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## evictions

As one of the two squatters served with an eviction summons last Thursday, I went down to Ruby Street and asked one of the housing officials whether anything could be done about me being thrown on to the streets, she told me to go down to a legal advice centre at Peckham High Street. But I wanted to speak to the Head Bozo, yet we are all bozos in this bus. I offered to pay rent but she just said it had nothing to do with it and that I could not pay rent on a flat that was not mine. She told me that people on the waiting list are supposed to get empty flats. She was somewhat sympathetic and then eighty-sixed me. Then I went back home to do more important things like eat my porridge.

## PROPOSED AGENDA

- 1 ANYBODY NEED a (4) CAMPING  
\* Squat? Updating SNOW & WIRE  
of SKWOT board lists Collective REPORTS
- 2 LIST of PERSONS VI SNOW BIRTHDAY Party  
WHO WILL USE STOP THE CITY  
PADLOCK OPENING CRASH PADS  
DEVICES
3. EVICTIONS 7 SQUATTER SQUABBLES  
Adjournment for 9  
Keston. What about 8 office rota/chair for next meeting  
other 3? MONEY  
NEXT SNOW MEETING  
Tuesday 14/2/84 AMB  
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## THE LATEST NEWS FROM No9 KESTON

I turned up at the Courthouse today and was met by the solicitors working on the case; Peter Bartrum & Anne Jessop. The concils man, Mr Peploe, was lurking nearby. (cont. page 2)

## OPEN SESAME

On Sunday night/early hours Monday morning anti-social elements in the community hindered the legitimate opening up of a squat.

Three members of the SNOWish cracking team were busily opening up a squat on Kinglake Street. One was wielding a crowbar, the others heaving at the door. Raucous cries started bellowing out from accross the road: the key's under the mat, 'Open Sesame', he's out, come back later & they've gone to Malta.

At one o'clock in the morning this was not considered to be helpful. Indeed, a hinderance! Every

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time the crackers started cracking, wisecracks came from accross the street. Loudly! Whenever the squat openers started opening, they were forced to stop because attention was being drawn to their direct action, and they had to scurry for shelter.

Eventually the crowbar application and heaving was interrupted once too often. The 'why-not-try-knocking' proved too much and the trio bombed downstairs and rushed off in the direction of the disturbers of the peace.

This quietened them down sufficiently for the squat to be opened up - but not til 5 in the morning, 5 hours after starting. If anyone knows the identity of the truant noise makers, please suggest they desist or contact the SNOW office. The squat crackers' beauty sleep is at stake.

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We didn't know this last week, but it now transpires that the High Court eviction case immediately before that of 9, Keston was against Clive Power, a friend of SNOW. The case was for possession of 7 Redman House, Lant Street. Fair enough, you might think or "oh, dear, another eviction. The council really are getting tough." But this time, friends and comrades, the council has shot itself in the foot! Clive was actually rehoused by the council several months ago in Burwash House and 7 Redman has since been resquatted by other people. So what he did was to go along to the court himself, clutching the summons and looking cross. The council lawyer buttonholed him outside and offered to get the possession order delayed for two weeks to give him time to move out and Clive told him that anything he, Clive, has to say he would say in court. This annoyed the lawyer and so when the judge has stopped awarding the BBC an injunction against SOGAT '82 and got round to evicting Clive, the lawyer gave a spiel about how he'd tried to be helpful to the client who'd been really uncooperative and could the order take immediate effect, please.

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Clive then pointed out his changed circumstances and explained that anyway the affadavit from Cooke was all wrong, and went on to say that he'd had to take the day off work and travel to the court by taxi and could he have £35 costs, please? The judge duly granted £35 costs against Southwark Council.

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Doubtless this influenced the judge's subsequent actions in the case of 9, Keston, where an adjournment of 14 days was given for similar reasons. Also, if this reporter's year of law classes is any guide, the judge's decision will have set a precedent which can now be used in other similar cases.

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This is not the first time the council have fucked up in this matter. The people in 51 Innis got a summons long after they'd bee given a tenancy and the Chairperson of Pullens TA also had never been a squatter got an eviction summons last autumn for no apparent reason, as did a couple in Peckham - paid-up Council Tenants for 10 years - only recently.

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Right - this is going to the South London Press. Southwark Council's credibly with the High Court will soon become totally fucked. This will be helpful to us, to say the least.

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# -9 KESTON CONT.-

The three discussed much but little happened because Mr Peploe decided to adjourn the case before we even stepped inside the courtroom.

Peter told me that Mr Peploe wanted to either take the case to County Court, which would be a cheaper venue in which to continue proceeding -s, dismiss the case altogether, or (the last option ) offer me a place.

To get the case heard in County Court would take over 3 months, dismissing the case would mean a fresh eviction order would have to be prepared, so either way the bailiffs wont be knocking on my door for a while. IMPORTANT, COURT SUMMONSES

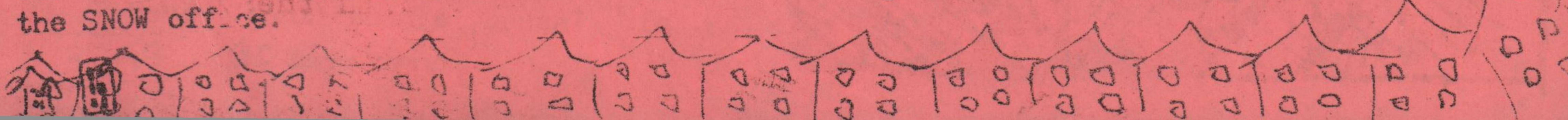
SHOULD BE LEFT IN SNOW OFFICE.

ROCKINGHAM  
SOUTHWARK.

Previously thought to be running out of squattable stock, empty flats of considerable number have been found in the western sector of the Rockingham Estate. Some squats have already been opened in the central area but last week-end saw the first opening of a new squat by a SNOW worker helping people who came along asking for assistance in a recently discovered territory. The number of empty flats is too numerous to mention or detail but some information is available in the SNOW office.

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► The parliamentary candidate deposit is going to be raised from £150 to £1,000, so effectively eliminating any but the richest, i.e. the Tories, from even standing for election. We always knew the vote would never change anything but it looks like we might be down to one party elections. Who said anything about totalitarianism .....

► A new snooping body - the Unemployment Review Scheme - is being launched. Benefit officers will visit unemployed people between 18 and 25 in 40 towns and cities.

They 'want to know why young unemployed people are refusing to accept low paid jobs or join government training schemes. Slave labour .... exploitation .... boredom .... cannon fodder .... any other suggestions?

► At Greenham Common recently, a Marine beat up two women who were laughing at his ridiculous attire. The paid murderer told magistrates, 'I don't see anything funny about Union Jack shorts.'

One of the women was badly beaten about the head, but typically, the macho bastard was given a conditional discharge with only £45 costs.

Just another example of the State protecting its own, or; just another prick waving the flag of oppression.

► I was angered and little shocked by the murder of Michelle Sadler and Robert Vaughan whose bodies were found near Union Street, Southwark.

But listen to this from Michelle's mother. "Michelle was a beautiful girl and everyone loved her. She and Robert had such wonderful plans for the future. He was a smashing young man and I would have been proud to have had him for a son-in-law. They planned to marry in a couple of years time. But first Michelle was concentrating on her exams and Robert was setting himself up in his job."

Alive or dead, a tragic waste of life. At least there's a slight consolation. Michelle's Mum again:- "I think it would be nice for them to be buried together." ..... No comment.

► According to the Agriculture Ministry a colony of mutant rats, unaffected by modern poisons, is spreading across southern England. Reliable sources (me) confirm that these are the four-legged variety and not the mutant two-legged breeders who are already threatening mass-destruction of our planet. Suggestions for their extermination will be gratefully received, and, if possible, implemented.

► South Africa's first nuclear reactor becomes operational in March. Planned by Americans, built by the French - a truly international assault against the Black peoples and against the environment.

► London Police have begun trial tape recordings of 'interviews' with suspects. More protection for us interviewees perhaps? Not so simple. The taping can be stopped if the suspect claims to have been hit by the 'interviewing officer'. The pig is then supposed to go and get a senior officer to validate the claim, and before the 'interview' can continue. What I'd like to know is what happens while the tape is off?

BROUGHT TO YOU BY...

## shock govt. report 'CIVILIZATION' IS A CON!

Suicides on the increase  
Alcoholism up  
Heroin addiction doubled  
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## CHANGE THE WORLD IN 1984

Some of us want to change the world in 1984. The nuclear threat after all poses the choice of world destruction or the creation of a new world not prone to self murder.

So how is progress around here? The Council spending £50,000 on steel security systems to keep people homeless... The only decent candidate suggested for the Council in the coming bye-election here being blocked by the upper reaches of Labour Party bureaucracy through disgraceful manipulation of democracy. Doesn't look so good? BUT in fact these attacks are a sign of OUR STRENGTH... a year ago they wouldn't have bothered about extra security... there would not have been any decent candidates even suggested. The appearance of barriers to our goal is a sign that we are getting nearer our goal.

If we get this clear then we can come to terms with these barriers, understand them... and GO FORWARD.

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Piers



# THE LABOUR PARTY, SOUTHWARK

# CHANGING THE WORLD!

OK, here we go again. This is the Definitive Article, this time, take it or leave it, as you wish. So, starting from a local perspective... What is going on in Southwark.

Southwark, as Simon Hughes is so fond of pointing out, is effectively a one party state, with Labour as the one party. Therefore any political analysis of events in the borough must look first at the internal affairs of the Labour Party.

## (1) The Council.

In 1982, a coalition or alliance of forces within the local party ('serious' - Marxist - left, 'soft' - wishywashy - left, 'Militant' and the opportunist careerist right) overthrew the corrupt right-wing regime of John O'Grady and the 'Labour Mafia', and installed a council composed of all these groups, with a left bias.

Since this time, as the result of a number of events - Tatchell's defeat, the June '83 Election disaster, and Thatcher's increased attacks on councils, the soft left and careerists in the Council and party have moved sharply to the right, and joined with what remains of the O'Gradyists.

What this means in Council terms is that the response to any challenge, instead of sticking to principles, is to back down and implement reactionary policies, usually in the name of populism. So right-wing attacks on squatters are not stood up to and shown up for the bullshit they are. Instead, the Council tries evictions to try and win votes.

Again, instead of granting the NALGO residential social workers' very justified claims, the Council backs down before local NUPE prejudice against NALGO, sends the SPG to smash up kids homes, and generally behaves like a bunch of arseholes.

And when Thatcher penalises local councils by withholding Rate Support Grant, the 'far left' council (c South London Press) don't stand up to her, refuse to increase rent and rates or cut services, and face surcharges and possibly jail, they back down, whack rent & rates up by £3 for most tenants, and will probably soon start to make cuts in services. In fact this sort of thing fools no-one, no matter how many whining anti-Tory posters the Council puts up.

What is needed is for the Council to make an absolutely firm stand, mainly on the basis of the excellent 1982 manifesto, take on reactionaries and beat them, treat its staff decently, and defend the people of Southwark against Tory cuts even if it means jail.

## (2) The Party.

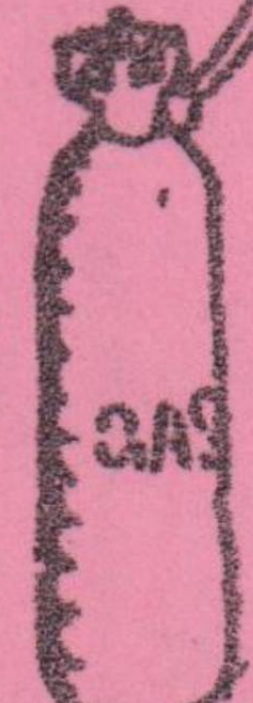
The only people in the party who agree with the above view of things are the serious left - mainly "Labour Briefing" supporters. Unfortunately these people's position in the party is similar to their position on the Council - outnumbered. In this year's party elections the left has lost control of almost every ward in Peckham, and the two centres of resistance that remain - Liddle ward and the Young Socialists - are under severe attack from Right-wing bureaucrats like Ann Goss (who is trying to secure a right-wing majority in Liddle by declaring its AGM invalid because one person (falsely) claimed not to have received his agenda) and opportunist like the Militant (who with the aid of some vile right-wingers recruited from NUPE are trying to take over the YS). The culmination of all this was the YS AGM, which was declared invalid because of some minor rule infringement. After this acrimonious fiasco (which the serious left would have won had it been allowed to proceed) Militant and NUPE members (a) accused their opponents of being middle-class trendies - "working class people don't dress like that" (b) declared that working class women were happy being tied to the kitchen sink (c) dismissed one comrades comments with the

words "what do you know, you're just a poof", and (d) declared that we as unemployed people were just sponging off workers and there were plenty of jobs around and we should go out and look for work. We collapsed in fits of laughter and cries of "gi's a job" and "on your bike".

## What has to be done?

Clearly it is no good relying on the 'soft left' to come back into the fold. Even if this were to happen (and at present it appears extremely unlikely), such people cannot be relied upon in times of crisis - they will sell you out every time. The only alternative is to recruit new, radical members into the party, and the only way for this to happen is for the left to involve itself in radical struggles outside the party.

The logic of the situation is quite plain. The only way to get a radical council which will give tenancies to squatters and defend working people in general (short of a sudden revolution, which doesn't look too likely) is to build a radical Labour Party, and the only way to build a radical Labour Party is for radical people to join it.





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There is no other way, not in the short term, and it is the short term which should concern us here, particularly those of us facing eviction.

The Labour Party may seem to all you dynamic revolutionaries out there to be bureaucratic and dull, and it very often is, - but if you want entertainment go and see Star Wars. If you want to change Southwark Council, you'll have to join the Labour Party. If it's left to the bureaucrats it'll stay bureaucratic, and continue to abuse its power over our lives - and we'll have only ourselves to blame. You may think you'll get bogged down by bureaucratic infighting and change nothing - if you think that you can't have much faith in your own political will. And of course work in the Labour Party alone can't change anything, but neither can work outside alone - a combination is needed, direct action and political pressure both. Sitting in your living room reading Kropotkin or dreaming of the end of patriarchy or The Revolution is just political masturbation and changes nothing. It might be more fun, but to bring about change takes work. And it can be done! O'Grady's mob got kicked out, and so can the present shower. So, all you armchair anarchists, ultra-leftists, and the just plain lazy, let's see you come out and get your hands dirty, soil your ideological purity maybe, but fight and beat the bureaucrats on their own territory, and get a few concrete gains out of it. Hmm?

Chris.

## COMING EVENTS

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| Mon. 13th Feb.   | 8 p.m. Amb. Station<br>Heads on Sticks, membranes<br>and the Committee           |
| Tues. 14th Feb.  | 7 pm Amb. Station. SNOW<br>MEETING   |
| Fri. 17th Feb.   | 8 pm Amb. Station<br>Increase the Pressure,<br>Icons of Filth, Vex,<br>The Puke. |
| Sat. 18th Feb.   | 12-4 pm Amb. Station<br>London Squatters Meeting<br>for Stop the City            |
| Wed. 22nd Feb.   | 4-7 pm Amb. Station<br>WIRE deadline   |
| Thurs. 23rd Feb. | 8 pm. Amb. Station<br>WIRE editorial   |
| Sat. 25th Feb.   | Evening Cabaret<br>The Kath's lik Klub   |

## JOINT CAMPAIGN

There has I think been a certain amount of cynicism over the effectiveness of the Squatters and Tenants Joint Campaign to Defend the Homeless of Southwark, but it should be noted by sceptics that despite a Council resolution last August to evict all squatters, this has not yet happened. Furthermore, the Council has now definitely dropped plans to reintroduce the Criminal Trespass Law. (cue cheers). This is A Victory, and should be treated as such. Now we find ourselves at a new crossroads, as follows...

Tony Ritchie has produced a document which calls itself "Review of Squatting Policy". This is in fact his proposed new policy, which he appears to have drawn up all by himself. This basically says that henceforth only squatters who were on the waiting list and squatters for whom the Council has a liability under the Housing (Homeless Persons) Act 1977 will be eligible for tenancies.

Now for quite a while Ritchie has been fobbing off our requests to speak at various committees with the line that we would have "an input" into the new policy when it came to be considered. Indeed when P.C. asked a pretty right wing Housing cttee. councillor about this he was told "of course there will be full discussion". However the councillor was subsequently embarrassed to find that Ritchie had no such intention. So it would appear that he lies to his friends as well as to us filthy subhuman squatter types. BYE BYE YURI HELLO BORIS

The fight is now on to get a proper discussion by tenants, squatters, single homeless groups and local Labour Parties about this sly and tricky document produced by a sly and tricky person before it becomes council policy.

We will be fighting in all the usual places for this aim. SNOW, meantime, should consider exactly what response it wishes to make to Ritchie's Plan C, which will be available for inspection and discussion at the next meeting, Tue 7pm, usual time & place. See you.



IN THE RED CORNER... CB -10/4 RUBBER DUCK

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EVA CROWBAR IS A SLUT

AND OWES IVOR CROWBAR £187

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Gary chaired, Nick took notes, about 20 squatters there.

The three people who turned up looking for a squat immediately were given a hand opening up squats after the meeting, others who were in less of a hurry were provided with a list of empty property in the area of their choice. It was agreed to concentrate on Rockingham Estate over the next two weeks when squats were needed outside of the immediate area.

It was thought a good idea to get a list of squatters with warnings of threatened evictions. It was suggested that those squatters threatened with eviction could get a petition supporting them staying in their squat; ASS will carry on fighting against local evictors. It was suggested another means of opposing evictions, would be through attacking the council infrastructure but this was thought to be counter-productive. It was said that it was inevitable that a change would occur in the council policy of giving tenancies, but that the Housing Office was going against the policy of the Council. It was agreed that resistance to an eviction would deter other evictions taking place. This would be organised at the next SNOW meeting.

It was agreed to hold a SNOW working collective meeting on Monday at 7 p.m. This would allow the squat crackers to communicate more effectively with the office workers, helping more people to squat faster.

On campaigning, the advantages of occupying a Housing Office (in Hackney) were outlined; TAs might be effective if radicalised; the empties campaign had infiltrated SGTO and a local, "housing committee" made up of SNOW, TAs and estate officers reps might be fun.

The WIRE was discussed and it was agreed that a page of private ads would be okay in the next issue - with a SNOW health warning - consumerism can damage your mental health - stuck really? underneath.

The office rota was filled. David would chair the next meeting with the new system of an open chair. The non-payment of the SUS poster was discussed (the problem was not really a squabble between LSU and ASS - it just seemed that way) The next WIRE would include a guilt complex article after Colin and Angie had donated so much money, and it was agreed to wait until John finds out whether a living cabinet can be got 12th Dec.

The Wyers big squat in central Amsterdam may be facing eviction soon. The speculators want to build a 'Holiday Inn' on the site!

3,000 police are believed to be preparing for action. The squatters are also preparing. In London we have to be ready for solidarity action.

LOOK OUT FOR NEWS

- LSU Information -

## HOW TO SURVIVE TO THE END OF THE WEEK IF YOU ARE A FOOD ADDICT!!

Some stay in work to keep up this habit - for the rest of us there seem to be various other ways -

There is a large reserve of good quality fruit and veg to be found in the gutters. This sort of food hunting can lead to the most surprising variety of dishes and mixtures. It must have been like this in the hunter gatherer days when everything was free until man came along and started claiming his rights to plots of land. (how about some roads in Walworth lined with apple trees?)

The markets are good sources - where you can often find plenty. You have to be careful though, as the sellers sometimes object if you start crawling through their legs!

The markets seem to vary as to the amount they throw away. North End Road throw a lot away, but the sweepers are very prompt. At Lewisham you can find amazingly shaped parsnips and cabbages in the flowerbeds. East Street? Maybe there's a whole lot of other people round here looking for free food. Any more good places?

TO SQUATTERS WHO DON'T TURN UP AT  
SNOW MEETINGS

It was said at the last SNOW meeting that some squatters are helped to squat by SNOW and then neither come along to meeting nor provide funds to help others to squat.

But some squatters who are unable to attend SNOW meetings do at least provide financial assistance.

If you can't turn up at SNOW meetings you too can help provide funds. ALL contribution welcome.



# ALL LONDON SQUATTING

ALL LONDON SQUATTING If you have anything to fill the pages, please send it to the WIRE Collective, c/o The Ambulance Station Collective Squat, 306, Old Kent Road, SE1.

## NEXT: THEY STOLE THE BUILDING!

The following is story of NEXT, as told by one of the squatters who lived there.

NEXT was a 200 room ex-computer factory. It opened on the 29th December and closed on the 26th January.

There were 20-30 people there when it first opened and it was a good place until it was ripped appart for cash. 8-9 people lived there when it had been vandalised and they had to move upstairs.

A lot of guys ripped off the aluminium floor, the pipes and the wiring. The people who ripped it off were living there.

The organisers put £60-70 in the place and after it had been stripped, dismantled the second spiral staircase to try and get their money back.

If it had been left alone it would still have been a good squat but it was too big and had too much worth stealing. Scrap value: £700-£800 for the floor and £400 for the lead piping. To repair it would cost about £70-£100,000 - for the cable, gas and water piping, flooring and above all, the labour. The walls had been partly knocked down to move around inside.

The reason behind it was to give the homeless people there an idea of squatting, but it was ripped off for scrap value.

The GLC owned it, it was registered with the council, with the council agreeing that it be a squat.

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## EFFRA PARADE

Stardate 7/2/84

Dimension ..... High Court, Strand.

Victims ... Effra Parade Squatters

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Saturday  
February 10  
1984

Feb. 12 4 pm

## LONDON SQUATTERS MEETING. AT THE AMBULANCE STATION, COLLECTIVE SQUAT... 306 OLD KENT RD. SE1 ELEPHANT. By T.M.

By Bus. No 21.53.63.141.197.

Effra Parade Squatters lost their court case to-day against Lambeth Council and its "Housing Officer" Sandra Affidavit.

There were many submissions to the judge in chambers, ranging from the sublime to the practical "Why don't they just buy a machine to do your job?" from one our more concerned rate payers.

However, notwithstanding, tonight (Tuesday) up go the barricades in preparation for the eviction any time in the next ten days. The council plan to immediately demolish the cottages and 'create' an open space for public health reasons, no doubt!

Danny Molish  
p.s. The embattled residents of Effra Parade wish it to be known that a mass squat is being planned nearby and any WIRE supporters should 'phone 274 6655 to secure a place on this historic venture.



# ALL LONDON SQUATTING

A letter from Frances Morrell  
 Leader of the ILEA  
 Chairman of Equal Opportunities Sub  
 Committee  
 Member of the GLC for Islington, South  
 and Finsbury

AMBULANCE  
 STATION COLLECTIVE  
 NEWS

The County Hall  
 London SE1 7PB  
 01 633 3330  
 25th January 1984

Mr A Bernard  
 Ambulance Station Collective  
 306 Old Kent Road  
 London SE1

Dear Mr. Bernard,  
 Thank you for your letter asking  
 my assistance with your accommodation  
 problem.

I have made enquiries and can  
 assure you that the GLC have no intention  
 of immediately implementing the possession  
 order and, unless you behave in a  
 disruptive or illegal manner, you will  
 probably be able to stay in the building  
 until a final decision has been made on  
 the future of the building. Even then,  
 you will be given 28 days notice.

As to the question of permanent  
 accommodation, the GLC Housing Depart-  
 ment licenses properties only to housing  
 associations and, if you are looking for  
 residential accommodation, then I suggest  
 you try and link up to a housing associa-  
 tion. If you wish to obtain funding for  
 your political and social activities  
 then you could apply to the GLC grants  
 Committee. I have asked the Committee  
 clerk to send you an application form  
 and explanatory booklet.

I hope my comments have given  
 you some assistance and reassurance.

Yours sincerely,  
 Frances Morell

## SNOW COLLECTIVE

The first SNOW collective meeting  
 of squat crackers and office workers took  
 place last Monday evening.

There the decisions made at the  
 last SNOW meeting were discussed and the  
 best means of putting them into practice  
 arrived at. It was decided that what

There is no London-wide organ-  
 isation of squatters at present,  
 although some practical and positive  
 steps have been made over the last few  
 months to get better liason between  
 squatters around London.

The last London-wide organisation  
 'The London Squatters Union' shrunk  
 with the decline in squatting which  
 started in 1977 and has only reversed  
 in the last couple of years. The  
 LSU no longer functions as a regular  
 London-wide organisation but it does  
 still get a small income from ex-  
 squatting housing groups and a loose  
 group of people and still promotes  
 liason wherever possible. These  
 include:

- \*Funding or assisting initiators to  
 build liason and united activity  
 between squatters. LSU funds pay  
 this 'ALL LONDON SQUATTING'  
 supplement to WIRE - which is  
 open to ALL squatters.
- \*Initiating or supporting special  
 campaigns and actions (e.g. Squat  
 Against Sales Campaign 1980/81;  
 NEXT at Xmas last year.)
- \*Maintaining links with squatters  
 overseas (e.g. in Denmark, Holl-  
 and and Germany) LSU people  
 organised visitors to and from  
 Denmark, Amsterdam and Berlin  
 at various times over the last  
 year.
- \*Collecting literature on squatting  
 history.

A new London-wide (or part-of-London-  
 wide) organisation is needed. The more  
 it gets going the more these LSU  
 activists will become the 'property' of  
 all squatters. To help this process  
 help these activists and get more news  
 into this 'ALL LONDON SQUATTING'  
 supplement!

Piers and George and Mary in spiri

that the squat crackers would seek to  
 find time to describe the squattable  
 flats they know of. This should increase  
 the efficiency of the SNOW office  
 because there'd be more time to prepare  
 the opening of squats and avoid  
 unco-ordinated activities and lack of  
 communication

SNOW NEWS



# JANUARY THE 14<sup>TH</sup> SNOW INTERNATIONAL

It was a windy but bright day as the council gathered from around the land. They amassed in the recaptured hall, once used for the great white wagons of the sick and they talked of past battles, not of blood, but of work and deed. They talked of friends that would sympathise for the grand attack and the battleground where lay the heart of the beast; where no babe was born nor act of charity dealt.

In the evening after the council met, a party was held and groups of popular minstrels attracted a crowd that so filled the hall that the coffers overflowed.

At the heart of the beast its grey servants talked in low voices;

"I will exchange the sweat of the forest men for the blood of those that dwell in the desert."

"I shall tear the minerals from the mountain lands and sell the skins of the creatures that idle in the hills." spoke another.

A third, with breath like ice said, "I shall build useless toys for the lonely people that work for us and erect food mountains to rot, so high that the hungry in distant lands shall see their tips."

Those uniformed in blue who protected and policed the beast did not tell the grey men of the meetings of a rebellious council not three mile away nor of the imminent battle, for deceit was so rife and these things were best kept till the last, but even they suspected not of the fulfilment of ancient prophecies or the revival of old lore.

N.B. IMMINENT ATTACK ON MARCH 29TH  
ELVEN PSILOCYBE COLLECTIVE

## SEX AND SEXUALITRICITY

Yes, the meeting happened - and was interesting for all involved.

However, most of the 'experts' on the question stayed away .... a bit funny really, isn't it? A lot to say against other groups who have views on the matter but nothing to say when there is a chance for all views to meet together?!!!! I smell a rat!

EXT MEETING ON SEXISM AND SEXUALITRICITY  
GO ON (NOT A GROUP OR COLLECTIVE OR  
NYTHING) THURS. 16 FEB. 7.30.  
A. Participant

Here it is at last, the event we have all been waiting for - the launching of SNOW INTERNATIONAL.

Since our squatting group has been such a success attracting French, Italian, Canadian, American, German and South American alternative minded people our International section is being formed to spread the news of our existence and success, as the best squatting group in London, to the world.

What is needed? Well, translators would really come in handy to help turn SNOW info leaflets into the appropriate lingoes. Addresses are also required of various squatting, alternative and student groups and lefty universities etc.

The Internationalists that have so far joined the group have brought colour and enthusiasm and further contact with groups abroad could help us in developing SNOW. This contact could also mean cheap accommodation for any of our comrades who drift abroad as well as attracting sufficient demand for us to crack open the rest of Southwark.

So, international-minded people out there drop your name round at the office with details of any help you can give or go and see Gary (Bethersden).

## SQUAT THE WORLD

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SQUATTERS HAND OVER SQUAT TO TENANTS

Last week, 2 members of the SNOWish cracking team were carrying out the decision made at the last SNOW meeting - to open up Rockingham. They'd changed the barrel, put up the legal warning and were securing the door when along came the intended tenants.

On proof of the tenants authenticity - they had the key of the old barrel - and they were familiar with the previous entry attempt by other squatters earlier the same day - the squatters agreed to hand it over to them. The squatters put back the new tenants barrel and departed amicably, a slightly different story to the ones normally told about squatters in the South London Press.

And the Politician with his Great House of promises runs screaming out of the Falling Cards, and the Bishop is doked with his warring words; and the skeleton walks into the Brothel - Demanding his due and paying the price with a Gold ring that is green from lying long in the earth; and the Great Towers topple and crack as the Flat shadows of birds fight over the crushed FLESH.....



EEVACROWBAR

YES! ITS EEVA CROWBAR!  
(Eeva Crowbar is Aerobic  
& garunteed to self -  
destruct after 3 weeks.  
Keep in cool place).

Hiya squittie persons out there!  
Auntie Eeva's had a buzt tyme' oop  
North and now she's joinin de  
Liberals...

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Me heers that a little squabble  
bin goin on tween ERIC 'Golden  
Crowbar' of A.S.S. & DE CHAIRMAN.  
Southwak Union of Squitters seems  
mek a poster to brag bout dem-  
selves and ask a rave fro de grave  
De Huntley & Palmers Street Defence  
Committee to can pei.  
Now P.C. (DE Chairman) & Gold C. are  
joint signitorys to dis account  
& Golden say him no sine!  
Parrentli him sine before &  
SHINEY (I of PC's gropies) bin gon  
lost de check. SHINEY also promise  
to rite mucho letters to Sowak  
Counsil & him forget..

SHINEY ON BRITE DIAMOND!

Alittle hawk metells some  
fleshbones & eptrolsniffers rip  
up the squitters down on Queen-  
pond & Alvin Estate.

Leeva bin told by Flagperson to keep a low profile( come up & see it sum tyme!), so all she kan say is

\* DO UNTO OTHERS. . . . . \*

DONT It jest mek u punk de way evri  
bodi badwords de fleshbones & eptr-  
qlsniffers! U & U no de trooth bout  
Herod's (de new Babilon). Tis de  
departmenti store dat give new  
meanin to ' Nearer to heavin dan  
Herod's).

INTERNATIONAL GO PRESS:

Voodoo daddy Grairi ( a1is Shreded  
Majishan: noone kan eat 2), bin gon  
bek to Grenada. Seems de man look  
for de SCOONER of dollars de  
Sentral Idiot Assoc. bin handin out  
to build retirement home for senile  
exdictaytors.

SO HARD BRIE, COMRAD YUNGER!  
U lost de chans to be big  
Populist burokrat. Nerri mind.  
Jest keep on takin de cleanso



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Notes for gropies (Part de Thirst)

SUS : A Korbin Brite Co-prod.

WIRE : WHY I READ EEVA:

SHAME : Never herd of it!  
HUNTLEY & PALMERS STREET DEFENCE  
COMMITTEE:

' We'll meet again' or ' How I sold  
out the Huntley Street squitters  
cos of lust for leedership &  
bekame a faymus squittin neuro-ph-  
ysicist with builitn South Efrikan  
parrot & SHINEY sidekick.I also  
molest ani womin I kan.'

That's it! Stunnin werent it dralings!  
Dont miss Eeva's full frontage in  
Matrix II (out soon).

Eeva Crowbar is totally vegan  
and contains no inorganic matter.  
Also available as a kompakt disk  
with octraprunic sound. Recorded  
on lokation in Shalwe house  
(Do kum & see me), Maggi Pest,  
Howe now brown lobotomi &  
the Dagenham Boy pipers.  
Any copying strictly forbidden  
( But u kan playjarise around  
so long u mind de chandeliers.)

Animals  
don't stop to ponder  
what kind of impression  
they are making on each other  
Don't we deserve to be animals?  
Dan

THE SPIRIT LIVES ON

A late Saturday night, on what would have been a wet, dreary time spent in their home, 15 squatters mobilised. The stimulant to this was the theft of some items belonging to two female squatters.

While preparing to move from a Keston House squat to a nearby block, the squatters were robbed in their absense. The door of their old flat was booted in and a cassette recorder, sleeping bags and other items were taken.

Fifteen squatters quickly gathered to help sort out the hassle. Discreet enquiries, however, produced no solution and the stolen items were not recovered, but at least the incident proves that squatters in the community are willing to turn out to help other squatters in trouble (including those threatened with, or actually being evicted?)

