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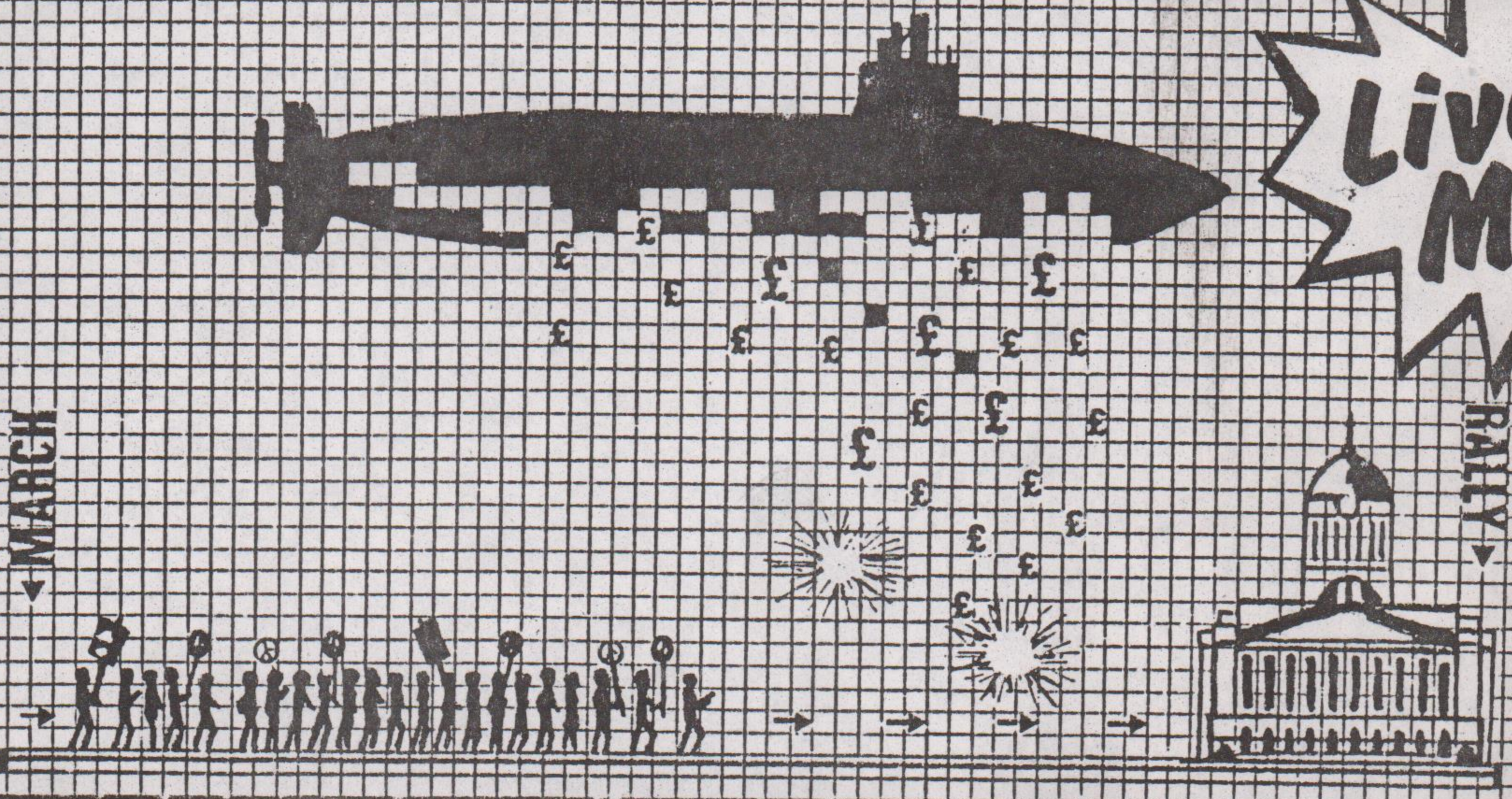
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«EVENTS»

June — October '85

— plan ahead

JUNE.

- 6th. Co-Ordinating Mtg. NCND 7.30pm.
- 9th. Monthly Mtg + Social. FMH. 7.30pm.
Defend Molesworth Mtg. NCND 7.30pm.
- 10th. A9DC Demo. 12.30pm. Old Market Sq.
- 14th. Bulletin Deadline.
- 15th. Radioactivity Workshop. YMCA Shakespeare Street, 10.30 - 4.00pm.
- 16th. Defend Molesworth Mtg. 7.30pm. NCND.
Bulletin Editorial. 7.30pm. NCND.
- 22nd. Trident Rally. Forest - Old Mkt. Sq.
- 23rd. Defend Molesworth Mtg. 7.30pm. NCND.
- 26th. Molesworth Contractors Day of Action.
- 29th. TUCND Dayschool.
- 30th. Welfare not Warfare picnic 'RAF' Newton.
Defend Molesworth Mtg. 7.30pm. NCND.

JULY.

- 10th. Molesworth Pledge Day.
- 11th. Monthly Meeting. YMCA Shakespeare St. 7.30pm.
- 14th. 5th Nottingham PEACE FESTIVAL.
12.00 - 8.00pm. Victoria Embankment.
- 31st. Molesworth Pledge Day.

AUGUST.

- 6th. 40th. Anniversary. HIROSHIMA.
- 9th. 40th. Anniversary. NAGASAKI.

SEPTEMBER.

- 21st. Nottingham Peace Conference.

OCTOBER.

- 26th. LONDON NATIONAL DEMO. Tickets £10. and £5.00.

MEETINGS NEWS

DECISIONS OF MAY CO-ORDINATING MEETING

1. TRAINS for NATIONAL DEMO in LONDON, OCT.26

- Two trains (1,000 seats) are to be booked.
Cost £7,500!
- We have to pay 10% on booking and the remainder two weeks before the day. It is, therefore, **VERY IMPORTANT** that people **BUY TICKETS EARLY** so that we have the money to meet the bill.

START SAVING NOW.

2. MEMBERS' MONTHLY MEETINGS.

- Because attendance has been disappointing recently, it was decided from JULY ON to change to the

SECOND THURSDAY in each month.

See page 2

3. MEMBERSHIP DRIVE

- The most certain way to spread our influence - and raise money - is to increase the number of NCND members.
- The media group is producing a new local recruiting leaflet. See page 11
- Cinema and other queues were suggested as particularly appropriate for leafletting. Such queues have been effectively leafletted on occasions, but it has not been systematically organised and many opportunities have been missed.
- It was agreed to start a LEAFLETING ROTA and ask groups to volunteer, as for the stall, to do a few hours' leafletting, especially on Friday and Saturday evenings.

MONTHLY MEETINGS

We have recently had three excellent outside speakers to NCND monthly meetings - Lydia Mererill of the NFZ Network, Gari Donn of the Oxford Research Group and Colin Hines of the European Proliferation Information Centre. But, although attendance may have stepped up a little, these meetings have still not attracted the numbers of NCND members that they merited.

We are, therefore, going to try a different day of the week and a different venue:

AS FROM JULY, THE NCND MONTHLY MEETING WILL BE ON THE SECOND THURSDAY OF THE MONTH IN THE BOARDROOM OF THE YMCA, SHAKESPEARE STREET.

We hope that getting away from Sunday and holding the meeting in a very accessible place will make a big difference.

Our future programme, therefore, looks like this:

JULY 9th Our last Sunday meeting at Friends House will be a policy-making meeting (including motions for National Conference) followed by a social. Food and drink will be available.

JULY 11th MARJORY THOMPSON - National CND Parliamentary Monitor, will talk about LOBBYING M.P.s.

AUGUST No meeting.

SEPTEMBER 12th "STAR WARS" with visiting Speaker, Dr. Malcolm Dando of Bradford School of Peace Studies.

EAST MIDLANDS TRADE UNION CND

ONE DAY CONFERENCE
SATURDAY JUNE 29th.
ADULT EDUCATION CENTRE
SHAKESPEARE STREET, NOTTINGHAM

In October 1983, National CND established a Trade Union section which is working with unions on a range of themes and projects, for example, arms conversion, civil defence, public sector cuts etc.

At present, there are seven TUCND Regional groups in the country and our aim is to establish an eighth in the East Midlands region (Notts, Derbys, Lincs & Leics). This will be launched at the conference on Saturday, June 29th., where a variety of issues relevant to the Trade Union movement will be discussed. Several national and regional speakers will be addressing the Conference and a variety of workshops will be held in the afternoon session (see programme for details).

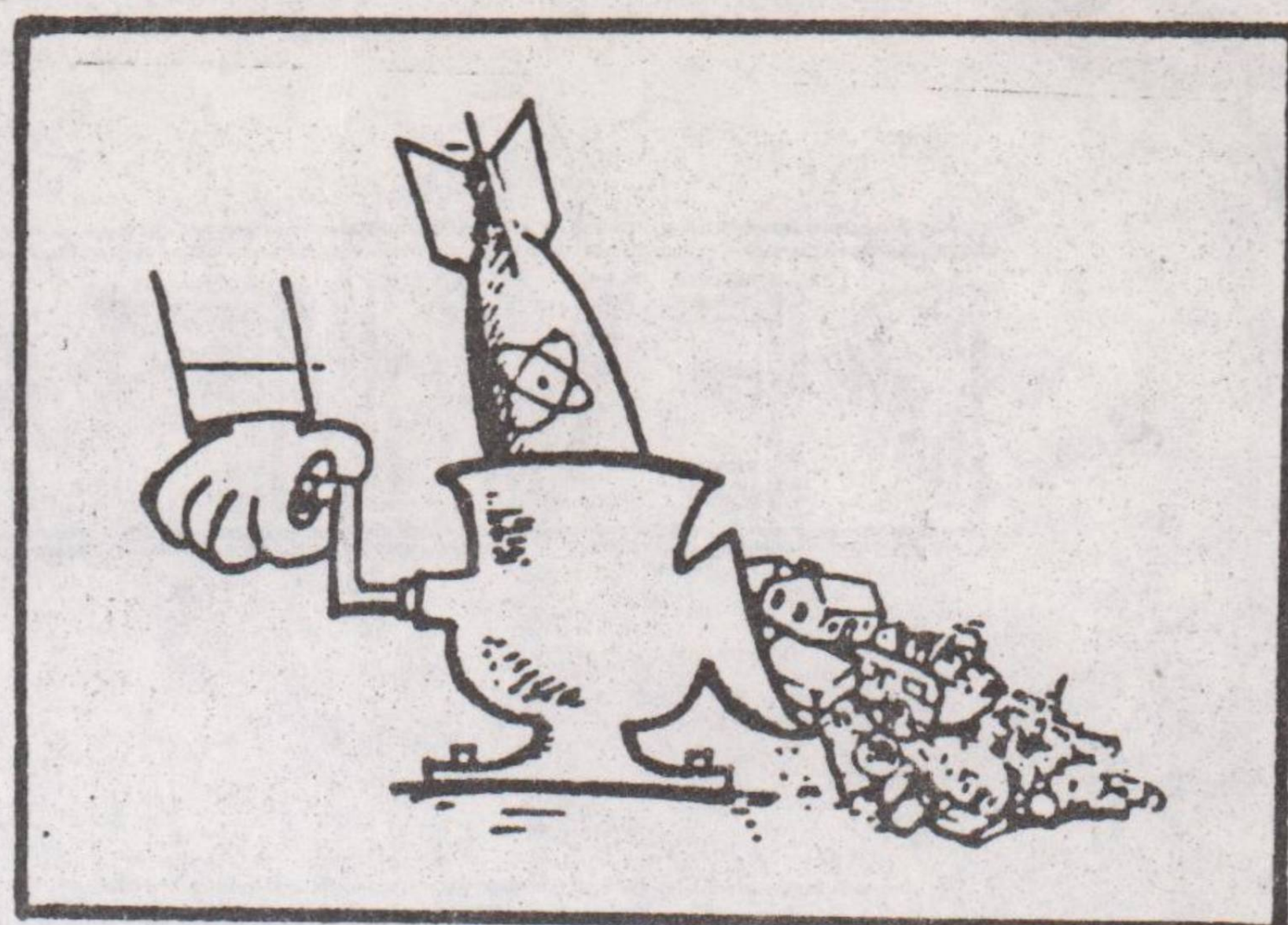
Anyone in a Trade Union and/or a Peace Group is welcome to attend. We would also welcome practical assistance in organising the event both beforehand and on the day, as well as donations towards the cost.

We are planning to have stalls and displays around the Conference hall - so if your group has any relevant material, bring it along.

Registration fee: £2.50 waged
£1.00 unwaged

Lunch is available for £2.00 - please let us know in advance if this is required. Anyone requiring the creche, please let us know by June 13th.

For further details or offers of help, contact:
Bronwen Westacott 606776 or
Gail Squires 816094.



10.00 - 10.30
10.30 - 11.10

Registration.

Chairperson remarks (Mel Reed, ASTMS Divisional Council). National Trade Union speaker on "The importance of CND to the Trade Unions and the importance of the Trade Unions for CND."

11.10 - 12.30

National TUCND speaker on "Workplace Campaigning", followed by discussion.

12.30 - 2.00

Lunch. Videos and stalls will be displayed during the break.

2.00 - 2.40

Speakers will introduce their workshops:

KEITH SONNET (NALGO)

HARRYSIDDALL

(Vickers Shipyard, Barrow)

BETTY HEATHFIELD

(Women Against Pit Closures)

ANTI - APARTHEID speaker.

2.40 - 4.00

WORKSHOPS:

Civil Defence (Keith Sonnet).

Arms Conversion (Harry Siddall)

Mines not Missiles

(Betty Heathfield)

Jobs for Peace (TUCND speaker)

Trident and the Apartheid

Connection (A/A speaker).

4.00 - 4.20

Coffee Break

4.20 - 5.00

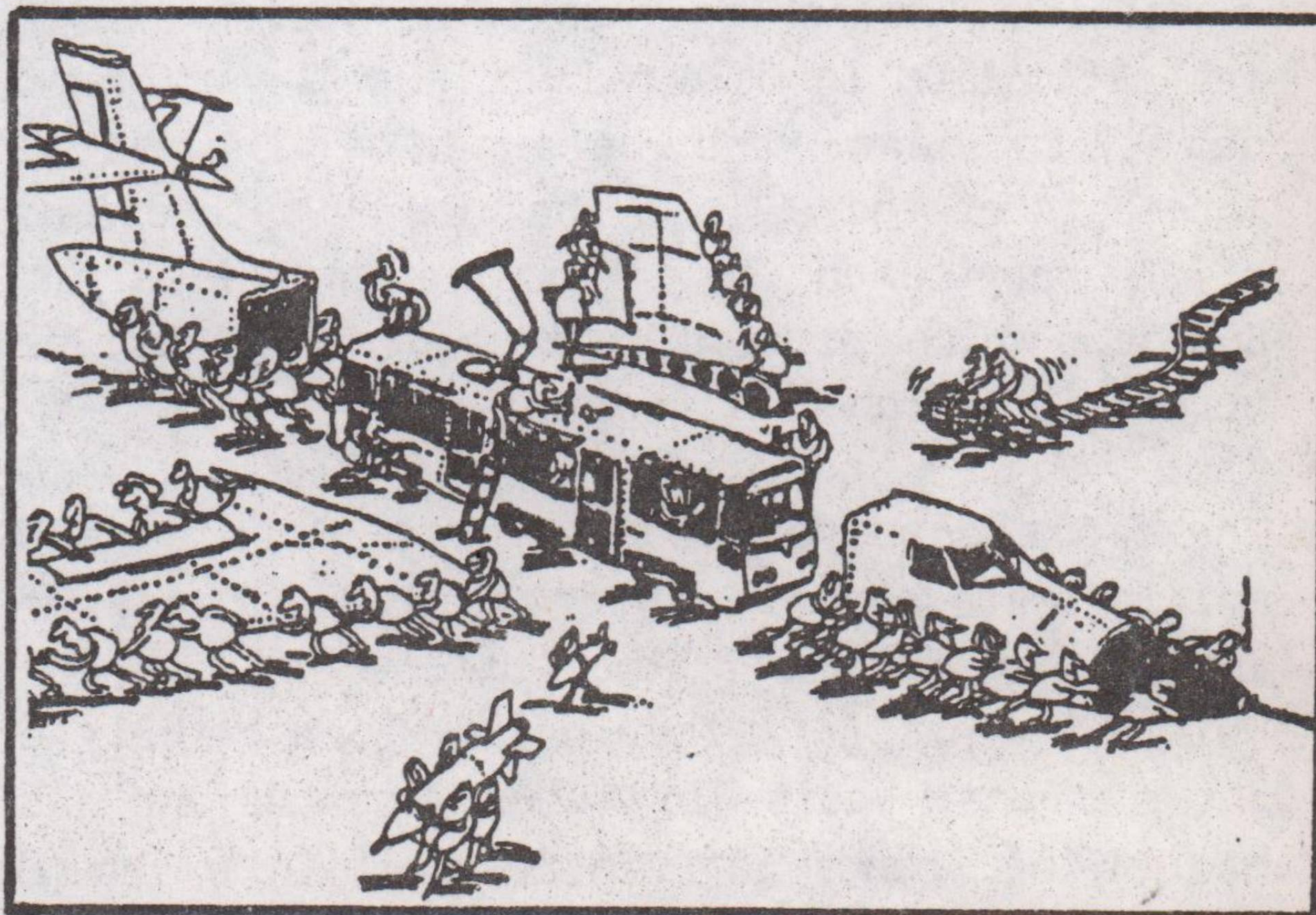
Final Plenary Session on "Perspectives for the East Midlands".

5.00

Close of Conference.

SUPPORT THE ALCONBURY 9

There will be a Demonstration in support of the Alconbury 9 on June 10th. Meet at the Old Market Square at 12.30. March to Central Police Station to give ourselves up as Conspirators for Peace. The media will be in attendance, so bring banners, placards etc to make a good visual display.



REVIEW

"HOW TO SECURE PEACE IN EUROPE"

Denis and Cynthia Roberts
(Pub. Harney and Jones.)

The authors' second book is a timely counter to two major falsifications of History: the nature of the defeat of fascism in Europe and the signing of the Helsinki final act, 10 years ago on August 1.

The two are closely related. Several western countries, the book says, have launched a campaign with a view to turning the Helsinki Accords into an instrument for destroying the agreement of the Yalta and Potsdam conferences. Attempts are being made to present the results of the conferences as a source of political ills in today's Europe.

The allied leaders met in Yalta in order to eradicate Fascism all over the world. the USSR alone, the book stresses, kept that promise: it is only in the socialist countries that Fascism has been outlawed.

As Denis and Cynthia Roberts point out, the campaign to undermine Malta and Potsdam and to distort the aims of the Helsinki Conference is orchestrated by Washington. Those agreements ensure that for the first time in history, no European state claims another territory, but the USA says it does not recognise the legitimacy of European borders.

The book traces the real threat to peace and democracy to a US interpretation of "Sovereignty" which is totally at variance with its definition in Helsinki. Thus "sovereignty" comes to mean "the defence of the vital interests of the US", so that we have thousands of US servicemen and US nuclear missiles in Europe, which protect neither the territorial borders of Europe nor America.

The decisions reached in Yalta, Potsdam and Helsinki are closely inter-related stages of European development, the authors argue. The Helsinki Final Act, they believe, has built an international basis for future accords and has healed the wounds left in Europe by the second world war.

The authors believe that the full implementation of the Helsinki Final Act is the means of preventing a third and final European war. As the Accord's tenth anniversary approaches, that possibility is seriously under threat. This book can be a valuable contribution to a return to the age of detente which made Helsinki possible in the first place.

TIM BEALES.

(Copies can be obtained from me, c/o NCND office, St. Mary's Gate, Nottingham. Price £2.)

A book for teenagers.

BROTHER IN THE LAND

by
ROBERT SWINDELLS

This year's winner of the Children's Book Award.
Publisher: Oxford University Press.

This is the story of Danny who is left after a nuclear attack. with his young brother, Ben, to care for. As people try to reorganise themselves, the local community divides into two factions: those who see ruthless and disciplined organisation as the only way to survival. Danny and Ben join the latter and hope grows with the new crops. At last, a butterfly is seen again - which proves to be mutant. There can be no return to normality. The time comes when Danny must lay his brother tenderly in the land and face up to what the short future brings.

Young people, from 11 years upwards, found the book a gripping, compulsive read. Their responses taught us that we must not brush aside their fears in the cowardly hope that they "do not understand these things". Nor did they permit us the easy escape route into "children's books must always be hopeful". For them, the hope lay in the author's honesty. A thing which is known may be prevented.

DO YOU READ CAMPAIGN ?

C.N.D.'s monthly journal for activists.
Keep up to date with National CND planning and current campaigns.

20p. from NCND office.

One copy is distributed free to Neighbourhood Groups, who can also place standing orders for more copies at 12p. each. Payment must be for 6 months in advance.

TRIDENT CAMPAIGN

This will be NCND's first major march and rally for some time and we hope to make it a big one.

We have the support of a number of local unions and are producing a special leaflet with them emphasising the cost of Trident at a time of high unemployment and welfare cutbacks.

We also have the musical support of Fieldwork and the Fabulous Dirt Sisters.

Bring yourself, parents, children, aunts, uncles and friends to the Forest for 11.00 a.m.

Ideas for your placards...

- Trident will cost the earth.
- Trident or a decent health service.
- Don't let Britain dump 11 billion pounds worth of nuclear waste into the sea.
- Trident or 550 general hospitals.
- Trident or 300,000 new homes.
- Trident - £11,000 million and rising.
- Stop Trident in its tracks.
- Trident equals £30,000 a day for a thousand years.
- Etc.

P E T I T I O N

STOP TRIDENT PETITION

START COLLECTING SIGNATURES NOW

Forms are available from NCND office. The petition will be presented to Parliament in September.

This is a constituency petition, i.e. all those signing a particular sheet must live in the same constituency. It is good for use in local shopping centres or from door-to-door and provides an excellent means of getting into conversation with people. The new Trident leaflet is useful to hand out as a back-up. Have the Trident Briefing page from this bulletin with you to help answer questions.

TRIDENT BALLOT
17 - 27 MAY

This bulletin comes out just too early to give the results of the Trident Ballot.

10 neighbourhood groups ran local ballots as well as the one in Listergate. Malcolm Goldsmith, until recently vicar of St. Peters, kindly agreed to supervise the count.

Raymond Briggs (author of "Where the Wind Blows") had been going to come and be photographed by the Trader as he cast his vote. Unfortunately, illness prevented his doing so.

T H E A T R E

STRIVE

Written and directed by Stephen Lowe.

An American documentary film director sees his chance to make a film on the return of a Falklands' hero to his fiancée, but the conflicts of that summer, both in the Atlantic and at home, with the mounting campaign against Cruise, bring them all together on an unexpected meeting ground that challenges their hard-held notions of love and patriotism.

STRIVE is the first production of the new Nottingham-based professional company. MEETING GROUND.

Nottingham-born Stephen Lowe's work includes an adaptation of RAGGED TROUSERED PHILANTHROPISTS, recently performed here by Metro Theatre Co., and the film, UNSTABLE ELEMENTS, recently transmitted on Channel 4.

STRIVE opens on the Nottingham Fringe on
- June 5 and 7, 7.30 p.m. at Hyson Green Community Centre, St. Paul's Avenue.
- June 6 and 8, 7.30 p.m. at Co-op Educational Centre (Rainbow Room), Broad Street.

The play, which lasts 45 minutes and can be followed by discussion, is available for booking on some dates between 10 and 24 June. Contact Steve Mapp, on Sandiacre 392168.

*** URGENTLY NEEDED ! ***
LADDERS, PIECES OF CARPET AND
LENGTHS OF ROPE.

If you have any of the above to spare, the DEFEND MOLESWORTH Group can use them. We will collect. Please ring NCND office. 581948

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JUNE 9th Meeting.

— PROPOSED MOTION(S) FOR NATIONAL CONFERENCE
(To be debated at policy-making meeting on June 9th).

NUCLEAR - FREE DEFENCE

The Campaign for Nuclear Disarmament:

- 1) Declares that Britain cannot achieve security by a military posture that relies on the threat to use nuclear weapons;
- 2) Welcomes the discussion of various non-nuclear defence policies now under way in many quarters;
- 3) Recognises that any real and effective defence of Britain depends not only on adopting less provocative and dangerous military arrangements, but also on the vigorous pursuit of a saner and more constructive foreign policy, particularly in the field of international disarmament;
- 4) Instructs National Council to make nuclear - free defence, understood and explained in these terms, a major campaigning theme during 1986 and 1987.

Proposed: Ann Kestenbaum
Seconded: Peggy Westaway.

peace and development for adults

Dan Smith....
'The Peace Movement'
Phil Asquith... 'The Arms Industry'
Gwyn Prins.. 'The Balance of Power' and more - Interested???

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School of Education
University of Nottingham
Nottingham NG7 2RD
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adult education for social action

NEXT MAPPERLEY MEETING:

The next Mapperley Neighbourhood Group meeting will be on:
Thursday, June 27th. at 71 Woodhedge Drive, off Porchester Road, 7.30.

CRUISE PHONE BLOCKADE

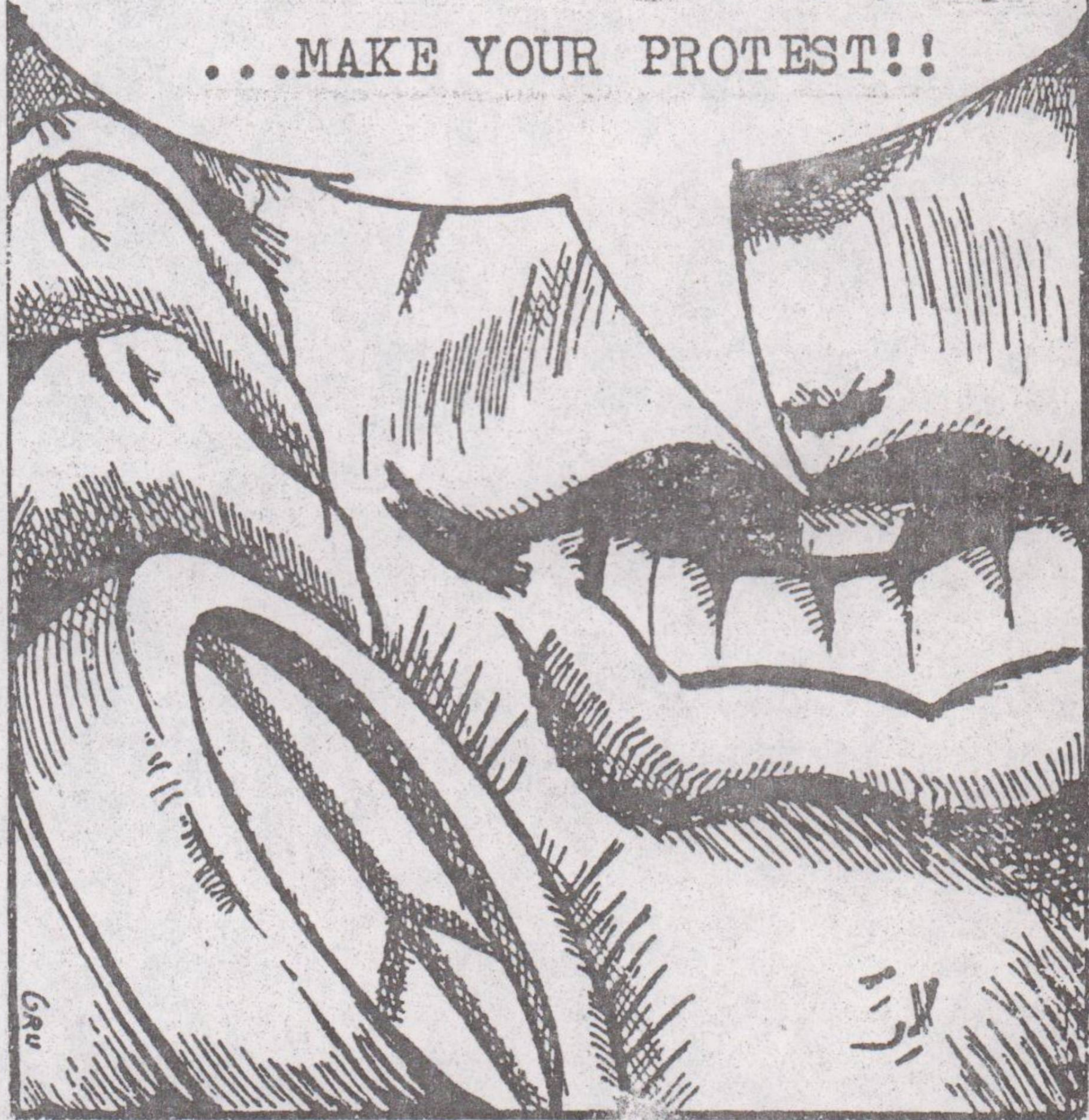
WHEN YOU HEAR CRUISE IS LOOSE THEN RING ONE OR MORE OF THE FOLLOWING NUMBERS.....

Ministry of Defence	01 218 9000
M.Heseltine's Sec.	01 218 2111
U.S.A. Embassy	01 499 9000
Greenham Air Base	0635 46263
House of Commons	01 219 3000

Local M.P.s

Nottm. East Knowles	Ex 3475	Sec. 4434
South. Brandon Bravo	Ex 4429	Sec. 3495
North. Ottway	Ex 6397	Sec. 4017
Broxtowe. Lester	EX & Sec. 4440	
Rushcliffe. Clark	Ex 4528	Sec. 5189

...MAKE YOUR PROTEST!!



STOP PRESS ... STOP PRESS ... STOP PRESS

Results of the Trident Ballot in and around Nottingham were as follows:

	YES	NO	DON'T KNOW	SPOILT
Basford	9	73	5	0
Beeston	36	350	7	36
East Leake	20	85	0	4
Forest Fields	15	141	9	17
Listergate stall	17	886	13	53
Sherwood	15	97	2	2
Stapleford	19	131	1	1
University	16	140	7	5
West Bridgford	76	287	13	16
	223	2190	57	134

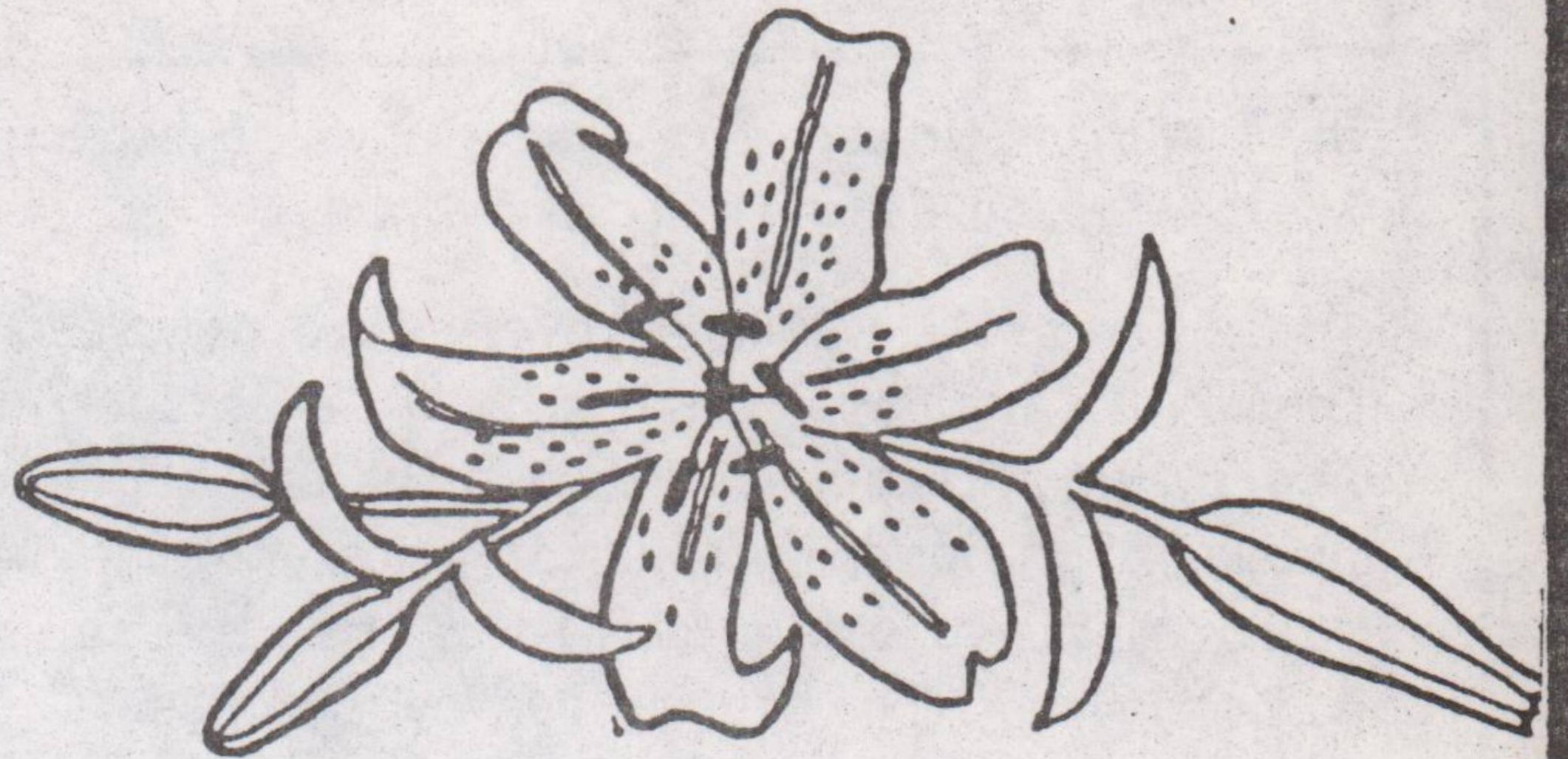
There were 2,470 votes cast. Approximate percentages were as follows:

YES	NO	DON'T KNOW	SPOILT
9%	89%	2%	

NCND.

PEACE FESTIVAL

JULY 14TH 12 TO 8PM
VICTORIA EMBANKMENT NOTTM



STALLS...GAMES...EXHIBITIONS...
VIDEOS...CHILDREN'S FESTIVAL...
WOMEN'S MARQUEE...JAZZ...ROCK...
FOLK...PAT ARROWSMITH (DIRECT
ACTION)...PAUL JOHNS (CHRISTIAN
CND)...SUNNY WEATHER...6,000....

This is Nottingham CND's fifth annual peace festival, the biggest CND event in the East Midlands.

A chance to see the latest Mole-sworth video, time to renew acquaintance with the people and groups you haven't seen since last year, buy 266 cakes with CND symbols on the top... people go to the festival for all sorts of reasons. Lots of people go to see what this peace movement is all about.

This year we're building on the success of last year and sticking to the Embankment. New ventures this year include Christian CND holding an interdenominational meeting/service at 2.00 just off the main site and hopefully another group putting on alternative cabaret on the site the previous evening - more details next bulletin.

Here's the organisational details.

STALLS: Application forms from the CND office or from Celia or Rob (604986 eves.) to whom stall enquiries should go. We'd like groups to book their space by July 7th. As last year food stalls, are asked not to include meat products.

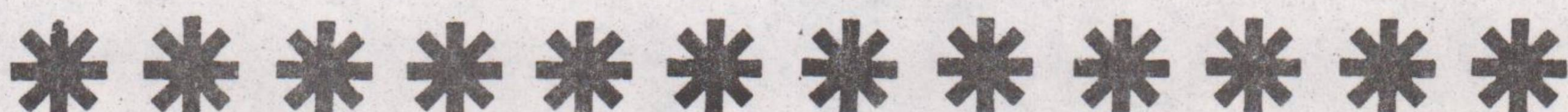
CHILDREN'S FESTIVAL: Several theatre groups have been booked, clowns, cooperative games team etc. Last year something like 1,000 kids went to their peace festival so we need lots and lots of help especially on the day. Contact Cathy (623601) or Tamsin (621649). Due to the vast quantities of children the emphasis will be on entertainment, we're trying to arrange finance for paid creche workers for stall holders' children and will confirm the outcome next month.

MUSIC: The stage is now full up - 9 bands will play, with breaks over the day. There is space for 'entertainers' in the performance area (which will be in the middle of the stalls) - contact Paul (411890 eves.).

EXHIBITIONS: The popular exhibition marquee has been enlarged and to book space contact Andy Keyse (415415 ext. 4687 day or 389992) or Pat (272339).

GENERAL ENQUIRIES: All other enquiries please to Ross (582506 day or 623182 eves.) not to the CND office.

Publicity material - leaflets, posters, badges etc. - will shortly be available from the CND office or from Mushroom Bookshop in Heathcote St. If any groups or individuals would like large amounts eg. for door to door leafletting please contact the general enquiries number first.





Nottingham Women for Peace have re-scheduled their trip to Greenham to July 7.

There are still women at every gate of Greenham Common US Air Base, despite daily evictions, the new byelaws (same as Molesworth) and the media blackout. Women are still entering the base frequently, even during the exercises accompanying the cruise convoy outings. The more women at Greenham the better!

* If you've never been to Greenham before, take this chance to visit with lots of other women...

* If you find it hard to get there or can only manage day trips, we've laid on the coach (children can come, too).

* If you haven't been for a while and you keep meaning to go, then this is a good time to return...

* There will be LOTS of women at Greenham then who don't usually stay regularly, because women all over the country are being asked to make a commitment to support Greenham by being there the first weekend of each month.

Women for Peace have organised a coach day-trip on Sunday, July 7. Please buy your ticket in advance to avoid disappointment from Mushroom, Hiziki, Ouroboros and the CND office, or phone Nottingham 625363.

Coaches leave Salutation Inn at 9.00 a.m.
Prices - £5 waged, £2.50 low or unwaged.

Women for Peace have also booked the PAN minibus to take up to 15 women to Greenham for the whole weekend. Cost will probably be around £5 to £6 each. If more women want to go for the whole weekend, we will try to coordinate carpools...phone Nottingham 625363 to book places.

New Meeting ! Venue !

Women for Peace meet every Tuesday at 7.30 p.m. AT THE ICC, Mansfield Road. All women welcome. Contact Susie 473145 or Pennie 411686 for more information.

MOLESWORTH : THE PLEDGE

Day of Action Against Molesworth Contractors June 26th.

During June we will not be organising any public trips to Molesworth (though that's not to say Nottingham people aren't welcome to go). Instead, we hope to fulfil our Molesworth Pledge with local actions.

Several hundred contractors have been identified at Molesworth already. One of the largest, however, is Tarmac Construction, also involved in building the Cruise Missile silos at Greenham.

Show your opposition to USAF Molesworth by joining the day of action against Molesworth contractors.

LUNCHTIME PICKET OF TARMAC CONSTRUCTION JUNE 26TH

Regional office, 116 Melton Road, West Bridgford. 12.30 - 1.30 p.m.

Broadmarsh construction site (old Woolworths) Listergate, Town Centre, 12.30 - 1.30 p.m.

Leaflets will be available.

Phone your complaints, 2.00 - 3.00 p.m. to Tarmac Construction 0602 810903.

More information/posters from: NCND or June 26th Group, c/o Leicester CND, 13 Welford Road, Leicester.

The next Molesworth pledge Day is Wednesday, July 10th. NVDA training - July 7th., 10.30 a.m. - 5.00 p.m., at Queen's Walk Community Centre, The Meadows.

Break the By - Laws ! - Sunday, July 28th.

The new By - Laws brought into effect on April 1st., to cover Molesworth and Greenham, have twelve clauses. They make it illegal (amongst other things) to:

- cause a 'thing' to enter the base
- attach any object to the outer fence
- attempt to enter the base under false pretences
- permit any animal to enter the base
- distribute leaflets

On Sunday, July 28th, we will be organising coaches down to Molesworth for a grand By - Law Break! People are asked to go as far as they feel able. At the end of the day, we will have a grand count of the Breaks and prizes will go to the silliest.

There will be more information and ideas in the next bulletin.

WELFARE not WARFARE

SUNDAY 30 JUNE
1.00PM
AT "RAF" NEWTON



BACKGROUND

'RAF' Newton lies about 10 miles east of Nottingham on the A46 Fosse Way to Newark. The base is nominally British, but in times of raised international tension or war will come under American Military control.

The planned role of Newton is a a 500 bed contingency hospital, one of 40 across Europe, for the exclusive wartime use for American casualties. It is a cruel irony that, during a time of increased cuts in the National Health Service, highlighted locally by the closure of nearby Saxondale Hospital, a hospital should be standing, fully equipped but idle, awaiting a Nuclear War.

In response, Nottingham Peace Action Network is planning a demonstration, taking the form of a picnic at 'RAF' Newton on Sunday, June 30, at 1.00 p.m.

GETTING TO NEWTON

By Car...

To Trent Bridge, then the A52 (Grantham) to Saxondale Crossroads. Left onto A46 Foss Way (Newark). 'RAF' Newton one mile from there. For Newton village, take left turn IMMEDIATELY BEFORE roundabout junction of A46 and A6097 (see map).

There is limited lay-by car parking on the A46, as well as limited parking on the grass verges on narrow side roads around Newton village.

By Minibus...

A shuttle minibus will run between the Old Market Square and Newton for a nominal charge of 50p return (waged) and 30p (unwaged). For times, ring NCND office, Nottingham 581948 on the day.

By Bus...

Gash buses depart from Broadmarsh Bus Depot to 'RAF' Newton. Sunday service 11.05 a.m. and every TWO HOURS thereafter. From Newton to Nottingham, 2.15 p.m. (from A46 bus stop on map) and again every TWO HOURS. Fares, single 82p, return £1.54.

On Arrival...

This day should, above all, be enjoyable. Bring food and drink for the picnic, something to sit on and things to play with, such as a ball, balloons, streamers, decorations, etc.

Children may be safely brought along: therefore, we are not organising a creche for this particular demonstration.

GETTING ONTO NEWTON

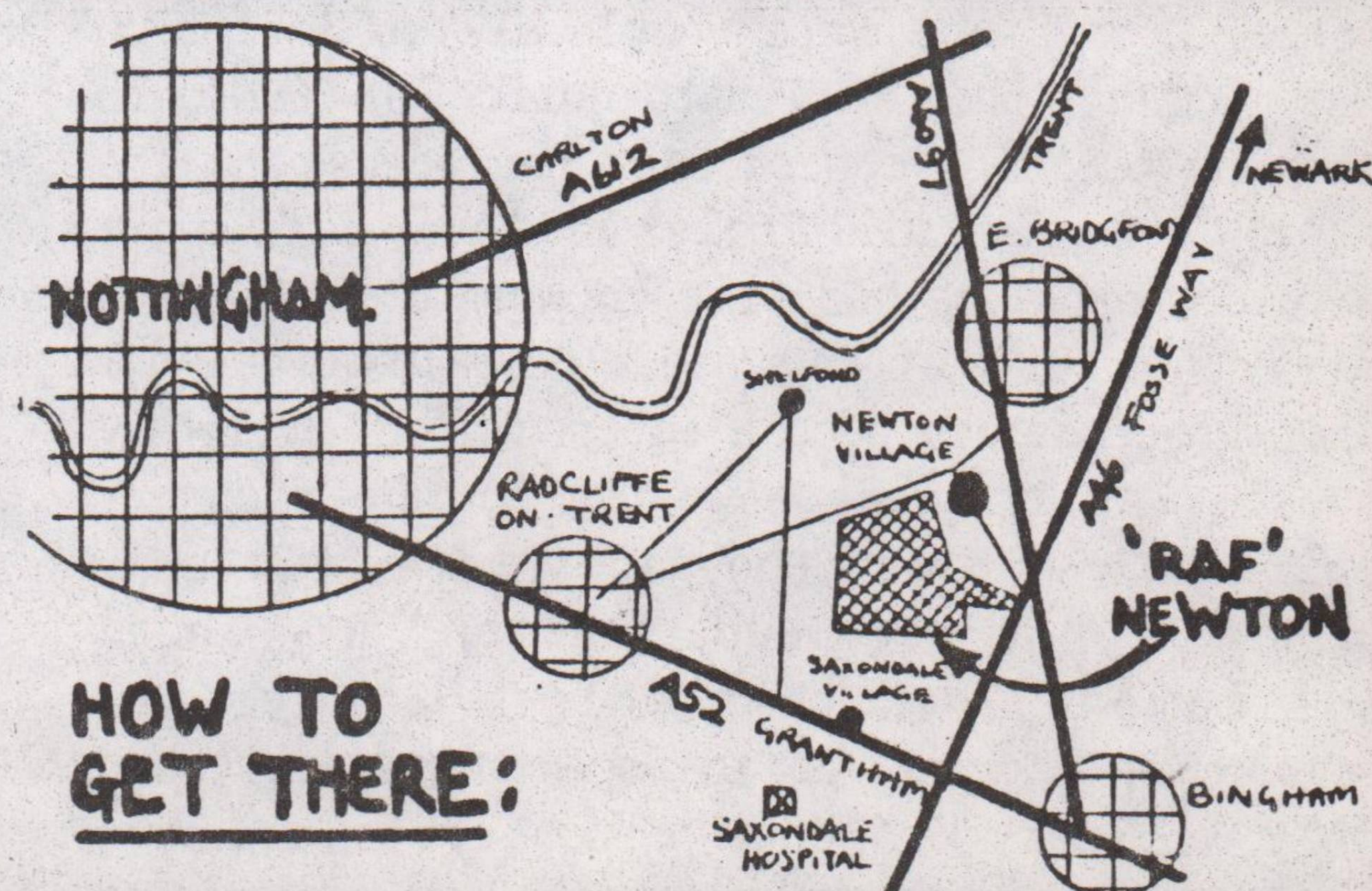
Some potential sites are not fenced off at all. In most places, the perimeter fence (to date) is a mixture of hawthorn hedge and rickety concrete posts and wire fencing about 2'6" high. There is some old barbed wire in places. Remember, if you are caught damaging the fence you may be charged with criminal damage.

Access to the base is easiest from the East and North, directly from the A46 or the road through Newton village. Both the West and South sides are bounded by private land and growing crops.

Please avoid these areas.

Information and Training before June 30th.

If you need information, if your group needs training in Non-Violent Direct Action, or if you would like to join an NVDA group, please contact PAN, c/o NCND, Unit B, 14-18, St. Mary's Gate, Nottingham.



'HOSTILES' at

ALCONBURY/MOLESWORTH

The atmosphere inside the mini-buses was electric as we drew up by Peace Corner. Suddenly, all the frustration and hanging around in Nottingham and Peterborough was forgotten (an inevitable part of large actions involving many people and much planning). Within minutes, carpets and ladders had been transported to appropriate spots on the fence. By the time the nearby patrol van had realised what was happening, the first demonstrators were scaling the 12' high permanent fence and working at removing the razor wire on the top. In all, 16 managed to scramble over the carpeted barbed/razor wires, climb the ladder, slide down the rope attached and onto M.O.D. soil. A few late attempts at getting over were foiled by some overzealous policement, probably narked by being caught off-guard. A harrassed policewoman was yelling into her walkie-talkie "where the hell is everyone?" Those of us left observing smiled and knew the operation had gone just as we hoped. But the day was far from over and we left after watching a group of seven protestors being unceremoniously removed from occupying a water tower.

Our next call was at nearby Cockbrook Lodge where we decided to blockade the main contractor's gate. For 15 or more minutes, we sat in front of the gate, singing and voicing our protest, managing to cause a long tail-back of heavy goods vehicles inside the base, waiting to leave. Police reinforcements eventually arrived and began removing us, arresting four for obstruction of the highway.

At this point, we decided to regroup over a cup of tea and plan our next move. (Yes, we were itching for more!). This time, we made for nearby Alconbury with just an idea in our heads that it would be worthwhile to look around. By now, we were being "tailed" by our very own police escort who were obviously so intent on watching us, they failed to notice an OPEN gate used by building contractors for access to the base. We could hardly believe our luck! Before the police had time to work out what was happening, our mini-bus did a quick U-turn and 7 more unauthorised people entered a U.S. military base. As they made off into the maze of building vehicles, the gates were belatedly closed by a confused gateman and angry policemen. At this point, 2 American servicemen came on to the scene, the first and only military presence we observed all day.

They stood, hands on hips, surveying us with cold, icy stares. One flicked out his radio and reported that "hostiles" (pronounced "hostles" as in Youth Hostels!) were present by the fence. What a cheek! Taking over parts of our country for their war-mongering and calling US hostile. We felt anything but: in fact, we were bursting with friendliness and full of joy at the sight of their anger and embarrassment.

By now, the rain was pouring down, so we decided to call it a day and retire to Huntingdon Police Station car park for the inevitable wait for those arrested to be released.

As the whole day's action was filmed for Channel Four's Diverse Reports, hopefully you can all share this experience with us. It was an action that brought neighbourhood groups together for N.V.D.A. and succeeded in inspiring all who took part to continue working for the Molesworth Peace Pledge Campaign. This event received a lot of media coverage at a time when Molesworth and Greenham seem to have been completely forgotten by the press. We must keep up the pressure if any inroads to disarmament are ever going to be achieved. The construction work is moving at a horrifying pace, now the permanent fence is complete. As long as we can get into these bases by our various methods, the British and American governments can never be assured of their security. May 8th's action went a long way in showing that they are very insecure and we will remember that day for a long time - at least until the next trip down!

LINDA BOWERING.

PEACE NEWS the radical independent pacifist fortnightly, is looking for a new woman collective member to join our mixed editorial collective in Nottingham.

The position is full time, and we'd expect a minimum twelve month commitment. We're looking for someone with enthusiasm who is willing to put energy into the paper. Experience is not essential, but an interest in peace issues, disarmament, feminism, animal rights, racism and related issues is. If you're interested, please contact PN by June 27 and we'll send you further details.

Peace News, 8 Elm Avenue, Nottingham 3
(0602) 503587

media page



— New CND Leaflets —



This double-sided A3 leaflet is designed for use in a membership drive.

Throughout the summer we would like this leaflet to be around at every stall, every meeting, every cinema queue and every other event where potential new NCND members might be.

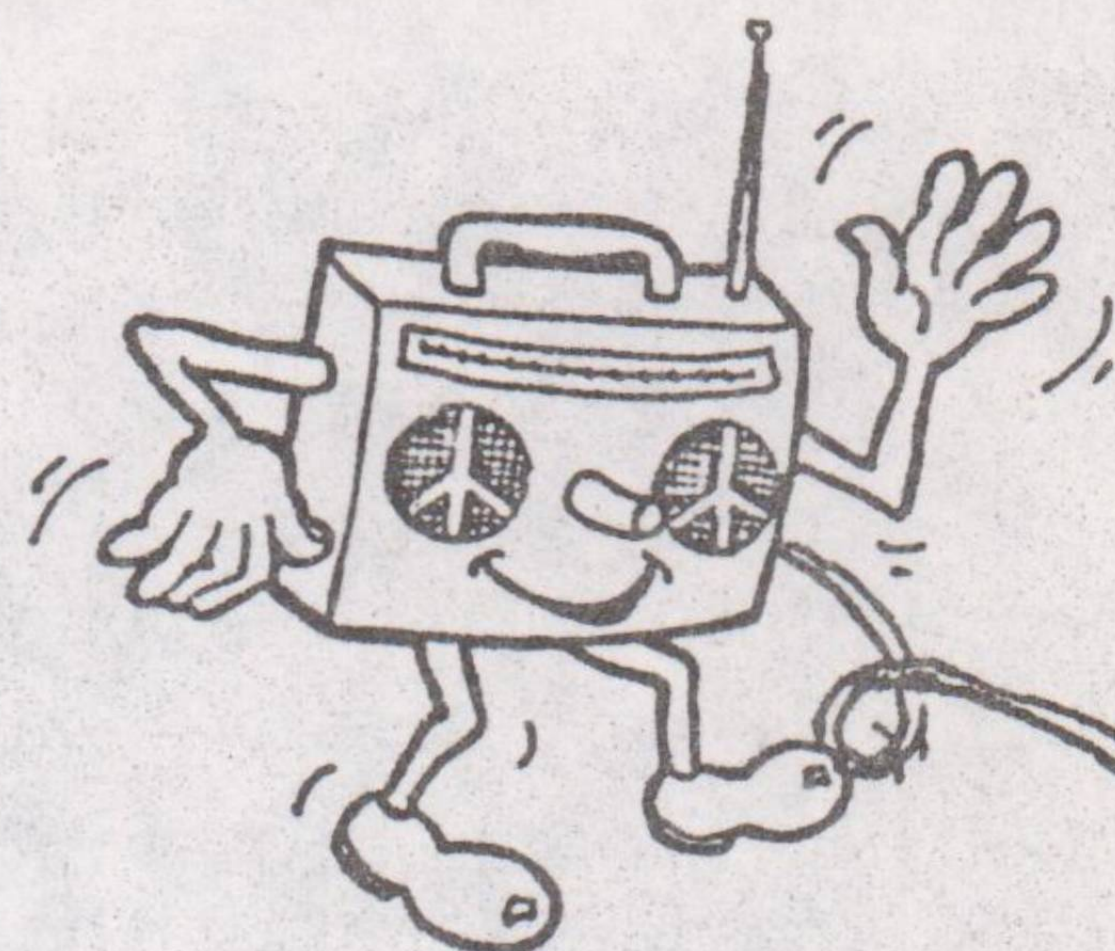
If you can distribute some, collect them from the office. If you know of an event where NCND should have a presence, let the office know.



This is a double-sided folded A4 leaflet about Trident, 2,000 of which we've had printed with the details of the June 22nd rally.

Another 3,000 are for later use and neighbourhood groups and others are encouraged to use them throughout the year in a public information campaign.

— radio - ACTIVITY

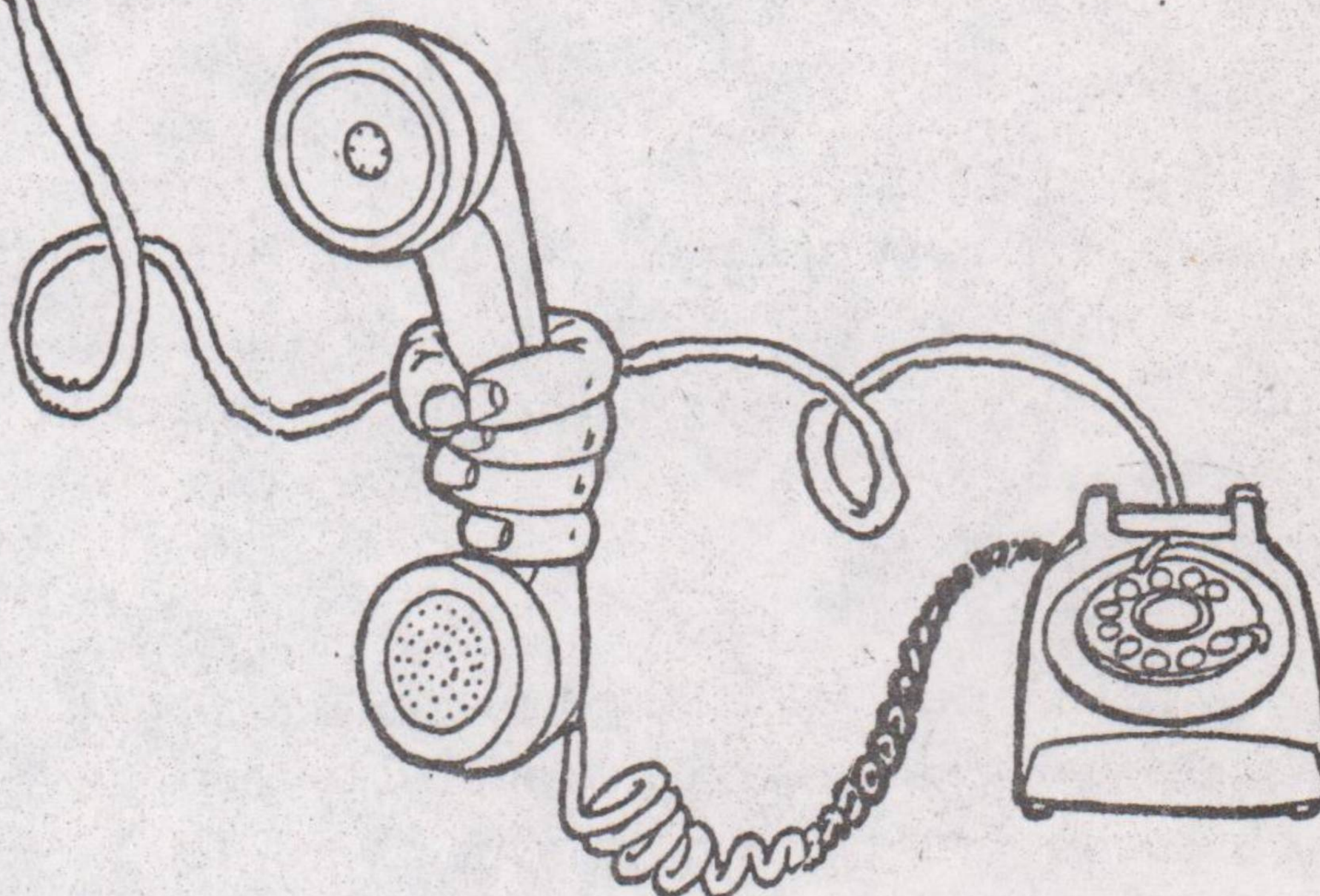


A DAY CONFERENCE FOR ARMCHAIR ACTIVISTS

- and others !
Saturday, June 15th.
10.30 am. - 3.30 pm.
Cost £1
YMCA Shakespeare St.

What for ? To help us learn to use local radio as well as we can, wide open as it is both to us and to thousands in the county. Find out how best to: enter a 'phone-in, respond to or challenge an interviewer, link Peace issues with local happenings or characters, prepare material for radio use etc. A conducted tour of Radio Nottingham is included.

(Hot and cold lunches will be available cheaply at the YMCA or bring your own. Coffee available from 10.15 am. onwards.)



I WOULD LIKE TO ATTEND THE NOTTINGHAM CND
RADIO - ACTIVITY WORKSHOP.

Saturday, June 15th. 10.30 am. - 3.30 pm.

Name

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LETTERS

RADIO ACTIVITY DAY

(FOR ARMCHAIR ACTIVISTS AND OTHERS)

Local radio reaches millions of people, but it is rarely used by NCNDers to put our case. When we do pluck up courage and join a 'phone-in', for example, we often don't know how to be simple, persuasive and sensible on the air.

This day, led by Jeremy Younger of Radio Nottingham, will have sessions on how best to tackle such 'phone-ins', how to relate interesting local events in the past to CND concerns, how to respond to professional interviewers and broadcasters generally - and will include a tour of Radio Nottingham itself for the first 30 people to apply. It aims to be a practical, informative and lively day.

Look forward to seeing you there.

BARBARA LACEY.

PLEASE...

Dear friends,

ABUSIVE PHONE CALLS

April's Bulletin contained a piece by the Liberals mentioning "harrassment and insulting phone calls". I have since learnt of people who've been very distressed to be on the receiving end of this.

I find it quite amazing that people who support our aims could behave so disgracefully and am certain I speak for the vast majority of us in condemning this sort of thing and welcoming individuals and groups of ALL varieties into CND.

Anyone whose number goes into the Bulletin can expect some abusive calls, but surely not from within CND. Please don't let it happen, whoever you are.

KRISTIAN RAVNKILDE.

NEW ZEALAND VISIT

I was lucky to be having a holiday in New Zealand when Mr. Lange announced his refusal to allow ships with nuclear warheads within New Zealand's waters. This news was received with jubilation, as this embargo had been the main issue of his election programme on which he had swept to victory.

A pleasant item also was the invitation for a Youth Orchestra and Choir from New Zealand to partake in a Festival of Young Musicians in Hiroshima in August. Is there anything from Britain?

In Australia which I also visited, the mood was different and Mr. Hawke was subjected to much criticism for refusing (as an afterthought) to allow the use of Tasmania for the flight testing of MX missiles. However the Peace Movement was active and scenes from the Peace March in Melbourne at Easter 1984 were shown on T.V

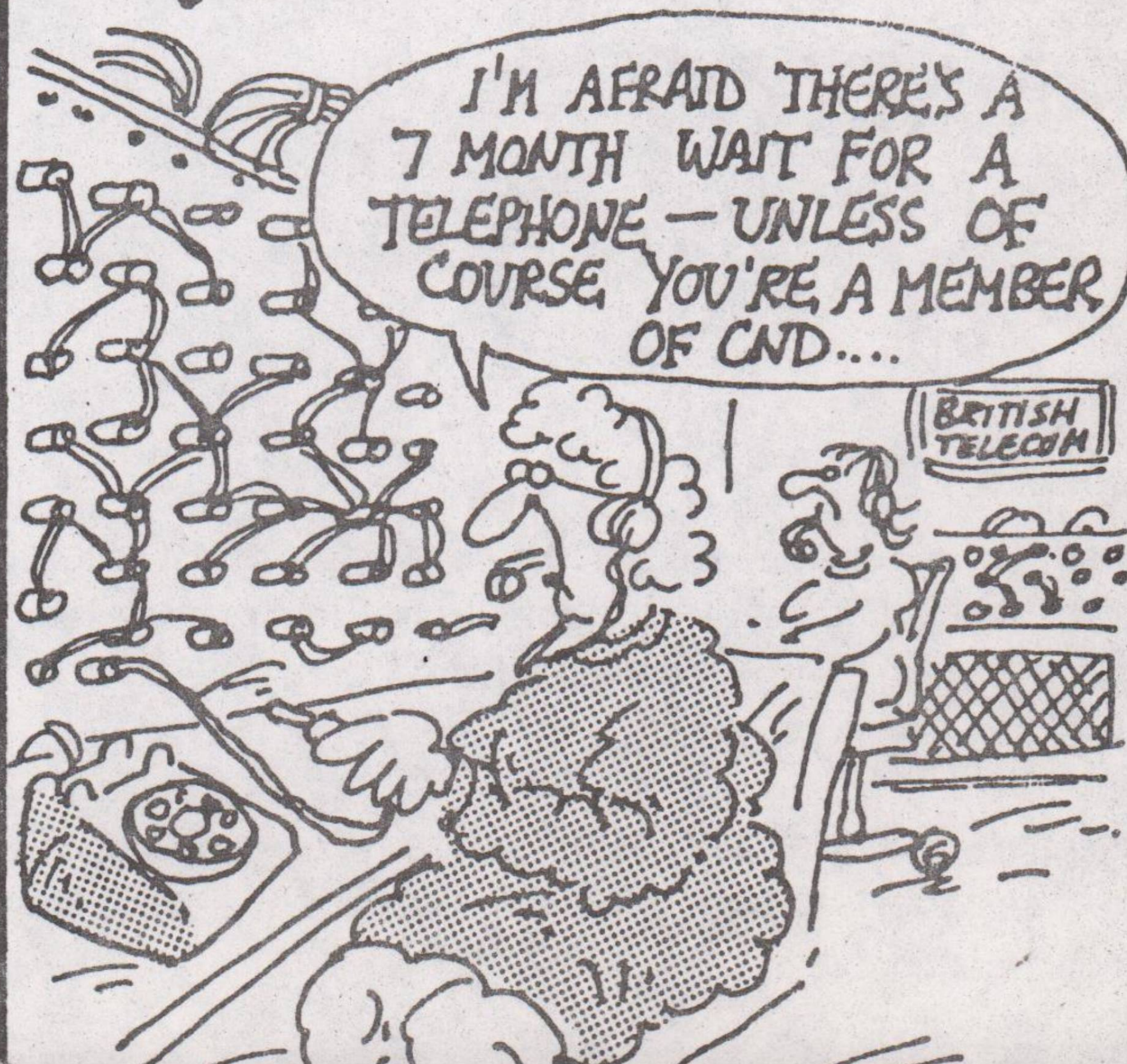
It was stimulating to know that so many people were protesting there as here, and also to know that Greenham Common means something inspiring to many people at the other side of the world.

DOREEN GOWER.

MINI-BUS

Nottingham Peace Action Network (P.A.N.) now has access to a 15 - seater minibus. If any Neighbourhood Group or other peace group in the Notts area would like to know more about using the vehicle, contact Pete Strauss (704621).

Leftovers



TRIDENT :-

the FACTS you need to know

The four most obvious points about Trident are:

1. It is massively expensive
2. It represents a major escalation of Britain's nuclear forces
3. It is more dependent on the US than Polaris
4. It is destabilising even in the context of the currently unstable 'balance'

It must first be emphasised that these points can be used not only to attack the Trident programme but also to ARGUE FOR OTHER SORTS OF NUCLEAR WEAPONS, such as Sea Launched Cruise missiles on British ships. This is the problem inherent in campaigning against any one weapons system. We must be careful to use the widespread opposition to Trident to lead debate into the uselessness of nuclear weapons.

HISTORY

In the late 1960's Britain bought from the USA 4 'strategic' Polaris submarines and 16 missiles for each boat. Successive governments in the 1970's secretly authorised the development of Chevaline, a new tip for Polaris which was designed to overcome reported Soviet anti-ballistic missile defences around Moscow. Chevaline ran into great difficulties, overran its costs 4 fold and was only revealed to parliament in 1980, the actual warheads first coming into service in 1982. Chevaline probably has 2 small (about 50kt) warheads on each missile able only to hit one target with low accuracy.

The government claims that both the Polaris boats and the missiles will be obsolete and worn out by the mid 1990's and so we need a new strategic system to replace them with. In July 1980 Francis Pym announced the decision to buy the newest American submarine missile system, Trident I (with C4 missiles) but by March 1982 the US had decided to move to a bigger and better Trident II (with D5 missiles) obliging us to follow suit. Thus the current arrangement is that we will build 4 huge submarines at Barrow between 1986 and the early 1990's each with 16 missile tubes, and we will buy perhaps 100 D5 missiles from America when they start producing them around 1990. The warheads will be designed and built in Britain.

THE US TRIDENT PROGRAMME

represents a major shift in US nuclear deployment thinking. When the 20 US Trident boats are in operation, they will replace the land-based ICBMs (MX and Minuteman missiles) as the main component of the US strategic arsenal. They have been described by Robert Aldridge, once employed as a Trident missile designer, as "the ultimate first strike weapon", because:

1. they are more likely to destroy hardened missile silos than even two of the most accurate intercontinental weapons currently in existence

2. the missiles have a 6500 mile range that enables submarine-based missiles to be fired at the Soviet Union from much larger areas of sea, including the Indian Ocean, making detection and destruction of the submarines much harder
3. the large numbers of highly accurate warheads (up to 6,700 D5 on US boats) will make a first strike theoretically 'possible'.

COST

The latest government estimate given by M. Heseltine (29.1.85) is £9,285 million at June 1984 prices for the whole procurement programme, with 45% being spent in the USA. Respected estimates elsewhere in the defence community put the figure at £11,500 million, with other hidden expenses like the new building at Aldermaston (£300 million).

The original estimated cost (1980) was £4-5,000 million. So far, £300 million has been spent (M. Heseltine 29.1.85). The government is quick to point out that these costs are spread over several years and at no time will take up more than 7% of the defence budget. Several points arise:

1. £11 billion would buy 500 hospitals or 9,000 schools and provide thousands of jobs.
2. Over £5 billion will be spent in America - a major export of employment.
3. There are always cost escalations (like 400% on Chevaline) on major defence items and Trident will almost certainly be no exception. Firstly, the UK will take delivery of the D5 missiles shortly after they become operational in the US (1988 or 1989) when it is unlikely that all the problems have been ironed out; correction of subsequent problems will be expensive. Secondly, the missiles use a new fuel and are revolutionary in other respects. They must be regarded as untried. Thirdly, the submarines are nearly as big as aircraft carriers and are not the same as the American ones; thus they are also untried works of great technical complexity. The government claims to be "completely insulated from cost escalations" in the US, but that only applies to the \$116 million fixed proportion of research and development i.e. the insulation covers less than 5% of the expected US costs.

4. In the years of peak spending, between 15 and 20% of the budget for major defence items will be spent on Trident, and it is exactly in those years that even many NATO generals are hoping to move to concentrating on new non-nuclear technology.

ESCALATION

The government has refused to state how many warheads there are on Polaris and how many missiles or warheads will be deployed on British Trident, but have stated that it will not be

cont.

Fundraising

Two NCND members recently attended a National Fundraising School. I attended a workshop led by Nick Gallie of Greenpeace. He thought CND's present strategy of individual donations by appeal inefficient. Income/expenditure flow charts and targets were needed and there had to be a central lead. CND's left-wing image could be a problem and the use of doctors', solicitors' and other professionals' names might help.

A brainstorm session inaugurated by West Midlands' CND produced some useful ideas. The importance of keeping up and increasing membership was stressed, and the need for taking collections at all events. We have ordered some Oxfam type collecting tins. Please let me know any forthcoming events so that a tin can be there.

We want volunteers to form a fundraising committee. Please let the office have your name.

TIM BEALES.

CALLING ALL GROWERS,
SEWERS (rhymes with GROWERS)
OR EVEN GLASS BLOWERS

At the July 14th Peace Festival, part of the East Leake & Villages stall will be for the sale of craftwork, artwork, garden produce, etc. - in fact, anything you've made yourself. EL&Vs group will pay any costs incurred in the making/growing - profits to NCND/ELVs CND funds - latter much needed!

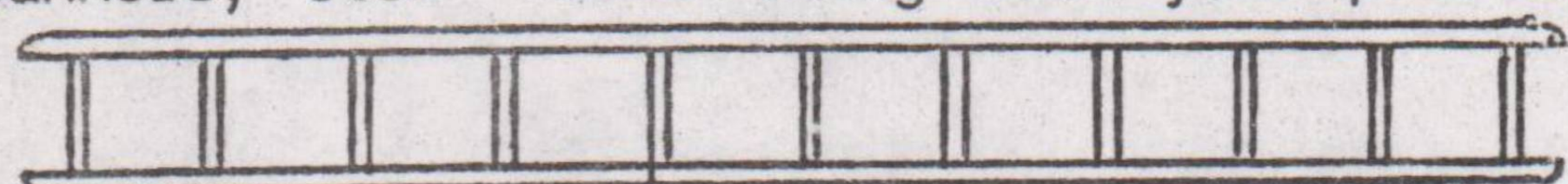
Please volunteer in advance by contacting Jane Neachell, 66 Main Street, Sutton Bonington or phoning East Leake contact - see contacts list.

East Leake & Villages' next meeting is Wednesday 19th June 7.45 p.m. at East Leake Library.

RICHARD GUISE.

"NOT the Forest Fields N.V.D.A. group".
(Sherwood, Radford, Lenton and Aspley area.)

We meet on June 9th, 2.30 at 2, All Saints Terrace, Radford, to get together before Alconbury 9 court case on June 10th and make banners, etc. Come along with your practical



materials, jokes and encouragement. We will also be taking part in the march and gate party on May 29th (and training day for that on May 26th). Contact Dorothy on 706571.

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CHANGES in NCND EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

With effect from 15.05.85, Earl Alexander resigned from the Exec. of Nottingham CND. He felt he could not put in the time he knows is necessary to fulfil the responsibilities of an Exec. member. He thanks all with whom he worked for their time and wishes everyone involved in NCND every success in the future.

Co-Options

Barbara Lacey.....Media Group.

Colin Piper.....Treasurer.

Tim Beales.....Fundraising.

Geoff Young.....Membership.

GENERAL INTEREST TRAY

Information of general interest coming into the office is available for members in a tray in the office by the Notice Board. This includes Newsletters from other groups, news of coming events, P.R. material from embassies, etc.

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