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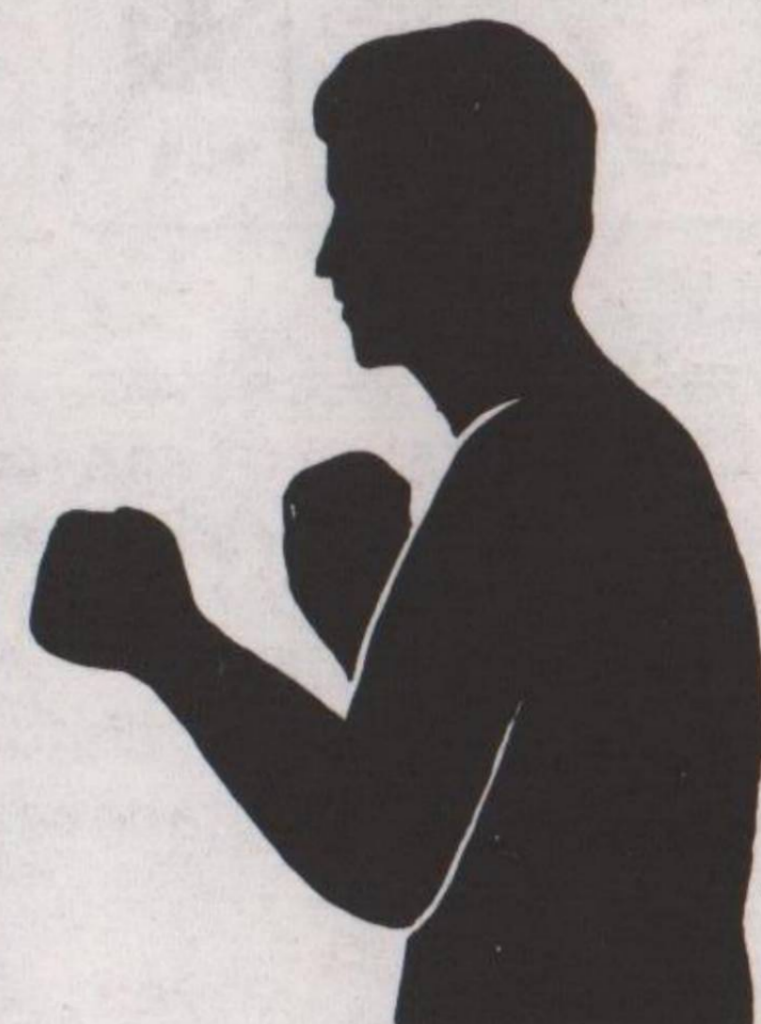
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JACK SLATER, a retired electrician, has been flying model aircraft for eight years and has won many trophies for both aerobatics and model designing.

He has recently started to specialize in aerial photography, using a simple disc film camera operated by a servo controlled from the ground.

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THANK YOU, Geoff, Kevan, Matthew, Krys, Lynn, Alec, Catherine, Jack, Carol, Dave, Bridget and Paul for making this issue....., and all our distributors for taking it round!

Some hard work, but a lot of fun, too.
 Looking forward to the next one!

The Editor.

Letters

Dear Editor,

Our area has a substantial population of Asian and Afro-Caribbean origin people, whose cultures, languages and way of life is different from white people. However, the levels of unemployment, emotional stress and breakdown are also present in these communities.

Our DALE CENTRE at the old St. Bernadette's School is open to everybody. Individuals or groups from the Asian and Afro-Caribbean community needing (or offering) support are especially welcome to walk in and hold meetings in the centre.

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CARLTON SUB-DIVISION POLICE LIAISON/ADVISORY COMMITTEE

Invite local people to a Public Meeting at the SNEINTON HERMITAGE COMMUNITY CENTRE on

Monday, 15th June 1987 at 7.30pm

to discuss the policing of Sneinton and surrounding areas.

عید الفطر کی یا سٹاں جوڑیں وود جوئیہ اور گرسن ٹریل الغنٹ کول میں
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 نہ کیا جا سکیا جب نہایت افسوس کے - (ادریہ)

This issue of the 'VOICE' appeared too late to include a promised article about EID by R. Bhatti.

FLYING HIGH

(Continued from front page)

Jack designed and built the 'Bush-ranger' model on which the camera is mounted, and admits to a certain amount of 'pot luck' with the shots, but has been pleasantly surprised by the results.

T.R.C.M.F.C.

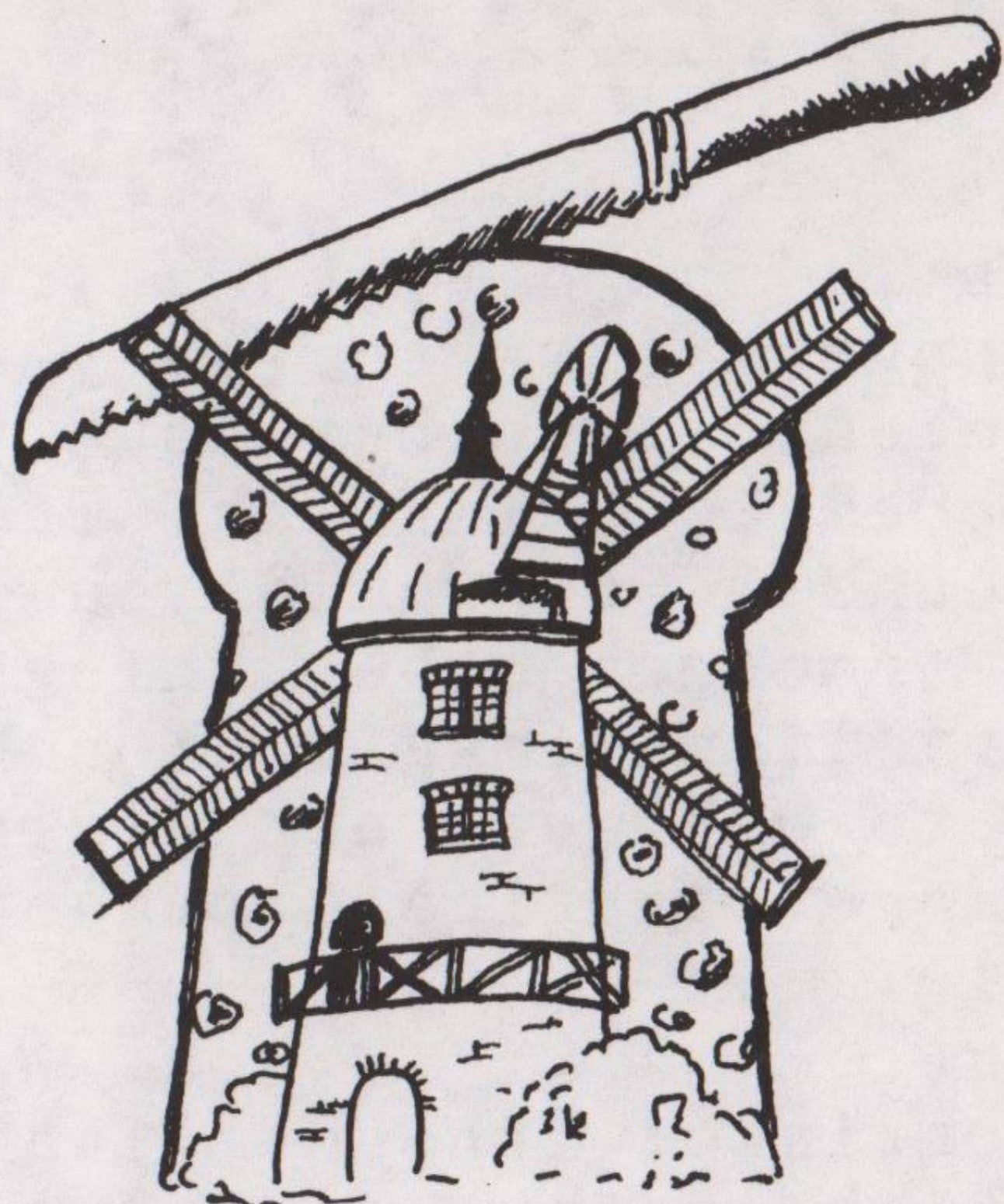
Jack Slater is a member of the Trent Radio Controlled Model Flying Club which meets on Monday, Wednesday, and Friday evenings as well as Sunday afternoons. These meetings take place on the Trent side of Colwick Race-Course.

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We have learned that the mill has been offered a few tons of Canadian wheat which is of a very high quality. The flour which will be produced from this will - if negotiations are successful - be baked by Birds, Hooton Street Sneinton, and the bread sold by retailers.

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Spring Fever - or Summer Madness?

by Snyk.

Spring is in the air, and a young man's thoughts turn to fancy-an often quoted cliché; but have you ever stopped to think what it really means? How would you define 'fancy'? Amongst other things, my dictionary lists; imagination: be inclined to believe: not plain: mental image: caprice: ornamental: whimsical

How appropriate, with the 11th of June just around the corner, and the long-suffering populace of this country being bombarded, yet again with that most whimsical of beasts - the Opinion Poll. If we were to believe all we hear and read, the result of the election is already cut and dried, with Maggie doing her third stint at number 10. Now what kind of mental image does that conjure up?

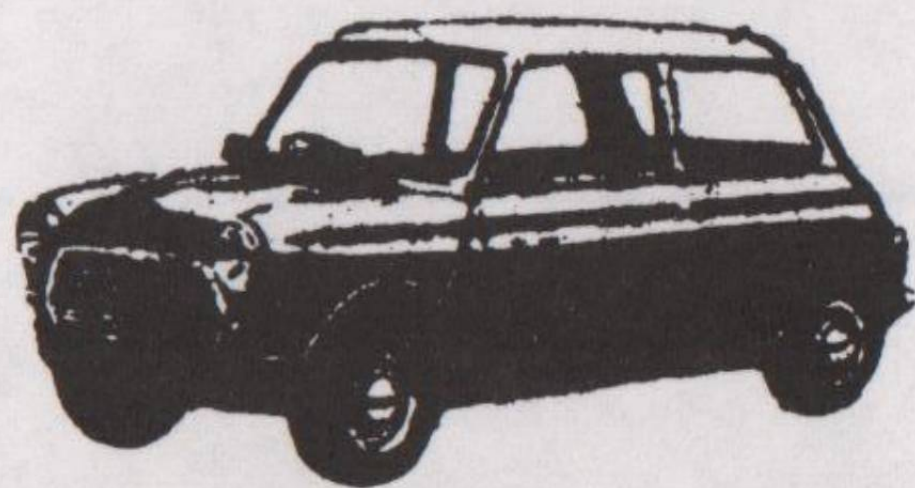
With a Conservative victory a foregone conclusion, it hardly seems worth the trouble to leave that nice cosy armchair and actually vote for one of the other parties.

After all what difference does your one little vote make? Is this the way you are starting to think? If it is you are falling into the apathy trap: a trap primed and set to achieve just such an effect - to keep you away from the polls. At the end of the day the pollsters, pundits and statisticians can forecast and juggle figures to their hearts content; what really matters is that Mr. and Mrs. Joe Average - YES. THAT'S YOU - get down to the polling stations and actually cast their votes.

By all means watch television, listen to the radio, and read the papers, they will all tell you that Maggie has an unassailable lead and is sure to get back into Downing Street. I don't know how you feel, but I prefer science fiction to political fantasy. One thing is certain, if you stay away from the polls this POLITICAL FANTASY is sure to turn into a NATIONAL NIGHTMARE.

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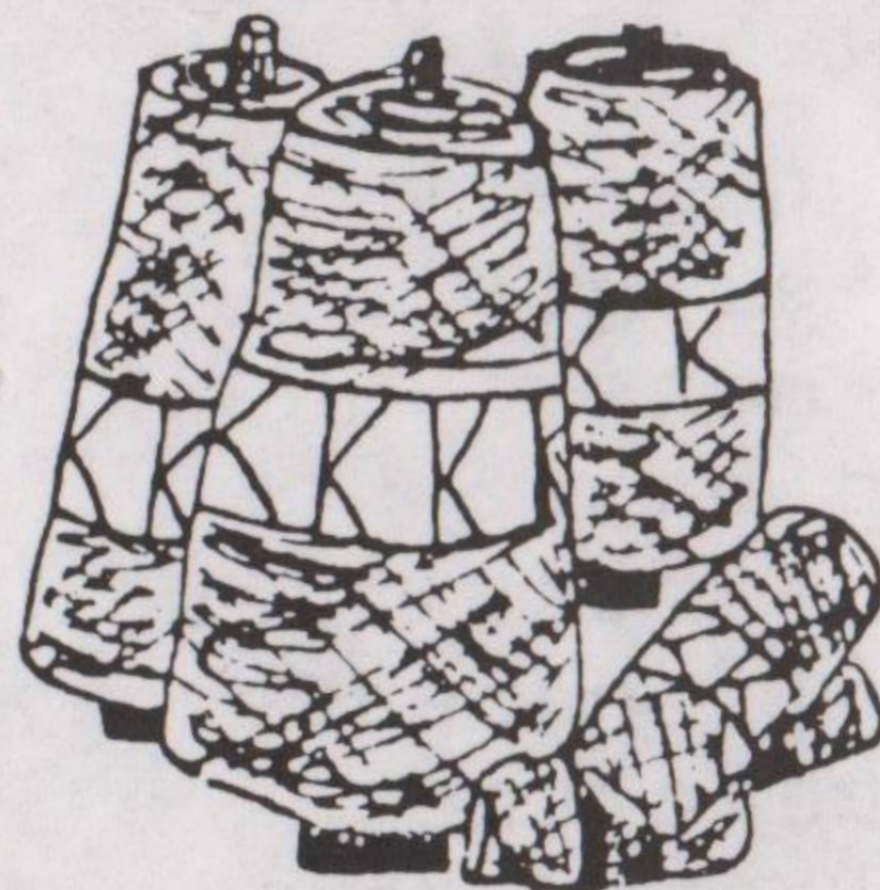
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Thursday, 11th June, 1987 is the DAY of JUDGEMENT for the government responsible in respect of the following charges:

JOB

1. Caused unemployment to rise by 300% in spite of 6 major manipulations of the figures and the introduction of spurious job programmes.

2. Scrapped 60% of industrial boards, closed 29 skill centres, used job schemes to cut wages, allowed the number of workers with recognised qualifications to fall to half those in Japan, Germany and USA.

CUTS

3. Cut support for Universities, research councils, and government laboratories, and allowed industrial research and development to fall behind that of other industrial countries. As a result 38,000 jobs in R and D have been lost.

EDUCATION

4. Failed to provide nursery education for 60% of eligible children. Spent less money on school text books and basic equipment to such an extent that, in at least one school, parents provided more money than the local authority. Neglected the education system generally so that 5,000 teachers left education in despair and in order to acquire reasonable levels of pay.

5. Scrapped independent Health Education Councils and Joint Advisory Committees because of joint opposition by tobacco, alcohol, and dairy industries.

REDUCED

Reduced NHS expenditure by £350,000,000 when the increase in elderly patients, and the advances in medical technology are taken into account.

Increased prescription charges from 20p to £2.40 since 1979. Reduced NHS beds by 36,000, and closed 220 hospitals since 1979.

Allowed hospital waiting lists to rise to 670,000.

Curtailed staffing levels so severely that about 3,000 junior doctors have to work more than 100 hours per week.

INCREASED

6. Opposed the removal of US Cruise and Pershing, and Soviet SS 20, nuclear missiles from Europe, counter to the negotiations currently being discussed between the US and Russia.

Insisted on introducing Trident nuclear missile submarines into Britain with a massive increase of 800% in UK nuclear warheads.

SQUANDERED

7. Allowed North Sea oil revenues to be squandered instead of allowing them to be used in financing essential public works such as housing, roadworks, sewage, etc.

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WEALTHY

8. Repaid its wealthy supporters by tax cuts, and by privatisation of industries which were made profitable with taxpayers money and then sold into private hands. The theory that this made it possible for ordinary people to buy shares in industry and have some control over it is nonsense - the government claim that 14% of people are now shareholders disguises the fact that over 90% of all shares are held by the wealthy minority and by the large financial institutions.

CRIME

9. Allowed the crime rate to increase from $2\frac{3}{4}$ million to $4\frac{1}{2}$ million since 1979.

POLL TAX

10. Decided to replace domestic rates by a 'poll' tax. This would impose charges on every adult in a house and would cause serious hardship for the lower-paid. (The Rating officer in Rotherham estimated recently that a single householder paying £130 in rates would have to pay £280 on the introduction of the poll tax). A single low-paid resident in a council house would have to pay the same amount in poll tax as a wealthy resident in a mansion. Even a person on supplementary benefit would have to pay at least 20% of the poll tax.

نوٹ: یہی جون رز جمعہ کو پورے ملک میں پائی جانے والی ہے۔ گریٹ وورڈ چیمبرس میں اس کے بارے میں
الغیر کولے ہیں۔ گریٹ وورڈ چیمبرس میں گریٹ وورڈ چیمبرس میں اس کے بارے میں اور

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کیسٹ - وقت کی کمی کی وجہ سے نہایت ہی مختصر سا خاکہ پیش خدمت ہے۔ بیشتر اسکے کہ آگے بڑھوں
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I am a mother of teenage children. Going into town on the bus during mid-morning, or coming back in the afternoon, I sometimes can't help hearing bits of conversation around me. And some of it makes me feel sick. I respect the older generation, but not when I have to listen to things like this:

"...At their age we didn't lie in bed all day..."

"...We didn't hang around street corners looking for trouble..."

"...We didn't have carpets on the floor, telly and music centres..."

"...If they really tried, they could find a job. There's plenty of vacancies in the Evening Post."

"... They should all be made to join the army...that would teach 'em discipline..."

When you were young, did you expect to leave school and not be able to find a job, no matter how hard you tried - or only be offered peanut jobs like job creation schemes so your name would come off the unemployment register?

Wouldn't you perhaps turn a bit cynical if you were a youngster today? And didn't an apprenticeship and a job teach you better discipline than the army?

M. Wilson

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AMAZING STORY FROM THE RECENT PAST

by John Taylor

I was born in 1948 and left school at 15 which would be in 1963. In those days I didn't know anyone who was unemployed or anyone who had been made redundant. Nobody left school with doubts about working. You left school at 15 and got a job; that was the system. The only problem was what you were going to do. Out of my lot most went into some kind of manual work; about half of them took an apprenticeship.

To get a job there was no need for either looking in the Post or going into a Job Centre. I wrote to three firms; people used to try this with the firms in their area. I was after an apprenticeship, my folks suggested that I try the place where my uncle Peter worked which was just around the corner.

I went round and managed to drag out the foreman. The job interview was something like this:

Foreman: "What do you want?"

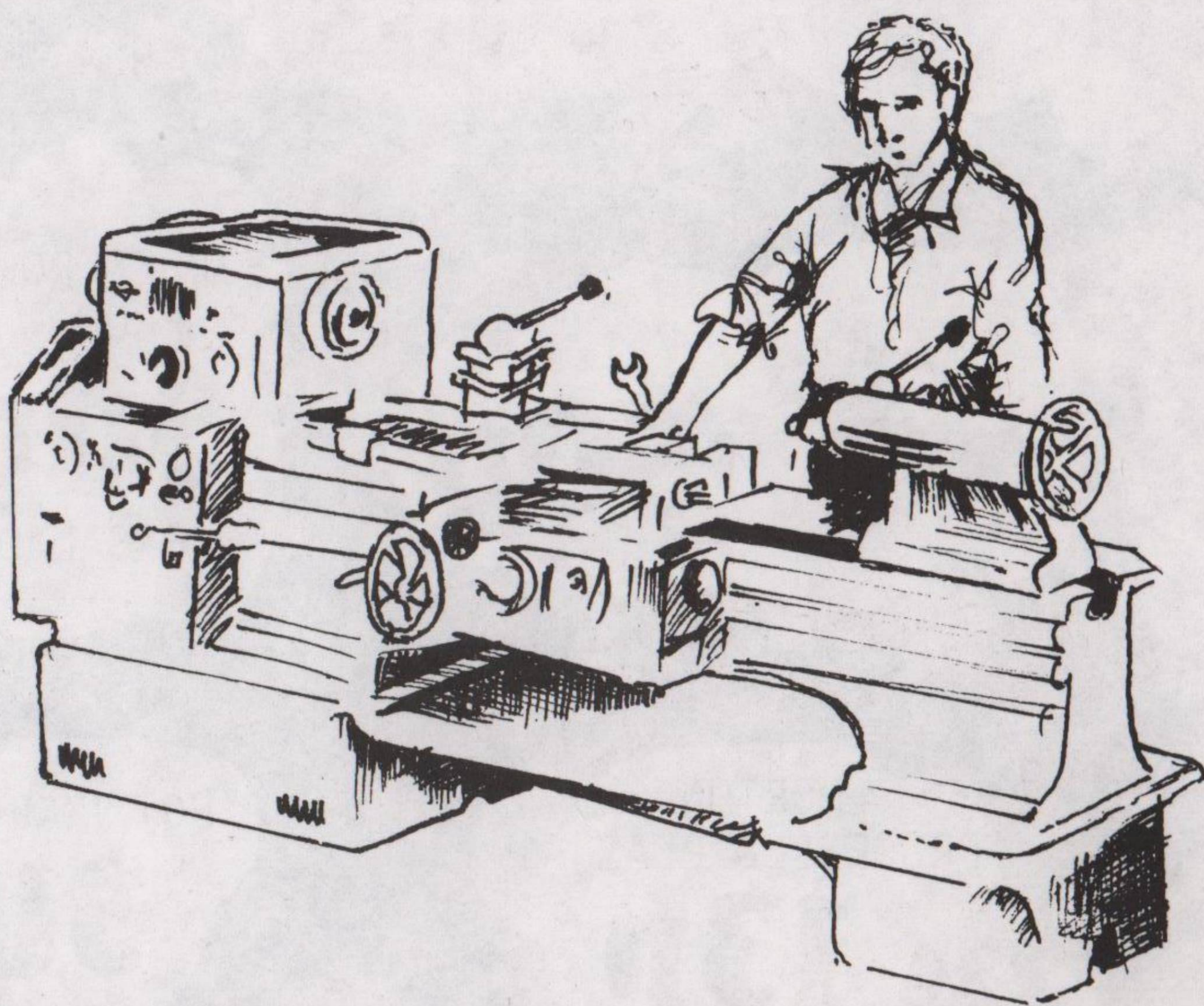
Myself: "A job!"

Foreman: "When do you want to start, the 1st or 6th April?"

When I went home I was a bit worried, I didn't know what the pay was or even what the job was!

I was there for five years but then I got into some hassle about the work rate on a particular production job. Eventually they gave me one week's notice. Me and my mate Derek clocked out and decided to go and look for another job. That was a Tuesday. We went to a phone box down the road and phoned six engineering firms and we got interviews at all of them.

At the first firm I was offered a job. Derek wasn't so I turned the offer down. At the second place we both got a job offered but the place looked nasty, and the foreman looked like a tough guy, so we



decided that we didn't want to work there.

At the third place we were both offered jobs yet again, and although we had a few reservations, we took them. So we didn't have to bother with the other three firms.

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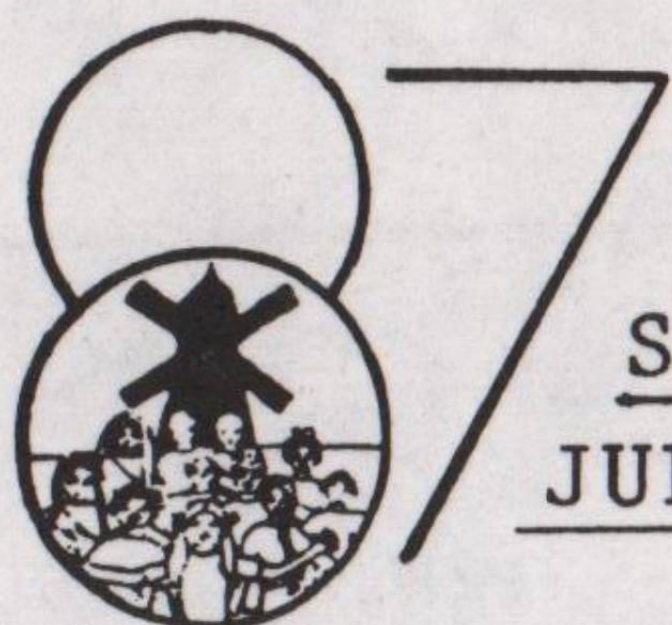
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The Festival will take place again this year at Woodview Playing Field by Colwick Crossing on Sat. July 4th. It will begin at Sneinton Hermitage with the crowning of the Festival Queen at 11am, hopefully with the Lord Mayor of Nottingham performing the Ceremony.

David Lloyd from Radio Trent will be with us for the day.

The procession will follow last year's route, with bands and floats and fancy dress competitors all the way.

Also from the Hermitage, members of the Robin Hood Society will invite children to take part in their popular game 'Hunt the Outlaw'.

In the event of bad weather, the procession will go to the Old School near the Windmill, where there is room for stalls indoors.

At the field there will be entertainment in the main arena, competitions like fancy dress, best float, bonniest baby, glamorous granny, displays, football, and stalls of all descriptions, as well as activities for the children.

We are, as ever, in need of help - people to share the work, new ideas, and all are welcome to attend the planning meetings at Carlton Fold on June 3rd, June 17th and July 1st. If you want to get in touch, see the Community Teacher at Greenwood Junior, Infants or William Booth School, or contact Marjorie Belshaw on 584744, Brian Jackson or Sylvia Mc Farlane.

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On April 6th this year, the Universal Maternity and Death Grants were abolished under the Social Security Act 1988. Future help will only be provided for the very poorest and will be subject to 'means testing' by the Government. These cuts will affect everybody regardless of their income and are only an indication of the major cuts to follow.

From April 1987 Single Payments for baby things will be made at a fixed rate of £80. This means a reduction of £100 compared to the previous upper limit of £180 with the hardest impact on the least well off.

This is only the THIN END OF THE WEDGE! In April 1988 the Social Security Act will be fully implemented, totally changing the welfare benefit structure.

'Income Support' will replace supplementary benefit which for most claimants will mean a lowering of benefit. Estimates on the impact of income support show 171,000 claimants in Nottinghamshire gaining from the change, but 700,000 being worse off.

Particularly hard hit are severely ill or disabled claimants who rely on extra 'weekly payments' for baths, special diets etc., which will be abolished along with any long term rates of benefit for those unable to work.

Single Payments will be abolished to be replaced by the Social Fund with an estimated loss to claimants of £4-5 million per year. This particularly affects low income families who rely on single payments to get over financial crisis caused by living on or below the poverty line. In the future practically all payments will be in the form of re-payable loans rather than grants, making the ability to repay a determining factor in deciding whether to provide help or not.

The Act also provides for £500 million to be cut from Housing Benefit nationally, by requiring claimants to pay 20% of their rates, whatever their financial circumstances. People on low wages will receive less help with housing costs, especially if they are single and under 25.

Family Income Supplement is gradually being devalued whilst means-tested 'Family Credit' is being introduced. People under 25 will receive lower rates of benefit simply because of their age, whilst the old of the future will lose out under changes to the State Earnings Related Pension Scheme.

The Government claims these changes are designed to target help to where it is most required, but in effect they leave most claimants in a worse financial position and deeper in the poverty trap. In contrast, the recent Budget has just 'targeted' £2 billion in tax cuts largely to the better-off.

For further information contact Judith on Nottingham 473976.

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