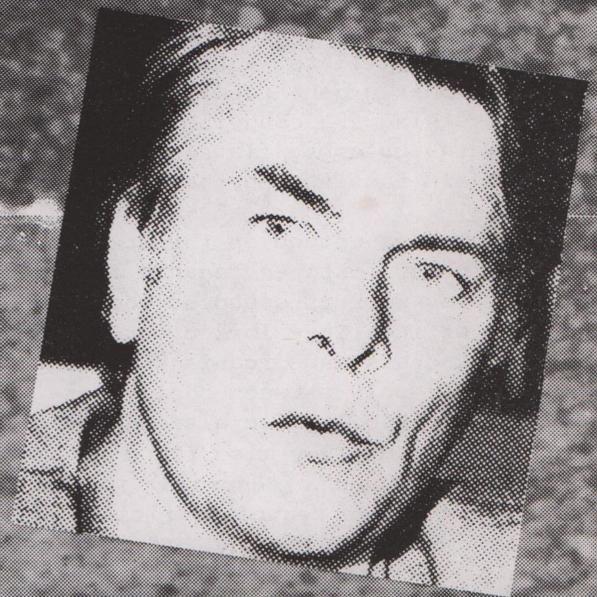


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# SPOT THE DIFFERENCE

# WAR ZONES

Working class people in Hackney are suffering from twin problems these days-the ever increasing flow of rich people in to the area and the total corruption of the local Labour party. The Labour council collaborates with property developers like Barrets and Wimpeys in building expensive luxury houses for middle class yuppies to add to the increasing 'gentrification' of the borough. At the same time local people who can't afford the £100,000 for their posh Barret house are homeless or living in shitty council flats waiting years for even the most urgent repairs to get done. The only thing the council is quick to do is boarding up empty flats to keep squatters out and then leaving them empty for years.

Two years ago though, on the St Johns and Woodberry Down estates, tenants and council building workers occupied their local housing offices. They locked out the housing bureaucrats and organised housing repairs directly between themselves-bypassing council officials and councillors altogether! They also found documents which showed that widespread fiddles were going on between council officials and private building contractors-nearly 150 cases of corruption have been discovered so far! This is a council run by trendy middle-class municipal socialists of the Ken Livingstone variety. They now say they will institute a 'code of conduct' for councillors and officials. Wowie!-what a fuckin waste of time that'll be. Council corruption is direct theft from the working class

So what can we do about it? The actions of the tenants and building workers shows the way forward. On the Pullens Estate in Southwark and elsewhere, tenants have helped squatters move into empty flats and then helped them resist eviction. We have to look at the estates we live on as our territory which we can and must control. Unity of tenants, squatters, and council workers is a start-resistance to evictions a first step forward But we must go further than this. We must turn our estates into no-go areas for bailiffs rent collectors and the police. Already the police are afraid to go into areas like Toxteth for fear of provoking a riot-we must extend the areas the filth are afraid to go into. But by creating no-go areas we do not mean the kind of fear and chaos that exist on many estates today - where old people are scared to go out at night, where black families are continuously attacked, where there are muggings and burglaries, where milk and postmen refuse to deliver for fear of being beaten up. These attacks on members of our own class have to be stopped and the people doing them physically dealt with. To control our estates means fighting the rapists the muggers, the racist thugs, the smack dealers etc. as well as dealing with the police and council bureaucrats. If we're going to kick out the nosey social workers then that means that we ourselves have to look after old ill and disabled people in our community. Our no-go areas must be areas where people want to live, not where working class people live in fear.

We can try to start running things for ourselves now! In S. Africa, in the black townships like Alexandra, local street committees run their own areas; in Northern Ireland the police and army often fear to go into the Republican areas, where whole networks of community groups run everything from taxis to social centres-for years the Creggan estate in Derry was run by the local people free from government interference. In Toxteth

the well known graffiti states that the area is a 'no-smack' zone, We must follow these examples in our own areas. Fighting for areas of working class power is crucial to our fight for total workers power. In Hackney it should be possible to indicate to rich people moving into the area that they are not welcome-I'll leave the possibility to your imagination-and that we want houses for working class people not luxury flats for the rich. As you enter the Isle of Dogs now, where the London Docklands Development Corporation in conspiracy with local councils, private builders and developers is in the process of destroying an entire working class community to make way for offices and penthouses -the first thing that meets your eye is the slogan "Burn Barretts! Loot Asda!". Slogans such as "Rich scum keep out!" and "Class War Zone- no rich bastards" should have a deterrent effect on the rich moving into working class areas especially when followed by the traditional greeting of a kick in the groin and a brick through the Rollers window.

Gentrification, the rottenness of the putrid Labour Party, and the destruction of working class communities are not just happening in Hackney but all over Britain. If we can build a working class response based on control of own communities, establishment of our own class power in our own territory and offensive actions based on this power then we'll be well on the way to ridding ourselves of these problems and the whole shitty capitalist system that creates them.

O.A.P.

## ~~South Africa~~

In S. Africa the fight of the black working class continues, facing increased repression and against a background of a collapsing economy, and the sight of racist and anti-working class governments mouthing anti-apartheid slogans with eyes on trade with a 'nice' black capitalist S. Africa. Recently the scum who rule S. Africa have imprisoned 1000s of union and community activists, but while resistance has been slowed, already new resistance and activists are emerging.

## ~~Suid Africa~~

Much emotion and hot-air has been generated over Thatchers refusal to impose sanctions. But Thatchers resistance isn't based on her being the vermin that she is, but is due to hard economic facts. British and S. African capitalism are in



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And calling for sanctions to be applied is wrong and dangerous because it sows illusions in British so-called 'democracy' and takes effort away from organising real resistance and action against S. Africa.

We have only one stand and that is, 'The Enemy Is At Home!'. Action must be taken against apartheid here, Not just vocal solidarity but the blacking of S. African exports/imports etc, boycotting of S. African products etc... Like the Dunnes shop workers in Dublin, who refused to handle S. African food, like the hospital workers who have blacked S. African food from their canteens, like the Southampton dockers who have blacked exports to S. Africa...

But also any actions which attack our bosses here, 'cos of the connections between Britain and S. Africa, in their way attack both scum states.

" S. AFRICA! BRITAIN!

ONLY REALLY ONE SOLUTION  
TOTAL VIOLENT REVOLUTION! "



many ways dependent on each other-exports imports, investments etc., firstly and secondly, the 'British Industry Committee on S. Africa', (I'd never heard of it either!), a union of UK companies dealing with S. Africa, has already said that any meaningful sanctions would be bypassed or sabotaged.

Real cutting government sanctions will not, or could not be applied by Britain, though some irrelevant trade embargos or whatever, favoured by British business, might be.



In Britain the middle classes are marching again, over the 'moral' issue of apartheid, ignoring yet again all class issues in S. Africa let alone in this country. The sickeningly liberal 'Anti-Apartheid Movement' is at the front of this 'moral' crusade. It has worked hard to obstruct anything which doesn't fit in with its wet approach, e.g. its attacks on the 'City AA group'. More importantly, AAM oppose those who, quite rightly, try to fight racism and the police in this country and those who try to link the fight of the black S. Africans with the fight here against racism, the police, capitalism etc.

REGAN AND THATCHER ARE BOTH A PAIR OF SHITS !!

# SLURP!

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FUCK THE  
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I'm smiling 'cos I know that one day the working class is going to get up off its knees and batter fuck out of the ruling-class and its lackeys! (So now you know)

We are constantly being bombarded by companies who only give us partial information about their products. For example, British Sugar, (a company, not a government advise service), are busy trying to tell us that sugar is a 'natural' food. B.S. spends £50m a year investigating the causes of tooth decay, and although their product is one of the worst offenders, they specifically exclude it from the research! They recently produced a leaflet with the Health Education Council, aimed at children, saying that food left on the teeth causes decay without mentioning sugar at all.

These tossers who pretend that they work in our interest by 'informing' us, are in fact just thinking about profit.

The Second World War showed us that, if a government needs a healthy workforce, it puts nutrition before that profit. At that time they fortified bread with vitamins and distributed meat, eggs and veg more evenly through rationing. This led to the healthiest British working class for a good number of years.

In the mid-seventies, Britain joined the EEC and with that came guaranteed crop prices for farmers. This meant that rather than producing for the population of the country quotas were met, leading to massive overproduction, and the creation of the infamous food mountains and wine lakes.

At the moment the EEC guarantee a very high price for sugar beet, which means that despite the unsuitable climate, and the vast surplus already in existence, and despite 'our' promise to import sugar from impoverished Africa, many farmers devote large areas of land to this crop.

And while the third-world waste valuable land growing cash crops for export to pay off their debts to the west, vital grains needed to sustain the people are not grown, leading to malnutrition and famine. (Incidentally, all the famous aid to Ethiopia is only a quater of the amount they are forced to pay in foreign debts so fuck you Sir Geldoff)

Back in the West, the reaction against mass-produced poor quality foods has led to a trend towards vegetarianism and 'organic' farming. Both are rooted in the trendy middle-classes, who advocate 'alternative' lifestyles without considering price, availability, or the fact that most working people don't have the time to spend pissing around with beans, pulses and grains.

These trends have been quickly recognised by companies as selling points, and they either launch new products, such as vegeburgers (always more expensive) than beefburgers) and different soya derivatives (soya is one of the worst cash crops), or they have changed the advertising of existing products, so as we said at the start, white sugar, one of the shittiest 'foods' imaginable, suddenly becomes 'pure and natural'. There can be no major change within the existing system, except for an elite few. Food is produced for profit, not need, and for the working class from here to Ethiopia, there is only one solution- the long fight for social revolution.

## 'Ahoy there Sailor!'

A gang of mindless jobs keen to take up prize arse'ole Richard Branson's idea of cleaning up rubbish, cut loose 'Virgin Atlantic Challenger from her moorings in Swansea's yachting marina. Tut, Tut!

## 'Chop! Chop!'

Broadwater farm Defence Campaign keeps up the good work! On July 6th, 200 people blockaded Tottenham (Yarkee Tango) cop shop for 2 hours and the poor parkers felt unable to intervene. In early August, cops were met with bottles and bricks when they invaded the youth club. Did I here someone shout at the nice copper 'Turn the Farm into an Abattoir' I hope not! I'm a vegetarian! Poor pigs, as the cleaver hits the back of the neck. (CHOP! CHOP!)

"TURN THE FARM INTO AN ABBATOIR"

## Could Do Better! <sup>3</sup>/<sub>10</sub>

The recent Class War Federation national conference was, to say the least, not really up to scratch. Too many of the debates were very turgid affairs. Too many of them were dominated by people who argued at great length about matters of phrasing, and seemed to forget that there was a world outside the conference hall. Too many people, especially people for whom this was their first experience of CW outside their area, went away feeling alienated and isolated.

If it hadn't been for the social, with its opportunities for informal contacts, the whole thing would have been little short of disastrous.

However, we are determined to learn by our mistakes!

So, if you went, or if you didn't, don't be put off the next one. We'll make sure everyone feels happy to contribute, and that we talk about real life, and real struggles. If you did go, we apologise don't get fucked off, stay with it, it can only improve! .....

## Armoured Vehicles for the cops? I'm quaking in my fucking Boots!

HO-HO!

## CLASS WAR

Right, if you have trouble getting hold of Class War in your area then send us £3 and we'll send you the next 12 issues as they come out, or £1.50 for 6. If you live in Europe then send £4 for 12, America £5.

If you want to earn a bit of extra cash for yourself then send us a pound and we'll send you ten copies to flog to your mates at work, at school, on the streets etc. You can sell them for 20p and make yourself £1 (if you're really honest you can donate it to your local anarcho paper or the C/W bust fund). If you want to take more than 10 then send us two pounds for 20 etc etc. If you take 50 or more then we'll deliver them, by van, to your door. Otherwise they will come by post. If you do take copies to flog then please don't forget to send us the money, we can't afford to give them away, unfortunately!



\*Tescos in Sao Paulo gets well and truly fucked over!

# Community Shoplifting

As old scrooge Thatcher tells us to tighten our belts still further, without bothering to notice, of course that the working class are already living in the depths of depravation, our excuse for a wage is spent almost entirely in the supermarket, leaving little or nothing for the weekends festivities ie, football, booze etc. This is enough to make anyone fucking angry, so we must organise within our rundown estates and crumbling towerblocks to combat these constant liberties being taken against us. This can be done by organising a

form of "community shoplifting", whereby as many people as possible converge on a supermarket and take what they need, without having to worry about forking out everything that they've slaved all week, to pay for it. The supermarket chosen should have both an adequate selection of goods, and more importantly, large stocks of alcohol. It goes without saying, of course, that all booze should be liberated first, as this will serve the dual purpose of enticing more people to get involved and can be used to lubricate the party

afterwards. Any old folk or disabled people who can't take part, should either be asked for a "shopping list" before we begin, or can act as lookouts for the cops. Any store detectives who try to stop us will be dealt with immediately. Anyone with transport on the estate should make it available, so that the goods can be taken away as quickly as possible. This form of "proletarian shopping" is a brick-in-the-face of capitalism and with better organisation within our communities, we can make the looting sprees of last summers riots a weekly reality.

ISN'T THIS SHOCKING!!!

The above is the text of a leaflet circulating in Mile End. We think it is totally out of order!

HE-HEE!!!

# THE WAR IN IRELAND

Working class people in Britain are having a rough time, and it's getting rougher; bad housing, boring low-paid jobs and trouble from the Old Bill are just a few of the problems we face. So why am I writing about Ireland? It's not just because I'm Irish-it's because I reckon we can learn a lot from the Irish working class in the fight against our own bosses here.

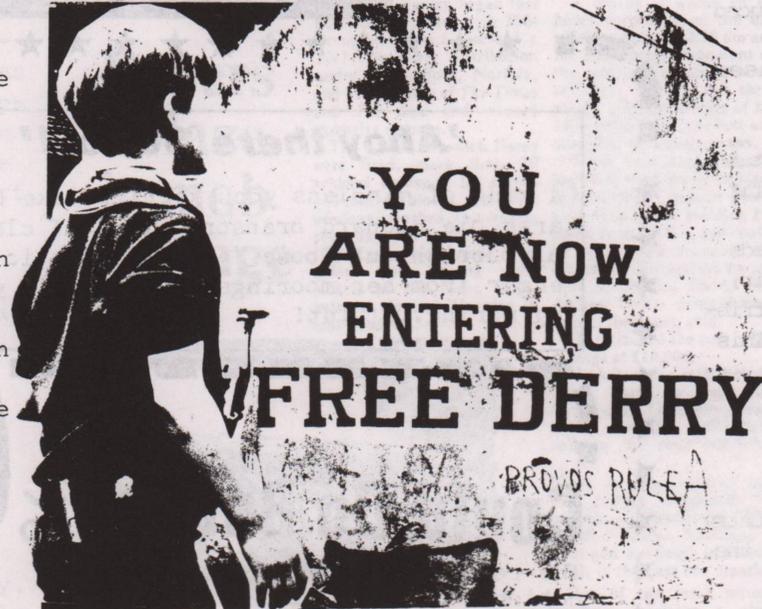
The following is the view of some members of Class War....

To understand why it's important, a bit of history is in order (don't yawn now!) ..800 years ago, Ireland was invaded and taken over by the English. A lot of native Irish people were driven out, and the English ruling class stole their land. As well as driving out the people (they were either chased out or starved out in the Famine), the English brought in Scottish Protestants and settled them in the North of Ireland. These are the ancestors of today's Protestants 'loyalists', so-called because they are loyal to British rule in Ireland.

But the Irish did not sit back and take this shit-they've been fighting back for the last 800 years. The best example was during the First World War. While the British Army was busy fighting in Europe, the Irish saw the chance to attack their British rulers and seize control for themselves. They tried to take over Dublin in Easter 1916, but the Brits crushed them and shot the organisers.

But the people didn't give up and in 1921 the Brits were forced to give back most of Ireland keeping a small part in the north-east. This part has the most industry and the British government knew it would be profitable. And what a surprise that the Loyalists are in a majority there- the government knew that they wouldn't rebel against British rule. The Brits divided the working class in the North. It's an old tactic of our rulers- keep people fighting amongst themselves and hopefully they won't unite and challenge the bosses power. The protestant working class were shat on sure enough, but the catholic workers were right at the bottom of the pile-squeezed out of jobs housing and without even the right to vote.

So the 'civil rights movement' sprang up in the late Sixties. This struggle came to a head following 'civil rights' and Loyalist marches in 1969. Barricades were first built in January '69 to keep out the coppers etc. and 'Free Derry' was born. In the 'Battle of the Bogside' in August that year, local people held off police and Loyalist mob attacks for over 2 days. On the 3rd day, the British government sent their army in, 'to keep the peace' -really to make sure they kept control in the North.



The British Army and British rule are still there today, and everyone knows the bastards aren't 'keeping the peace'. But despite their communities being constantly under siege, (imagine a squaddie using you for target practice when you nip out for some fags, or being stopped and searched by the army patrols when you walk down your street), the people have learnt how to organise together. They know the pigs aren't going to help them, so they've developed their own means of 'crime' prevention. Catholic areas in the North are the only places where people still leave their front doors open. Muggers, rapists, smack dealers and other scum are dealt with by the community. We can learn from these Republicans in our own fight to create 'no-go areas' for the cops, and to control our own communities.

The IRA forms a big part of the Catholic workers struggle. 'Class War' may not agree with some of the IRA's aims and tactics, but who we to tell

people how to run their revolution? It's been said that the IRA are out of order killing innocent people. The Provos would be the first to admit to their own mistakes. They are now committed to attacking military and political targets- the army pigs judges politicians and good luck to them! Every one remembers the 'Brighton Bomb', when the IRA nearly wiped out Thatcher and most of the government and even though we know they would have been replaced by similar bastards, it still made us all start the day with a smile on our face!

So what has all this got to do with 'Class War'? As I've said our lives in this society are getting more and more shitty but we're fighting back more too - and riots like Tottenham in 1985 mean that the state has had to use what they have learnt in Northern Ireland over here know. Ireland is Britains practice ground- the Irish have been put down with CS gas and plastic bullets for years. And No.1 shitbag Kenneth Newman (Met Police Commissioner) learnt his dirty trade in Northern Ireland.

As working class people fighting for real control over our own lives, we have no choice but to support the Irish working class in their fight against both the British and their own ruling classes. One of the ways we can support them is to get the bastard troops out of Ireland- look forward to the day when Britannia doesn't rule the fuck-in' waves'!



This it must be repeated, is the view of a few people within "CLASS WAR", and part of an ongoing discussion about Ireland, terrorism, nationalist struggles, and their relationship to the working class. Hopefully there will be many more articles on such things in the future.

## CLASS WAR

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RICH!



CLASS WAR HEALTH WARNING:

LEAVE HEROIN

TO THE RICH BASTARDS!

## VANDALS ON LINE

### FUCK OFF NICKY CRANE!

Nicky Crane, the gorilla on the front of the strength thru Oi' album, and Nazi G.B.H.'r, whose 'Gentle Touch' (-read 'Get Tough') security company was used not only by C.N.D., but also by the 1986 (Gay) Pride organising Committee- who told pissed off lesbian/gays who protested -'he's gay, so he's one of us'(!!!). Remember 'Streicher', the gay top German Nazi. Crane has now moved to a house in Highbury, 35 Avenall Road, London N5, protected by boarding, security lights and closed-circuit T.V., appears to be the new N.F. base in North London, following the demise of their Kings Cross hovels. The house is opposite Arsenal football ground, we hope that sometime in the season, a large mob might want to do some external redecoration to the house following a game. (Ho Ho, Hee Hee!)

You NAZI Scum!



FIRST day at work for P.C. Payphone with a little guidance from P.C. Norman Smith, who is based at Copperas Hill police station in Liverpool City Centre.

P.C. Blakelock's Replacement



# THINK POSITIVE

You could be forgiven if you'd got the idea that Class War are a pretty negative bunch, full of ideas about what needs destroying, but a bit lacking when it comes to the hard questions, like 'How do we get to the revolution from here?' or 'But what would you replace this system with?'

Well, surprising as it may seem, we do realise there's more to life than decking coppers, and a bit more to changing the world than calling shitbag on an endless list of politicians, police and parasites. We do realise that, if we're not to spend the days after the collapse of capitalism, traipsing round the ruins in rags, fighting over the last bottles of cider, and wondering why our giros are twenty years late; we've got to start the process of building a new world from the wreckage of the old right here and now. We realise that we've got to suss out what works and what doesn't while there's still time to learn from our mistakes.

One thing that's clear to us is that it's well time to find new ways of fighting back against the bosses and their hired thugs. Its fucking dorkery to carry on with outmoded forms of resistance, just because we can't think of anything better to do. We want to knock on the head the joke anarchist/punk ideas whose macho, masochism, and martyr complexes have led to the belief that the only cred ways of resisting involve a few broken windows, a lot more broken heads dragged into riot transits, and even more broken hearts and bank balances after the subsequent courtcases.

That's not to say that we've suddenly become averse to a bit of righteous kicking heads just that we think that we need a bit more of a flexible response than a fistfull of 4x2 in some situations.

Its not just the ragged hordes of pseudo-anarchists who fail miserably when it comes to taking on the state. At Orgreave the N.U.M leaders like the generals who threw cavalry at barbed wire and machine guns in WW1, tried to refight the Battle of Saltley Gate, only to find that, even if they hadn't learned anything since 1972, the cops certainly had. The result, as we all saw on TV, was a massacre.

New times need new tactics, and as times change faster with each year that passes, we've got to change with them. We've got to put a fuck sight more thought into our tactics than we have managed up to now. Fighting today's battles with yesterday's weapons is the fastest way to defeat.

Let's use a little imagination for once! Lets have a bit of a laugh for fuck's sake! Whoever said 'revolution is the carnival of the oppressed.' was talking about something a sight more drastic than lolling about

with a can, gawping at Billy Bragg, and getting sunburnt in solidarity with the S.Afrikkkan freedom fighters. She was talking about the Brixton rioters, who confronted by coppers drumming the 'heartbeat' rythms with stick on shield, responded by banging dustbin lids in a roots rock stylee. Talking about the guy, who, in the early days of resistance in occupied Ireland, used to get squaddies out of their armoured landrovers to play by sticking plasticine sticks with detonators stuck on under the wiper blades, (and, when they thought they were wise to him, and just sat there smugly, he used gelly every now and then!). Talking about the car workers in Detroit, who rather than lose money by striking, decided to disrupt production by following the bosses quality control standards to the letter, with the result that 70% of cars that managed to come off the line were rejected!

to mention the torching of a Murdoch warehouse full of paper), tells its own story. We must start attacking where we have the upper hand, either in terms of surprise and numbers, or as in a riot, where we know the turf. The reason riots are confined to poor areas is because, as every rioter knows, you need somewhere to run and hide, when things get close, (not to mention the delight of going home for a cup of tea, and returning refreshed to the rucking!)

Its been suggested, that instead of 'Bash the Rich' marches to rich areas, we should make working class parts of town no-go-areas for rich scum. This would have the advantage that we'd be able to work in small, local groups, where we feel strong, rather than be trailed by plod all the time.

In the end, we're not going to kick the owners off the planet by just responding to the latest news from the atrocity exhibition. WE have to start to take the initiative for a change. We've got hundreds of years worth of reasons to have a go, why wait for new ones? Our motto should be strike first, strike fast, strike hard, and keep moving on. Sod the hypocritical middle class lefties whining with fake indignation when some particularly tasteless bit of state thuggery makes C4 news, OUR lives are shitty every fucking day!

Going on the offensive means starting to think ahead, to try and suss out what's going to blow, and when. We've got to look forward, in the period up to the election, and see what the long term trends are. We can each only do so much, especially as we're not hyperactive dupes of some trot cult, so lets do it where it'll have most effect.

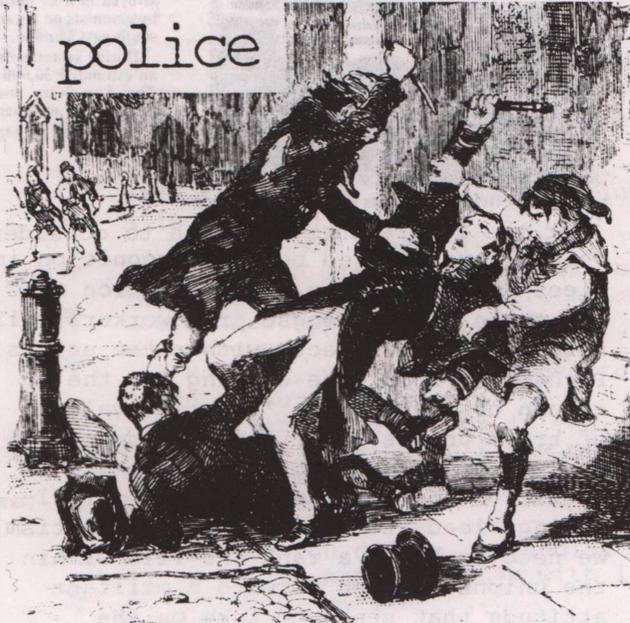
Finally, its important to remember that new forms of resistance and rebellion are being found by our class, from the looting of coal train in S.Wales, to tenants and squatters on estates in Walworth, S.London uniting against baliffs and riot cops sent in by the 'hard left' council. From continuing guerilla attacks on the filth in the Yorkshire coalfields to the roller wreckers of the M25, the working class is finding new ways to fight back.

Its important that these acts of defiance are not allowed to be isolated from each other. We need to reach a situation where they're discussed with as much enthusiasm as Michelle and Lofty's wedding. Its not just information about what works and what doesn't, its the idea that we face a common enemy. Lesbians and Gays Support The Miners experience shows how groups that that enemy tries to divide, and convince that they've nothing in common, can realise that sharing experiences and ideas is to each others benefit. In a very real sense, fighting back starts with talking to each other.

## VICTORIAN VALUES

### WE WANT A RETURN TO

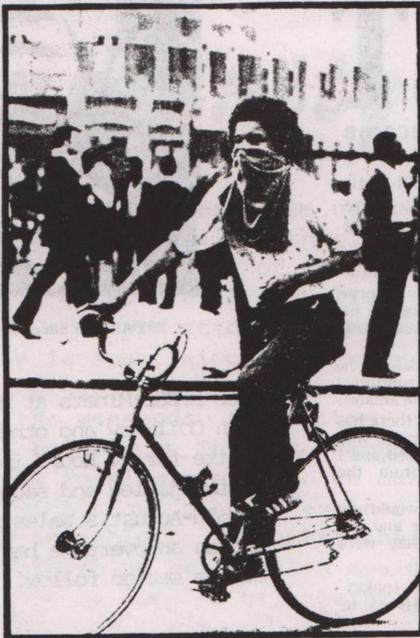
### No.1 Attitude to police



The new police were not popular . . . . They were attacked not only by criminals, but also by members of the public.

Wherever possible, we must use humour and imagination in our resistance. But on their own, they're not enough. We're not just into playing pranks and games, we want to destroy the masters for real. Our actions have to include our belief in CLASS war. Not just that we hate rich scum, but, just as importantly, that we see working class people as 'our people'. For example, if we work in the public services, why make other working class people suffer when we go on strike? Why not just cut off services to the rich parts of town? (Don't give me that shit about scabs being working class, they are traitors and should be dealt with accordingly.) The most brilliant piece of working class resistance, from this point of view, was when tenants and council workers on an estate in Hackney disgusted by the incompetence and corruption of their 'caring socialist' council, occupied the estate office, and organised repairs and maintenance themselves.

The pitiful results of the Saturday night ritual outside Fortress Wapping, when contrasted with the damage done to scabs, trucks, and buildings in the hit squad raids (not

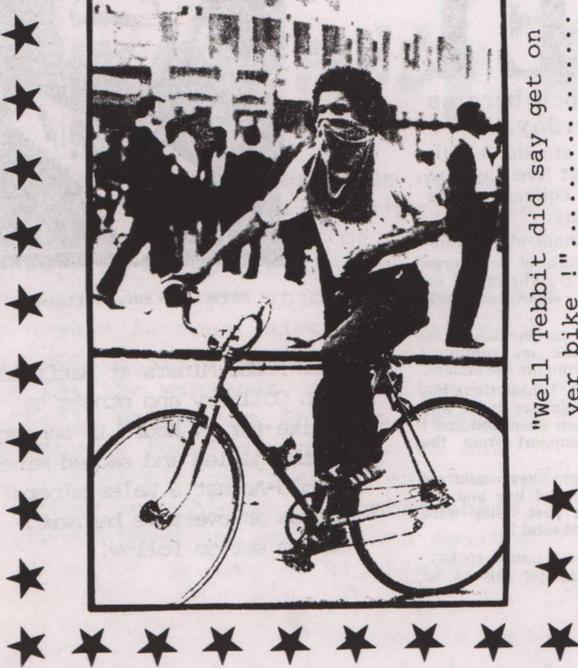


"Well Tebbit did say get on yer bike!"

## SKOOLS OUT



★ O'Level Politics 1986 stylee!



# WAPPING!

The dispute at Wapping is now in its 7th month and shows no signs of being settled, although there are persistent rumours that Murdoch wants to negotiate a settlement (from an original position of refusing to make any concessions, Murdoch has consistently upped what he is prepared to offer to gain a settlement, and by doing so has lost face, he obviously didn't expect the dispute to last so long or the determination of the strikers to become so hardened, it is clear there is no such thing as a last offer). From the start of the dispute it has become obvious that the union leadership is either unwilling or unable to push the dispute forward, their support for the blacking campaign has been half-hearted, Murdoch could never get a paper out without the connivance of Fleet St, it has become obvious that the dispute is little more than an embarrassment to the cocktail swigging leaders.

The latest pathetic attempts to settle the dispute has been to send the scab leader of the EPTU over to America to negotiate on our behalf!

Because of this all action that has pushed the dispute forward has been organised outside of the union machinery. There are groups of people, sometimes only a few, sometimes thousands, who organise through groups with no leaders and constitutions. If we are to be effective within the dispute, and in changing the role of the union, it is pretty obvious that we cannot do it within the old machinery, which provides for a leadership protected and insulated by the rule book. Further the place where this battle is being fought is on the street - it is here where the initiative can be taken, it is the only battle ground left to us. During the seven months of the dispute, printworkers have become more confident on the street and have inflicted major damage on the scab organisations of Murdoch and TNT. Doubtless, the leadership would like us to go away and rot in our boltholes. But after seven months of police harassment and violence sell-outs by the union leadership and general 'do-nothing' from the TUC, there is a marked reluctance on behalf of our members to give up the fight. If anything the members are more determined, and the number of real activists has increased.

The flying pickets have inflicted great damage on the TNT organisation, hitting the depots when they do not expect it, and making themselves a general nuisance to all the scabby workers and all their supporters. Indeed it is clear that the flying pickets are the heart of the dispute, and are done by the most militant workers.

## Papers ablaze in mob rampage

A police inquiry began last night into an attack by a 200-strong mob which stormed a TNT newspaper distribution centre in Thetford, Norfolk, and burnt copies of *The Times* and *The Sun* and caused extensive damage.

The attack, in which flares were fired, more than 20 vehicles damaged by stones and concrete blocks, and office windows smashed, came early yesterday, just hours after the High Court had banned print unions from staging mass pickets at the News International plant at Wapping in east London.

A convoy of about 50 vehicles descended on the distribution depot at 2.30 am and the mob immediately went on the rampage, ripping down a perimeter fence in three places, stoning the cars of the 20 employees in the plant and attacking distribution vans.

"They then started smashing windows in the office block and kicking in panels. Flares were fired at the building but failed to start a fire, and copies of newspapers recently unloaded for distribution by van were seized and burnt," Mr Andrew Turner, general manager of the depot, said.

He estimated the cost of the damage at £10,000.

Norfolk police said that the attack lasted an hour. Initially, only 10 officers were able to respond to the incident and, by the time reinforce-

linked to other violence that has caused thousands of pounds of damage at TNT depots in Luton, Snodland in Kent and Eastleigh in Hampshire, in the past two months.

One of the most serious incidents involving a plant owned by News International occurred in June when 9,000 tons of newsprint were destroyed in a £7 million attack by arsonists on a warehouse in south-east London.

During yesterday's incident, an estimated 30,000 copies of *The Sun* were lost, either through fire or other damage.

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A TNT truck (left) that had its windscreen smashed

For the future there is much to consider. Things have changed beyond recognition in Fleet Street and the radicalisation that has taken place amongst printworkers, will have long term effects within the unions. Perhaps we should be calling for the return of some of the 'old time values' of trade unions - i.e. the sharing of all work, no unity without equality, the abolition of fulltime officials ('full-timing' leads to corruption and nepotism). We need to build a rank and file within the unions to push forward a militant attitude that seeks to take on the establishment.

By a SOGAT printworker

On July 6th 300 people attacked a depot in Eastleigh, Hampshire. More than 40 cars and delivery lorries were damaged as was a police car that arrived on the scene. There were no arrests. And on August 1st, a depot in Thetford, Norfolk met a similar fate. £10,000 damage was caused when 20 lorries and cars wrecked, 57,000 scab papers destroyed and countless windows in the plant smashed. Once again, a highly successful attack with no arrests.

Police were also unable to catch the firebombers who burnt down a warehouse owned by a subsidiary of News International, which supplied paper to the Wapping plant. 7 million pounds worth of damage was caused to the plant in Deptford S.E London.

The best day at Wapping in recent weeks was on July 23rd, in the day a lorry carrying rolls of paper to the plant was cornered without a copper to be seen! It had its windows and lights smashed and 3 big rolls of paper were pulled off the lorry and into the road. In the evening, 2 plain clothes cops were identified in the crowds of pickets at the start of the march, they got the kicking they deserved and when other police intervened, quite a ruck developed.

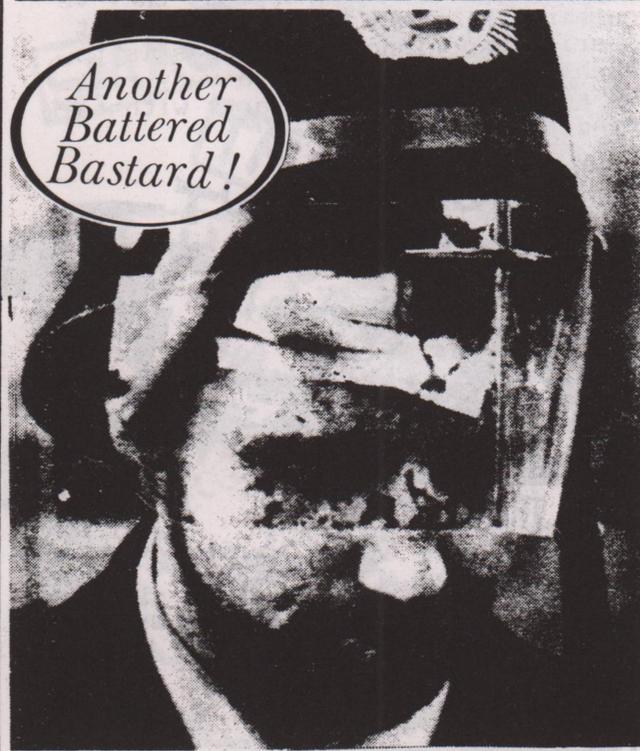
Of course we've only mentioned the things we've heard about, there's loads of other stuff going on that never gets publicised. If anything good happens near you then send us reports/press cuttings etc so we can give it a mention.

Though things may have been relatively quiet down at Wapping recently, T.N.T depots that distribute the scab papers have not escaped quite so lightly.

On June 19th, just before a large demonstration arrived at a depot in Snodland, Kent, a group attacked the plant using catapults, bricks and rocks, tyres on delivery vans were slashed and windows of the Depot & cars and vans were smashed. Over £2000 damage was caused. Another Depot, this time in Luton was also attacked in June.

The last 2 issues of Class War have reported the goings on in the Rhondda, where 100's of people have been ambushing trains and carting off tons of coal for selling and distribution in the local community. We hear this has been happening in Durham too .. To quote Outer Information.. "In Seaham, County Durham, after dark, residents.. have started raiding coal trains. Wagons coming from Seaham Colliery, .. were stopped at level crossings by home made barriers pulled onto the track. Where possible the coal is released from the wagons and up to 100 people carry it away. It has been estimated that up to 500 tons have been liberated in some weeks. British Coal have hired private security guards but this has been totally ineffective.

## ► hospitalised coppers ◀



HERE'S TREMENDOUS PC TOBY TURDFACE FROM TOXTETH. HIS FAVOURITE HOBBIES INCLUDE SPENDING LARGE AMOUNTS OF TIME IN HOSPITAL AND PICKING MEAT CLEAVERS OUT OF OTHER COPPERS NECKS.

TONY ALSO HAS HIS OWN SPECIAL WAY OF GETTING RID OF UNWANTED FACIAL HAIR... HE HEADBUTS PETROL BOMBS!

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# THE £1m PICKET

SACKED miner Mike Silcock became the £1 million picket yesterday.

He brought a profitable pit to a standstill with a one-man picket line. And in just five days he has cost the Coal Board and his colleagues the huge sum in lost production and pay.

Mr Silcock started picketing Markham Main colliery near Doncaster, South Yorkshire, on Monday. He had been sacked for breaching safety regulations.

All 1,200 of his colleagues refused to cross his picket line.

A Coal Board spokesman said yesterday coal worth £800,000 had been lost in the dispute and Mr Silcock's workmates had lost £200,000 in wages.

"It's true to say he is the £1 million striker," said the spokesman. This man had numerous warnings and the union agreed he should be disciplined."

Mr Silcock, of Goldthorpe, Doncaster, shrugged off questions about his costly action.

He had earlier claimed he could bank on continued support from his workmates.

He said: "I think there has been an injustice in the way I have been dismissed and I wanted support from the lads."

"I thought they would not cross a picket line and not one went past. They were 100 percent solid."

A miners' union spokesman at the pit refused to comment.

MAY 1986



DEFIANT: Mr Silcock at home

STOP PRESS: Miners at Hatfield Main Colliery and others to strike for 24 hours in support of the jailed and sacked miners ... mid-August. S. Wales miners impose an overtime ban, with Durham set to follow..

# ORGANISE AGAINST AN ORGANISED STATE.

Class War have been going for more than a couple of years now, to the point where we sell 10,000 copies of each issue and have a nationwide Federation of groups. Class War is not about the few groups who put out the paper. It's about YOU OUT THERE or it's about nothing. So what are you going to do about it? Obviously, we're not in the business of giving you a nice shiny membership card and a bundle of papers to sell, while we pat ourselves on the back for gaining another recruit. We want you to listen to what we've got to say, think about it, and then to organise with people you can trust.

In many towns there are already groups sympathetic to our ideas, and a letter to us/them can get you in touch. If you want help/ideas in getting a group together don't hesitate to ask.

Anyway here are some ideas on organisation, drawn from long and bitter experience!

## Avoiding the "anarchist" ghetto.

Start off by working only with sensible people who believe in class struggle politics. One pacifist dork, junkie punk or nutter, can leave you wasting time and energy in fruitless argument till everyone gets fucked off and gives up. Don't be too ambitious.

## All work & no play....

Don't take on too much. Don't put your whole waking life into it. We can safely leave that to the 'trot' cults. 24 hour activism leads to people getting burnt out.

Beware of developing a leadership. Make sure everyone has an equal opportunity to contribute to the group. Having a chairperson may seem bureaucratic, but it stops meetings being dominated by the loudest voices.

## Watch out!.....

Once you get going make sure you don't become cliquy which will put off newcomers. Be friendly (but cautious) when people show an interest.

Beware that as soon as you go public especially in a small place, the cops will sit up and show an interest. Watch out for informers, surveillance etc.

## Priorities.....

Personal squabbles, especially about whose sleeping with who, have destroyed far more groups than the state has. We haven't found an answer to this yet! If you find one which doesn't involve nobody sleeping with anyone, we'd be so grateful you won't believe it!!

Once you get a local group/Class War group of the ground in your area, keep in touch. Send in reports of the struggle in your area. You'll be kept in touch with from other groups. And, of course to get papers to sell you only have to write to ;

P.O. Box 467, CLAPTON, LONDON, E.5



THEY BOTH ARE ! ...  
ANSWER  
IT'S A TRICK QUESTION

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Liverpool, L6 0EW

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4 Onslow road, LLANDUDNO-  
Southampton. P.O. Box 71, Llandudno,  
LL30 2TU.

LUTON C.W., c/o. 'Luton Anarchist Collective'  
Box A, 33 Guildford Street, Luton, Beds..

MANCHESTER C.W., c/o. SMAG,  
75, Piccadilly, Manchester, M1 2BU.

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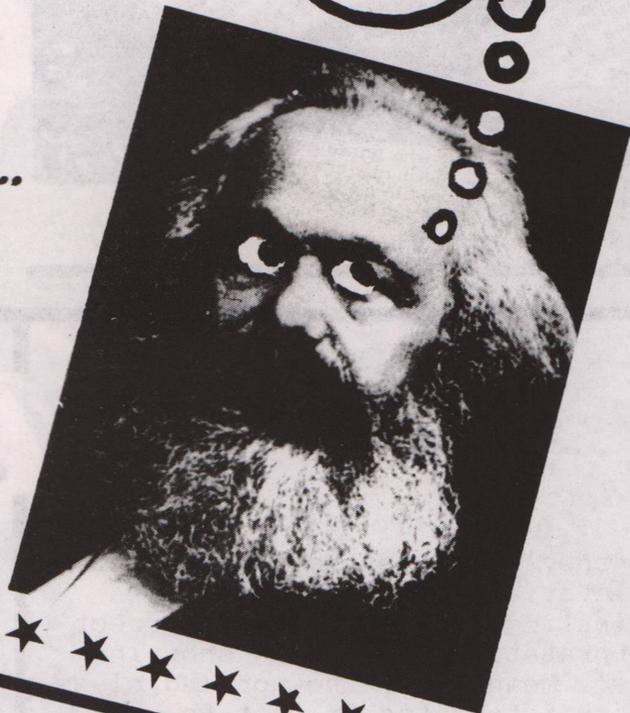
Brighton bomber THE Wrecking Crew C.W. Group,  
Prior house Box C.W., 43 Candlemaker Row  
6, Tilbury place Edinburgh, Scotland  
Brighton East Sussex

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Oakwood Park, Oakwood Rd.,  
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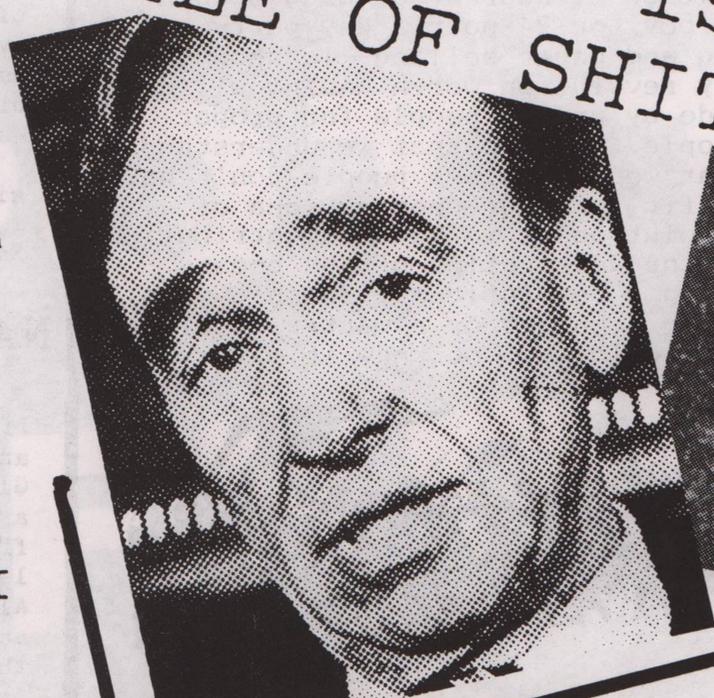
LONDON - (now including 'East London C.W.  
North London C.W., West Lo:..etc)  
P.O. Box 467, Clapton, London, E.5.

Other groups in ,  
Cardiff, Sheffield, Swansea.

Please write to your nearest  
local group, when contacting  
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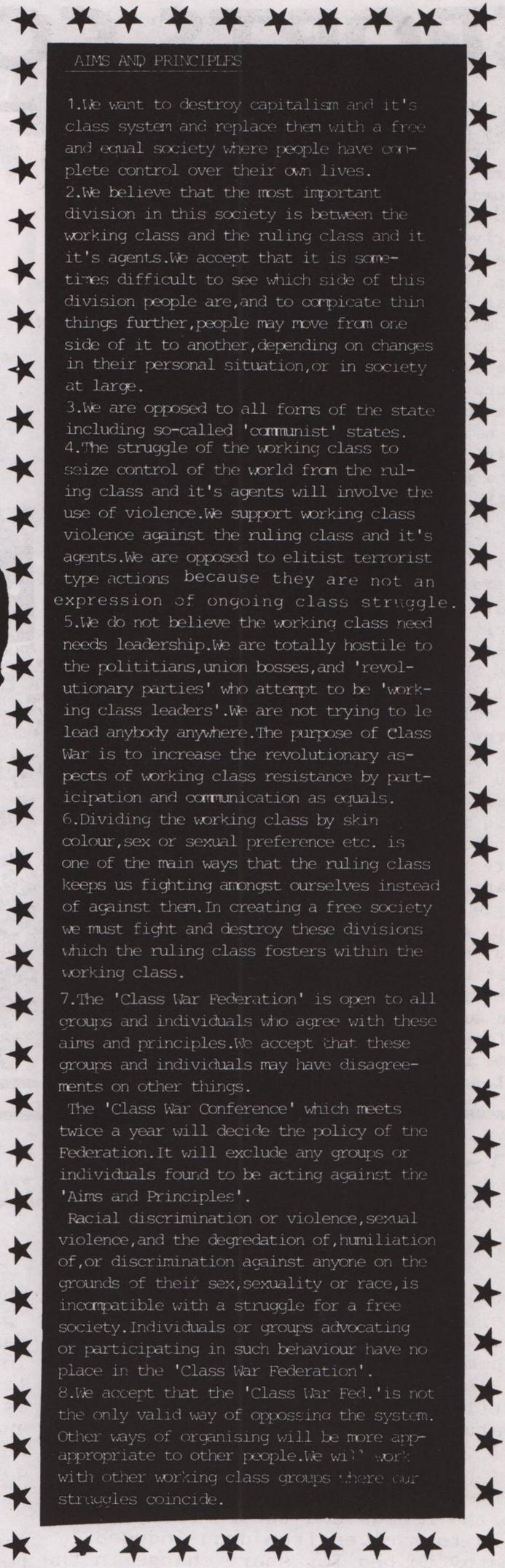


QUESTION ?  
WHICH ONE IS  
PILE OF SHIT THE WOPPING



AIMS AND PRINCIPLES

1. We want to destroy capitalism and it's class system and replace them with a free and equal society where people have complete control over their own lives.
2. We believe that the most important division in this society is between the working class and the ruling class and it it's agents. We accept that it is sometimes difficult to see which side of this division people are, and to complicate thin things further, people may move from one side of it to another, depending on changes in their personal situation, or in society at large.
3. We are opposed to all forms of the state including so-called 'communist' states.
4. The struggle of the working class to seize control of the world from the ruling class and it's agents will involve the use of violence. We support working class violence against the ruling class and it's agents. We are opposed to elitist terrorist type actions because they are not an expression of ongoing class struggle.
5. We do not believe the working class need needs leadership. We are totally hostile to the politicians, union bosses, and 'revolutionary parties' who attempt to be 'working class leaders'. We are not trying to lead anybody anywhere. The purpose of Class War is to increase the revolutionary aspects of working class resistance by participation and communication as equals.
6. Dividing the working class by skin colour, sex or sexual preference etc. is one of the main ways that the ruling class keeps us fighting amongst ourselves instead of against them. In creating a free society we must fight and destroy these divisions which the ruling class fosters within the working class.
7. The 'Class War Federation' is open to all groups and individuals who agree with these aims and principles. We accept that these groups and individuals may have disagreements on other things.  
The 'Class War Conference' which meets twice a year will decide the policy of the Federation. It will exclude any groups or individuals found to be acting against the 'Aims and Principles'.  
Racial discrimination or violence, sexual violence, and the degradation of, humiliation of, or discrimination against anyone on the grounds of their sex, sexuality or race, is incompatible with a struggle for a free society. Individuals or groups advocating or participating in such behaviour have no place in the 'Class War Federation'.
8. We accept that the 'Class War Fed.' is not the only valid way of opposing the system. Other ways of organising will be more appropriate to other people. We will work with other working class groups where our struggles coincide.



# SPORTS COLUMN ...LATEST RESULTS...LATEST RESULTS...LATEST RESULTS...

On May 19th the cops came under attack once again in Brixton, while attempting to arrest a couple of people two cops were surrounded by a none too friendly crowd of locals, the prisoners were freed and the cops attacked. Two cop cars that arrived on the scene were trashed and one pig hospitalised.

On the 10th of June pigs, some in riot gear, helped baliffs to evict squatters from flats in Walworth, S. London. Local tenants and squatters helped to resist the evictions and although after several hours the flats were all evicted and boarded up it was no easy task. Baliffs had to batter their way through substantial barricades in many of the flats only to find when they emerged that the tyres on their vans had been let down. A few of the cops had the additional treat of their uniforms being decorated with green and white paint thrown from the rooves of the flats. Most of the evicted flats were re-squatted within a week.

Prisoners rioted on the 19th June at Glenochill Detention Centre in Scotland. Shortly after one of the inmates collapsed and died during 'exercises'. 50 cells were wrecked and at least one screw injured.

One pig was bitten and another kicked and punched when they interviewed in a slight altercation outside a nightclub in Swansea on July 5th, police vehicles were damaged by stones that were thrown.

Carnival Day was celebrated in fine style in Maidstone on July 19th. The cops were attacked, 3 hospitalised, and their cars damaged in disturbances that took over an hour and a half to contain.

On August 1st (or maybe it was the week before, we're not quite sure!) police cars were attacked on the Stonebridge Estate in W. London. Patrol cars had bricks, bottles



Police cars stoned as held youth breaks free

Police hurt in battle

TWO POLICE officers were injured and 17 people argued after hundreds of people went on the rampage in Swansea city centre in the early hours of this morning. Two police vehicles were also damaged by stone-throwing youths.

A POLICEMAN was recovering yesterday after he was hit on the head with a brick in the latest mob attack on police.

The officer was injured as he raced to help two colleagues besieged by 100 thugs after they made an arrest.

Patrol car driver Bob Timperley was hit by the brick which was hurled through the windscreen of his car as the trouble flared in Vining Street, Brixton.

CARNIVAL Day in Maidstone turned sour when a street mob clashed violently with police.

Prison officers wearing riot gear were called into Glenochill yesterday after a violent demonstration.

The cheers of the crowds who turned out to watch the carnival parade on Saturday afternoon, turned to tears and screams of terror as bricks, bottles and glasses were aimed at police.

and full tins of paint thrown at them. The additional dents and splattered paint on the cars was very decorative by all accounts!

Unlike the mugs from West Ham and Man Utd who insisted on cutting chunks out of each other on a ferry, a far more positive attitude was shown by Plymouth supporters who trashed 2 cop cars and chucked bottles at the pigs after a friendly on August 9th. Military police from the Navy and Marines had to be called in to contain the trouble.

ST PAULS, BRISTOL. 29th JULY.

About 4.00pm 2 cops stop a car along Grosvenor Rd, St Pauls. They hassle the driver for failure to display a tax disc. The driver begins to resist being arrested and about 30 people come out of neighbouring houses. Two more cop cars arrive (6 cops in all) and begin to wrestle with the driver. The small crowd begins to shout abuse, spit at the cops and kick their cars. Two more panda cars arrive and the crowd grows to 100 people. The crowd attacks the cop cars in earnest whilst the cops force the driver into another car (4 to hold him down!). They try to drive off with him, but a kid defiantly stands in front of the car and kicks its lights in. The car eventually escapes. The crowd then attacks the remaining coppers (6 in all, the crowd now 150). They retreat down the road. The chief officer gets punched in the face and as a young cop picks up his hat an old woman whacks him over the head with a mop. Bottles and bricks begin to fly and the cops begin to run, the crowd pursuing cheering and jeering. Transit reinforcements are called in but they don't dare go down the 'front line'. Instead they wait in a nearby square. 6 cops injured, 2 bitten and 4 hit by bricks, bottles and mops!

## Flogging live horses!!

One of the problems in getting revolutionary ideas over to people is their idea what it means to be a revolutionary on a day to day basis. At the moment, the image that most self-styled revolutionaries put across is little different from a sit-com caricature.

### RAGS AND MISERY

On the one hand are the shambling legions of post-punk lifestylers in their rags and their misery. Stirring themselves from drug-induced apathy to beg for spare change in the name of anarchy, they sneer disdainfully as 'straight' society passes their grimy half boarded windows, they revel in their self imposed isolation from the real world. They see their voluntary poverty and degradation as some indication of moral superiority, for all the world like some mediaeval order of wandering monks. Meanwhile the working class gets on with the sinful business of acquiring such sinful luxuries as clothes, carpets, curtains and furniture - and quite right too!

### NEW PURITANS

On the other hand are the 57 varieties of 'genuine and original revolutionary party as endorsed by the blessed martyr Trotsky'. These miserable specimens can be found in every lookalike plate glass precinct of the 'free' world, every Saturday, rain or shine, flogging the puritanically close printed pages of tracts that have about as much relevance and

vitality as the proverbial dead horse. Then they're off to some interminable 'proletarian day school' on some fascinating topic like 'the correct interpretation of Lenin's shopping lists'. Meanwhile, the working class is more interested in what to wear and where to go for a rocking night out in the fleshpots of babylon - and quite right too!

### PROPER PEOPLE

Its up to us to show that you can fight back against this sick, twisted system, without becoming just as sick and twisted yourself. To show that being a revolutionary means neither 24 hour a day drug sodden idiocy, or 24 hour a day party building and paper selling. To show that any revolution worth having will be made by proper people for proper people. To show that we understand that working class people don't have to fit into our enemies idea of a revolutionary to make a contribution to the destruction of the bosses. Being a revolutionary doesn't mean being a mutant or a martyr, a clone or a cultist. You know it makes sense



## SQOTTIN

The 8th edition of the Squatters Handbook is out now. This ink oratory for those pissed-off with the tedious, time tottering of the housing queues, or the closet-like existence of Bed & Breakfast will find this tasty new version of how to-grab-a-gaf more useful than an ashtray on a motorbike. Pick up a copy from:-  
A.S.S., 2a St. Pauls Rd, London, N.1.

## WHO OWNS LEEDS ?

We received a fucking brilliant book from Leeds recently, which lifts-the-lid on the whereabouts and doings of every blue-blooded, diamond-studded, rich parasite in the area. The dossier of info provided by this paperback equivalent of a goldmine, is enough to ring the rallying bells of retribution in anyones ears. If you ever plan on a trip to Leeds, this treasure map is an essential tourist guide to a bit of recreational activity of the not-so-passive kind.

To get a hold of "Who owns Leeds", simply send 40p+20p for p&p to I Spy Productions, c/o Box T/11, 1st floor Market Buildings, Vicar Lane, Leeds.

## NAZIS AT GLASTONBURY !

If you thought that C.N.D. couldn't get any worse, get a load of this; At the Glastonbury festival, C.N.D. employed as a steward complete with stewards identification badge and security radio - no less than Nazi-Stormtrooper-Nicky Crane. Along with a few henchmen, he was employed as security for the Beer tents. Perhaps they'll use the army next year.