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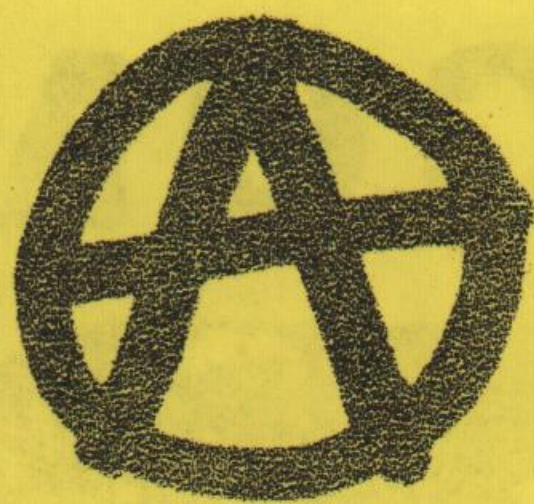
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"No individual can recognise their own humanity, and consequently realise it in their lifetime, if not by recognising it in others and co-operating in its realisation for others. Nobody can achieve their own emancipation without at the same time working for the emancipation of everyone around them. My freedom is the freedom of all since I am not truly free in thought and in fact, except when my freedom and my rights are confirmed and approved in the freedom and rights of all people who are my equals."

Mikhail Bakunin a long time ago.



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 Animal Aid- 7 Castle Street, Tonbridge, Kent.
 British Union for the Abolition of Vivisection- 16a Crane Grove, London N7 8LB
 Campaign Against the Arms Trade- 5 Caledonian Road, London N1 9DX
 Friends of the Earth- 377 City Road, London EC1V 1NA
 Direct Action Movement/International Workers Association - 233 Greenwood Road, Benchill, Manchester M22 7HB
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THE ANARCHISTS ARE ORGANISING!

Following on from the 'Trade Unions and Anarchism' article, it is worth mentioning that the DAM is not the only Anarchist organisation in Britain. Here are some more:-

Anarchist Communist Federation: The ACF was formed when the Syndicalist Fight Group (mentioned last issue) merged with the Libertarian Communist Discussion Group. The Anarchist communism it espouses has nothing to do with the authoritarian Marxist-Leninist-Trotskyist-Maoist etc. variety.

The local group holds regular meetings and can be contacted by writing to the national secretary. (See below.)

The national secretary can be contacted at; Box LCDG, 84b Whitechapel High St. London, E1.

Class War: We have heard rumours that this well-known bunch of Anarchs set up a national federation, at their last conference. If you're interested write to them at; Box CW, 84b Whitechapel High St. London, E1.

Revolutionary Anarchist Federation: This is only at the idea stage at present. Some individuals have called for a conference to unite all Anarchist groupings, so that a well-organised movement can develop. No further details as yet but if you want to be involved write to: SAG (AOC), c/o 121 Books, 121 Railton Rd., London SE24.

I'm sure all the above groups would appreciate an s.a.e. when you write...

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well well well here we are again another Be@no hot on the heels of No. 1 as you can see the price has gone up so we can try and buy some new printing gear for nice colour-ed Be@no's in the future. We hope you like this issue as much as you seemed to like the last-it sold out pretty quick so we've printed more this time. Even street-selling went well for this town! Please write us some articles or send in news or whatever. @narchy and @ction.

the Be@no collective.

If you want to know more, please contact us through the Anarchy Club, c/o Students Union, Maidstone College of Art, Oakwood Park, Maidstone, Kent.

Other good magazines include:

Green Anarchist (30p) 19 Magdalen Road, Oxford OX4 1RP.
 Freedom (45p) 84B Whitechapel High St. London E1 7QX.
 Class War (20p) Box CW, 84B Whitechapel High St. London.
 Peace News (50p) 8 Elm Ave. Nottingham 3.
 Anarchist Feminist (40p) 121 Bookshop, 121 Railton Road, Brixton.
 Wildcat (20p) c/o Raven Press, 75 Picadilly Manchester M1 2 BU
 Crowbar (25p) 121 Railton Road, London SE24
 Black Flag (30p) Box BM Hurricane, London WC1 3XX.
 Stuff It! (30p) Box 010, c/o Full Marks, 110 Cheltenham Rd, Bristol 6.

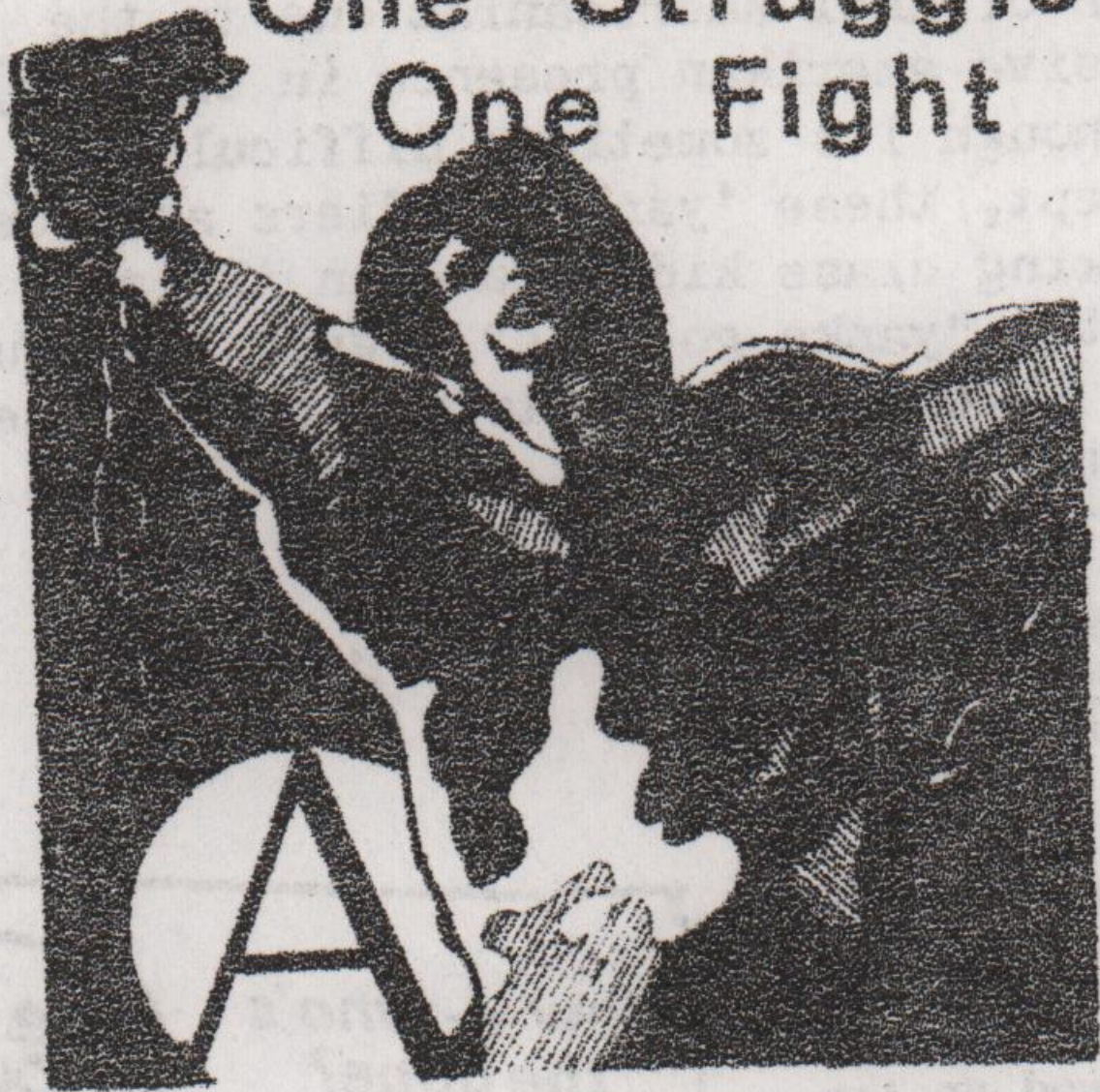
TRADE UNIONS AND ANARCHISM.

Trade unions were originally established as organisations to improve the pay and working conditions of workers and also to protect them from exploitation by unscrupulous bosses. Anyone who has studied labour history, to any extent, will be aware of the tremendous spirit of the early Trade Union movement. However many Anarchists are very critical of the Unions, as they are today.

Perhaps the TU movement's greatest mistake was in losing its independence. From the start unions allied themselves to authoritarian socialist parties like the Labour Party. This led them to organise in hierarchical and bureaucratic ways. Also because all parliamentary parties wish to maintain the political status quo, unions eventually became part of the capitalist system.

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Man and Woman
Black and White
One Struggle
One Fight



Workers Emancipation

Under Capitalism the purpose of the Working Class is to make profit for the Ruling Classes. The Workers have always received a pittance in proportion to the wealth they produce, yet the Ruling Classes get richer and richer. It doesn't take long to realise that this is a totally unjust system. As the Industrial Workers of the World point out: "The working class and the employing class have nothing in common". Capitalists are the enemy of the Working Class.

This may seem obvious, yet what do unions do to defend their members from the increasing capitalist onslaught? Some will support the strike action of some of their members while secretly selling them out. Some completely turn their backs on traditional trade union methods and collaborate with the bosses, becoming totally subservient, i.e. the EETPU scabs. Others, such as SOGAT, remain hopelessly naive. Brenda Dean keeps calling for moderation and adherence to the Law. Yet this is the same Law that threatens 'her' union through sequestration!

Criticism is only good if the critic can provide an alternative. I believe we Anarchists can do this. One of our answers is through Anarcho-syndicalism. Syndicalism is the organisation of industry by the workers themselves instead of bosses or union leaders. Such workers' self-management is based on industries rather than trades or guilds. This has always meant greater solidarity. Syndicalists want the same aims as other unionists but they achieve them through direct action (i.e. strikes, slow downs, occupations, sabotage etc.) and not cow-towing to the employers or through political parties.

Some Syndicalists saw that traditional aims were not enough and thought that workers should also overthrow Capitalism. This idea developed into Revolutionary Syndicalism and was so popular that the International Workers Association (IWA) was established in 1922. Anarchists, always active in the labour movement, had great influence amongst such organisations but felt that Revolutionary Syndicalism didn't go far enough. They believed that overthrowing the State, as well as Capitalism, was essential. Many turned to this Anarcho-Syndicalism, the most famous being the Spanish CNT (National Confederation of Workers).

Enough history! Using direct action, Anarcho-syndicalists work to improve their lot, like other unionists but they also hope to use these tactics to overthrow Capitalism and the State and to build an Anarchist society. They oppose bureaucracy: believing in recallable, delegated officers and rank and file (i.e. members) control of the organisation.

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'Trade Unions and Anarchism' Continued.....

Obviously no British union has a hint of Anarcho-syndicalism in it, at present. This doesn't stop us showing solidarity though. Anarchists have been active in many militant union struggles. The only union that has shown any revolutionary fervour is the National Union of Mine-workers. Obviously we'd like this to change. In fact there are several groups interested in spreading Anarchist ideas in the Working Class. One, the IWA's section in Britain, is the Anarcho-syndicalist Direct Action Movement (DAM-IWA), which has branches in many areas. The DAM has been criticised by some Anarchists for being too involved in industrial/union struggles, i.e. too 'workerist'. This may have been true in the past but due to a large proportion of it's membership being unemployed and women, a new 'modern' Anarcho-syndicalism has emerged. A great deal of emphasis is now placed on claimants' union and community organisation as well as the workplace. The DAM also produces an excellent monthly paper, 'Direct Action'.

If anyone is interested in forming a DAM group locally contact us here at the Be@no. More information can be gleaned by writing to: DAM-IWA, c/o 223 Greenwood Rd. Benchill, Manchester, M22 7HB.

~~~~~ / / / / / Wee Willie Haggis.

## IS ANTI-AMERICANISM RACISM?

With the growing Amerikan influence over Europe and the world in general, especially since the siting of amerikan cruise missiles in this country, there has been a growing tide of anti-american feeling. The peace movement has taken a lot of this anti-americanism to heart and its very common to hear the "yanks out" type of slogan shouted at anti-nuclear demos these days. Since that mad dog Reagan attacked the Libyan people under the guise of 'punishing' the scumbag Kaddafy there has been a wave of hatred against all things American. Whats wrong with that you may ask? well think on this-

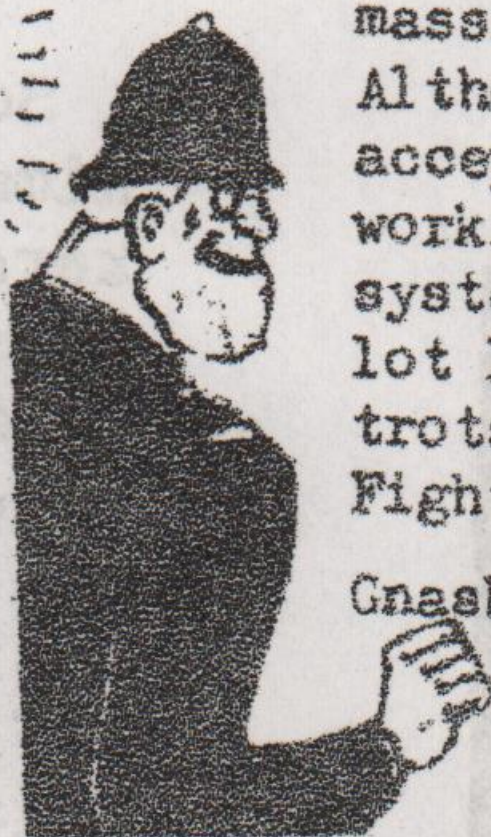
In Germany since 1969 the Red Army Fraction and the Revolutionary Cells have been fighting a terrorist/guerilla war against the State, NATO and American Imperialism. These groups have been making armed attacks on amerikan industries, amerikan army installations and communications networks. They have been taking great care in recent years to only attack HQ's and officers quarters and to avoid injuring private soldiers and civilians. They realise that their enemy is not the working class of america but the bosses and structures of imperialism. In the last

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few years neo-fascist terrorists have been making bomb attacks on amerikan troops and their families and meeting places and claiming responsibility in the name of the RAF and Revolutionary Cells (the recent Berlin nightclub bombing was blamed on an RAF cell at first). In this way the anti-imperialism is being confused with the nazi's anti-americanism, blurring the very important distinction between the two. As the Revolutionary Cells say in a communique from 1983: "There is an enormous difference between considering McDonalds as an amerikan food cartel which imposed intensive work organisational norms as well as salary degradations and put in place around the world an agro-food business, and to consider it an expression of 'yankee' culture". To espouse anti-americanism is to ignore the often repeated truism that the working class has no country. It is racism just the same as any other kind of racism. "yanks out" assumes that all our problems are the amerikan's fault, (an all too easy assumption, just like the NF's stupid idea that it's the 'immigrants' fault that the country is in the state it's in) and when the amerikans have taken their bases and missiles away from this green and pleasant (sic(k)) land that they have been spoiling, we will all be saved. This simply isn't true, the effects of amerikan imperialism have become inseparable from the system as a whole, the bases are a symptom of war not the cause. We've got to make a distinction between anti-imperialism and simple racism before the nationalists and patriots get a grip on the peace movements in this country like they have in Germany (via the exploitation of anti-americanism due to the massive amerikan presence in Germany). Although it's sometimes difficult to accept, these 'yank' soldiers are just working class kids stuck in the shit system. "yanks go home" sounds an awful lot like "wogs out" to me, and as the trots say, we've got to Fight Racism AND Fight Imperialism!

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THE two nuclear power stations at Dungeness were put out of action when a large shoal of shrimps blocked up the water intake pipe. The A station was out of action for two days and the B station for a little longer.

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A BIT MORE  
OF THIS  
WOULDN'T  
BE BAD.  
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**Crime up**

Crime is on the increase in Kent. Chief Constable Frank Jordan highlights a 5.8 per cent rise in offences.



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# ANARCHY! - NOT C.N.D.

At Easter last year a couple of people from the collective went on the March for a Safe Future, walking from Sizewell on the East coast, the nuclear power station which is the proposed site for a Pressurised Water Reactor to USAF Molesworth in Cambridgeshire where the next lot of Cruise Missiles from America will be stationed in 1988, and where CND held their National Demonstration. The march was organised by two independent people, and was perfect - until we left Cambridge for the last section. This was when the March for a Safe Future was joined by the start of the big CND march. From that point on, the red tape and beurocracy of CND turned what had been the most incredible feeling of unity and strength into extreme pissed-offness at what was happening within the movement. There's a lot of reasons why CND

doesn't work any more; in the 60's when it was just starting to get underway, there wasn't all that much demonstrating happening, so CND's demo's were a chance for everyone to get together and express their disgust for what was going on - now it's almost 30 years on and their marches go round Hyde Park or somewhere like that. Is that all we get after 30 years of experience, and 30 years of police state and repression, and 30 years of wars and death?

National CND have made Nuclear Disarmament a massive issue, and they do support some independent stuff, but it seems as if as soon as these independent actions become in any way radical, CND withdraws its support. Two examples; first the Alconbury 9, arrested at USAF Alconbury near Molesworth. Alconbury will be the control base for cruise and is the biggest American air base in this country. The Alconbury 9 set up a peace camp outside the base and were arrested on charges of conspiracy to commit criminal damage. It was a test case, led by the wonderfully apt D.S. Bacon from the Cambridge constabulary. Fortunately none of them got sent down - they could have got 10 years each - mostly they got suspended sentences and/or fines. National CND didn't want anything to do with them. They refused them support and denied any connection with them. Secondly the Rainbow Village who lived on the

base at Molesworth before the fence went up. Before they got evicted when the MOD put the fence up,

National CND gave them money as it saw them as a kind of 'green village', but after the eviction on Feb. 6th 1985, no more money went their way - they were back on the road, a bunch of hippies travelling around again and CND don't like that. The same went for the peace camps; till the fence went up, they were getting money from CND, but when the MOD moved onto the base the budget was slashed to nothing. What sort of way is that to treat people who are working for the same ends as themselves?

It's very keen on sticking in general to a single issue - that of getting rid of nuclear weapons, but try to get support from them for any other issue and they're not interested. Famous bag-of-shit E P Thompson said they must not divert onto different subjects like conventional weapons and changing the system, and Billy Bragg, Mr-CND-Labour-Party, said he'd be prepared to do National Service if the government got rid of Cruise! Whatever happened to 'one struggle, one fight'? Needless to say what

National CND think of the anarchist movement! Single issue campaigns just don't work, every issue is in some way related to another, and you can't achieve one without having another.

On the national CND march last year, I was selling Molesworth Bulletins with other people from the peace camp, and the amount of people on that march who'd never even heard of Molesworth was incredible; "Want to buy a Molesworth Bulletin - only 20p?", "What? Molesworth? Where's that?" Shit! What is going on? And these are supposed to be people dedicated to stopping Cruise at Molesworth! CND has become everything it was once against. It is mostly middle-class, mostly male-run and male-dominated, and how many black faces do you see in amongst the crowds walking smugly round Hyde Park? It just doesn't do any fucking good. The amount of interest is fast declining and they need something good to get....

RAF Station Alconbury Base Location Map

RAF Station Alconbury Base Location Map



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it back again, and to get people involved in other issues while remembering the original one. We don't need a 'Peoples Parliament' in Westminster or wherever, or a two minute sit-down in the road (only on one side of course), we need some fucking action, and we need it now if National CND is going to get back the numbers and pull the weight it once had. It's getting slightly more adventurous with its blockade of the construction workers gates at Molesworth this year, and I was quite amazed at the amount of people there risking arrest and all that kind of thing, but once again as at Easter last year, they all went organisation-mad, and if you stood up there to get your bum off the snow, you got yelled at that you were spoiling the blockade. Well, I don't know about anyone else, but my bum was fucking cold and I wasn't sitting on ice for four hours solid, not for anyone. Also, because of the minimal police presence in the middle of the main contractors gate road at Cockbrook lane, it would have been a cinch to have half the fence down, but oh no, we don't want to do anything too illegal now, do we? YES!

Trying to get their entire membership to vote Labour won't do any good either apart from the fact that half of them

would vote SDP/Liberal anyway, but what did Labour do to get rid of nuclear weapons when they WERE in government? Fuck All, they got

Polaris nuclear submarines and started investigating the possibilities of Trident, that's what they did.

It's not the grass roots idea of CND that's shit, there's a lot of basic

agreement with it, it's the organisation and the bureaucracy of the

people involved, and the whole middle class voting idealism of people, and it's not going to get any better until

it starts to acknowledge everyone else's ideas and methods and struggles. The... maybe we can start getting somewhere, rather than just going, or marching round in circles all the time.

We've got to start organising by ourselves - we know what we want so it's up to us to go and get it without getting involved in CND and its ridiculous half-hearted policies. We don't

What can you do now?

● Write to your MP expressing your opposition to British participation.

● Wear your CND badge - and colleagues.

● make your concern known in your family, to your friends

(and in 20 years something might get done about it.)

Then you can sit in front of the T.V. or go for a smug walk round Hyde Park. That's all you have to do to get rid of

need CND to get us going, they've just become a load of middle-class liberals and we won't fight alongside people just as oppressive as those were fighting against.

Go to the peace camps, Molesworth, Faslane, Greenham, Menwith Hill, they're all over the place and they always need people to support them and to go and stay. I spent a lot of time at the Peoples peace camp at USAF Molesworth during last summer, and it was the most brilliant time and brilliant people. That one has been evicted now by the council during the bad weather, and at the moment people are squatting the impounded caravans, but when the weather gets good again they'll be needing more people to help start it up again near the base. There's still a camp at Molesworth at Peace Corner on the Old Weston Road, with a wimmins space and an occasional wimmins gate at Air gate, through Molesworth village. There's a camp at Faslane in Scotland, at Holy Loch where Polaris is stationed, one at Menwith Hill outside the massive American spy base in North Yorkshire, and the wimmins camp at USAF Greenham in Berkshire which desperately needs support from wimmin who could go and stay there for any amount of time, as well as camps at Upper Heyford in Oxfordshire and Bishops court in County Down, Northern Ireland. Go to the camps if you can, and give them your support.

Faslane peace camp - below St. Andrews school, nr Helensburgh, Dunbartonshire, Scotland.

Bishops court peace camp - outside RAF Bishops court, Ballyhouran, nr Downpatrick, Co Down, N.Ireland.

Greenham Common Womens Peace Camp, outside USAF Greenham Common, Newbury, Berks.

Molesworth-Earth Camp, Peace Corner, Old Weston Road, Brington, nr Huntingdon, Cambridgeshire.

Menwith Hill peace camp, outside US Spy Base, Menwith-with-Darley, nr Harrogate, North Yorks.

Upper Heyford peace camp, Portway Camp Road, Upper Heyford, Oxon.

HERE IS MY CONTRIBUTION TO CND's Public Information Campaign:

**"FUCK OFF!"** Thank You!

THE MINIMUM



# THE PUBLIC ORDER BILL

After the New Police and Criminal Evidence Act, described in the last Beano, comes the New Public Order Bill, currently going through parliament, and it will probably be law by the end of this summer.

The government say it is for controlling football hooligans, yet the White Paper recommending the Bill specifically mentions the anarchist 'Stop the City' demonstrations, the Grunwick pickets of the 70's, the South-all riot, the miner's strike, the picket of Eddie Shah's Waddington printing plant, anti-nuclear and animal rights demonstrations. These are all things which the government uses as evidence for the need of the new powers, which just about sums up the govt's attitude towards protest. One thing is clear about the State from this Bill, and that is that all protest, violent and non-violent, is seen as disorder and dealt with in the same way. The main parts of the new Public Order Bill are-

1) Requirement to give the police 7 days notice of a moving demonstration or a march. This will effectively make spontaneous protest illegal. The notice must be handed in to the police in person, detailing the date, intended start, route and the name and address of the organiser(s). If the starting time, date or route of the march differs from that given, even if the 'organiser' had nothing to do with it, the 'organiser' would be liable to a £400 fine. If for example, the

pigs shot another person, people would want to demonstrate straight away, and they probably would, regardless of the law. The pigs would take the names and addresses of the organisers (all you'd have to do was beckon to someone and say "come on" and they would have you down as an organiser - it's happened before) and they could arrest you if they didn't think your address was 'reliable' and you'd be fined £400.

2) New powers to impose restrictions on moving demonstrations and static open air meetings, rallies or vigils. This means they can ban marches, pickets etc. or impose conditions on them. They can ban marches if they think they 'might' cause public disorder or damage to property or disrupt the



life of the community (interpreted as shoppers and traffic!) or if they think anyone 'might' be intimidated by the march. Anyone taking part in a banned march will be fined £400 and 'organisers' will be fined £1,000. They can impose conditions on static demonstrations or pickets, relating to the place, the duration and the number of people attending. These conditions can be imposed in advance or by any officer on the spot if there are 3 or more people together in a public place! Again there is a £400 fine for ignoring the instructions and £1,000 fine for 'organising'. This means that the pigs could, for example, change a mass picket of 1,000 people outside a factory 24 hours a day into a 15 minute picket of 6 people ½ a mile away from the factory and fine anyone who tries to resist. There is also the possibility of a £1,000 fine for arranging to meet 3 friends outside a chip shop! This may sound like a joke but I assure you it isn't, and it's going to be the law soon!



3) Disorderly conduct. this is the real gem! It's a new offence and you can be convicted of it on the word of just one policeman, and you will be tried by a single magistrate. The offence includes such 'crimes' as: "knocking over dustbins", "peering in windows", "behaviour which threatens or might cause criminal damage", "turning out

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if you know what's good for you -

- NEVER BE WITHOUT A 'BEANO'!

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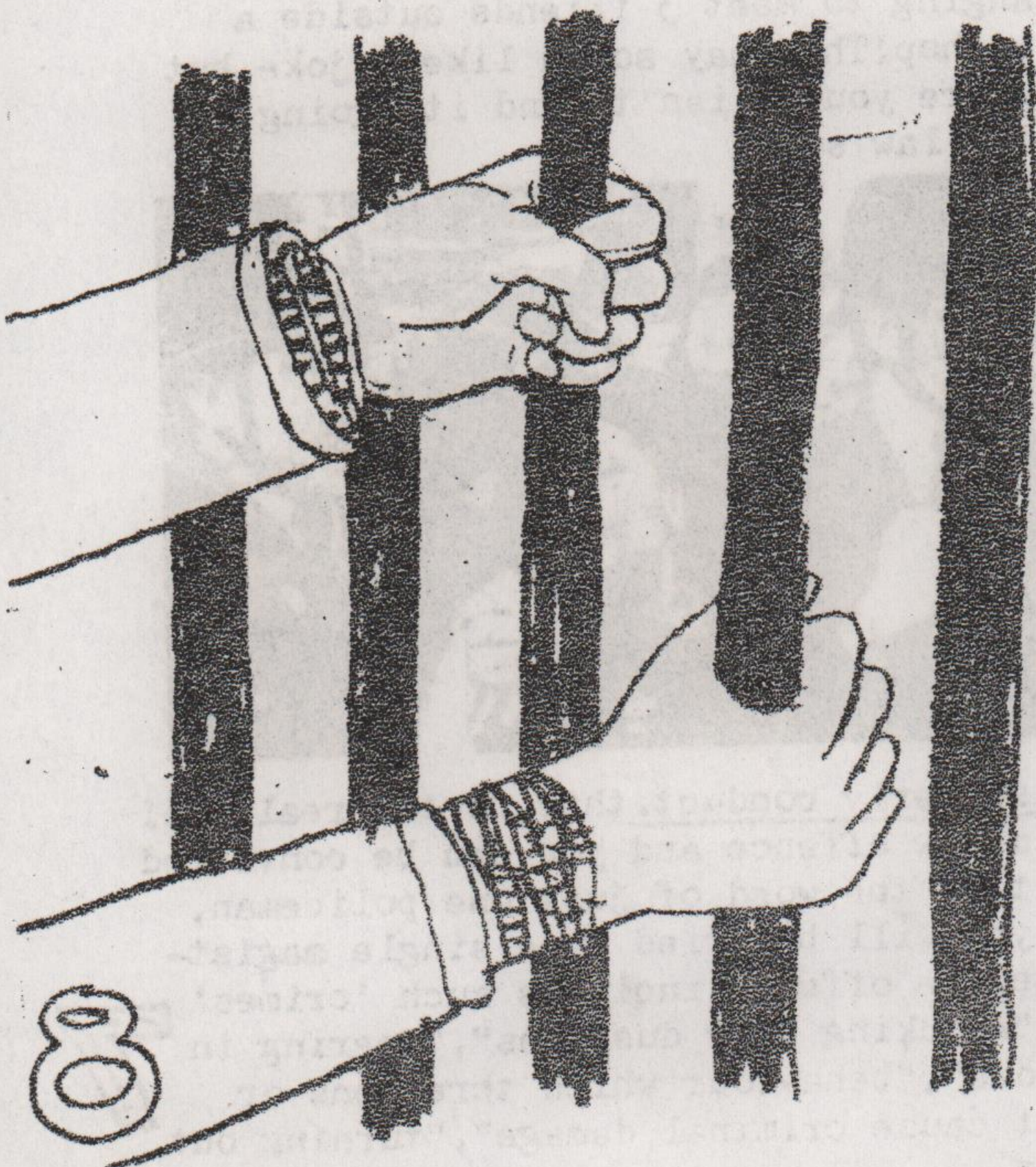
the lights in a crowd dance hall" (this is real!) "the use of abusive or insulting words or gestures likely to harass, alarm, or distress another person", basically this charge can be dropped on you for hanging about on street corners, or walking around after dark. This 'crime' is punishable by a £400 fine or 3 months in prison and is an arrestable offence.

4) Expansion of previous riot powers. Someone can be charged with 'rioting' under this Bill if they used (or threatened) violence in circumstances involving 12 other people, you can get life for this. You can be charged with 'Violent Disorder' if you threatened violence in a group of 3 people or more, and you could get 5 years for this. You can be charged with 'Affray' if its in a group of 2 or more and this is a 3 year prison sentence.

As you can see, this new Bill is a very very big threat to our freedom, and in co-operation with the Police and Criminal Evidence Act it represents all the trappings of a fully fledged Police State, with the police deciding which protest is allowed and where. There is a charge for every situation the pigs could possibly want to hassle you or fit you up for. We must start to fight the Public Order Bill before it becomes law, for what that is worth.

The campaign Against Police Repression has organised several marches against the Bill, and there is also a plan to have a big march in London (Clock Tower Place London N7, nr Caledonian Road Tube) at 12.00 noon on the first saturday after the Bill is passed in Westminster. We'll keep you notified of any other demos/actions against the Bill.

For further information contact-  
National Council for Civil Liberties,  
21 Tabard St, London SE1 4LA.  
Campaign Against Police Repression,  
Box CAPR, 83 Blackstock Rd, London N4.  
Campaign for the Right Of assembly and  
Dissent, CROWD, 38 Mount Pleasant,  
London WC2.



The US air force is looking into sabotage as a possible cause of the blast which destroyed the Titan rocket and its satellite.

Sabotage may have caused explosion on air force base

## MAIDSTONE - CRIME BLACK SPOT OF KENT

# APATHY

MAIDSTONE is a Kent crime black spot.

During 1985 more than 6,000 crimes were committed in the area, and that represents an increase of 8.6 per cent on the previous 12 months.

There were 500 cases of criminal damage - in other words, vandalism - and only a third of these were detected.

I find the large amount of anarcho-pacifism around these days extremely disturbing. Well actually, I don't find pacifism that disturbing, as long as it is an active pacifism. A big chunk of pacifist theory involves actions involving large parts of the community; if pacifists are not doing actions then presumably they should spend a large amount of their time generating interest and support for actions in their local communities. I see no reason why being a pacifist is an excuse for inaction. There are far too many people in or around the 'anarchist' and 'peace' movements who have twisted revolutionary ideas around so that "sitting at home with a badge on" or even just "believing in peace and freedom" becomes a revolutionary act. Lets face it, this planet and its population are in real fucking trouble, we are all in a very very bad situation and we are not going to get out of it unless we fight for our freedom. I have read articles in this magazine which say:

- 1) that we should not make people worried for their personal property
- 2) that all the violence we suffer is caused by ourselves
- 3) that all propaganda is negative, and
- 4) that all we have to do is love everyone and we will all be beautiful and free.

This is all CRAP, it is ridiculous, romantic bullshit. There is so much I want to say that its simplest to go through these statements one by one:

- 1) If we want to ever bring revolutionary anarchism into reality, one of the basic foundations of this analysis is the destruction of the selfish capitalism of private property, where the ownership of land and goods becomes a status symbol. For example, this means no more landlords making a living out of peoples necessity to have a place to live. I have no qualms about making the ruling classes nervous for their accumulations of wealth gained through our hard labour. Nobody has the right to own things that they don't need. If you have more food than you need and



PEOPLE. THE GROWTH OF SMALL NETWORKS SHORTCIRCUITS THIS PROCESS. THE MINISTRY OF

I am starving, then your refusal to give some to me is virtually theft.  
2) If all the violence we suffer is caused by the way we go about our own lives, what is it that gay people are doing to make people beat them up for being gay? What did the Sikh family burned to death in East London do to the nazis who killed them? The idea that all violence which we suffer is self inflicted is absolute garbage, and dangerous garbage at that. It spits in the faces of strong, good people like the Newham 7 who had the community strength to defend themselves from unprovoked racist violence. What about violence against women, and rape? Is this provoked? And all the violence heaped upon the working class by our 'rulers' since time immemorial? If the 'superpowers' decide to wipe out the world with nuclear war, will we all have deserved it? Will the unborn babies and children have provoked their hideous deaths? Cherry Groce provoked her own shooting by being black I suppose? (But the police were only doing their jobs of course). To think that we ourselves cause the attacks we suffer is to totally misunderstand the nature of society. The foundation of the state is its violence, it's what is supposed to keep us all in place, and it is violence that we must be prepared to fight back against if we ever seriously challenge the present system.

3) If graffiti-ing and propoganda is confrontational and negative, how can any kind of ideas ever be brought into the consciousness of enough people to bring about any kind of change? I cannot see how it can be negative to leave messages on walls, its not as if its forceing anything on anyone, if you disagree you disagree, theres no threat from a string of words on a wall, except to the stifled and clogged set of ideas in your head.  
4) To believe that all we have to do is love each other, and love the policeman that beats you up, and love Ronald Reagan, and this will save us all and make us all beautiful beings is to believe that we are living in a world of make-believe with a happy ending. Look around you for fucks sake, this is 1986, this is fucking real. If we love them enough are the multinationals going to stop exploiting the planet to death, if we love Thatcher is she going to resign and be a beautiful being too? Do the black and coloured peoples of this country just have to love the NF and they'll stop being attacked? This is just fanciful stories, it assumes we are not all daily being bombarded from all sides by violence and lies, it assumes that there is not a massive structure surrounding us and prepared to use more than 'reasonable force' if

necessary. It will take more than a personal decision to ignore politics and ideologies and just love everyone, to defeat the system. It will take a unified and revolutionary working class every ounce of strength and courage it has to win this struggle.

Fanciful dreams of spirits and visions will not help change anything. Im not saying we dont need love, love and solidarity are the foundations of anarchism, but we need more than that to fight back against the oppression we've been suffering since fuck knows when.

Violence may be the lowest form of communication but its the best form of self-defence. There is too much stacked against us for slow personal change to be the way forward, its not as if we've got 10,000 years to achieve change, time is running out. Too many people are using anarcho-pacifism as an excuse for their apathy and inaction, you cant compromise with anarchy, it's the whole thing or its just reformism.

GNASHER X

## A FEW HELPFUL WORDS TO EVERY POLICEMAN IN MAIDSTONE



# "FUCK OFF BASTARDS"

POWER. ESTABLISHES LINKS IN BRITAIN AND BETWEEN EAST AND WEST. NEW PROTOTYPES. ARE NEEDED OPPOSING AMERICAN CULTURAL IMPERIALISM.

THOSE WHO HAVE POWER, KNOW THAT TO MAINTAIN IT THEY MUST CREATE 'FALSE ENEMIES'. BREEDING FEAR AND MISTRUST BETWEEN PEOPLE WHO LOOK WITHIN THEMSELVES TO DO THEIR WILL. FOR A GROWING BODY OF PEOPLE WHO. LOOK WITHIN THEMSELVES TO DO THEIR WILL.

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# THEM AND US

I constantly hear people warning about the SYSTEM, Big Brother is watching us, THEY are controlling the TV, THEY are controlling the media, we've got to smash the SYSTEM. What we all forget is that the System is US, the System barely exists except in the minds and ideas of people, we build it, we perpetuate it, its made of people not bricks and it won't be smashed until we all smash the the little systems in our own heads. The worst kind of policeman is the policeman in your head, that keeps you believing in the law, that stops you being free long before the 6ft tall uniformed bastards even start to restrict you. If the State means nothing to you then the pigs are just a bunch of big irrelevant bastards with blue uniforms on who get in your way, if we don't believe in government then why do we accept the authority of the police? (except when they back it up with violent force) The police can't operate without the public's help (Consent! ha!) and without societies' acceptance of their 'role' and their idea of the nature of 'crime'. The revolution that we need most of all is a revolution in our heads, everybody believes in THEM and nobody believes in US, we've got to start believing in ourselves and our own strength, we've got to believe in our own power to change things, the only thing that restricts us is our imaginations. The poverty of our imagination is often worse than our physical poverty. We don't need entertainment, (it just confirms the ideas/concepts we have already) we need ENJOYMENT. Don't follow party lines, nor gods, nor masters, no year zero, no systems, we're never going to be GIVEN revolution or a Peace, we've got to create it, build it, struggle for it OURSELVES. THEY (i.e. the ruling classes, the government, the rich, the bosses are all a physical manifestation of THEM) have too much to lose, to simply let us take what we want, we've got to FIGHT for it, and before we can change anything we've got to believe in ourselves. The revolution starts with a revolution in our heads.

# STOP THE ARMAGH STRIP-SEARCHES

Since November 1982, wimmin in Armagh Prison have been subjected to humiliating and degrading strip-searches every time they enter and leave the prison.

There hasnt been any strip-searching in Armagh for 30 years, but they were introduced by Governor Murtagh after a set of totally unimportant keys were found on a prisoner. In the four years since the searches began, two things have been found on wimmin; a £5 note and a bottle of perfume.

Many of the wimmin are on remand, and while theyre waiting for their trial they have to make regular court appearances. They get searched every time they leave and enter the prison, and for a womyn on trial that means searching twice a day, five days a week. The court appearance may only last something like two minutes, but the searching takes place regardless. It's ridiculous to suggest that on these occasions the wimmin could have things passed to them- they are taken from their cells to court in vans with armed guards escorting them, and they are constantly under the guard of prison officers. They dont come into contact with the general public at all, but the brutal searches are still carried out.

Wimmin in the prison are allowed to have visitors and allowed physical contact with them but they arent searched at these times when it is possible for stuff to be passed. This is why the wimmin in Armagh believe that the strip-searching is purely to degrade and humiliate them, and break them down before their trials.

The Northern Ireland Government insists that the searches are carried out in a sensitive manner, but reports from the wimmin who've been subjected to them report the opposite.

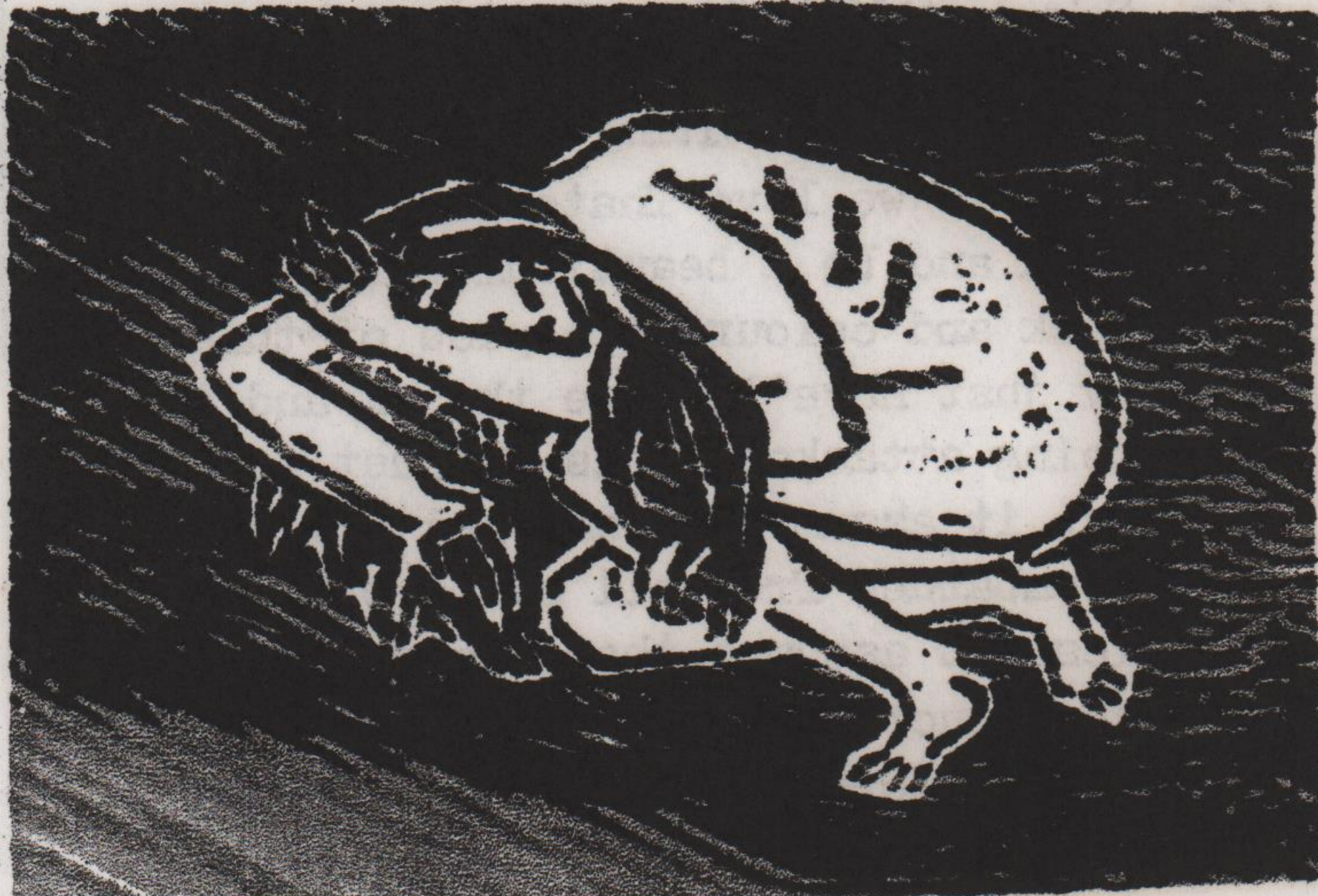
It isnt very difficult to decide which one to believe. The following is a prisoners account of what happens;

"You are told to strip naked. You are always in view of prison staff, usually about six. At times there have been as many as fifteen. When you are naked, your body is inspected from front and rear. A warden takes hold of your hands and inspects the palms, and picks up your feet to inspect the soles. It's

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like a cattle market. Anyone with long hair is ordered to gather it up on their head. Warders search your hair. Menstruating wimmin are ordered to remove their tampons or pads. If a prisoner refuses, their sanitary protection is forcibly removed and inspected.

Wimmin who refused the search were beaten, kicked, forcibly strip-searched and left naked on the floor. One girl was blindfolded and badly beaten.

Her legs were forced over her shoulders and she was then put on 60 days punishment."

This is also carried out on wimmin who arent in a 'normal' state of health; those who are pregnant, those who have recently given birth and those who have recently miscarried.

It's a disgusting violation of wimmins rights. There are around 25 wimmin in the prison at the moment, and they've asked several times that a medical officer is present at the searches. This has been refused. The Board of Prison Officers has been asked to accompany wimmin on court appearances and to see for themselves the futility of the searching. This too has been refused.

It has no purpose for the security of the prison - it is done purely to break the wimmins wills before their trials. It is seen by many of the wimmin as similar to rape. They can do very little themselves so it is up to us to give them support in their struggle to end this degradation. The most important thing is to make people aware of what exactly is going on in the prisons, and the futility of it all. It's very difficult, as N.Ireland is over the water and people tend to shut it out of their lives, but once enough people know what's happening, maybe we can start moving towards getting the strip-searches stopped.

Having this done to you is one of the most degrading and humiliating experiences you can have, and these wimmin are forced into it constantly. It must be stopped. Get to the pickets if you can, distribute the leaflets and support these wimmin in their struggle.

The prison system should not exist at all, but while we are fighting to abolish it we should still join the struggle for better conditions for the poor bastards inside.

contact: Campaign Against Armagh Strip-Searches,  
5 Blessington Street,  
Dublin 7  
Northern Ireland.

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NEWS  
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## ANARCHIST BLACK CROSS

The Anarchist Black Cross is a prisoner's aid and support group which started around the time of the Russian revolution. It is run by Anarchists to ensure that Anarchist and other class-war prisoners aren't forgotten. Black Cross activities mostly consist of fund-raising activities (for legal costs etc.) and keeping in contact with prisoners by writing or visits. Prisons and embassies have been picketed in solidarity with imprisoned comrades in this country and abroad. Black Flag, the bi-weekly Anarchist paper, prints news and information from the Black Cross regularly, and many concessions and improvements in prisoners' conditions have been won with the aid of the Black Cross. We believe that prisons serve no useful purpose (except for the ruling class) and should be abolished along with the rest of the State. There are moves afoot to start a Black Cross group in Maidstone so if you are interested in helping please contact us at the Beano. For more general information contact the Black Cross, BM Hurricane, London WC1 3XX.

There is a miner from Betteshanger in Maidstone Prison, Terry French B73383, Weald Wing, he started a 4 year sentence in January this year.

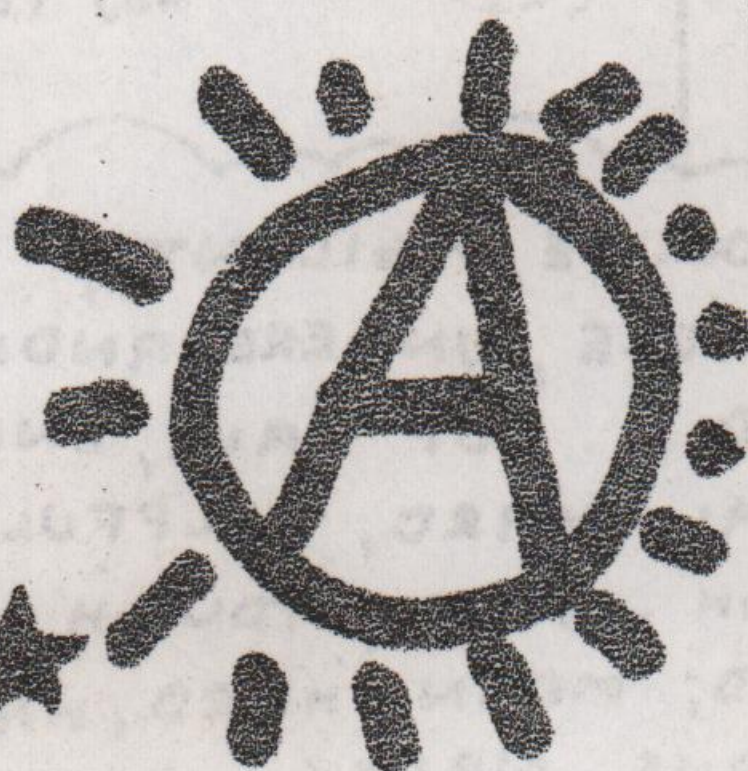
One of the Wickham 19 Animal Rights prisoners Sally Miller (D22865) is in H.M.Y.C.C. and Prison, East Sutton Park, Maidstone, Kent ME17 3DF. She has an 18 month sentence (6 suspended).

PLEASE WRITE TO THESE PRISONERS, EXPRESSING SOLIDARITY AND SUPPORT.

There is an organisation for Animal Rights prisoners- contact them at S.A.R.P, BCM Box 5911, London WC1 3XX. (Tel 01-888 2482)

### Man fined

Printworker Robert Clements, 41, of Macauley Close, Larkfield, who stole more than 300 copies of the Sun and The Times was fined £200 at Highbury Magistrates Court, North London, last week.



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# LETTERS

WRITE TO US PLEASE

## BEANO EXCLUSIVE - BRUCE KENT RESIGNS!!

Dear Comrades,

Hello me old mateys, Brucie here. I read your magazine and I thought it was pretty fucking amazing, in fact I agreed with everything, especially the CND article, so i've decided to become an anarchist. I'm sick of all these coppers letting me off when I sit in the road, just because i'm a bloody vicar - sod that for a laugh. I reckon we should all get together and piss on CND.  
Up the revolution!!

*Bruce Kent.*

PC. RASHER



IT WAS MUCH MORE FUN BEFORE THOSE NASTY PROLES STARTED FIGHTING BACK

....RESOLUTE, VIGILANTE, FLEXIBLE, UNDERSTANDING, HARD.... BUT FAIR, UNBIASED, LOYAL, HARD, HELPFUL, HARD, TOUGH, HARD, TOUGH, HARD, HARD, MEAN, HARD, HARD, HARD, VICIOUS, NASTY, HARD, EVIL, VICIOUS, DISPICABLE, LOATHSOME, HARD, FOUL, VIOLENT, OPPRESSIVE, DECEITFUL, FUCKING WICKEDLY BAD, SO BAD MY OWN MOTHER WOULDN'T SPIT IN MY SHIT-SPOUTING MOUTH..... AHM, I MAY EVEN MAKE PROMOTION.

FUCK OFF  
BRUCE KENT

OOOPS, THERE I GO BEING NASTY AGAIN

"...THE BEANO IS VERY INTERESTING..."



I read the last "Beano" with interest! a lot I agree with, some i disagree with. To me the page by Steve ("in my deepest inner caverns...") made the most sense, bits of it voiced what I'D felt for a long time. I've got no time I'm afraid, for the mysticisms, such as all these "spirits" we hear about. This is 1986 the world is a film, I go about my insignificant human interactions by day, meet people I like, I love, I (honestly) do not care about and some people I hate (strong word) or dislike. I get inspired by the sheer infinite power of nature (just go to snowdonia and you'll see what I mean) but I don't see or think or feel any spirits, do I? Anyway "get on with it" (as was point No.2 in my personal manifesto of 1984)..We should all be free to have our opinions especially in such as this particular thingy. These are mine...sorry if you disagree but too bad I can't channel my feelings to something more "revolutionary"...theres a lot of slogans on walls around these days... also a lot of near abstractions: "when the revolution comes we will..", "smash the system", "police oppression", "firstly the armed forces will be..", and it goes on. Personally I'd say this is a bit like buying the materials before you've even gone up the ladder to the roof to see what you'll need for the repairs (I think)...but the ladders a bit dodgy and you'd best repair that first. There is still too much dissolution and fear and mysticism and even hatred amongst people (workers, dossers, young, old, drop-outs, drop-ins etc.) "smash the system" or even something more constructive: "educate, agitate, organise" appears on a wall. Hundreds of people walk past it, some read, some don't because they read it the day before...how many do you think it means anything to? The label of "anarchist" we are given or chooseno matter what we do has the same anti-social, violent (and romantic) connotations in the minds of, I'd venture to say, the majority of people. We do ourselves NO favours by deliberately distancing ourselves in such a way (also such a label is self-destructive

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as are any labels, being extremely useful to the media to emphasize our "apparent" separation from society and also to condemn us all by making examples of one or two and in turn the whole damn lot. Moral: don't put all your tofuburgers in one basket, especially if its got "tofu-burgers" written in luminous pink paint on the side. I'm not sure if this applies but they're worth quoting:

"Rather than bang your fists on the wall its better to go around the other side and shake hands with the person on the other side, if necessary with the secret bomb in your back pocket." -Genesis P. Orrible  
 "Or even better make sure they invite you round for tea!" - M. de Seyde

Where was I? Oh yes, how to change society part two: theres too much hate which we are no less guilty of (I've no time for the halos of those in the moral hit parade) Much as the unpleasant mystical connotations of the word "love" fill me with suspicion or even disgust its a word I must use: theres not enough of it around. 'The Specials' wrote a song "If you have a racist friend now is the time for that friendship to end" which as someone in a capitalist blah blah bl music paper pointed out, is complete bullshit. Surely it'd make a lot more sense to find out their arguments and explain to them then, if (I'm not presumptuous. I don't believe in right and wrong on a universal scale, only to the individual) and or why you might disagree with them, and what your viewpoint is, and why and so on. Try to make them understand what your opinion is and why. If you are lucky, tolerant and understanding and not overly bloated with your own egotistical conviction that you are always right, they may even come over to your way of thinking. The curse of humanity is the stubborn belief that one is always in the right and working for the good of all. Just look at history if you don't believe (and by my own logic I must admit I could be completely misguided, if so, maybe its up to you to change that?) earth-shattering moral bigot guideline number 78: "shouting 'fascist' at the drop of a hat achieves absolute zero" For the rest of what I

**BLOW IT UP BURN IT DOWN KICK IT TILL IT BREAKS!**

would say, for now, read Steves article in the last issue, paragraph beginning "i believe that the initial way..." as it says pretty well what I would've said

Finally I believe that the most important thing is to accept nothing as more than the opinion of an individual you may or may not agree with. Merely because this is in a "morally sound" (though i think worthwhile crawl crawl) publication you should not accept it merely because of this. Accept if you agree, or accept it is not for you. Mark Perry said something really good along such lines but i can't remember it exactly. The essence of it, which is more valid than ever today, to this writing, to all writing, to everything: you either agree with this or you don't, whichever it is follow it only if these sentiments already existed in you, for all you know this could be a further selection of mumbo-jumbo from the lie factory.

THE SMASHER  
 (as seen in the Dandy)

GNASHER Z replies:

there are a coupla points i'd like to reply to. Firstly if The Smasher thinks 'Police Oppression' is a near abstraction then he ought to try attending a picket these days (or a thousand other things i could mention) or ask our black friends in the inner cities if they think police repression is an abstract idea!

The whole point of 'Racist Friend' to me is not that we should give up trying to get racists to stop being racists, but that we should no longer give people the benefits of friendship; these people are aligning themselves with fascists, bigots and murderers, we should not let our 'friends' get away with it.

One last point: you totally destroy your line of reasoning which you use to disagree with 'Racist Friend' with your final sentence.

## SITUATIONISM and DRY-STONE WALLING.

In my opinion it is an unarguable fact that society as we know it is held together and operates ultimately, along financial or materialistic goals and targets. Who benefits from these wealth generating ideals is obvious and it certainly isn't those of us who create it via our blood, sweat and tears. If we accept this fact then in an effort to dismantle this disgusting situation we must look in detail at the institutions, both physical and conceptual which must be destroyed before we can be free.

The cancerous monstrosities of government, religion, conventional education and other recognisable nasties must go but I also ask you to look further. The blatant lies fed constantly to us are by nature obvious but are there more subtle yet equally oppressive deceptions being perpetrated against us.

At the risk of sounding paranoid I myself have begun to question far wider issues. A suitable illustration but one which, superficially, makes me sound like a bit of a dodgepot is the question of whether Africa

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all signed articles are the responsibility of the writers. the Be@no collective don't necessarily agree with everything in this paper.



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exists. I myself believe it does, (The guys not totally stupid after all you may say) but only because I accept what I have been told as I have never experienced the process of travelling there and experiencing it for myself.

This particular scenario, is an extreme one but another example is that of the creationists v evolutionist battle which provides a similar situation.

Although totally rejecting the biblical explanation for the process of creation I also take with a huge sack of salt the establishment explanation, that of Darwinistic Evolution. This argument has been a catalyst for a huge amount of groundless state propaganda and even the freaked-out god squad have managed to pick huge holes in it and uncover blatant lies and contradictions.

Well my friends to the crux of the matter if they do this in a situation where all they have to gain is possibly a few dollars in new research funds or printing new textbooks for schoolkids then what the fuck else have they been pumping down our throats since who knows when.

If my statement at the beginning of this piece is to be accepted then we must logically conclude that the majority of societies tangible structures have been developed to serve these ends. Granted that alternatively things have been constructed for reasons of practicality but the rest must be targets for contempt, scepticism and possible destruction.

Under the terms I have outlined there will be no halfway stages and the risk is tremendous in reaching that state. If we were right however the rewards would be incalculable.

Once we had destroyed the books, the cars the swimming pools, the drystone walls etc. we may be left standing on a desolate shit heap but we would, at least finally have taken that symbolic personal journey to the Africa we have never seen.

EBERT/X.

## ANTI-NATIONAL FRONT DEMO IN CHATHAM ★

It seems that the Front has the Medway Towns earmarked for a campaign and future demos. We must wipe out the threat of Fascist activity in the Medway Towns.

The last counter-demo. was not wholly a success, due to lack of organisation. Nobody seemed to know what course of action to take. We made our presence felt but did not succeed in stopping it completely. Many different groups were present, with different views but we all had one aim in common, 'Smash the National Front'. So when the next NF meeting is planned we will have a meeting of Anarchists beforehand, to plan our action.

Whatever our views we must unite and Fight the Nazis.

Tim.

# NON-VIOLENCE

There is no violence but that we create and perpetuate by our own violence.....

So the obvious answer is to let it die. My article is about when I am frightened, and why I am frightened and my own answer.

It was a strange affair - the 2nd November Anti-Apartheid demonstration - you remember the peaceful rally where the aggressive police people (or lice or filth, certainly not human beings surprisingly similar to myself) attacked we innocent protesters.

I knew it was a peaceful demonstration on the protesters behalf, because I recognised the hissing and the jeering of 'traitor' at isolated and vulnerable black police people as a non-violent action. I understand that throwing bricks through Barclays Bank windows was a means of expressing our frustrated hopes for a non-violent future world (and a very constructive way of going about it too) and, of course, it was blatantly obvious to all present that the protesters pushing, shouting, fighting and directed aggression against the police was a result of police provocation, not (I'm glad to say) a result of our hideous horrible anger, which I might be tempted to label violence if I didn't know that it was bound to be the police who were being violent on our peaceful demo.

Unfortunately, I did not convince myself. On 2nd November I was frightened of the protesters of whom I was one - On reading articles labelling wimmin and men who work in the police force as 'lice and filth', I am frightened, and on knowing that too many people within the peace movement feel they must use violence as a vehicle for peace(!) I am frightened.

There is a future without violence - it is big and it is bright and we reach it through love and understanding. We cannot give birth to peace through violence.

Once upon a time on an Anti-Apartheid demo, someone threw a brick through a Barclays Bank window. On Monday morning the bank manager came and said "Good Heavens, who's done this? Anti-Apartheid? Yobs! Board it up and we'll have it fixed in no time." which they did, but unluckily they didn't forget about the Anti-Apartheid, whenever they remembered the movement, they thought - 'Yobs! Waste of time, the lot of them'

Once upon a time I saw a woman on a march collecting for the wimmin camping at Greenham - she was carrying a bucket.



which people chucked their money in - she didnt throw a brick at a policeman or curse him - he put £5 in the bucket and said to carry on the good work, which she went away and proceeded to do with the £5. In fact, had she thrown a brick at the policeman or cursed him and called him Rice, I'm almost certain he would not have put £5 in her bucket - of course, I may be wrong.

My definition of Peace equates love, this embraces understanding and attempts to forsake anger; it sacrifices aggression. Peace entails a complete refusal to create conflict. I am not prepared to spray red paint across a butchers shop- I see this as an act of violence. It cannot produce harmony or understanding. It cannot save the lives of the animals that must suffer but merely hardens feelings against vegetarianism/veganism. The only result is the butchers personal anger and a possible threat to his livelihood as a result of his unsightly shop.

To shout at a policeperson is to lose a supporter - to lose an essential part of our big, bright, peaceful future, for peace is a life, an ideal, perhaps even a dream, that is not limited to the Peace Camps. A peaceful future is created by individuals and must stretch to touch everyone and everything - there can not be a peace movement elite who can class all police people as filth and accordingly hurl painful objects at them.

It is difficult, and of course i experience anger and aggression and rarely see glimpses of 'a big bright peaceful future', but sometimes i do see it, and it is when I am understanding, when I listen and do not shout, when I respect people whatever they believe; I must not seem to threaten those who do not agree for I have too much to learn - I realize much of this probably sounds like a religious tract and in a sense perhaps it is, for peace is a faith - it must encompass every aspect in every one of our lives so that it can remove the indoctrination of the 'instinct' of violence in us.

There is no violence but that we create and perpetuate by our own violence..... so the obvious answer is to let it die.

Dizzie

Maidstone Animal Rights Group meets in St. Lukes Church Hall, Foley St. Maidstone on the first thursday of each month at around 7.30 ish. The following saturday they can usually be found leafletting at the top of Earl St. at about 11.00ish. →

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## Uncle Sam's next Vietnam?

In 1979, the Somoza regime was toppled, in Nicaragua, by the populist Sandanistas, and a huge programme of literacy projects, agricultural improvements and health care programmes initiated. Previously there was little to improve the lot of the people, and the Somoza regime was just another corrupt "banana republic". Seven years on, and the adult literacy rate is soaring, coffee and other crops are bringing in to Nicaragua much needed exchange. However this is now under threat. Initially from what remained of the old National Guard, led by General Enrique Bermudez, grew the counter-revolutionary Contras, which harass Nicaraguan peasants and put in jeopardy the coffee harvests. In the last few years however, the Contras have received increasing financial and material aid from the Reagan administration, the attacks as are increasing and escalating to outright terrorism. In neighbouring Honduras, many U.S. Army units are stationed there, and now thousands more troops and equipment are being moved in, in an outright escalation of hostilities, and old Uncle Ronnie is aiming to bring the new administration to heel in Nicaragua. This is just an example of the lengths to which Reagan will go to rid the world of what he sees as undesirable governments, they are the wrong shade of politics, in a word the U.S. is practising a kind of international McCarthyism, on a grand and de-stabilising scale. Witness the vast array of U.S. bases in this country, which enabled the pointless air-strike on Libya. How much of the said strike was because of terrorism, and how much was it due to the fact that Libya is ostensibly a Marx-ist country? I personally am not sticking up for Libya in any way, killing for any reason is wrong. What I do object to is the shadow that America casts on the globe, and I would like to see an increase in the boycotting of all things American, and the kicking out of U.S. bases from this country, just for starters.

steve.....april 1986.

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# WAPPING NEWS

There is a 24hour picket outside the News International plant in Wapping and a large march from Tower Hill tube (the nearest tube station) at about 7.30 every saturday. Support the Picket! The Printworkers must Win!

## A saga of deceit

by Brenda Dean

### BACKGROUND TO THE DISPUTE AT NEWS INTERNATIONAL:

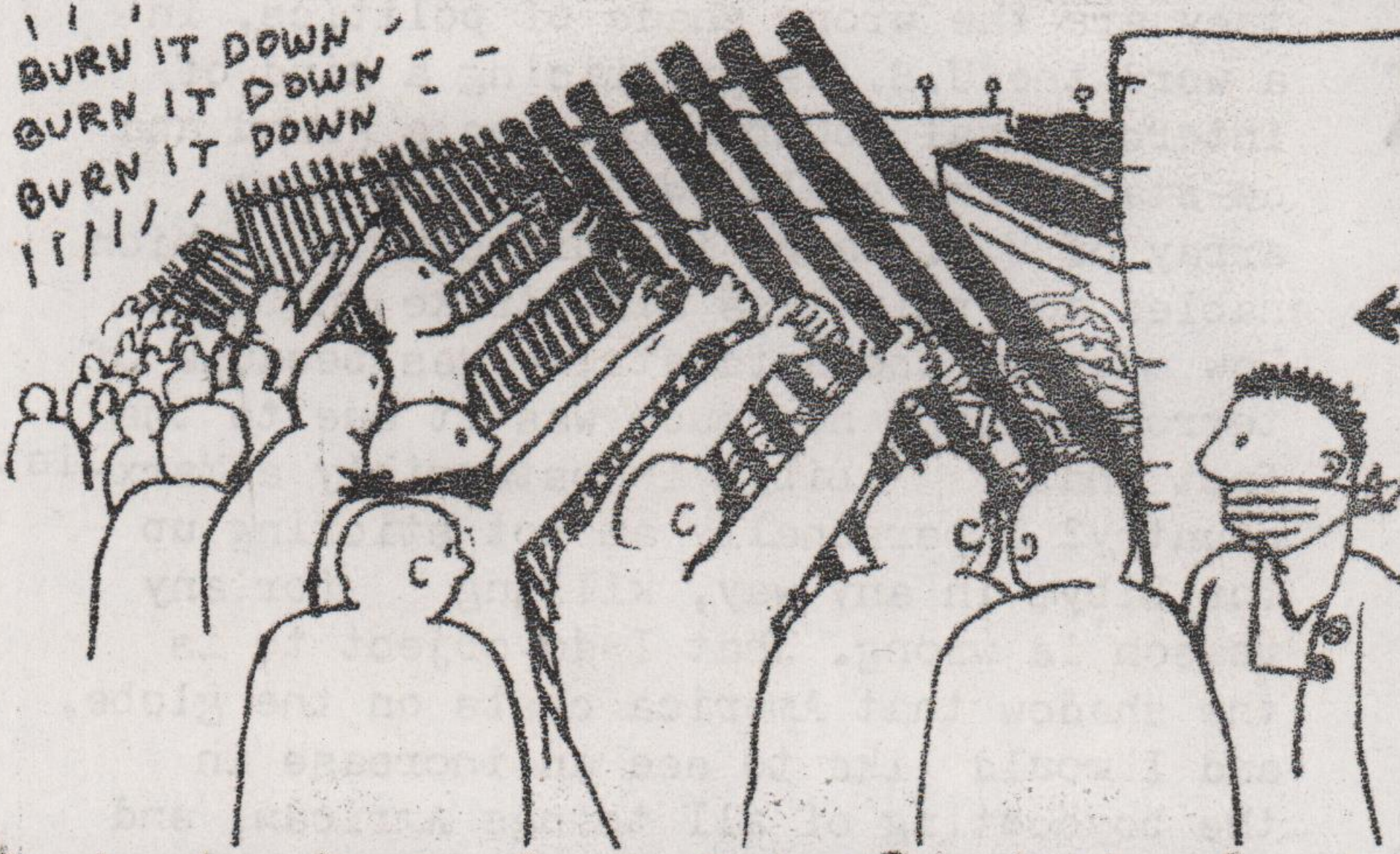
Rupert Murdoch, famous scumbag and proprietor of the Sun, News of the World, the Times and the Sunday Times deviously set up a secret printing plant in Wapping under the cover that it was for a new daily London paper. He recruited electricians to scab the printers jobs, guaranteeing to their union bosses (EETPU) that this is what they wouldn't be doing. (Not that the leaders of the EETPU would have minded anyway) Murdoch then provoked the printing unions (NGA & SOGAT) who were trying to negotiate new terms of working practices for the new technology, into striking and then sacked them, making sure that he would save millions of pounds on redundancy payments. This is more or less exactly what happened at the Kent Messenger plant in Larkfield, and 144 jobs were lost there, their strike went on for nearly a year and failed largely due to lack of support from other organisations. Murdoch musn't be able to do the same! His contract that he asked the print unions to sign, provoking the strike, including the removal of the right to strike for ANY reason, the right of management to decide who is a shop steward, immediate dismissal of anyone involved in industrial action and loads more unbelievable demands. 6,000 people have been sacked by this man in his lust for increased profits, he only earned £80 million last year, £47 million from News International and he wants even more! His part-owned company TNT transport are distributing the papers so that the Rail unions (papers are usually distributed by rail) can't stop the papers getting to the shops. Murdoch must be stopped! ★



General Secretary,  
SOGAT ★ ★ ★ ★

Ⓐ There are TNT depots at Hall lane, Aylesford, the old Holborough cement works in Snodland, and Ham Lane, Lenham and many distribution offices in Maidstone. Smash em!

BURN IT DOWN  
BURN IT DOWN  
BURN IT DOWN



## FUN ON THE PICKET LINE! ★

← a couple of Beano collective members attended the picket on Saturday march 15. There was a massive march from Tower Hill tube, about 7,000 people. As the front of the march was reaching the main gate, the back was only just leaving Tower Hill! The march stopped outside the gate and the crowd began to swell, and then people started to pull the iron railing fence down. Not willing to stand and watch, we joined in, swinging from the top as they came crashing down!

The riot police and police horses soon appeared, but there were so many of us that they were outnumbered and couldn't stop us pulling down the fence. Barricades of crash barriers were built across the road to stop the horses charging, but they charged into the crowd in the park-bit opposite the main gate, where the old folks and kids tend to stand. A lot of people got trampled and hurt in the charge cos there are railings either side so theres nowhere to run to. CONT'D →



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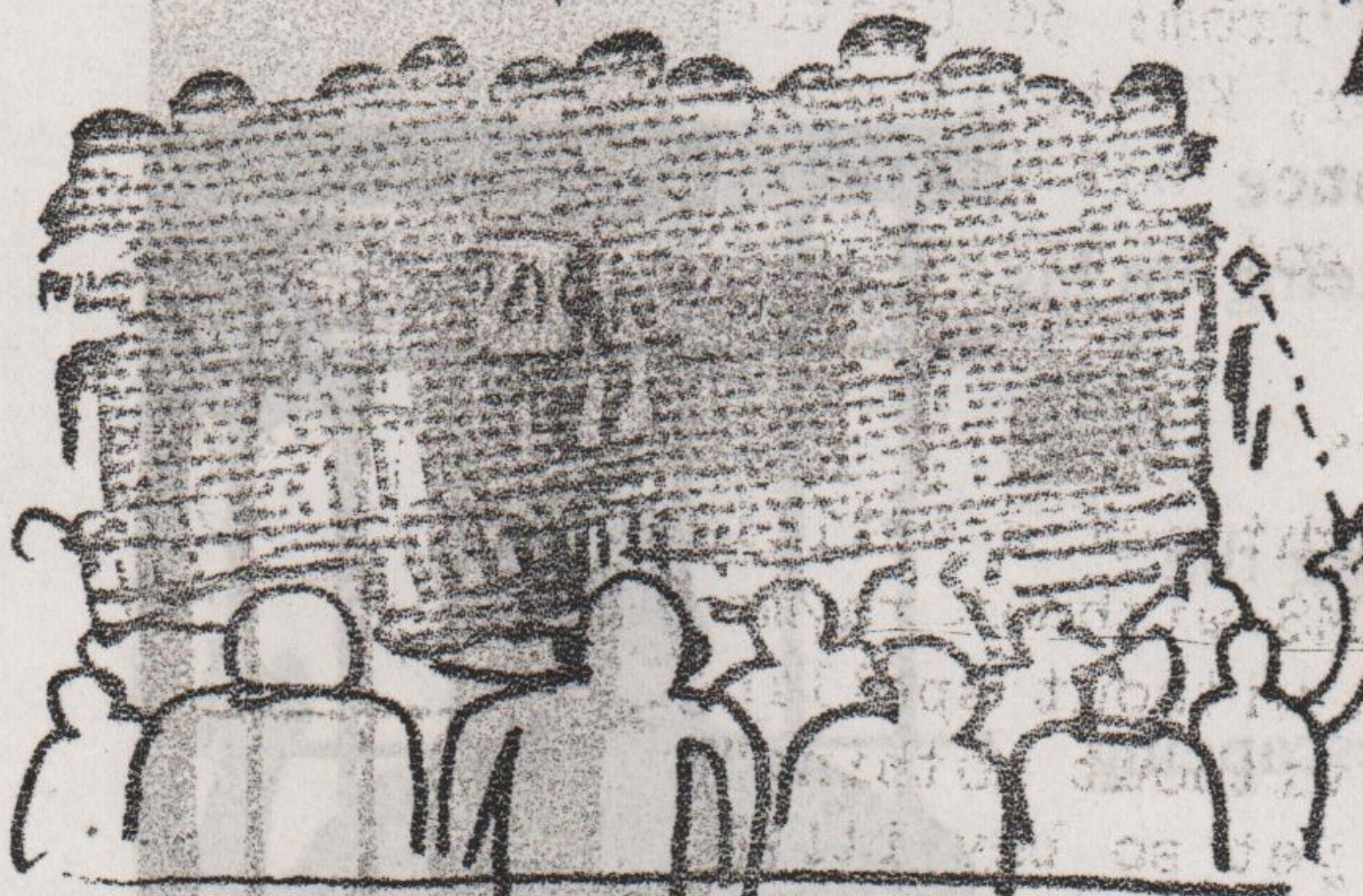
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PICKETLINE FROLICS

← The pigs got a lot of bricks and stuff bunged at them for doing this, and the riot pigs started to move out into the road, but there were still too many of us for them to clear the road. Near us in the crowd was a police Inspector on his own, keeping an eye on the crowd. He soon began to get some heavy abuse and then his hat got nicked and he started to call for help on his radio and loads of pointyheads rushed over to surround him. The police horses keep trying to charge up the road but the barricades prevented them. By about eleven o'clock a lot of people had drifted away and the riot pigs were right out in the road, but

there were still loads of people at all the exits and the roads were all well and truly blocked. The horses charged and cleared the road for a bit, and we had to leave at about midnight, but the hassle and picketing carried on all night. The lorries are supposed to come out at about nine o'clock, to allow them to get out to the TNT distribution centres early enough for the papers to be driven round the newsagents, but this time the lorries were kept in until three in the morning! If enough people could get up there and stay they could be stopped from leaving. SUPPORT THE PICKETS, SUPPORT THE PRINTWORKERS, TOGETHER WE CAN WIN!



## **VICTORY TO THE HIT-SQUADS! @**

As well as the pickets at Wapping there have been numerous flying pickets at TNT depots around the country. 75 pickets delayed the lorries for about 3 hours at the snodland depot and broke 2 lorries' windows a couple of weeks ago. Lorries were set fire to in the Brentwood, Essex depot, destroying 2 of them. Lorries in the Aylesford depot have also been attacked with paint. Numerous other bits of direct action against TNT have taken place, drivers have been attacked and one depot has been forced to move because of concerted picketing.

The papers are usually delivered and left outside newsagents at about 5.00 to 6.00 in the morning by unmarked white C-reg transit vans (usually Volkswagen LT45 vans) loads of papers have been snatched and spoiled or burnt by activists all over the country. The union bureaucracies of the NGA and SCGAT have been trying to win the dispute via legal wrangling (and losing due to the Tories' evil new anti-union laws) and with a big publicity campaign. They have tried to water down the mass pickets. We need to have massive, active pickets outside Wapping, pickets prepared to beat the police over p.17. control of the streets, and we need active hit squads taking direct action and sabotage in the TNT depots and against the scabs, vans and newspapers.

**SUPPORT SOGAT @ AUEW @ NUJ @ NGA**



# DEAD YUMMY RECIPE ★★ ★

## REALLY TASTY FLAPJACKS

4oz marge  
3oz treacle or even better, honey  
3oz sugar  
8oz rolled oats

Put marge, syrup/honey and sugar into pan and heat till its all melted. Stir in the oats and mix well. spread into greased tin (making sure to accidentally leave a bit, so you have to eat it).

Bake in the centre of a moderate oven 350F, 180C, gas 4 for half an hour. Leave in the tin for a bit (if you can stand it) then cut it into slices and stuff them all down your throat as quick as you can.



# SAY IT WITH ★ ★ SPRAY! ★ ★

I know a lot of this has probably been said before but its worth repeating. If visiting any city or large town you'll see graffiti. But its important that wherever you live, town/village, that you make the presence felt. Graffiti isn't mindless vandalism it is a way of direct contact with those we want to communicate with. It is an uncensored way of combating the state media. People can't avoid reading it if put in the right place, and once read its then digested.

To be effective graffiti has to be hard hitting and if necessary repeated many times. Good slogans can combine a number of greivances. "millions starve while we buy Trident" combines peace, famine and our duty to the poor and starving. Others can be short and to the point, "Meat is Murder", "Peace Now", "Botha=Hitler" etc I am sure you can think of many more.

When graffiti-ing I think there are a couple of things we should respect. Peoples homes and walls are often in good positions but we lose support and hassle the very people we are trying to communicate with. It's no use spraying "@ Freedom Respect" on someone's newly painted fence as I once saw, indeed its a contradiction. Derelict builings, billboards, vacant walls, car park walls, alleys, empty shops and houses, telephone boxes, subways... etc are the best targets. Its important that we begin to graffiti in the centres of our towns and cities not just confine it to the back streets. Take lists and get the message to many more people, 'hit' the

main pedestrian ways, roads, shopping and parking areas. In the centres stencils are a good idea. They say the same but in a smaller space. Repeat them in gaps between shops, stairways, pillars, backs of road signs, electricity boxes etc.

Stickers are another way, there are some good ones about to go on lamp posts, road signs at eye level, also inside phone boxes, on windows, next to the wording on signs... flyposting may need a bit more organisation but adds photos and colour to the message! they often say more too.

Individuals can do a lot, just remember when your next out and theres a chance of walking home late or early in the morning take a spray can with you and stickers etc. A lot of ground can be covered and push bikes are an advantage you can pre-plan the areas and walls and in the space of 2 hour-hour, the message can get home to many more people. Above all BE IMAGINATIVE!

Peter 'Paint' 86

Smiffy says- if your going to do any of this be fucking careful, the pigs are aching to nick people even for carrying marker pens! Don't get caught.

whos law?

there is no justice  
only man makeing up his  
petty laws  
and  
the hawk killing the  
shrew  
or the worm escapeing  
the blackbird  
and the cat being  
run over by the car

if there is justice  
the justice is violence

BILLY CHILDISH.

Billy has brought out a brilliant new book, "POEMS without rhyme without reason without spelling without words without nothing" It's his best yet so buy it! It's available from: 3d Castle Hill, Rochester, Kent, it costs £2 inc. post etc. but its well worth it, its got a proper spine and all that.





## THUNDER CAVE

even the gods have to  
move with the times  
Valhalla has been  
renamed Yorkiebarra  
Odin holds court  
in a greasyspoon caff  
surrounded by truckers  
who died with their  
steering columns in their hands  
they await Ragnarok  
twilight of the gods  
when the bad guys  
will jam the roads  
in Ford Capris  
when battle will commence  
to the tune of  
screaming tyres/twisting metal/  
crashing windscreens/  
broken bodies/burning petrol  
all gods must pass  
as these do  
on darkened motorways  
in a peal of  
sixteenwheel thunder

PHIL KANE

WHAT A BASTARD ★ ★ ★  
**100 MORE**  
**POLICE TO**  
**BE RECRUITED**

Not content with the incredible amount of  
pigs on the streets of Maidstone at night  
they have just started a new recruitment  
campaign to enlist yet more! As well as  
the armoured water cannons they bought a  
few years ago they want to swell their  
numbers by another 100. The Beano has  
also recently heard that the Maidstone  
police have been practicing their riot  
training on West Malling airfield. Anyone  
who still retain the idea that our local  
police aren't a complete bunch of  
bastards should bear in mind these pre-  
parations for any imminent social  
discontent, or alternatively try and  
walk around after midnight without being  
hassled by the boys in blue.  
Gnasher-Q

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## COMPETITION

SPOT THE  
DIFFERENCE

YOU COULD WIN  
A FREE BOMB &  
A SOLO TRIP ROUND  
BUCKINGHAM PALACE  
AT MIDNIGHT!!





# RED WEDGE -

## Holding open the doors of Capitalism?

A fair amount of publicity has been given to the formation of a new group of musicians called Red Wedge. Those concerned are socialist pop worthies such as Dee C. Lee, Sade, Billy Bragg, Style Council, Tom Robinson, The Communards etc.

Their alleged aim is to show young people that politics is not boring and to help them make their minds up about which Political Party to support. Despite this being repeated, Red Wedge is really just an attempt to recruit young people to the Labour Party, or get their votes at the next election, at least.

I don't intend to slag off individual members of Red Wedge. Most of them have integrity (anyway I just adore Jimmy of The Communards!...) and seriously want to improve things. Neither would I slag them off for being Socialists. After all Anarchists are Libertarian Socialists, i.e. we too want an equal society. (Where we differ from the State Socialists is that we want a FREE and equal society.) My main criticism of Red Wedge is in their attachment to the Labour Party.

Okay, we all admit the Tories are shits. No doubt about it. However the Labour Party is no logical alternative for young people. Think about it. Let's have an alternative look at the Labour Party, shall we? The LP's leader, Neil Kinnock is a scab. During the Miners' Strike he refused to condemn Police violence against pickets and mining communities. (Which side are you on boy?) Under his leadership, the LP, the so-called Working Class party, was notable for its lack of Class solidarity. By his own admission he sees getting the LP into power, at the next election, as being the most important thing. The Party itself, (in an attempt to make itself appear more moderate and appealing) moves ever Rightwards and further away from any pretense of Socialism. This is so much so that even authoritarian Revolutionary Socialist supporters of the Party (Militant etc.) now consider leaving it completely.

20 The Labour Party are like all political parties and politicians; THEY CANNOT BE TRUSTED.

In an attempt to gain support, they have always tried to make out that they are the upholders of popular causes. You know: "Vote for us and when we get in we'll give you what you want." Let us look at just one issue, nuclear disarmament, (a popular one amongst young people) to show what they actually do in practice. Naive CNDers please note.

It was the Labour government of 1946-51 who ordered the development of 'Britain's Bomb'. When CND became popular in the late '50s-early '60s, to gain credibility, the hypocrites supported it. At the 1964 General Election they promised to unilaterally disarm, if they got into power. When they did they showed themselves worthy by...wait for it...not disarming after all but by developing Polaris missiles instead! Over the next few years Labour's support for CND changed with the nations. The last thing for disarmament they did, whilst in power, was in 1978, when they made top secret plans to renew Britain's nuclear weaponry, the Chevaline Project. Heard enough yet?

Red Wedge may make great music but don't be fooled into supporting the Labour Party. They are no alternative to the Tories. Okay, they may not be as bad but as a political party their aim is government. As a government they would administer the State, which is used by the capitalist Ruling Classes to control us. They have no integrity. The LP is as capitalist as the Tories.

What to do then? Again the Anarchist answer is simple. Do you really need to be told, by leaders, what to do? Forget political parties, organise yourselves! It is possible to form your own Anarchic autonomous groups or join those already in existence. Together we can build a movement controlled by nobody but ourselves. A movement capable of overthrowing capitalism and building a free, equal Anarchist society.

LET'S GO FOR IT!

Keyhole Kote.



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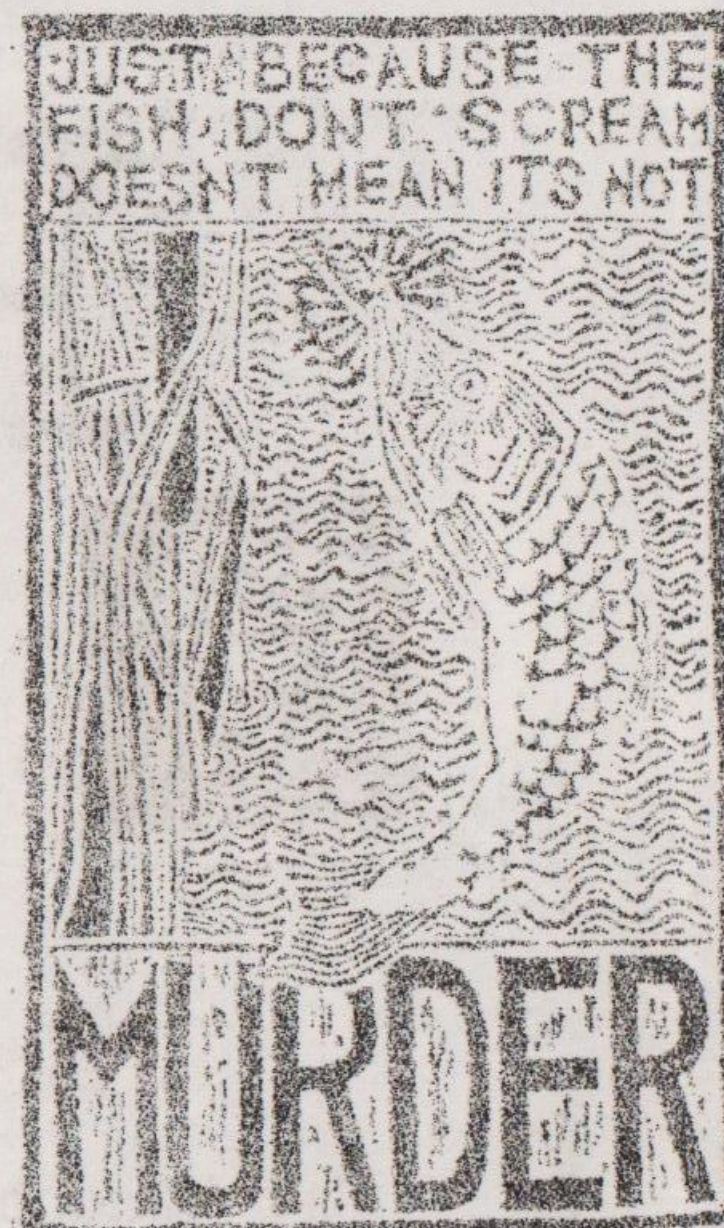
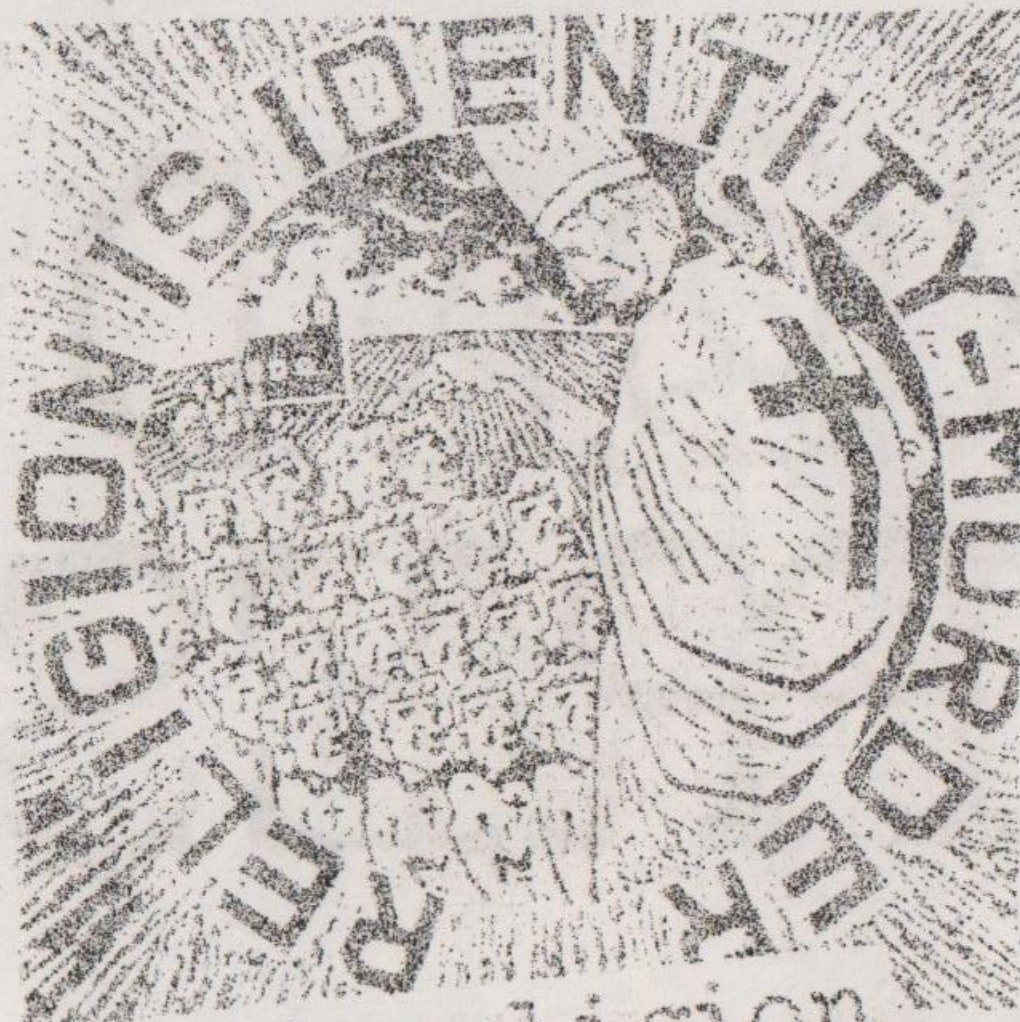
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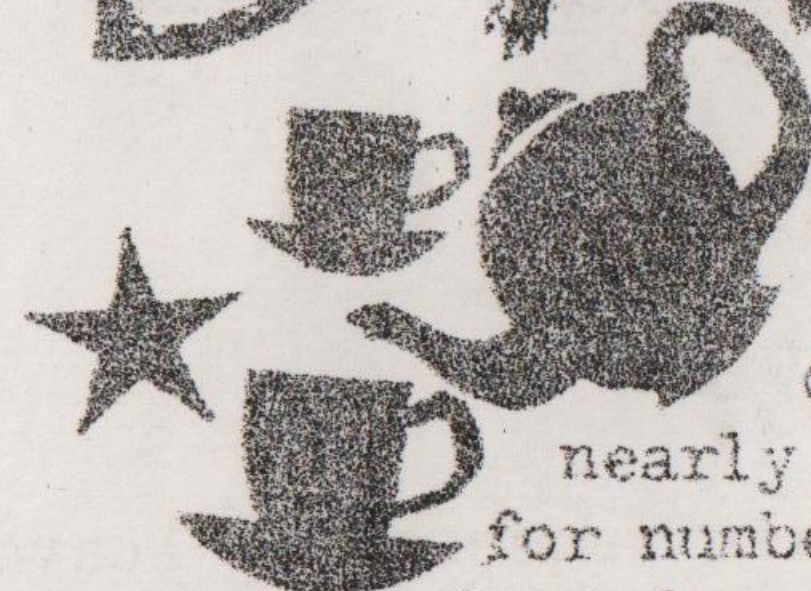
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