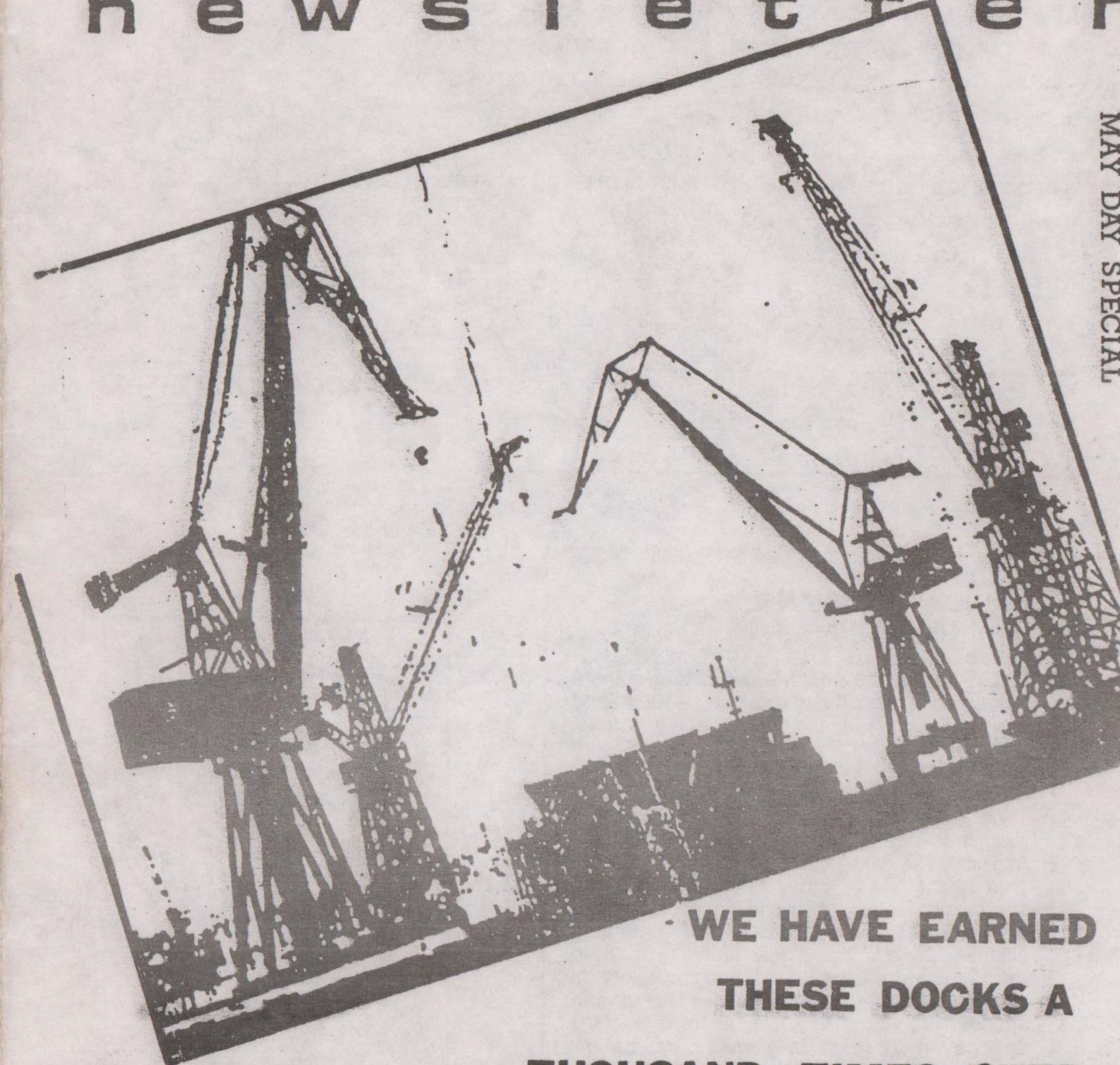


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MAY DAY SPECIAL



**WE HAVE EARNED  
THESE DOCKS A  
THOUSAND TIMES OVER**



# INTRO

HELLO, and welcome to issue seven. Demand for the newsy has shot up recently and this time we have had to increase our print run. Look out Thatcher, here we come!

Rather than having to trek to the shop every month, you might want to subscribe. If so, send a few quid to P.O. Box 110, Liverpool, L69 6AU, and, as if by magic it will arrive on the doorstep as near as dammit to the 1st of every month.

We still welcome comments, letters, graphics and any articles you think worthy of inclusion. The deadline for the June issue is MONDAY MAY 22nd.

May we take this opportunity to extend deepest sympathy to the families and friends of those killed and injured in the Hillsborough disaster.

## RADICAL LESBIAN & GAY NETWORK

SINCE Clause 28 became law it seems there has been a decline in political lesbian and gay activity. We would like to make contact with lesbians and gay men who want to continue radical political activity and fight for lesbian and gay liberation.

We know that there are many lesbians and gay men fed up with boring respectable middle class campaigns, who don't like party politics, rhetoric or endless meetings and who see racism, sexism and class oppression and disability as central issues to changing society. Despite the many faults with "Stop the Clause", we heard of and met lots of lesbians and gays into creative ideas and actions. We would like to hear from lesbians and gay men (especially anarchists, greens and non party socialists and communists) who are interested in setting up a network, newsletters and campaigns.

If you're interested in this idea the write to Nik Walton, c/o 24 South Road, Hockley, Birmingham B19.



# DOCKS

**EXCLUSIVE** Shock for Mersey port workers

## DOCKERS LOSE JOBS-FOR-LIFE PERKS

By Chris Walker and Keith Kendrick

THE Government is to scrap the 'jobs-for-life' National Dock Labour Scheme. The decision, to be announced later this afternoon, will send shock waves through the Port of Liverpool, which employs 1,300 dockworkers. It will also almost certainly trigger the threat of a national dock strike. Tory MPs have been gunning for the abolition of the controversial scheme for many years.

In the years following World War 2, a wave of militancy swept Britain. After 6 years of wartime sacrifices people were determined that the twin horrors of poverty and unemployment suffered during the 1930's should never return.

On the docks this feeling was translated into a demand for the end of the casual labour system. Before the war, dockers were hired on a day to day basis and hundreds of men would gather at the dock gates early each morning in the hope that the foreman would pick them out for employment. Those who didn't get work had to return home with no pay, and in those days, no dole either.

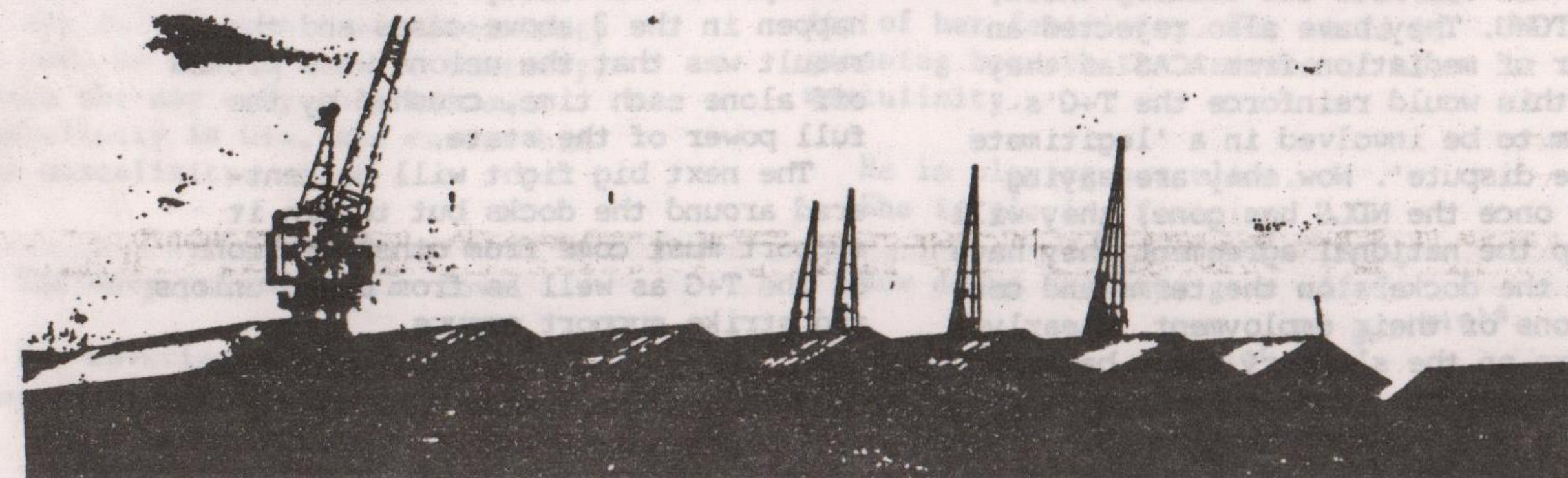
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PROPAGANDA:  
JOB SECURITY  
A "PERK"?  
(Liverpool  
Echo)

In 1947 the National Dock Labour Scheme was introduced. It guaranteed dockers jobs, even during slack periods when there were few ships to be unloaded.

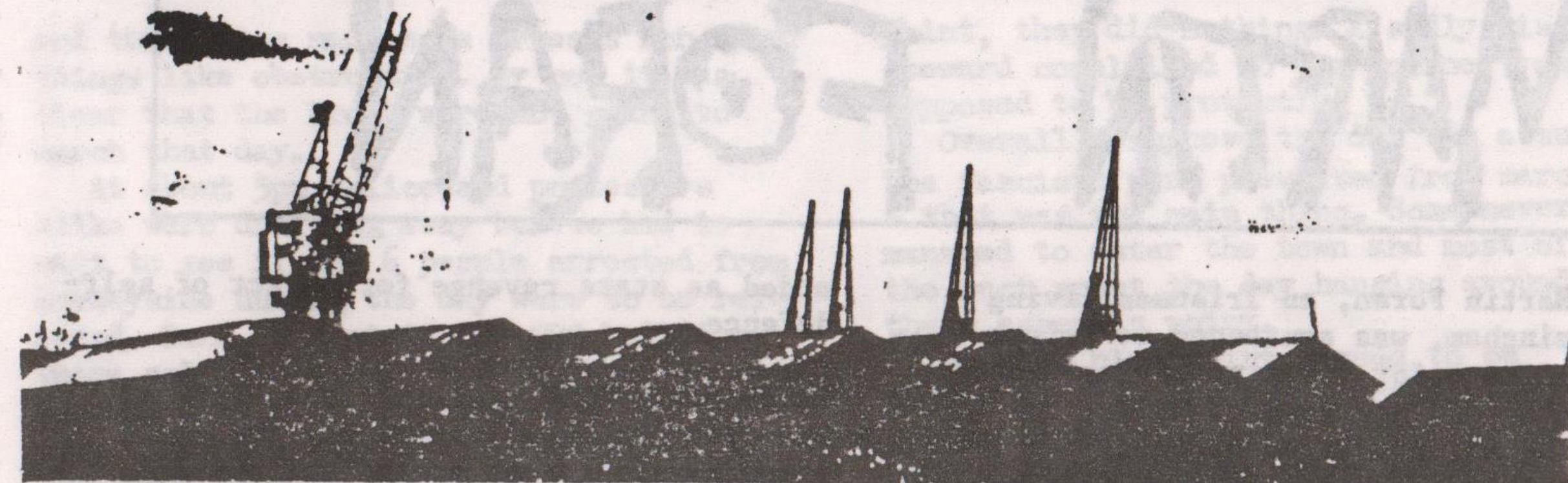
Needless to say, Britain's port employers have always opposed the scheme as it has strengthened the position of the dockers and infringed on the divine right of management to walk all over their workforce.

The strength of the dockers has, until now, been enough to keep the scheme in place but, having dealt with other sections of organised labour and being unable to tolerate any agreement which gives workers a say in the terms and conditions of their employment, the government has pushed a bill through parliament which will end the NDLS.

This move has been fully backed by the Tory press who are falling over







The dockers will lose if, for fear of sequestration, T+G lorry drivers are ordered to cross dockers picket lines or non-scheme ports like Dover and Felixstowe are not closed by 'secondary action'. This applies also to workers in airports and on the railways who will be asked to move freight coming in by alternative routes in the event of a national dock strike.

To hell with the finer points of law, if the dockers are to win we must all be aiming to wreck not just this particular Tory offensive but to render their anti-union laws unworkable as well.

Critics of this stance would no doubt say that we were just anarchist hotheads using the dockers to fight our battles with government. But in reply it must be stated there is at some stage a united stand against these laws, (and the more vicious ones in the pipeline), then groups of workers are going to be defeated in isolation for evermore. There is no middle path and no hiding place - they came for the seafarers yesterday and the dockers today - who is going to be next ?

The militancy of the dockers has enabled the scheme to stay in place this long and their walkouts last month clearly show that they are prepared to fight to keep it but they must not be allowed to stand alone.

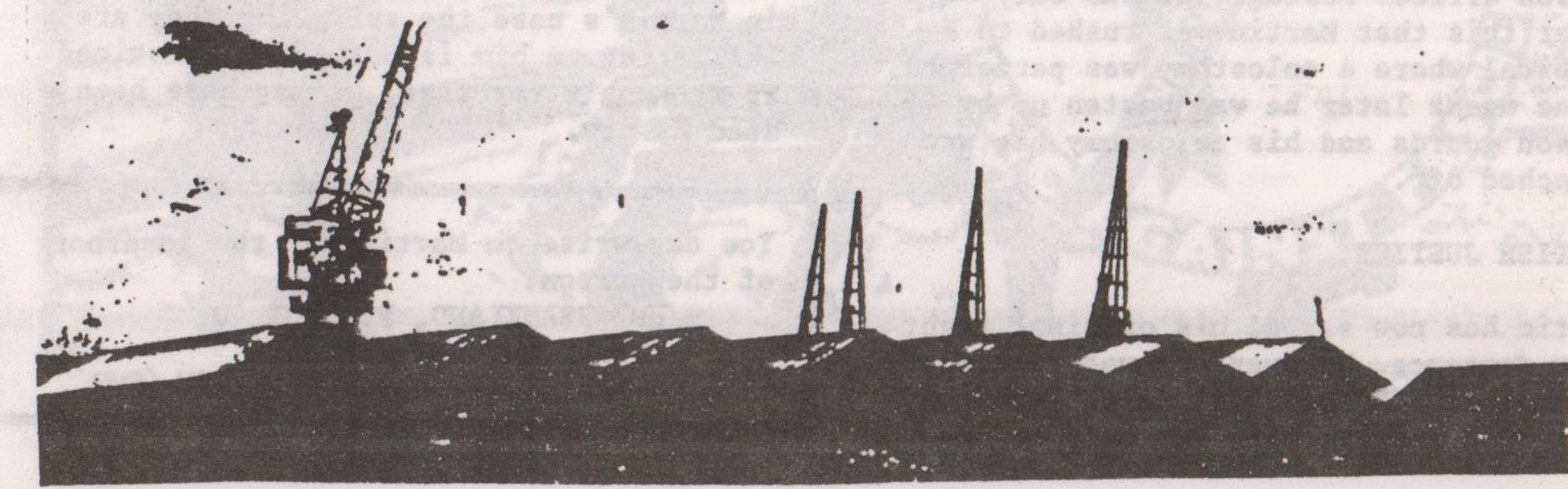
When asked whether the Labour Party would support the coming dock strike, Neil Kinnock said "To some extent we will have to wait and see". This typically weak-kneed response from the Labour leader coupled with the contortions of Ron Todd cannot give anyone confidence that they will be backing the dockers to the hilt.

During the miners strike, popular support for them came in the form of strike support groups which sprang up in neighbourhoods and workplaces across the country. These groups will no doubt reform when the dock strike begins and it is vital that they are successful in providing direct aid to the strikers.

Support groups can also undermine media lies by arguing the dockers case direct to the public. Their role becomes even more important in the event of the union funds being seized by the state.

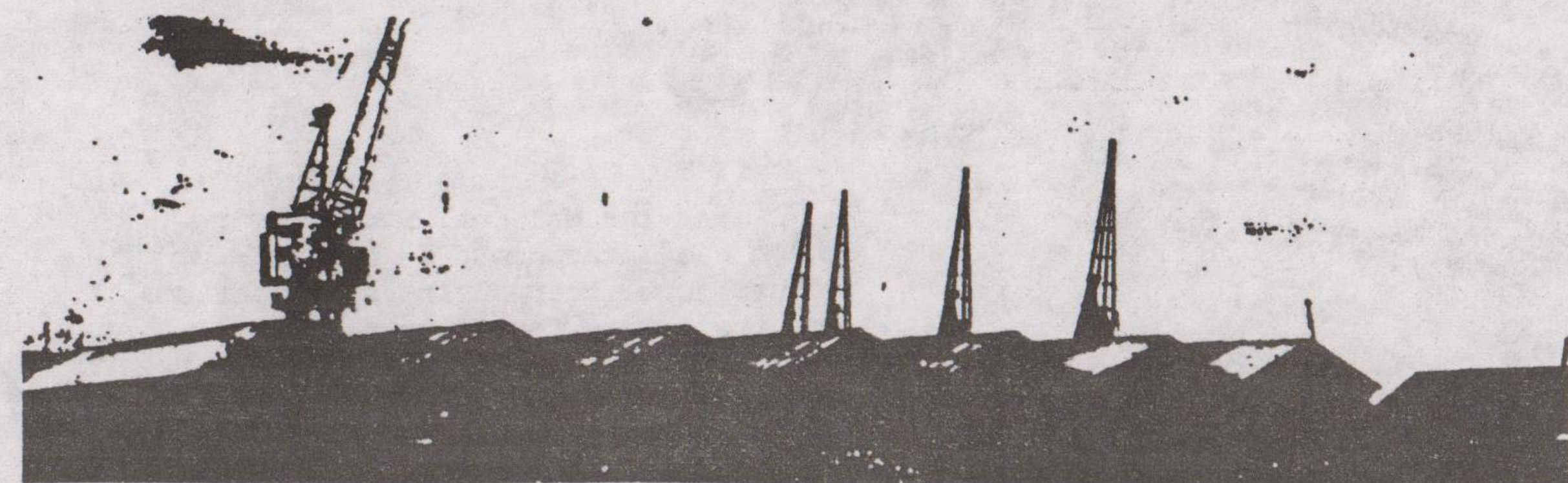
Remember - the government and the employers have been planning for this strike for a very long time. They want another victory, another industry at their mercy. This time they are going to lose.

the end?



themselves to smear the 'jobs for life' dockers who have the nerve to demand secure employment. The fact is of course that the NDLS does not mean jobs for life for every dock worker. The movement of freight by air, the introduction of supertankers and containers and new technology on the docks has meant that the number of port employees has dropped steadily since the 1960's. But these job losses have happened under the NDLS by negotiated redundancies and natural wastage. The scheme has merely prevented the wholesale destruction of jobs on the docks, the like of which has been wreaked upon industries such as coal and steel.

The government and the port employers say that the scheme has to go to enable British ports to compete with those in Europe after the creation of the Single European Market in 1992.



Translated, this means that if say the French or Italians discover a way of providing cheaper port facilities, British dock management must be in a position to slash their workforce and it's terms and conditions in order to bring down costs. Therefore, they say, the NDLS must go and if that means provoking a national dock strike, then so be it.

Naturally enough the port employers are overjoyed. With the government behind them they are now prepared to tough it out with the dockers union, the TGWU. They have also rejected an offer of mediation from ACAS as they say this would reinforce the T+G's claim to be involved in a 'legitimate trade dispute'. Now they are saying that once the NDLS has gone, they will scrap the national agreement they have with the dockers on the terms and conditions of their employment. Clearly we are on the slippery slope back to casualisation.

When the 'employment' minister, Norman Fowler announced the government's intention to scrap the scheme on April 7th, many of the 46 registered scheme ports were brought to a standstill by dockers who took wildcat action. However, the T+G leadership rejected their demand for an immediate strike ballot and instead called for talks with the ports management.

Unsurprisingly these proved to be useless. In calling for the talks, Ron Todd not only boosted management confidence but also gave credence to the Tory anti-union laws which state that a union cannot call 'political' strikes but must be in dispute with management only before calling a ballot. As the repeal of the NDLS is via an act of parliament, the government say that strike action against it would be illegal and leave the union open to sequestration.

The truth is that all strikes are political and to accept otherwise is only accepting the Tories criminalization of effective industrial action.

The lessons of the miners, printers and seafarers strikes have obviously been lost on the leadership of the T+G. It is no use individual unions trying to satisfy the tortuous legal conditions now required before launching a strike. All effective industrial action has become illegal and the aim now must be to smash the anti-union laws with widespread solidarity. This did not happen in the 3 above cases and the result was that the unions were picked off alone each time, crushed by the full power of the state.

The next big fight will be centered around the docks but to win it support must come from other sections of the T+G as well as from other unions and strike support groups.



# MARTIN FORAN

In 1978, Martin Foran, an Irishman living in Birmingham, was sentenced to prison for ten years for three robberies that he said he did not commit. Whilst inside he has protested vigorously against this injustice by hungerstrike and rooftop protest. His case, and his courage has brought him widespread public sympathy and support as well as much media coverage.

arded as state revenge for an act of self-defence.

In December 1988, Martin's case against the officers finally came up. The court found Martin's case proved and awarded him the minimal compensation of £750. Despite the court having found that the officers had attacked Martin, the crown prosecution service has so far refused to bring any charges against them. After the trial Martin was kept locked up in his cell all through the Christmas period and refused his right to send out papers relating to his case. It is clear that they are trying to cover up the case he has won.

Martin's health is still deteriorating, he has been booked into hospital for May.....May 1990. Recently, he was left in his cell for a whole weekend with no colostomy bag, he had to use his hands to try to slow down the shit pouring from his stomach. "First they take my freedom away, then they take my dignity." (letter to Black Cross)

So another year of suffering and neglect at the hands of the prison authorities. The latest kick in Martin's side is the news that he's being moved back to Walton, Merseyside, where he was beaten up and his colostomy ripped off. Martin is worried that the guards will be out for revenge.

The important thing for us to do is to let the prison authorities know that we know what's going on; and that there are people outside who are working for Martin's release. We as anarchists know the uselessness of writing to M.P.s and authorities, but the important thing is that in Martin's case the suffering they are inflicting on him is not going unnoticed. If it wasn't for that, he may have been dead by now.

You can write to Martin and the governor of the prison:  
HMP FRANKLAND, P.O. BOX 40,  
FRANKLAND-LOW-NEWTON,  
BRASSIDE, DURHAM, DH1 5XF.

Despite the widespread calls for his release, Martin was kept in Prison until 1984. Even after his release he continued to try to clear his name. As a result he was subjected to constant police harassment. He was accused of a murder which took place while he was in prison as well as repeatedly being accused of stealing his own car.

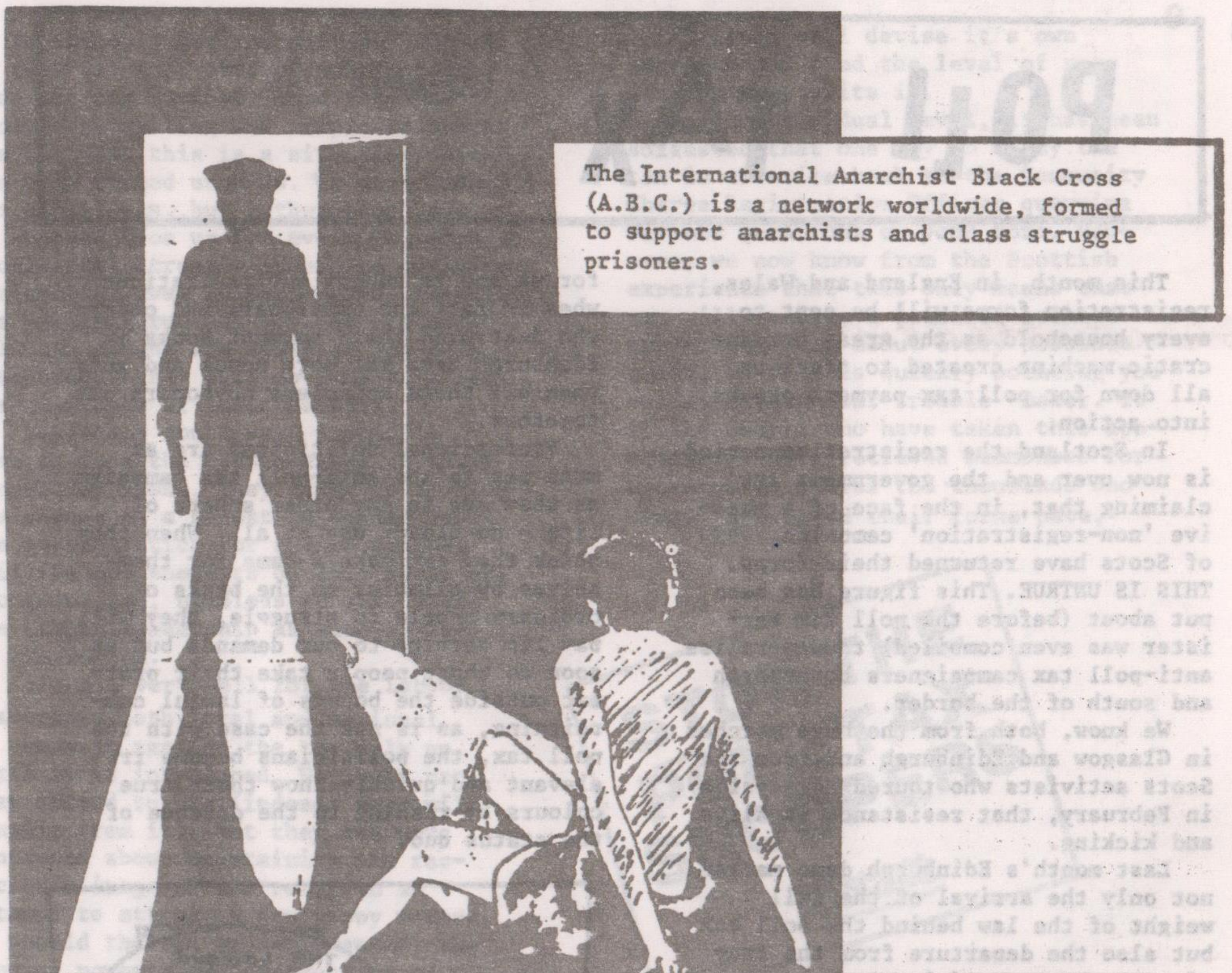
On September 10th, 1984 Martin was arrested and charged with the robbery of a pub in Birmingham. The story put forward by the police and their witnesses was full of contradictions and physical impossibilities. Yet, despite Martin bearing no relation to any of the descriptions of the robbers given by the landlord of the pub, and having 15 witnesses statements to confirm his alibi, he was convicted and sentenced to 8 years.

Martin Foran was imprisoned for a crime HE DID NOT COMMIT. His real crime, in the eyes of the authorities, was being Irish and trying to expose the injustice he had suffered.

In prison, Martin's health deteriorated but he was constantly refused treatment and eventually he became so ill that, fearing he was going to die, he took a prison officer hostage. It was only after this that Martin was rushed to hospital where a colostomy was performed. Three weeks later he was beaten up by 4 prison guards and his colostomy bag was wrenched off.

## BRITISH JUSTICE.

Martin has now served his original eight year sentence. However, he was sentenced to another SIX YEARS for false imprisonment of a warder. This can only be reg-



The International Anarchist Black Cross (A.B.C.) is a network worldwide, formed to support anarchists and class struggle prisoners.

# THE MURRAYS

On 8th November 1975, Noel and Marie Murray were arrested and charged with bank robbery and the killing of an off duty policeman.

Although there were no witnesses to the incident, the farcical no-jury court managed to find them both guilty and were sentenced to hang.

An international solidarity campaign helped get the sentence commuted to life imprisonment.

Marie and Noel were both involved in the running of the Anarchist Black Cross in Ireland, and wish to continue this work when they are released.

A fuller account of their case can be found in the May edition of Black Flag. We will continue to monitor their case in future issues.

Cards and letters can be sent to the Murray's via Anarchist Black Cross, BM Hurricane, London WC1N 3XX.

"The prosecution have said that a large sum of money found in a suitcase in my home was stolen money. It was not stolen. This money is part of the funds of the anarchist movement. It was donated by different individuals and groups principally for the relief of prisoners. It was to be distributed through our organisation, the Anarchist Black Cross. Now, I intend to claim back every penny of this money. It's not stolen money and I want it back for the Black Cross".

(Noel Murray, Dublin Special Criminal Court, 8th June 1976).



# POLL TAX (AGAIN)

This month, in England and Wales, registration forms will be sent to every household as the great bureaucratic machine created to track us all down for poll tax payment creaks into action.

In Scotland the registration period is now over and the government are claiming that, in the face of a massive 'non-registration' campaign, 99% of Scots have returned their forms. THIS IS UNTRUE. This figure has been put about (before the poll tax register was even compiled) to demoralise anti-poll tax campaigners both north and south of the border.

We know, both from the huge marches in Glasgow and Edinburgh and from the Scots activists who toured Merseyside in February, that resistance is alive and kicking.

Last month's Edinburgh demo marked not only the arrival of the full weight of the law behind the poll tax but also the departure from the fray of some who opposed it.

Labour's leader in Scotland, Donald Dewar, attended the march only to use it as a platform to state to the TV cameras that the campaign against registration had "failed" and that basically the only way to stop the poll tax now was to vote in a Labour government.

A speaker from the Green Party told the rally that everyone should now pay their poll tax in small change as a form of protest!

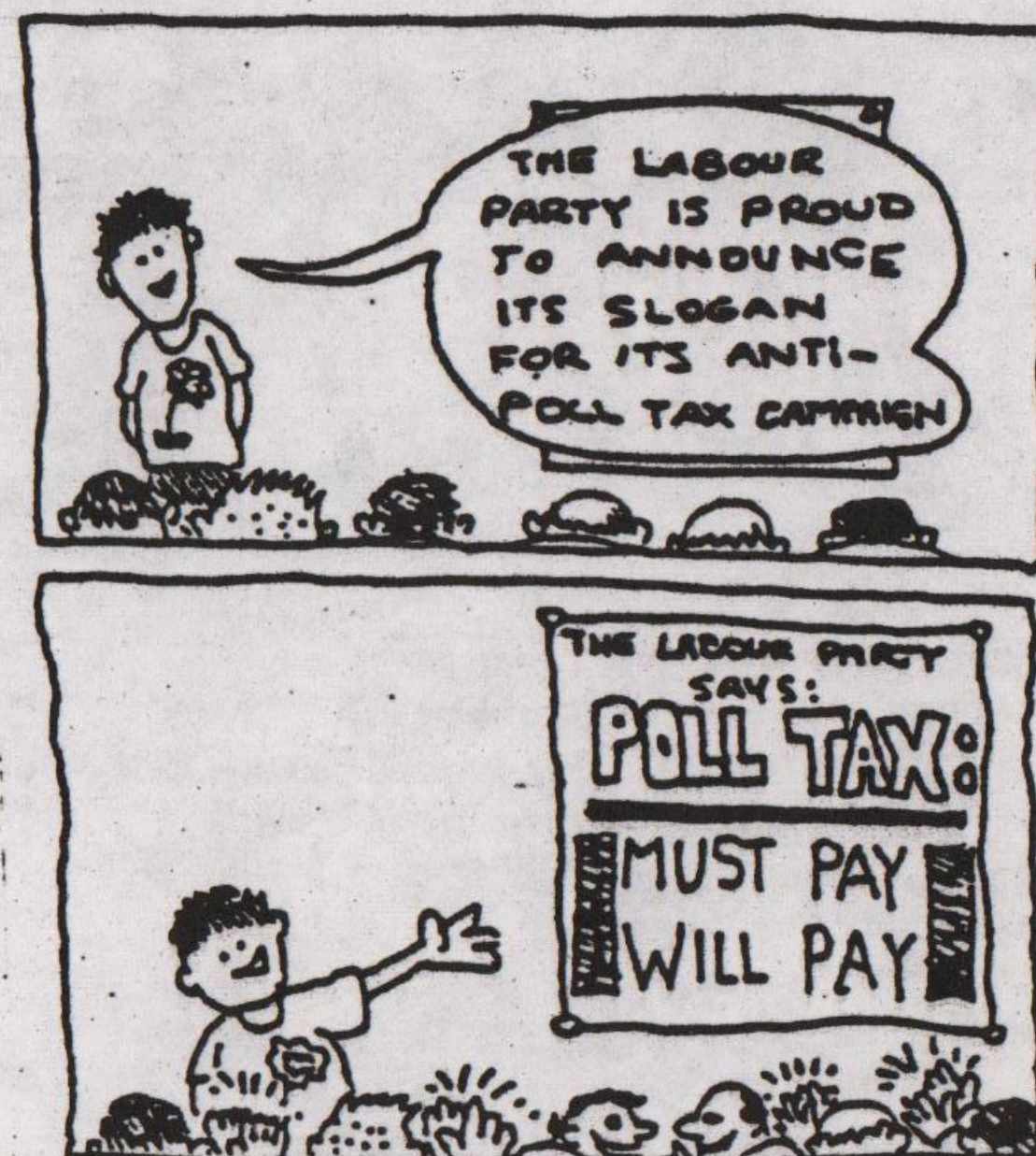
Fortunately no-one was fooled by this rubbish and the crowd roared out their approval as speaker after speaker tore up their payment books and committed themselves to breaking the law to further the campaign.

Dewar, Kinnock and co. are doing us proud with their contortions over the poll tax. Their consistent refusal to back effective action shows up the utter futility of their brand of constitutional politics better than a thousand rants in anarchist newsletters could!

The way these people put themselves about as the leaders of our class, as our representatives, is sickening. They have the nerve to claim to speak

for us and to embody our aspirations when in fact the pensioners and others who destroyed their payment books in Edinburgh have got more nouse and guts than all these spineless no-hopers put together.

Professional politicians are as much use to the anti-poll tax campaign as they are in any other sphere of life - no bloody use at all! When they think they can make a name for themselves by climbing on the backs of ordinary people in struggle, they will pay lip service to our demands but as soon as those people take their protest outside the bounds of lawful campaigning, as is now the case with the poll tax, the politicians become irrelevant and quickly show their true colours by rushing to the defence of the status quo.



On Merseyside this process has already started with Labour's Peter Kilfoyle complaining that local anti-poll tax groups are asking people to break the law. He is showing the politicians' instinctive fear of people taking matters into their own hands and is happy to try to scare off support for the anti-poll tax campaign by saying that opposition will be criminalized.

As the poll tax can only be stopped by the 'illegal' acts of non-registration and non-payment, then yes, the groups are calling for people to break the law. But this is a situation which has been forced upon us. We never asked for a poll tax, but rather than have it imposed upon us for evermore, many people feel strongly enough to organise against it, even if that means breaking the precious rule of law. As the anti-poll tax groups are vehicles for this discontent, they will obviously reflect the militancy of their members.

The groups don't want people to have to face the consequences of their opposition alone, they exist to develop resistance on a street by street basis. The possibilities for action against bailiffs and snoopers on this scale are enormous and, needless to say, scare the Labour leadership as much as they do the Tories.

It's all very well for the Labour leadership both local and national, to campaign against the tax only up until it is introduced. Not only can they afford to pay (indeed, they will benefit from it), but they are more concerned about maintaining the respectable image of the party in an attempt to attract a few yuppie voters.

Should the tax be implemented, the growing poverty and destruction of services that it will bring will mean nothing more to the 'Opposition' than a chance to shed crocodile tears as a means of getting our votes by playing on the effects of a measure which they themselves failed to effectively oppose.

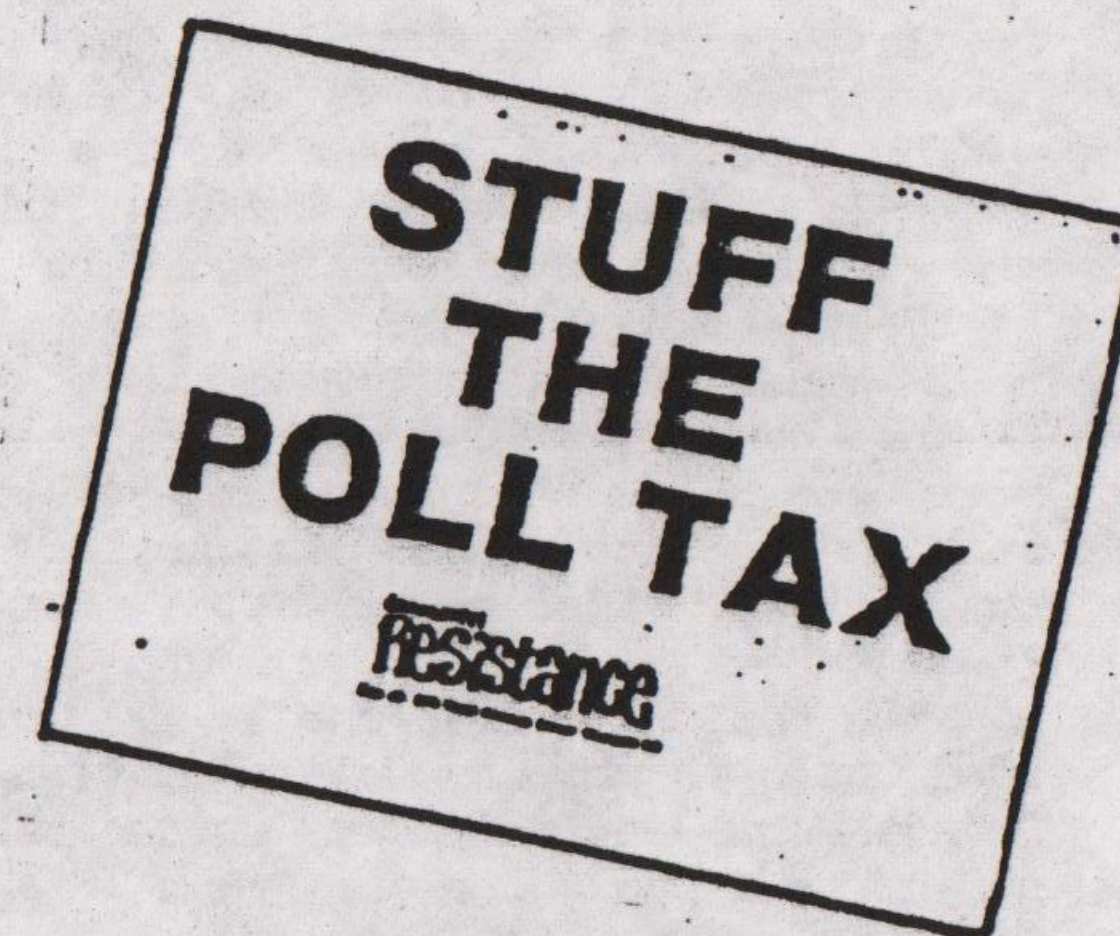
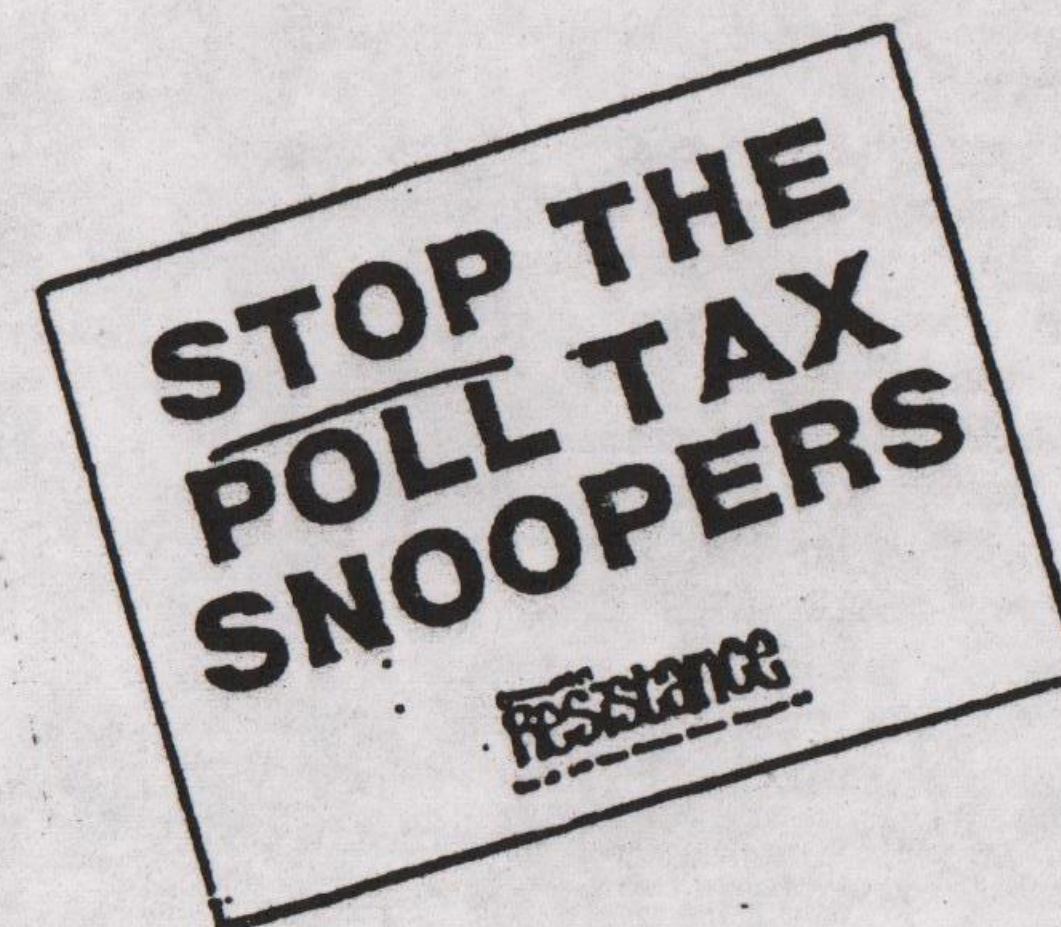
Across Merseyside, anti-poll tax groups are springing up as people begin to realise the seriousness of what the government is planning.

It is really important that as many people as possible get involved in, or form, their own local groups. The more organised we are when the registration forms and their attendant snoopers arrive, the more we can delay the tax, and IF enough people can be persuaded that victory is possible through non-payment, then we can win.

Joining an anti-poll tax group does not mean a prison sentence or a visit from the bailiffs. The groups recognise that many people are unwilling or unable to take their protests as far as that but just because this may be the case it doesn't mean that we are powerless. There are many ways to boost the campaign and each

local group will devise its own approach and find the level of resistance that suits it.

On an individual level, it has been suggested that one way to delay the tax is to write back to the Community Charge Registration Officer querying various questions on your form. However, we now know from the Scottish experience that this only means that you will receive a detailed booklet explaining just about every possible point, as well as quickly pointing you out as a potential trouble-maker. It is the people who have taken this approach who have received summonses for non-payment whereas the thousands who simply destroyed their forms have,



as yet, heard nothing.

If you don't know whether there are groups in your area, or need help to set one up, please contact us at P.O. Box 110, Liverpool, L69 6AU. We can provide speakers for public meetings, can get anti-poll tax leaflets printed and have lists of groups active on Merseyside.

The state is ready for the poll tax - are you?



# ROCHDALE 22/4/89

During the first week of April we heard that the National Front were to hold their annual St Georges day event with a march through the Lancashire town of Rochdale. Last year the Front called their demo in Leeds and, as is common in these cases, the police and the (Labour controlled) city council saw fit to ban both the fascist march and the planned anti-fascist counter demo.

In the end what happened was that about 250/300 fascists assembled on the town hall steps and held their march anyway.

Being of the opinion that racists fascists should be opposed whenever they appear on our streets, we decided to go to Rochdale to support the counter demo called by the local Community Relations Council.

When we arrived and joined local anti-fascists in the town centre, word spread that some fascists were likely to be on a train which was shortly due to arrive. So, in high spirits, a sizeable crowd set off for the station. At this point the police were too few in number to stop us. When we got there we found another group of anti-fascists already there and together there must have been about 150 of us.

The fascists had already arrived but police would not let them out of the station for fear that 'a breach of the peace would occur' - ie the nazis would get battered!

When the crowd ignored requests to move, the police had no option but to put the fascists on the next train out of town. First round to the anti-fascists!

When the train had gone we all decided to go to the Community Relations Council building which was in the same street as a pub which the Front were using as an assembly point.

As we entered the street, the two coppers outside the pub ushered a few fascists inside and the doors were locked. Before we could do anything else, police began to arrive on the scene in increasing numbers. Mounted police and dog handlers forced us down the road and at this point the initiative passed to them.



When we got to the CRC building, stewards began calling for everyone to go inside but wiser heads in the crowd were shouting 'Don't go in - the police won't let you out'. However many did go in and sure enough the police blocked the doors. Those still outside were herded back to the town centre. Having split the crowd, the police were now in a position to pretty much dictate the course of events and they proceeded to force people into the town hall where a meeting had been planned. As they shoved us towards the doors, the top copper present was shouting "Will you please attend the meeting". A rare moment indeed - it's not often that coppers urge people to attend political meetings!

A few of us had become detached from the rest of the Merseysiders so we went into the meeting room to see if they were there. A grey man in a grey suit was on the stage. "Good afternoon ladies and gentlemen. I am the Labour representative for blah blah. In the last hour we have seen how the police blah de blah blah". That was enough for us. We left and found our crew outside where the police pressure had slackened.

Until late afternoon we were confined to the area around the town hall. There were a few skirmishes with roving fascists

ABOUT 20 ANTI-FASCISTS WERE ARRESTED ON 22.4.89. SOME OF THESE PEOPLE MAY FACE DETENTION AS A RESULT. A DEFENCE FUND HAS BEEN SET UP. WE'LL BE SETTING UP A DEFENCE FUND FOR THESE PEOPLE.

and the police made some arrests for minor things like obstruction. By now it was clear that the Front were not going to march that day.

At about 5pm police and protesters alike were drifting away but we had to wait to see if the 6 people arrested from Merseyside during the day were to be released. Back we went to the CRC building where solicitors were working hard to find the whereabouts of the arrestees. While we were there a group of fascists kicked in the glass pane in the front door and made off before people could get out.

Naturally enough there wasn't a copper in sight and when they eventually did turn up and the thug in question was pointed out to them near the fascist assembly

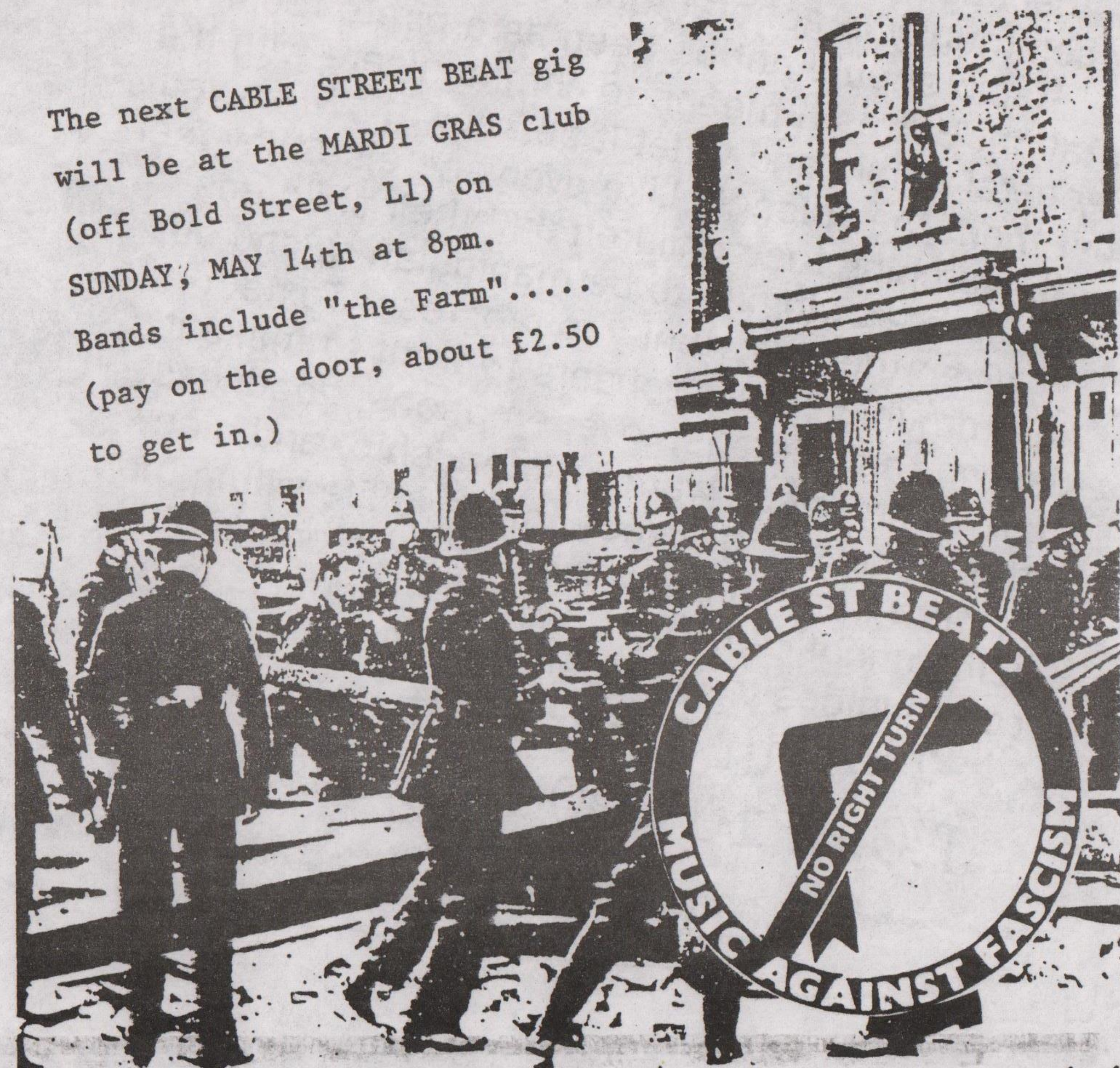
point, they did nothing. A sadly misguided steward complained to the police "you're supposed to be protecting us!"

Overall I suppose the day was a success. The fascists were prevented from marching - that was the main thing. Some never even managed to enter the town and most of the rest spent the day hanging around their assembly point.

Another plus point seemed to be that anti-fascists are gradually beginning to develop large group tactics. Generally people did stick together and many realised that only in numbers can we hope to prevent fascist demonstrations and the arbitrary police heavy handedness that accompanies them.

We are learning. Slowly.

The next CABLE STREET BEAT gig will be at the MARDI GRAS club (off Bold Street, L1) on SUNDAY, MAY 14th at 8pm. Bands include "the Farm"..... (pay on the door, about £2.50 to get in.)



POLICE ATTEMPTING TO DISMANTLE BARRICADES IN CABLE STREET (1989)



# T.C.R. 104.90 F.M. STEREO TOXTETH COMMUNITY RADIO STATION

The music is brilliant. The effect it is having will change the lives of the Toxteth Community because it appears to be the opinion of the community in general that Toxteth Community Radio should not be seen as a pirate radio station. But as a means to communicate with the general public and to let it be known. "When you cut them they bleed". Like everyone else they feel it, watching their children and their childrens' children growing up to be manipulated, and not given the opportunity to progress. Toxteth Community Radio appears to want to make it known that there is, love, emotions, goodness, talent, prospect, warmth, friendship, and many other aspects of the good things in life within the Toxteth Community which has gone and is still going unnoticed. The Community appeals to all communities to give their maximum support to Toxteth Community Radio

T.C.R. 104.90 F.M. STEREO

Publication courtesy of Liberian Community Association, 180 Community Association, Jamaica House Hurricane Appeal.  
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A leaflet circulating around Liverpool recently. TCR comes across loud and clear in full stereo on 104.9 FM - tune in.

# MASCULINE/FEMININE

He is playing masculine. She is playing feminine.

He is playing masculine because she is playing feminine. She is playing feminine because he is playing masculine.

He is playing the kind of man that she thinks the kind of woman she is playing ought to admire. She is playing the kind of woman that he thinks the kind of man he is playing ought to desire.

If he were not playing masculine, he might well be more feminine that she is - except when she is playing very feminine. If she were not playing feminine, she might well be more masculine that he is - except when he is playing very masculine.

So he plays harder. And she plays, softer.

He wants to make sure that she could never be more masculine than he. She wants to make sure that he could never be more feminine than she. He, therefore, seeks to destroy the femininity in himself. She, therefore, seeks to destroy the masculinity in herself.

She is supposed to admire him for the masculinity in him that she fears in herself. He is supposed to desire her for the femininity in her that he despises in himself.

He desires her for her femininity which is his femininity, but which he can never lay claim to. She admires him for his masculinity which is her masculinity, but which she can never lay claim to. Since he may only love his own femininity in her, he envies her her femininity. Since she may only love her own masculinity in him, she envies him his masculinity.

The envy poisons their love.

He, coveting her unattainable femininity, decides to punish her.

She, coveting his unattainable masculinity, decides to punish him.

He denigrates her femininity - which he is supposed to desire and which he really envies - and becomes more aggressively masculine. She feigns disgust at his masculinity - which she is supposed to admire and which she really envies - and becomes more fastidiously feminine. He becomes less and less what he wants to be. She is becoming less and less what she wants to be. But now he is more manly than ever, and she is more womanly than ever.

Her femininity, growing more dependently supine, becomes contemptible. His masculinity, growing more oppressively domineering, becomes intolerable. At last she loathes what she has helped his masculinity to become. At last he loathes what he has helped her femininity to become.

So far it has all been symmetrical. But we have left one thing out.

The world belongs to what his masculinity has become.

The reward for what his masculinity has become is power. The reward for what her femininity has become is only the security which his power can bestow on her. If he were to yield to what her femininity has become, he would be yielding to contemptible incompetence. If she were to acquire what his masculinity has become, she would participate in intolerable coerciveness.

She is stifling under the triviality of her femininity. The world is groaning beneath the terrors of his masculinity.

He is playing masculine.  
She is playing feminine.

How do we call the game off?

Taken from a leaflet by Sheffield  
Autonomous Collective.  
COMMENTS??



# ENVIRONMENT IS A CLASS ISSUE

PART 2

An addition to the article of the same title a couple of issues ago.

Environment is linked to many relevant issues. It isn't just about seals and whales and furry bunnies. In the countryside at the moment property and land is going up in price, becoming more valuable. Every single piece of land within and outside towns and villages that the property developers can get their hands on is being used to build on, as they say to cope with population explosions. All very well and good until we start to look at the situation. What does it matter if a few fields and woods go so people have somewhere to live, right? Bollox. Who is getting the houses? NOT people from the areas in which they are being built, and definately not single people, young people, working class people

If you live in these areas and you want to move out of home you've got two choices, unless you've got very lucky and found somewhere to rent. You either go to a city, or you get a lot of money to buy a place, if you can find one small enough.

A lot of countryside, including large areas of common land over which everyone has rights of way are being built on

for rich scum moving out of the city for the quiet life. This is bad news for working class people (yes, they do exist, so think again workerist urbanites). Our surroundings, culture, security, houses, everything is being destroyed by this move to the country - often caused by yuppie overfills from cities with growing yuppie areas and traditionally rich, e.g. York. People in these areas don't want to see all this destroyed; places where they used to play as kids, somewhere to walk the dog, all used for houses that don't even look nice, never mind the scum that move into them. Our villages and towns are becoming ghost towns, haunted by rich scum

A lot of people tend to forget the rural working class and rural areas in general. It's alright saying it's going to happen in the cities but they only represent a small area of the country. Rural riots have been happening for years. They got blamed on "lager louts". This is crap. It's just people frustrated at everything, at the way of life we're forced into. So, remember the countryside environment when you're talking about revolution. You'd be surprised at the general level of class consciousness and the hate for the filth in rural areas.

COUNTRY BUMPKIN.

Liverpool Anarchists would like to apologise for a certain magazine that hasn't had the decency to apologise for itself, or better still remove the word "anarchism" from it's pages. That magazine is Freedom.

Not wanting to seem sectarian, the magazine Freedom is produced by a handful of individualistic liberals, who, although they do reprint some decent books, do very little else other than theorising and liberalising about what they believe to be "anarchism".

For instance, in past issues, apart from printing lots of crap, they have printed letters and articles from a certain individual who believes that anarchism means the right to do just exactly what you want, i.e. rape. Also articles supporting pornography and the right of nazis to parade their sick colours down our streets. And in their

March edition it is said about the Poll Tax;

"Anarchists opposing the community charge (Poll Tax) have simply not thought their opposition through."

and;

"Feminists should be glorying in women's new found recognition of female independence."

and;

"Youngsters, workers or students, should be clamouring for their new legitimacy as fully paid-up members of the citizenry."

What planet are these people living on? Anything that penalises us for being born, takes even more money out of our giros and wage packets, restricts our freedom even more, and is introduced by Thatcher stinks. Need we say more.

"Anarchists" like these we can do without.

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