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POLY

The ridiculous story of the Polytechnic Director's house has finally ground to a halt, following a cover-up operation in the Poly Council.

While several members accepted that the original decision had been wrongly slipped through with no discussion or supporting information, in the end they all closed ranks - apart from the students - and voted to take no action of any sort.

Student representatives raised a number of important points, which remain unanswered; the only thanks they got for trying to protect public money was a statement from Rendel Jones (Chief Education Officer) that "there was no excuse whatsoever for the students to make statements to the press".

This part of the press would, however, still like to know:

(1) why £7,500+ needed to be spent on a modern house to make it fit for visiting lecturers - particularly when this included a washing machine, tumble dryer and a wrought iron gate.

Was the Director's wife reduced to taking in their washing as well, to supplement his meagre salary? The gate would presumably be for hanging it out to dry.

(2) what benefit the Poly gained from having its Director living at Falmer in luxury, completely free of charge, when he receives an enormous salary and sold his previous home for a reported £30,000? Whatever it is, it can't be that great, because there seems to be no objection to him living in his new and even more luxurious flat in Hove for at least a third of the year.

and (3) why the expenditure of £7,500 was described as "peanuts" by the Poly Press Officer at a time when an extra £1 a head was being demanded from all students in residence (i.e. £3,500) as a matter of urgency?

The answers are unlikely to be forthcoming: the public are the last to know where their money goes and, more often, never find out at all.

WANTE

Psychological cripples. Lack self-confidence, repressed, cowed by Authority? Get your own back on selected helpless victims! There's a place for you in the armed forces, police, prison service, etc. FREE fetichistic uniform.

FASCIST FIRE MENACE

The current spate of fire bomb attacks on small alternative bookshops has returned to Brighton with the recent attack on the Public House Bookshop in Little Preston Street. At about 10.30 pm on Tuesday 13th December a fire bomb was tossed into some rubbish outside the shop; only the very prompt action of two passers by saved the whole shop from going up in flames.

This attack was not an isolated incident, it is part of a spate of attacks on bookshops, mostly small and specialising in radical, alternative and left wing literature. Five such shops were attacked in London in the late summer and recently Solstice Bookshop had its window smashed and the news stand in Churchill square has been "turned over." Who are these people who go around setting fire to things and attempting to frighten people? The National Front? The British Movement? The National Party? The Racial Preservation Society?

When asked by the police if he thought it was a professional job, Richard Cupide of the Public House replied, "Yes, professional cretins and amature human beings". Whatever party they belong to, and membership of Britains multifarious parties on the lunatic right merge from one to the other overnight, they are showing the usual fascist fear of free publicity and expression.

What action can be taken to defend ourselves from these attacks? Constant vigilance can help a lot and Richard Cupide told of how the Preston Street area and his friends and neighbours are keeping a close watch on the Public House and how they are organising a constant live-in watch, in addition to the 5 people normally living in the building.

YOU CAN HELP JUST BY BEING AROUND AND KEEPING YOUR EYES OPEN.

Richard would like to talk to anybody who saw anything of the incedent at the Public House on Tuesday Night (13 Dec) and in particular saw anybody phoning from a call box in Regency Square at 10.30. The police were called from there, the caller did not identify himself and may have been one of the fascists getting cold feet about what he had done.

We must unite to combat these people. It will not stop at small alternative bookshops, it will be trade unionists unionists next week and liberal churchgoers the week after. We are all in danger.

more Royal Sussex

During a recent power black-out it came into operation in no less than 7 seconds! (The generator at Bright on General Huspital is manned, and can take up to Dminutes to be functional).

After spending nearly half a million pounds an modernisation, the
administrators (whose wages exceed t
that of the medical staff!) plan to
gut the premises and turn them into
offices. They have no estimates as
to what this re-organisation will
cost, indeed when Mr David Bowden
was asked how much he anticipated
saving in, say, five years, could
only reply no figure had been estimated.

The reason for these suppressions and censureship was obvious to all who attended the CHC meeting, the public must not be told how half a million pounds of their money has been frittered away.

Why have wards been left half empty in the past few years despite a notoriously long waiting list?

The answer lies in th attitude of the authorities; when a nurse suggested that the hospital become a special gynacological unit, at the above mentioned meeting, Mr Bowden replied,

'Alright, so you eliminate the waiting list, what do you do then?'
Is the attempt to fight through the red tape too daunting for the needy, or have the District Management been attempting to build up a case for their bureaucratic follies?

was the best attended for many years and although Evening Argus reporters were busily taking notes, no report of the meeting appeared in its colum mns. Just who is working for who?

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FORWARD



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The German publisher, a Herr not selling books'.

at the activities of Hinchy. It is one thing to want to 'set a record straight', however crooked your own views are; that sort of publishing event can safely be left to the critical common-sense of all of us. But it is another thing altogether when it is an undercover political move to obtain hearing and sympathy for current deeply objectionable ideas by re-writing history. The argument runs, if the S.S. weren't such bastards, maybe some - just some - of their ideas weren't so bad either.

In that case one looks very hard

To make a substantial case against Hinchy one has to look at his contacts. As the Voice noted last month, the role of his German wife is significant. She is, in fact, the daughter of an S.S. officer. One wonders if her political views are hawked around the West Hill Community Association, in which she is also active. But even more disturbing is Hinchy's association with Robert Beaumont, a singularly nasty example of the local fascisti. Beaumont's views on blacks, orime and left-wingers are well-known

AND I'M TELLING YOU! YES, I'M TELLING YOU AND YOU AND YOU! I, OSWALD MOSLEY, WAS THE BIGGEST FAILURE OF THE CENTURY . I FAILED AND FAILED AGAIN. IWAS A TOTAL DISASTER! I CANNOT SAY THAT OFTEN ENOUGH! I WAS A STUPID, LOUSY BLOODY DISASTER! IN FACT. I'LL GO FURTHER! I NAS CRAP! - REAL, VICIOUS USELESS CRAP .

They ran like rabbits. Or rather like rats from a sinking ship. In came the crane and out went the machinery. The National Front printing press in Sutherland Road has gone. Scared by popular opinion and by a hostile neighbourhood the NF racists have moved on. The police know where they are but we don't - yet. We think they've gone to one of those big houses owned by the older members of the party who have made all their money through South African contacts and are now propping up the fascist organisation here.

We now have a much better idea of what they were printing when they were here. They specialised in fascist and racist material for the continental market. In particular they printed the translations of a special pamphlet called DID SIX MILLION REALLY DIE ? This was a scandalous collection of lies about the Nazi period, ridiculous really but hot gospel for the Nazis who are still around. It was written by the young Nazi of Hove, Richard Verrall under the assumed name of Richard Harwood, and what relates this to the Brighton WF press is the fact that its publisher was Robert Beauclair, one of the founders of the Racial Preservation Society. This is the vicious society of which the Hancocks are also pioneer members and which Hancock and two other local Nazis, Budden and Pirie, have just relaunched. The press in Sutherland Rd was their press and wherever it is now it still is theirs and is still churning out their absurd and dangerous fantasies about an ideal world run by jackboot methods of inhumanity and terror.

55 and the boy next door

Patrick Hinchy, the man in Buckingham Road who is publishing the controversial book whitewashing the S.S., seems to have access to considerable funds. He has been taking repeated full-page ads, at over £150 a time, in the book-trade press to announce his 'historic publishing event'. That is a lot of money out of a language teacher's salary.

Unfortunately he is less than honest, because in fact the book was published as long ago as 1973, and had a second dual English/German edition in 1975. It also had a French/German edition, which the French were wise enough to promptly ban. So it is not a new book at all. Why then this big, new - and expensive - splash? It seems that it is politically inspired.

Thoele, who was an S.S. officer, is quoted as saying that he' is not in publishing to make money but to get our views publicised. The political aspects are of prime concern to us, from his mouthings at the last municipal elections, and we have discussed his criminal record in past issues of the Voice. Beaumont is known to be an habitue of Hinchy.

There is, however, one good that might come out of this underhand operation by Hinchy. The book shows that the S.S. men were often cleanlimbed, fresh-faced youngsters - just like the boy next door. If we can learn from that that superficial appearances are a poor key to judging actions, then we might also learn to realize the need to fight Tyndall, Webster and the N.F. - and to immediately oppose any signs of fascist thinking amongst our work-mates, collegues and friends. Fascists don't grow horns and tails when they become fascists, they often are the boy next door.



REMENISHAN

Prighton Voice (issue no 40) reported the arrest of two local residents at the Lewisham anti N.F. demonstration on August 13th Their case came up on 5th December and both were fined, and bound over for a year, by a London magistrates court.

Seamus James, found guilty of 'obstruction of a police officer in the course of duty', was fined £10 with £20 costs and bound over for £50. George Whitmore, found guilty of 'threatening behaviour was fined £50 with £25 costs and bound over for £75.

Their convictions illustrate the powers which police have over the courts and the way in which those powers are used to intimidate political activists.

CRASH HELMETS

It was apparent that the two were originally arrested simply because they were wearing crash helmets. Neither were engaged in any violent activity and a policeman actually told Seamus that they were under orders to arrest anyone with helmets on.

The rationale behind this seems to be that such people are assumed to be hooligans who go expecting trouble. (the National Front however, were allowed to wear helmets with impunity.)

PLEA BARGAINING

The police handling of the case was very confusing and strongly suggested that, having made an arrest, their subsequent action was designed simply to secure a conviction with as little fuss as possible.

The Police used "plea bargaining" tactics to pressure the defendants into pleading guilty.

George was originally charged with posession of an offensive weapon (his crash helmet) and with assault(butting policemen). Three days before the trial two further charges were added - of assault (against "an unknown policeman") and of threatening behaivour.

On the morning of the trial, George was told that if he pleaded guilty to the catch-all charge of threatening behaivour, the other three would be dropped. This is in fact what happened, although the prosecutor read out all the charges while explaining that only one was actually being brought.

Seamus was offerd a similar deal but although he refused to accept it, his offensive wepon and assault charges were dropped.

Curiously, George was penalised more than Seamus. As Seamus wryly commented: "What George didn't do was more serious than what I didn't do".

The experience of George and Seamus is a good example of what is by now a well recognised pattern of police behaivour.

It seems that they are prepared to arrest people at mass demonstrations in a fairly random fashion, presumably with the intention of intimidating the crowd and dis--crediting the Left.

Remember the time a picket was arrested at Grunwick who turned out to be non other than Audrey Wise M.P.?

As Seamus and George found out, the charges brought after such arrests are at best academic and a worst outright lies.

HOMELESS AUCTIONED OFF

In the plush surroundings of the Old Ship Hotel on Wednesday December 14th the last chapter of the Council's mismanagement of Nos. 13 and 14 Pelham Square was written.

The houses were bought by the Council in Feb. 1976 and were left empty for nine months. Squatters occupied them and successfully protested in court in front of Judges Grant and Wingate on two different occasions. The latter said that the wastage of these houses was 'cause for comment'. The squatters finally left last

exactly a year since that eviction,

Brighton Housing Action Group decided to picket/leaflet the auction.

This was to expose the scandal to the
press and to needle those taking



"We Conservatives have always believed in home ownership personally own over a hundred and fifty!"

part. We halted the sale for 10 minutes asking questions about the Council's public accountability, lack of concern for the homeless and why they indulged in this sick farce.

Naturally the sales went through, with some red-faced estate agent doing the last rites. Representatives of the Council were unable to provide any answers to our questions. How long must this cynical attitude to the 1500 on the waiting lists be tolerated by Brighton's ratepayers, who are footing the bill for this insane speculation with the housing stock?

FIREMEN'S STRIKE

A PERSONAL ACCOUNT BY A SUSSEX FIREMAN

On this page is an account of the Fireman's strike by Station Officer A. J. Rowe of the West Sussex Fire Brigade who has to date 17 years service in the Brigade.

Why have the Firemen who have provided Britain with the finest fire service in the world withdrawn their labour leaving the population with an untrained force to care for them and to protect them from fire?

Pireman, after three inquiries into pay and conditions instigated by the government, have seen the results ignored and have had to take this drastic action to try and be heard and seen.

We have been awarded more pay and less hours by all of the inquiries held, yet the government's pay codes of the last few years have ensured that the increase in pay recommended by the inquiries was not implemented. However we have managed to get our hours reduced from 56 to 48 - still 8 hours more than that which is usual in industry.

What we want now is not the earth, but simply a living wage in line with government figures - average earnings for more than an average job. The skills required by a fireman are more than can be counted on both hands and all of which must be done well or his life, that of his mates or the would be rescued person could be lost.

Without constant training a fireman could not keep up with the hazards of new chemicals and materials which await him in burning buildings and at load accidents. He is not allowed to to ride on a fire appliance until he has completed three months basic training and after completing this he will keep training and learning for a further period of 4 years only then will he be on the top rate of £46.71. He will then continue to learn for the rest of his service. The government claims that it cannot afford to pay us more, but how much a life is worth remains an unanswered question - Firemen do loose limbs and their lives.

What about the strike?

Firstly we must thank the public for their help in the battle, without you we would feel lost and lonely. Public opinion is with us. We handed in 1/2 a million signatures in Londonand we could do the same this week, but who will listen?



BRIGHTON FIREMEN ON THE PICKET LINE

The government are not worried about your safety or they would pay us to protect you. Instead they appear to have silenced the press and T.V. and are waging the troops. poor conditions against us.

Well the employers have just produced a pay offer - 10% this year. However this just will not cover the increase in the cost of living. And the rest in two years? - Thanks! How many more firemen will die fighting fires and dealing with dangerous chemicals? How many more have got to be maimed before the government thinks we are worth paying. Unless the trend changes some firemen will not live to see the increase. I say to the goverment and employers pay us now before you loose the cream of the firefighters. The cost to retrain a new service will be fantastic and who will teach those to follow?

Fire Engines, Old & New.

What about the poor, old Green Goddesses we keep hearing and reading about. Well, last year when there were alot of fires some of them were used then. In the hands of trained firemen they did an excellent job.

The Daily Mail printed some details of fire engines last week - what rubbish! Protected cabs indeed! Since when was fibre glass anti-crush because that is what most modern fire appliance cabs are made of. Local Authorities claim that appliances with anti-crush cabs are too expensive.

Tiremen have stayed on picket duty since the strike began, but they have assisted with rescues and even rescued troops from fires. If a life is in danger we will respond to a call, just like we always do, except that we will be doing it because like so many other poorly paid service workers - nurses, ambulance drivers, police - we are dedicated.

Education

The Cobden Trust, the charitable research body associated with the N.C.C.L. has recently appointed an Education Officer, Catherine Prior.

Her job is to prepare educational material, on civil liberties
for use in schools. The material
is intended to be of immediate use
in the class room for 13-16 year
olds, and accessible to the full
ability range.

She has an education group which is her back up, advice and steering group, and is particularly interested in hearing from teachers of social studies who have tackled subjects connected with rights and the law. Any general queries or ideas are very welcome.

If you are interested or can help in any way write to :-

Catherine Prior, Cobden Trust, 186 Kings Cross Road, London WC1 9DE.

WHEN THE TRADES COUNCIL HAD PUNCH!

an interview with Tom Parsons

One strand in the Labour Movement has always been the non-conformist conscience, thundering forth an argument for socialism based on morality rather than economics. Until recent years it was the dominant strand, forming many of the movement's leading figures. But today its representatives are much rarer, which is why the Voice interviewed Tom Parsons.

Tom comes from the Isle of Ely. At the age of 14 he was secretary of the small local Labour Party, and at 18 its Chairman. Working on a farm gave him a life-long concern for the low-paid worker, and Congregational pulpits developed Tom's formidable public speaking style. In 1946 he moved to Brighton to become a full-time official of the T.G.W.U., with special responsibility for agricultural workers. In 1960 he became Personnel Manager at a West Sussex horticultural firm, from which he recently retired.

Advisory Committee (the forerunner of Social Security), Vice-Chairman of the Health Executive Council, member of the Mental Health Appeals Tribunal, Chairman of the Borough Labour Party for several years, Parliamentary candidate for Arundel and President of the local Trades Council from 1952 to 1961. It was about this last job that Tom started talking.

T.P.: Circumstances and time happened to make it the most constructive period since the war for the Trades Council. For instance, at my suggestion we set up a joint committee of employers and trade unionists to develop the industrial potential of the County and to combat the high unemployment. We put pressure on the Councils from Rye to Selsey, as a result of which you find Industrial Estates scattered all over the County.

There are thousands of jobs now in Sussex that wouldn't have been there had it not been for the activity of that joint committee.

And it was all started by the Trades Council.

V.: Do you think the Trades Council is as powerful now?

T.P.: No. At that time Council meetings could always command half a page in the Argus. How much do we get now? Nobody takes any notice of us. And the reason is that we spend too much time talking of Grunwick and Viet-Nam and not enough about local affairs.

V.: But aren't Grunwick and Viet-Nam important too?

T.P.: Of course, and we should have a point of view on them, but we shouldn't spend the bulk of our time on these matters, leaving local affairs to the end. For some 10 to 12 years the Trades Council hasn't been as vigorous on local issues as it used to be, but it is changing now. I think the last elections for officers showed a feeling that we should spend more time looking at problems on our own doorstep.

SOCIALISM

V.: Trade Unions are sometimes accused of being very conservative at heart. Do you agree?

T.P.: The Trade Union movement has really got to make up its mind whether it is socialist movement or whether it is going to go back to being what it was originally designed to be - a fighting weapon with one aim and one aim only, that of getting the best possible deal for its members. If the movement is going to do that, don't let us pretend we are socialist; we are syndicalist, which means we look after ourselves.

I want the Trade Union movement to be socialist. And I believe the Unions have already moved to a much wider appreciation of what is enlightened self-interest, to a wider appreciation of the well-being of the community.

But this means, for one thing, that differentials have to be the secondary, not the primary, point of attack in wage negotiations. This argument for differentials was valid whilst it was a matter of shillings and pence. For instance, in the building industry, the difference between a labourer and a craftsman was 4d. an hour. When there was an increase everyone went up by the same amount and the differential remained the same.

But then the idea of a percentage increase came along, and the gaps widened and widened. As Trade Unionists we should understand that that just isn't socialism. Socialism says to each according to his need, not according to his skill, not according

to some assumed importance to the community. After all, who is more important to the community than those I have lived and worked with all my life - the agricultural workers - and they have just got £44 a week. Or the dustmen and sewer workers, who are not much better paid, yet are a vital investment in the health of the nation.

Was complaining about the Catering Wages Board giving a 17% award. But the policy is 10% overall, i.e. 10% average. If catering workers are to get their 17% - which they need - and my farm workers are to get their 14% - which they need - then some of the higher-paid people are going to have to settle for less. But that is my idea of socialism.

KEEP TALKING

V.: After a life-time in Industrial Relations what are your views on the best way to handle them?

T.P.: I am a violent pacifist. I believe we do our movement much more good by winning the argument than in creating commotions such as outside Grunwick. In a situation like that violence is bound to occur, and then we play right into the hands of the media.

V.: But isn't it the case often that vital rights are discussed away?

T.P.: Politics and Trade Unionism have this in common - they have to deal in the art of the possible. For 14 years I was a Trade Union official and in that time not one of my members lost an hour's work in settling our differences. We didn't always get what we were asking for at that time. But if you lose, say, five weeks



TOM PARSONS IN 1950.

work to gain a point, how long is it before you catch up what you have lost? As Jack Jones said in the Dimbleby Lectures the other day, we have got to seek a better way of doing things. We have got to have more talk-ins rather than walk-outs.

I can't understand some Trade
Union officials these days. When I
had a problem I lived with it day
l night. But some of them nowadays
seem to say - let it get worse now,
it will be easier to settle in the
end. I think that is very wrong.

V.: But what happens when you come across a George Ward?

T.P.: I only had one problem like that, in Crawley. In that case the Ministry of Labour Conciliation Service managed to keep us talking. Eventually the matter was settled amicably, and now, if you look around

my house you will find nothing but Supertaps. That shows the sort of relations we eventually built up with the Company.

Of course, the Trades Council did get caught up in the C.B.R. Mills affair, which had some similarities to Grunwick. We were taking on the owner without necesarily having the backing of the people inside the mill. But it was something that had to be done. The big difficulty was that the Trades Council hadn't got collosal funds at its beck and call. The Union concerned - the Hosiery Workers - soon got fed up with it as the strikers were all new members. They hadn't built up their right to benefits and support. The Union was pouring money to people who were not members until they were in trouble. In the end the confrontation paid off, and a Union was recognised.

MANAGERS

V.: Do you favour workers taking part in management, for instance on the lines of the Bullock Report?

T.P.: Certainly - I did it myself.
But there is a function known as
management, and it can't be carried
out successfully by people who may
be elected but do not have the necessary training. Managers are not
made simply by being popular, or
being able to get out a vote.

There have always got to be managers, but these days they are as much employees as a fitter or a turner.

And with the necessary training there is no reason why a fitter or a turner couldn't do it.

NEXT MONTH Tom concludes his interview by looking at local industry and analyzing the Brighton Labour Party.

Buddhists

Celebrate

The Friends of the Western Buddhist Order (Brighton) celebrates its third anniversary this month. Three years ago Upasaka Buddhadasa, seeing the need for a new Buddhist movement in Brighton (the old Brighton Buddhist Society being all but extinct and surviving only with the assistance of visiting members of the Western Buddhist Order) found our present premises at 18/19 George St, and started conducting many "Friends" activities - meditation and yoga classes, lectures, retreats, study groups, communication exercises and so on.

In three years we have become very much a part of the Brighton scene, with about seventy people attending our various classes each week.

Through these classes, our wholefood vegetarian resturant, Sunrise and the Windhorse Bookshop, it is no exaggeration to say that to say that we have profoundly affected and changed for the better, the lives of many people.

At present we operate mainly through the medium of our various classes, but more and more are realising that this approach is too narrow. While very valuable and even indespensable, meditation and study aren't really enough. Besides transforming oneself one must also try and transform ones living and working situation as well, or else one will find it very difficult to maintain the positive states gained through meditation. This is why in Buddhism so much importance is given to what we call perfect livelihood.

Perfect livelihood means earning on ones living in a way which is in harm harmony with ones ideals, rather than at odds with them. Since most people dont have much choice in the matter of livlihood and often have to engage in soul-destroying wage slavery, we in the F.W.B.O. are trying to create our own working situations, where we can support ourselves through activities which help us develop and grow rather than hinder us. Such a situation is our restaurant, Sunrise, at 16 North Road, which , while functioning as a workers cooperative providing support for four full time cooks, is based firmly on the Buddhist principle of non-violence, serving only vegetarian meals.

Besides this of course there is the Windhorse Bookshop at 19 George St, which in addition to having the best collection of Buddhist books south of London, also has good Jung, Poetry, Feminism and Science Fiction.

Other projects for the future include a light removals business and a joinery/building service all of which will be part of our cooperative and will be concerned with improving and enriching peoples' working situations.

While these work projects are very important and stimulating, the most exciting factor at the moment is our recent acquisition of larger and more suitable premises for a New Centre. While George St. is familiar and friendly, for some time now it has ceased to be adequate for our needs. We have been fortunate, therefore, in finding 15, Park Cres. Place, since it will provide us with the extra space and facilities we so desperately need. The very extensive renovations, which are being undertaken by friends, giving their services free of charge, should be completed by March 1978, transforming a bleak, empty shell into a fine new Centre, Amitayus, as it will be called.

If you would like to know more about us, or take part in any of our activities, then come to the Windhorse Bookshop on Mondays, at 7.15p.m. (not Dec.26th. or Jan. 2nd.) where we have an introductory evening with meditation, discussion and tea. There is no charge and everyone is very welcome.

sheer blasphemy

A year ago the announcement that the authorities had, with the greatest possible alacrity, given Mary Whitehouse permission to bring a blasphemy prosecution against the editor and publishers of CAY NEWS, was received with consternation and amazement. Consternation, because it was widely feared that such an action could possibly put the journal out of business (the dearest wish of our National Nanny and her evangelical cohorts); amazement, because it was generally believed that blasphemy law had been totally abolished with the passing of the 1967 Criminal Law Act and the 1969 Criminal law (Repeals) Act.

However, blasphemy remained a common law offence, and when GAY NEWS published James Kirkup's poem, THE LOVE THAT DARES TO SPRAK ITS NAME, Mrs Whitehouse saw this as her opportunity to stand up for Jesus and at the same time to deal a blow at the hated homosexual fortnightly.



The case was heard at the Old Bailey last July before Judge Alan King-Hamilton, the cricket enthusiast and president of the West London Synagogue. He is on record as having regretted the abolition of corporal punishment, reccomending pleas of guilty in return for a reduction of sentence, and of linking the fall of the Roman Empire with increasing homosexuality.

Judge King-Hamilton's bias in favour of the prosecution made it clear early in the proceedings that Denis Lemon, the editor, and the publishers of GAY NEWS, did not have have a hope in hell of a fair trial. They were found guilty, and the penalties included a nine month prison sentence on Denis Lemon. The sentence was suspended, but the judge's venomous remarks made it clear that, if he had dared to do so, he would have put the CAY NEWS editor behind bars. Denis Lemon's and Gay News Limited's appeals will be heard in a few weeks' time.

The trial resulted in the formation of a pressure group known as the Committee Against Blasphemy Law. (A co-founder and secretary of CABL, Mr W. McIlroy, lives in Brighton) The Committee's two main aims are to prevent the extension of blasphemy to protect other religions in addition to Christianity; fortunate women are compelled to and the introduction of a bill into Parliament to prevent further prose- or to seek dangerous methods of cutions for blasphemy at common law.

The National Secular Society, which has been opposing blasphemy law since 1866, has stepped up its present campaign. (Interestingly, one of its vice-presidents, George Jacob Holyoak, who served six months inprisonment for the 'crime; spent the last 27 years of his life in Camelford Street, Brighton, where he died in 1906.) Another long established freethought organisation, day care unit in Brighton. It could the Rationalist Press Association, has published an excellent pamphlet entitled BLASPHEMY IN BRITAIN, by Nicholas Walter. In this extremely readable and meticulously researched document the author presents many examples of bibical blasphemy; ne records some of the cases and the victims of the blasphemy law; and finally there is an eye witness account of the GAY NEWS trial itself.

BLASPHEMY IN BRITAIN (sub-titled THE PRACTICE AND PUNISHMENT OF BLASPHMEY, AND THE GAY NEWS CASE) should be read and studied by everyone who values freedom of expression. It is an antidote to the intolerance, vindictiveness and censoriosness of religious fanatics like Mary Whitehouse and her friends in high places.

The pamphlet costs 25p and is available from the Public House oockshop, Solstice Bookshop, Sunrise Restaurant, (see info p2); or by post from the Rationalist Press Association, 88 Islington High Street, London N1 (p&p9p).

James Downs.

PUBLIC MEETING on ABORTION

On Wednesday 30th November the National Abortion Campaign (N.A.C.) held a public meeting in the Art College on Day Care Abortions.

Nac believe that all women should be able to control their own fertility abortion", and that patients should and, consequently, every woman should have the right to decide whether or not she wishes to continue with an unwanted pregnancy. Abortion should be readily available to all women who want one.

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need for a day care unit

Unfortunatly, NHS abortion facilities in Britain do not meet requirements and many women are forced to seek private abortions, those that can afford it, that is ! More uncontinue with an unwanted pregnancy procuring an abortion.

N. A. C. argue that the provision of day care units for abortion would enable all to be done on the NHS. There are many positive reasons for day care abortion units. 1. The Women: would benifit from not having to arrange hospital stays of 2 to 3 days. 2. Expense: there need not be any great financial outlay to set up a be incorporated in the already existing clinic which also deals with contraception, counselling and minor gynocological surgery. The unit would provide far cheaper and more efficient abortions on the NHS since most women would not be spending

nights in hospital. 3. Doctors: day care abortions could be done by suitably trained G.P.s giving the woman patients the benifit of the continuity of their medical care and leaving the hospital consultants, at present performing abortions, more time for other necessary operations. 4. Safety: an efficently run day care unit could enable women to have earlier and therefore safer abortions.

Since a day-care unit would be a specialised service, only staff who wanted to work there would need to do so. The clinic would provide training for G.P.s, and a service for pregnancy testing, councelling, appointments for the operation and follow up counselling. There should be a 24-hour service available to women after the abort; 7, if necessary.

the local situation

In Brighton NHS abortions are performed at the Royal Sussex County, Brighton General, New Sussex, and Victoria hospitals. These only provide in-patient abortions. There are no out-patient facilities on the NHS in East Sussex.

The NHS is sadly lacking in bortion facilities for this area. In 1976 only 345 abortions were performed on the NHS at the above hospitals, whereas in the past six months the British Pregnancy Advisory Service (a charity) has already done 234 abortions for women in the Brighton area alone. Yet the committee on the working of the 1967 Abortion Act said that "the NHS has a responsibility to provide for not be forced to seek abortions in the private sector. This is a far cry from reality.

All those interested in abortion and its related issues please contact the Brighton Womens Centre. see info.

GEORGE INCE....

Could the police really 'fit' an innocent man up - a man with no previous criminal record - for murder, and when that fails to stick to do it again on a charge of bullion robbery? A meeting at the University recently was invited to believe this - because that is what happened to George Ince. His new wife, Dolly, and Barry Howe, a leading member of the campaign to free him, told an audience of 60 of the circumstances of his arrest, and the even more horrific events of his prison treatment. They have faced a blank wall of disinterest in the matter, and Sussex is the only University to invite them to state their case.

Ince was acquitted on the murder charge after numerous appeals, but victed of the robbery almost entirely on the evidence of an identification parade. These parades are now notoriously suspect at the best of times, but in this particular case the police broke almost every procedural rule laid down for them. Nevertheless the Judge accepted the evidence. And the police suppressed vital other evidence in Ince's favour, such as the repeated denial by the bullion van driver that Ince was involved.

But that is only the tip of the ice-berg of this mess. Stories were told of £6,000 changing hands to

ensure that the police statements were available to other, more 'co-operative' defendants. Charges like this brought an enquiry into the Essex police, but the resultant Report, which is known to be bitterly critical of the police, has never been published. Ince has now been granted legal aid to sue them and the writs are presently issued, so the truth may eventually emerge on that aspect of the affair.

When Ince went into prison he was a healthy man. Soon afterwards he was taken from his cell on what was subsequently admitted to be a 'mistaken' charge of attempting to escape, and sent to Gartree Prison ir the Midlands where he was subjected to massive doses of Largactil. After 13 days of such drugging, 8 of which were spent in solitary, he was hallucinating badly. Largactil is the trade name in this country for the same drug that the K.G.B. has been condemned for using in Russian prison hospitals.

At one point Ince was going to be given Electric Shock Treatment, without any warning being given to friends outside, and only the violent and agonised protests of Dolly - who discovered it just in time - prevented it going ahead. When Ince was subsequently examined by an independent psychiatrist he said that Ince's

mental health was being irreparably damaged' by the treatment, and the psychiatrist was so scandalised by what he saw that he organised a highpowered committee which is presently looking into drug abuse in prisons. Dolly described Ince as sometimes 'crawling about like an animal', 'constantly hearing voices' and 'quite incoherent'.

Of course, after the George Davis affair people are naturally cautious of assuming innocence. And the Ince story is odd because, whilst everyone knows the police do fit up people with charges, it is usually done to known oriminals. It is unheard of that someone who was, apparently, quite unknown to the police should be the victim of such envenomed determination to get a conviction by hook or by crook, and mostly by crook.



But whatever the merits or demerits of the conviction - and it seems to have uncovered a sickening brow of police corruption and malpractice even more disturbing is the treatment ir prison. And even if, at the end, you can stretch credibility to think that Ince probably deserved it, what about all the other prisoners? As Dolly said, 'It is not just George you have to think about, it is the others. I've seen them in Gartree, stumbling along the corridors, clinging to the walls, young men more often than not'. Both Ince's case and this insidious development of covert prison control call for a far-reaching investigation.

AMPUTATION

On the 30 th of September, the Evening Argus carried a report "Hospital men hope to avoid surgery". of the District Management Team. The article reported that:

"District administrator Mr David Bowden hopes that talks now going on will come up with plans to avoid closures".

What Evening Argus readers were not told was that Mr David Bowden an and his District Management Team had already prepared a 60 page "secret" document (for internal discussions only!) which listed up to 80 ward transfers, and the closing of the New Sussex Hospital (the "women's hospital") and its conversion into administration offices.

On Wednesday 9th November the Brighton Community Health Council meeting was attended by more than 150 members of the public who had come to protest against the propsed closure. Abemused CHC committee claiming pathetically that they had not yet had time to read a document which the general public had known about for three weeks found themselves cornered.

Over and over again people asked if the CHC would guarantee to use their veto against the closure and since the Council would give no such assurance, the angry crowd continued to bombard them with questioons after the "official" end of public discussion time.

The major concern of most speakers was the anti-democratic, bureaucratic, even dishonest behaviour

Speakers cited District Administrators who had expressed their annoyance that their plans had been "leaked" to the Argus (how much easier their job would be if the public could be kept in ignorance until

only be published after vetting by the DMT.

Aworker at the New Sussex Hospita al told of a "secret" meeting of all staff called by District Management on that same day (9th November) where further proposals were discussed but staff were warned that these 'amendments' must not be communicated to the CHC meeting, in fact they were instructed not to even mention the meeting!

Why is the District Management Team so concerned to suppress public discussion? Why their censorship of the scores of protesting letters to

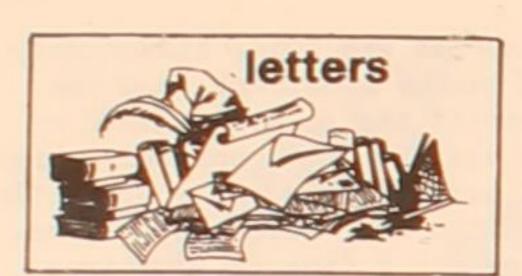
after the decisions have been made!) After receiving complaints from the District Management the Argus The District Management the Argus

the scores of protesting letters to the Argus?

The answer became apparent from the contributions to the CHC meeting.

During the past 2-3 years no less than £432,000 has been spent on modernising the New Sussex Hospital. The entire building has been re-wire ed, re-decorated, new bathrooms installed, pharmacy extended, out-patients re-organised and a new generator installed.

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ANTI-FASCISM

Dear Brighton Voice,

Rod Fitch certainly deserves credit for bis efforts to fight fascism, and his Joint committee Against Fascism is certainly animated by goodwill. However, goodwill is not enough.

First, it may be a dangerous misconception to say that we are confronted by a genuine fascist movement. The National Front represents a racialist organisation with a tinge of populism able to enlist a relatively substantial following of skilled workers and the lower middle classes. Its economic programme - rejection of any link with Europe, support for and trade with South Africa and Rhodesia - is vague, unrealistic and and, were it ever to be implimented in foreign trade terms, suicidal.

More than anything else, racialism is rooted in primeval and tribal instincts which survive in all of us subconsciously and can be aroused in situations of serious stress and persistent economic crisis. But if the community is mature and humanitarian, as it is for instance in Holland, racialism, remains a sickly growth.

Second, it is an error to try to combat racialism on a sectional basis - a coalition of the Labour Party and the trade unions - while excluding such strata as left-wing socialist or other sectarian views as Rod Fitch does. The Council of British Churches, by issuing its declaration rejecting everything the National Front stands for has done more than any sectarian committee will ever achieve without necessarily participating in unseemly brawls which Rod Fitch chooses to call a victory.

Racialism is a single issue and for otherwise wildly divergent political trends, ranging from Conservative students to Communists a common denominator for joint action.

Such joint action on a single issue is not unprecedented. In the late 1950's and the early 1960's the Campaign for Nuclear Disarmament (CND), not to be confused with its current anemic remnent, succeeded beyond expectations. True, there are still nuclear weapons around, but the protagonists of nuclear strategy have been forced into the defensive. Where they were arrogant, they are now apologetic. From accusers they have been turned into excusers.

Sweat Shop

Dear Collective.

I read with interest your article on "Non-unionised sweat shops"in Brighton. I recently have had experience of one of these work places on Lancing industrial estate where I worked for a short time with the firm, Walker Davis, a packing factory dealing in pharmacuticals. Here factory legislation and health and safety regulations were flouted and ignored. A number of examples can be given:

1. Despite legislation regarding the provision of seating, there were apparently only three stools in the whole factory, consequently the whole workforce (other than three machine operators) were required to stand for the whole of the eight and a half hour day.

2. Despite the 1974 factory act regarding protective clothing, this was inadequate. We were at times handling products which in large quantities affected the skin and throat. Neither gloves or masks were supplied and demands for these were rejected as they were "Not available". At the same time a notice in the canteen proclaimed the need to wear such clothing under the 1974 act.

3. Toilet facilities were inadequate; for a staff consisting mainly of women, there were three toilets, one towel and one piece of soap. This for a workforce who all handled poisonous materials necessitating washing before any break.

Factory inspectors give prior notice to the management of their yearly visit, leading to a hasty cover upstools are brought out and a general clean up is undertaken, this annual spring clean apparently being the only one despite the fact that the firm is handling medicinal treatments, glucose powder, vitamin treatments etc.

The physical conditions of work were bad and this coupled with the attitude of the managerial staff whose continual rudeness and abusiveness was not conducive to good working atmosphere made working conditions intolerable.

Perhapse it might be appropriate to finish with the fact that I was not employed by Walker Davis but by "Manpower" who should take a full responsibility they subject their employees to.

Yours faithfully, (Name and address supplied).

SOMETHING TO SAVE

Write to Brighton Voice at 7, Victoria Rd, Btn.

Equally there is need for a truely broadly based antiracialist campaign animated by the spirit which inspired
Wilberforce when he fought slavery.
This new anti-racialist campaign would aim at forcing the racialists into a defensive attitude, make racialism morally and socially unacceptable, expose its defenders to the widest public contempt.
True, its rudiments will remain with us but from a danger and risk they will have been turned into a squalid nuisance.

But to do so we need concerted action. Let us not talk about monopoly capitalism, about the doctrines of Leon Trotsky who after 1923 despite his personal greatness became a tragic failure, but about the one of striding issue: the equality of human beings. Above all let us not exploit this prospective campaign for the benifit of our own specific political preferences.

Yours, Kurt Weisskop

Collective Allotments

Dear Voice,

I have read the last couple of copies of the Voice and it is a good local paper with lots of news that the A---! can not or won't print. I would like your help. I would like to start, or meet somone who is running an organic allotment.

If enough people were interested we could apply for land at the Wilson Avenue allotment site and join them together and work them as one plot. I would like about a dozen but the more the better, who would like to work and help run a mini organic food farm. So anyone who wants to grow his or her own food, drop us a line. So if you are a grower of your own veg but live in a flat with no garden why not help us. If you know about organic gardening and would like to help get the scheme into the ground write to me please. Even if you know nothing about gardening but would like to try just write. There is a lot to do before the first seed is planted.

> Here is the world, don't spend it all at once, Yours.

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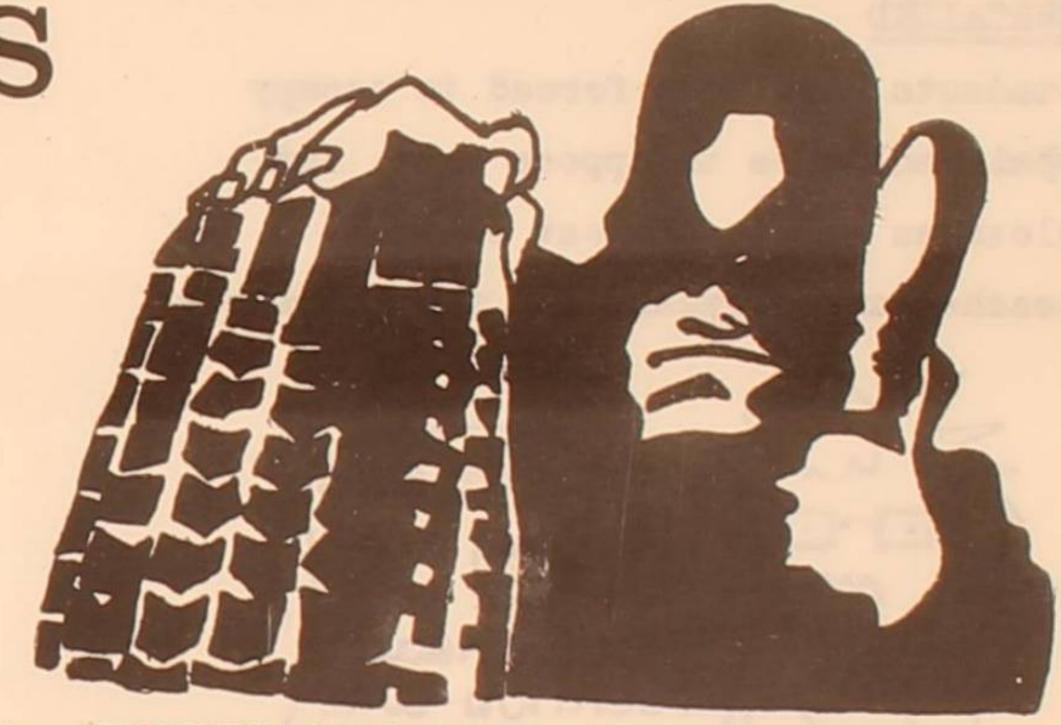
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Dr. Peter Ambrose. 14.12.77.

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- 3) Feb. Nov. 1976: PROPERTIES EMPTY.
- 4) Dec. '76: Council state that they are going to sell properties 'privately'. This was retracted when it was pointed out that this contravened original deeds of purchase.
- 5) Homeless people move in to find Council vandalism smashed toilet and flattened lead pipes (witnessed by Police Officer M654 on Nov. 29th 1976). New ('squatter') tenants effect fundamental repairs.
- 6) Occupants of No. 13 Pelham Square evicted. Homeless from No,13 move into No.14 to keep pressure on the Council. Judge Wingate whilst granting the Council posse sion of No.13 says allowing these houses to stay vacant for so long is 'cause for comment'.
- 2 FVENING ARGUS, Thursday, November 25, 1978

Why was this house left empty?—judge

7) On the 31st. August the council decides to implement the Housing Committee's recommendation of 16th. Feb. 1977 to sell council houses. This decision is justified on the basis of the 'bad state of repair' of No's 13 and 14 Pelham Square.

No mention is made of the fact that this 'bad state of repair' is almost entirely the result of the houses having been left empty for so long (and council vandalism.)

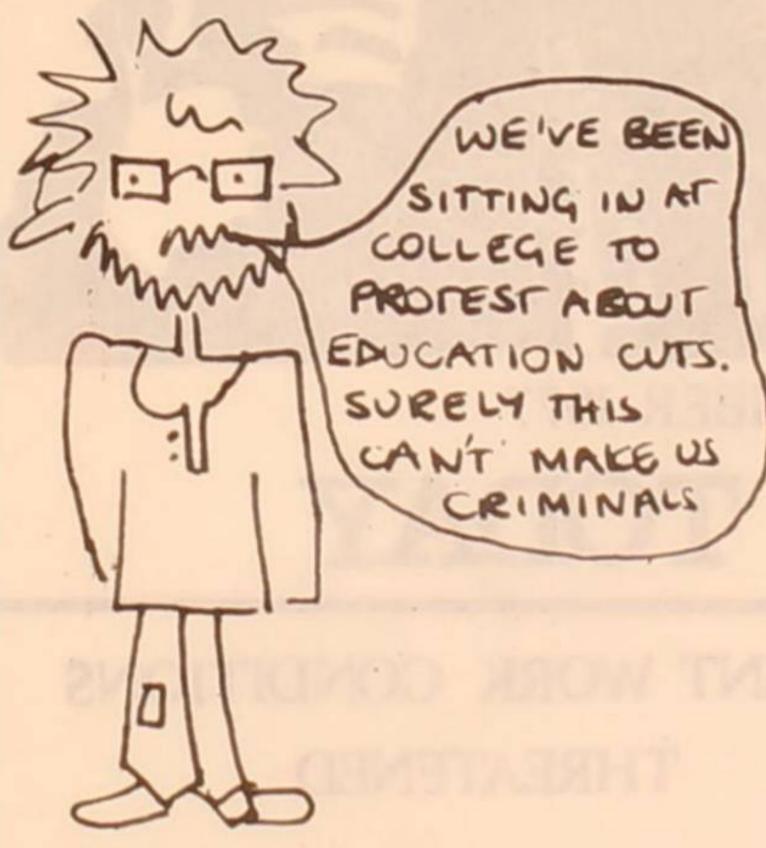
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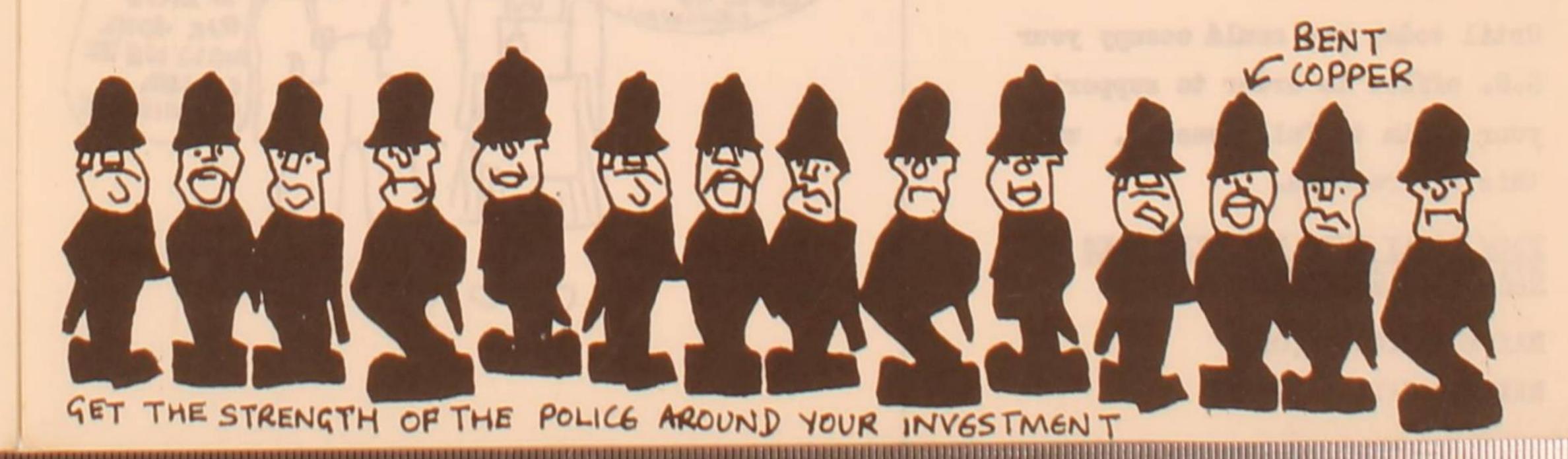


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