



CHAIN REACTION

APRIL 1986

PUBLIC INFORMATION CAMPAIGN



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April 17th sees the launch of CND's Extended Public Information Campaign (EPIC).

"Support CND FOR A FUTURE WITHOUT FEAR"-on the positive effects of British Independent nuclear disarmament.

The idea behind the campaign is to put forward our arguments clearly and in a way people can understand, through a coordinated approach by national CND and local groups.

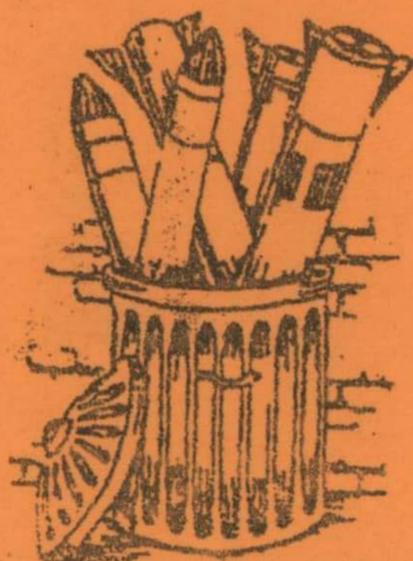
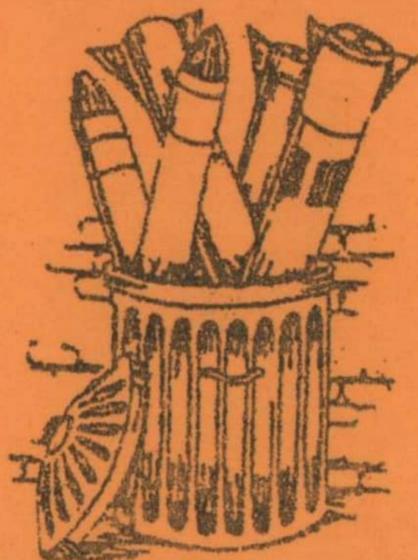
EPIC 1 will demonstrate "the common sense of our proposals for nuclear disarmament, common sense exhibited by the majority of the world's nations who are taking the non-nuclear initiative, and the benefits to ourselves, and the rest of the world to be gained by joining the majority."

EPIC 1 will culminate on July 8th at the national lobby of Parliament the theme being 'YES' to nuclear disarmament 'NO' to Star Wars.

LOCAL LAUNCH

TANG launches its basic case campaign on April 10th with door to door leafletting in the Arleston area of Wellington. YOUR help is required if you can give us a few hours please contact Laurens 54728.

SEE NEWSLETTER ARTICLE OUR OWN 'BASIC CASE'



OUR OWN BASIC CASE

Starting in April, CND will be launching a big campaign aimed at converting public opinion to support Independent nuclear disarmament by Britain. CND's national conference voted to give this top priority for 1986. Superficially this seems an uncontroversial decision. But when one looks closer at the 'Basic Case' campaign it has worrying features. I will argue that TANG should not participate in this campaign as it stands.

WHOSE BASIC CASE

Whose basic case is the 'Basic Case'? Clearly the Labour party's. Labour party policy is for British Independent nuclear disarmament, retaining NATO membership, 'conventional' American military bases (including command and communications bases heavily involved in nuclear war preparations), and of course retaining Britain's 'conventional' armed forces. None of this is in conflict with what CND will be arguing for in its 'Basic Case' campaign. The timing of the 'Basic Case' campaign fits in with its content. Obviously the idea is to sell Labour defence policy to the electorate in good time for the next general election.

NON-VIOLENT CIVILIAN DEFENCE

It could be argued that this is a good idea. Labour's commitment to unilateral nuclear disarmament, if put into practice will greatly further the cause of world peace. One can however imagine policies that would have a more radical impact, like British withdrawal from NATO, or British adoption of non-violent 'civilian defence'. Since CND, like TANG, supports unilateral nuclear disarmament & the withdrawal from NATO I do not see why a basic case campaign should not advocate these policies. By encouraging support for leaving NATO we would help ensure the Labour party, in office, to stick to unilateralism even in the face of pressure or threats from NATO, including the threat of expulsion.

SEVERE OPPOSITION

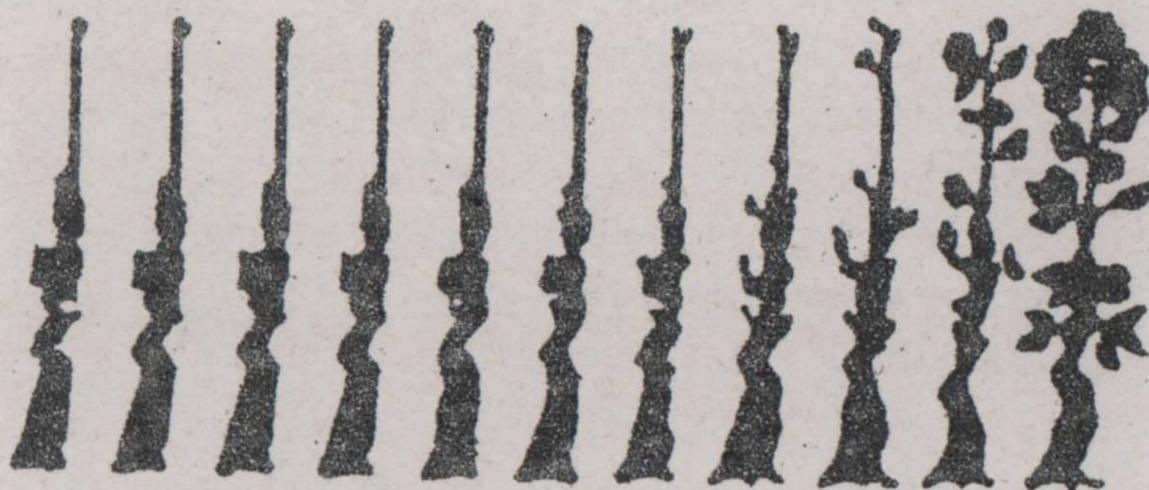
The basic case campaign also seems to me inadequate in the sort of support it seeks for nuclear disarmament. The assumption seems to be that it is enough for the people to be persuaded to say 'yes I support independent nuclear disarmament by Britain' and vote accordingly at the next election. Unfortunately this is not by itself sufficient to ensure nuclear disarmament is implemented in this country. While not wishing to dismiss the sincere unilateralists in the Labour party, one has to say they will face severe opposition, from within the Labour party itself, from the British establishment, and from NATO. Only massive non-violent pressure from the people will keep the Labour party on course for nuclear disarmament. We also need to build a movement of non-violent resistance which will make it politically impossible for a hostile British government to reintroduce nuclear weapons.

OUR BASIC CASE *

In my opinion a basic case campaign should try to persuade people to support unilateral nuclear disarmament by Britain and withdrawal from NATO (and it might encourage support for 'civilian defence'). It should encourage active support, expressed through non-violent direct action. It seems to me very important that if TANG helps with CNDs basic case campaign we should produce supplementary material opposing NATO and supporting non-violent direct action.

Micheal Davies

Eds We agree



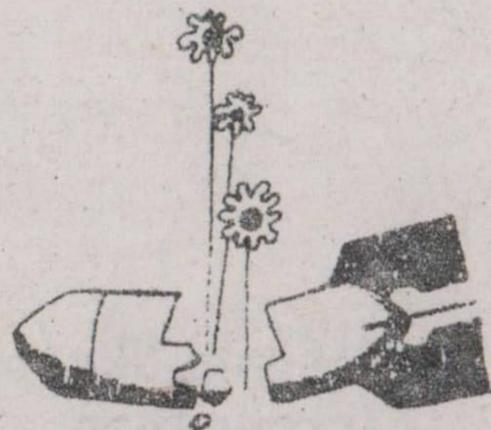
SILENCE IS TORY POLICY

Warren Hawksley is not the only Tory to refuse to debate the nuclear issues in public. (Last month's Chain Reaction considered that his refusal to engage in the 'Wrekin and the Bomb' discussion to be a subtle exercise in self-appointed censorship).

A CND group in London has, according to the Guardian, been given the brush-off by the Tory candidate in the Fulham by-election. He declined to join a public debate with the Labour and Alliance candidates on the prevention of nuclear war. "Too busy" was the excuse.

Perhaps they think that the nuclear issue is ignored, then it will go away. How wrong they are.

TANG MEETING



TANGS next business meeting will be on Wednesday April 2 at 16, Linley Drive, Stirchley.

We will be discussing TANGS basic case campaign, Bread Not Bombs week, the national lobby and other activities. Why not come to our meeting, tell us what YOU would like to see locally, we want your ideas.

THIS IS YOUR CAMPAIGN.

Civil Disobedience and Christian Witness Saturday April 12

A day of reflection and discussion for Christians in the peace movement.

- An opportunity to share ideas and experiences.
- Evaluation of past events.
- Future direction.
- Theology and worship.
- Video—“Blessed are the Peacemakers”.

Digbeth Civic Centre, Digbeth, Birmingham. 10.30am-5pm.



I would like to register for the April 12th gathering in Birmingham.

I enclose the registration fee £_____.

Fees £1.00/50p (u/w)

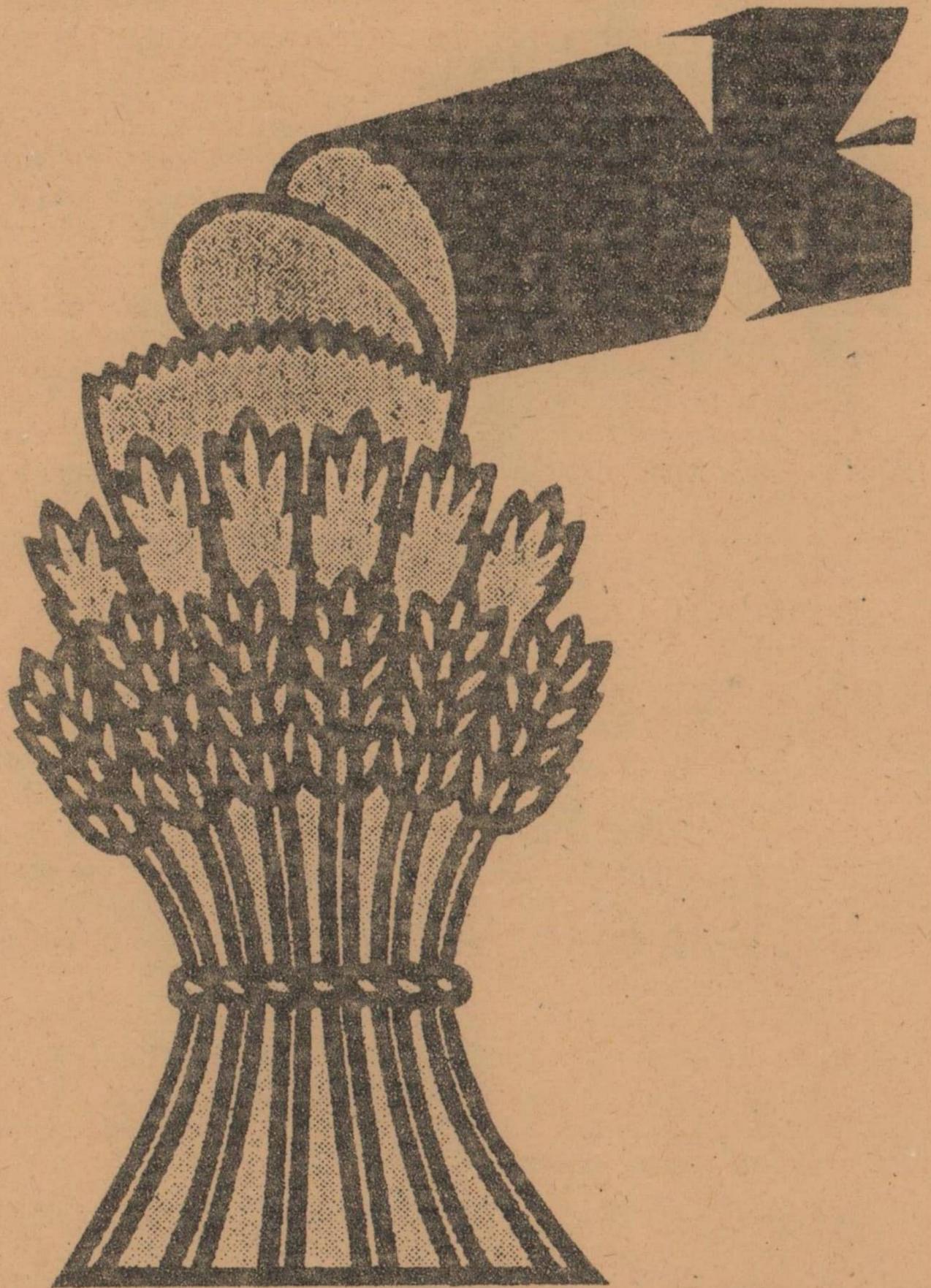
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Please return this form to Christian CND, 22-24 Underwood Street, London, N1.

Bread not Bombs



**Week of action against the
arms trade: 21-28 June**

LOCAL CONTACT- EMMA WILLIAMS, 10, BONINGDALE, STIRCHLEY.

People need Bread not Bombs

- * Over 500 million people in the world today are hungry. Yet the rich world exports almost \$24 billion worth of armaments a year to Third World governments.
- * This massive trade in arms fuels wars, hinders development and threatens peace. It means less resources available to promote food production, provide adequate housing and clean water supplies, and improve health care and education.

Britain, as the world's fourth largest arms exporter is heavily involved in this trade. Over three quarters of Britain's military exports (worth over £1500 million in 1985) go to Third World governments. Meanwhile British government overseas aid has declined in real terms since 1979. This year the Government proposes to spend around £1100 million in overseas aid - far less than Britain earns from arms sales to developing countries.

Your help is needed

Valuable resources urgently need to be directed towards saving and enhancing life, not destroying it.

BREAD NOT BOMBS WEEK (21st - 28th June 1986) offers an opportunity to find out more and to work for a change in priorities. The Week is being jointly promoted by peace and development agencies including the Campaign Against Arms Trade, Christian Aid, the Fellowship of Reconciliation, Oxfam, Pax Christi, Quaker Peace and Service, the United Nations Association, Voluntary Service Overseas, War on Want, the World Disarmament Campaign, the World Federalists and the Women's International League for Peace and Freedom. BREAD NOT BOMBS WEEK will be part of the United Nations' International Year of Peace.

There are lots of ways you can be involved - send off today for more information and for the BREAD NOT BOMBS ACTION PACK. You can also use the tear-off slip below to order more copies of this leaflet for distribution in group mailings. The leaflet is designed to draw the Week to the attention of those likely to participate in it.

To: Bread not Bombs, c/o CAAT, 11 Goodwin St, LONDON N4 3HQ. Tel: 01-281 0297

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- I would like to take part in Bread not Bombs Week. Please send me further information. (BNB 86)
 - Please send me _____ more copies of this leaflet. I enclose £ _____ towards costs (100 copies cost £1.50 to produce, including postage & packing).
 - Please send me _____ copies of the Action Pack at £2.50 each, including p & p.

Cheques should be crossed and made payable to CAAT.

NAME:

ADDRESS & TEL:



International
Year of Peace



TANGs

RESPONSE

T.A.N.G. has been chided for not responding to the Gorbachov proposals. To so respond we must emphasize that C.N.D. holds that any use or threatened use of nuclear weapons is both immoral and (for all beneficial purposes) useless.

It follows that we oppose all possession or retention of nuclear weapons, and the habit - common to both sides in the Cold War - of justifying increases in armaments by a supposed wish to bring the other side to the negotiating table.

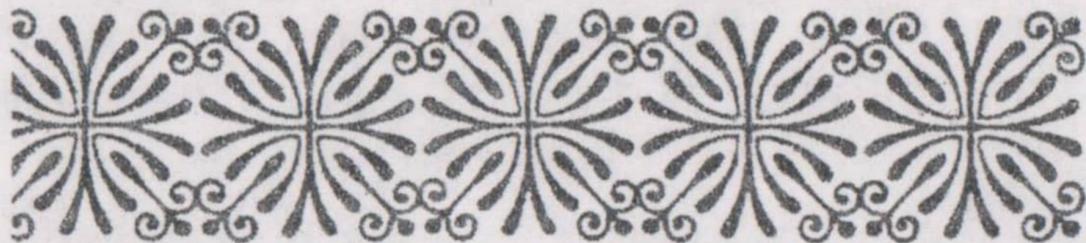
T.A.N.G. also believes that the concentration of wealth, resources and secrecy, necessary for building, siting, transporting and maintaining nuclear weapons, inevitably militates against human rights, and causes increased social inequities.

Though some members of C.N.D. apply our demand for unilateral N.D. solely to this country; T.A.N.G. holds unilateralism as a principle. We are in Britain, so we advocate British unilateral N.D. but if we were in America, Russia, China, France, or India our position would remain the same, though it would demand more courage in some countries.

Organizations such as "Peace through Nato" or its mirror image 'the British-Soviet Friendship Society, grub around in the fine print to try and prove that one or other side is readier to disarm, suspends tests longer, treats dissident 'peaceniks' better, invades fewer countries, has less dictatorial client states, (or that its puppets are improving,) or is less brutal to trade union opposition.

T.A.N.G. in saying that this fine print is irrelevant isn't saying that these variations are unimportant. On the contrary T.A.N.G. members are active in protests on all such issues. We are saying that any country engaged in a nuclear arms race will behave in a certain way, and though, on both sides, there are differences of degree; the position adds up to a similar whole.

We are in consequence unwilling to be enlisted by the apologists of either side in their campaigns against the other, (however much they may masquerade as part of the peace movement,) as that is merely cold war propaganda.



ERROR

The article in last months Chain Reaction entitled Gorbachevs 15 year plan had a typing error in paragraph one under the subtitle far reaching proposals it should have read

' The Soviets outnumber 'ours' in Europe, so their offer of breaking them up is particularly generous!

apologise to RS for the error.



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Just supposing that you are a Government Minister and you had £5,500 to spend. What would you do?

The 'correct' answer is to spend it on marking the United Nations International Peace Year of 1986. In particular, in organising a conference on 'peace-keeping and the peaceful resolution of conflicts.'

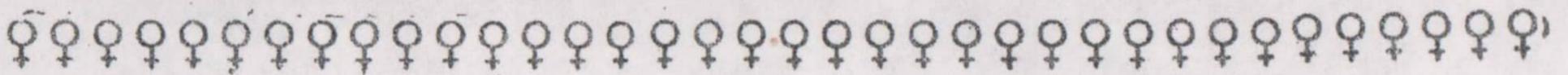
That is what the British government are doing, according to a written parliamentary answer by Timothy Eggar, a Foreign Office minister.

The venue of this (in)auspicious occasion is the Wiston House Conference Centre (where?) at a date to be decided.

On the day of that conference, Britain will also be spending £50 million on its own defence forces.

Does any 'Chain Reaction' reader have suggestions for a different way of marking the UN Year? Items to the editor, Mark Stokes, 7 Burton Close, Dawley. Subsequent issues of Chain Reaction will feature your thoughts. You can limit yourself to £5,500 or not as you wish.





WELLINGTON WOMENS PEACE GROUP

MEETINGS

Thursday 1st May at
 38, Herbert Avenue, Wellington.
 Michelle Hatfield Tel 57287

Monday 9th June at
 1, Wrekin Course, Uppington.
 Eve Clevenger Tel 287

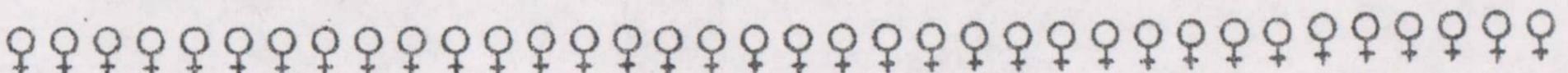
Both meetings begin at 8.30 p.m.

Wellington Womens Peace Group have received a reply to a new years card sent to one of the Turkish Peace Association prisoners it reads;

Thankyou very much for your card. The tribunal met again and had six of us released. Iam with the other 6. Iam staying behind. The next session is on March 10th. Cross your fingers.

ALI

note-we are not sure which Ali this is, as there were two on our lists, one a film director the other a journalist,



Womens struggle won the vote - use it for disarmament
 from a Women for Life on Earth banner.

COPYDATE

The deadline for the next issue of Chain Reaction is April 16th. All contributions are welcome and should be sent to Mark Stokes, 7, Burton Close, Dawley, Telford, TF4 2BX.



Dear Chain Reactionaries,

Some of you may have recieved a chain letter exhorting you to send a post card and another six copies of the letter to peace - women or groups within the next 4 days. Whilst the motives behind it may be commendable, the mathematics, (like another 'chain letter for peace' which was around a few years ago) are definitely not.

If you take the time to work out you will find that within 6 weeks every man, woman and child in Europe will be getting a letter, and just over a week later, everybody in the entire world will be getting no less than 4 letters each..

I strongly recomend that rather than make yourselves look foolish, you write six letters or postcards or whatever to M.Ps, presidents, etc, and avoid killing the world postmen through overwork.

yours David Hopkins

Ed: This Chain Letter did not originate with TANG.



" The World now stands on the brink of the Final abyss. Let us all resolve to take practical steps to ensure that we do not , through our own folly, go over the edge. "

Lord Mountbatten 1979.

Would you say that making more nuclear weapons is a further progression towards that abyss?



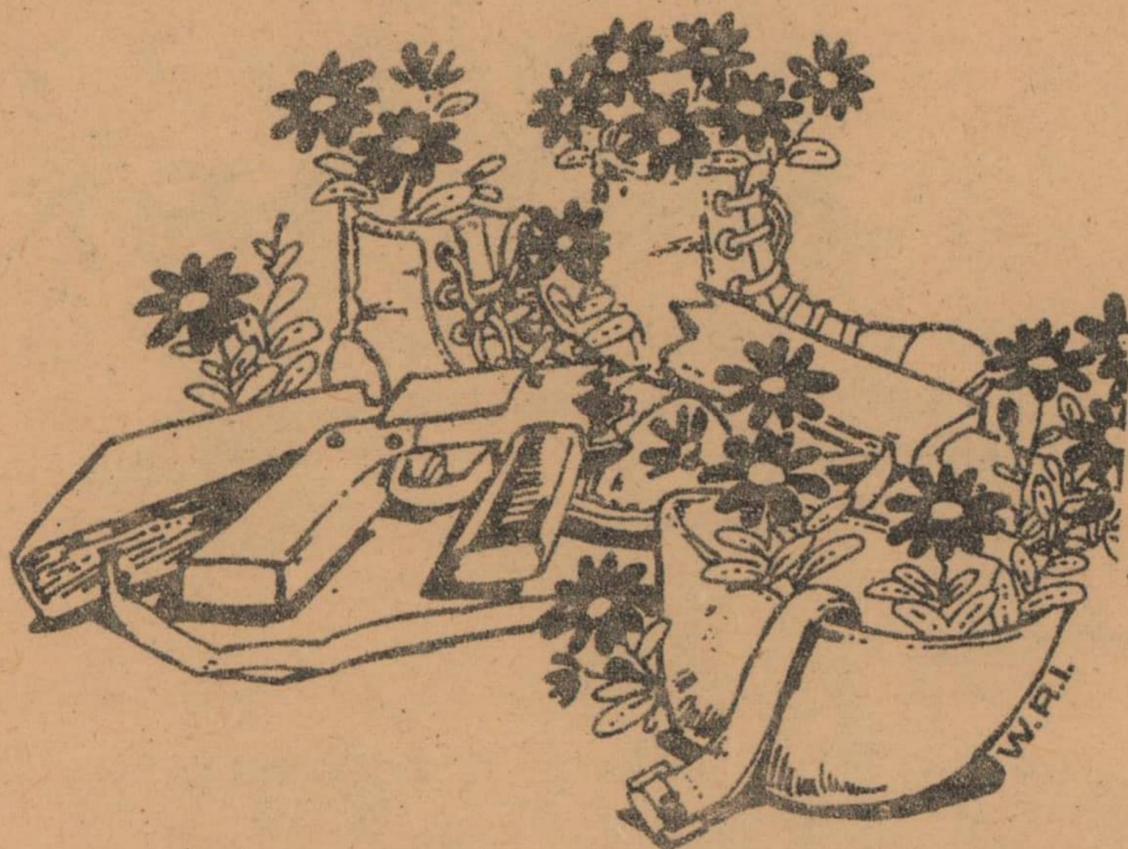
SAVE THE MOSCOW TRUST GROUP

We are in the process of collecting signitures for a petition calling for an end to the persecution of the Moscow Trust Group. On Saturday March 8th we took the petition to wellington where we managed to collect many signitures and give out some 300 leaflets about the Trust Group.

CALLING MADELEY

On Saturday April 26th we will be taking the petition to Madeley, we are calling all our members and supporters in the madeley area for their support. We will be meeting at the Anstice Sq, at 10.30a.m.

Anybody who wishes for a copy of the petition please send a s.a.e to Mark Stokes, 7, Burton Close, Dawley. TF4 2BX.



DIARY

Wednesday April 2nd - TANG meeting, 16, Linley Drive, Drive Stirchley, Telford. 7.30p.m. All Welcome.

Tuesday April 8th - Debate between Peace Through NATO & Telford Anti-Nuclear Group. Chair Preb Francis Palmer. Wellington Methodist Church, New Street. 7.30p.m. ALL WELCOME. See newsletter.

Thursday April 10th - TANGS Basic Information Campaign launch. Leafletting in the Arlestone area of Wellington. If you can help please contact Laurens 54728.

Wednesday April 16th - Kibbutz meeting, Moshe Matsuma speaking on communitarian life. Dawley Information Centre, High Street Dawley. 7.30p.m. ALL welcome.

Saturday April 26th - Save the Moscow Trust Group petition in Anstice Square, Madeley. 10.30a.m. If you can help please contact Mark Stokes, 7, Burton Close, Dawley TF4 2BX.

Wednesday May 7th - TANG meeting, 16, Linley Drive, Stirchley, Telford. ALL WELCOME. 7.30p.m.

ADVANCED NOTICE

CNDs MASS LOBBY OF PARLIAMENT

'YES' to British Independent Nuclear Disarmament
'NO' to Star Wars.

TUESDAY JULY 8th.

more information in May Chain Reaction

CHRISTIAN PEACE ACTIVIST TOUR

" The Sermon on the Mount is the declaration of the Kingdom of God. It describes the character, priorities, values and norms of the New Age Jesus came to inaugurate."

Jim Wallis, The Call to Conversion

Jim Wallis the author of 'the New Radical' and ' Call to Conversion' and Pastor of the Sojourners Community in Washington DC is making a tour of Britain later this year. Jim is a evangelical preacher and an activist for peace and justice. He will talk about the radical gospel message and explore the relationship between

Spirituality and politics
worship and action
Evangelism and social justice

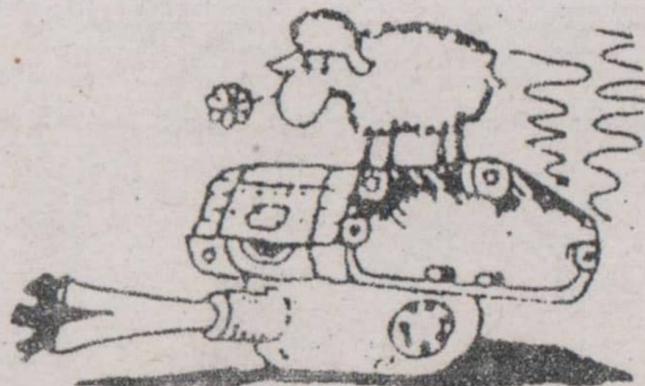
Themes will include:
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Race relations
Peace
Community
International justice

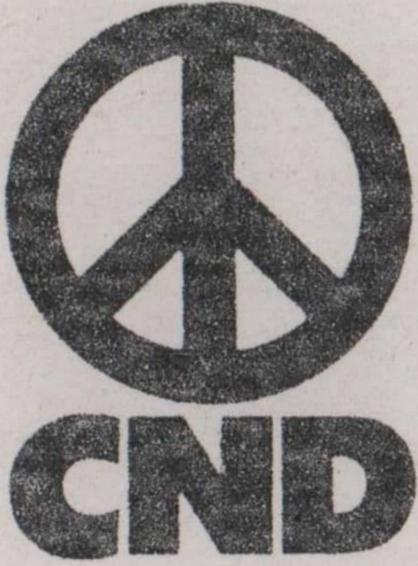


The tour lasts throughout June, and will include rallies, worship services and seminars. For more information contact Stuart Hemsley, 59, Harold Street, Hereford. TEL 0432 55724.

TOUR DATES

London, 3-5 June. Newcastle, 6-8 June, Glasgow, 11-13, Liverpool, 14 June, Leeds, 15, 17, 18 June, Birmingham 20-22 June, Wales, 25-27 June, London 29-30.





DEBATE

APRIL 8

On tuesday April 8th, Telford Anti-Nuclear Group and Peace Through NATO will debate the motion that

"the security of this country will be best served by the renunciation of nuclear weapons & withdrawal from NATO".

Paul Wolfe, a teacher of physically and mentally handicapped will be TANGs speaker and County Councillor Colonel Richey a former army officer in the British NATO forces will speak for Peace Through NATO.

The debate will be chaired by Preb. Francis Palmer, an Anglican minister from Walsall.

The debate will take place at Wellington Methodist Church, New Street.

7.30p.m.

ALL VERY WELCOME.

KIBBUTZ MEETING

APRIL 16

A man who has spent over thirty five years living in Kibbutz communities across the world is to speak to a TANG meeting on WEDNESDAY APRIL 16th

Moshe Matsuma will talk about communitarian life in general and about Kibbutz communities in Israel, Japan & elsewhere. He went to Israel after the war, and stayed until the early 1970s when he left in protest against the growing imperialism of that country.

He joined a kibbutz in Japan, becoming the secretary of the Japanese Kibbutz movement. This enabled him to make contact with 'communitarians' worldwide. However, after some twelve years in Japan he became convinced that communities there lacked the freedom and spontaneity necessary for true communal life.

Since leaving Japan in the early 1980s he has visited communities in many parts of the world, and has attended a world conference. He has now returned to Britain, the country of his youth.

Come and hear this man of unique experience on Wednesday April 16th.

Dawley Information Centre, High Street, Dawley. 7.30p.m.

RADIO PEACE



Amateur Radio users are "making the Links" now, and peace issues are being discussed world-wide using the AMSAT (Amateur Satellite) system. The European co-ordinator of this satellite linked peace network is: PAT GOWEN, 17, Heath Crescent, Helleston, Norwich NR 66XD. You can contact AMSAT directly at PO Box 27, Washington D.C., USA: (ask for details of VITA and PACSAT, and for a VITA contact and address.)

The Mailing, West Midland CND

BOYCOTT BP

BP Australia announced on Dec 9th 1985 that it is to proceed with its 49% involvement in the controversial Roxby Downs Uranium, Copper and gold mine on the Aboriginal land in South Australia. Total production, however, is to be reduced to less than 1/4 of the original projection. Managing Director of Western Mining Corporation, BPs partner said:

" It is the start of one of the very few new resource projects which can be justified in today's world market."

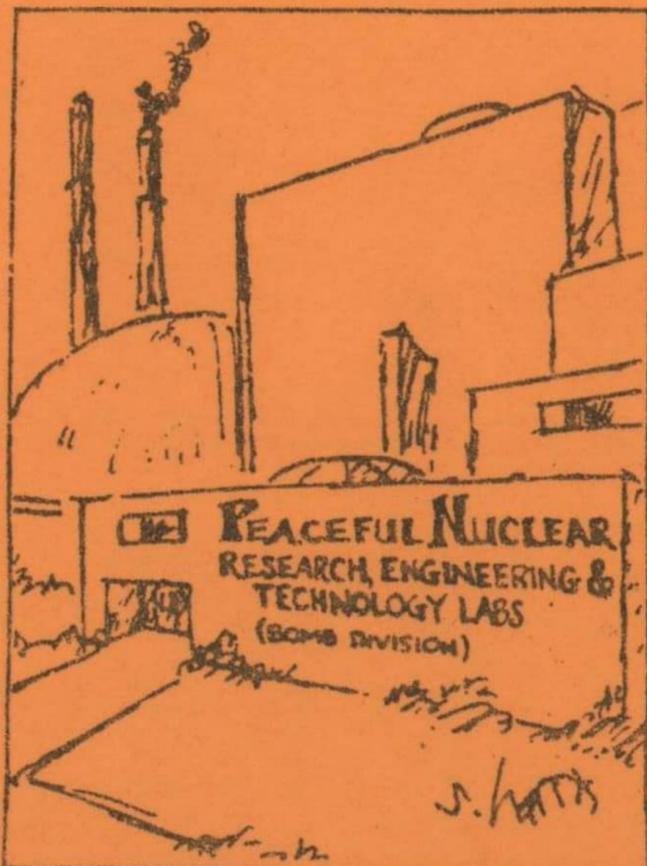
However, no markets have yet been announced for the Uranium of Copper, and the campaign against Nuclear Energy in Australia are concerned that France, with whom there is supposed to be a uranium export ban, is being approached. The aboriginal Kokotha people, struggling for recognition of their land rights, have yet to receive compensation for the destruction of sacred sites already caused by the Roxby project.

For more information : Bristol NFIP support, 82, Colston street, Bristol 1.

BRITAIN TO BUY ROXBY DOWNS URANIUM?

The Central Electricity Generating Board (CEGB) is expected to conclude a sales agreement for uranium from the Roxby Downs mine in South Australia in the next few months, according to the Campaign Against Nuclear Energy in Adelaide. An article in the Australian journal *The Advertiser and Financial Review* said an agreement was expected, but gave no indication as to how much uranium would be involved. For background to British Petroleum's involvement in the mine see *PN* Dec 13 1985. More information from: NFIP Support, 82 Colston St, Bristol 1.

Peace News



JOIN TELFORD

ANTI NUCLEAR GROUP

I would like to join TANG. Please find enclosed
my subscription; £3.00 waged *
£1.50 unwaged

I understand I will now be put on the mailing
list for 'Chain Reaction', the newsletter of
TANG.

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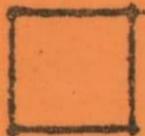
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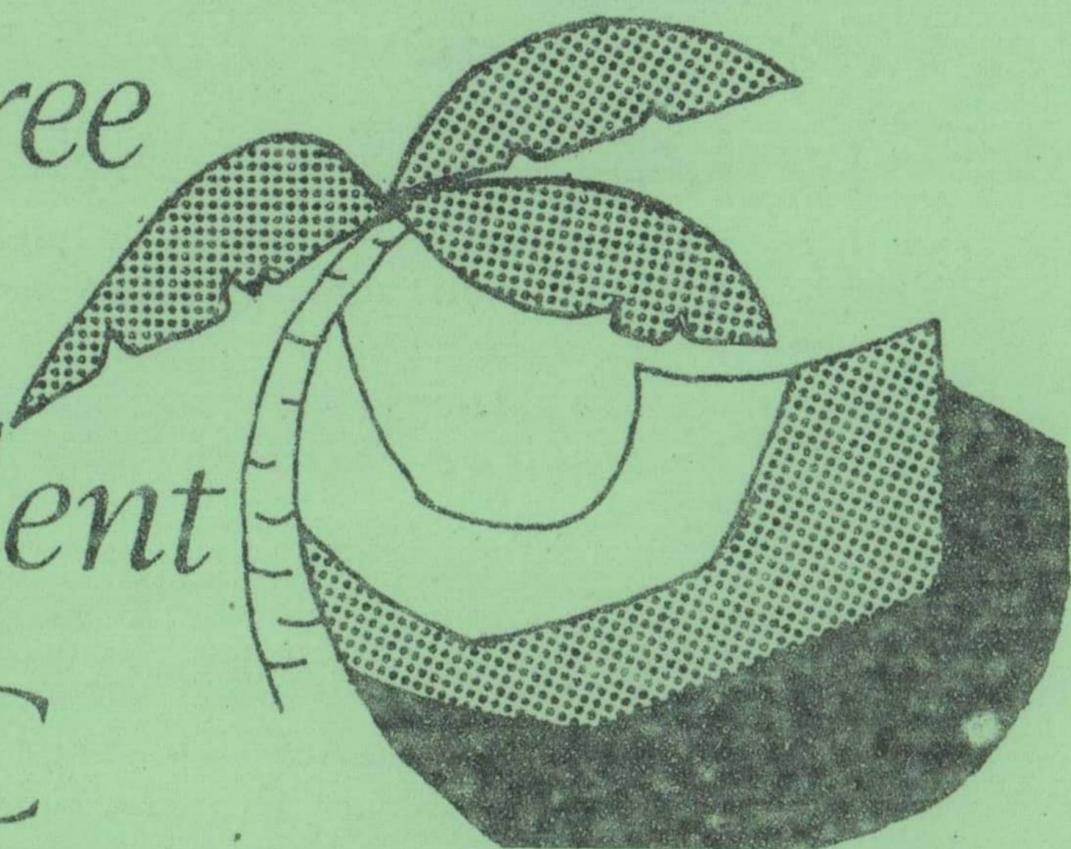
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WHAT WE CANT
DO ALONE
WE CAN DO
TOGETHER



Nuclear Free & *Independent* **PACIFIC**



The sort of mental image one has of the Pacific and its islands usually consists of blue oceans, palm trees gently blowing in a warm breeze golden beaches and the singing and dancing of its native peoples.

In reality the peoples of the Pacific are fighting for their lives, for their environment and for their independence.

The Pacific region has become the most nuclearized zone in the world. Since 1946 the United States, Britain and France have tested over 250 Atomic & Hydrogen bombs in the region (6 per year that's tantamount to nuclear war). These tests have left behind a legacy of thyroid cancers, miscarriages, birth deformities and other health problems. They have also left islands so badly contaminated that they remain uninhabitable.

From Uranium mining in the Aboriginal lands of Australia to the development and deployment of first strike weapon systems including Cruise & Trident, and the stationing of satellite & space warfare facilities the Pacific contains the worlds largest military bases, the worlds largest nuclear arsenal and the worlds deadliest weapon systems.

NUCLEAR DUMPING

Nuclear waste dumping has also taken its toll. Between 1946 - 65 the United States dumped nuclear waste off the Californian coast, 30% of the cement containers lying at a depth of some 180 metres are now thought to be leaking. Japan has plans to dump 60 million gallons of waste into the sea.

NORTH OF MARIANAS

- ** Japan plans to dump 60 million gals. of **RADIOACTIVE WASTE** per year.
- ** Will become the nuclear powers' 'solution' to the unsolved disposal problem.
- ** Radiation will build up in the food chain causing increased incidence of *still births, handicapped children, thyroid cancer and leukemia.*

PHILIPPINES & JAPAN

- ** **NUCLEAR REACTORS** sited in areas of high volcanic activity.

GUAM

- ** US Colony and military base.
- ** Base for **TRIDENT**.
- ** Impact of US military includes poverty, drug addiction and child prostitution.

PALAU

- ** US base planned to take over *1/3 of island* in opposition to popular constitution.
- ** Will be forward base for **TRIDENT**.

AUSTRALIA

- ** Multinationals (eg. Rio Tinto Zinc) with co-operation from the Govt., mining **URANIUM** on Aboriginal land - ignore their values and deny them basic human rights.
- ** Many vital subterranean *water supplies* are now radioactive.

MICRONESIA

Micronesia has been a UN 'Strategic' Trust Territory administered by the US since 1947. The Micronesians at first welcomed the UN 'peace-keeping' admin. but have since come to realise that Americans have turned them into nuclear guinea-pigs and are destroying their culture and ecosystem, while preventing any real Micronesian Independence.

MARSHAL ISLANDS

- ** Site of **68 NUCLEAR TESTS** since '54 by US.
- ** Many islands 'off-limit' for 240,000 years.
- ** 6 islands completely evaporated.
- ** 75% native *food contaminated*.
- ** 90% of children under 10 suffer from *radiation related sickness*.
- ** US proposes to *test-fire MX missiles* from California to Kwajalein Is.

CALIFORNIAN COAST

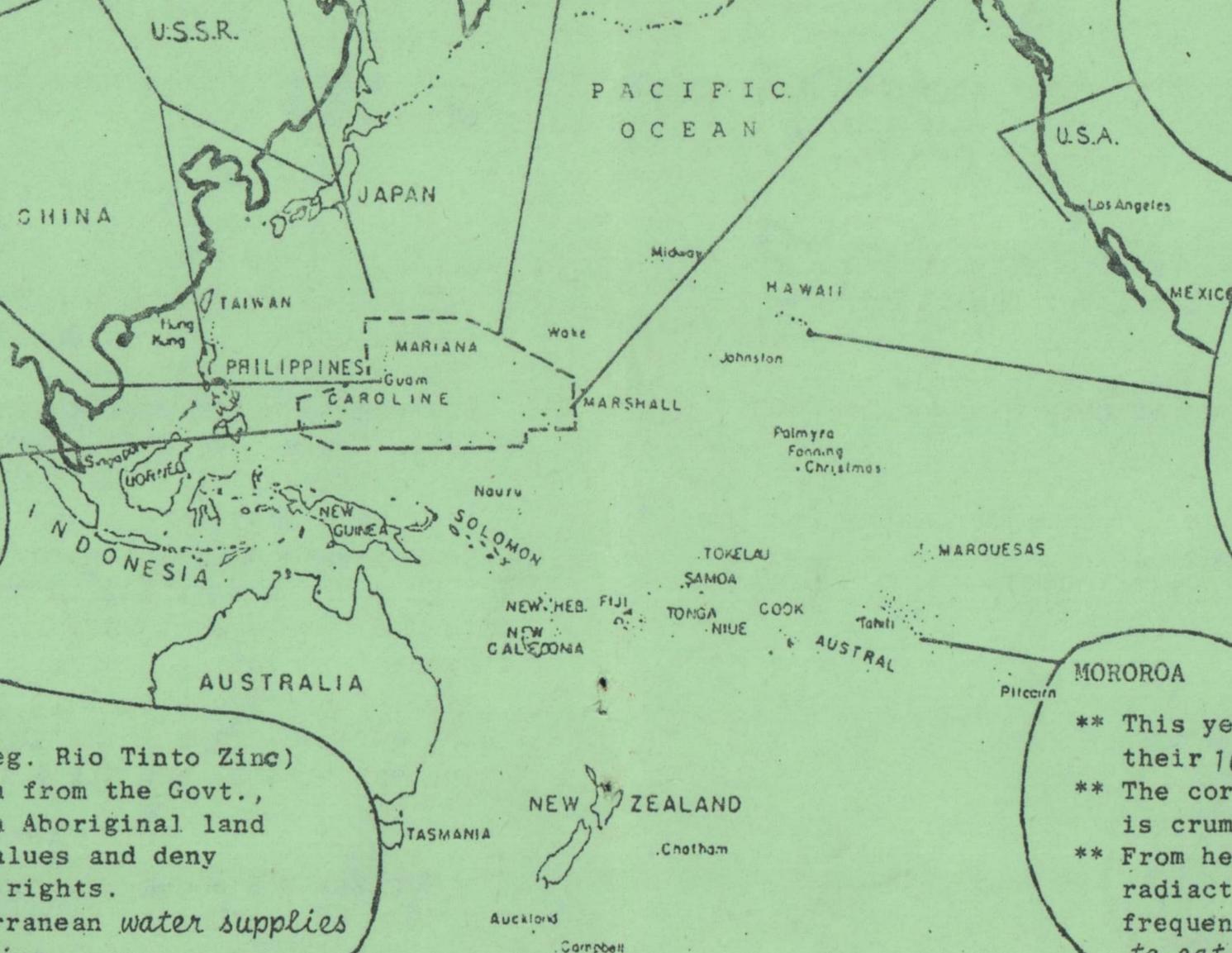
- ** **RADIOACTIVE WASTE** dumped between '46-'65 found to have.....
- broken out of drums.
- radiated marine life to 5000 times normal level.
- contaminated seabed to 2000 times background plutonium levels.

HAWAII

- ** 110 US military *installations* on the islands, 3000 **NUCLEAR WEAPONS**.
- ** Over past 15 years nuclear subs. in Pearl Harbour have discharged 5 million gals. of *Radioactive Waste*
- ** Will be Pacific base for **TRIDENT**.

MOROROA

- ** This year the French will **TEST** their *100th BOMB* there.
- ** The coral base to the island is crumbling as a result.
- ** From here to Tahiti, due to radioactivity, miscarriages are frequent, marine life *dangerous to eat*



PACIFIC RESISTANCE

Resistance to the military and nuclear buildup in the Pacific region is strong. The Nuclear Free and Independent Pacific campaign was set up in 1975. It represents all the Pacific states. It has agreed aims and a charter. It call for an end to ALL nuclear testing, for the closure of test, command, control and communication facilities which aid the performance of nuclear weapons systems.

For a prohibition on nuclear reactors, nuclear powered satellites, surface and sub-surface vessels, all transit, storage, release and dumping of radioactive material. And an end to uranium mining processing and transport. The nuclear free charter also calls for the withdrawal from all mutual alliances with nuclear powers and the withdrawal of colonial powers from the Pacific.

BRITISH SUPPORT GROUPS

In Britain there is a Nuclear Free and Independent Pacific support network which publishes a bulletin and raises money to support the Pacific peoples struggle.

Contact

Nuclear Free and Independent Pacific support group
7, Furnace Cottages, Crowe Edge, Nr. Sheffield.

Newsletter available from:

Bev Ninnes 44, Hillhead Street, Glasgow G12 8PZ
tel: 041 339 8408

Pacific Concerns Resource Centre (The major centre for the Nuclear Free and Independent Pacific.)

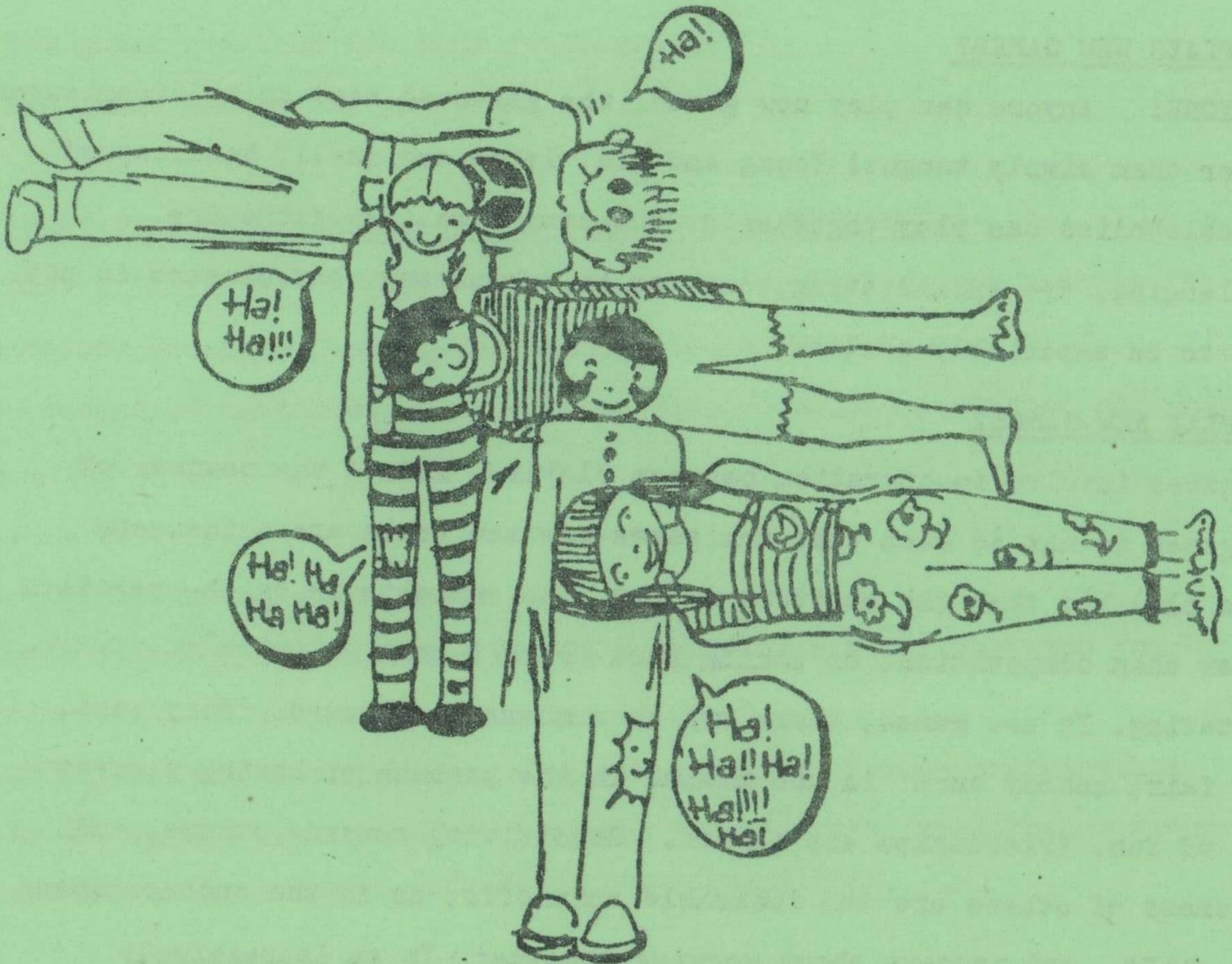
PO Box 27692, Honolulu, Hawaii 96827.



AN INTRODUCTION

TO

NEW GAMES



WHAT ARE NEW GAMES?

NEW GAMES were introduced into this country in 1967. They came into being as a result of one individual's concern that there should be a non-aggressive and fun filled channel for people's energy. The term NEW GAMES covers an enormous range of activities, from quiet games for 2-3 people through to highly energetic games involving several hundred people. Some of the games need no equipment - only people to play them. Other games make use of unorthodox equipment such as parachute canopies and an enormous 6ft Earthball. The games have such tantalising names as - Huggy Bear, Log Roll, Planet Pass and Eco Ball.

WHO PLAYS NEW GAMES?

EVERYONE! Anyone can play new games, the games do need to be experienced rather than simply taught! Young and old, large and small, handicapped and able-bodied can play together at the same time. New games are challenging, are exhilarating, and can be exhausting, but players do not have to be especially skilled.

WHY PLAY NEW GAMES?

New games involve co-operation between players. Indeed the newness of new games is not so much that the games are new (some are a thousand years old) but that the attitude is new. The emphasis is on co-operation rather than competition, on taking part rather than passively spectating. In new games, there are no winners, no losers. 'Play hard, play fair, nobody hurt' is the maxim. In the process of having a great deal of fun, friendships are formed. Sensitivity towards others, and awareness of others are the desirable spin offs, as is the encouragement of a care and concern about working together. In an increasingly competitive society, new games offer a freedom to relax and play for the sheer fun of it. The high degree of co-operation, the build up of trust between people, the confidence gained in one's own abilities can be a new experience for many people.

TELFORD PLAYS NEW GAMES ARE:-

A team of young people and adults who have played new games together and who want to share their collective experience with YOU. The members of the team find the co-operative nature of new games to be an expression of their Christian faith, and have chosen the United Nations International Year of Peace as an appropriate year in which to actively promote new games.

TELFORD PLAYS NEW GAMES OFFER:-

- Workshops and training sessions for workers with children and young people.
- New games sessions for your youth group.
- New games events for young and old.

TELFORD PLAYS NEW GAMES WOULD BE GLAD TO HEAR FROM YOU:

Please fill in the cut away form and return to Revd. Sandra M. Howes, The Youthwork Resource Centre, The Meeting House, Town Centre, Telford. If you cannot be contacted by telephone, please enclose a stamped addressed envelope for a reply.

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Please tick as appropriate.

I am interested in participating in a training session/workshop for workers with children and young people.

I am interested in organising a training session for my organisation

I am interested in a new games session for my youth group /other group

I would like to receive details of new games events

Name.....

Address.....

telephone number.....

youth group (if applicable).....

