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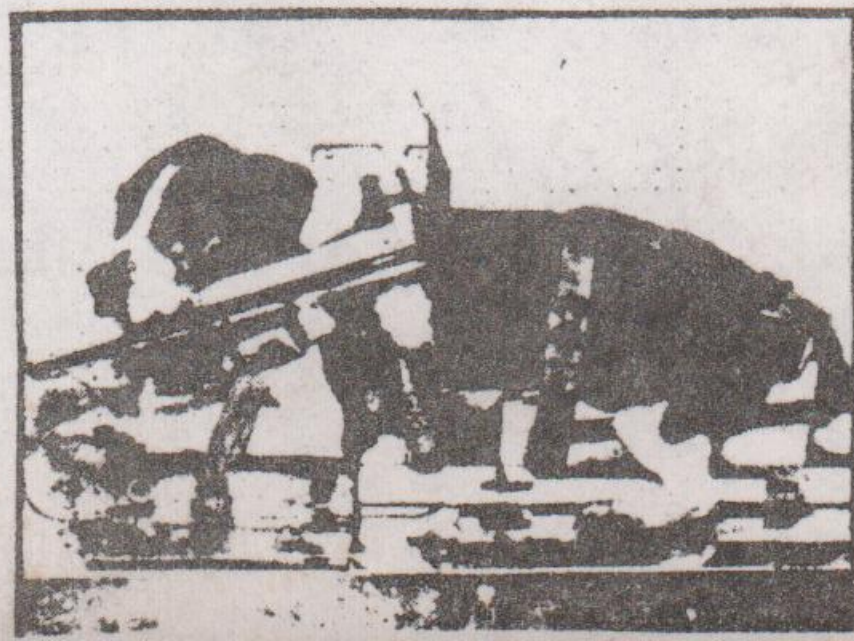
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Please Sir,  
Mr MP Sir, will  
you tell those men  
off for doing  
nasty things to  
the animals please.  
all together now:-  
"we shall not be moved"  
"we shall not be moved"  
blah blah blah



1986-  
TIME TO GET  
OFF THE  
FENCE





## ALF ACTIONS LATE 1985/EARLY 1986

SORRY THIS MAG'S BEEN A LONG TIME IN ARRIVING, BUT WE'VE HAD A FEW PROBLEMS WITH THE POLICE LATELY. BECAUSE OF THIS, NOTT'M ALF HAVN'T BEEN EXACTLY ACTIVE FOR SOME TIME. APART FROM THAT YOU CAN COUNT THE ACTIVIST'S IN NOTTINGHAM ON ONE HAND AND IT'S ABOUT TIME SOME OF THE "ARMCHAIR ACTIVISTS" GOT UP AND DID SOMETHING THEMSELVES. THEN WE MIGHT SEE AT LEAST A REDUCTION IN ANIMAL ABUSE - IN OUR CITY. AS IT IS, THIS MAG AND OUR MESSAGE IS SHORT AND SWEET....WE LEAVE THE REST UP TO YOU.

EARLY NOVEMBER 1985

2 windows smashed at Dewhursts, West Bridgford.

16th NOVEMBER 1985 MANSFIELD ROAD, NOTTINGHAM.

Cleaver and Clarkson's butchers shop windows smashed.

SATURDAY FEBRUARY 1st 1986. Andrew Clarkson's once again attacked. See press cutting and report on next page.

THURSDAY 13th FEBRUARY 1986. ARSON ATTACK AT FACTORY FARM, BILSTHORPE.

An old factory farm unit that was being refurbished was spotted near Bilsthorpe. One of the 3 units was already completed and had chicks in it. The others were still empty. The site was supposedly patrolled by dogs, but on checking the unit out ALF activists found no evidence of this, although there was a night watchman living on the site. On the night of the arson attack, the activists found lights blazing in the open unfinished units, but after a brief discussion decided to attempt to gain entry and start a fire. The lights were probably on a timer switch, as they were off when the activists re-checked the units a little later on. It was decided to start a fire in the furthest building away from the chicks. One activist kept a look-out while the others went inside and splashed parafin along the walls and beams of the building, then soaked rags and put them in the corner of the massive shed. Unfortunately someone must have seen the flames and alerted the police and fire services, as shortly afterwards fire engines were on the site and only a small amount of damage was done.

THURSDAY 13th MARCH 1986

2 windows smashed at pork farms, Mapperley Top. A few nights later a copper was seen hiding behind a brick wall, keeping surveillance on the store.

LATE MARCH 1986

2 windows smashed in a butchers shop on Ilkeston Rd.

THURSDAY 24th APRIL 1986

Pork Farms and Baxters butchers on Exchange Walk were both daubed with our trusty fluid. (see next page).

SUNDAY 4th MAY 1986

Pork Farms on Exchange Walk was again daubed with slogans.

THURSDAY 8th MAY 1986

A butchers shop and a poulterers shop on Mansfield Rd. had the fluid treatment. The same night a butchers in Forest Fields had the same treatment.



Tuesday

TUESDAY 25th MARCH 1986

A new weapon was discovered by the ALF- glass etching fluid. Bought from craft shops it eats into glass after a certain amount of time and can not be removed so if daubed onto windows.....!

This was done to Debenhams who stock fur coats. Five windows were daubed with the following slogans:- "ALF" "DEBENHAMS PROFIT FROM MURDER" "FUR IS MURDER" "MURDERERS" "BLOOD MONEY". All the windows had to be replaced at a cost of around £5000.

TUESDAY 8th APRIL 1986

6 more slogans were daubed on Debenhams windows with etching fluid. The next day Debenhams had stuck large sheets of white paper over the slogans, obviously they didn't want the public's attention drawn to the fact that they profit from the death of millions of animals each year. Circa. £6000 worth of damage.

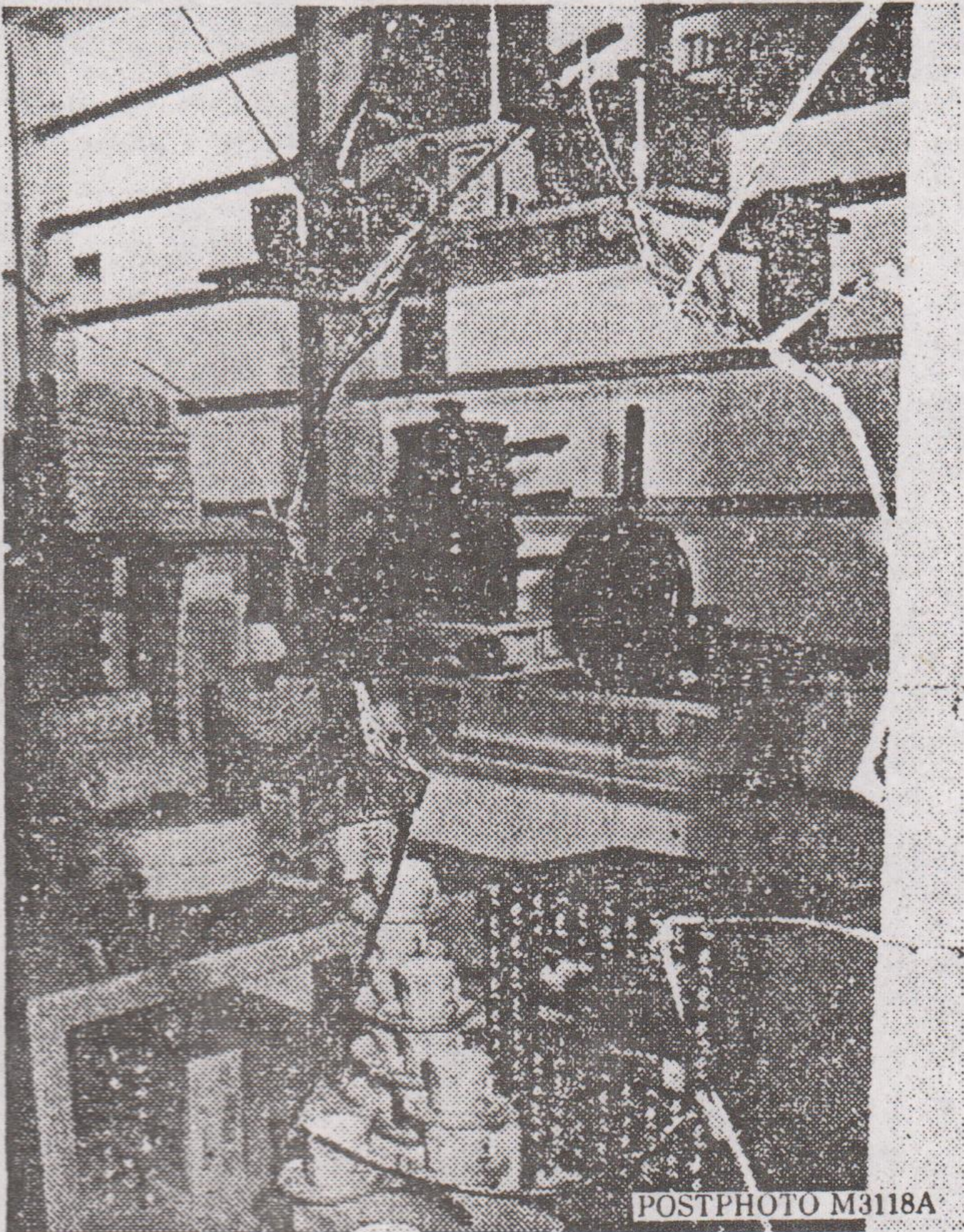
WEDNESDAY 16th APRIL 1986

4 more windows were again daubed at Debenhams.

These three simple actions have cost Debenhams around £15000.

When using etching fluid there is less risk for the activist because there isn't the usual attention drawn to them by the sound of breaking glass.

## VANDALS HIT CITY STORE WINDOWS



POSTPHOTO M3118A

POLICE were today hunting vandals who smashed 18 windows at Debenhams store in the Old Market Square and on Market Street.

Damage is put at £10,000 and is thought to have been done with a crowbar.

Half-a-dozen windows were badly damaged. The rest had small holes of about 3cm in diameter.

It was the third attack on windows at Debenhams recently.

Police are appealing for anyone who saw the incident, at 9.45pm, to ring Nottingham 475544.

TUESDAY 13th MAY 1986

After the above actions Debenhams had still not removed their fur department so it was decided that a more drastic change of tactics was needed. It was decided that simply using fluid was impractical for the damage that was planned. That night one activist ran down market street side of Debenhams and the other along market square side, both smashing Debenhams windows along the way with a hammer. As a precaution both wore balacalavas. 18 plate glass windows were damaged with a total value of £18,000. This brings the total amount of damage done to the store to approx. £33,000. Unfortunately plain clothes police had been keeping watch from a portacabin in the square. They gave chase and one activist was arrested and held in police custody for a week before being remanded at Lincoln prison for a period of 3 months.

## £10,000 CITY WINDOW SMASH

VANDALS smashed 18 windows, causing £10,000 damage, at city centre store Debenhams. replaced after hydrochloric paste attacks at four and six weeks ago.

A crowbar was used on the panes in Old Market Square and Market Street. Police want witnesses to the incident at 9.45pm yesterday to telephone them on Nottingham 475544.

Nine Debenhams' windows were



# RAIDERS RUN RIOT IN CITY SHOP

## Butcher hit by paint protest

By COLIN MEAKIN

A CITY butcher's shop has been attacked with paint, fly-spray and brute force — causing damage running to almost £10,000 — by people claiming to be animal liberationists.

The raiders struck on Saturday night after forcing the rear door of Mr Andrew Clarkson's shop in Mansfield Road.

The attackers:

- Poured paint and fly-spray into fridges and display cases
- Sprayed *Animal Murderer*, *Scum*, *Murder Most Foul*, *Animal Killer* and *ALF* (Animal Liberation Front) *Will Avenge All Murder* throughout the shop, fridges and storerooms.
- Wrecked a £2,000 set of scales.
- Scattered stock and equipment over floors.
- Ruined large stocks of meat and other perishable goods with paint and fly-spray.

● Mr Clarkson and the inside of his shop after the raiders struck

POSTPHOTO M605

SATURDAY 1st FEBRUARY 1986

ANDREW CLARKSON'S SHOP 197 MANSFIELD ROAD, NOTTINGHAM.

After spending some time "sussing" out the shop and the means of entering and damaging the inside, ALF activists entered the shop from the rear, unscrewing the hinges on the back door and forcing it open. The activists said as soon as they were inside the smell of death hit them like a hammer. It was disgusting and nauseating. They quickly sorted out what needed doing and set about it. The cold storage room was entered and all the meat ripped open, sprayed with fly spray and daubed with red paint. Fridges and freezers were destroyed and turps poured over the contents. A £2000 set of scales was blown up from the mains switch. Eggs were smashed and stock scattered all over the floor, paper work was destroyed. Finally slogans were daubed over the shop. Clarkson unfortunately didn't close down permanently but was shut for 2-3 weeks afterwards causing him financial loss. He then had a steel shutter put on the shop front window, but lately he rarely seems to be open. Tel: 473996 if you see him open and tell him what you think of him.

"I am waiting for the insurance people to come," said Mr Clarkson who has kept the shop for 14 years, "but the damage will be between £2,000 and £10,000."

### Refused

Mr Clarkson refused to comment on the attackers, but admitted it is not the first time he has been raided.

"They smashed my windows seven times last year," he said, "but they have never been inside the shop before."

A police spokesman said they were investigating.



# How You Can Help

The Animal Liberation Front consists of small autonomous groups of people all over the country who carry out direct action according to the ALF policy. (There is no Big Leader or 'Chief of Staff' as some recent newspaper reports seem to imply!) You cannot join the ALF by paying a subscription fee and filling in a form. Any group of people who are vegetarians or vegans and who carry out actions according to the policy have the right to regard themselves as part of the ALF and to call themselves an ALF group. If people wish to be members of the ALF all they have to do is get together and carry out the action. It's as simple as that.

The ALF Supporters Group was set up in 1982 for people who wish to help the ALF without breaking the law. It is not meant for activists but for people who, for one reason or another, cannot or do not wish to take part in direct action. The Supporters Group helps arrested activists with fines and legal expenses, assists with the welfare of those who are imprisoned, maintains several press officers in different parts of the country, gives talks about the ALF to interested parties and produces and distributes literature to educate people about animal persecution and what the ALF is doing to stop it. For more information about the SG or for a membership form write to ALF Supporters Group, BCM 1160, London, WC1N 3XX.

## VIOLENCE? WHOS FUCKING VIOLENCE?

How many more phorey animal liberationists do we have to put up with?

Its bad enough that the press and television and those wankers in whitehall that so many animal rights people love, put across the image that the ALF are mad, bad and dangerous without supposed animal liberationists jumping on the bandwagon. So what if a few windows are smashed, so what if labs are raided, so what if lorries are destroyed by incendiary devices and shops are forced to close their fur depts. by the same method. When thought about properly and objectively this is nothing compared to the violence against animals in labs, slaughterhouses, farms and circuses. Are they trying to do their conscience a favour? How many animal exploiters have been maimed or killed? None. How many sabs. demonstrators and the like have been hit, beaten, humiliated and degraded in police cells, lost their jobs and liberty (ha)? Too fucking many. How many animal murderers have been truncheoned, trod on by police horses, dragged through the courts, been fined and sent to prison? None. The ALF have never hurt any one or thing intentionally and never intend to. So the next time you hear someone in the animal liberation movement moaning about violence ask them, WHOS FUCKING VIOLENCE?

# The POLICY

Because of confusion that may have arisen recently and for the benefit of those who do not know very much about the Animal Liberation Front, it is important to restate the ALF policy which has existed since its formation in 1976.

The ALF takes direct action against all forms of animal abuse. This action falls basically into two categories.

- 1) The rescue or liberation of animals from premises or establishments in order to save them from persecution. Such animals are usually taken to good homes where they will be properly cared for. Animals are only released into the wild if they have a reasonable chance of survival.
- 2) Damage to property or premises connected with animal abuse. This is done in order to disrupt the persecution of animals and to cause financial loss to the animal abusers so as to reduce the money they are able to invest in animal abuse, to force them out of business or to encourage them to mend their ways.

Often both types of action take place during the same raid.

It is against ALF policy to use serious personal violence against anybody. In other words, in the course of an action it would be OK to restrain somebody or perhaps tie them up but not acceptable to punch them in the nose or otherwise injure them. The exception to this is self-defence. If attacked, ALF activists are entitled to defend themselves using reasonable methods. If possible activists will carry out raids in such a way as to avoid confrontation with the opposition.

ALF activists should take great care when carrying out actions that could be potentially dangerous to life. The main example of this is arson. When considering setting fire to anything activists should take great care that there is no danger to either human or animal life, eg. by thoroughly searching buildings and making absolutely sure that the fire cannot spread.

ALF activists must be at least vegetarians and preferably vegans. As a very large part of the ALF campaign is directed at the meat industry it would be extremely hypocritical if this were not the case.

So, to sum up, the ALF campaign is one of animal rescue and economic sabotage. The ALF does not go out to injure people.



THE COST OF RUNNING THE ALF GROUP LOCALLY IS VERY EXPENSIVE.  
IF YOU WISH TO GIVE US A DONATION PLEASE FILL IN THE PART BELOW.

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AMOUNT OF DONATION.....

IF YOU WISH TO BECOME A MEMBER OF THE ANIMAL LIBERATION FRONT SUPPORTERS GROUP (NOTTINGHAM) PLEASE FILL IN PART BELOW. THE COST OF THE SUPPORTERS MEMBERSHIP FOR NOTTINGHAM IS £4 PER YEAR, AND WE WILL SEND TO YOU BY POST OUR QUARTERLY NEWS SHEET.

- 1) I wish to become a member of the Supporters Nottingham group of ALF

2) I wish to subscribe to the news sheet only, at £4 per year, but do not wish to become an official supporters member.
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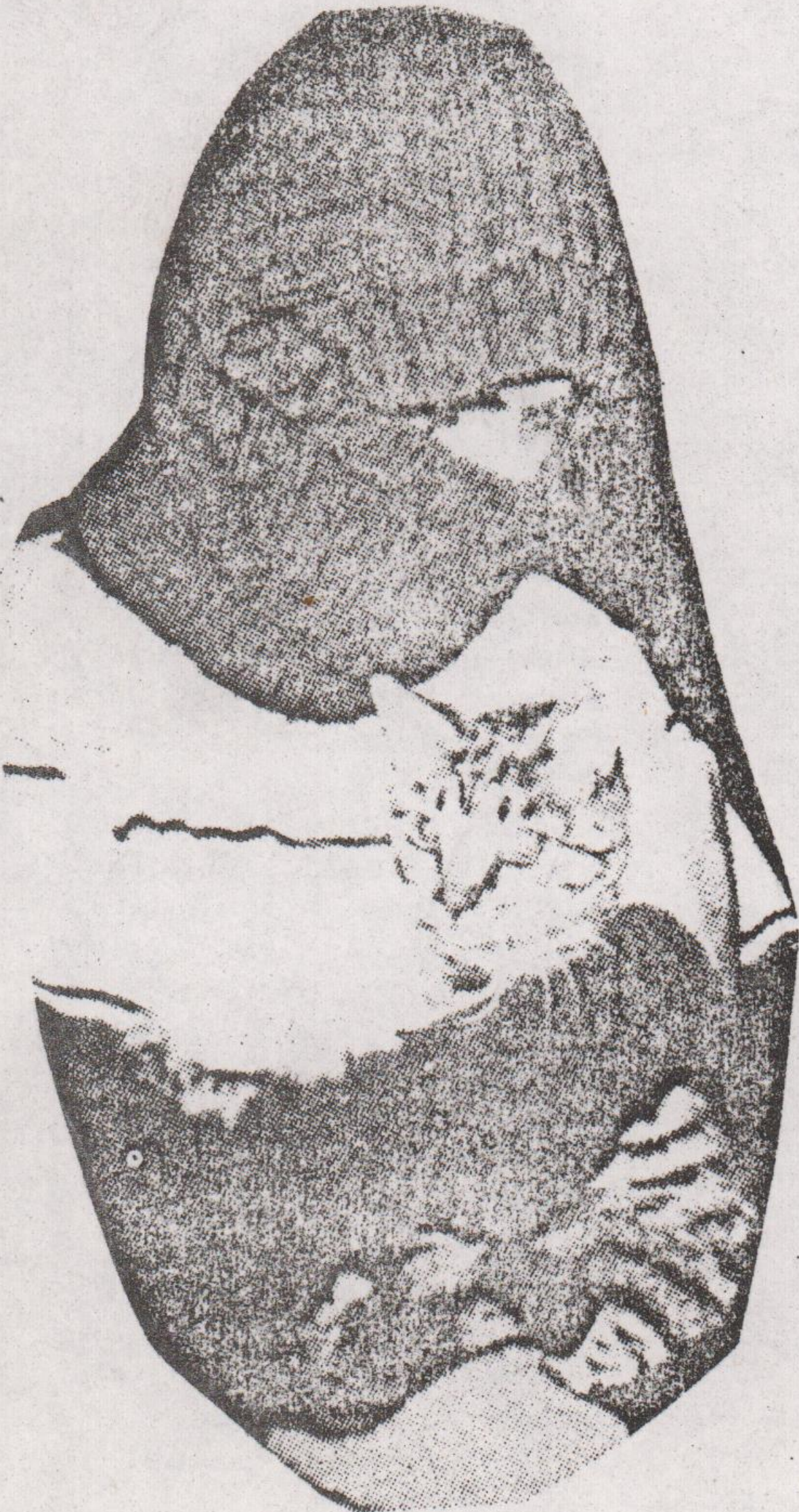
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PLEASE SEND ALL DONATIONS, CHEQUES FOR NEWSHEET ONLY AND CHEQUES FOR THE MEMBERSHIP OF THE ALF SUPPORTERS GROUP (NOTTINGHAM) TO:-

tick box if you require a receipt for any of the above ☐

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SUPPORTERS GROUP  
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10 HEATHCOTE STREET  
NOTTINGHAM.

IF YOU WISH TO BELONG TO THE NATIONAL ALF SUPPORTERS GROUP, PLEASE FILL IN PART BELOW AND IN PARTICULAR THE BANKERS ORDER.



- ☐ I would like more information and I enclose a s.a.e.
- ☐ I enclose a donation and do/do not require a receipt.
- ☐ I wish to join the Supporters Group and (i) enclose £13 for 6 months/£24 for 1 year. (Please complete the name/address lines only on the form below) (ii) I enclose a completed standing order from (this will be forwarded to your bank after details have been noted).

Name of bank

BranchA/c No

Full address of bank

Please pay to Co-operative Bank P.L.C., City Office Branch, 78-80 Cornhill, London EC3V 3NJ (08-02-28T), A.L.F. Supporters Group, A/C No. 50381708 on 198 and on the day of every month until further notice, the sum of £ for the credit of the ALF Supporters Group.

Name (block letters)

Full address (block letters and postal code)

DateSigned

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