

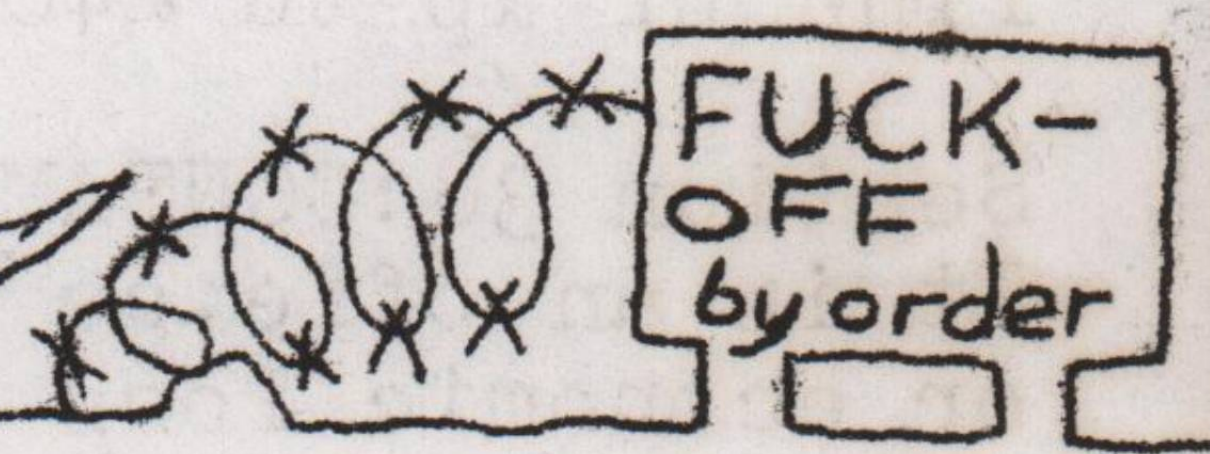
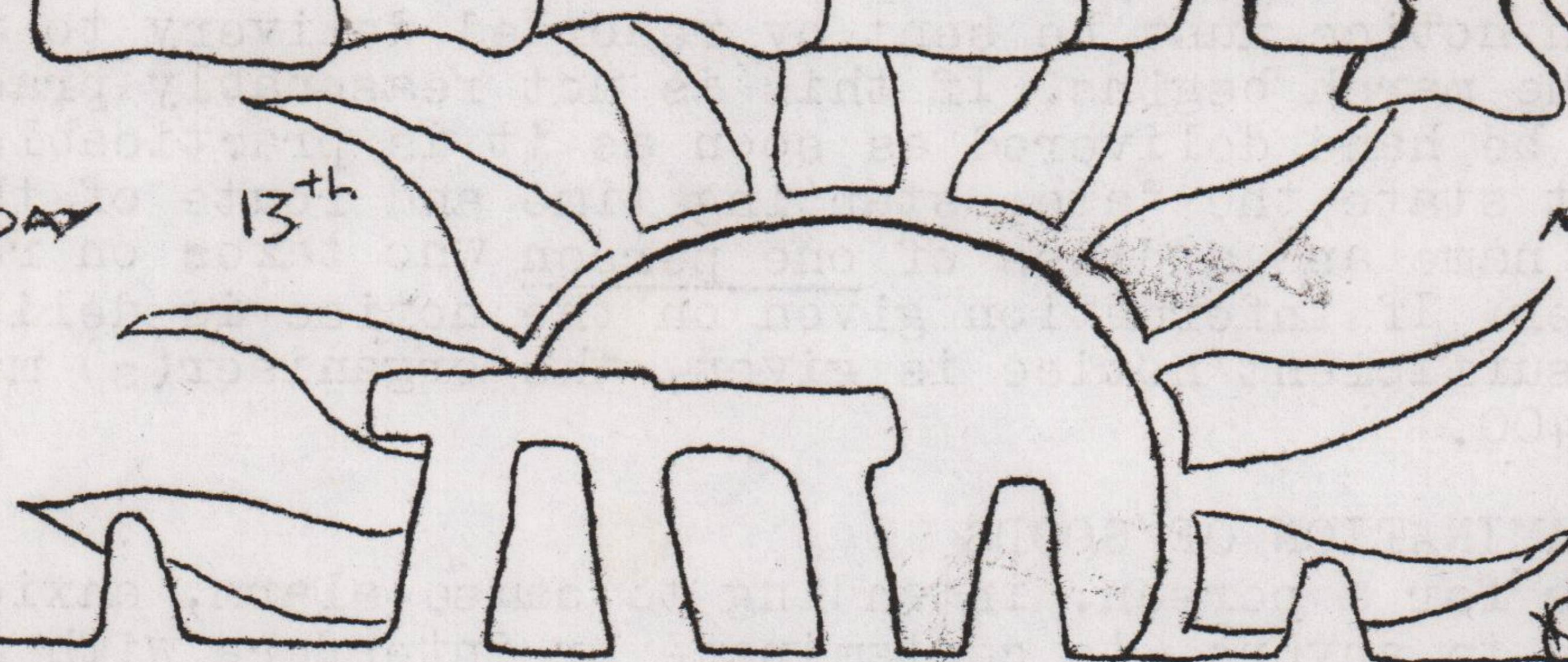
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POISON PEN

FRIDAY 13th

MARCH 1987



As this act comes fully into effect at the beginning of April we thought it would be a good idea to show what it actually means and how repressive it is. The source for this was a Campaign Against Police Repression leaflet. CAPR can be contacted at Box CAPR, 83 Blackstock Rd, London N4.

Enforced on January 1st 1987:

Section 11: NOTICE FOR PROCESSIONS (this applies to marches but not to static pickets or customarily held processions).

Six days written notice must be sent by recorded delivery to the police station where the march begins. If this is not reasonably practicable, the notice must be hand delivered as soon as it is practicable.

This notice must state the date, starting time and route of the march, and include the name and address of one person who takes on responsibility of organiser. If information given on the notice is deliberately false, or if insufficient notice is given, the organiser(s) may face a fine of up to £400.

Section 38: CONTAMINATION OF GOODS

It is an offence for a person, intending to cause alarm, anxiety, injury or economic loss to anyone, to contaminate or interfere with goods, or make it appear that this has been done, or to place contaminated or apparently contaminated goods in a place where they are consumed, used, sold or supplied. It is also an offence to threaten to do this.

Penalty: up to 6 months imprisonment and/or fine (if convicted in a magistrates court); up to 10 years imprisonment and/or fine (if convicted in a crown court).

Enforced on April 1st 1987:

Sections 12 & 14: CONDITIONS ON PROCESSIONS AND ASSEMBLIES (this does apply to static pickets and customarily held processions)

If the senior police officer present believes the demonstration may result in serious public disorder, serious damage to property or serious disruption to community life, he may dictate how long the demonstration lasts, where it is situated, and the number of people attending it.

Any person who knowingly fails to obey these instructions may face a fine of up to £400. Any person who incites others to disobey these conditions may face a fine of up to £1000 and/or a 3 month prison sentence.

(Note: an assembly is defined as 20 or more people)

Section 13: BANS ON PROCESSIONS (this does not apply to static pickets)

The police can apply to the council where a march is planned to take place (or, in London, to the Secretary of State) for an order banning all processions in the area for up to 3 months. They can do this where they think imposing conditions would be insufficient to prevent "serious public disorder".

Below are new offences created by this act (old offences of riot, unlawful assembly and affray being abolished);

Section 1: RIOT

If 12 or more people use or threaten to use "unlawful violence", for a common purpose in such a way that might cause someone to fear for their safety, each is guilty of "riot". The action can be in a private place, the 12 people need not be acting simultaneously, and the person who

continues on the page before the last one

If you are a butcher with butcher's shops
The ALF shall cause violence unto you....

If you are a department store selling furs
The ALF shall cause violence unto you....

If you are a research worker involved with animals
The ALF shall cause violence unto you....

If you abuse or exploit animals causing violence to be done
to them

The ALF shall cause violence unto you....

After reading the last three issues of Poison Pen especially the article about the rationale (?) behind direct action (violence) which Mr. Anon thinks is fun, I was moved to write a few words.

It is obvious that the planet is in chaos, there is violence all around in a multitude of forms - against other people, against our own bodyminds, against animals, plants and the earth. Being concerned about this violence should we answer it with violence? If there is violence in the world then there is violence in ourselves - the two are not separate. Shouldn't we be looking into ourselves looking for a way of being which is non-violent? Or are we afraid to look into our hearts and see the violence there. Is it fun to go out and smash and burn trying to change other people when we are not willing to change ourselves?

Seperation and comparison are a form of violence. When you see a police person do you see a man or woman like yourself living on the same planet as you, or do you see "filth" to be despised and hated. We are brought up to see ourselves as separate from other people. better than "them" or worse than "them" and what results except for war.

Black, white, red, green,
Just labels don't you see?
Protestant, catholic, christian, muslim,
Just labels that separate you from me
Anarchist, punk, skinhead, hippy,

~ continues over ~

Don't lets use words as walls
English,french,american,russian
Don't lets use words to make
bombs fly

We're all one you and I
I am you and you are I.
Don't you see?
Them and us? There's only us

Violence breeds only violence
and will never put the world to
rights.

Love, Shaun of the many names.

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Pow! Zap!As quick as an aardvark
(the earth pig), the reply! Wow.

Dear P.P,

I would like to say a few things
about the letter from Shaun of
The Many Names.

I agree that violence against
humans and animals merely breeds
more violence,physically and
emotionally and that it should be
avoided wherever possible,
however I think that Shaun
misunderstood the main thrust of
the article on Direct Action.

At no point in the three articles
on Direct Action did I encourage
anyone to be violent towards
other living things. On the cont-
rary,I pointed out that some
forms of economic sabotage could
be dangerous to life and that
careful consideration should be
given to the risks involved esp-
ecially when using fire.

I believe it is perfectly justif-
ied to damage and destroy the
property of companies and indivi-

% duals who are destroying the life
% on this planet.I do not seek to
% convert their views because they
% have brains and are well aware of
% what they are doing.I am not int-
% -erested in parleying with them.I
% want to put them out of business.
% Without their assets,buildings,
% vehicles,tools,machinery,they are
% unable to harm the enviroment as
% they do now.Trashing a bulldozer
% which is about to destroy a wood
% is no different to breaking a gun
% which is being pointed at someone.
% Both are obviously going to kill
% living things and if we just stood
% and watched someone being shot wi-
% -thout lifting a finger to stop it
% then I think we could well earn
% the title of being mega-shitheads.
% Imagine telling other people later
% "Well I wanted to do something but
% I didn't want to be violent towar-
% -ds the gun."Go and smash a butch-
% -ers window and see if it screams
% and then go to an abattoir and wa-
% -tch the cows hanging upside down
% being cut up with chainsaws,If you
% don't know which act is violent,
% then more meditation is obviously
% needed.
% I also think that Shaun is wrong
% to assume that the articles were
% written for or by the animal libe-
% -ration front.The first piece made
% it perfectly clear that we,the me-
% -mbers of this planet,are being
% exploited by a few greedy people
% who have accumulated vast amounts
% of power and have successfully
% convinced a large number of people
% that they are the way,the truth

FOSSIL

Old and dying
Is the fossil
Ancient tortured
Skin of love
Bony lonely
Creature
Thing
Dead dead dead dead
Dead
Feeling very empty now
Hollow
With the time of day
Quiet peaceful lonely creature
Now no more can play
Eons
Pass you
Pass you
By
As you rot
Your mother cries
Until the day
They dig you up

With a hammer and chisel
And
The rocket goes fizzle
Big bang plop
And drops onto your shoulder
Like a reclining revolver

Undo your holster
And shoot
You shit
To hit
The toilet
Seat
How neat

And pull the chain
For showers of rain
And all the cows come home

'ODE TO STINKFOOT' : (By a very sensitive poet)

I HAVE tried, O stinky socks,
To hide you in many places
Whereupon my nose will not
Have to smell your nerve gas.

My room-mate says, alas,
"Christ, mate! What a fucking stink!"
But I've never got enough money
To go to the Launderama.

There! I've put you, you bastards,
Into a plastic bag and tied
A bit of string around it.
Goodbye, O odourous specimens!
(PUBLISHER: " Thank you, and fuck off! ")

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YOU TOOK ME BACK TO SCHOOL
PULLING ME THROUGH THE AIR
EACH YEAR, EACH DAY YOU TOOK
ERASED THE PICTURES THAT I'D SEEN

YOU TOOK THE FACE OF A MONKEY
BLINDED WITH PAIN
YOU TOOK THE BODY OF A FOX
SERARATED WITH DELIGHT

THE POWER, THE POLITICIANS
INTENT ON KILLING US ALL
YOU TOOK ME BACK TO SCHOOL AGAIN

AND I WAS AT PEACE.....
I KNEW NOTHING

*FLIP*FLOP*

OUR GREEN WALL

YOUR HATRED WAS CRADLED WITH THE
LOVE OF PEOPLE
WHO NAIVELY COVERED THE
BLOOD AND PAIN
THEY LISTENED TO THE WASTE
THAT YOU UTTERED
THEN YOU STARTED MARCHING AGAIN

*FLIP*FLOP*

One last point, Although I personally shy away from committing physical violence on others, I would certainly never condemn anyone for using violence without considering the situation that a particular person may find themselves in. It is all very well for us to pontificate about non-violence down here in cosy Hastings (which is, I presume, where you live), but if I was living in South Africa or Afghanistan or El Salvador or Brixton then perhaps our perspective of the morality of physical violence might alter somewhat. I admit that I have violent thoughts in me and, as Shaun said, it is not particularly pleasant. I have seen a peaceful person kicked unconscious by the police who then refused to let an ambulance through to him. He lay on the ground while his friends tried to revive him. There was no reason for that to happen. The people who did that are extremely violent. I don't see those people as my brothers and sisters. They are humans, but their personalities have developed in such a way as to make them the enemies of those who do want to live peaceful, free lives. Ask the people on the Peace Convoy if the police are their brothers and sisters and they will almost certainly tell you to fuck off. Yours for Anarchy, peace and freedom,

P.S. Please eat this letter when you have read it as it has incriminat-
-ing dandruff on it.

A good proportion of people on this planet seem to have an abysmal attitude to their fellow human beings and an even lower regard for animals and the environment in which they live. Technological advance has soared ahead whilst the basic philosophy and attitude of the human race has remained in a complete cesspit of dogmatism and irrational beliefs. It is irrational to kill your fellow men/women and ruin our world purely for power or profit; it is irrational to destroy the world through pollution by hydrocarbons, radiation etc. for the same reasons.

NO ONE WILL PROFIT FROM OUR TOTAL EXTINCTION!

The reason why people allow this to happen is because a large percentage of them are brow-beaten by the forces of the state to accept its dicta when they are children, the best time for this. Children all over the globe are reared to be the new generation of societal androids who will prolong the ideologies/religions of whatever state they have the misfortune to be born into. Religions are the utterances of unintelligent, sadistic fools and the tools of despots. Politics is the "art" of controlling billions of people's fates, for personal profit (whether financial or for power) by a succession of mindless, ignorant, lying, deceitful bastards, who probably regard a man or woman as being as important as ten levels below a slug, when measured against their fanatical meglomania.

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⑦ WIMMINS FESTIVAL

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On the 14th/15th February we had an anarcho-wimmin's festival in Bristol. Over 100 wimmin, from all over, turned up, and we had a brilliant time (I think so anyhow!). We met Saturday morning to decide in a non-hierarchical, democratic way which workshops we wanted. They were: violence + D.A., violence and wimmin, violence with wimmin & confronting it, hunt sabbing, voice workshops, matriarchal cultures in art, the animal film, lesbians & anarchy (lesbian only), lesbians & anarchy (all sexualities only!), mental + physical health, and lots more I can't remember. The men climbed in the kitchen window and did the food and the creche. The best bit was the cabaret/disco on Saturday evening, where the beer was crap but the wimmin brilliant. There should be another one somewhere else soon. Don't miss it! How about doing it in Hastings???

LOU, BRISTOL

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being's servitude, dictated by them and enforced by their paid thugs (police, army etc.).

People are 'educated' into this servitude and mentally destroyed by it. I've often heard the statement "That's human nature." Bollocks! It's human maleducation and deliberate cretinisation by the system. There's nothing natural about it at all!

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Diary of a Sab

On Saturday 28th February 16 people went out to a mass hit of the Crawley & Horsham Foxhounds, which had been discussed and planned for some time. An elaborate ruse had been devised which involved a diversionary hit at the meet of the Old Surrey & Burstow Foxhounds. All the sabs from this area stood outside the meet and vociferated at the arriving hunters! We must have seemed quite terrifying because come 11-30 they had not set off. However the

police did not seem as concerned as we hoped. Could this be because they knew exactly what we were up to?! As we tried to leave the cops blocked 5 vans, but our's and one other managed to get away. We headed towards the main meeting place for all sabs and here we found about 50 others from many distant places.

A frustrating wait followed until at 1-30ish the five vans at the OSAB meet escaped and we all set off. This was great! An 11 transit convoy thundered through West Sussex. Lots of vans had C.B's, which was really useful as we could decide on tactics and all that. Soon we picked up a police transit and an unmarked car and the tension grew.

Suddenly chaos broke out as a police transit blocked the lead vehicle. Everybody lept out and started to run up the road and in the melee the filth arrested 15 people including several from Hastings. Most people managed to head across the fields looking for the hunt, with loads of police observing from the road. At least one police landrover as 150 angry sabs ran towards it in a field!

Back at the vans some plain clothes cops arrested one van driver because of naughty sticks in the van. Forty minutes later everybody came back with very little energy or spirit left.. The hunt had not been found (it turns out that they had been forced to pack up by the police, before we arrived) and there were filth everywhere.

Their main 'weapon' had been a helicopter, which was overhead all day. Now it circled lower and lower and you could sense that miles of video was being shot for future reference. I found this level of Big Brotherism very frightening. Next time we must rethink our tactics and come up with a little less subterfuge and more direct, decisive sabbing.

We had to wait 3 hours in Horsham for the release of our friends, and after a short stop for refreshment (hic!), meandered home at midnight.

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And next on Poison Television we have the News at Pen with Ms Middle-class sex symbol and Mr Cuddly Father Figure.

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The government announces new moves to combat fiddling by the unemployed.

DONG.

The Royal Corgis have again upset newsmen by their rude gestures.

DONG.

Great Britain . Are we really a third rate film producing nation?

The Home Office today announced plans to try and cut down the amount of people who are claiming Unemployment Benefit and working at the same time. In the Commons this afternoon the Home Secretary, the right honourable Earl of Europe told cheering Tory back-benchers about the average claimant following enquiries by the D.H.S.S. He quoted one example of one man from Bexhill-on-sea who was earning twenty five thousand pounds a week as a rock star on top of his dole money.

Tories screamed with delight as the Man on the Moon said that this was only one of four million odd cases that he had personally been shown and that it was typically average.

Labore Leader Sargeant Starey Eyes said that the figures were grossly exaggerated and that only about 80% of claimants were on that sort of loot.

The Royal Corgis on their Spring holidays in the Himalayas have again run foul of the world's press. One of them glared and bared some particularly pointy yellow teeth at a photographer who was trying to get a close-up of some food particles in one of the dog's excrements. A Spokespuppy for the Royal Party said that all the Corgis wanted to do was run and jump and yap now and again like other doggies on their holidays.

One leading newspaper in this country 'The Penis' said that it was calling back it's press team as a mark of respect for the Royals and that instead it would be showing a series of shocking photographs of a gang-rape that one of it's cameramen had chanced upon at a party last weekend.

And finally the plight of Britain's film industry. Although we have made some of the most brilliant cinema and television films in all of history, experts say we are becoming a third rate nation. Lens Cap, Chairman of the influential Kiddies Hour Club at the A.B.C. in Prestwick, says: 'Unless we distribute our films to more countries not many countries will see them'.

A Spokesperson for the Post Office stated however that unless someone made Jiffy Bags big enough to put films in then they would still have to be distributed half a reel at a time and glued up again on reaching their destination.

Well that's the end of the National and International News for tonight.
Goodnight.....giggles, smirks.....the odd raised eyebrow.....
fade to advert.

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S might be in fear need not actually be present. Penalty: up to 10 years
T imprisonment and/or a fine.
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T Section 2: VIOLENT DISORDER

o This is basically the same as riot but applies to groups of 3 or more people.

P Penalty: up to 6 months imprisonment (magistrates court) or up to 5 years
A imprisonment (crown court) and/or a fine.

G Section 3: AFFRAY

E As riot but applies to 1 or 2 people. Penalty: up to 6 months imprisonment
2 (magistrates court) or up to 3 years imprisonment (crown court) and/or a fine.

Section 4: FEAR OR PROVOCATION OF VIOLENCE

It is an offence to use threatening, abusive or insulting words, behaviour writing or images towards someone in such a way that they think violence will be used against them or someone else. Penalty: up to 6 months imprisonment and/or a fine.

Section 5: HARASSMENT, ALARM OR DISTRESS

It is an offence to use behaviour, words, writing or images in such a way as might cause someone harassment, alarm or distress. Penalty: a fine of up to £400.

Sections 1 - 5: except in "affray", 'violence' includes violence towards property as well as people.

Section 39: TRESPASS

If a police officer reasonably believes that:
two or more people have entered land as trespassers and are intending to reside there for "any period",
reasonable steps have been taken by the owner to ask them to leave
and
any of those people have caused damage to property on the land or used threatening, abusive or insulting words or behaviour towards the owner or his associates,
or
they have brought 12 or more vehicles on to the land,
he may order them to leave the land. If they fail to leave as soon as reasonably practicable or if any of them return within 3 months they can face up to 3 months imprisonment and/or a fine of up to £1000.
(The term 'land' includes agricultural buildings, ancient monuments and a highway).

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FREEDOM ANIMAL SANCTUARY

The Freedom Animal Sanctuary Fund has been set up to raise funds for a much needed sanctuary. At the present all work done is voluntary so there are no overheads at all; all money raised goes straight towards the sanctuary.

When enough money is raised and 1 land is bought the sanctuary will take in all needy animals from the wild or domestic. Wild animals will be re-introduced into the wild as

soon as possible and domestic animals will be found good homes or kept at the sanctuary.

Donations should be sent to
12b Dudley Rd, Tunbridge Wells, Kent
(make cheques out to Freedom Animal Sanctuary).

More information can be obtained by ringing Tunbridge Wells 25587 and asking for Susan Lee.

Well, here we are once more on the apocalyptic back page! This is usually the bit that I make up as I go and today is no exception. There are very few local happenings that I know of but some things have caught my wandering attention.....has everybody noticed a little bit of direct action that took place on National No Smoking Day? Some very naughty people painted nice white crosses on lots of tobacco adverts including that particularly sexist Manikin cigar one. HO! HO! HO! Will this see the start of a campaign against all dodgy adverts (which is most of them!)? You can be assured that your favourite biweekly will keep you informed. It would be nice to be able to include more stuff about dear old Hastings et al but nobody is sending in any juicy local gossip, scandal.....even factual news would be great. So how about it dear Hastingsites??? By now you will have tossed P.P. to one side and be frantically searching for that pen you knew you had somewhere, stories just bouncing around in your cranium.....but don't get too excited because you have to keep reading for just a little longer. You see, what you need is the P.P. address, otherwise postie won't know where to deliver all those manilla recycled paper envelopes! Send everything; articles, poems, navel fluff, MONEY etc. to.....23 PLYNLIMMON ROAD, HASTINGS, EAST SUSSEX.

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.....and now....GOSH!....WOW!.....it's
our very first music review.

THE WISE WOMAN

'SILENT ORDERS' is a tape of four tracks by 'Slaughter of the Innocent', a band based in Brighton which features Melita (vocals), Sue (bass), Tiff (drums) & Steve (guitar); whose live performances are popular and raise money for good causes, i.e. Animal Rights, prisoners, etc. The lyrics are excellent (judge for yourself) and were written by Melita. The cover is good as well; a diagrammatical head with regions marked 'Oppression', 'Social Control', 'Fear' etc.

The four songs on the tape are: 'Ghostdance' & 'Practice Makes Perfect' on side 1 and 'The Wise Woman' & 'Never Again' on side 2. They are all good musically with biting lyrics about the idiocies of sexism and political control and racism and lots of other things. The tape is excellent value and a good listen. I was disappointed that 'A New Dark Age' wasn't on the tape because it is my own favourite of the band's repertoire. Never mind, maybe it'll be on the next tape, Melita, huh?

Keep up the good work, Slaughter of the Innocent!

SILENT ORDERS can be obtained from

VATICAN CITY SOUNDS, P.O. BOX 434, BRIGHTON

BNTwo 3PN for only 75p plus twenty five p
p & p (SAE for more information)

See the power she picks
From the plants in the fields
With her herbs and her hands
She cures and heals
She is telling stories of times past-
This must not last
She is spreading poison
In the minds we have to grasp

Some say they have seen her
Gazing at the moon
Weaving her spells
Dancing to the Devil's tune
We must break her power by trickery,
deceit

She knows too much
She shares too much
Too many truths that she can see

WE WILL STRIP HER
WE WILL PRICK HER
WE WILL DROWN THE EVIL BITCH
WE WILL SCALD HER
WE WILL BURN HER
EXECUTE HER AS A WITCH

She must be denounced
By the Holy Church
We will call it magickry,
The Devil's evil work
These foolish people will
No longer ask for her advice
She has undermined us
And must pay the price

WE WILL STRIP HER etc.