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### Councils told: Enough is enough DUNDEE pupils from Linlathen High and Whitfield walked out and

demonstrated against Linlathen's closure on 31 January and 1 Feb. "Community Against School Closures" groups have been formed to fight the closure of 2 High Schools and 3 Primaries. Plans include regular pickets of Councillors' surgeries and a demo at the Tayside Regional Council meeting on 29 Feb. Dundee anarchists have leafleted against school closures (copy SAE from 01382-814922).

There is also opposition to school closures in Edinburgh. In Glasgow, angry mothers disrupted a Council Meeting on 19th February. Council workers are threatening action as Government imposed cuts menace workers and communities throughout Scotland.

Meanwhile mid-February saw workers at Labour-run Councils in Coventry, Camden and Southwark in England considering strike action to resist the imposition of new contracts with worse wages and conditions

Portobello Postie Power Packs Punch

A third of all strike days in Britain last year were in the Post Office. Postal workers' militancy is increasing as they resist bosses' attempts to force cuts. On 20 November, workers at the Portobello office walked out when man-

agement enforced the downgrading of 7 posts to part-time without their consent. The unofficial action soon spread to Glasgow, Dundee, Perth and Fife as 5,500 workers refused to handle mail from Edinburgh, ending a week later only when the strikers were happy with their set of duties.

**Bog Off Boris** 

Half a million Russian coalminers celebrated President Yeltsin's birthday on 1 Feb by beginning a nationwide strike in demand of wage arrears. The massive stoppages forced the government to agree to pay the \$127m owed and to invest \$2 billion in the coming year. However the strike has only been suspended until 1 March as the miners remain sceptical about the govt.'s intentions. At the same time, up to a million Ukrainian miners struck to demand wages unpaid since October. Those with injuries have had no invalidity benefits since July.

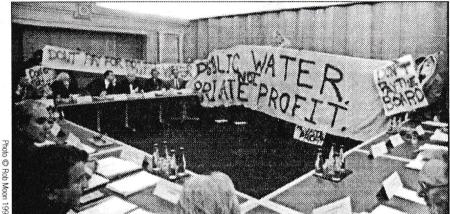
**Brave Battle in Bangladesh** 3 women garment workers have been killed and 5 raped for their part in a campaign demanding a 1 day weekly holiday. Since 25 July 95, the National Garment Work

ers' Federation of Bangladesh has fought for I day off which, although a legal right, is not observed. In Nov, 100 workers were sacked for union involvement and a further 400 dismissed without reason. There are over 1 million garment workers, mainly women and children, working up to 16 hours a day in terrible conditions and at times suffering physical torture. Women are fre-quently harrassed. Contact: Gen Sec, NGWF, GPO Box 864, Dhaka, Bangladesh. Fax: Attn. Amin 880-2-867485

On 8 Feb, despite pressure from the union leadership to accept, the dockers overwhelmingly rejected a deal which offered redundancy packages of up to £60,000. With additional solidarity actions, including boycotts, promised from dockers in Spain, Sweden, Canada, Australia, Italy, France, Greece and New Zealand, the MHDC is on the defensive. An international conference of dockers, hosted in Liverpool on 17-22 Feb further strengthened links.

As competition within world capitalism increases, further tightening the squeeze on workers everywhere, as the dockers have shown, we must organise our resistance across the globe. Success can only be achieved through selforganisation and international solidarity

Contact Jimmy Davies, Sec. Merseyside Port Shop Stewards, and Women of the Waterfront at: Transport House, 37 Islington, Liverpool, L38EQ. Tel: 0151 2073388. Cheques to Merseyside Dockers Shop Stewards Appeal Fund. For more details on the dockers' struggle see the latest issue of Subversion: Dept. 10, 1 Newton St., Manchester, M1 1HW.



Anti-Privatisation demonstrators stop Water Authority Meeting in Newtown St. Boswells 20th December '95.

### Pistol packing protestors shoot water rats

THE EAST of Scotland Water authority meeting was sunk without trace when antiprivatisation protestors pulled out water pistols and opened fire on Authority members. The drowned rats slunk off, abandoning their 24 January meeting in Edinburgh.

This was a second victory for TAP (Lothian communities Water Totally against privatisation). The 20

December Authority meeting in Newtown St Boswells ended in uproar as Santa Claus and fellow demonstrators occupied the meeting room.

The latest West of Scotland Water Authority meeting in Stranraer broke up in disarray as police ejected Hands off Our Water campaigners.

Activists urge a mass refusal to pay water bills from April - when the new water

quangos start the back door privatisation of Scotland's water and sewerage systems. **DEMONSTRATE** Blythswood Sq., Glasgow, HOW, 134 30 March. Bridgegate, Glasgow G2. 0141 552 1179. TAP 0131 229 5912. The water charge non-

payment movement in Ireland continues to grow. WSM, PO Box 1528, Dublin 8.

pickets of the dockers and their families at the various gates in the docks and, although the docks haven't stopped completely, most shipowners and agents have preferred to divert ships and their cargo away from the port.

#### SOLIDARITY

Their delegations have had much success in obtaining financial support and, more importantly, help in the form of international secondary actions. Israeli seamen delayed cargo handling on their ship for 2 days in solidarity. On 15 Dec, 3 of the dockers picketed the docks in Baltimore, USA, where a ship owned by MHDC's largest customer (ACL) and loaded by scabs was due to be discharged. Some dockers refused to cross the picket, causing major disruption. The ship was moved to Norfolk, Virginia where dockers operated a 'go-slow' and Newark, New Jersey where, despite ACL ordering extra men, no-one crossed the 3-man picket.

## No to Casualisation

"It's not just about us. If we win this it's going to give more hope to everyone", says a member of Women of the Waterfront, the support group created by wives, partners and friends of the 500 Liverpool dockers who've been fighting for 5 months to get their jobs back. The men were sacked on 28 Sept by the Mersey Harbour and Docks Company (MHDC) for refusing to cross a picket mounted by 80 of their workmates who themselves had been sacked after an earlier dispute.

As is increasingly the case throughout the world, the issue at the heart of the dispute is casualisation. The MHDC, facing mounting international compitetion, needs to drive down its costs. This means forcing workers

into more flexible work patterns and breaking their collectivity, leading to the situation where workers will sit isolated at home on constant call out, waiting for a telephone call offering 3 or 4 hours' work which will be 'freely negotiated' into annual hours contracts with no bonuses for weekend or night work.

With their union of little use, save for providing telephones and meeting places, the dockers have taken a more active role than in previous disputes. Open meetings are held weekly and they are genuinely open, anyone may attend although not vote. Benefits have been organised and over 1000 meetings addressed both at home and abroad. In Liverpool, mass pickets have been rejected in favour of smaller

## **VOTING FOSTERS ILLUSIONS**

"People will vote for Labour, whatever they think of the suits, ties and posh accents" - summed up a mood of traditional support that will not last long under a Blair Government. The Socialist Labour Party result in the Hemsworth by-election of February 1st did little to dent misplaced hope for Labour. With the 5.4% result in a mining seat, the S.L.P., by saving their deposit, avoided the humiliation of being compared with the Raving Loony Party's 3%.

This has stimulated criticism of the 'top down' approach adopted by the S.L.P. under Arthur Scargill's leadership. S.L.P. strategy will be to win votes after Labour achieves power. Militant Labour dominated 'Socialist Alliances' in Scotland, Kent etc. are urging dual membership similar to Spain's Left Unity election alliance.

Participation in the rigged election system dubiously called Representative Democracy, fosters belief that change can be achieved through the ballot box. Even if they also urge direct action & resistance, these Socialists draw the anger of the dispossessed into campaigning for votes & appearing 'electable' to the mass media.

The impact of their ideas is blunted by urging a socialist takeover of the State using the passive act of voting. A revolutionary alternative is active abstention & creating a spirit of resistance not prepared to compromise with capitalism & State power.

### WHERE IS THE PROTEST?

Leftist double-standards remain: Russia invades Chechnya in December 1994 after 2 years independence from Moscow rule and kills over 10,000; the Russian military is humiliated, yet it is left to Islamic fundamentalists to cry 'foul'. Imagine if Hawaii or Puerto Rico was invaded by the U.S. military, all for the reason of 'protecting' a vital oilpipeline and stopping a Swiss-style banking money-laundering system in Grozny.

The West's response was to urge respect for Human Rights while giving the 'green light' to restore Russian rule. Hostages taken by Chechen rebels in neighbouring Dagestan had little fear of their captors, only of the Russian military determined to wipe out the rebels. Despite protests by soldier's mothers in Russia & by unpaid miners appalled at the waste, many Russians have little respect for the 'human rights' of minorities including the Chechens. With echoes of the U.S. inVietnam, fascist policy to napalm Chechnya receives alarming support.

## **SOLIDARITY DEFEATS FAST FOOD**

On 31 October, 45 mainly Kurdish of his offers were rejected. Howworkers at J.J. Fast Food in North London were sacked after joining the Transport & General Workers Union (T&G). The JJ's workers were working 60-70 hour weeks for about £130. There was no overtime, holiday or sick pay. In the face of all this, 45 of the 75 workers joined the union, elected a shop steward and made some basic demands. The boss, Mustafa Kamil, sacked the unionised workers immediately.

The JJ Fast Food Locked Out Workers' Support Group was set up, completely independently of the T&G, by the workers and their supporters at an early stage and has united a broad collection of political groups and individuals. The support group has given consistent, unconditional support to the workers and based its activities on what the workers have felt necessary.

A regular bulletin in Turkish and English to publicised the dispute and frequent pickets of Jenny's Burgers restaurants - franchised by JJ's have been held in N.E. London. Daily pickets were held outside the factory for a month. These actions have brought the company to its knees. For weeks scabs have managed only 30% of the pre-dispute work, forcing Kamil to the negotiating table. All

ever, the T&G opted to fight Kamil in the courts, through an Industrial Tribunal which has drawn some workers away from militant action.

After the 16th Feb. Tribunal he was forced to give the workers their jobs back; concede sick & holiday pay and backpay; & workers solidarity foiled a last-ditched attempt by Kamil to split Turkish workers from their workmates by denying job reinstatement to non-turks.

On 3 Feb the support group & JJ workers decided to set up a rank & file support network with members of the mainly Turkish and Kurdish N. London T&G Textile Workers, a militant branch unpopular with the T&G leadership. The fast food and textile workers are in a potentially very powerful position, producing good profits for their employers.

As with the dockers in Liverpool, the dispute has shown the empowerment and practical success which workers' self-organisation and unity can achieve.

Contact: JJ Food Locked Out Workers' Support Group, c/o 72 W. Green Road, Tottenham, N15 5NS. Tel: 0181 802 9804.

Stop Press: 95 textile workers out of 100 went on strike on 19th Feb. at a Jenny Design in Tottenham demanding better pay & conditions.

### Turning up the heat

IN November and December our ever active anarchist comrades in Greece turned up the heat even more. Surrounding the main event of the massive two day occupation and riot in and around the polytechnic on the 22nd anniversary of the Athens uprising were dozens of bitter clashes on demos and pickets all over Greece in support of the 504 arrested.

Of these 137 were identified as

key subversives and kept inside, some tortured. 15 got 2-3 years along with 3 up from an earlier Thessaloniki riot who went on hungerstrike. Also during this time there were 3 severe prison riots and a series of clashes between farmers and riot cops in Larisa.

SPAIN - 3000 locals in Bardenas, Catalonia are striving to close a 4000 acre military bombing range that has decimated the local environment.

## INSIDE

#### Mumia must live!

**EX-BLACK PANTHER Mumia** Abu Jamal - falsely convicted of killing a police officer and condemned to death - still needs support to stay alive.

Equal Justice USA write "At

present (Dec.) Mumia's legal team is waiting to hear from the Pennsylvania Supreme Court, which will outline the schedule for their appeal...if the Court turns down Mumia's appeal, Governor Thomas Ridge has promised to sign another death warrant."

Equal Justice USA, PO Box 5206, Hyattsville, MD 20782 USA. tel USA 301 699 0042. Mumia Abu Jamal, AM 8335, SCI Greene, 1040 East Roy Furman Highway, Waynesburg,

PA 15370-8090, USA.

More Marionisation

IN 1973 the first U.S. Management Control Unit was established in Marion Penitentiary in Illinois. This unit was specifically designed to rid the U.S. prison system of its critics, revolutionaries, Native and Islamic militants, prison union organisers, jailhouse lawyers and any other cons who defended human rights and dignity. There are now 36 such control units in the U.S. using such torture techniques as forced drugging, constant isolation and supervision, humiliation and physical and mental assault. Their object is to break the wills of politically active prisoners.

Ojore Nuru Lutalo, a New African political prisoner in Trenton Penitentiary, New Jersey, has recently requested that his defence campaign be refocused onto the fight against control units, and on the support of their torture victims. Ojore writes, "Any movement that does not support its political internees is a sham movement." National Campaign to Stop Control

Unit Prisons, 6th Floor, 472 Broad St., Newark, NJ 07102, USA.

### INFO

## Inside oot, Ootside

IN DIRECT response to the increasingly draconian measures of that part of the oppressive state called the Scottish prison system, a group of comrades have got together to form the Scottish Prisoners (Direct Action) Support Group which aims to offer practical solidarity with those on the inside, and to publish on the outside news from Scottish jails. The collective has already published a pamphlet called Inside Oot and requests that anyone interested shoud get involved. Prison pickets and leafleting are planned. Support is needed. Info and pamphlet (75p, free to prisoners) from Inside Oot c/o P.O.

Box 1008, Glasgow G42 8AA

## THE STRUGGLE CONTINUES

MASS strikes, huge demos, workplace occupations and widespread direct actions set France ablaze with hope in November and December.

The revolt was ignited by Government plans for major cutbacks to social security, benefits, health care, pensions and the railways. This "Juppe plan" aims to adapt French capitalism to the demands of European Monetary Union.

Rebellion could spread as other countries seek EMU membership cards by imposing spending cuts.

The French resistance started in early October with student actions for more funding for education and a 1 day public sector strike against a pay freeze. Railway workers went on all out strike on 24 November. 3 days later the strike spread to postal workers, the buses and metro, teachers and powerworkers.

"The mass meetings were at the heart of the movement. They alone had the power to take decisions. This was true every where and in all sectors on strike." (quotes Le Monde Libertaire)

With virtually no public transport Paris siezed up. Millions took to the streets all over France, as 6 one day strikes involved many industries. On 16 Dec. 2 million marched in 160 different demos.

Workers occupied power station control rooms and set electricity prices at cheap rates or sometimes free. Strikers took over bus depots and postal sorting offices. Strikers ensured that benefit cheques still reached the unemployed and that



Paris, 30 Nov: the school students branch of the anarcho-syndicalist CNT

working class areas still had rubbish cleared. "This self-organisation, this ability to directly manage production purely to meet social needs, should be emphasised." Workers delegations went from industry to industry to exchange experiences or call for action.

#### A FESTIVAL

In Rouen strikers from different industries met daily in cross-sector mass meetings. However this was nottypical. By painting on a militant face the CGT and FO trade union leaders avoided a generalised open challenge from the strikers.

Many emphasised how the strikes transformed everyday life, creating a real feeling of belonging to a class fighting a struggle together - a struggle which was not a chore but exhilirating, a festival.

Worried, the government made concessions to the strongest strikers, while refusing to abandon the Juppe reforms to social security and health.

Promises to save threatened railway lines and preserve public sector workers' pension rights, plus the failure of the movement to spread significantly to the private sector and the union leaders' eagerness to compromise, led to a return to work from 15 Dec. Strikes and occupations continued into January in Marseilles and elsewhere.

More demos and possible strikes were planned for February. "Nothing's ended, everything's just starting..", predict French Anarchists.

Le Monde Libertaire, 145 Rue Amelot, 75011 Paris (anarchist weekly) Solidarity with jailed demonstrators: Soutien aux emprisones au dos, Maison des chomeurs, 8 rue Lehenardt, 34000 Montpelier, France.

In early November anti police riots swept Laval, Toulouse, Strasbourg, Grenoble, Dijon and 2 Paris suburbs in reaction to racist police brutality in the government's operation Vigipirate (ostensibly targetting Islamic "terrorists").

### World to Win



REFUSING OPPRESSION IN Okinawa, Japan, 3000 small farmers/landowners are refusing the annual lease to the American base that takes up one-fifth of the island. There have been numerous furious demos since 3 marines raped an 11 year-old in September since 1972 American military have committed twelve murders and

countless rapes and always got off.

IN THE McSPOTLIGHT McSPOTLIGHT McSPOTLIGHT is a unique new site on the World Wide Web, making freely available everything McDonald's doesn't want you to know. It features the latest on the McLibel 2 trial - now expected to continue till summer 1996. http://www.mcspotlight./org/McLibel, 5 Caledonian Rd., London N1 9DX 0171 713 1269. Leaflets 0115 958 5666.

NO WARRANT SALES GLASGOW anti poll tax activists set up a "barricade" of 40 people on 22 January and successfully blocked the uplift of poinded goods for a warrant sale

PIE ON SKYE
THE TOLLS for the Skye bridge, in
NW Scotland, are the highest in
Europe - so the local community is
refusing to pay tolls. Boxing Day
saw a carnival procession cross the
bridge without paying.
NO EVICTION!

NO EVICTION!
KINGS CROSS Womens Centre is
threatened by a huge rent increase.
Closure would mean the loss of vital
services. Kings X Womens Centre,71
Tonbridge St., London WC1.
Tel 0171 837 7509.

MOBILITY ABILITY
THE DIRECT Action Network
descended on the National Bus and
Coach exhibition in Birmingham on
14 Oct. to impress on the bus
designers the total lack of access for
disabled people to public transport.
Activists chained themselves to
buses in the city centre and
blockaded the exhibition.

TAKING OVER 80 SUPPORTERS of the Autonomous Centre of Edinburgh demonstrated at the Broughton St Centre on 30 November, the anniversary of its eviction. ACE say "We want to be part of a movement strong enough to take over and defend another occupied building."

LEONCAVALLO LIVES! 200 POLICE invaded and smashed up the Leoncavallo self-managed social centre in Milan, Italy on 19 December. 4 days later 20,000 marched in defence of the centre.

FAIR FARES=NO FARES
IN Khabarousk, far-eastern Russia,
anarchists have been organising
against increased transport fares
by non-payment, obstructing
inspectors and managers, and
damaging equipment; they have
also set up a club, pirate radio and
free university.

NO TREATS FOR COPS AN all-night running battle with riot cops on Halloween exploded in Cherry Orchard estate, Dublin.

CHINA UPRISING
IN an uprising of 500 migrant
workers, incensed about exploitation and serious work accidents in
Shenzhen, 4 were killed by police.

### **Zapatistas Create Centres of Resistance**

IN Chiapas, the south-eastern state of Mexico, the armed Zapatista revolt by mainly indigenous Indian peasants continues, despite harassment and oppression by the Mexican military with support from the US Government.

It is now the practice of the Zapatista guerrillas to come together with local communities in democratic mass assemblies in order to discuss and make decisions. They know that hope lies in their collective organisation.

In December, at the Collective farm of Oventic in Chiapas, 100 unarmed indigenous women, children and men, confronted 150 Mexican Army soldiers. By showing solidarity in collective, direct action and shouting slogans such as "Soldiers get out!" and "People united will never be defeated", they

prevented them establishing a military camp 500m from the community where a new cultural centre had been constructed.

Germany: The Free Workers Union started a boycott campaign against the exploitation of campesinos by big coffee fincas in Chiapas, including FINCA IRLANDA, which sells at inflated prices in health-food shops around the world.

# Fundamentally wrong

IN early December a small but noisy procession in Nazareth, Palestine demanded an end to the practice of 'honour killing' which has claimed the lives of 27 women in 4 years.

On 8 Sept. Rudeina Jemel was found shot dead in her own house. The offence for which she paid with her life was that, after many years as a divorcee, she wished to remarry. The women of her family supported her decision; the men vehemently opposed it. No one has been charged

### Western Wealth and African Death

IINTERNATIONAL big business and corrupt politicians form their usual alliance in Nigeria where Shell arms Nigerian police with guns to create its private army. Shell protects itself from the righteous anger of the Ogoni people whose land they have stolen and ravaged. Ogoni Activists and others who act against the military regime are routinely killed, tortured and imprisoned. However Shell outlets are being picketed across Britain and a solidarity campaign with an imprisoned Nigerian activist in Germany won him a temporary reprieve from deportation.

with her murder.

These killings are still condoned by traditionalists, but there are signs of change. As one demonstrator said "for many years people have kept silent about honour killings. We are trying to create a more healthy society". Women against Fundamentalism 0171 272 6563.

### **Eco-Warriors Clamp Down**

With D-locking, vietcong style underground tunnels, communal cooking and childcare, tree climbing and Tarmac computer destruction people power is defying the oppression dealt by politicians and multinationals who are turning our planet over to profit and ultimate destruction. At the Newbury camp against the bypass the protest is criminalised with a combination of archaic law and the CJA and repressed with tactics of violence by exploited security. (Security set fire to plastics to smoke out tree sitters and when the fire brigade came the police turned them away). The wages may be shite but it still costs Them for the 1200 strong security and police-£1 million policing and over £1 million for secuity. But the false barriers the system puts between the oppressed are being broken down as security break ranks and join the protestors. Over 5000 united to march against the bypass on 12 Febuary.

Reclaim the Streets!

An anti M74 ceildh blocked roads in Glasgow on 25 January, asserting the right to safe, car free, unpolluted, non - state controlled space. Hounded by heavy policing tactics Critical Mass do the same on bikes in Brighton and across Britain.

In South Wales, the Neath Valley opencast mining opposition camp is still battling and on eviction alert.

Right to Life! Since 1896 17 million people world wide have been killed by cars. Women in Craigmillar said no more in Nov. as they united to stop traffic that speeds dangerously through the Edinburgh council scheme. Local children have already been injured and experienced near misses. They blocked off Castle Road forcing cars to turn back until police arrived to break up the protest. One woman clung to the bonnet of a moving car for 100 vards. When the driver stopped the protestors gave him a piece of their minds!

Wilson's Bog

Mr. Wilson, sheriff officer, has a toilet named especially for him at Daisy Nook camp. He served an eviction order on the still defiant camp which is fighting alongside local residents to stop the M66 extension near Oldham. "I've got neighbours in their 80's who have lived here all their lives and are really put out. They're talking about chaining themselves to the trees." Newbury hotline 0163545544. Weekly SchNEWS news-sheet-PO Box 2600, Brighton BN2 2DX. Anti M74-0141 424 1797. Earth First! Action Update PO Box 7, Cardiff CF2 4XX.



THE BRITISH government's clampdown on asylum seekers continues. Refugees are now denied any form of benefit unless they seek asylum the moment they enter the country. If their application for asylum is refused their benefit entitlement will enduntil now benefit was paid until an asylum appeal was heard.

Later this year the Asylum and Immigration Bill will restrict the rights of asylum seekers fleeing

persecution even more.

But there is resistance activists squatted an empty building with the aim of creating a refugee centre in Stoke Newington, London in February.

Campaigns continue to support, amongst others, Ade Onibiyo. He has been held in Campsfield Detention Centre for a year, facing deportation to Nigeria. His father has not been heard of since he was sent back last year.

In Manchester there have been roadblockades, demonstrations and vigils in support of the Lashley family. 100 supporters of the Adegboye Family Support Campaign, based in the Wester Hailes council scheme in Edinburgh, celebrated in Glasgow on 30 January when the Adegboyes, from Nigeria, won their appeal against deportation.

**Police Murderers** 

An inquest into the death, in Stoke Newington police custody, of Shiji Lapite heard he had 45 separate injuries on his body. No police have been charged.

In December rioting followed a demonstration in Brixton, London to protest the death of Wayne Douglas in police custody. After his arrest he was punched and kicked senseless by up to 15 officers. They used long batons which were also used by the police who killed Bryan Douglas last May.

Anger at the deaths and at attempts to 'gentrify' Brixton led to the rioting where large High St stores were attacked, rather than local businesses.

A Scotland Yard enquiry set up to disprove claims of racism in the Metropolitan Police showed instead that black people in London are 5 times more likely to be stopped and searched than whites.

Charges were dropped against 4 Asian men involved in the Bradford riot. The magistrate stated the case raised 'serious doubts' about the reliability of police evidence.

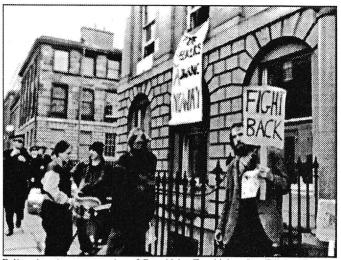
Onibiyo Family Campaign, c/o Unison A Branch, 6a Acre Lane, Brixton, London.

The Ashley Family Must Stay Campaign, c/o 400 Cheetham Hill Rd., Manchester M8 9LE.

NO PEACE FOR NAZIS

A Madrid shop selling Nazi regalia was attacked in December, destroying the windows and most of the interior.

PRICE RISES RIOTS
Police killed 1 demonstrator and
injured dozens after opening fire
on angry crowds rioting inMaputo,
Mozambique over rising prices.



Police close in on occupation of Grand Met, Torphichen St., Edinburgh.

JSA No Way

CLAIMANTS occupied the Grand Met Training Agency in Edinburgh on 8 Nov. A giant **Job Seekers Allowance - No Way** banner was lowered from a barricaded 1st floor room.

The Groundswell network of independent claimants' groups is resisting the anticlaimant Job Seekers Allowance - and also the new pilot compulsory workfare scheme, Project Work, starting in Maidstone and Hull in April.

Employment Service workers have been taking strike action over wages and a performance related pay scheme under which workers' pay depends on how many people they drive off the unemployed register. In London claiments and workers have produced a joint pro-strike anti-JSA leaflet.

London vs the JSA, PO Box 3140, London E17 5LJ. Groundswell 01865 723750. Edinburgh Claimants see below.

GET INVOLVED!

•Scottish Federation of Anarchists: Scottish Anarchist mag no3 (£1), newssheets (\$AE) and info from \$FA\$, Box 1008, Glasgow G42 8AA. Glasgow Solidarity Centre 0141 226 5066. Dundee Anarchists 01382814922. Edinburgh SFA c/o Autonomous Centre: • The Autonomous Centre of Edinburgh / Edinburgh Claimants, c/o Peace & Justice, St. Johns, Princes St., Edinburgh (mail only) • Active Distro, BM Active, London WCIN 3XX • AK Distribution, 33 Tower St., Leith, Edinburgh • Anarchist Black Cross, c/o 121 Railton Rd., London SE24 (prisoner solidarity). • Anarchist Communist Federation, 84b Whitechapel High St, London E1 7QX • Anarchist Womens Newsletter, POBox 51, c/o Greenleaf, 82 Colston St., Bristol • Angry People, POBox 108, St. Peters, NSW 2044 Australia. • Bad Attitude, 121 Railton Road, London, SE24 Tel 0171-978 9057 • Class War: PO Box 1021, Edinburgh EH8 9PW: PO Box 772, Bristol BS99 1E • Contraflow, 56a Infoshop, 56 Crampton St., London SE17 (excellent news-sheet) • DS4A, Box 8, 82 Colston St., Bristol (distro) • Federation Anarchiste, 145 Rue Amelot, 75011 Paris, France • Frontline, POB 102, Galway, Ireland • Industrial Workers of the World, 75 Humberstone Gate, Leicester LE1 1WB • Kate Sharpley Library, BM Hurricane, London WC1 3XX. • Kaos?, c/o J.Bals, Blekksoppgrenda 39, 1352 Kolsas, Norway. • Kommunist Kranti, Majdoor Library, Autopin Jhuggi, Faridabad-121001, India. • London Greenpeace, 5 Caledonian Rd., London N1 • Norwich Solidarity Centre/Solidarity Fed.: PO Box 51465, Raedene, 2124, Johannesburg, South Africa. (anarcho distro) • Sheffleld Anarchist Group, PO Box 446, Sheffield S1 1NY • 255 PdG Info Shop: M. Decortes, c/o Libreria Utopia, via Moscova 52, 20121 Milano, Italy. Tel/fax 02-29003324. • Tottenham Solidarity Network, c/o 72 West Green Rd., London N15 • Torpedo Milan Djuric, M. Velikog 12/10 11300 Smederevo, Serbia-Yugoslavia

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