

## May Day in Dundee

For the first time there was an Anarchist contingent on the May Day march in this city. Eighteen people marched under the Dundee Anarchists' banner (a red one with black lettering - the only red banner on the march).

Before moving off a Labour Party official said to one of our group "We'll allow you to take part in our march if you behave yourselves." He was reminded that May Day belongs to the people, not to any particular faction. Another L.P. man drove a car into the Communist contingent, nearly knocking a young woman over. He then called a cop and told him to prevent the commies and

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Anarchists from taking over Labour's march. However, he was overruled by another official and we set off.

All along the route buses were passing slowly by. The busmen and general public were given copies of our May Day leaflet and the manifests of the Scottish Federation.

When the march reached City Square where we were to be addressed by Dundee's two M.P.s the Anarchists went right to the front of the crowd. Everybody else furled their banners but we held ours and a poster with "No wage freeze under any government" right under the platform speakers' noses. Meanwhile other

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comrades dished out leaflets to all and sundry.

The first MP managed to make a speech without once mentioning the word "Socialism". When the other one, Peter Doug, a violent opponent of disarmament whether unilateral or multilateral, rose to speak the Anarchist group marched off in protest. We went back individually to heckle.

Our group received some hostility but also some encouragement. At any rate nobody could ignore us. We undoubtedly made some people think, quite an achievement itself. Our leaflet was not designed to make immediate converts but

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to encourage opposition to reaction and interest in Anarchism. In this it succeeded.

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