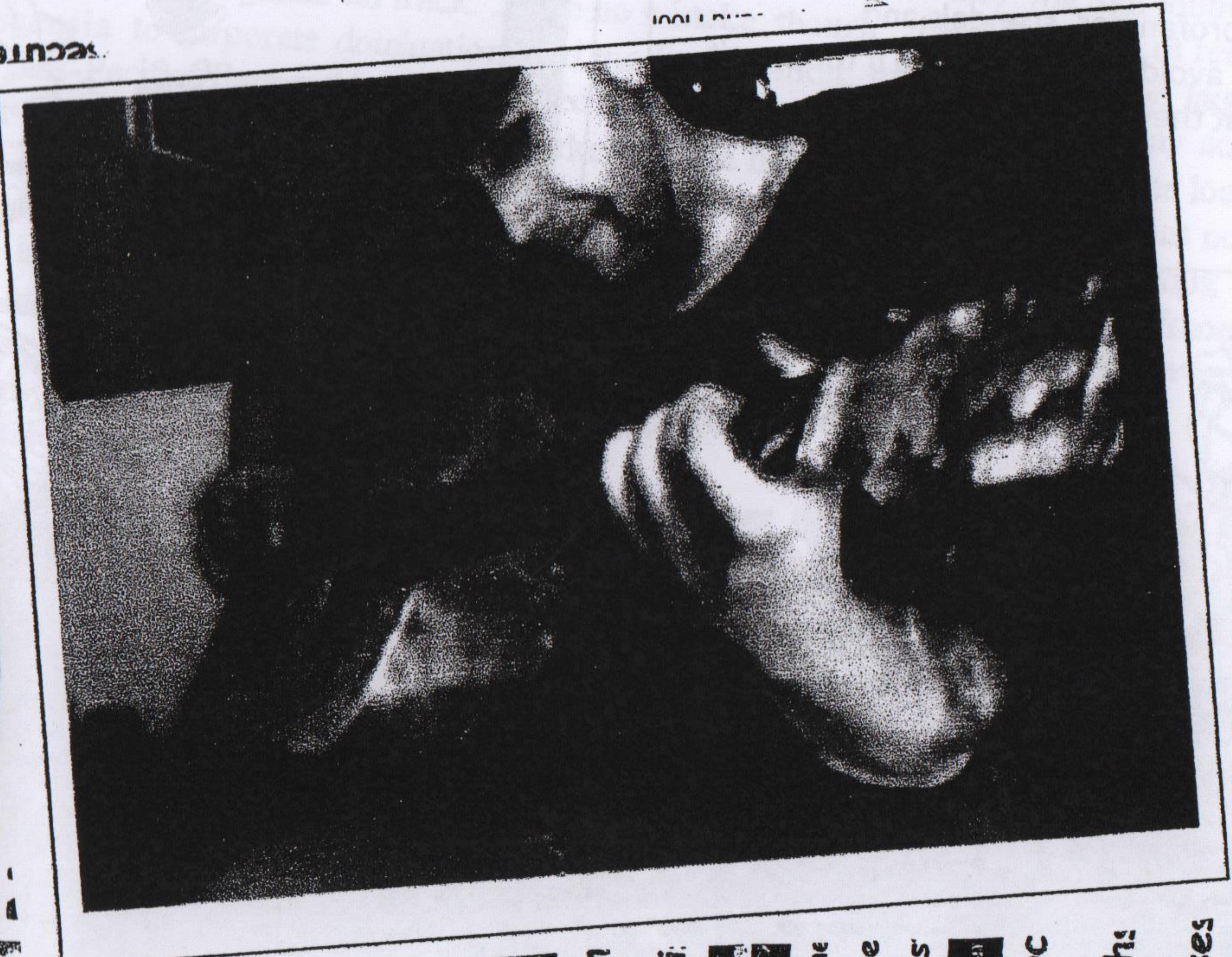


Spiney (Andrew Kelly) was a creative and talented individual who was particularly gifted in the arts, and through his pursuit of photography, videography and music he produced a large body of work, much of which is available online.

He challenged inequality in his own unique way and was an advocate of many worthy causes, from his support of 'Occupy Huddersfield' and 'Huddersfield Activist Group', to his desire to seek out and uncover the truth, such as the exposure of animal cruelty including illegal trapping and hunting, or the public health risk of the presence of asbestos at the site of St Lukes hospital.

Amongst Spiney's most notable qualities was his compassion for others and the desire to improve the lives of those around him, which manifested in several ways such as in his 'freezer jacking' and liberation of food from skips, which he then went on to distribute amongst those around him who were struggling, or in his retrieval of old computers which he would then fix up and recycle to pass on to those without.

In many respects Spiney could be described as a unique modern day Robin Hood and he will be missed by many.



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## SALVO QUESTIONED

In the last issue of Rearguard there was an article on page 4 which we nicked from Slavo's blog and was entitled. 'Salvo featured in disreputable anarchist publication'. Whilst we concede that on some points of railway history namely the classification of the Atlantic class of locomotive Salvo has a point and we may have erred, there are other allegations that he makes which are way of the mark.

He suggest that Rearguard is the, and we quote **"Produced by that notorious Luddite and malcontent" Mr Ian Brooke of Marsden**". Indeed!

In actual fact Rearguard is crafted by many grubby hands of artisans and agitators deep in the foothills of the pennines and whilst Mr Brooke may have thrown in our direction several scribbling, rantings and the odd pretty pictures over the years this can hardly be deemed 'production'.

Whilst Mr Brooke could be described as a Luddite (in the best sense of the word) and a malcontent, it is quite insane to allege that Mr Brooke is from Marsden....**MARSDEN!!!!!!**. Only a 'comer inner' fro o'er tops could suggest such a preposterous notion.

Anyone who has conversed with Mr Brooke will know that is accent is far from Marsdonian but is distinctively 'fro tother valley', namely the ancient and outlandish accent particular to the hamlet of Magdale in the environs of Honley.

We hope such profanities, scandals and inaccuracies be avoided in future and if they can't we demand that they be hilarious.

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## McBoycott on the prowl

"Nosedrops keep falling on my bed"

Another winter of discontent, nothing new there as we get battered by the dastardly jetstream over in the Pacific. "The Pacific?" I hear you ask, "Whats that got to do with it?". In a recent book I read called Transit of Venus, you can see how what was once virginal territory, up until the end of the 70's is now becoming a huge waste dump as aid is syphoned off for political expediency. For the indigenous peoples, life is easy (sic) as they are sucked into a diet of canned fruit and vegetables and now they only have to wonder how to recover from Type 2 diabetes and what to with all the food packaging, nappy liners and general detritus that is now littering the once pristine beaches. Wheres it from then? Well plenty is from the tsunami in Japan, much of it from the US West coast of the USA, plenty from cruise ships dumping at night, and the majority is from the people themselves who have never had to deal with the concept of recycling and yet live in the relatively new concept of a throw-away society...funded thankyou very much by western aid. Whilst your average Jimmy lives in relatively poverty on islands scattered throughout the various tropical archipelagos, their Presidents and ministers swan around in top-end motors, skimming off the aid budgets to suit themselves, meanwhile throwing the crumbs to its ill-educated populace. In the Marshall islands, devastated by nuclear testing over the years, the US military have a 5 star base on Kwajalein where they can test their latest rockets in case the Red Bogiemans or the Yellow Peril threaten its global hegemony whilst the original inhabitants live in squalor on a neighbouring island and commute daily by ferry to earn their living at the base...and we all thought that apartheid had only existed in S. Africa!

The climate is a strange beast, too complicated for mere mortals, but whether or not WE are to blame for the shitstorms that we currently are living through, one thing is clear, the future is in wellyboots and liferafts, and its got so bad in my place that my carpet is soaked through from the nose-drops that drip constantly from my conk; its time to hit the sunny beaches or snort on a couple of tampons.

Ironically for someone anti-US and anti-globalisation my views have softened over time as I surf the web to see whats going down across the pond, and its not pretty. Checking out TRUTHOLT and BUZZFLASH, you can see that we could really do with is a return of the innocent days of the Waltons when the gingham tablecloths were hand-washed and the water was hand-drawn from the well, but now that Croaky Cola, Pesky-Pepsi and Stressy-Nestle are pumping away all the water from the aquifers to put in bottles...the wells appear to be drying up---strange that eh? Meanwhile the big KOCHBROTHERS are holding Bilderberg type weekends to payroll the Tea Party and Americans for Prosperity, taking the disillusioned Right even further to the right as they other to keep the corporate agenda on track. Make no mistake though, there IS plenty of resistance from the intelligensia to corporate domination and the Free Market, so much so that the largely hidden TPP (Trans-Pacific Partnership), negotiated in secret for the last 18 months, may actually collapse. Proof positive of the failure of Free market dogma has been proven when one looks at the effects of NAFTA (US, Canada and Mexico), the out-sourcing of labour to the South has now collapsed the US labour market and looks like a return to the days of protectionism, leaving higher unemployment levels in Mexico too, whilst the Corporate CEOs slum it (sic) in their offshore island tax havens. Its only a matter of time though as those same tax havens succumb to the sea-level rises and they too have to suffer the ignominy of going to the bathroom in a pair of wellies. Is that maybe why there is such a rush to explore other planets? Maybe they read Ben Eltons book "Stark" after all?



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