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SWP DISCUSSION MEETINGS

August
15 "Women, the Family, Capitalism & Revolution"
- the ideas behind 'Women's Voice'. Speaker: Joan Smith.
8pm Stanford Arms, Presto
Preston Circus

BRIGHTON SINGERS CLUB.

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All singers, musicians and listeners welcome.



DOES BUZZY BUG BUG YOU?

RICHMOND
Richmond Pl
7 Piranhas
14 Lillettes
28 Piranhas
Wed: Rock & Roll
Fri: Over 30s dance
Sun: Rock & Roll
Thu: Punk

CROCKETTS WINE BAR
Queens Road
Thu: John & Pete



SPRINGFIELD
London Rd Str
10 Tim Broadbent
12 Stuart Reed & John Vickers
17 Paul Holden
19 Adrian May
24 Biggest Trio in the World
26 Hot Vultures
31 Tim O'Leary & Nick Burbridge
Sept
2 Terry Masterson

CONCORDE
Madeira Drive
15 Wilbury Jam
29
SHAKESPEARES HEAD
Spring St
Thu: Joe & Paul
Sun: Nick Burridge & Tim O'Leary

MARLBOROUGH
Princes St
8 Come All Ye
15 Steve Turner
22 Dave Gouldner
29 Come All Ye
Sept
5 Martin Wyndham



20 Lillettes
31 Nicky & the Dots
Ring 278/4 for full List.

BUCCANEER
seafront
8 Lifeline
Tue: Taverners

Resource Centre

- AUG.**
6 Socialist Challenge readers group (open to all supporters of the paper) Speakers from NAC & UFM... 7.30p.m.
7 National Abortion Campaign at 8p.m.
8 Piers Housing Coop. 7.30.
9 Kick Out Corrie (NAC) 8.00.
16 PLAYSCHEME starts, 9-12a.m. for 2 weeks till 31st. (volunteers needed)
18 Benefit gig for Resource Centre. "Poison Girls", "Rubella Ballet" & support.
21 NAC 8-10p.m.
SEPT.
4 NAC 8-10p.m.
2 Piers. 7.30.
- Public House Bookshop**
EVERY MONDAY 6-30p.m.
DYNAMIC MEDITATION.
- COUNCIL (Yawn!)**
August
9 Full Council, 4.30
13 Highways & Transport, 3pm
14. Planning, 9.45am
Environmental Health & Control, 3.30pm
15 Housing, 3pm
16 Parks & Recreation, 4pm
21 Tourism, Museums & Entertainment, 4pm
25 Policy subcommittee, 3.15pm
28 Planning, 9.45am

birth centre INFO

August
8 Homeopathy & Herbalism in Pregnancy & Infant Childcare.
22 Midwifery & New Birth Film(?)

Both at 8pm, Public House Bookshop, Little Preston St

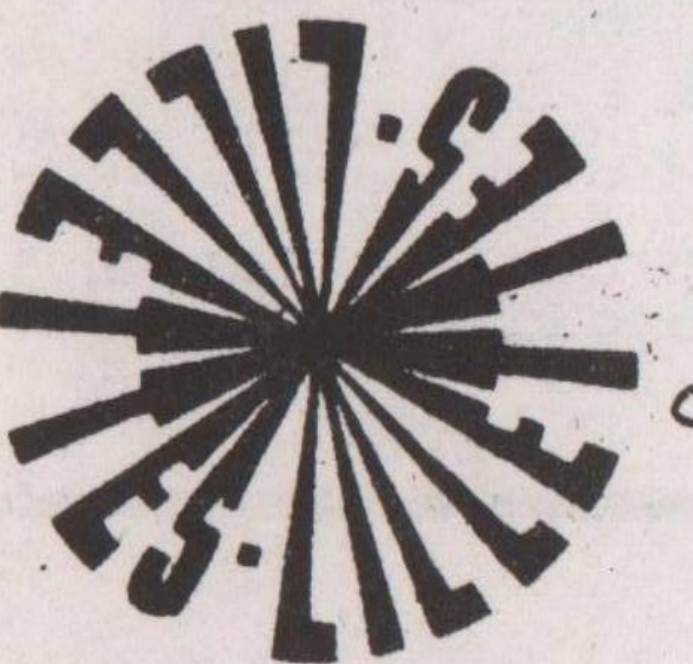
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AUGUST
7 Friends of the Earth 8pm
Marlborough, Princes St.
21 " " " " " " "

PIRANHAS

LONDON DATES!

AUG.
Sat. 11th, The Marquee
Tues. 14th, Dingwalls, Camden



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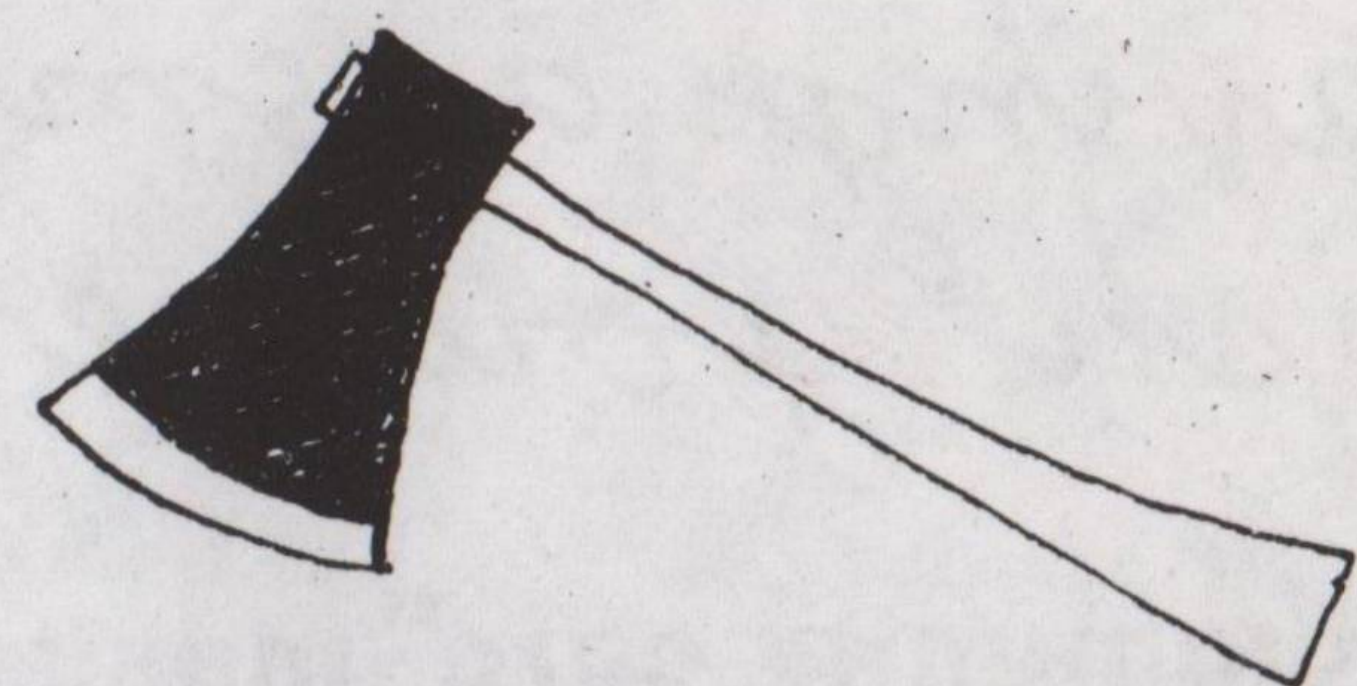
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WHO'S

why cuts?



The Welfare State is being attacked as never before. £2,500 million has already been cut this year. The Tories plan to cut another £4,000 million next year. The amount of suffering to be inflicted, especially on those of us who are women, old people, or children, is frightening.

But cuts are nothing new. Under the Labour government, services were cut as local government revenue fell by over 10% between 1975 and 1977. What causes the cuts?

Government policy - not workers wages

Central Government holds the purse strings of local authorities, imposing limits on finance for public services. (See the box on local government finance.) It is government policy which pressures local authorities into making cuts.

Local councils can resist the pressure and refuse to implement cuts. Crawley Town Council is doing that now. But councils like Brighton and East Sussex are quite prepared to cut. They don't directly control their own resources, so they can try to shift the blame by saying that the cuts are a result of public sector workers' wages reducing what can be done with a "fixed" sum of money.

Locally, the Gazette plays its part with statements like "massive wage awards are the real reason those rates are so high". In fact, the government deliberately does not allocate money to meet justifiable wage claims. Workers in the public sector are then told: accept a cut in real wages or we'll cut public services and your job as well. Nice choice ...

"Regenerating the economy"

The policy of the last government and - to a greater extent - the present Conservative one is to cut real wages, especially the "social wage" received in the form of public services. The aim was to "regenerate" a national economy in crisis. Resources shifted from the public sector would be made available for investment in private sector industry. "Incentives" to invest would be created by robbing the poor to give to the rich.



The recent Royal Commission on Wealth found that in 1974-6, the richest 1% of the population saw its wealth rise from 22% to 25%. The richest 10%'s share of personal wealth went up from 57% to 60%.

The tax cuts in the 1979 budget mean an extra £74.51 per week for someone earning £25,000 a year.

This policy certainly succeeds in increasing inequality. Under Labour, the rich got richer. They will get richer still, now that the Tories have cut income tax and shifted to indirect taxation.

But it would take a lot more than increased industrial investment to solve the crisis of British capitalism. And the government policy won't even achieve that.

ANTI-SOCIAL SPENDING

The Tories plan to increase defence spending by 3% in real terms next year, at the same time as they cut health, education and social services by as much as 10%.

The police force is doing OK as well. Sussex Police Authority has been given an additional capital allocation to build a new operations room, record office and photographic unit at Lewes. An increase in revenue of about £1,000,000 is also planned ... about the amount being cut from other budgets.

LOCAL GOVT FINANCE

About 6% of a council's revenue comes from the government's annual Rate Support Grant (RSG). make up only about 20%. The rest comes from charges for services and council rents.

Recently, central government has controlled local spending by imposing cash limits, and refusing to make up the difference if a council "overspends". This has lead councils to be overcautious. Last year East Sussex County Council underspent its budget by over £1,000,000 - in effect a cut in disguise.

Both the Labour Group and East Sussex Ratepayers Association have suggested a rate increase to make up for the reduction in the RSG. It's true that a 2p rise in the rates would have avoided this years cuts. But one problem is that rates make up only a small proportion of revenue. To recoup a 10% cut, it would be necessary to raise the rates by about 30%.

Profits are high and rising - by over 50% between 1976 and 1977. But large scale investment in British industry won't happen while still higher profits can be made in property or overseas, where workers are still more exploited.

The people with money to invest are fond of telling us to make sacrifices "in the national interest". They are careful not to apply this notion to themselves. With the world economy on the edge of recession, the Thatcher policies can only mean a return to the conditions of the thirties.

The policy of cutting public services is totally unacceptable. It means making working people suffer in an unsuccessful attempt to rescue an economic system which anyway can never work in their interests.

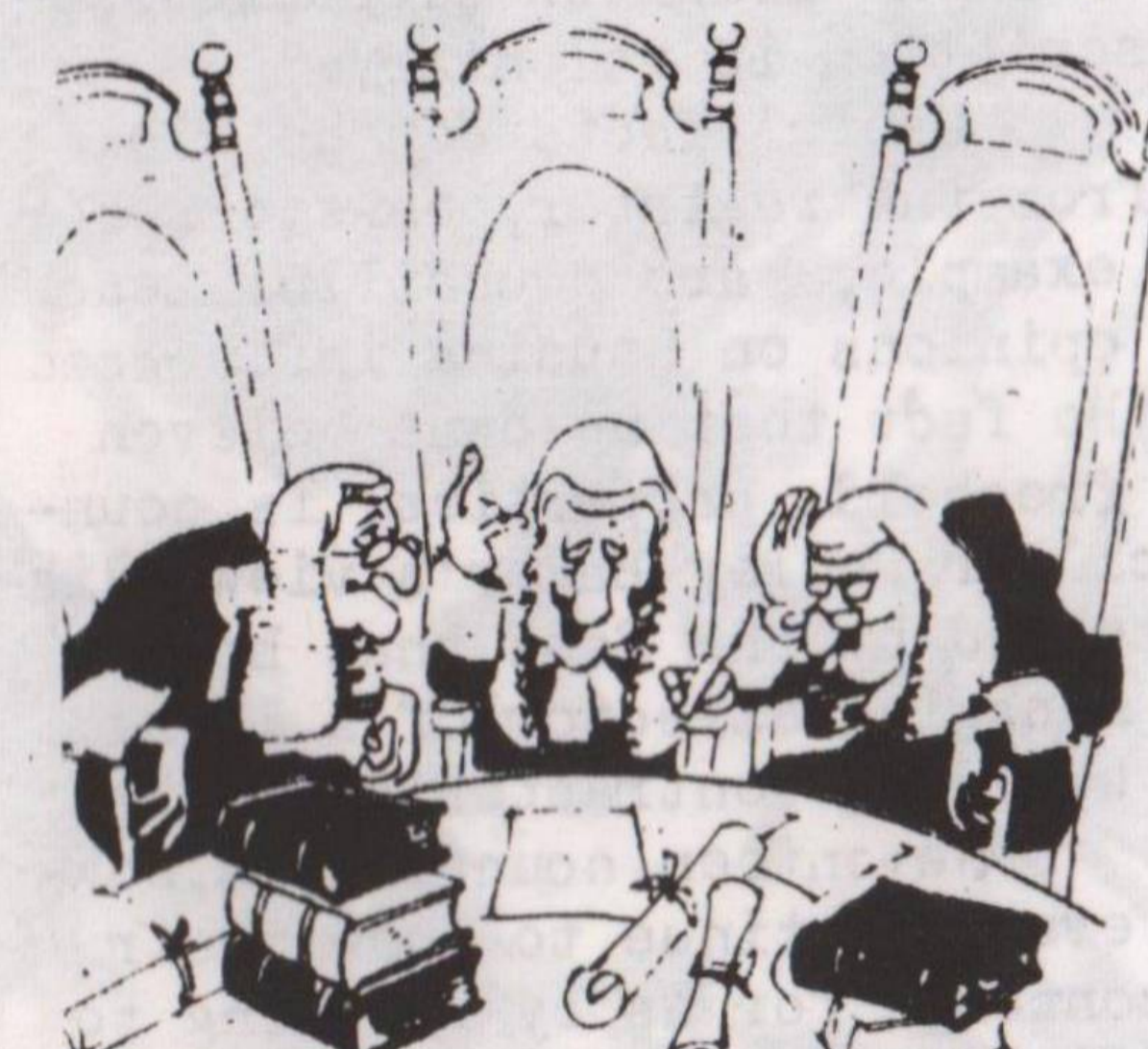
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WOMENS LIBERATION FESTIVAL



On Saturday, June 30, Brighton Women's Liberation organised a one-day festival at the Friend's Centre. The idea was to be accessible to women who wanted to find out about the Local Womens Liberation Group.

Among other things, there were stalls with books, crafts, posters and information about the National Abortion Campaign and the Womens Centre, as well as a large exhibition about many aspects of women's lives. We showed five short films about women at work, violence, against women, sex roles, nurseries and images of women. An all-women theatre group put on "The July & PUNCH Show" - a collectively written play exploring the theme of violence against women. A demonstration of self-defense techniques sparked off a lively discussion about the same theme.



"I know - one can't help but have a sneaking admiration for these multiple rapists." From POLICE, Magazine of Police Federation, August 1977

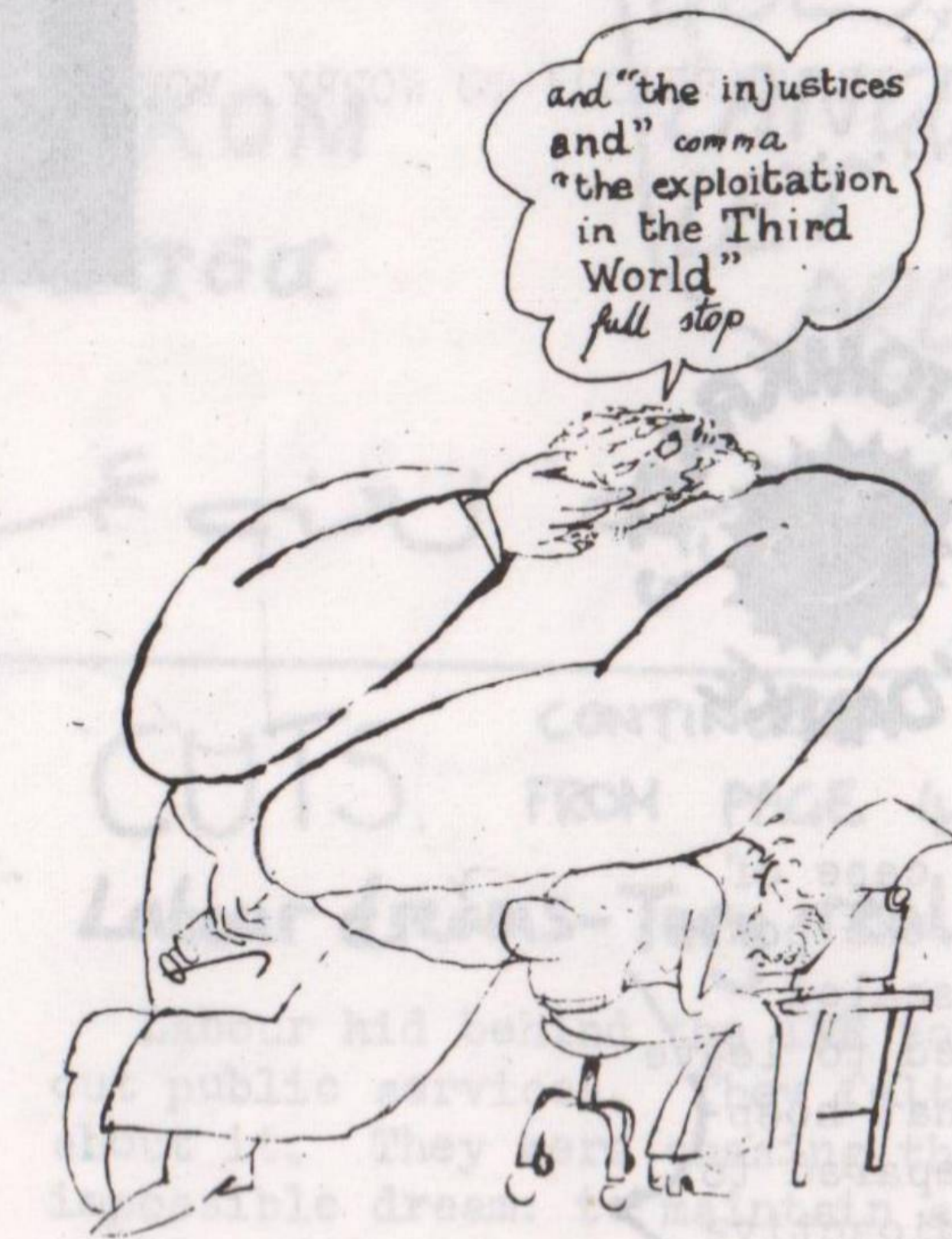
Over 200 women turned up, and many stayed for the whole day.

From the feedback during the day and since, it is clear that women got a great deal from the festival, and women new to the movement have found it easier to get involved. Because Womens Liberation is so distorted in the media, we really need to get our ideas across directly.

Letters in the local press focussed entirely on why we excluded men. The aim of Womens Liberation is to end the oppression of women by men, and therefore we organise autonomously. We believe that only women can experience and understand what it is to be oppressed as women. We don't want to waste energy "educating" men - its not up to us to help them to stop oppressing us. That's something men have to do for themselves.

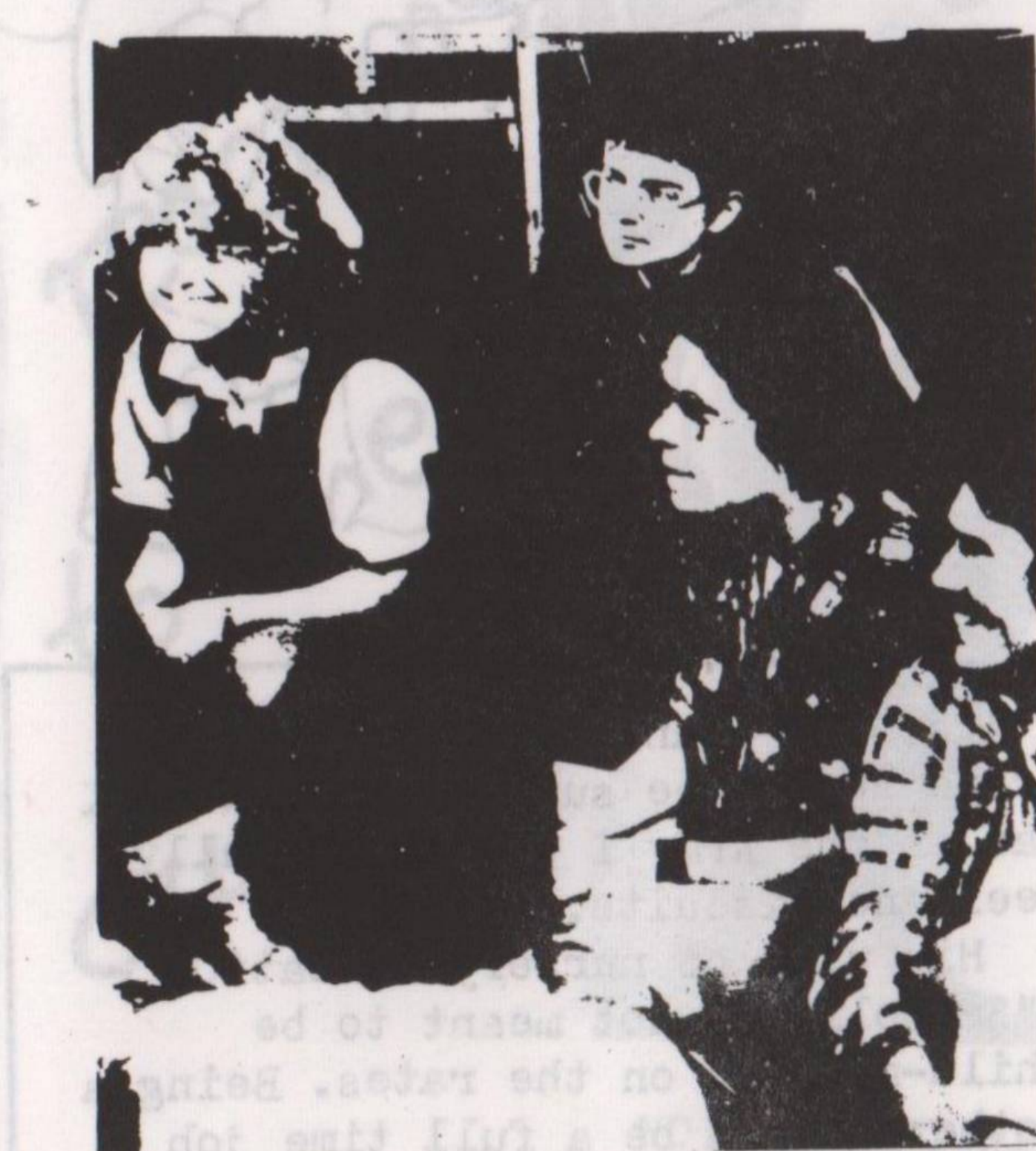
To accuse us of being sexist because we exclude men is absurd. Thats like accusing black people of being racist if they want to

organise autonomously. Sexism, like racism, is founded on power, economic exploitation and all the institutions of society.



The presence of a few token women within those institutions doesn't alter the patriarchal power structure of society. Women now, more than ever, are under attack with Corrie's anti-abortion bill, the illegitimacy proposals and massive cuts in public spending which first and foremost will affect women and force us back into the home.

There is no such thing as a liberated woman as long as we live in a society defined and controlled by men. We hope the Festival will stimulate women to work together to change our situation.



Womens Liberation in Brighton

An introduction.

Womens Liberation General Meetings are held every 3rd Monday at the Resource Centre. Contact the Womens Centre (back of Resource Centre) for details. Tel: 605911
Opening times; Tue. Wed. Thu. Sat. 11-2
Tue. Wed. 6.30-8.30pm

A pamphlet about the ideas of the Womens Liberation Movement and about activities and contacts in Brighton is available from the Womens Centre for 10p.

Written by some women from Brighton Womens Liberation

TROOPS

On August 14, 1969, British troops were sent onto the streets of Northern Ireland as a "peace-keeping force". Ten years later and 2,000 people are dead; thousands seriously injured and hundreds of political prisoners locked up in British 'H-block' concentration camps.

Britain cannot solve the problems of the Irish people. The British presence is Ireland's problem. For ten long years it has propped up the oppressive six county state. The army has attempted to smash the resistance of people struggling to be free.

Progress is only possible when Britain leaves. That's why a demonstration is taking place on August 12. It is calling upon the British government to commit itself to a policy of withdrawal.

OUT

Sponsors include: Labour & Liberal MPs, Father Paul Spare Rib Collective, ex-Soldiers, Labour Parties, Trades Councils. Brighton & Hove Trades Council supports the demo and is sending their banner.

A coach has been organised by Brighton United Troops Out Movement. Meet St Peters at 11.15, Sat, AUGUST 12.

NOW

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"THIS IS AN IMPORTANT MESSAGE FOR THE CITIZENS OF BRIGHTON. THERE HAS BEEN A NUCLEAR ACCIDENT AT THE NUCLEAR POWER STATION IN DUNGENESS. FOR THE PROTECTION OF YOUR HEALTH YOU ARE ADVISED TO STAY INDOORS AND SHUT ALL THE WINDOWS. FOR THE TIME BEING YOU ARE ADVISED NOT TO LEAVE YOUR HOUSE. IF YOU HAVE BEEN IN THE OPEN AIR, CHANGE IMMEDIATELY AND LEAVE YOUR CLOTHES AND SHOES OUTSIDE. CLEAN YOUR HEADS AND FACE THOROUGHLY WITH SOAP AND WATER. DON'T EAT OR DRINK ANYTHING, IF POSSIBLE. USE IN ANY CASE, ONLY TILTED OR VACUUM-PACKED GOODS. AVOID THE CONSUMPTION OF FRESH FRUIT AND VEGETABLES OR FRESH MILK. PLEASE REMAIN CALM AND DON'T PANIC. THERE IS NO REASON TO WORRY. YOU WILL SOON RECEIVE FURTHER INSTRUCTIONS....."

A flight of journalistic imagination? No-this message (apart from the place names) is part of a text prepared by a West German city for its radio stations in the event of a nuclear 'accident'. It forms just a part of the city's official "action plan" which fell into the hands of some German comrades who passed it on to us...

The plan provides that in case of an accident, the area around the power station will be completely sealed off. Nobody will be permitted to leave the area...It also admits that hospitals are not adequately prepared to deal with the results of radioactive contamination.

The "action plan" does suggest one means of self preservation...iodine tablets. They are supposed to protect the thyroid gland from radioactive iodine. This sounds very clever. The trouble is that these tablets have to be taken 1-2 hours before the accident. The local government has decided to supply every house in the city with a number of iodine tablets.

This plan raise 2 questions -
1) If nuclear power is as safe as the authorities claim it is - then why such elaborate contingency plans?
2) Does Brighton or East Sussex have any such plans that are being kept secret from the people?

The plan clearly shows that the authorities are expecting a large scale accident and are trying to plan for it. They have decided that the nuclear risk is acceptable to them-but what about us?

Meanwhile our West German friends are still waiting for their iodine tablets.....

YOU ARE WHAT YOU EAT

Another example of Tory stand-on-your-own-two-feetism from the Oxford Journal. Brigadier Stretfield, Chairperson of the County Council's Education committee thinks the cuts are a good thing.

On local government's obligation to provide nutritious school meals -

"A school dinner of just soup and bread should be sufficient...When I was in the Army I got by on bully beef and biscuits."

His view of nursery education - "Schools are not meant to be child-minding on the rates. Being a mother should be a full time job until a child is at least 10 years old."



UPPER GARDENER STREET

BRIGHTON COUNCIL CAN'T FIND HOMES FOR PEOPLE - BUT TREES: WELL THAT'S A DIFFERENT MATTER...

No visible means of support ?

There are fifty-nine councillors 'representing' the people of Brighton, but the WAY they represent us may be influenced by other pressures.

Brighton, like other councils, has a register of councillors jobs, property ownership and financial interests. Unfortunately for the Brighton electors, subscription is voluntary.

Useful facts can be gleaned from the register, however. For example, are councillor Leach's opinions on housing influenced by the fact that he owns eleven freehold properties? Is councillor Dudley Baker's view distorted by the fact that he's managing director of a local building contractor's firm?

Seventeen councillors, however, continue to show their contempt for us by refusing to fill in the register. Who are these secretive guardians of the public interest? Surprise, surprise, except for one liberal they are all Tories - Tories who have no commitment to the people of Brighton beyond slashing services. Below we print their names.

Does one of these represent your area? Then ask it why it's being so bashful. Once they've declared their interests, perhaps we can launch a proper investigation.

- Rottingdean: J.C. Blackman
R.E. Larkin
- Kings Cliff: C.S. Brinnell
B.Greenway
DB Sheldon
- Warren: G.M. Cecchetti
- Preston Park: A.Clark
- Hollingbury: A.H. Harman
J.L. Miller
- Pier: E.F. Jakes
- Queen's Park: G.H. Machan
H.P. Somerville
- St Peters: R.H. Shrivess
G.T. Theobald
- Patcham: J.A. Wakefield
S.J. Hutchinson
- St. Nicholas: D.Rogers



Abortion Rights Under Attack.

There are still thousands of women dying at the hands of backstreet abortionists in countries such as Italy, Spain and Portugal. Before 1967 hundreds of women died in England because there was no access to safe, easy abortion for any except the very rich. In the National Abortion Campaign we believe that the passing of the 1967 Abortion Act in no way grants women complete control over their fertility: it was however a definite step in the right direction, relieving women of the fear of abortions induced by knitting needles or a uterus pumped full of soapy water. If John Corrie, Conservative M.P. for Bute and Ayrshire has his way, we will see a return to this situation. Corrie's anti-abortion bill would make it virtually impossible for women to have safe, legal abortions. The bill passed the 2nd. reading on Friday July 13th. - it imposes 4 devastating restrictions on the '67 Act.

mental health to 'grave danger' to the woman's life or 'substantial risk' of 'serious injury' to the woman's physical or mental health, or that of her children.....basically this would intimidate doctors from performing even early abortions, as unless they could prove 'grave danger' or 'substantial risk' they would be liable to prosecution.

2) Only 19% of women in Brighton who want abortions get them on the N.H.S. Most of the remaining number go to Wiston's Clinic for a private abortion. If Corrie's Bill becomes law it would paralyse the private charities which perform abortions. It would outlaw any financial link between the referral agencies and the clinics where the abortions are performed - the British Pregnancy Advisory Service, for example, would then be breaking the law if anyone at any of its 24 advisory/counselling services referred a woman to a BPAS clinic such as Wistons in Brighton.

3) The Bill would reduce the time limit for performing abortions from 28 to 20 weeks. Doctors would then not do abortions after the 16th. week to allow for error. A woman would literally have to be dying to get an abortion after this stage unless the foetus was to be born 'severely handicapped'. Corrie claims to be against late abortions, yet by restricting access to early, safe treatment late abortions inevitably become much more likely.
4) At the moment abortion is the only medical procedure governed by a conscience clause, allowing medical staff to refuse to perform abortions. Corrie aims to extend the conscience clause so that doctors and nurses would not have to prove their conscientious objection. NAC does not wish to force medical staff to perform abortions; nor do we wish women to be treated by those who are unsympathetic towards them. However, this clause could become yet another obstacle to early, safe abortions. We want a law which forces local health authorities to provide abortion with sympathetic staff.

HOW CORRIE WOULD RETURN US TO THE BACKSTREETS.

1) The bill alters the grounds for abortion, from risk' of physical or

Campaign against Corrie. WHAT YOU CAN DO

① Write to your MP.

② Petitioning: write to the Resource Centre or else meet us every Sat. 2.00 pm on Western Rd. side of British Home Stores, Churchill Sq. to petition.

③ Contact CAC for a speaker

④ Get a resolution through your TU, Labour Party, Student Union, or any other orgs.

⑤ Give money to the Campaign against Corrie (NAC, c/o Resource Centre)

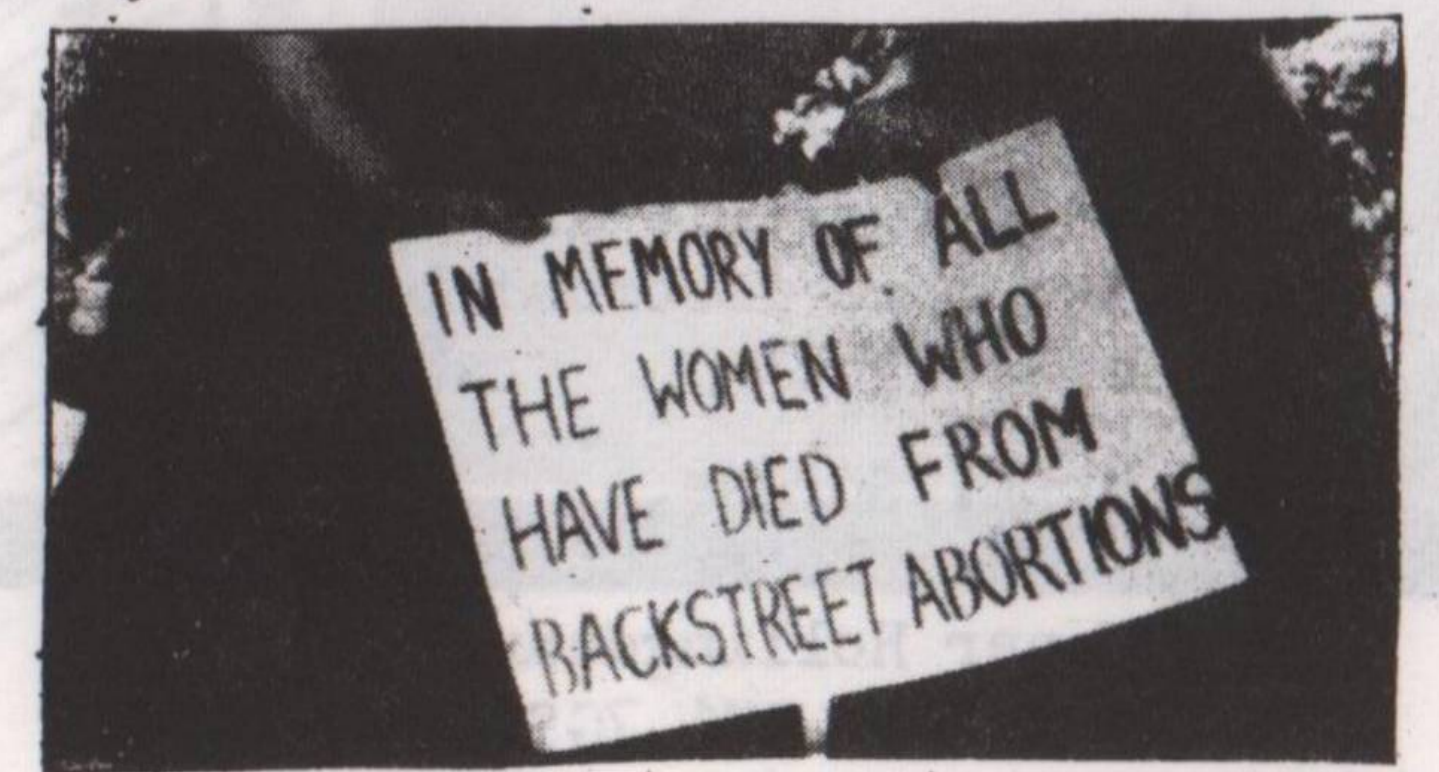
⑥ Join the Campaign Against Corrie - come to the meeting on Thursday August 9th!

SO WHO DOES HE THINK HE'S KIDDING?

If Corrie is so concerned about late abortions why does he totally condemn the National Abortion Campaign's demands for an early, safe, day-care abortion service? If he is committed to the 'sanctity of life' why did he, along with other anti-abortionists, vote for capital punishment? If he cares so much about the 'potential life' of the foetus why is his party introducing such savage cuts in public expenditure that the actual lives of babies will become much more vulnerable. The Guardian, for example, reported (27.7.79) the death of a

baby at a Berkshire hospital after 10 intensive care units had turned him away.

Indeed, life is the issue... we believe in the lives of women fighting to control their bodies and activities; we believe in the lives of babies and feel much could be done to improve them with better ante and post-natal care; we are



concerned for the lives of those women faced with the alternatives of pregnancy and childrearing or the horror of self-induced or backstreet abortions; and we are concerned for the lives of children born with monstrous deformities because of attempted abortion.

Anti-abortion laws do not stop abortions. Women on the continent would not be dying today if they

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Pensioner Power

There are 65,000 pensioners in Brighton & Hove. Even before the latest cuts they were one of the most disadvantaged sections of the population.

In the past they have been easily exploited by a system that attacks its weakest sections first. But now a new militancy is stirring...

Locally, Brighton & Hove District Pensioners and Trade Unions Action Association is campaigning around demands to improve the position of pensioners. Brighton Voice received the following contribution from the Association:-

"The Brighton & Hove (TU) Pensioners Action Committee was sponsored by Brighton Trades Council in 1970 to press for better conditions for pensioners.

The then existing organisations had plodded along with what appeared to be a "Tea & Buns" approach toward Pensioners.

We have since our inception, lobbied and interviewed MPs and ministers and received various promises some of which have been partially implemented.

We have also lobbied at ALL TUC conferences, both at Brighton and Blackpool. We were well supported by affiliated pensioner organisations, the very valued assistance of Jack Jones (who recently joined our ranks as a pensioner) and those trade unions who realise a number of their members will one day be pensioners.

The Pensioners' Charter has been circulated to ALL Brighton Councillors and Trades Council delegates. This resulted in a little financial assistance from a few unions locally, but with a deafening silence from the majority of our sitting councillors.

Our Nationally Elected Committee has received some good financial assistance from several national unions, without which we would have difficulty in operating.



Pensioners march on the TUC '78

THE CHARTER

PENSION

- * A fixed proportion of average male gross earnings...
- * 50% single person
75% married couple
- * When implemented abolish Supplementary Pension

HOUSING

- * "We believe that wherever possible, pensioners should be able to live an independent life in their own homes..."
- * Maximum provision of sheltered accommodation.
- * Priority given to maintaining pensioners' housing.

DECISION-MAKING

- * Pensioners Action Groups to be involved in all decisions affecting them.
- * Resources should be available to finance these.

We have a meeting shortly between our E.C. and the present Minister of Pensions, from which we hope some assurances for the betterment of existing pensioners.

The "Charter" and "Declaration of Intent" have been sent to Southern TV, Brighton BBC and the local press, but I fear the going is a little too heavy for these presenters."

F. Scrase, chairperson.

On June 14 1979, the National Pensioners' Convention declared that

"every pensioner has the right to choice, dignity, independence and security as an integral and valued member of society."

Brighton & Hove Pensioners and Trade Unions Action Association is trying to put this into effect. If you want more information or to join write to:

Mr E. Scrase,
74 Nettleton Court,
Upper Hollingdean Road,
Brighton BN1 7GS.

HOME SERVICES

- * Essential to have:
Social Services - Home Helps,
Meals-on-Wheels etc.
Health Services - Health
Visitors, GPs, Hospitals,
Home Nursing etc.
Social Visiting - odd jobs +
Welfare Rights advocacy.

EDUCATION

- * Places made available in secondary + further education.

HEALTH

- * Immediate pressure should be put on local authorities to implement Chronically Sick + Disabled Persons Act.
- * "The closure of hospitals and reduction of staff MUST be stopped at once."

TRANSPORT

- * Ensure that public transport meets needs of elderly + infirm.

DEATH GRANT

- * Increased to cover the current cost of funeral expenses.

TAXES

- * Basic pensions should be disregarded.
- * Pensioners on a standard tax code.

IMMEDIATE PROVISIONS

- * TV - free licences for all pensioners.
- * Telephones - free installation + free rentals.
- * Heating - 75% reduction in fuel bills during Winter.
- * Transport - free concessionary passes.

[THIS IS ONLY A SUMMARY -
FULL DETAILS FROM
ASSOCIATION]

TAKING LIBERTIES

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A demonstration to prevent the implementation of an unannounced cut would also become illegal.

At present there is a no requirement to notify the police in advance of a demonstration - although organizers usually do so. The local council is mounting a direct attack on the civil liberties of East Sussex people. A delay of two days would make many demonstrations ineffective. It is a clear attempt to prevent people making legitimate protest when they choose.

The UK has signed both the Universal Declaration of Human Rights and the European Human Rights Convention. Both these international agreements provide for the right to freedom of assembly and association.

Brighton and East Sussex councillors are the first to attack the lack of human rights in the Soviet Union. When its a bit nearer home?

NEWSPAPERS

Already in Brighton street newspaper sellers have to be licenced. Organisations are limited in the number of licences they can have. By extending this to the whole county and possibly whole country, councillors are striking at free expression.

Such a bye-law would severely limit the right of individuals and organizations to present their ideas to the public. It's hard enough already with the central control of the existing media. In a conference town like Brighton this is particularly worrying. The proposed bye-law is completely unnecessary and over-restrictive.

Just an example of how it already works in Brighton. The police prevented the selling of a newspaper at the unemployment offices in Upper North Street. The reason they gave? The area was covered by the licence granted to the newspaper seller in Churchill Square!

These proposals have been presented in a secretive way. Outline proposals could have been published and public comment requested. But it has been left to the NCU to take up the cudgels on behalf of our limited freedom. This in itself shows the need for the right to communicate openly unfettered by restrictive bye-laws.

At the last Trades Council meeting Cllr. Dave Hill said the proposals marked a step in the "Chileanisation" of this country". It was essential to mount a broad-based campaign to resist these changes. As a result of public pressure Tyne & Wear and West Yorkshire C.C. dropped similar proposals.

We can challenge the councillors on the following occasions when the matter will be discussed:

- 5 Sept: Brighton Policy & Resources committee meeting
- 27 Sept: Brighton full council meeting
- 22 Oct: East Sussex County Policy & Resources ctte. meeting
- 23 Oct: Full county council meeting

Letters can also be sent to councillors and MP's



RURAL RETROS
GO
FOR THE
THROAT

CUT....FREE SCHOOL MILK, SUBSIDISED SCHOOL MEALS, FREE PUBLIC LIBRARIES, FREE NURSERY EDUCATION, FREE SCHOOL TRANSPORT.

These are just some of the 'economy measures' which the Association of County Councils is proposing to the government.

The Association also wants to reduce nutritional standards of school meals, or have the option of a continental school day (9am-2.30pm) without a lunchbreak. They want to charge what they like for adult and further education.

The ACC is also calling for the repeal of all laws covering: CONSUMER PROTECTION, MEDICINES, ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION, THE HEALTH AND SAFETY ACT AND THE EMPLOYMENT PROTECTION ACT.

In other words, they propose to destroy the Welfare State and the minor protective concessions which workers have gained after such a long, hard struggle. In Tory-controlled Brighton and East Sussex, such cuts are already being considered. Last month's massive cuts in social services and education are only the beginning.

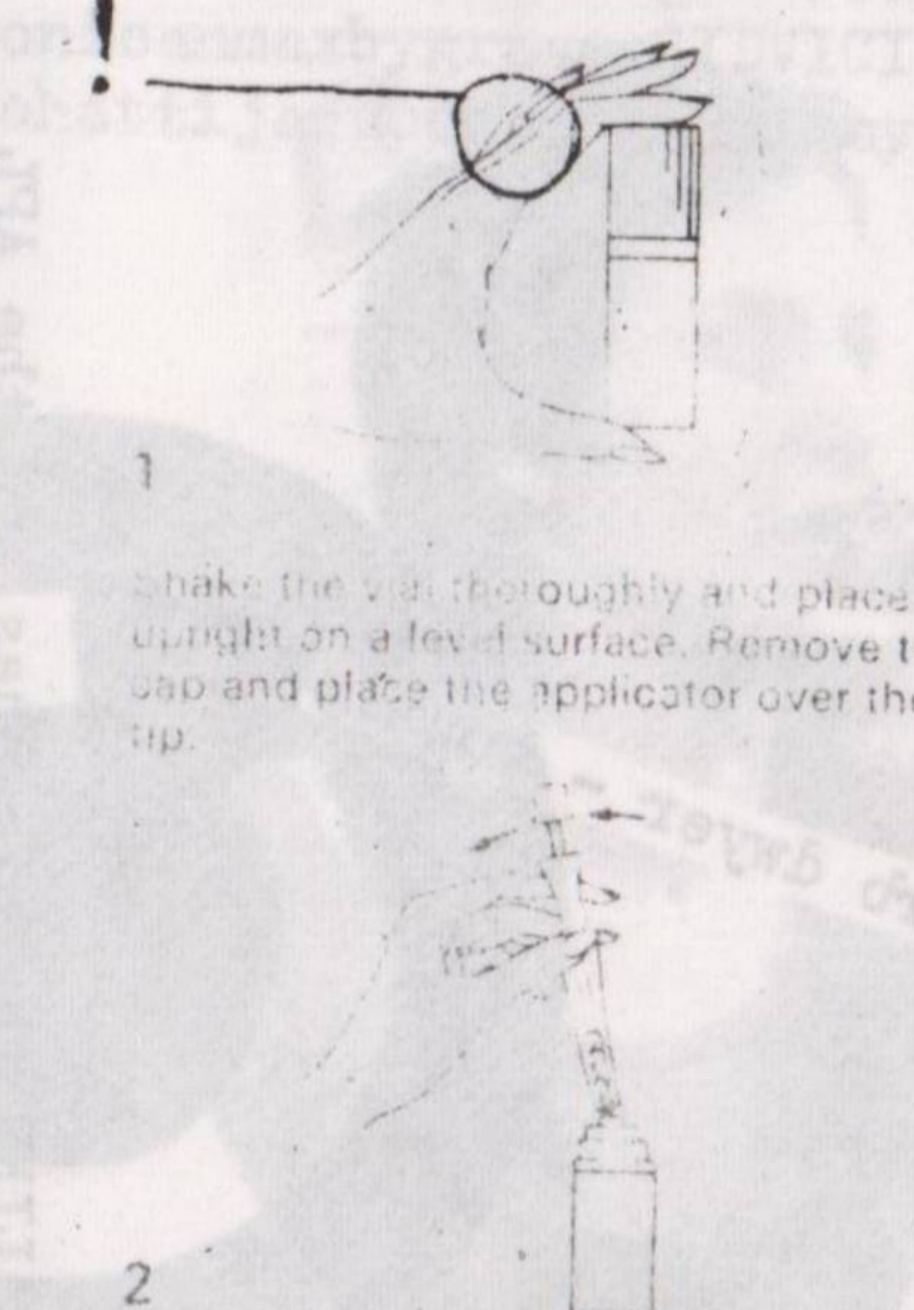
On that occasion, we were treated to the nauseating spectacle of wealthy, well-fed councillors telling us that the meagre pay increases for public sector workers caused the cuts. They blamed us for the cuts, as if they were just the unbiased instruments being forced to implement them.

Yet the proposals from the Association of County Councils (see Guardian, 10/7/79) are clearly motivated by its political colour. It is composed of Conservative Counties, including East Sussex. These mad axepeople have seen the election of a Tory government as an ideal opportunity to launch an onslaught on working people in the service of ruthless Capitalist interests. They have been deliberately encouraging Heseltine (Enviro. Sec.), who sent a circular to local authorities. Referring to the present round of cuts, he wrote that they "should be seen only as a prelude to further and continuing efforts to change the whole emphasis in the government's management of the national economy."

For those with an eye on 'emergency planning'... East Sussex County Council has reserved places for its members on two Home Defence College courses.

The makers of Delfen contraceptive foam include all the necessary apparatus to ensure you don't get pregnant. Or do they? According to the instruction diagrams there should be the foam container, an applicator, and a wedding ring. This most important piece of equipment must obviously be purchased separately.

Directions for use:



1. Shake the vial thoroughly and place upright on a level surface. Remove the cap and place the applicator over the tip.

2. Keeping the vial upright, tilt the applicator to one side. This releases the foam. Stop tilting the applicator just before it is full. The rest should fill automatically, without waste.

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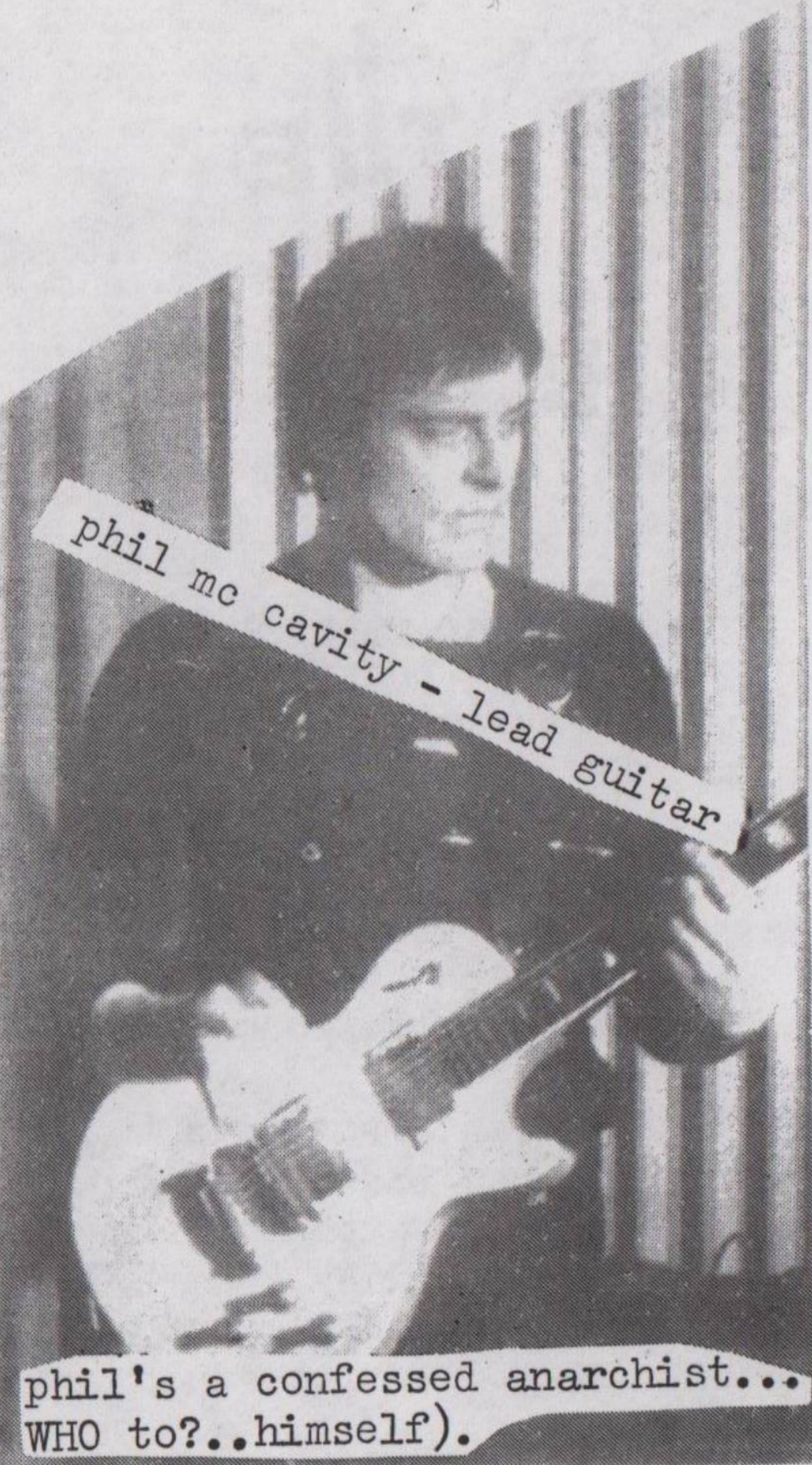
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Our uncontrollable urges to play together, finally led to our first gig - we launched ourselves at the end of January. Mick, Phil, Dave (& Tony, & Ken) used to play together in FLESH. When Flesh split up, Tim joined those who were left as drummer....we couldn't find anyone else.(We're still looking). Barb came along to jam, and that worked really well, and then....we had to borrow loads of money. **money...work...money...** Some of us have got jobs, but we're not saying who, or what they're doing except that black and white go from £3.95, and colour from £3.25.

We've managed to get our own P.A. and LILLETTEMOBILE, which are FOR HIRE by the way, to anyone who's in need. **SUCCESS?** BUT...we DON'T want to earn loads of money, have Rolls Royces etc.. we just want to play, and have people give us loads of money and their Rollses.



WE LIKE the piranhas and the APL



no game

The band all get on well together; you could say we get on like a house on fire, but...we just want to have a good time playing, and hope everyone else has a good time 'oo,,unfortunately, it's not that simple. It's really difficult to get gigs in Brighton, for various reasons. if anyone knows of any possible venues, or...we also like to play at parties, or anything...just get in touch....(STEVE:21713)..



Lillettes

our SONGS are about "life in the 70's making poignant comments onLIFE... we may piss about a lot and that on stage, (and off) but our music is serious, really - a band of manic depressives.but, don't write that, or no one'll want to come and see us.



thinking that the lillettes are one of the best bands in Brighton, I really wanted to be involved in writing something about them for the Voice. Before the gig at the Richmond on 10th July, I saw them at the bar, and went over to try and arrange some time to meet up for the **INTERVIEW!**

"WHY NOT NOW?"
Previous Voice headings, headlines and discussion topics racing through my brain, we sat down, and

What is the significance of the name LILLETES?
"We couldn't think of anything else."
What made you start to play together as a band?
"For a laugh - we're only here for the beer."
Well, what about SEXISM, then? Voice v. Executives?
"We're a multi-sexed band.... what's all this about with the Executives?"
What about POLITICS?
No - we're not political.

"I'm so unimpressed I think I need a rest!"
"I saturate yourself emancipate yourself buy yourself a car in good conditions must be seen to be observed so turn up the air conditioning!"
"you always knew that nothing lasts you were my hero of the past I must have met you somewhere before you were my hero but you're not anymore!"
"scared of living scared of dying dont know what to do but I'm scared of trying!"
"dont get much for what youre giving people tell me its the cost of living but I'm worried 'bout my self respect!"

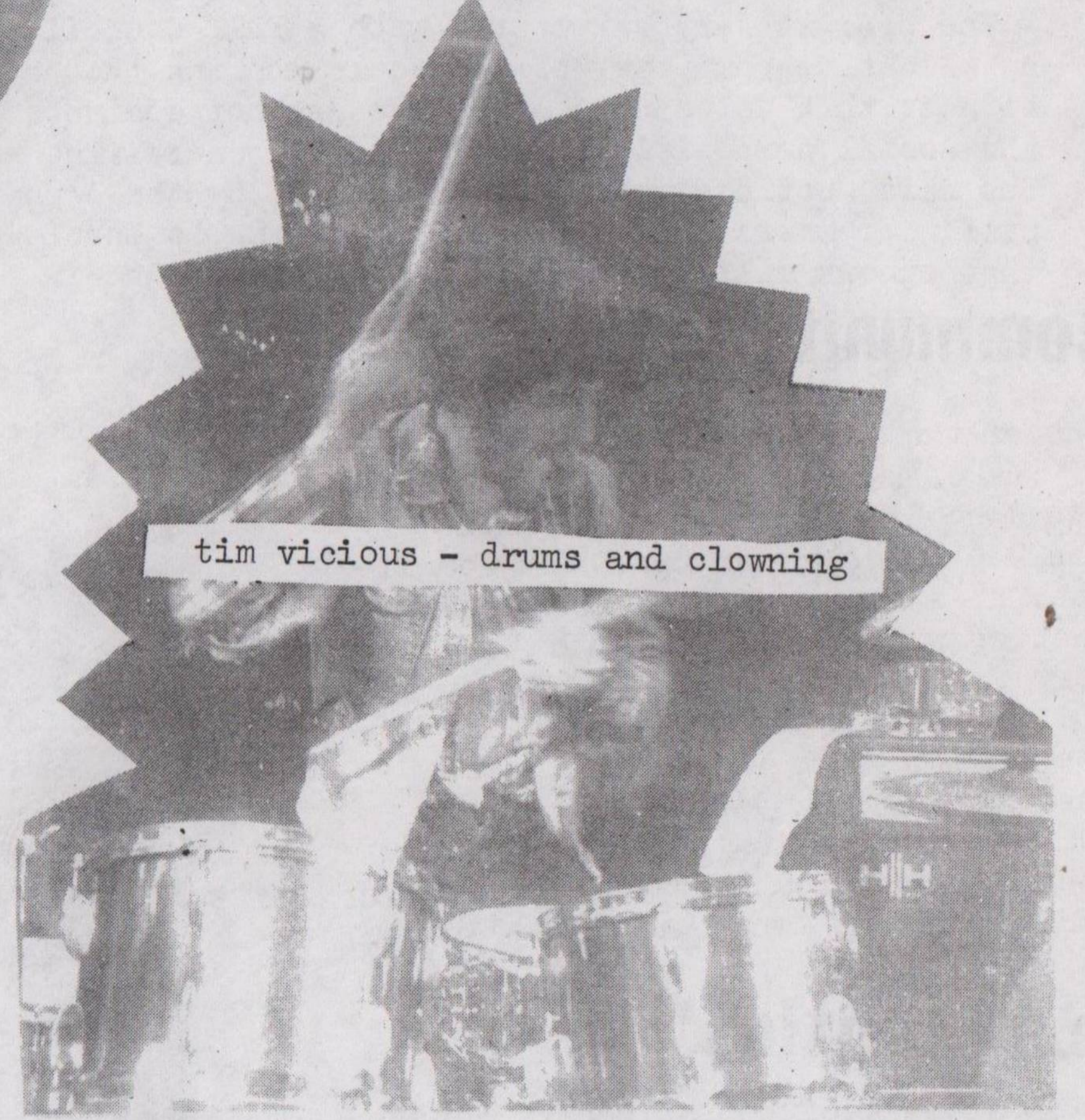
WHERE SO, WHO ARE THE LILLETES, REALLY? WHAT
FIND OUT AT Hanbury 9th Richmond 14th Buccaneer 30th
for whose benefit?
we'd consider doing BENEFITS for anyone or thing, though obviously not for any crazy bunch like the nf, or something. What about Rock against Seal Slaughter? something we'd be keen to be involved in.. yes, we would be prepared to do a benefit for the UNITED TROOPS OUT MOVEMENT - of course the troops should come out of IRELAND.

What the government (and means). we're against any government that TAXES bands... we want to see some sanity restored to government... BUT we must admit to having a soft spot for MARGARET THATCHER....a bog in Devon...

WOT FANZ

We have FANS everywhere, but they never come and see us.... Well, any fans we have end up joining the band.

One of the 2 lillettes fans just happened to be in the bar, too. "The Captain" is dedicated to Bob, who, like a star in the night sky, stands out against the other more boring dancers amongst the audience (eg me!). He describes himself and the music: "AS A ROCKER BORN IN 1947, THIS BAND CAN REALLY CUT IT - WHEN YOU SEE THEM PLAY, THERE'S A WHOLE LOT OF SHAKIN' GOIN' ON. AS ELVIS SAID IN '55, -"IT'S GOOD ROCKIN' TONITE"...the lillettes FOR ME ARE 70's NEW ROCKIN' ROLL." Bob/the Captain/Leon Griffenda - the most visual non-member member of the band.



LEADERS... LEADERS... LEADERS... LEA despite rumours to the contrary, tim is parttime leader and scape-goat. of course, we must say that Mao Tse Tung has been a great influence not to mention: COMEDANCING ON FRIDAYS, and valdoonicanmaxbygravesSIDVICIOUS johnleesehattijacquesgodandjimmycarteremu

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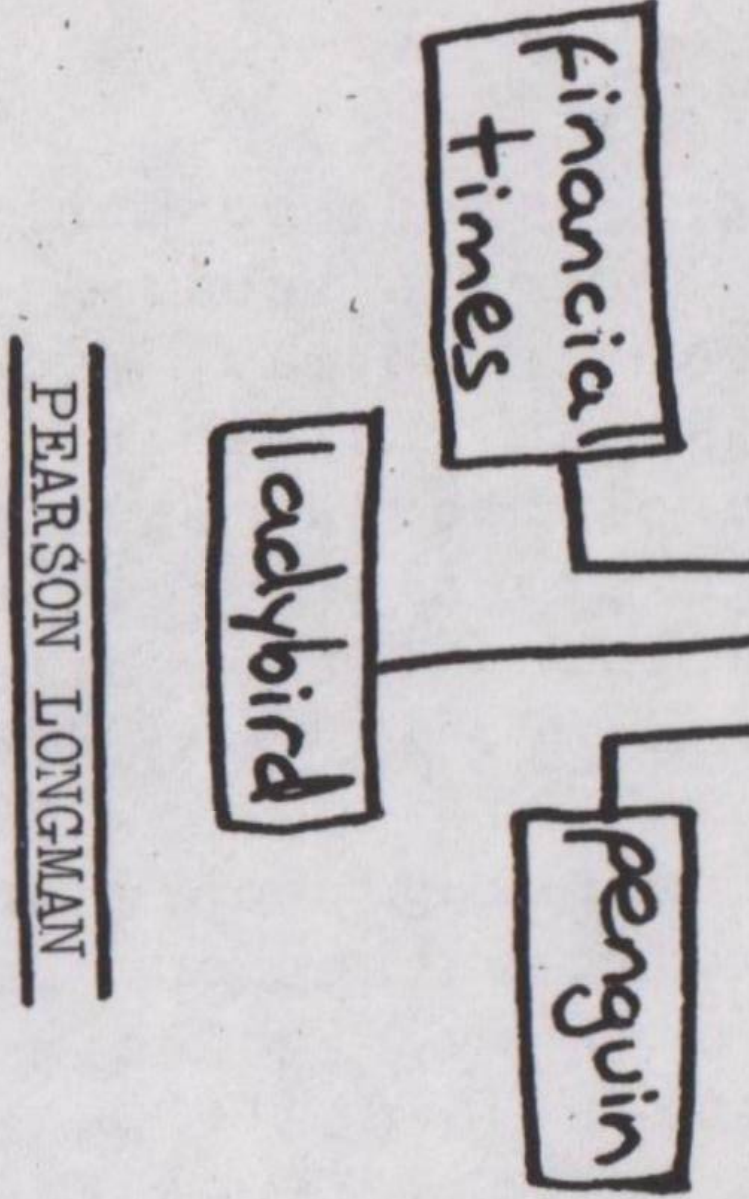
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Longman

objectives is "to maintain the highest standards of publishing" (!) The real reason for Westminster Press' interest is a lot less pious:



"Newspapers have an opportunity to limit production costs and broaden their services to readers by employing new methods which are rapidly developing. Westminster Press is making progress in this direction and sees bright prospects for its role in local life." ("The Pearson Group" p15)

The motto of the Pearson Group bore fruit: Last year with pre-tax profits of \$51,430,000. The Pearson empire is immense (see Voice 52 for details). Printing and publishing is its most lucrative area of operations. Pearson Longman's profits increased by 19%. It was "a record year".

effect on profits in January and February."

But not to worry. Measures can be taken to weaken resistance and increase profits -

"We must keep on trying to find sensible procedures for settling differences and gaining acceptance for methods designed to increase productivity. As the years pass the gap between outmoded British practices and those elsewhere becomes more pronounced. We shall continue to strive for the extension ... of modern techniques." (Chairman's Report p8)

If you work for Southern Publishing Company, Argus or the Gazette watch out for the next attack. If you have to read the local racist and sexist lie sheets, be prepared for even more centrally processed distortions.

Readers of Voice 54 will have a good idea of what these "new methods" are. They mean speed-ups and job destruction by new technology serving the interests of bosses, not workers.

"Industrial Troubles"

The only worry for Pearson Longman was that hiccup during the winter - and it wasn't caused by the £30,000 a year director gulping another boardroom whisky. No - it was something a bit more alarming - "Industrial troubles, both internal and external, had a severe

Evening Argus

YOU?

Whitehawk & Manor Farm C.A.

CONTINUING OUR SERIES OF ARTICLES ON LOCAL COMMUNITY ASSOCIATIONS, THE VOICE WENT TO INTERVIEW BOB CHAPMAN (SECRETARY) AND FRED NETLEY OF WHITEHAWK AND MANOR FARM C.A.

Approaching Whitehawk from the top of Manor Hill it is easy to appreciate what was going through the minds of Brightons Tories when the decision to build the estates was first made. On the fringe of the town, hidden in a valley, few access roads, no amenities originally provided except a few pubs. Out of sight, out of mind - OUT OF THE WAY! Since then Whitehawk and Manor Farm have collected a reputation for, in the eyes of Brightons bourgeoisie, it's 'toughness' and 'lawlessness'. Such an image is unwarranted and untrue. Whitehawk suffers from its past and its Tory planners, but the people are friendly, lively and determined to hold their community together. The existence of a very strong and active Community Association is evidence of this.

Formed about 10 years ago in order to press for more amenities on the estates, the C.A. met in various places - schools, church crypts, etc., - and by 1972 had over 100 members. Plans for the redevelopment of Whitehawk (well under way today) prompted the formation of a Residents Association to fight the wholesale destruction of peoples homes, but the C.A. itself was never particularly active around this issue.

The C.A. is very structured with a Full Council of over 40 people (including 28 affiliated groups) and an executive committee of 16 people running the day to day affairs. Unlike other C.A.'s, it was encouraging to note that Whitehawk's executive was not dominated by Middle Class professionals; hence the C.A. reflects the social composition of the area in general. The constitution allows open access to all meetings, although Bob said meetings were poorly attended by the 'general' membership. Be that as it may, the C.A. has 300+ paid up members and is constantly trying to enrol others. Two Newsletters have been produced and Fred hopes that others will follow on a regular basis.

Whitehawk & Redevelopment...



community focus

One of the most impressive features of the C.A. is the Community Centre, owned by East Sussex, although the C.A. has a 2/3 majority on the House Committee. Games rooms, a large dance hall, meeting rooms, bar facilities, T.V., - very few C.A.'s have access to such a building, which acts as a focus for the associations activities. The fact that East Sussex own the centre is a point of contention. The C.A. have, possibly, acquired land to build their own centre, but funds still need to be raised,

c.a. 'politics'

The existence of such a centre tends to confirm the image of Whitehawk & Manor Farm C.A. as primarily a 'social club'. When one considers the effect on Whitehawk of Brighton Council decisions, it seems strange that the C.A. is not more active as

a pressure group, protecting the interests of local people. Bob maintained that the C.A. should not be concerned with Party Politics, saying: 'We are more concerned with 'Joe' down the road than we are with Brighton Council...' Quite right Bob! But what happens when 'Joe's' home is knocked down by the Council, or rents are put up? These are not necessarily party political issues, but they are certainly political in the widest sense, and are something a C.A. might take into consideration. Fred agreed with this and he is particularly concerned to push for pressure groups on specific issues, such as the closure of Black Rock pool, which directly affects Whitehawk, and could and should be fought.

the future?

The overriding impression we got of the area was that it was a community undergoing large upheavals, but that the C.A., in general, had resign-

ed itself to this upheaval and was more concerned to 'hold' the community together, rather than fight for more positive change. The view of the C.A.'s future, given by Bob and Fred was quite revealing of the differing tendencies in the C.A. Bob was enthusiastic about the building of the new social and amenities centre, possibly with a swimming pool. Fred was more concerned to contact new people, to help the C.A. grow ... and importantly to make more effort and take more interest in local council decisions that directly affect Whitehawk ... to try and get people to realize that they can control their own lives and challenge the system that affects them.

If you want to help the C.A. contact the Centre on 686793.

To help fight the closure of Black Rock, contact Jack Wells, Flat 6, Sussex Square. (605505)



Community Centre Games Room.

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east sussex cuts contd.
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It is the Council's staff and the ratepayers who together actually make up "the community". And they were the people demonstrating outside the meeting. These two aspects of the community are complementary, not mutually exclusive. Better pay and conditions for Council workers means better services for the ratepayer. And ratepayers pay for public services to be maintained and improved, not cut. If the Council hasn't the money to provide for the people of East Sussex, then it has the responsibility of demanding more from central government.

Come off it, Chatfield, government cash limits and not wages are the cause of inadequate Council finance. What about attacking them, rather than the hardworking, poorly-paid Council staff?

But then anybody who can describe the closure of an old people's home as "normal, sensible and prudent" must be a bit confused anyway.

"community care"

Aware of the weakness of their first lie (sorry, line), the Tories then tried to pretend that they were carrying out an enlightened, liberal policy. Cumberledge (Chair of the Social Services Committee), said that the Council was "working within a policy to close homes". Old people should be able to choose to stay in their own homes, where they could be looked after by their friends and neighbours. All this would be supported by the domiciliary services.

Now it's true that it was a hot day and perhaps Cumberledge was suffering from the heat. What else could explain the mirage which had appeared before

Tory eyes of "the community" caring for those in need? A community, needless to say, made up of uncomplaining nuclear families, happy, exploited women and poor people graciously receiving the ministrations of the philanthropic rich. But this is a dream - or rather a nightmare - from the past for working people who fought against the Poor Law and private charity. As Denis Hobden pointed out, we don't want a return to the "charity cons of the 1930's".

Yet that is exactly what it will be like, because existing state domiciliary services can't meet the demand already put upon them. They have been under-financed for years and now they face more cuts. Haven't the Tories ever talked to Health Visitors, Home Helps and Social Workers? Because of the shortage of places in residential homes only people who cannot survive in the community are admitted now. Many of them are in need of geriatric nursing.

Councillors talk of people staying in their own homes. Not only are many of them incapable of looking after themselves; often their 'homes' aren't fit to be lived in. Doubtless the Tories have never bothered to look at some of the conditions in which people are forced to live. Cumberledge made a lot of play on the word 'choice'. We'd like to ask the councillors about the children and old people in council homes who over the last few weeks have demonstrated that they want to stay. What about their right to choose?

We disrupted the Council meeting to show our contempt for its decision to implement further cuts. We hope this is a minor foretaste of future action. It will not then be just a question of disruption; but complete non-cooperation with these ruthless policies.

meanwhile, outside...

THE DEMO

Inside County Hall the rulers of East Sussex pontificated well into the afternoon. Outside, the views of the county's ordinary working people were expressed by a range of speakers. They seemed more concerned with our welfare than the elected "representatives" within.

WOMEN

Ann Jones, of Brighton and Hove Trades Council, pointed out that working women were hit twice over by the cuts. They were the first to be made redundant and they were expected to fill the gaps in state provisions by caring for the young and old. Brendan Nee (NUPE) argued that the Council was deliberately hitting at women and children first.

DOMICILIARY DEATH

Sylvia Green, of NALGO, said that the domiciliary services were already overstretched. The 'knock-on' effect of cuts meant that hospitals would have nowhere to discharge their patients. Peter Blackman, of Hastings Trades Council, wondered how many votes a party would get which campaigned on a policy of closing old people's homes.

Brendan Nee showed us the reality of the situation. An Eastbourne health visitor had told him of a 90 year old man black from bruising as a result of falls. His family can't look after him and the run-down of places in homes means that Social Services won't admit him.

THE CAMPAIGN

Trade union solidarity against the cuts is already growing. Demonstrators were brought from Brighton by buses provided by the T & GWU. Several speakers called for an effective, national TUC campaign. They insisted that the struggle must be generalised and organised, for "this is only the beginning".

Ron Parsons from NALGO told us that it was important to link up with community groups, so that there is a broad-based movement to resist this Tory attrition of the Welfare State.

The meeting closed with an agreement that the Tories were "virtually inhuman" (some of us would omit the first word) and the decision that we must have a united movement to fight back.



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Problemas con la lengua? Dil le problem.

Problema con la lingua? Problèmes de langue?

Problemi sa jezikom?

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Problems with language?

ΠΡΟΒΛΗΜΑ ΣΑ ΓΕΖΗΚΟΜ

Πρόβλημα με την γλώσσα

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IF YOU HAVE ANY INFORMATION ABOUT WHAT GOES ON INSIDE BRIGHTON'S LANGUAGE SCHOOLS PLEASE LET US KNOW AS WE ARE PREPARING AN ARTICLE.

CUTS CONTINUED FROM PAGE 4
Labour dreams-Tory reality

Labour hid behind the IMF to cut public services. They felt bad about it. They were chasing their impossible dream: to maintain a stable, fairly humane capitalism.

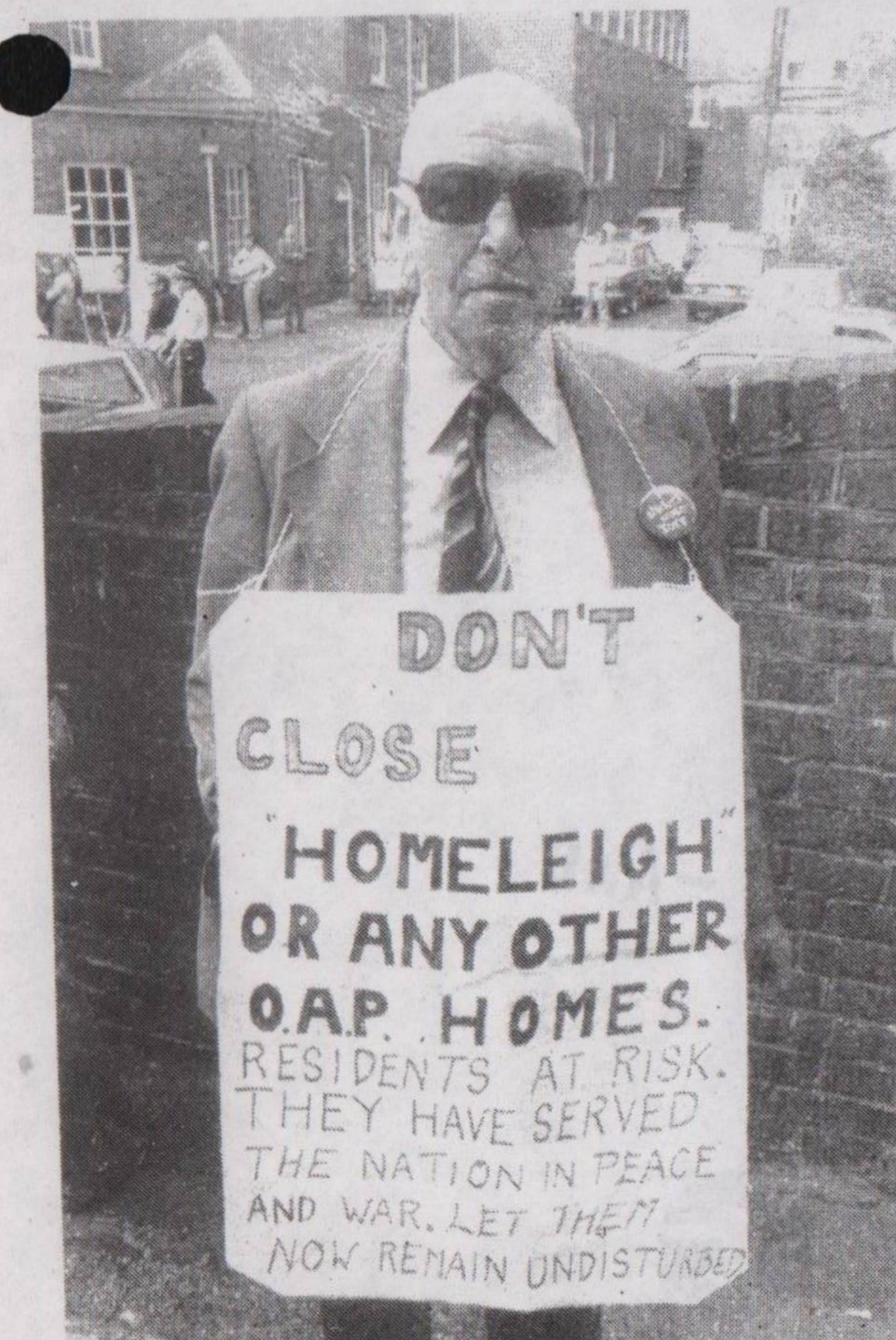
The Tories want the reality of capitalism, which is the opposite of humane. For them, butchering the welfare state is just one part of their plan to "change the whole direction of Britain". It's not that they want people to suffer, misery and human needs are not

considered at all in their "economic reality". It is the cold inhumanity of many local Tories which is so revolting.

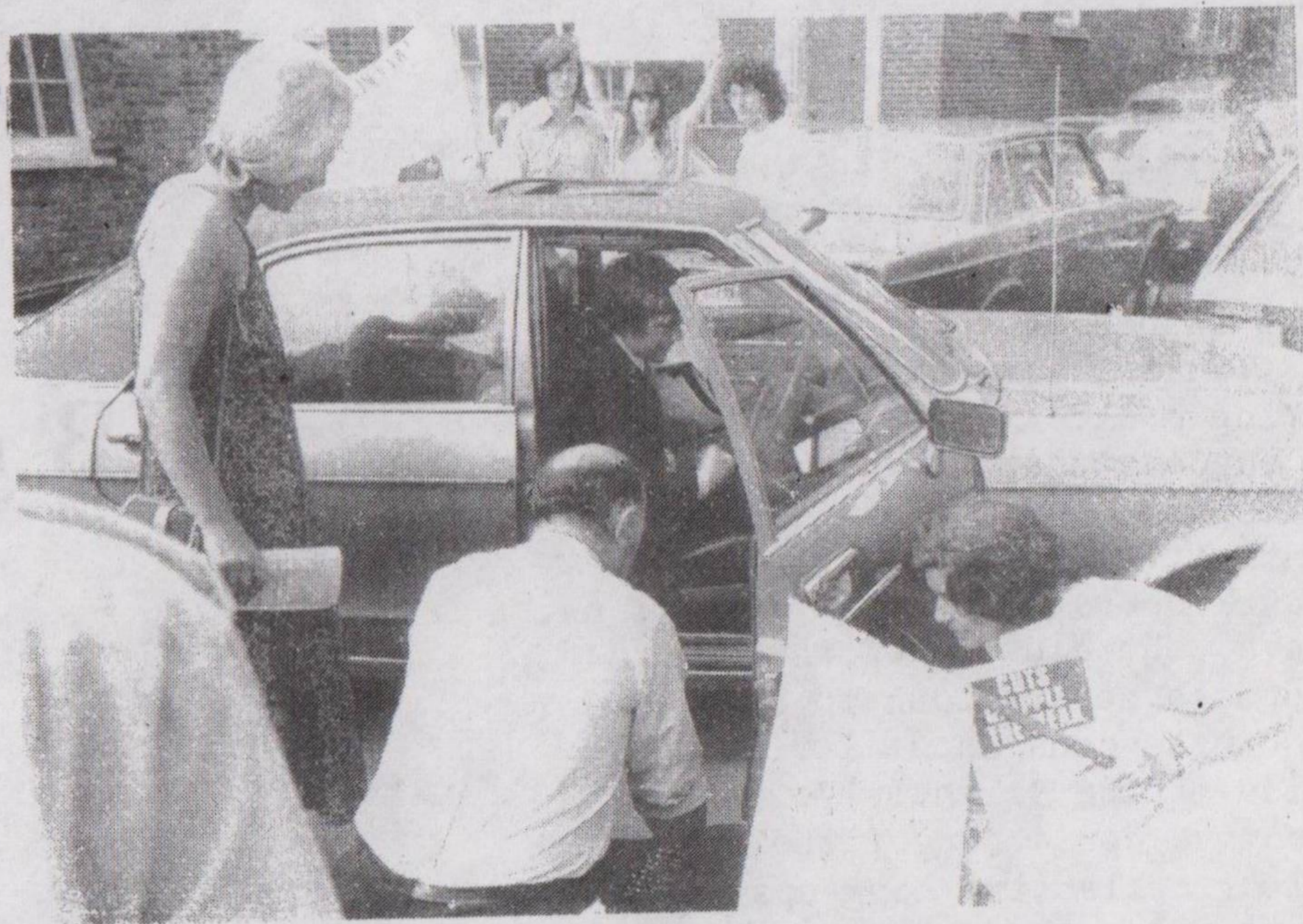
We will not keep quiet while the Welfare State is dismembered in the interests of private wealth and corporate profits. The Tories don't expect us to. They are spending more on the police and army, used more and more to break industrial action. (See 'anti-social spending'). They will try to introduce "reforms" to prevent effective Trade Union activity.

If the Tories succeed... Wages are cut, workers made redundant and services destroyed as private enterprise prepares to swoop on the decaying public services. Schools, hospitals, and homes for old people and children close, with women forced to bear the brunt in the family.

We are just starting to organize to prevent it. Isn't there a song about the harsh "Winter of 79"?



Reactions to the cuts.



NOT CONTENT WITH RUNNING OVER ONE PROTESTOR'S FOOT, CLLR. THEOBALD LEAVES ANOTHER TO PICK UP THE CUTS BULLETIN HE'S JUST THROWN AWAY



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Dear Sir/Madam (!),

So the Post Office needs postmen...;so the Post Office needs more people...;so the Post Office can't get their job done with the present conditions and lack of staff.

I have just taken a postman's test and interview. I was told I had passed the test and they would let me know in a few days time whether or not I had been accepted.

I have enclosed the reply they sent me a few days later and you can see the result.

So the Post Office is crying out for more staff!

Thanking You,

Roger N. Keevil
64a Montpelier Rd
Brighton.

VOICE: This doesn't seem to be an exceptional incident. We look forward to a reply from the Post Office...

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Dear Mr. Keevil
I am writing about your application for employment as Postman and the test/interview you attended on 24.5.79.

I am sorry to tell you that we are unable to offer you the appointment you seek. I should, however, like to thank you for the interest you have shown in our vacancy.

Yours sincerely,

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a well-wisher

Dear Brighton Voice,

As a regular reader (and purchaser) of The Voice, may I say (a) how much I appreciate the good solid stuff you sometimes come out with, and (b) how much I regret the garbage with which you often fill it up. We all recognise the good stuff - like your reports on the effects of expenditure cuts on old people, or the excellent front page of your July issue.

But can't you do something about the crap? Like tired stuff about troops out of Ireland. Or unreadable messes of half-baked cliches, like the contribution of Brighton ILP. (I wonder how many of your readers actually reached the end of their piece?) Or acres of argument about whether somebody I've never heard of is or isn't sexist. Or your back page "What's On", which appears to assume that 'the people' (whoever they are) are interested only in rock or folk music - and that those in Brighton who may be interested in classical music, or theatre, or football, or cricket, or swimming, or boating, or fishing, or reading books, or just sitting chatting in pubs - don't really belong to the people. Sometimes I get the feeling of a small group talking to each other in a smoke-filled room with the windows closed and the blinds drawn.

After all, there are lots of real, urgent issues you could be talking about. What about the Black Rock swimming pool? Am I being paranoid if I suspect that the closure of the pool is not unconnected with the potential value of the site to, say, car park operators? If, as many of us believe, the closure of the pool could be a severe loss to Brighton, what can be done about it? It would be nice if the Brighton Voice Collective could forget their individual or collective hang-ups, and get out where the action is.

With friendly greetings,

Percy Selwyn,
Royal Crescent Lodge,
Royal Crescent Mews,
Brighton.

Abortion Rights

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were not prepared to sit back and let the medical profession, the church, or the state deny them the right to be willing mothers and bear wanted children. Anti-abortion laws are totally punitive and anti-women, denying us control decision-making and independence in our lives.

The Corrie bill is entirely consistent with a political climate which is against women's interests: along with this bill comes a law on illegitimacy which gives fathers rights over illegitimate children; in areas of employment where women's jobs will go first; attempts to raise the school entrance age and introduce a shorter school day keeping women securely at home; and massive cuts in health and social services so that women increasingly bear more responsibility for caring for the the ill, the aged, and the mentally handicapped.

Despite Labour Party policy in support of NAC, a free vote on the issue revealed at the Corrie bill's second reading how little the Labour MP's can be relied on. Massive opposition outside Parliament is what could defeat this bill - we must build this opposition consistently in Brighton.

Brighton NAC is calling for a broad based Campaign against Corrie involving all those who will fight this particularly vicious attack...

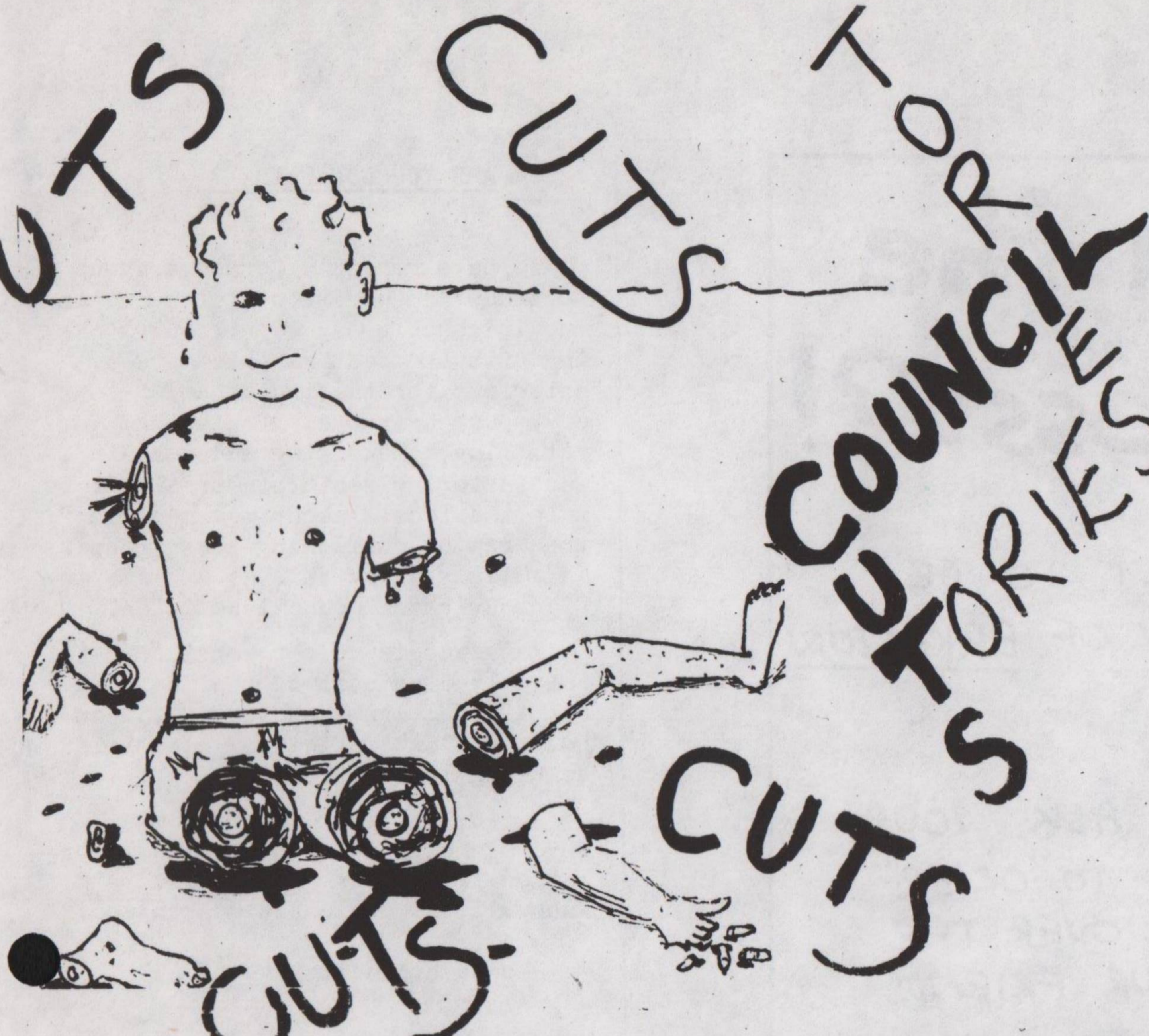
control service to food premises. "Saving" to the council: £13,000. Cost to us: food poisoning.

Noise control, preventative health care, and a scheme to set up a refuse disposal unit employing two people are some of the other areas to be cut. So is the job of a NALGO branch secretary, although this had already been agreed. Apparently the notion of "committed expenditure", so far saved from cutting, applies only to contracts with private business.

The council has chosen to sacrifice our welfare before anything else. Housing and environmental health are the areas worst hit, losing over half of their uncommitted budget provision. Out of £140,000, housing retains only £400! By contrast, Tourism loses only £17,000. The committee gave the go-ahead to spend £30,000 on Regency Silver Gilt for the Pavilion (there aren't the facilities to display the treasures it already has) at the same time as cancelling plans to build access ramps for disabled people. That would have cost only £5,200.

The council's jewel, the Brighton Centre, whose massive annual loss is one area of public spending not to be cut, has been used to host a conference for disabled people. The council recently ran an exhibition on the problems of the disabled (see Voice 47). Yet now piety gives way to "economic reality".

Next year could be worse still, with central government planning massive cuts and the local Tories falling over themselves to implement them even before they're asked. The Brighton Council cuts so far amount to about 2%. Already, lists for an additional 5% cut next year are being drawn up for approval by Council on September 26th.



A further step in the destruction of the public services controlled by Brighton Council was taken on July 25 when the Policy and Resources Committee approved the first list of proposed cuts. £450,000 is to be cut from this year's budget, £170,000 of it from revenue expenditure.

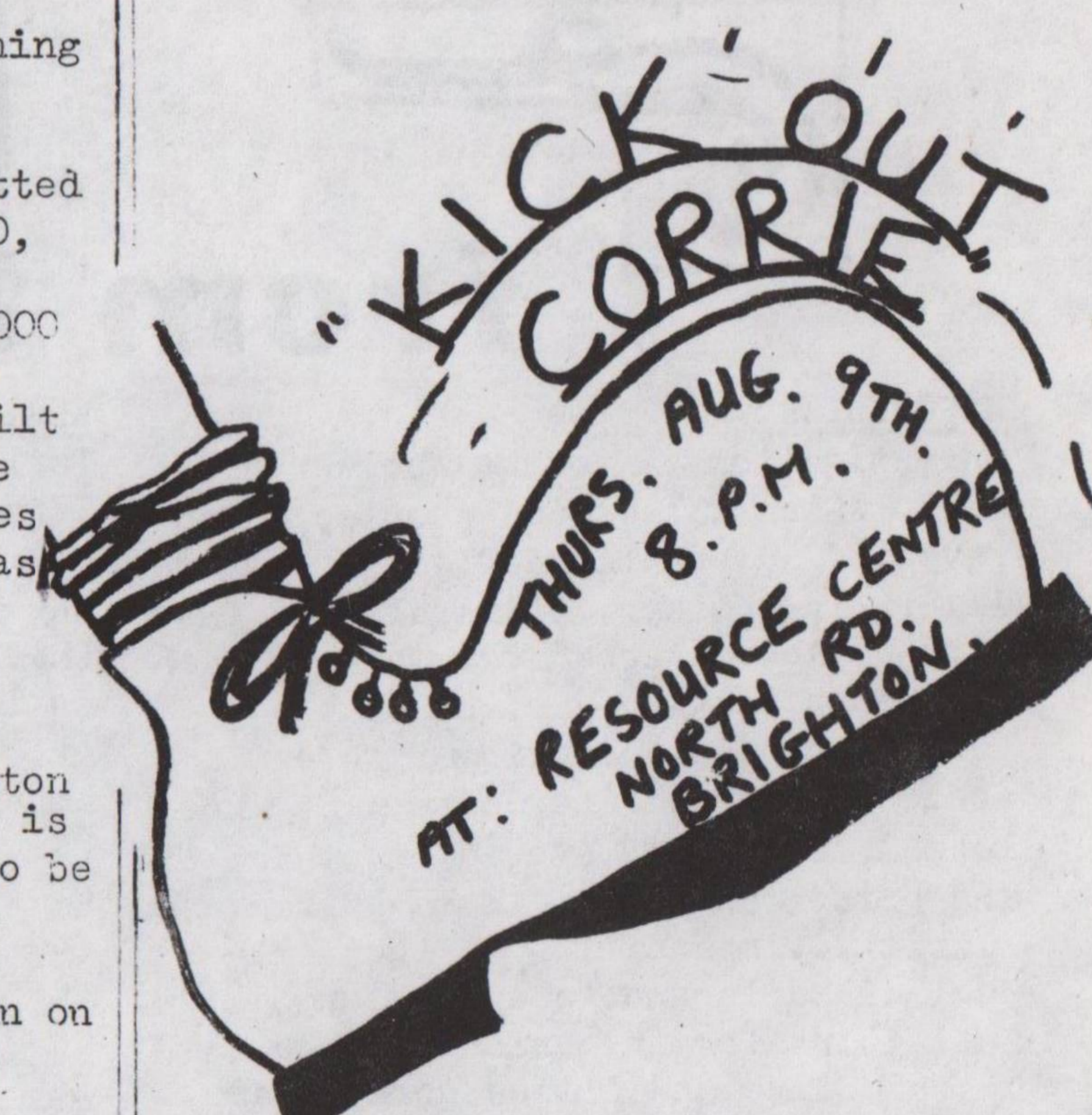
The Conservatives are excelling themselves in their zeal to cut. The Borough Treasurer's report points out that the most that needs to be cut to make up for the Central Government's reduction in the Rate Support Grant is £100,000. Even if no more cuts were made this year (which is unlikely), that would leave a surplus of £70,000.

The councillors realize that they are striking at our most basic services: the cuts will be "at the expense of the level of service." For there is "no great area of waste and inefficiency which can painlessly provide the necessary reduction in expenditure". All the easy options have been exhausted over the last few years of cutbacks.

What do the cuts mean for our everyday life? For the people of Hanover it means that improvements in their community will no longer go ahead. Despite Hanover being a General Improvement Area, the committee proposes withholding a promised £108,000 grant.

£10,000 set aside for minor improvements to council properties has also been cut. And five jobs for people to inspect conditions in multiply occupied rented housing will probably be axed. That will please Brighton's private landlords.

If you eat food, the cuts will affect you. The job of a technical assistant who was to be employed to improve food hygiene standards has been cut. So has that of a person employed to extend the council's pest



...please come to this first meeting to plan activities and protest to ensure that we safeguard the 1967 Abortion Act.

The National Abortion Campaign exists to defend the 1967 act and to fight for Free Abortion on Demand. A Woman's Right to Choose! Please contact us at the Resource Centre, North Road, or phone Brighton 698771.

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At the moment the Brighton Voice is still homeless. The situation is changing and we will be moving this month to a new home where we will be holding our open Sunday meetings again. We are not meeting at the Public House Bookshop - it's just a mailing address. More news next month.

News from the free press

MANCHESTER.

Investigations into the Woolworth's fire, which killed ten people, have revealed a long list of dangerous and illegal practices. It is alleged that fire officers warned the manager when an inspection was due, so that furniture, etc. blocking fire exits could be moved. Fire doors were kept locked, stock was stored on stairs and paint was kept next to white spirit....in addition to the well-publicised lack of a sprinkler system. Solicitors for the Union of Shop, Distributive and Allied Workers are now considering taking action against the company. (City Enquirer)

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EEC.

Tories who have smuggled up to the German Christian Democrats at Strasbourg will be interested to hear of the background of Hans Jahr, one of their leading members. Mr. Jahr has an illustrious nazi past and is author of a book entitled "Judeo-Bolshevik Imperialism", in which he states (among other things) that "thousands of years from now Mar, and above all, Youth, will speak one name with reverence and awe: Adolf Hitler." (P.N.S.)

SOUTH AFRICA.

One-third of the country's mental health budget goes to a private firm, Smith, Mitchell & Co. They receive £35.50 "caring" for each white and £6.50 per year for each black. Patients in their institutions are forced out to work for Metal Box, Standard Telephones, etc. and are paid between £1 and £5 per month, giving each "hospital" a profit of up to £10,000 a year. The "hosp-

itals" are mostly converted mining compounds, guarded by uniformed thugs with rubber truncheons. ECT is administered without general anaesthetic and there are up to 250 patients per ward. The Chairperson of the company, a Ms. Zabatzevich, states: "We are here to make a profit". (Big Flame)

LONDON: The Chile Committee for human rights is campaigning against Lloyds Bank, which supports the military junta. Since 1977, they have loaned the junta well over £1,000,000. At a recent protest the manager of the City of London branch was handed a leaflet, and gave this response: "I am most grateful for the illiterate pamphlet handed to me yesterday. I was previously unaware of the extent of this bank's involvement in Chile and was delighted to have this information. As a committed Christian, I wholeheartedly approve of this support for the present anti-Marxist government!" (Socialist Worker)



The Anti-Low Pay Study Group

Please contact: Lewes 77499
or
Bton 694697

ARE YOU LOW PAID ?

We have recently formed a group to study the question of low pay in the Brighton area. We will be looking at those sectors which are notorious for the incidence of low pay, such as: hotel & catering, retailing, homeworking and certain manufacturing sectors. Our aim is to help the local labour movement in the area by publishing these results as well as using this as a basis to fight Brighton council policies.

Many people do not consider themselves as part of the low paid - but if you earn less than £1.30 an hour, you are officially classified as being low paid.

We would like to hear from anyone who is able to provide information from their workplaces. Anonymity is obviously guaranteed.

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Tories who have smuggled up to the German Christian Democrats at Strasbourg will be interested to hear of the background of Hans Jahr, one of their leading members. Mr. Jahr has an illustrious nazi past and is author of a book entitled "Judeo-Bolshevik Imperialism", in which he states (among other things) that "thousands of years from now Mar, and above all, Youth, will speak one name with reverence and awe: Adolf Hitler." (P.N.S.)

SOUTH AFRICA.
One-third of the country's mental health budget goes to a private firm, Smith, Mitchell & Co. They receive £35.50 "caring" for each white and £6.50 per year for each black. Patients in their institutions are forced out to work for Metal Box, Standard Telephones, etc. and are paid between £1 and £5 per month, giving each "hospital" a profit of up to £10,000 a year. The "hosp-

itals" are mostly converted mining compounds, guarded by uniformed thugs with rubber truncheons. ECT is administered without general anaesthetic and there are up to 250 patients per ward. The Chairperson of the company, a Ms. Zabatzevich, states: "We are here to make a profit". (Big Flame)

LONDON: The Chile Committee for human rights is campaigning against Lloyds Bank, which supports the military junta. Since 1977, they have loaned the junta well over £1,000,000. At a recent protest the manager of the City of London branch was handed a leaflet, and gave this response: "I am most grateful for the illiterate pamphlet handed to me yesterday. I was previously unaware of the extent of this bank's involvement in Chile and was delighted to have this information. As a committed Christian, I wholeheartedly approve of this support for the present anti-Marxist government!" (Socialist Worker)

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TRADES COUNCIL BULLETIN



NO CUTS...

This was the message from NALGO members to East Sussex councillors after their Special Meeting on July 25. 400 members turned up to discuss the cuts and their pay offer.

For the last 3 years NALGO has gone along with the public expenditure cuts that have been imposed. The union is no longer willing to co-operate with the Council's vicious attack on the public and workers in public services. At the moment further cuts of 2 1/2%, 5% and even 7% are being considered.

Speakers from the floor and members of the executive were unanimous in their condemnation of the Council's inhuman attacks on the people of East Sussex. All areas of public service were coming under the axe: education, road safety, libraries, public protection, social services, public buildings, recreation.

NALGO are no longer willing to do the councillors' dirty work for them. The meeting adopted a policy of non-cooperation with the implementation of any cuts. This means:-

- * any closures will be opposed
- * sanctions will be taken against councillors eg. nonpayment of expenses or the £10 fee they collect for visiting residential establishments
- * strike action over closures of "critical establishments" for whole and half days
- * instructing all members not to co-operate with the implementation of cuts
- * co-ordination with all other public service unions

Now NALGO has to ballot all its members employed by E.S.C.C. on these measures. If there is a majority several things will be done immediately. It will be reaffirmed that members will not cover for posts axed, or take on extra or different work. Local anti-cuts committees (co-ordinated at county level) will be set up to decide what specific action can be taken.

The meeting also voted to recommend acceptance of the 9.4% pay offer.

The day after the cuts demo, the Trades Council voted to set up a 'Trades Union Committee Against Cuts'. It aims to be "broad-based" and to promote a "co-ordinated campaign against cuts".

There will be meetings on the second Wednesday of each month. Affiliation is open to all unions, other sections of the Labour Movement and other bodies the committee agrees to.

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East Sussex's Tory councillors didn't have it all their own way when they met last month to attack public services. They were confronted by an angry demonstration that had been organised by Brighton & Hove Trades Council and NALGO.

Among the 300 protestors were banners from Brighton Trades Council, NALGO, NUPE, NUT, NUR, Community Youth Service Association, Communist Party and Brighton Voice. There were people from Hastings, Eastbourne, Lindfield, Lewes, Hove and Brighton. Some demonstrators came from Brighton on a bus provided by the T&GWU.

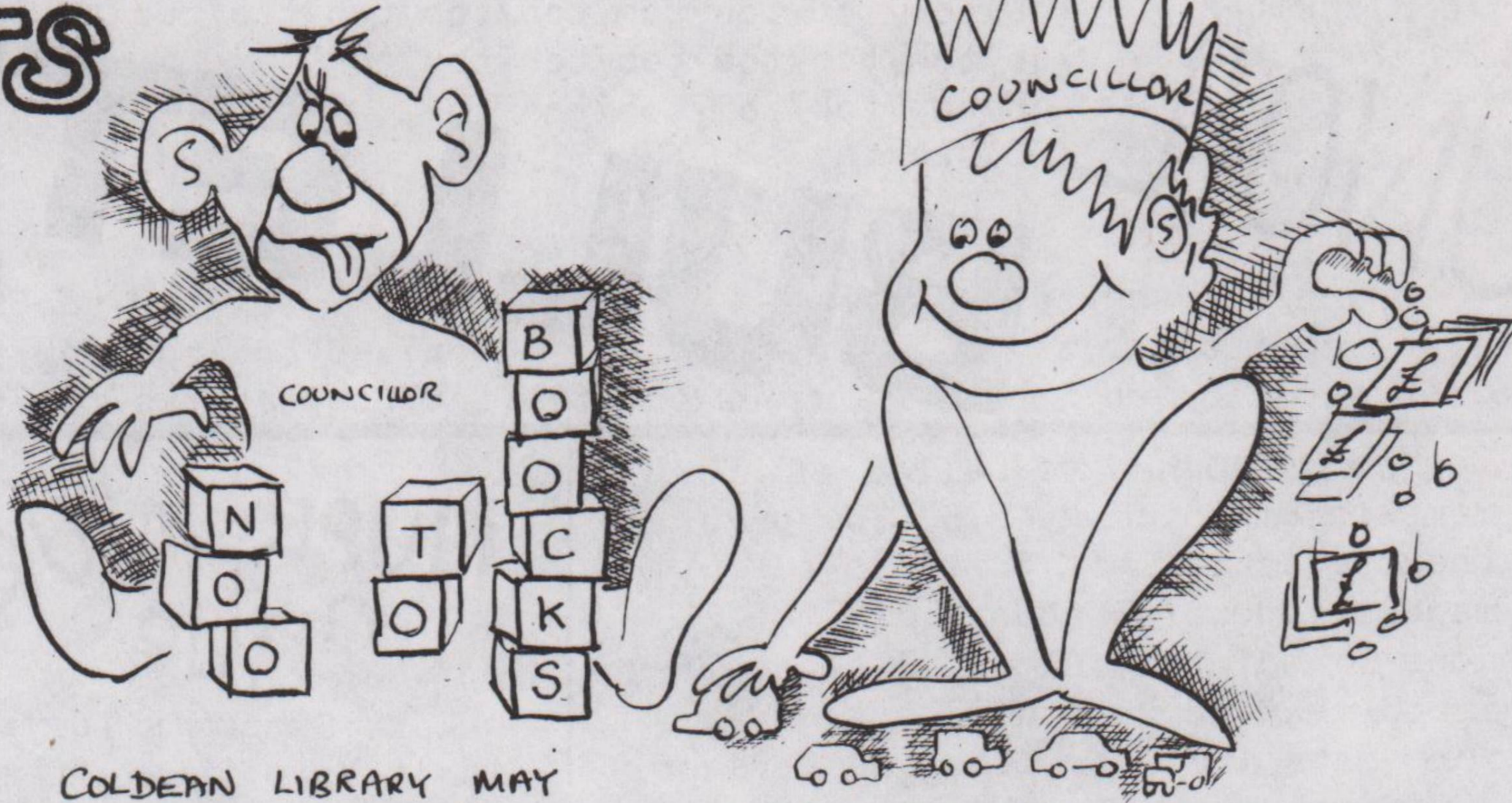
After a sumptuous dinner, the council voted to close old people's and children's homes. For several demonstrators the Tories' poker-faced savagery was too much. They challenged the councillors' hypocritical bleatings - loudly! Gladwin (council chairman) had several Eastbourne and Brighton trades unionists expelled from the meeting.

Earlier, a mass meeting outside pledged itself to a united broad-based campaign in the realisation that this was "only the beginning". (Full story of demo and meetings in this month's Brighton Voice.)



ANN JONES (BRIGHTON TC) ADDRESSES MASS MEETING

CUTS Coldean



COLDEAN LIBRARY MAY BE AXED BY EAST-SUSSEX COUNCIL TO SAVE MONEY

WHILE BRIGHTON COUNCIL PLAN TO WASTE MONEY ON A CAR PARK UNDER THE LEVEL.

Among all the cruel and heartless cuts now being made by East Sussex County Council is one item on the Libraries list which will directly affect the lives of all people living in Coldean.

This green and pleasant hollow at the north of Brighton was built up straight after the war as a council housing overspill estate for Brighton. Initially it was just small family houses and a primary school, with plenty of room for infilling when needed. In recent years Brighton and then East Sussex County Council began using the estate for Social Services' convenience. Old people's homes and flats were built as well as family size children's homes. Of the approximate population of 3,400 there are well over 300 pensioners.

The estate is extremely isolated with hills, farmland and a main trunk road cutting it off from Moulscroomb, Hollingbury etc. The only bus link with central Brighton is the No. 13 which at present costs 26p each way! The only other bus is the No. 3 which serves Sussex University and appears to go to Whitehawk and Hangleton. Certainly not much help to Coldean residents!

For many years (18 I believe) the people of Coldean have fought for a branch library. Just 4 years ago, Cr Danny Sheldon as Mayor of Brighton opened our gleaming new purpose-built library. This same Councillor is now on the Libraries Committee which has just decided to close this branch with the object of saving £10,000. In the four years we have enjoyed this sole community amenity I can truthfully say it has altered so many lives for the better. The staff are helpful and pleasant, the book stock is good quality and interesting and the building is attractive and conducive for browsing. The work tables are used by many children for homework and extra studies after school. The First and Middle schools, as well as a thriving playgroup make use of the library for numerous children.

At one cruel, illogical blow East Sussex County Council plan to destroy this delightful little facility without any consideration for the ratepayers of Coldean. Old people and children are quite unable to walk through the Wild Park to reach Moulscroomb Library. If they were to use the bus, they would have to cross the Lewes Road via the too speedy Pelican crossing.

We all know that once this branch is closed, the building will be sold off at a profit and we, the people who live in Coldean, will never have another library. All that we ask is that new books ordered throughout the county be cut by the required £10,000 so that all library users are hit equally, instead of 3,400 people taking a 100% cut in library services.

Pat Hawkes, Brighton N.U.T. delegate to Brighton Trades Council, Coldean resident.

*** PS Thanks to a well-organised and prompt local campaign against the proposal, the Council has agreed to re-privilege the library for a year. But they threaten to close it after that unless there is a substantial increase in its use. ***

SHOP STEWARDS training...

The TUC has organised the following Day Release classes for shop stewards and safety reps for the Autumn in Brighton.

BASIC SHOP STEWARDS COURSES

General

10 Wednesdays from Oct 3 (WEA)
10 Mondays from Oct 8 (University)

Sector courses

*Clothing industry:
10 Tuesdays from Oct 9 (University)
*Civil Service:
10 Wednesdays from Oct 10 (Univ.)

HEALTH & SAFETY COURSES

General Industrial

10 Fridays from Oct 5 (WEA)
10 Thursdays from Oct 11 (Univ.)

Sector courses

*NHS
10 Fridays from Oct 12 (University)
*Railways
10 Mondays from Oct 8 (WEA)

Shop stewards and safety reps are, of course, entitled to paid leave from their employers to attend these training courses under the Employment Protection Act and the Health & Safety at Work Act. They should contact their full time officials or Branch secretaries for application forms for the courses.

At its monthly meeting, Trades Council declared its total opposition to the restrictions on demonstrations and paper selling proposed by Brighton Council. These could result in a £200 fine if you don't notify the police at least 2 days in advance of a demo, or sell newspapers on the street without a licence. (Full story in Brighton Voice)

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