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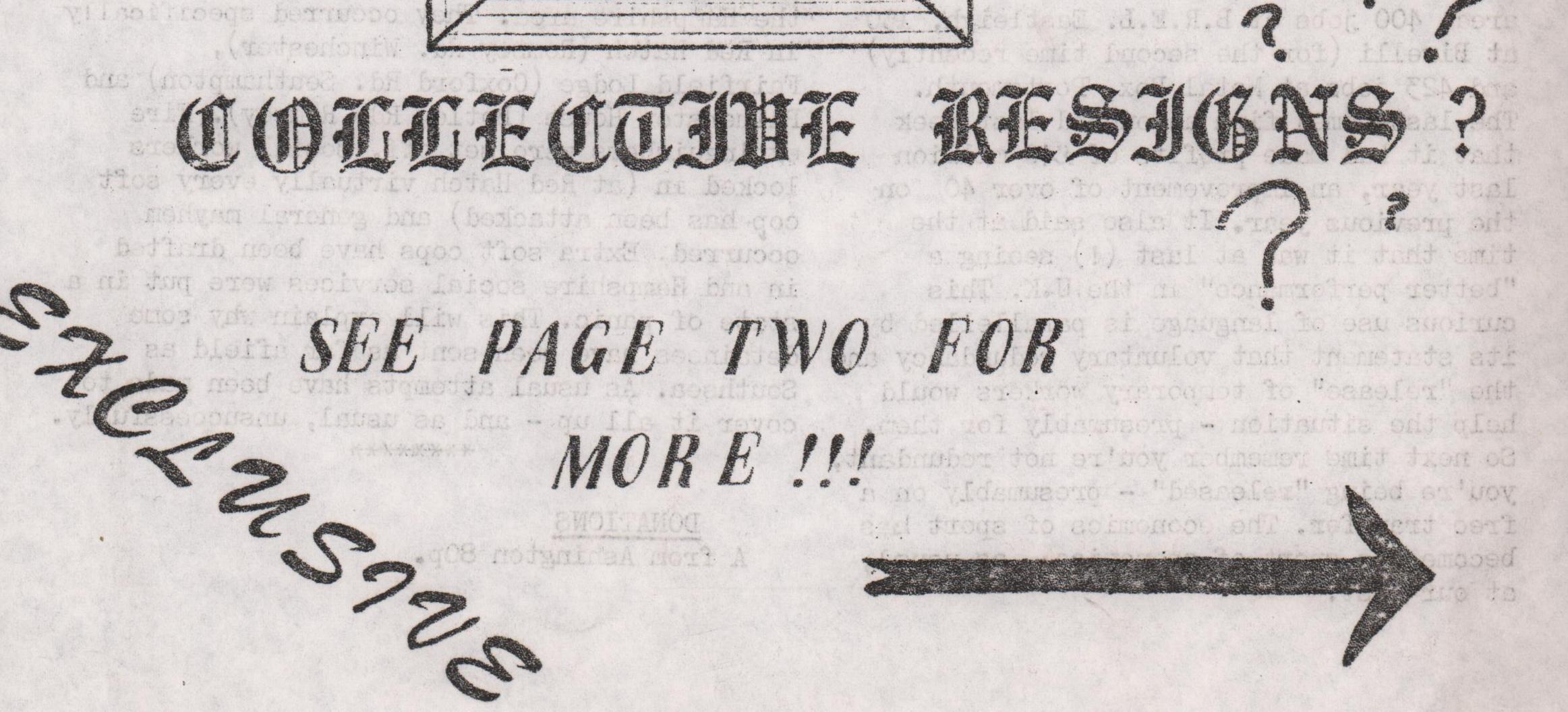


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EDITORIAL.

A sad job has befallen us, that of writing this, the last editorial of Verbal Assault. After two years of putting out this veritable magazine, we have decided to call it a day. Putting it out was becoming too much of a task that none of us got any pleasure out of, a mothly obsticle that had to be got over before life could resume to "normality". One major problem was that it was the same people month after month writing articles and the same people putting money into it. Try as we might we could not get other people in Southampton tomjoin us in putting it out. Many copies of Verbal Assault are taken from places in Southampton, but only one person from here ever wrote us a letter, though we met many of you at other functions.

Thanks to everyone who turned up at the picnic and the gig held on May First. We

raised £85 at the gig which we sent equally to ; Class War Prisoners Aid - 355, Holloway Road, London N7. & Fitzwillaim Prisoners Aid Committee - c/o 4 Rockingham street, Fizwilliam near Pontefract. I am sure that both these organisations would be grateful for any donations that you could raise and send to them.

To get back to the V.A. story; After long discussions wenhave decided to bury Verbal Assault but we will come back later with another magazine and we shall in the meantime concentrate on other actions. We will still be more than pleased to recieve mail at the below address.

We hope that you enjoy reading this last Verbal Assault. Yours in anti-boss and anti-rich solidarity,

Verbal Assault Collective.

Box A., 4 Onslow Road, Southampton, Hampshire.

NEWS IN BRIEF

LOCAL REDUNDANCIES In the past month or so, large scale redundancies have been announced in the <u>Riotin' in Children Detention Centres</u> Information has reached us of riots occurring in youth and children detention centres in

area. 400 jobs at B.R.E.L. Eastleigh, 150 at Birelli (for the second time recently) and 423 jobs at Metal Box, Portsmouth. The last-mamed firm announced last week that it had made profits of £40 million last year, an improvement of over 40% on the previous year. It also said at the time that it was at last (!) seeing a "better performance" in the U.K. This curious use of language is parallelled by its statement that voluntary redundancy and the "release" of temporary workers would help the situation - presumably for them. So next time remember you're not redundant, you're being "released" - presumably on a free transfer. The economics of sport has become the sport of economics - as usual. at our cost.

the Hampshire area. They occurred specifically in Red Hatch (Romsey Rd. Winchester), Fairfield Lodge (Coxford Rd. Southampton) and Palmerston House (Botley Rd. Romsey). Fire extinguishers were set off, social workers locked in (at Red Hatch virtually every soft cop has been attacked) and general mayhem occurred. Extra soft cops have been drafted in and Hampshire social services were put in a state of panic. This will explain why some detainees have been sent as far afield as Southsea. As usual attempts have been made to cover it all up - and as usual, unsuccessfully.

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HUNT SABS & AMERICAN COPS

A van load of Hunt Saboteurs was stopped by police while travelling from Devon. One hunt sab, thinking this situation similar to the police state known as the U.S.A., said;"This is just like the states' to which the man in blue replied; "not yet, son, wait 'till the police bill comes in" Well, it hasn't stopped Americans fighting the state!

REAL NATURE OF SOUTHAMPTONS TRAVEL GUIDE

During the past month Southampton's Travel Guide has been plopping through. the letter boxes of the town. This book - which would cost £4:95 if published by a chic 'radical publisher'- has been paid for by the loss of 80 jobs on Southampton's buses as a result of the introduction of Fastfare. The cover of this wonderful document shows an STC bus and a Hants & Dorset bus parked up in Mayflower Park which, of course, buses never go anywhere near. The cover also shows Southampton's oil tanker- the Burmah Endeavour- which evidently nets the Dock Board somewhere near £IM a year in mooring fees. Such money means you don't have to employ so many dockers. All in all it seems an odd idea to advertise Southampton's wonderful(sic) transport system by showing buses parked up where they never go in front of an oil tanker which goes nowhere as well.

WICKHAM TRIAL UPDATE

The trial of 19 people arrested after an animal lib raid on Wickham labs in October was halted on its first day in the begining of June. This was due to the fact an intelligent policeman told the jurors what the trial was about and his unwanted opinion on the matter. The trial, as far as is known, will resume on 30th September. This is a setback for one defendant who will have to wait it out in remand after having been in remand for 6 months already, and because of the expense of travel and accomadation.

P&O TIPS OVER

Having exported their industrial troubles on their ferries to Townsend Thoresen, P&O are now having some of their own ontheir cruise lines. In an attempt to make more profit they want to sack all their waiters and barmen and then re-employ them at the grand wage of £1,500 per year (roughly S.S. rates for a single person per year at the moment). Mind you, they were going to keep all the tips - very generous of P&O! This was to be introduced. on the North American routes and no doubt elsewhere. Seamen on the P&O boat the Sea Princess walked out for 24 hours, thus delaying the departure time. Further action is expected against the Canberra, another P&O's boats.

BLACK FLAG- Fortnightly(30p) and quarterly (75p), from BM HURRICANE, London WCIN 3XX. CLASS WAR - Regular broadsheet (20p) from Box CW, 84b, Whitechapel High St., London EI.

DIRECT ACTION- Monthly paper (20p) from

BRAMBLES FARM PEACE FESTIVAL

The Brambles Farm Festival will be on 9th, Ioth, IIth, August, featuring: Roy Harper, David Eggleton, Red Flag, Prince Boohoo & The Smuts, Circus Bong, The Reds, Freak out Ethel, Pish, The Brambles Shambles, Kayak, Damien Boden, Steve Ginn, Fools of Nature, Waldo Carjaval, The Poor Bachelors, Anouther Green World, The Poison Girls, The Subhumans, Terry Schulman, The Starlings, Mike Hobson, The Rivers Street Band. Its in Waterlooville about 6 miles north of Portsmouth, near the Marconi Weapons Factory. One of these highly esteemed acts used to write articles for Verbal Assault, can you guess which one (We'll give you a clue, its not Roy Harper) !! If you want further information, or if you can send some desperately neede money, or you know of a band, act, play group who would like to play write to Alan Rundle, ICO Cherry Tree Avenue, Cowlain, Hampshire.

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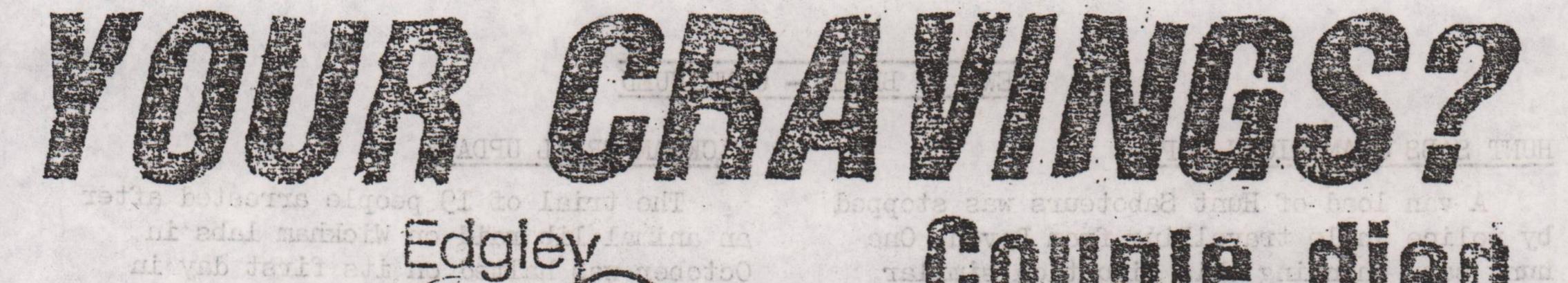
FREEDOM - Monthly paper (45p) from 84b Whitechapel High St., London EI.

WORKERS PLAYTIME - Popular yarns of class war- roughly every two months. Available from c/o 84b, Whitechapel High St., London EI.

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Optica victims silent



Kampshire Police Authority stood in silent tribute to the memories of Pc Gerry Spencer and De Maicolm Wittshire, victims of the tatal Optica sircraft crash last month.

Chief Constable John Duke told the authority he could not comment further on the accident, pending-the result of the Civil Aviation Authority investiga-LIOD.





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VREINE OF STONEHENGE At about 2pm on June Ist the "peace convoy" met a police roadblock on the A 303 while en route to Stonehenge. The block consisted of loaded gritting lorries which were too heavy to ram so they were forced into a field just outside Cholderton. Within minuites they were surrounded by 1000+ cops and squaddies and a helicopter was buzzing overhead. Members of the convoy were told to leave the field but decided to decline this kind offer. There was a little stonethrowing at taunting cops then suddenly the riot cops mounted their attack. Their first act was to charge around the field smashing the windscreens of the various buses and coaches which were the homes of the convoy people. Not surprisingly the drivers tried to escape into adjoining fields one cop was nearly run over when he had fallen on the ground but moved just in time (it is rumoured that the driver is to be charged with attempted murder - when he gets out of intensive care). The police coman--deered several coaches to ram those still running, expectant mothers and young children were dragged through shattered windows. At the end of the battle about 520 people had been arrested, several put into hospital and

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most of the 200 odd coaches (mobile homes) had been wrecked. The police violence was so severe that journalists were seen in tears and the leader of the local tory party even offered sanctuary on his land at Sevenake forest.

Meanwhile back at Stonehenge about 300 people had gathered within sight of the stones at the roadblock at the end of the A 334. At about 4pm about 300 of the blue scum had gathered with yans and a helicopter overhead. (1 the cops were wearing boiler suits without numbers and were probably squaddies from the nearby Bulford camp). Suddenly they formed a line across the road and started vto push everybody back in the direction of Amesbury. A couple of skirmishes started and the pigs were pelted with traffic cones and one lump of rock hit the helicopter just below the rotor blades, copter pismed off quick. One bloke was tipped out of his wheelchair much to the amusement of the filth. At the end of the day roughly 5 people were arrested and all went back to Amesbury to lick their wounds.

On 'uesday 4 june the local tory leader, lord Cardigan, denied allowing the convoy onto his land and took out an eviction.

Obviously the attack was well planned and the only people (?) who enjoyed themselves were the cops who had their first day out since the miners strike ended.

DUSTBIN LIDS - EXCLUSIVE

COMPETITION

It seems that in the past months To combat. the emergence of this

hundreds of dustbin lids have been stolen in this area. We have now discovered the identity of these criminals.

They are a group of drug crazed hippies who were at Stonehenge on June Ist. They are all members of a violent new cult who dress in blue and race about in white Transits and blue and white cars. Said dust--bin lids all carry the cult name of POLITZI and the members can often be seen in groups of IOO+ attacking innocent 'law abiding' holidaymakers.

new threat to our society the cabinet has decided to form a new law and order force. The force will be known as the 'Henge retribution squad', HRS for short, and will be awarding "hengie points" to it's members. The first citizen to accumilate 30 hengie points will recieve the top prize of a two week holiday on the Costa-del-Grinnard in November. The scoring system is:-2HP- Trashing empty Politzi vehicle. 4HPfull 11 6HP- Politzi in Hospital. 8HP- " " intensive care. IOHP- Guess what! To claim your holiday ring Southampton 34134 between 10.00 + 10.15 on the first weekday after you have accumilated your points.

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Saturday June 1st dawned upon two members of the crack 23rd Southampton Anarchist Brigade - elite "muesli" division, who'd already taken the site at Stonehenge, others held the woods.

In the face of massive deployment of evil Maggies robots, lack of reinforcement and starvation, we withdrew to Amesbury. The robots were everywhere and carried with them entertaining quizzes - they asked if we'd like to play so we did.

(1) What Is Your Name? (2) How Tall Are You? a) Mickey Mouse. b) Michael A. Mouse. b) "A little fib." c) M. T. Pockets. d) An outright lie, (4) Occupation? (3) Complexion? behave vinde a) Pinko. a) Scumbag. b) Unemployed scumbag. b) Pinko and Spotty

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SCORES :- Mostly a)'s - These people tend to be beaten with sticks, arrested, crammed into tiny cells, fitted up, bounced before a kangaroc court, banned from Wiltshire and booted out so more can play the game. Mostly b)'s - Ditto. Mostly c)'s - Ditto.

Mostly c)'s - Ditto. Mostly d)'s - Ditto. The Porestry Contilesion tool out in eviction or

After breakfast in Amesbury we tried to find out where the "convoy" was. Radio news was that they were coming down from Savernake where many smaller groups of vehicles from Bristol, Molesworth, Cambridgeshire, Wales, London, Stratford and Yarmouth had joined with others. Witte Horse Leer Wester v on Sunday Joth June. Ly

About 1,000 people had gathered in Amesbury by now, Specials were drafted in, but then deployed to surroudd groups of pissed squaddies and locals outside the Bell Inn who were celebrating Amesbury Carnival.

One group of about 250 people walking through the fields tried to by-pass the roadblocks on the way to the stones. The police set upon standing and sitting people with sticks and violence. They seemed particularly interested in small people and punks. The survivors withdrew to the car park in Amesbury, all day small groups of people and vehicles tried to get there but were turned back. Listening to police frequencies told us that the Angels had taken out a police roadblock and the police had blocked the "convoy" at Parkhouse near Cholderton by dumping gravel on the road.

The "convoy" was trapped on a small country lane - the police attacked the back 10 or so vehicles and occupants with their sticks. Some terrified people managed to flee but most were trapped, blocked front and back. The leading vehicles had no choice but to try and get around the block to escape. They broke into a field and the rest followed - but there was no way round or out. About 1,000 riot police sealed off the area. Ultimatum - give yourself up or else. Arrested for what? Or else what?

iO.D On the police radios the order was given to arrest everybody and smash the vehicles. The first group of riot police stormed in and were repulsed. People started their vehicles hoping for some escape - then the bulk of the police stormed the site. They attacked the vehicles, smashing the windows and dragging men women and children through the brocken windows and battering them, showering babies in broken glass, beating pregnant women, a 14 year old boy bloodily beaten with sticks. Then they entered many of the vehicles damaging, disabling and even lecting them.

VIEW OF STONEHENGE II - CONTINUED.

Vehicles were commandeered and used to ram some of the last vehicles desperately trying to escape. Some people fought back angered by the ferocity and brutality of the police attack, some escaped, 400 or so were arrested. For the most part they were charged with unlawful assembly - max penalty is life.

The police press officer tried to do, his job, he kept most of the press 2 mile away from the action and showed them some armfuls of wooding tools, knives, axes, machettes, mattocks and chainsaws. These had been looted from peoples homes and displayed as offensive weapons with the implication that they'd been taken from individuals. wielding them.

Unluckily for him though not only was an 'Observer' reporter & photographer travelling with the Convoy but also various freelancers and an ITN news crew had gained acces to the field. Some real photographs and footage was taken. "It's a bloodbath, a bloodbath. There's no justification for it" screamed the ITN crew. One of the Observer crew was embarrassingly arrested. The pressmen on the site screamed at the police to stop the beatings and calm down. Outside on the Cholderton road any 'suspicious' looking characters talking to the press were being threatened with arrest.

Meanwhile back in Amesbury people had heard what was happening and started to try and get there. At the Amesbury A303 roundabout the police reacted with now characteristic sensitivity, battered anyone making a noise, dragged them away and charged them with assault. Many evaded police road blocks, some were plucked from thevroad by police mobile units - its an offence you know!

They got close to the site where many were arrested, but they were too late this time and most turned back when they found out.

The police would not give any details about the people they'd arrested. So we waited outside Salisbury police station where the 'special' magistrates court was held. Interestingly enough magistrates courts were always used to be called police courts - and the police called the tune. One lad was first taken up from the cells charged with 'Breach of the Peace' - "but this is a civil offence" said the magistrate. 10 minutes later he was back up with 'Breach of the Peace', 'threatening behaviour' and for using abusive language. . . (o bne (d nani) (a. (b. . .

All the cells from Bristol to Southampton were crammed . The total number of arrests on June 1st was about 520. Graffitti on a cell in Amesbury 'THEY THINK THIS IS A POLICE STATE', After 3 days nearly everyone had been released and began retrieving what was left of their homes and taking them up to the Savernake forest- where the Earl of Cardigan, secretary of the local Tory Club, who'd travelled down with the Convoy on his motorbike, offerd them sanctuary.

The Forestry Commission took out an eviction order, the police wanted "to finish the job'. The Convoy, now swollen by new arrivals to well over 1000 people and 200 vehicles left the day before the evection notice expired, driving slowly past groups of waving people in Marlborough. They feinted towards Stonehenge and settled at the White Horse neer Westbury on Sunday 16th June. By 15th June, by their admission, they had spent £750,000 on the police opperation alone. bar elroso 000.1 tundle

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In 1981 working class anger erupted as rioting swept the country but as dawn broke

the cops withdrew and the rich breathed sighs of relief, it was working class areas which had been smashed.

Various attempts have occoured since, bringing our anger to the state, but it has generally been controlled so far. This time we must aim at where the wealthy live and play. It's time to fight them where they - to show we are not going to be passive whilst those bastards flaunt their wealth.

Evidently some rich American musician is getting lots of people to pay lots of money to watch him perform his tedious songs on July 6th at Wembley. Well, if you want to hear some real music- that of people taking revenge on the rich- then come to Henley on July 6th instead. Hear you'll be able to hear heavy metal as Rollers get scratched and redecorated, rock 'n' roll as rocks head towards rollers, country music as the rich wail at our attacks. All sorts of music will be available, but the dominant sound will be that of the rich wailing at what happens to them. It will be the dominant music of years to come.

Over that weekend starting on Saturday 6th, the rich will be loafing around in decadent complacency- lets change that, lets make Henley Regatta a festival for all. Take the champers, redecorate rollers, use the rich as park benches- indeed, run the rich out of Henley if possible. But beware, the blue soum and the Hooray Henrys will be on the lookout for us - so, remember there's solidarity in numbers. Be there, its, time to ditch the rich in the dustbin of history.

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ON BULLYING

When I was at school I was very quiet and shy, so I naturally made friends with others like myself. I soon became friendly with one boy at school and this friendship, I am glad to say, has lasted to this very day, although not as strong as it was at school.

When we joined our last school my friend and I were put into the same class, but for the next five years cur lives were made a misery at school. Being very sensitive, both my friend and I were subjected to bullying, both mentally and physically. Being naive, I told my parents, who told me that the bullying would pass and to fight back (which I did but ended up werse off in the long run). Then my friend told the teachers about us being bullied and for a short while it stopped. When the buullies were punished they got lighter punishment than if/when they caused damage to school property (which is an interesting fact). Well in the long run my friend and I were worse off, passing from physical bullying to mental/verbal bullying and it became clear to us that the school authorities were incapable to control bullying inschools.

As well as suffering from such bullying we were also subjected to the petty

authoritarian torment from teachers and the general school system.

It became clear to us that those who were subjects of bullying would have to form a group that would act in revenge and try to prevent bullying, however the idea failed, those that were subjected to bullying from other pupils were mostly apathetic and lacked confidence in the idea (apicnt of interest ; some of those who wanted inothing to do with us later had careers in the Army and Police Force).

Anyhow, our group died a death, the reasons being were:-

- (a) at its peak there were only three people who held it together,
- (b) personality clashes between each other,
- (c) I was the only one willing to want a stable revenge on heavy belligerent teachers (legal bullies)

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(d) our retribution on the bullies was not planned well.

Finally I left school and still naive I thought I was rid of what I had been through.

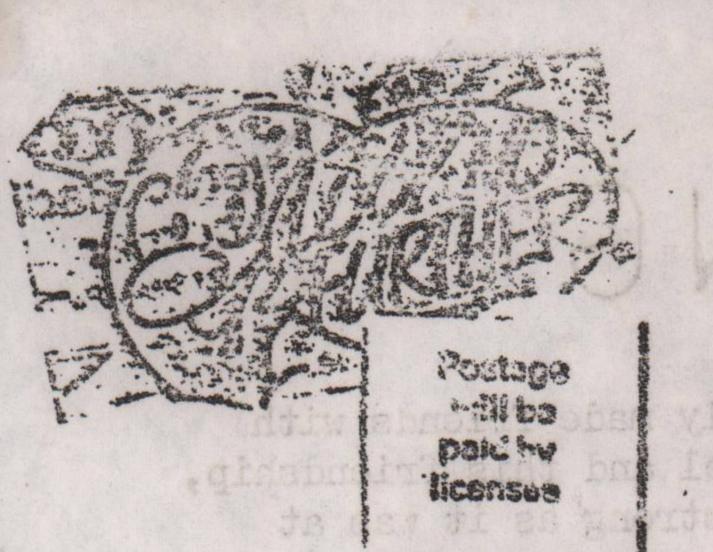
However, at my first job Iwas subjected to sexist vulgarity and various put downs by my fellow "workmates" and the management, similar to what I had gone through at school, so I left the place and tried again.

At my new place of work I was still put down by "workmates" and management, even being physically assaulted by others, just like school.

However, over the last few years Thave managed some successful resistance to both'legal' and 'illegal' dimensions of authoritarianism, although this does not console me completely from what Thave experienced. Even some sheer spite of vengeance that I have given towards some of my most possessed of tormentors. I console myself that I was never physically damaged permanently like others I have known through similar experiences, but I am mentally scarged. I still get rumbles in my stomach and feelings of sickness when I remember things or when I encounter sexual verbal vulgarity. I still get the nightmares of what happened to me which depresses me and the development of my mental powers was stunded for many years, at least I can conceal my various emotions at times. Thus through a hard path I learnt to realise to oppase all forms of authoritarianism of what ever shape whilst I still breathe air and my heart still beats. Thus to aim towards a future free from all forms of authority upon individuals. So These this sincere article helps towards that aim.

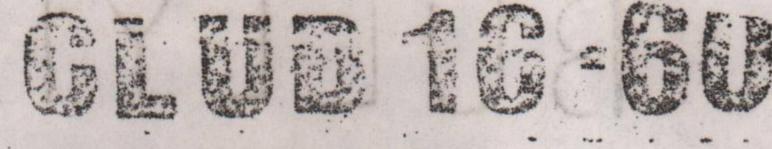
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