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"You start with one to reach a hundred, as the saying goes. So I would like the glory of being the first to start. It is not with words or paper that we shall change existing conditions. The last advice I have for true anarchists, for active anarchists, is to arm themselves according to my example, with ... a box of matches."

Louis Chaves, Spring 1884, France.

"Together, hand in hand, with our box of matches, and with our 'necklaces' we shall liberate this country."

Winnie Mandela, Spring 1986, South Africa.

In recent weeks there has been mass-picketing in an attempt to halt distribution of Rupert Murdochs' paper from Wapping, this has not failed, it is gradually working as the size of the pickets increase. But at the moment papers are still getting out. Some of us who can't get to Wapping and evan those that do go down MUST sabotage Murdochs efforts not just by acting against the Sun but by acting against the distribution 'Scab' company TNT. This report should be of interest to people from around Leicester. So get out and do something!

DESPATCH POST

This where TNT take trade from the GPO and alot of companies use it (you normally see stickers in the window). At the moment I've only seen one depot, that being St Margarets Bus Station the corner next to the National Express Ticket Office. I'm told that alot of photocopying shops, car hire firms etc use TMT Despatch post.Please keep an eye out for them and send us details if you see anything. Get to the bus station and use your imagination as to what you can do with it .Paint, glue, petrol?bricks. (Whoops, but be careful when doing this, as there are security cameras around this area, keep safe, ACT.

VAN DEPOT

The Sunday papers are distributed from a place of the Syston/Thurmaston road (Melton Rd), this is called Wenlock way, although there are pickets there every Sat/Sun, these are ineffective. Any driver that has scabbed through a picket line at Wapping wont stop at Leicester! And indeed they dont, driving straight through. Though maybe the wans that distribute around can be stopped. If not through a pioket line then through immobilisation. On Sunday mornings around 8am people have seen the vans limed_um out the depot, (around 30 of them). Think what a car load of people could do AND dont just think ACT. Afterall a van wont move if it has a smashed window, gravel in the petrol tank.

GANG UP AND FIGHT BACK!

Slogens such TMT SCAB also communicate effectivly. The vans are all Bedfords i think, but go along to find out. When you arrive if there are no wans well turn your attemtion to wreaking the depot instead! HEAD OFFICE AND LOCAL DEPOT

On the industrial estate in Thurmaston New Star rd you will find the local depot. Brick the windows and daub slogens. These are at New Star rd but you'll have to walk around to find the head office-but its worth it 'cos it is real quiet and a good target. Give the lorries the same treatment 'cos together we can smash Murdoch, if it has to be through financial loss then so be it.

COMRADES IN HINCKLEY

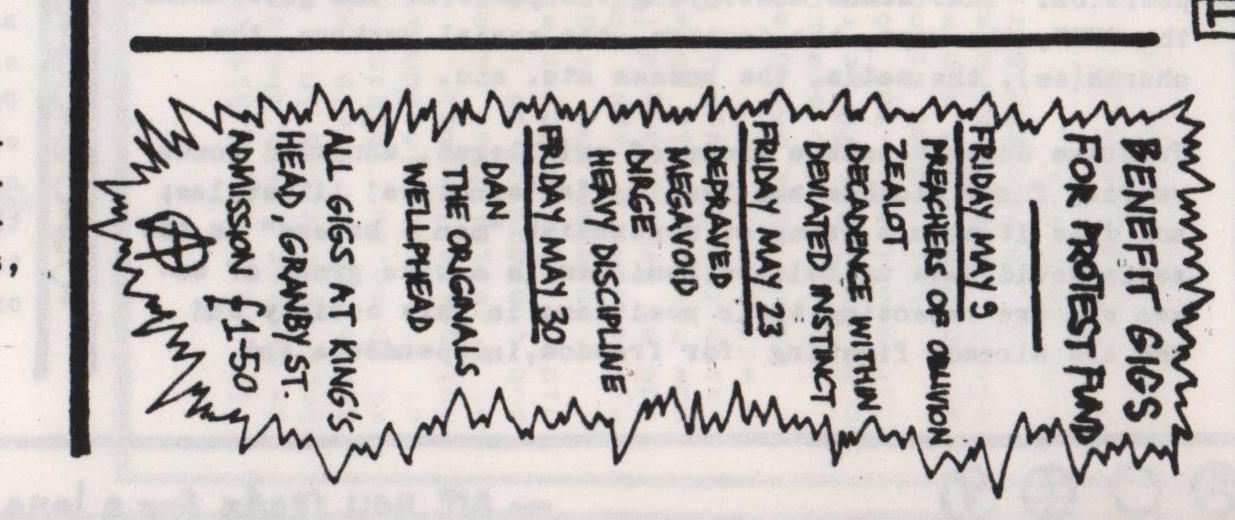
Next to the railway hotel (Opposite the train station) there's a TMT Despatch post display in a window, is this a depot? If so wreck it. If not well that window would cost around £750 to replace, it would mean Murdoch would have to sell a lot more papers to replace it.

PEOPLE EVERYWHERE

If you look in many lay bys and on industrail estates its normally easy to pick out the odd TNT lorry. It'd be a shame to escape our wrath - HIT THEM when and where you can

Whatever you do decide to get up to good luck from LAG, of course hit News international as well. Create anger against TMT property. Together we can beat them.

LOTS OF LOVE LAGGERS.XXX

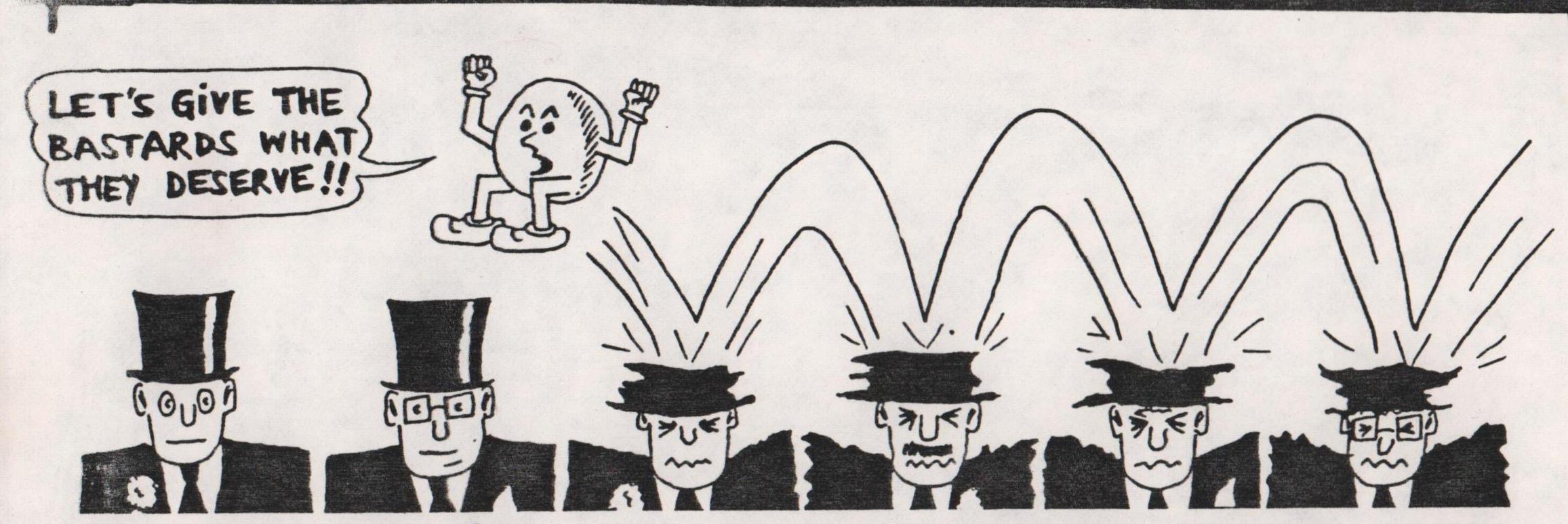


This is the 2nd issue of this magazine. We've re-named it "Leicester Molotov" cos we found that if you soak it in paraffin and push it into the neck of a milk bottle filled with We want it to come out as regularly as possible (every fortnight?), but we need articles, cartoons, drawings etc. We need NEWS of what's going on here in Shit-City (don't worry, we'll burn the originals and keep it all anonymous). So tell us what your local hit-squad has been up to. We need ideas, enthusiasm (and revolution). Try and get it all in to us by 13 May for the next issue.

Some Leicester anarchists meet every other Tuesday (13 May, 27 May etc.) at the Socialist Centre (!) 70 High St., so come along for a chat ...

We are not the Leicester anarchists, nor is this the Leicester anarchist mag. Let's just hope we're a part of something.

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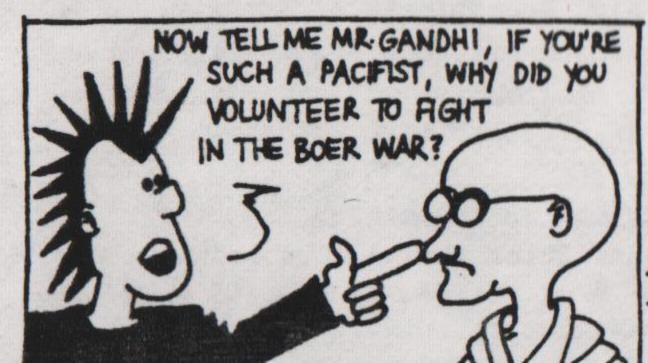
In my heart I agree with pacifism, tho' in my head I can't see it working. But what gets me is pacifists - I mean 90% of the ones I've met: you know, the sort who bounce up and say "Hi, I'm Nigel and I'm a pacifist vegan." There are loads of pacifists I have done things with, but they're the ones who don't shove it down my throat and just get on with the job in hand.

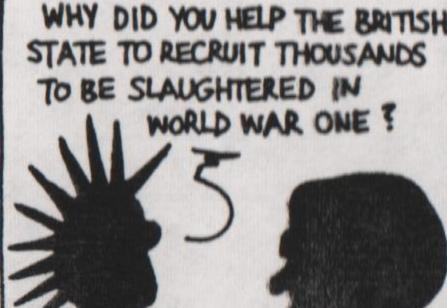
Anarcho-pacifists are the evangelical, moralising wing of the anarchist movement. They believe in the supreme power of the individual's conscience: like Gandhi, they would sit under a falling muke and defeat it with their own goodness. But I find most of them patronising and condescending. They are blind to their own privilege. Most have been brought up in relative comfort and ease, so it's easy for them to carry on living a pacifist life. But loads of people have to live in shitty conditions, trapped in shitty violent jobs and relationships. Because they can't /don't live morally pure lives, anarcho-pacifists look down their middle-class noses at them. They don't see that pacifism is not a practical choice for millions of people in the UK, let alone all over the world. This world is a shitty and violent place and has been for centuries. Pacifists seem to think you can live on an island of moral purity in the middle of such shit. But that's bollox because violence contaminates everything. Just like you can't be totally vegan in a world based on exploiting animals, you can't be pure in an unpure world. That sort of "holier-than-thou" moralising gets right up my nose, and it makes loads of pacifists fucked-up people who sound more like fuck-love Christians than revolutionaries.

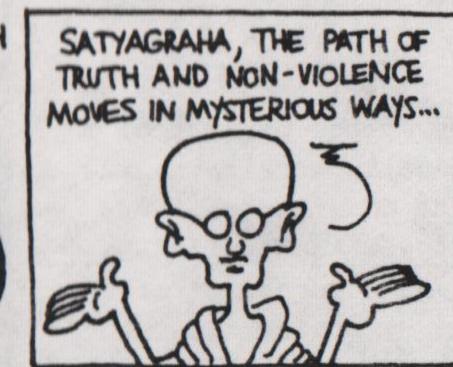
There are more specific reasons why I won't call myself an anarcho-pacifist. They preach non-violence and love (OK) and then try to tell people what to do (not OK). I've been told that it's "not anarchist" of me to feel hateful or wiolent, that anarchy is "about co-operation and mutual aid." Well that's all very well, but I'm still not going to co-operate with those I see as my enemy. Pacifists tell me that hating hunters brings me down to their level. They tell | balaclava and Doc's, and reach for the nearest brick....

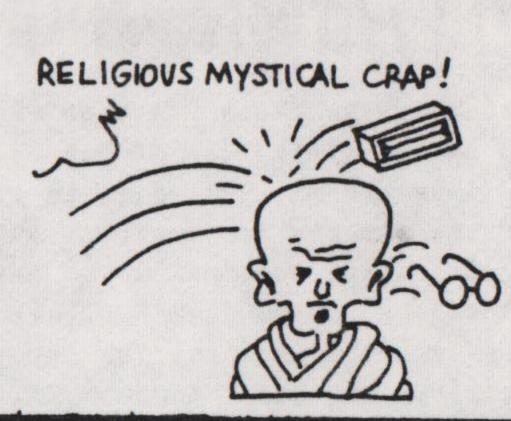
me that it was wrong to feel the least bit amused when PC Blakelock got it in the neck last year. Thinking of violence does sicken me, but no-one is going to tell me what to think or feel. And I'm not going to condemn people who are so shatupon that they resort to violence. Besides which, there's no way that we could ever bring ourselves down to the level of our enemies (with centuries of our blood on their hands) even if we spent every day of the next fifty years hacking up cops. It's just typical pacifist moralising crap: pacifists think it's all a matter of individuals and consciences, so they condemn anyone who can't "rise above" their enemy. Tottenham rioters are attacked for sinking to the level of the cops. Gandhi (the pacifist god - huh!) also liked to play "Blame The Victim". When Tolstoy asked how just one company could enslave the whole Indian population, he replied "the responsibility is more ours than that of the English." So we can forget the British army? So we can forget the thousands who died fighting the Brits long before Gandhi was even born? So it's the fault of the Indian population that Britain ripped them off? Pacifists, like Gandhi, forget that most of the shit in this world comes from THEM (the cops, the bosses, the army etc.) and not from us. If they've really got nothing better to do than get upset over Blakelock, they could at least blame the State and not those who are trying to fight it.

Blaming us and not them also means that in the eyes of anarcho-pacifists most of us non-pacifists aren't "real" anarchists at all. Pacifists talk of co-operation and trust: can I trust them not to co-operate with the cops? On a huntsab last year a friend pulled one of the blood-junkies off his horse. To the pacifists, this was "introducing violence into the situation" - never mind the fact that hunting is all about violence. So the pacifists told the hunt "You can have him, he's not one of us" and walked off, leaving 4 of us to fend off 3 angry huntscum who wanted revenge. And because I refuse to stand by and watch any of us trashed over by the cops, hunters or fascists, anarchopacifists try to guilt-trip me into feeling that I'm a blood-thirsty thug into mindless violence. Shit, it's enough to make any half-way decent anarchist pull on their









For a long time I've tried to write why I feel anarchism and feminism go hand in hand. Well in "Harpy" (Bristol anarcho-feminist mag) I found someone had managed to do it, so I've nicked some of their article for this. Cheers.

PENINISM means fighting for all women, but especially working class and black women, for control over their own lives. It means fighting against oppression by the State, by the rich and by men. It means struggling against all the shit that controls women and keeps us in a second-class position. That means destroying the power of the government, the DHSS, the cops, the doctors, the social workers, the church(es), the media, the bosses etc. etc.

Feminism doesn't mean a group of privileged, educated women wearing funny clothes and leading 'alternative' lifestyles; nor does it mean a group of seperatist "men - haters" as the media would have us believe. Feminism is a wide group of women who are rejecting their positions in this society and who are already fighting for freedom, independence and

A choice. It means ordinary women working within their own O lives to make it clear that they are no longer prepared to be housekeepers and nursemaids. It means women who are sick O of trying to look like filmstars and sick of keeping an 'ideal home', turning around and challenging the control and and demands of men-

ANARCHISM rejects the idea of power and control over people by the state. It believes in people having control over their own lives and not being told what to do. It believes in the liberation of all people from the trap of a power-seeking society controlled by small and privileged group of rich men and women.

Feminism, and the "equality" of men and women must be part of anarchism-male oppression and control is as much the ENEMY as state and class oppression. If there are any women out there thinking along these lines, it would be great to get together - just write to Leicester Anarchists, c/o Blackthorn Books.

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Like Dickhead, Iwas pissed off when I saw my local CO-op was still selling goods from South Africa after I'd read that the Co-op Retail Society (CRS) had agreed not to. So I took it up with the manager (who could see nothing at all wrong with supporting apartheid "Our small contribution won't make any difference will it?"... "I'm not a racist"... etc.) who was able to enlighten me. The boycott decision was made by the CRS and CWS (Co-op Wholesale Society) which are completely separate organisations from the co-ops we see in our towns and villages which are county groups. And within the Leicestershire Co-op Soc. there are further sub-divisions which have each made there own decisions on whether or not to sell S. African goods. He said the only way I could have a say in this matter is to buy a share in Co-op (£1) and vote at one of their meetings. Living out in the sticks as I do, I've found that people's awareness of important issues like anti-apartheid is pretty non-existant. And the motion to stop S. African goods was thrown out. Does anyone fancy joining me to do some leafletting outside the store? But there is some good news... Food-stuffs

ie. definately not of South African origin.

that carry the Co-op brand name are produced

and distributed by CWS and should be right on

for raping a girl that Axe spoke of? PS What on earth are the "obvious reasons"

Love Bridge xx

Love and respect are contagious..... act in the same way as the police and courts. rather than to dole out these punishments & makes sense to search deeper into the causes crime are aymptoms of our society today - it for crimes they have committed? Violence and on another person as some kind of repayment right or power to kill or inflict such injury

for an equal society, how can anyone have the castration of rapists. In our struggle (fight) graph encourages the death sentence and the love and co-operation while in the same pararages further on. Axe talks about anarchist's to have a read of "Consider This " a few O. F. Allan. I think the writer would do well

comment on the bit called FUNISHMENT by Axe views of the group as a whole, I'd like to the articles do not necessarily express the tant gnitosed reading it, Whilst respecting that Glad to see the first issue of the mag, and Dear LAG,

love Bridge xx

TO CHANGE THE MASTER IS NOT TO BE FREE!

Who are the anarchists, and why do they follow the black flag, criticise authoritarian centralism and attack bureaucracy?

Well let's go back a bit to 1868 when Bakunin and Marx were contemporaries, both studying society and theorising on the nature and future of capitalism and the working classes. Marx sent Bakunin a copy of Das Kapital, probably the most read book in the world, and no-one can argue with his analysis of the economic structure of capitalism, its obvious exploitation of the many by the few, and indeed his prediction of small capitalists being swallowed or destroyed by larger and larger 'cartels' - never truer than in 1986, the year of the takeover. Also the class nature of society and the revolutionary role of the working class was clearly spelled out by Marx, and his view that the ruling class would never give up power without a violent confrontation ("the revolution") has been proven time and time again.

So we are agreed that there is no peaceful road to socialism and that the workers are being ripped off ... Now we come to the part of Marx we disagree with and where we take up the mantle of Bakunin who carried out a critical correspondence with Marx about their different views of the future role of the State.

Although Marx wrote about the withering away of the State it was always in some far distant time - "in the course of development class differences would have disappeared." With Bakunin on the other hand the State is to be abolished at the very outset of the revolution. Bakunin rejected Communism because it concentrated all power in the State and inevitably led to the centralisation of property in the hands of the State. "I desire the abolition of the State by which men (wot about womyn???) have always been enslaved, oppressed,

SOON AS I'VE FINISHED

REATING YOU UP!

exploited and humiliated." He rejected all political action that did not directly promote the social revolution; and he saw clearly then what we can now see with hindsight - that the State, far from withering away would continually reinforce itself, and grow stronger and stronger, concerned only with its own existence and power. We salute Bakunin's "WITHER AWAY" JUSTAS perception and call on fellow socialists to join us in the libertarian ranks, and avoid the mistakes of the Bolsheviks ...

so..... "SMASH THE STATE" (A)

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It is quite clear that industrial, agricultural and transport trends are seriously (disastrously) affecting our eco-system. Most people realise that this is a problem, but do not see it as as much of a problem as muclear weapons or world starvation. But both famine and the threat of nuclear destruction are direct products of the capitalist system which creates the whole problem of the environment. Ecology is an important area in the anarchist movement and a magazine called 'Green Anarchist' is available from Blackthorn, and is probably the most informative and interesting anarchist publication out at this time.

TREES ... Rain forests the area of France are destroyed every year. How long can this go on? It is already affecting the eco-systems of many Third World countries. Rainfall in Africa is already badly affected by the cutting down of treen, as trees have a cooling effect (like high ground) on air currents and so cause rain to fall on or near forested areas. Trees also stop soil erosion when rain does fall as their roots hold the soil in place. So without trees, rain will not fall regularly, and when it does the torrents will wash away the top soil, leaving the land as infertile desert.

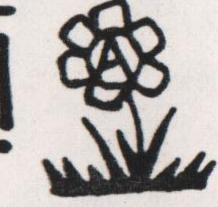
AGRICULTURAL PROBLEMS ... It is estimated that in 30 years the top soil in the UK will become infertile if we continue the wholesale use of chemical fertilisers etc. This has already happened in the Third World. Multi-nationals growing tea, coffee, sugar and other cash crops for export have displaced natives from their land and used chemical-intensive agricultural systems which give high yields in the short term but in the long run make the soil infertile. In conjunction with the cutting down of trees this is causing deserts to spread and is thus partly responsible for mass hunger and starvation. In the USA nine tenths of the grain grown is fed to animals. If the UK turned to a mainly vegan diet, we could become selfsufficient in food, we would not have to rely on chemicals to

grow our food, and we could return some of our country to forest which would be beneficial to wild-life, and would give us a renewable source of energy in firewood.

POLLUTION ... Oil, toxic wastes, acid rain, noise - there are so many pollutants being churned out by over-industrialised over-consuming countries that we are now polluting not only ourselves but other countries too. Every day pollutants like chromium, cyanide and titamium by-products are pumped into our rivers virtually unchecked. Sulphurous gases are belched out from power stations, factories and car exhausts cause death & decay to wild-life and buillings thru acid rain. To cut down on these emissions from power stations to a level recommended by Friends of the Earth would cost the average consumer fl a year on their electricity bill. If we walked, cycled or used public transport more often and if catalytic converters or lean burn engines were used even more, acid rain would be stopped. Unfortunately the only way to stop the expansion of our economy and the massive expansion of pollution from factories is to stop capitalism (easier said than done).

NUCLEAR POWER/WEAPONS ... Britain is one of the leading nations in reprocessing nuclear wasts to make more fuel or weapons. The US and France, among others, pay us to reprocess their waste, because then they don't risk pollution or cancer etc. It's not "mis-management" that makes muclear installations dangerous (like 'Workers Power' think) - they're dangerous in themselves. And the security they require just bolsters State power.

The damage done to our environment by nuclear tests, nuclear waste etc. and the threat of total annihilation from nuclear (and 'conventional') war makes the nuclear industry/State the most potent terror on Earth. But it's not enough to wait til after the 'revolution' - capitalism and the State are destroying our environment mow, and it's up to us to stop it.



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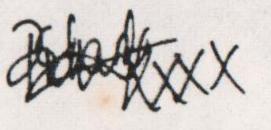
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Dear friends,

In the near future it is hoped that an anti-nuclear camp can be set up on the roadside outside the NNC/GEC complex in Whetstone to draw the link between work and the poisoning of our earth. Many people who live in or around the area may not realise what work goes on here, i.e. designing of Sizewell 'B' Pressurised Water Reactors. Many may not care, but let's give them the story. Is anybody interested? If so, get in touch with Leicester Anarchists, c/o Blackthorn Books, 70 High Street.

Prepare a tent and sleeping bag. Camps were planned for bank holidays until we realised that the place would be shut. So it may have to be on working days. But don't worry: if you are a worker you can come and support us at night. Let's let their workers know that we know what they're designing.

> Yours for a nuclear-free summer and no muclear winters,



P.S. This camp is designed to last for around a week, and not to be an ongoing thing (yet?). It's just to inform the public what's going on.

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