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Bloody Sunday

Editorial.

Wednesday 28th of January was the 26th anniversary of Bloody Sunday. The anniversary of the day when 14 'rioters' were killed by the British army in occupation of Northern Ireland, apparently because the army heard the firing of L.R.A. guns from the windows of the street. Who's orders it was to open fire in the first place, is still an issue. It is an issue that has been 'opened up to enquiry' by the New Labour dictators.

Although this enquiry is over 20 years too late to be of use to anybody, Norman Tebbit, writing for the Mail on Sunday, still tried to twist the argument into an attack on the L.R.A.

"Bloody Monday, bloody Tuesday, bloody Wednesday, bloody Thursday, bloody Friday and bloody Saturday"; he accused in his article on the announcement of this strangely arranged situation earlier this month.

Bloody Sunday must be taken as a situation of massive severity by all free thinking people of this country, and more widely. The implication of the army getting away with killing 14 innocent catholics on the grounds that they may have been 'rioting', is both shocking and concerning for all of us who stand by the right to protest. This does not only mean 'peaceful protest', as is so often pushed at us by 'democracy', but also the right to protest through the acts of direct action and riot that are denied us because of the laws passed to protect the ruling classes and the state.

If the British government, or any government at all, decide that to shoot innocent people, then that can only point out the totalitarian nature of state. But it

is also a matter of severity and concern that the army can get away with the murder of innocent people, on the grounds that there may have been riot!

If this enquiry does go on to justify the actions of the British army in this bloodshed, then what does this imply for movements such as the anti poll tax movement? Or **S t r a n g e w a y s ?**

Does it mean that the army will have the right to kill people in cold **b l o o d ?**

We are aware that the situation in Ireland is serious and bloody in itself. But we are not trying to offend anyone, or get involved, with any part of the Irish struggle. Yes, we support the actions of guerillas (as stated in 101 Questions to the C.C.A.), but to try to get ourselves involved with the faction fighting of Northern Ireland would only serve to be counter productive. What we are saying is that, the massacre of innocent people by the state, can never be justified. We must take this with the most severity that we can. Bloody Sunday was not an isolated incident of government atrocity. Authority exists around us every day; and if authority does decide to just shoot people, then there is little we can do about it.

That is without solidarity. The revolution and the overthrow of all authority is the way that this, and every other injustice, will be sorted out. Only through taking up the gun ourselves, will justice prevail for the downtrodden.

The C.C.A. are nothing to do with the politics of Northern Ireland. But our philosophy supports the revolution.

The CRUXIFYER is no longer going to be a regular publication. This is partly due to lack of funds, and partly due to the fact that I wish to spend more time in study and in setting up a worldwide resistance to the sex industry. All the same, The CRUXIFYER will still be printed, as and when we have the funds, and the C.C.A. will continue to exist as a campaigning organisation. There is an article on the back page about membership, for anyone who may be interested. We do accept that the newsletter still needs improvement, but hopefully The CRUXIFYER will become a better issue as we continue to print it. We did get some very adverse criticism from issue no.2, one letter is printed overleaf, but we still have support as an anarchist group setting up to advocate revolution as an alternative to organised capitalism.

The aim of the C.C.A. has always been to inspire debate and to discuss the issues in anarchism, such as the question of the free distribution of food, and in particular, the role of the sex industry in the running of the state. Now that we have set up from within a psychiatric hospital to debate these issues, we feel that it is now time into setting up the C.C.A. as an organisation who can actually debate. As with all political issues, there will always be a number of people who will disagree. However, the C.C.A. have done well in setting up to discuss these arguments, as well as our own, and we now believe that it is time to put more energy into setting up a group. I was recently sent an article for publication on the MayDay '98 conference that was organised before The CRUXIFYER went to print. Unfortunately, by the time of publication, it will be too late to print it. Aswell as that, the C.C.A. have to support the people who cannot attend meetings such as this; in particular psychiatric patients and those in prison, no matter what we are doing time for. Even so, contributions for future issues are always welcome, as are submissions for the Guerilla Press. All support is always appreciated on genuine terms, and we value debate. Note that we have a new address for correspondence in London

Sunday 26th of January 1972

INSIDE INFO

The Anarchist Black Cross are still producing their excellent paper, Taking Liberties, although it has not come out now for about nine months. As a result of this, production of the paper has moved to Sheffield, where they are planning to bring out a bigger and revamped T.L. To contact them, write to: Sheffield A.B.C., c/o BOX 446, SHEFFIELD, S1 1NY.

Action Against Injustice continue their campaign, issuing questionnaires to all those who took part in the November hunger strike. Although not relevant to psychiatric hospitals, it's sussed. To get in contact with them, write to: A.A.I., P.O. BOX 858, LONDON E9 5HU.

A.L.F. SUPPORTERS GROUP:
B.M.1160, London, WC1N 3XX.

It should be pointed out that the addresses for the GANDALF defendants (see below), are: NOEL MOLLAND (CK4321), and SAXON WOOD (CK4322), H.M.P. Guys Marsh, Shaftsbury, Dorset, SP7 OAH. The third defendant, STEVE BOOTH (CK4323) is, H.M.P. Lancaster, The Castele, Lancaster, LA1 1YL.

It may be useful to know the following:
SECRETARY OF STATE, C3 Division,
Home Office, Queen Anne's Gate, London
SW1H 9AT.

Complaints about the mental health system stand a better chance of being heard if they are sent here; MENTAL HEALTH ACT COMMISSION, Maid Marian House, 56 Houndsgate, Nottingham NG1 5BG.

It is possibly of use that the A.B.C. address list is being updated by their Brighton group. Address unavailable at present.

STRIKE NEWS

The Hillingdon hospital unions have been on strike now for longer than the Liverpool Dockers. Abandoned by UNISON. HSSC, c/o 27 Townsend Way, Northwood, Middlesex, HA6 1TG.

Dont forget the Magnet Workers: STRIKE COMMITTEE, c/o Ian Crammond, 109 Jedburgh Drive, Darlington DL1 9UP. Watch this space. Source: Pablo.

The anarchist critique of The CRUXIFY

Greetings Tim,

I will get straight to the point 'bruvver', The Cruxifyer no.2 is the biggest load of crap that I have read since I last picked up a G.A. paper.

I will go through my criticisms one by one, now it starts with an apology to Class War, I have very good friends who were the originals of Class War and they have never claimed to be a vanguard of any resistance, just a part of a working class movement which started in the late 70s' and early 80s'. Unfortunately the movement slowly eroded into just what it was against, they were infiltrated by middle class assholes who were more interested in selling the paper and the real people drifted away to do better things. By the end Class War as a movement had become a joke! They were NEVER the only people who realised the nature of revolutionary struggle. The ABC were doing good work well before Class War was even thought of. Tell me is the CCA an anarchist movement, if so then you just have not got a clue about what anarchism means.

Secondly, the 24 hour hunger strike which I joined in with was a show of solidarity for framed prisoners like myself. And the AAI did not come out of Class War, a few members may be ex-Class War but that does not mean

they were formed by Class War. I never recieved a xmas card from them either but that was not the point. Solidarity was the point not a bloody xmas card list.

Thirdly how can you recommend a newsletter (Freedom) to people and not know what they are on about, I have not read any of this twice weekly stuff so I cannot comment on the quality but to recommend it without understanding is crass.

Now we get to you worst 'crime', how can you disrespect one of the great revolutionaries in history who was sadly murdered. Che Guevara is dead, he died for his people and his ideals. To claim he is the leader of the CCA is not only absurd but is a disrespect to his name and a disrespect to the reader of your comic. You are a very sick man Tim and you have insulted my intelligence. You are a disgrace to all TRUE anarchists. I have been an anarchist all my life, I have suffered inside, di us all a favor and FUCK OFF we do not want or need you. Have you got my message you phony piece of shit?

Pablo Locke. HH2797

Does anybody out there have a copy of 'Towards a Citizens Militia', that we can forward?

G . A . nd A . L . F .

Although the GANDALF support campaign take a long time to respond to mail (were not even sure that they do), we have written to the prisoners themselves, and are expecting a reply as this is being written.

First, we should explain that G.A.ndA.L.F. stands for Green Anarchist and Animal Liberation Front; the editors of the magazine and the A.L.F. newsletter being the defendants against charges of conspiracy, relating to material that has been printed in the so-said periodicals. Three activists from these movements have already been sent down, with others awaiting trial. The total cost of this episode so far, including police investigation and the trial, has cost £2,000,000.

The issue at stake here, is freedom of speech. The issue is about censorship and the reporting of direct action. Three activists have already been imprisoned for

speaking ot, and this system has found Big Brother. We can only fight this if we are together. We urge all activists to write to the extra parliamentary left, urging non-sectarianism, solidarity and dialogue on the issue. Write to the politicians to declare your anger against the issue. Most importantly, write to the defendants; addresses in inside info. Help with the organisation of protests, through contacting the addresses below. But, above all, be aware. New Labour will not help us. Speak for direct action, stand for direct action. Above all; fight.

GREEN ANARCHIST: BCM 1715,
LONDON, WC1N 3XX.

ALF Supporters Group: BCM 1160,
LONDON, WC1N 3XX.

GANDALF Supporters Campaign,
P.O.BOX 66, Stevenage, SG1 2TR.

Saddam Crisis Impends

We know that there needs to be improvement in The CRUXIFYER. Things like layout, paragraph spaces where articles lead on from one another, and of course, in the content of the leaflet. Our excuse is that we are only just getting used to new software.

The CRUXIFYER #2 was produced on a locked ward at bedtimes, so therefore it obviously couldnt have been the best that we were capable of.

But it provoked a response like this.

We understand that there will always be differences in opinion, and trying to promote a new left wing extreme, we are bound to have our critics. But we didn't expect anything like this.

Dont get us wrong, we are not printing this article in any way in order to try to criticize the author; we have been in correspondence since this letter was sent, and we are getting along again.

The point is that, if we are running an anarchist campaign, then some people are, of course, going to be pissed off. But there is such a thing as freedom of speech. In this case this goes both ways. Firstly Pablo Locke does have a right to express himself. He is a friend and an important correspondent. On the other hand, we are printing The CRUXIFYER as an issue to protest against the state monitoring thought on political subversives.

All the same, most people will not be able to believe that 1984 is happening today, so lets get to the point. Che Guevara is dead. He died tragically in the 1960s', defending his name and the Cuban revolution. We apologise if we have slandered his name, and we are understanding that we have made some people upset.

So lets get on with it. We welcome people to send in their own views, points and opinions. The CRUXIFYER is a newsletter for the Cestre Centre Anarchists to comment on the campaigns that support our organisation. The CRUXIFYER is free, and anyone ready to express a view on what we say, is welcome to do so in these pages. The C.C.A. were founded to offer solidarity to those exploited as the most downtrodden in society, and to pose the alternative of revolution, whilst standing to debate the issues involved. We still stand to debate the issues of anarchism, vice and the asylum system. Letters asking questions to the C.C.A. about our view are welcome. And we always respond to mail. To debate these issues is our most fundamental line, and we would welcome any response.

Once again, the U.S. play God in the perpetual war against anything they see to be 'undemocratic'; democracy being the front used to threaten the east with atomic weapons. And New Labour seem to like the game. Thousands of tons of chemicle and biological weapons lie in the hands of Saddam Hussien, and the western world are playing heartstrings with the threat of absolute anihilation.

The sanctions instated against Iraq, seem to have had little effect on the military dictatorship (of either country), despite the fact that sanctions have already killed more than half a million Iraqi children. It wont be making the situation for them any easier if chemicle weapons sites are bombed.

It wont make life easier for anybody else, either.

The military action that has already been taken against Iraq hasn't helped anybody yet, so why the threat of another war? Some say that the threat of war against Saddam Husien, is only likely to end the work that has already been done by U.N. inspection teams. But the U.S. have their sights set firmly on war, and no one is going to stop them. That is, except for the people.

It takes the solidarity of everybody to avert a nuclear strike, but we have done it before. And if we can say that, then who is the real madman? Is it President Clinton, or Saddam himself?

If the weapons inspectors that Iraq are so opposed to were not a team of inspectors for the U.S., then maybe the attitude of the Iraqis' would be a different attitude altogether. It would seem that what Saddam Husien is against, is that weapons inspectors are working against his country, and on a biased principal. Don't get us wrong: chemicle and biological warfare is an issue that we are opposed to more than anything else. But we strongly urge the government of Tony Blair to align itself with a broader view, to withdraw their support for the U.S. position. We urge them, instead of waging a war that could impend the end of mammal life on the planet, to use their good relations with the U.S. to urge negotiations to find a simpler solution to the crisis than chemicle, biological or nuclear war.

We are united in our aim to rid the world of all weapons of mass destruction, including those held by Britian and the U.S., and were particularly alarmed by the statement made last week by U.S. Assistant Secretary of Defence Kenneth Bacon, refusing to rule out the use of B61-

deep penetration nuclear missiles as a means of achieving their military objectives in Iraq.'

We do not put it past the U.S. to actually go through with their threats, and drop nuclear arsenal on Iraq. But we must build now, as we have done so in the past, to avert a nuclear crisis.

The C.C.A. is the address to support conscientious objectors to war, and we intend to oppose this entire episode as another violation of our right to be free. No other country, except Blairs New Britian have offered to support the U.S. in their bullying of nations which threaten the stability of capitalist democracy; not that we support dictators. By the time you read this, there may have already been a nuclear strike. We may not be able to read because we are blind; or worse, we may all be dead.

The C.C.A. are in contact with the National Peace Council, and they seem to be organising against war already. They seem to be the only people doing that aswell.

Therefore we have written to them asking to become contacts. Contact them through the following address, or alternatively via us.

National Peace Council, 88 Islington High Street, London N1 8EG.

WWW.GN.APC.ORG/NPC

OBSCENITY

As reported by 'Freedom' in the issue dated, 7/2/98, pre frontal lobotomy is set to return. Not only this, but it is to be administered without the consent of the person involved.

As reported in 'Freedom': "This operation is due to be forced on some patients in Scotland following a descision by Sam Galbraith, the Scottish health minister, and, if they get away with it there, introduced in England and Wales as represented by the government-appointed Good Practice Group on Neurosurgery, to the shame of the surgeons involved".

For those who don't already know, this is the operation where they operate on somebodies brain in order to cure them of mental illness.

This must not be allowed to go ahead, and every person who stands against this, particularly those who wish to set up a campaign, should immediatly contact us.

MEMBERSHIP

Membership of the Cestre Centre Anarchists is open to everyone involved in a political campaign, and is free to prisoners. To join the C.C.A., apply by writing a letter to the below address, explaining your involvement with activism, and expect a reply. Membership then costs £20 (free to prisoners). This is not an attempt to be sectarian or elitist, it is a measure to prevent the police and the right from getting involved and screwing things up.

It is important that people join, as we desperately need the funds in order to keep running the newsletter (although it will be more erratic from now on), and to set up in campaigning on a worldwide scale against the sex industry.

We intend to raise funds by setting up a political publishing press. We have already applied for one I.S.B.N., and by the time this comes out, then we should have it. But in order to be able to set up in printing, we first need to raise the necessary funds in order to do this. We also need funds to be able to print leaflets and pay for mailouts, the rest of the stuff that is involved with setting up a political diresque.

We have mainly set up so far using our own funds, which are few and far between. But in order to be able to properly campa

-aign against the institutions that threaten to corrupt revolution, then we need support (financially and morally)

The C.C.A. are essentially established to discuss the issues involved with anarchism, to support the downtrodden where we can, and to discuss the political righteousness of 'from here to there'. If anyone has an issue to put to the C.C.A., then get in touch. Campaign literature and literature are available from this address in return for a donation; and we are particularly interested in interest from publishers. On the same note, anyone who is too skint to afford membership is free to put their name on the mailing list for The CRUXIFYER when it comes out.

We are also willing to offer distribution for leaflets produced by animal rights or anarchist groups in our mailouts, if they will not be out of date by the time the newsletter is produced and back from the printers. But please remember that in order to print, we need funds.

Take into account that, no money sent to the C.C.A. is ever imbezzled. So far it has virtually all been paid for by myself with funds from certain good people who have sent regular donations. Bundles of 100 copies of the newsletter cost £10, and we value help with distribution. C.C.A.

RED CROSS LAST WARNING

We hope the Red Cross know what they are doing, because the use of their ambulances to transfer patients from hospitals to locked wards, has become an issue of contention in itself.

The use of ambulances to bring patients into these places, is a cause of political concern to ourselves, and if they do not stop doing it, then they will become a political target.

It is not the work of the Red Cross to bring people into prison, and therefore we demand to know, what is their purpose in bringing people into these places. We sincerely hope that it is not due to an idea that the mentally ill are somehow something different from prisoners in general, because in these places we are not.

If it were to be the case that ambulances were used in order to put people in prison, it would be a political issue. Therefore it should be seen as something political that the Red Cross are involved with the sectioning of ourselves; some of whom are political prisoners. This is not the first time we have had this out with the Red Cross.

It is the Red Cross who make a point that they are impartial to any faction of war, anywhere in the world. Therefore we are taking this opportunity to declare that the abuse of psychiatric patients is something that is now not only a political issue, but is an actual statement of war.

Nothing justifies the action of the authority that dictates people are locked up here. With arsonists and subversives sectioned for political offences, we issue this last warning to the ambulance service in general, but particularly the Red Cross:

If you are not the target for actions of war, then please understand that you do not want to become a target for a guerilla front. We are, some of us arsonists, some of us much worse. But we are people, and as such demand that we should not be treated as prisoners, second class prisoners at that, by people who preach compassion and equality against war. If you do not listen, then our guerillas will not be at the picnic.

The Downing Street Bomber.

stamps

Thanks to those who sent us stamps for the last issue. They were used to send manuscripts. Nice little orange bits of paper with the monarchs head decapitated and stuck in the corner. We like stamps, but we do not like Princess Diana.

Don't the postal service have any awareness into the situation with anarchist papers today? We're sure they do.

So can't anyone do anything against the spectre of the Lady Diana being stuck onto every envelope sent to the thinking people of this country? We are so incensed by this 'figurehead' being stuck onto the face of British postage, that we are asking for support from the postal workers union to get this situation changed. Does anyone have contacts with anyone in the postal service that can take this matter to the unions, even the T.U.C.?

We envisage a day when the post were free, even a day when the anarchists will have taken over technology to make communication a means of the people, not business. But to accept the Princess Dianas head on the front of first class stamps, has to be a step back. The C.C.A. intend to make this a matter of protest, and to take the issue to the people, we are so insulted. Nice houseplants stamps would go down O.K. The cartoon stamps we liked. But to put the head of a fascist icon on the front of stamps, we take as an insult.

So what is the solution? If we are unsuccessful in taking the issue to the unions, then maybe a mass campaign of defacing stamps would serve to bring the issue to the ears of those that print the things. At the risk of going down, like the GAndALF three did, we think we support a mass campaign of direct action.

To put a single first class stamp on an envelope and send a brick, would make the point. But this would surely only serve to create trouble and to upset the revolutionary postmen who would have to carry them about.

So a solution may be to send the first class stamps to us, so that we can use them as part of a campaign that niether likes nor acknowledges the Diana. The C.C.A. are not about to stand for an act such as this by the state. Has it been deliberately ignored that a mass of left wing campaign literature gets posted first class. Is this disrespect to the left?

If so, then the solution is solidarity. If we are unified in our anger, then we can make changes. If we are divided and sectarian, then we will not get anywhere. We should take this as an opportunity to unite. Solidarity.