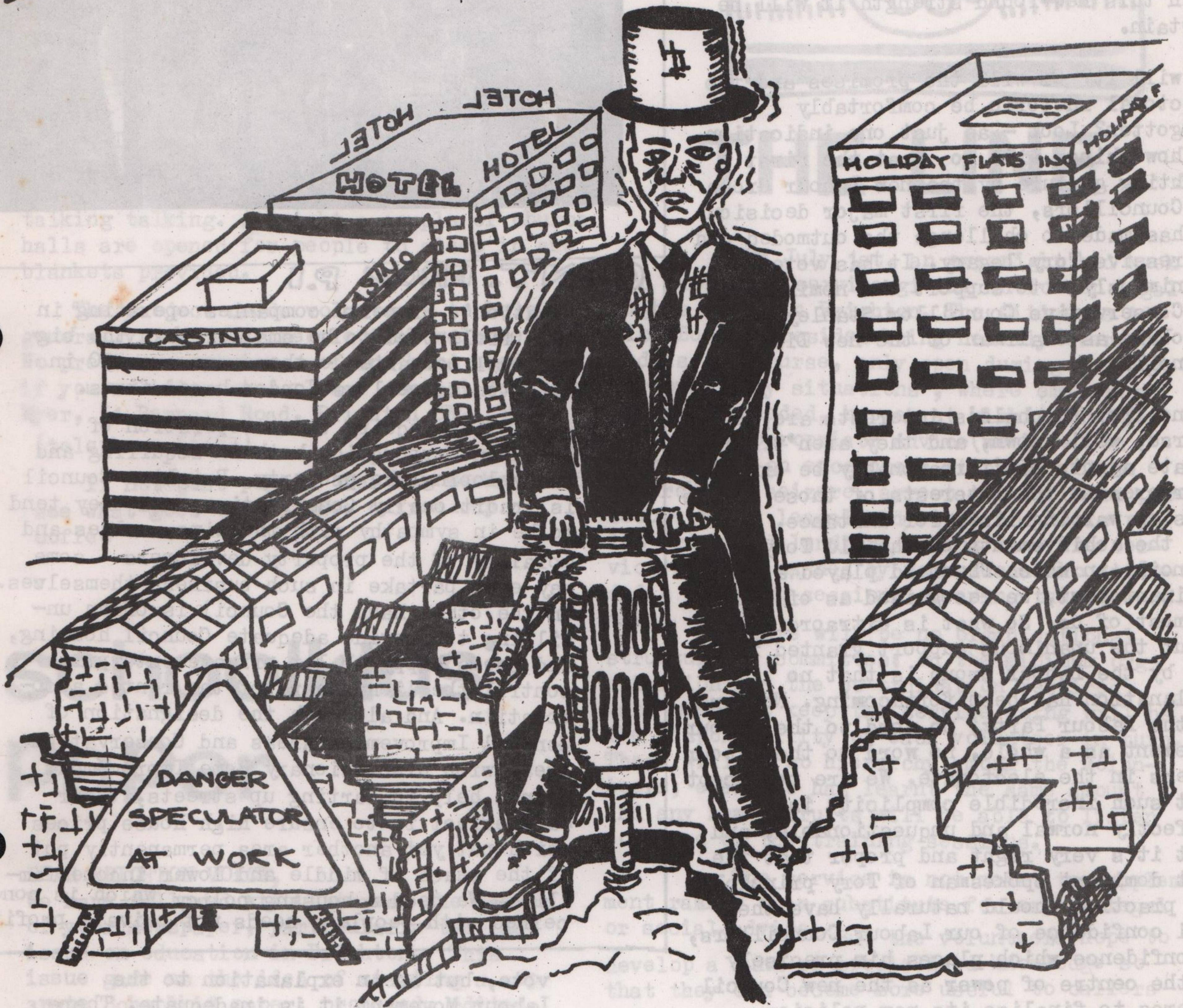


# BRIGHTON VOICE

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## WHO OWNS WHAT

Since the mid 1950's property companies have become the fastest growing and most profitable business in England. Land, especially land with planning permission is very scarce, and property companies are specialists in exploiting scarcity.

For example, Harold Samuel started off with property worth £19,000 in 1944 and his company is now worth £1,000m. Of £432m gained in appreciation and rent, only £9m has been paid in tax - at the exorbitant rate of 2% (remember the standard rate?)

Brighton has been spared the comprehensive redevelopment of the city centre - although Churchill Square and the American Express Building are warnings of thin

delights yet to come. Currently developers are hoping to snaffle two prime sites of similar size: one the notorious 'Golden Acres', the other Brighton Station (of which more anon).

The activities of property companies in Brighton tend to concentrate on the renovation and/or conversion of buildings into luxury flats. A sort of wholesale 'gentry

# MYTHS & ALIBIS

The local elections are over. The successful candidates sit virtuously in office. The new Labour Councillors are pledged to represent our interests, and they promise a new aggressive opposition on the Council such as Brighton has never seen before. The change from the system whereby private interests got priority to one where Council power and resources move towards social justice may be gradual but with this new-found strength it will be certain.

Or will it? Or will the promises and the electoral rhetoric be comfortably forgotten? Look - as just one indication of how things will go - at the first fighting gesture by the new Labour Group of Councillors, the first major decision it has made to challenge the outmoded and oppressive Tory legacy. It has voted - unanimously - to support the nomination of Conservative Councillor Stanley Theobald as Chairman of the new District Council.

Councillor Theobald's interests are, of course, well known, and they aren't ours. Estate agents can't reasonably be expected to represent the interests of those on the housing waiting list, for instance. Nor can the achievements of the old Tory Council, in which Theobald played a dominant part, be recognised as of benefit to most of us. So what is extraordinary about the unanimous support granted to him by the Labour Group is that no explanation has been forthcoming. No word to the Labour Party, no word to the Labour Movement as a whole, no word to the Labour voters in the electorate. We are to accept that such incredible complicity is perfectly normal and unquestionable, and that it's very right and proper that the most dominant spokesman of Tory principles and practice should naturally have the full confidence of our Labour Councillors, a confidence which places him precisely at the centre of power as the new Council coheres to finalise its new policies.

Even more extraordinary, a few nights after this fighting decision by the Labour Group, was the way in which the Leader of the Labour Group, Councillor Denis Hobden, quite forgot to explain this curious alliance, in his Report to the Management Committee of the Kemptown Labour Party, until challenged. It was only after being questioned that he saw fit to explain that the Labour vote for Theobald was part of a larger package deal, a horsetrading operation which would make the Labour Group's life more comfortable. Hobden's diffidence may be an accurate reflection of the importance given to the



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fication'. Property companies operating in this field tend to be smaller than the big national companies - there are over 50 in Brighton as well as London based firms.

They require the co-operation of Brighton Corporation both in acquiring and redeveloping the property. Brighton Council is traditionally Conservative, and they tend to be in sympathy with the aims, values and morality of the property developers - some may even partake in such business themselves. On the other hand the Council is often unwilling to provide adequate Council housing, and seems happy to let private enterprise control the lions share of the rented accommodation. And although the designation of General Improvement Areas and Conservation Areas with discretionary Home Improvement Grants help in tarting up streets, their main effect is to ensure high house prices which put yet another area permanently put of the reach of middle and lower income families. We need a housing policy which is concerned with people's needs not private profit.

vote, but as an explanation to the Labour Movement it is inadequate. There is a theory that the horsetrading is actually between the County Tories and the Brighton Labour Group, to keep the Brighton Tories busy. But either way these are myths and alibis. Tory representatives of capital accumulation, deeply committed to inequalities, cannot ever represent the homeless, the badly housed, the people without fair basic wages, and it is a serious mistake on the part of the Labour Group to imagine that horsetrading will solve the drises of our town, and a serious betrayal of the Labour Movement to expect that a comfortable life on the Council will ever switch resources to make Brighton a better place to live in.

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## RIFLE BUTT RD.

Let us look at Brighton Station in more detail. On 24th April, Peter Black of Haywards Heath (architects) submitted a planning application to redevelop the Brighton Station site. A national property company Peachey

Property Development will reap the profits from - a conference centre  
- a luxury hotel  
- luxury flats  
- light industry  
- and, of course, one of the smaller sites for Council Housing

Just what the poor, the homeless, and the lonely of Brighton need.

People really began to get annoyed when they found that this planning application had been the subject of negotiations for a number of years with the Council.

That is how Save Brighton Station got going. There has been a public meeting (did you go); a 1000 letters to the Borough Surveyor, Engineer, and Planning Officer; and another 1000 letters to Geoffrey Rippon.

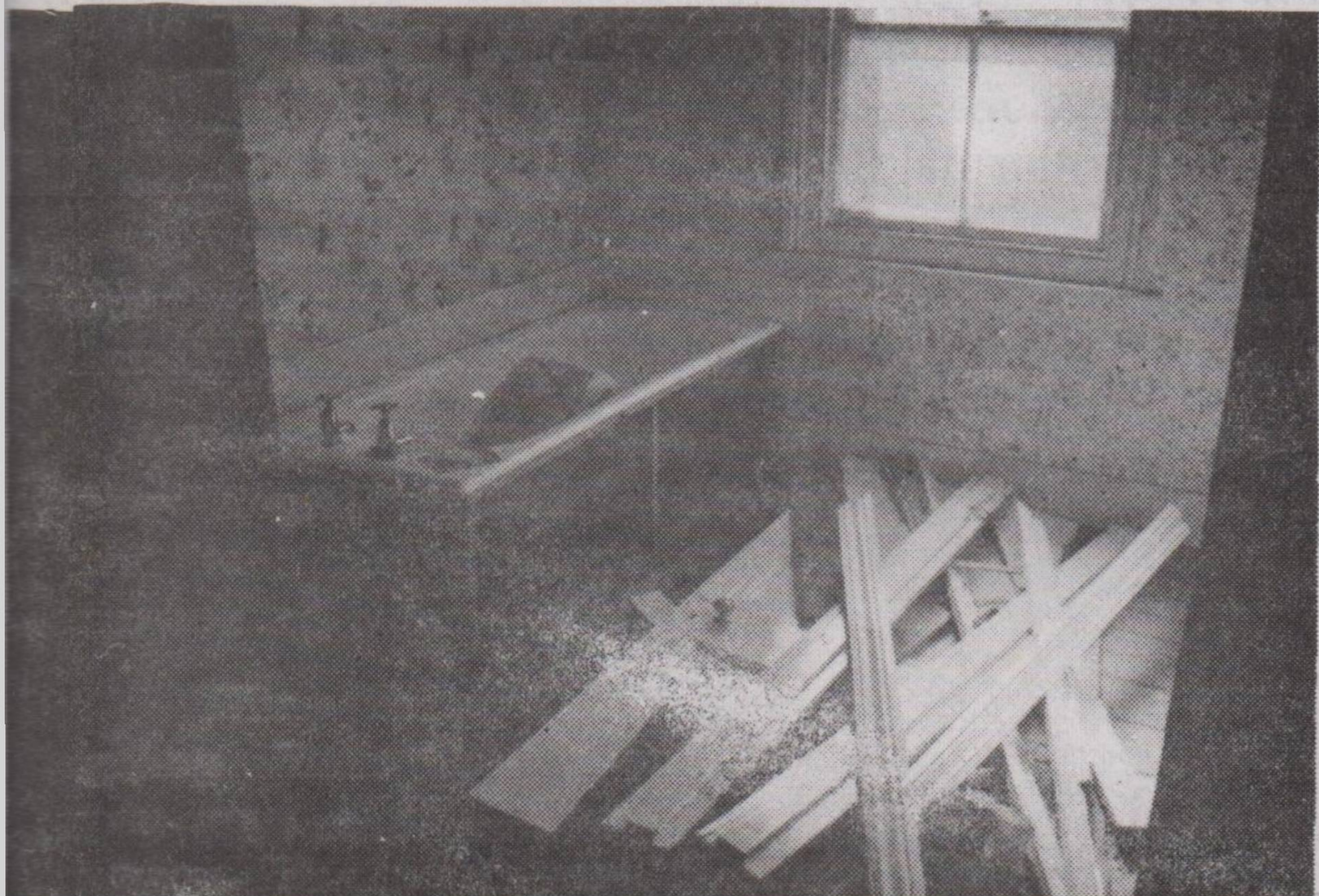
There are two thrusts to their attack: an architectural conservation group who see Brighton Station as the finest example of its kind in Southern England; and a group who are disgusted by the spectacle of a large chunk of Central Brighton land being torn apart according to the whims of a national property developer and a large nationalised industry. Brighton Council has a ludicrous record in Council Housing; the town has no real social centre; and the road transport system could easily be rationalised around the Station as pivot.

Save Brighton Station have sent in a planning application arguing that any redevelopment of Brighton Station should be done only with the full participation of

Brightonians who know their own real needs.

All houses in Rifle Butt Road (Kempton) have been boarded up for several years awaiting demolition. The houses will be replaced by a roadway leading to the Marina. But one family, the Nailards, have refused to go. They continue to live in this desolate row of semi-demolished houses. Mr. Nailard is an epileptic who has been unable to find work for seven years, Mrs. Nailard has done a short spell of time and there are five Nailard children. Somehow, incredibly, she has managed to keep the family together. Their house is damp, cold and gloomy but it is their HOME and Mrs. Nailard can't see why she must move out simply to make way for a road. The family has been offered alternative houses which have all been inferior to their present home or are also scheduled for demolition. Mrs. Nailard refuses to leave Rifle Butt Road until she is offered a house with a garden - a reasonable request for a large family with a sick father - no doubt Mrs. Nailard can imagine her children having the opportunity to swing on trees and run about on lawns like those of Council Leach (Leech?) Chairman of the housing committee.

Last month Mr. Nailard was fined £10 for dropping a peanut bag wrapper on the grass in Rock Gardens. If you have ever dropped a wrapper and not been caught please make a donation to Brighton Voice to pay off Mr. Nailard's fine.



7 days after squatters occupied a house in excellent condition - the Council moved in, ripped off the roof, smashed the bannisters and left it looking like this →.



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Sir S. Theohairy  
Floor 19,  
Theohairy House,  
Exploitation Street,  
Brighton.

Dear Sir,

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For the first time since the early sixties it's possible to make real money out of property. Both for the expert developer and for the small man who wants to get in now and produce a useful private income for himself.

Since the Tories returned to power:

1. House prices have boomed as never before, giving dealers a rising market to profit from. What's more, loans for once are readily forthcoming.
2. Office development restrictions have been shot away. Birmingham has become a capital place to operate in. (Rents have gone up from £1 to £1.25 per s.f. in a year). And Leeds and Bristol are following fast.
3. Landlords have started to cash in on the new bedsitter boom.
4. Converting properties of every type to flats for sale has become a big business. The Government is exceedingly generous with improvement grants, which makes this operation very profitable.
5. Many other factors are benefitting property, not least inflation, which is making bricks-and-mortar a safer hedge than ever for the investor. And the biggest bonanza of all may well be our entry into Europe. Already British developers are active in Brussels and Paris, and there will be equal scope in catering for Continental firms needing office and industrial accommodation in the U.K.

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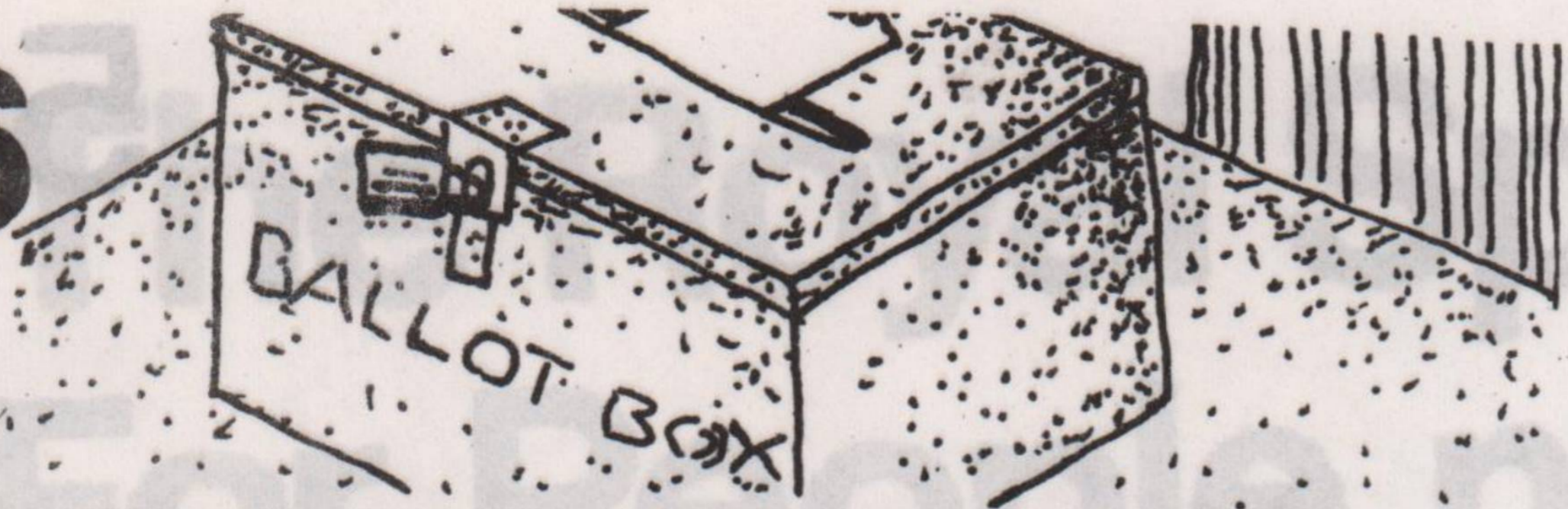
Yours faithfully

S.R. Stein,  
Managing Director.

P.S. Our special notes on converting houses to flats are available free on application to new members.

# STOP KNOCKING THE PROPERTY DEVELOPER

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VAL HENNESSY STOOD AS LABOUR PARTY  
CANDIDATE IN THE JUNE COUNCIL ELECTIONS-  
SHE FAILED TO GET ELECTED BY 8 VOTES -  
HERE IS A SHORT REPORT ...

For the past few years I've gone around shooting my mouth off about various social injustices in Brighton, all the usual things like squalid housing, over-crowded schools and general lack of children's playgrounds. Most children live in flats and traffic roars along the adjacent streets, which means that either the kids are injured or their desperate mothers have to stick them in front of the telly all day. Traffic has destroyed the 'Street Community' for children, they no longer play hopscotch, fag cards, rounders etc., and the parks we do have are ankle-deep in dog shit.

When someone in the Labour Party nominated me to stand as a town councillor it seemed to me a good idea, for if I were elected I would be in a good position to oppose crazy council decisions like pulling down people's houses to make way for car parks, or building garages instead of flats. I sensed some antagonism from some older male councillors, in fact I was surprised to find I was being interviewed by an 8-strong ALL MALE selection committee. I immediately asked why there were no women on the panel, and they all shuffled about and looked distinctly male-chauvinistic. One muttered "You're obviously one of these Women's Lib. types", like he expected me to stand up and wave my knickers in the air any moment.

To stand as a candidate meant becoming familiar with the people living in my ward. Pier Ward stretches down to Palace Pier and the beach itself - littered with discarded condoms, plastic bottles and dead seagulls. I'd like to see the council do something about that for a start. It fascinates me how people travel miles to strip off and settle down on a heap of garbage for a day in the sun.

During the election campaign I tried to call on each voter and introduce myself. Some households were hostile and bawled out "PISS OFF" and slammed their doors; at other houses the lace curtains would twitch and nothing more. I came across a lot of the inevitable shirt-sleeves who said "HAW HAW, ABOUT TIME WE HAD SOME GLAMOUR UP THE TOWN HALL" (nudge, leer, wink). But it was the APATHY from the women voters which depressed me the most. Go to the Launderette and they'll all be moaning about "BLOODY

DINNER MONEY'S GONE UP, RENT GONE UP, RATES GONE UP, CLOTHES GONE UP, NOW THEY'RE GOING TO TAKE AWAY OUR FAMILY ALLOWANCE ..." but over their doorsteps they said to me 'OH NO, I DON'T VOTE. I LEAVE THAT TO MY OLD MAN" or "I'M NOT INTERESTED IN VOTING, I CAN'T UNDERSTAND WHAT IT'S ALL ABOUT TO TELL THE TRUTH ..."

Working for Pier Ward involved coach trips to Littlehampton Labour Club, endless meetings and organising innumerable jumble sales (my hallway is always littered with cardboard boxes spilling over with crotch-stained knickers, grey vests and mildewey books).

During the election campaign I became very self-conscious. For example, when I was in the Launderette one week my machine started up before I put in my 15p. and I felt all furtive and guilty in case anyone had noticed. I also had to restrain myself a bit, I once did an interview for Radio Brighton with this Vicar who was something to do with the Festival of Light. I asked him why he was always going on about public hair - hadn't he got any or something? on a news programme which was going out live. Since then they have not been keen for me to do interviews. The campaigning was hard work. Apart from canvassing we had to deliver leaflets, election addresses, poll cards etc., and in Pier Ward we have few helpers. I had to deliver 2,000 of my own leaflets, aimed to get the women's votes, by myself.

I had a great fear of the election night result, when you have to walk out onto the stage at the Dome and make a speech to a screaming crowd. I had this fantasy of rushing out onto the stage wearing a see-through handkerchief skirt and gold platforms. Of course I was disappointed to lose the election. If I had received eight more votes I would now be a Brighton councillor, and it is frustrating to know that at one house where 11 students had promised to vote for me no one bothered.

I feel strongly that it is time that more women's voices were heard in local government. We must speak up for ourselves about equal pay, abortion reform, day nurseries, etc., etc. I would like to see equal job opportunities for women, with creche facilities everywhere. Most women NEED to work. I think that being stuck at home all day making beds and listening to Jimmy Young causes the agrophobia, depression and loss of self-confidence which affects so many women. I just hope that by the next election papers like BRIGHTON VOICE will have encouraged some sort of political response in the largely disinterested women of Brighton.

Valerie Hennessy

Brighton's Women's Lib group met this month for a lecture from Karen about womens self-help groups. We were shown coloured slides of womens fannies and cervixes in various states like pregnancy, ulcerated and chancered. Karen had 25 plastic specula for sale at 20p each and having explained how to shove one up (first sanding off any rough particles of plastic) position oneself near a mirror and make sure there's a torch handy, 25 of Brighton's Liberated women actually purchased one in order to have a closer look. Karen emphasised that we should all have a good old search every few weeks just to satisfy our-



# IS THIS THE WAY TO RAISE CONSCIOUSNESS OR HAVE YOU LOOKED UP YOUR ARSEHOLE LATELY?

selves that it's all healthy up there. She showed us a slide of 4 women at a Californian self-help clinic all peering up one of their colleagues fannies - presumably they were taking it in turn.

Now while any thinking woman MUST support the 4 main aims of Womens Lib - free contraception, abortion on demand, equal pay and 24-hour nurseries - surely to spend 2 HOURS discussing each others gynaecological problems and disorders is extraordinarily introverted? Can you imagine 60 men meeting to talk about their penises, the early diagnosis of symptoms of non-specific urethritis and to watch slides in glorious colour of penises in various states of disorder? If women want to liberate themselves we must stop dwelling on our gynaecological features. This female preoccupation about their knickers and ovaries is so BORING. If women want to know what their cervixes look like one imagines they'd have the ingenuity to stand over a mirror and poke around a bit, we don't need a 2-hour instruction lecture. Furthermore if a woman DOES have something go wrong with her vagina or cervix she'll soon get some symptoms like irritation, pain or discharge which she can't diagnose herself however often she looks around using her plastic speculum - so she'll still need to go to a doctor of F.P.A. for an examination. Perhaps our next talk - will be how to look up our arseholes and check that all is jogging along merrily up there...

I want to explain why I think it is not a good idea, or at least unnecessary, to practice vaginal self-examination; and I want to explain this from the point of view of a female medical doctor. I am not against self-examination on principle. For example women can, and should, inspect their breasts quite often. More next issue...

There are two methods of vaginal self-examination: digital or speculum. It is not really possible to practice the first unless you have very, very long fingers. And I think the second is a mistake.

First, for technical reasons. There are several sizes of speculum, and no one standard size will be convenient. Also, there is a problem of sterility; you can't use a plastic one more than once, and other materials have to be boiled. You need skin gloves as well... and so on.

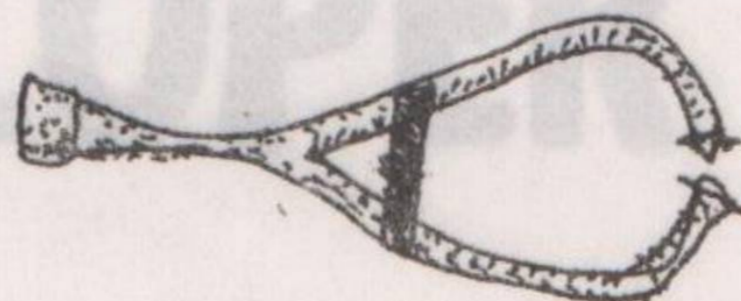
Secondly you have to know how to put the speculum in without damaging the cervix, how to look, and what you are going to see. You don't necessarily need a long training, but certainly a 2 hour lecture even with slides and a demonstration is nowhere near sufficient. You need specialist supervision (even a GP isn't very expert) if you are ever to become proficient.

And finally why do you need the examination? Well medically it might be for - pregnancy? - there is almost no chance of diagnosing like that; - V.D? - it's much better to take a smear, this way there's a risk of infection - cancer? - speculum examination is a good indicator if you are a gynaecological specialist.

I am not saying that all medical knowledge is so specialist that only experts can practice. But some medical examinations do require a lot of training and this must be recognised. Self-examination of the vagina is unnecessarily risky, if there is no specific reason, and should only be conducted under supervision by someone experienced.

I am ready to give whatever medical advice I can through these columns, and would welcome correspondence.

Sent in anonymously. Replies expected!



# The Royal Spa: For People not Profits

On 2 June Mr. Oliver Iny officially lodged his plans with the Council Planning Department for "extension to a conversion of existing building (i.e. the Royal Spa) into casino and restaurant". During the negotiations which preceded the submission, as well as those which were to follow, Mr. Iny, who described himself as a businessman, did not reveal to the Council's negotiator, Mr. Bartlett, the identity or nature of his business interests.

He was more forthcoming, however, when he spoke to members of the Spa campaign in November. He was the Director of Deaconsfield Development Ltd., a company which he said had many developments to its name, and was part of a wider property group. He confirmed the name of his company during a telephone call in March 1973, and in the course of a newspaper interview at the same time, he disclosed that he was 29 years old. This is the sum of what is publicly known about Mr. Iny and his interests.

In fact Deaconsfield Developments Ltd., has no evident existence. No trace can be found of a public or private company of that name in Companies House. There does exist, however, a company called Deacons Hill Developments Ltd., which is based at 1 Mount Stewart Avenue, Kenton, Harrow. This is Mr. Oliver Iny's home address. Mr. Iny is listed as the secretary of the company, and holds 49 of the 100 £1 shares. One share stands in the name of Naomi Tamara Iny, and the remaining 50 are assigned to a Mr. David Landau, a solicitor of 26 Gilbert Street, W.1.

The purpose of the company according to the articles of as-

sociation include the following "To purchase, take on lease, or in exchange, or otherwise acquire any lands and buildings in England or elsewhere....to construct, maintain, improve, develop, work, control and manage any waterworks, gasworks, reservoirs, roads, tramways, electric power, heat, and light supply works, telephone works, hotels, clubs, restaurants, baths, places of amusement, pleasure grounds, parks, gardens, reading rooms, stores, shops, dances and other works and convenience". The company was registered on 19th June 1972, in the names of Stanley H. Davis and David Ordish both of 22-24 Cowper Street, City Road, E. C.2., and was only transferred to the Iny's and colleague on 4th September 1972. It is not surprising therefore that there is no evidence that any of the above purposes have been carried out. If we are to go by the official files in Companies House, Deacons Hill Developments - far from having many developments to its name - is merely a paper company.

In registering his takeover of Deacons Hill Developments, Mr. Iny gave his profession as a Company Director, and it may well be that the "extensive development" stood in the name of other companies in the wider group to which he was connected. Oliver and Naomi Iny were required in registering themselves to give details of other directorships held. Both were directors of only one other company, Atlantis Nursing Homes Ltd. whose purpose was given as follows: "to carry on the business of nursing home proprietors and operators of general nursing homes of every description and to provide medical and nursery services of whatever description may be required".



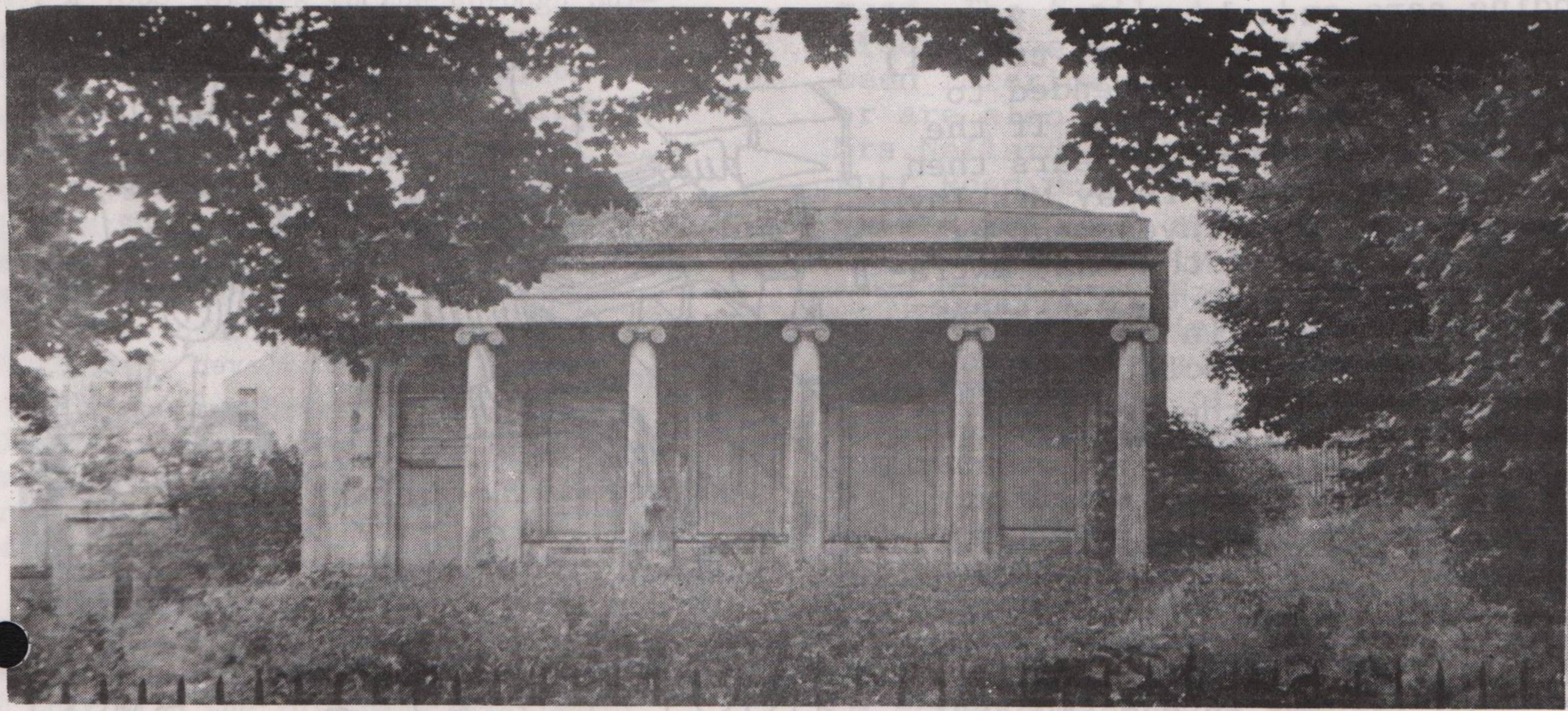
Like Deacons Hill Developments this company had been set up by Stanley H. Davis and D. Ordish (one share each) on the 26th July 1972, and was transferred to the Iny family on the 30th August 1972. Oliver Iny held 49 shares, Naomi Iny 1 share, while the remaining 50 were assigned to one Stephen Kersley. In this submission Mr. Iny gave his profession as a building contractor, and his date of birth as 16th June 1946. Mrs. Iny described herself as a student and gave her date of birth as 7th March 1951. Neither held any other directorships.

from being a member of a wider group with many developments to its name, is, like its one associated firm Atlantis Nursing Homes Ltd., a paper company with no sign of any trade at this time of writing. Both were transferred to Mr. Iny opportunely after the Brighton Council had deferred a decision on the casino proposal on July 27th and before applications for a Gaming License were due in on November 1st. Both had a head office in neither Deacons Hill or Atlantis, but at Mr. Iny's own house at Kenton, Harrow. Even on the question of age Mr. Iny does not seem to have been entirely clear.

Thus Mr. Iny's factual statements to us in Brighton about himself and his business interests do not quite square up with the evidence recorded in Companies House. He twice misquoted the name of his own company. This company, far

What is striking about the case of Deacons Hill Developments Ltd. is not that a would-be businessman should mislead local people in Brighton about himself or his interests. But that Brighton Council should have taken so little interest in the person to whom they were proposing to lease out an acre of public parkland

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In the middle of the town for a probable 35 years. Not only did the Corporation's negotiator not require Mr. Iny to give details of his interests, but Councillor Feld, the Chairman of the Parks Committee and the Councillor ultimately responsible for the use of the Spa, admitted on Radio Brighton that he had never even met Mr. Iny. When on top of this the negotiated arrangement arrived at by the Corporation with Mr. Iny - and passed by the Parks and Planning Committees - involved possible transfer of public funds of at least £½ million to this couple from Kenton, we are forced to conclude that the Council has shown itself incapable even of stripping our public assets with the financial acumen that they profess.

the provisions are ridiculously generous. With interest rates at 10% no businessman would care what happened in 21 let alone 35 years time.

Mr. Iny reckons he will have to spend £55,000 renovating the buildings, landscaping the grounds and building extensions to the Spa including a reconversion of the current children's playground. The Council have offered him £3,500 as a grant towards this and another £7,500 is due from Hooper Struve as dilapidation payments. His net investment would therefore be £44,000. Allowing for inflation and the working capital he would have to put up in order to run the operation, total funds

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needed would be perhaps £80,000 (this is a generous estimate).

We have no detailed information about likely profit. Mr. Iny's current proposal is for a luxury restaurant only, but a number of councillors we have spoken to consider it likely that Mr. Iny will apply for a casino license once he has obtained the Spa site. What we know about casinos is that, because of the government's restrictive licensing provisions, they have a quasi-monopoly. It was put to us that to get a casino license was to get a license to print money. Although there are two other casinos in Brighton, the casino at the Spa would have a number of natural advantages, quite apart from its proximity to the Marina, to sustain its demand.

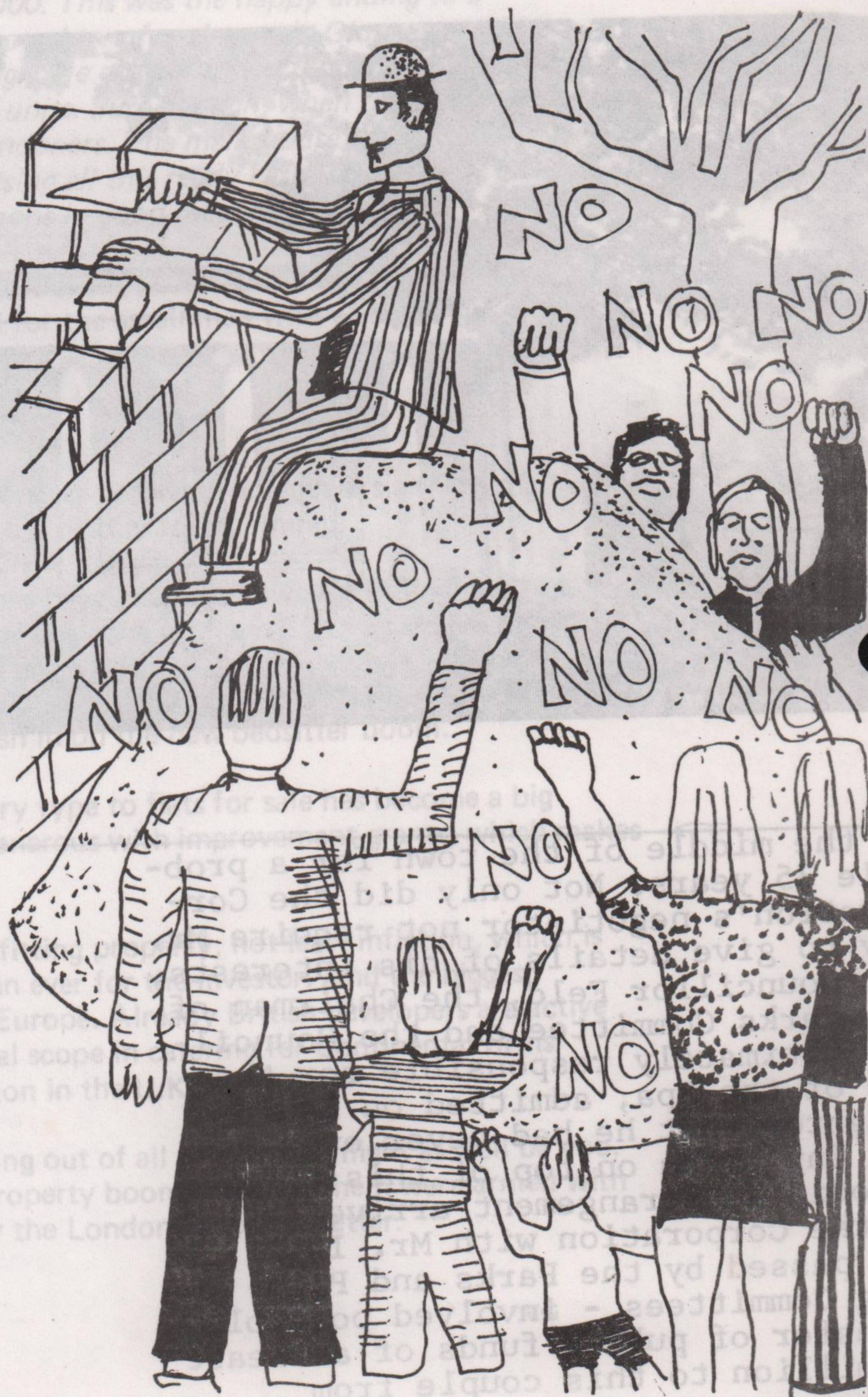
The terms of this arrangement are by now well known. Mr. Iny was to be offered the Spa and its surrounding acre on a lease for 21 years at a peppercorn (i.e. trivial) rent, the lease to be extended to 35 years on the same terms. If the lease was ended after 21 years then the Council agreed to repay Mr. Iny 40% of his original investment as compensation. One of the many extraordinary things about this arrangement is that - even in terms of the pre-Gladstonian financial thinking that characterises the current Brighton Council's decisions -

Until Mr. Iny and/or Brighton Council make public the expected profit from the Spa, we can only estimate the effects of different profit levels. For instance, if we assume a net annual profit of £30,000 per annum, then a two year build-up period, and a required rate of return of 15% on all capital invested, then in 5 years 2 months Mr. Iny will have made super profits of £80,000, that is the whole of his capital outlay. Even if Brighton Corporation ended his lease at this point without compensation, Mr. Iny would still have done well for himself and his financial backers, getting 15% return on all cash as well as a good salary for his labour.

But on the Parks and Planning Committee's terms he would make not only this but super profits of £377,000 for the 21 year lease, or £597,000 for the 35 year lease. If the net profit was £40,000 instead of £30,000 per

annum, then super profits over the 35 year period would amount to £932,000 or nearly a million pounds. On the above assumptions, and it is up to Mr. Iny and the Parks Committee to tell us what their actual forecasts are - the Parks and Planning Committees would in effect be giving a grant to Mr. Iny - in the form of super profits - of a sum which would build 31 nursery schools or places for 1,860 of the 2,300 children of nursery age who on Mrs. Thatcher's figures would require new nursery places in Brighton by 1981.

This is the economics of the bucket shop with a difference. In this case the concern to lose is a local council, and the profit taker a 'paper' company run by a couple from Kenton.



# BANK HOLIDAY PROJECT

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## THE LINE

As the August Bank Holiday approaches Brighton prepares for yet another influx of tourists. Brighton is fine if you have plenty of money, a place to sleep and look respectable!

The Bank Holiday Project was set up for those who don't fill all these requirements; every bank holiday they take over the Union Hall, Air Street (by the clock-tower) from the Friday night till Tuesday morning of the holiday weekend - 24 hours a day. There are free hot drinks for a left luggage counter, information about Brighton and generally lots of people sitting round talking talking. At night a couple of church halls are opened for people to sleep in and blankets provided.

The project needs volunteers to help to generally just make people feel welcome. No previous experience of any kind needed if you're interested please contact Jon Myer, 51 Bernard Road, Brighton BN2 3ER (telephone 66463)

If not just pop in over the weekend and see what goes on and have a free cup of coffee

## schoolkids' paper

DEAR BRIGHTON VOICE,

We have followed with interest the career of your newspaper, particularly the last issue on education in Brighton. This issue gave us the idea of starting a separate Schoolkid paper, produced, edited, written by and drawn for by school kids. We have available some duplicating equipment, some paper and some money, so if there are any schoolkids who are dissatisfied with schools, courses, teachers etc who would like to contribute articles, poetry and so on please contact us - any time.

Kevin and Geoff  
10 Lauriston Road,  
BRIGHTON. (Nr. Preston Park).

On July 1st, an overnight and weekend emergency service giving advice on legal rights opens in Brighton. The Citizen's Advice Bureau, besides being heavily overworked is, of course, only open during the day. Moreover many situations, where emergency advice is needed, happen at night. The Line will give appropriate advice (we hope) on your rights on encounters with the police (search and seizure, arrest etc.); court procedure (bail, legal aid etc); and basic public order and landlord/tenant law. The service will be manned by volunteers who attended 4 training sessions covering these areas. this

There will be no organisational structure or committees; on the minimum organisation and the co-ordination required each month to keep the service going will be the responsibility of each volunteer in turn. There will be no hierarchy among the volunteers; everyone has learnt the same amount and any new recruits will be able to listen to tapes of the training sessions.

The service is not meant to supplement rather than substitute for expert legal or social advice. But the volunteers hope to develop a fund of specialised knowledge so that they can become more useful to callers

If you want to know more about it, or are interested in helping, get in touch with Richard Moseley (65706 or 684256) or Roy Carr-Hill (689319 or 66755x725), or call THE LINE itself.

Anyone with information, or who is willing to help in gathering same, about empty property in Brighton please contact B'ton Voice and we'll pass it on to a group who are doing a systematic survey of the area.

Girl student, coming from Oxford, looking for room by herself or to share. Anyone who can help please contact B'ton Voice.

# INFO

**PUBLIC HOUSE BOOKSHOP** Non-profit movement booksellers.  
21 Little Preston Street.

**NATIONAL COUNCIL FOR CIVIL LIBERTIES**  
Contact Richard Moseley at 2,  
Gloucester Street, or ring Brighton  
65706.

**SHELTERS** Contact Jenny Blackwell  
at Brighton 594623. They need help.

**BRIGHTON HOSTELS** 105 Islingwood Road,  
Ring Brighton 686320.

**RENT TRIBUNAL.** Anston House, 137  
Preston Rd., If you are a furnished  
tenant and want your rent reduced,  
go and see them.

**BRIGHTON FURNISHED TENANTS ASSOC**  
6, Crescent Rd. If you are being  
harrassed by your landlord they will  
help you.

**WOMENS' LIBERATION.** Jennifer Murray,  
45 Newton Rd. Hove 776529.

**CITIZENS ADVICE BUREAU.** 17 Ditchling  
Rd. ring Brighton 61664. A bit stuffy,  
but they have got some good leaflets.

**OFF THE RECORD** 6, Marlborough Place.  
Ring Brighton 63080 if you have any  
problems.

**BRIGHTON SAMARITANS.** Brighton 733333

Save Brighton Station contact Matthew Ben-  
net, Flat 3, 17 Lewes Crescent, 64643.

**MOULESCOOMB ADVENTURE PLAYGROUND.**  
Contact Rosemary King B'ton 32185

**Brighton Free School** Contact  
Rhiannon Evans. B'ton 721268.

**BRIGHTON ENVIRONMENTAL COMMITTEE**  
Contact them at 45 Centurion Rd.  
Ring B'ton 23017.

**FAMILY PLANNING ASSOCIATION.**  
37, Wilbury Rd., Hove. Ring  
B'ton 779322

**FAMILY PLANNING CLINIC.** 18-19  
Western Road., Hove. Ring  
B'ton 734258.

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For more info ring B'ton 68939 or 688301

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Bookshop of the Communist Party of Britain,  
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