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Rearguard Action



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Poetry,

The Battle of Barclays,

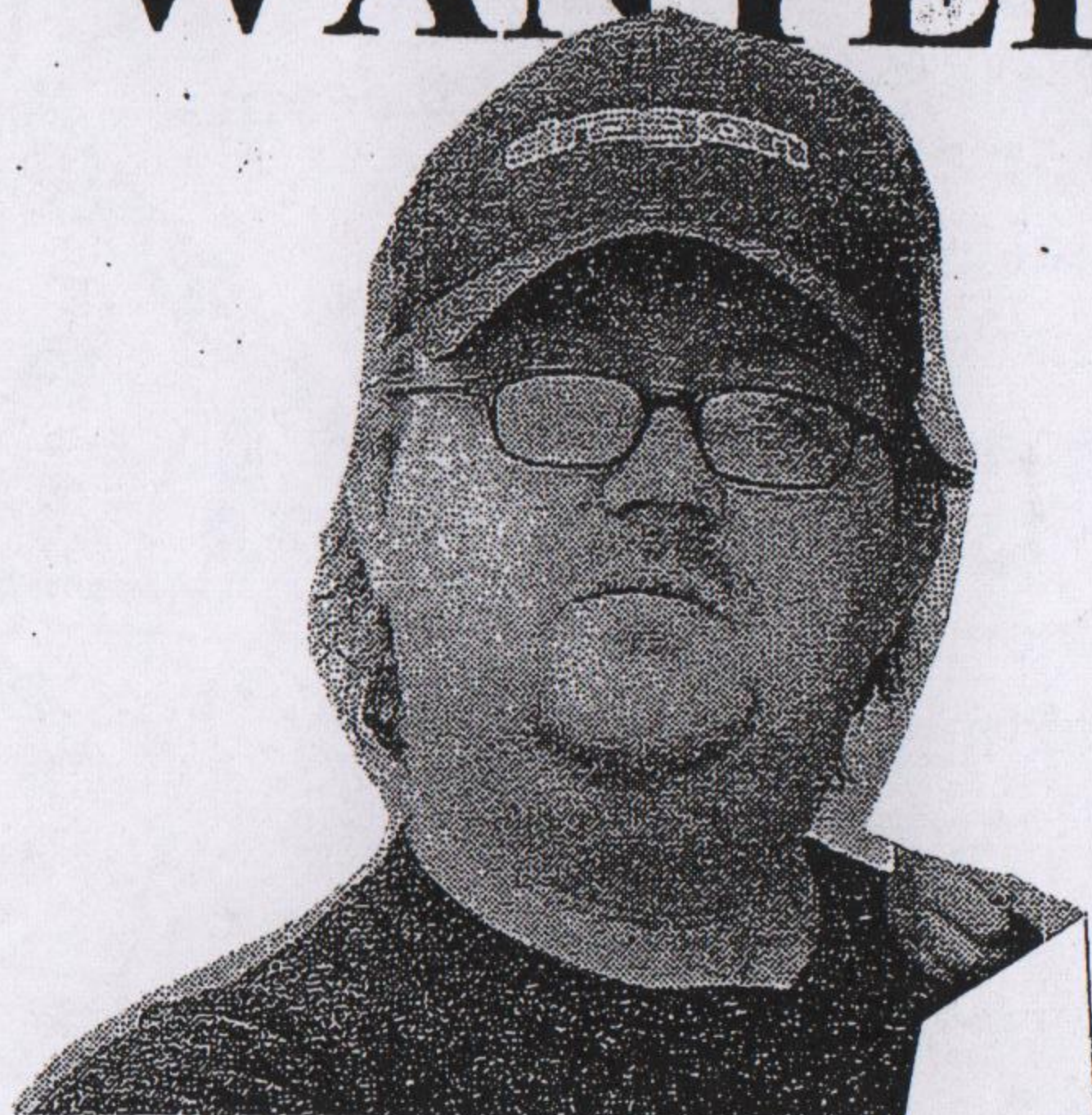
The case of the Huddersfield 2.

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#64 Early Summer 2013

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Goes by the name of Gez

For producing bloody
good coffee in a cool atmos.

Café Evolution 8 Church St Huddersfield.

"is Rearguard Anarchist????

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Many people of late have been coming up to us and asking, "is Rearguard Anarchist?". To which some people will answer yes. At some point in 2011 Rearguard Action was adopted as the official journal of Huddersfield Anarchist League of which we are proud.

Since its inception back in **1996** Rearguard was always meant to be a left wing journal/zine that was irreverent, off the wall and creative. It emerged out of the malaise of many ex-Trots who had been burned out and chewed up by socialist groups and as a response to that saw that the battle for a better world could not be conducted through hierarchical parties with self perpetuating leaderships obsessed with stats about raising money and selling papers, controlling or ignoring struggles that they couldn't recruit out of.

We saw the battle for a better world beginning now, by people collectively and ORGANICALLY coming together where we can find common ground and NOT falling out over points of difference and certainly not arguing about turgid constitutions or long out of date dogma's, but concentrating on the living struggle to survive the alienating shit of the system and make the world a better place, "from each according to their abilities, to each according to their need".

At times this creative and human struggle was termed psychedelic socialism and at times revolutionary surrealism, it believed in making resistance, art and love part of daily life always pushing back the boundaries of the

system and making individual and mass direct action a way of struggle and living and life.

We were a libertarian thread that had run through history, back to the days of punk, scrawled on the walls of Paris in 1968, Provo, Heights Ashbury, smashing machines in 1812, pissing in church fonts in 1649,

ranters, diggers and with power on the streets of London in 1642.....back backway back through the Heresy of the Free Spirit of the middle ages.

Then in November 2010 British protest changed for good as anarchists and students **smashed up** the Tory Headquarters at Millbank Towers,

then.....bang.....the Arab Spring.....saw a warm breeze of liberty.....direct action andfreedom blow across the globe.....yes this is what we had been waiting for and contributing to all these years. Of course there is a natural synthesis between anarchism and Rearguard but Rearguard has always been more than that, namely an platform for all people who are anarchists/socialists/radicals whatever who believe in a collective world to come together and express themselves no matter what label they attach (or none) or what party or formation that they belong to, as long as they breath in the fresh air of living that is collective action, humour and rebellion. Join the vibe.

Rita Rearguard

THIS ISSUE'S BIBLE QUOTE IS.....

Ezekiel 23:20
New International Version (NIV)
20 There she lusted after her lovers,
whose genitals were like those of
donkeys and whose emission was
like that of horses.
We don't know who 'she' is, but she
seems to be having a good time.

At the last election, George Osborne told voters he'd secure the recovery, cut the deficit and protect Britain's Triple-A credit rating.

He wasn't telling the truth: The economy has flatlined, the deficit is going up, and Britain's credit rating has now been downgraded. The Tories' response to the downgrade? Pretend everything is still going right.

George Osborne reminds me of the knight in the Monty Python film... "Tis but a scratch!" It'd be funny if their failure didn't hurt so many people!

The last Tory manifesto promised "We will safeguard Britain's credit rating" as the very first of its "Benchmarks for Britain" to "judge the economic success or failure of the next government".

They've already failed the British people and now they're even failing on their own terms.

The International Monetary Fund warned Osbourne to slow down the austerity measures and that it take Britain into a third recession dip. Osbourne continues to make avail of the opportunity to **capitalize** on the current financial crisis in order to implement the Tory agenda which is to ensure public services and health care is reformed beyond recognition.

Benefit increases are below the rate of inflation; local authorities are forced to reduce council tax benefit; the introduction of bedroom tax impacts more on the poorest, especially single parents and disabled, whilst the shortage of smaller housing means that moving is not an option for many; unemployment is rising (those on workfare programmes are included in the unemployed figures; there is a sharp increase in the number of young people not in training, employment or education; number of deaths relating to sickness/disability benefits is increasing.

Meanwhile..... Those who earn more than 150000 receive a 10% tax reduction, 13,000 millionaires will get a tax cut from this Tory-led Government.

On the same day that millions of working families have their tax credits cut, millionaires will receive a giveaway worth on average £100,000.

Cameron opposed the EU directive to cap bankers bonuses. Obviously they needed this money to survive!

These changes amount to nothing but genocide of the working classes as decades of work to reduce crime (remember the poor are more likely to be victims of crime than the more prosperous), address issues relating to social inequality is being completely wiped out by the cuts.

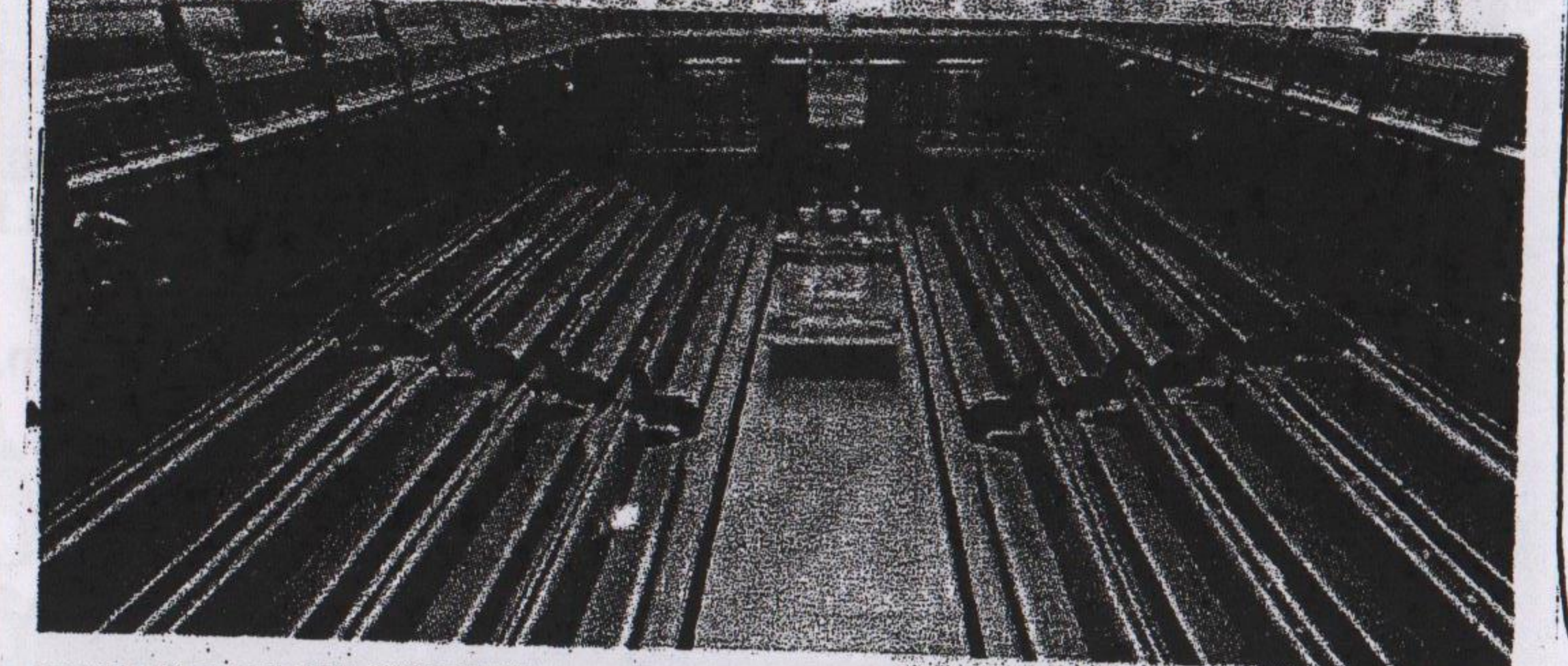
The people of Britain need to wake up and defend themselves against economic warfare.

Kali Ma

LOOK KITTEN, I DON'T GIVE
A DAMN WHAT YOU THINK.
IF I SAY I'M A FEMINIST
THEN BY GOD I AM ONE!



GEORGE GALLOWAY DIES — PARLIAMENT RECALLED FOR TRIBUTES



Jobcenter + Queue

As they queue and queue,
I queue and queue.

Time passes.

Reception signposts me to,
Another queue at the machine,
That realms fictional job after fictional job.

So, they queue and queue and queue,
And I queue and queue and queue.

Time passes, time passes.

When I reach the help desk,
I am signposted to a cubical with a phone.

"Press number 2 for income support..."

As they queue and queue and queue,
So I queue and queue and queue.

Time passes, passes, passes.

"Your call is in a queue, all our operators are busy at the moment..."

The lights twitch with my head,
Suppressed anger fighting to remain so.

For I have queued and queued all my life.

Time passed, yes time passed as,

I continue to queue for the basics of survival,

And a crumb of validation served in the recessionary dish of harsh disillusionment.

Now as I queue again,

I question again and again.

Why can I not be as the bird,

Whose hunger is fed by just being,

What construct has happened,

That money weighs so lofty upon me and thee.

Where is my power?

....Just delayed in a queue.

Don't take orders take over.

Under the hammer blows of austerity the workplace is becoming a battle ground as managers afraid of losing their positions become increasingly hostile as they drive through speed ups, redundancies, wage cuts and flexibility, in other words bigger workloads for less pay.

Workers must join the union, learn to say no, work to rule, marginalise managers and take control of the work place challenging every adverse management decision. To do otherwise is to sell out our children's future.

Decent wages, sick pay, annual leave, pensions, all this was won by our grandparents through struggle and is now under threat from an unscrupulous government and we must defend all these hard won rights and safeguard them for our children.

Be not afraid; there are more of us than there is them.

Cindy Calist

<http://www.reverbNation.com/artist/shows/1580896>

THREE SHEETS T' WIND gigs

Friday, May 3rd at 7:00pm

Paddock Village Hall
Huddersfield, UK

Thursday, May 23rd at 8:00pm

Verve
Leeds, UK

Sunday, May 26th at 4:00pm

Springboard Festival
Cottingham, UK

Saturday, June 1st at 12:00am

Crooked Ways Festival 2013
Pontefract, UK

Saturday, June 8th at 9:00pm

The Clothiers Arms
Elsecar, UK

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Voluntary sector under attack.

REPRESSION AND WAGE CUTS IN VOLUNTARY SECTOR.

As many of you are aware the cuts in public expenditure has hit the non-profit making charitable status sector the hardest. Services delivered by small scale local based projects have had to either closed, be amalgamated by larger national or regional target driven impersonal companies, or put out to tender to the lowest bidder thus driving wages down to the bare minimum and forcing workers to implement cost saving exercises such as working from home to save on overheads like rent and heating. I've worked with charities since 2000 and feel that the whole ethos and previously values driven work has disappeared. We don't need research to know what the knock on effect to society will be. Rise in crime rates, increases in homelessness, joblessness, disaffected youth, increase in domestic violence and child abuse. Reversing all the progress made and decreasing life chances. Of course individuals need to take personal responsibility but where does someone with for example with mild learning disability with an abusive background, history of trauma start without some support and input? Who's going to help such a person to learn about personal boundaries so the risk of exploitation is reduced? Who's going to help this person learn positive coping mechanisms instead of reaching for the bottle, who's going to build self-esteem by telling them they are worth something like everyone else? Untrained workers employed on a minimum wage. I think not! More and more degree educated qualified experienced staff are being driven away from the sector to be replaced by inexperienced people. What a waste of all the public funds invested in the sector! Just saying.....

By a voluntary sector worker.

Animal Rights Activists given Suspended Jail Sentence.

In previous issues of Rearguard we reported on the case of Luke Beavers who was in court in April charged with various offences in an anti vivisection campaign against the company Harlan Interfauna that dealt with death by supplying puppy dogs to other labs who were engaged in experimenting on animals. Luke and another defendant Catherine Parrish were given suspended prison sentences for charges of criminal damage and aggravated trespass in actions that helped lose Harlan some contracts with firms dealing with death. As we would always advise, anyone engaged in such actions and incur such sentences have done their bit, can serve the movement in other, just as valuable ways and need to vanish into the hills like any good guerrilla fighter.



Introducing a new party of the left The Socialist Workers Group Party Marxist Communist Tendency Proletarian Revolutionary League Whatsit Party (official), (Marxist Lemingist)

Comrades... the final phase in the struggle for world socialism has begun, now as never before left wing revolutionary paper sellers must grasp the new proletarian consciousness that has emerged with both hands to spread the teachings of Marx and Engels.

This new proletarian consciousness, born from the bastard wars of the imperialist powers where working class and oppressed people took to the streets to demonstrate against the war machine have at last been exposed to leftist propaganda. Our paper sales are up 25% and we are selling more pamphlets too. All our quotas have been exceeded!

Our literature has been totally consistent - since the change in line at our last meeting - in its call for workers to take industrial action to smash the decaying capitalist state. Workers fed up with being financially and spiritually exploited are staging wildcat strikes that are now crippling the existing social order. The boss class is on the run. The collapse of capitalism is inevitable!

There is only one straight road to revolutionary socialism: the working class has finally turned the corner. It is our duty to redouble our paper sales to arm the workers with newspapers, leaflets, pamphlets and revolutionary internet chatroom addresses. They need political baggage and we've got plenty of it.

Capitalism, beware your time has come. Run but you can't hide from the mass revolutionary working class.

The workers must be armed with one slogan and one slogan only...

**Smash capitalism
One solution revolution
Stop the war pigs
General strike now**

THE BATTLE OF BARCLAYS

On a glorious spring day on the 6th of April, Axe the Tax, which had been set up to fight the bedroom tax and also the cutting of the council tax rebate for the unemployed, held its first demonstration in Huddersfield. The modest march of about 70 people began with speakers from different left parties and marched round town.

Once again the manageress of Top Shop barred and bolted the doors to prevent an incursion when protestors stopped outside chanting 'pay your taxes'. After marching past the town hall the demo really got going when it returned to the Market Cross and anarchists led an occupation of Barclays Bank.

A good target:-

In 2012 Barclays was fined £290 million in fined for insider dealing and yet still paid £1.9 million in bonuses to top bankers.

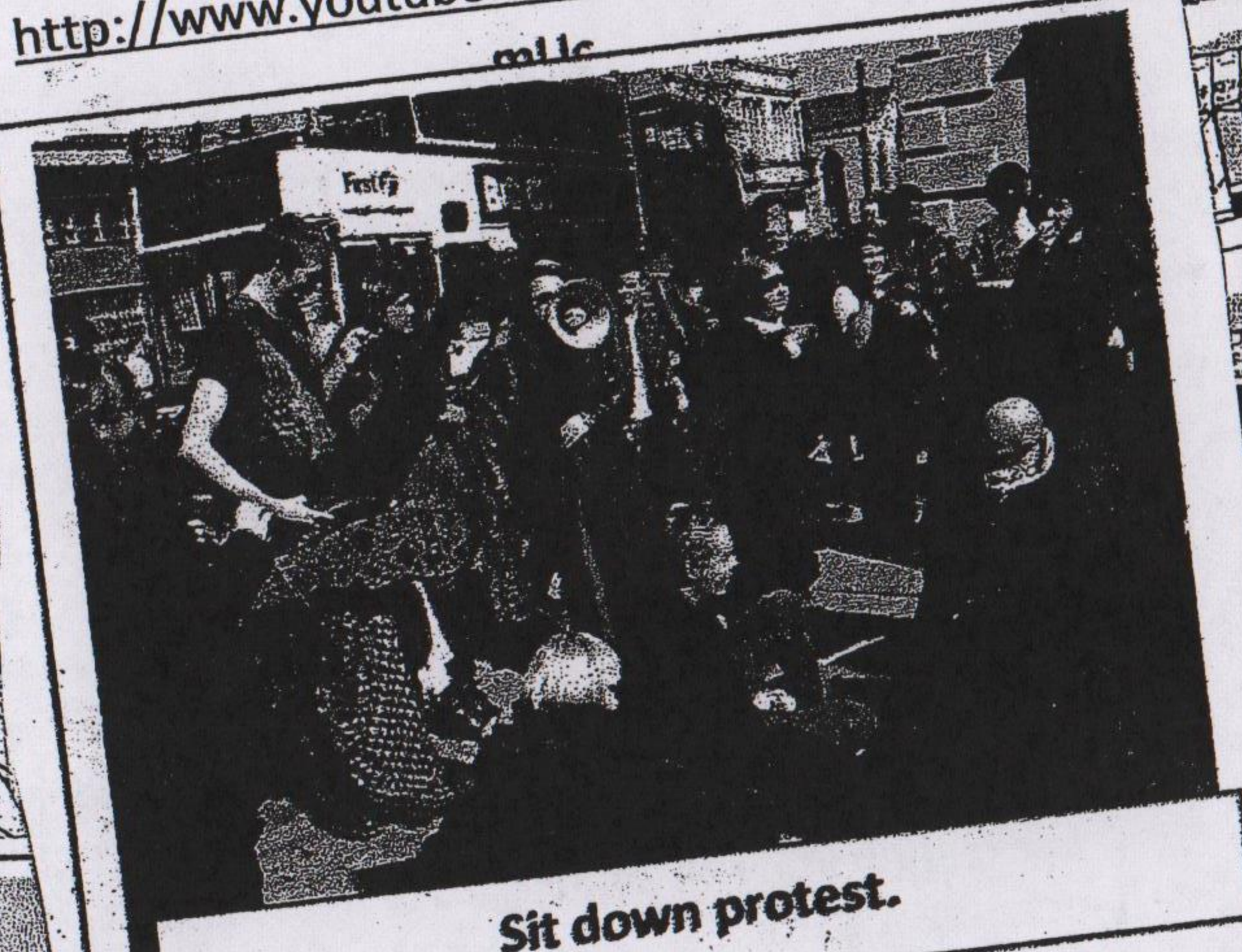
"The banks gambled with their money and the tax payer bailed them out to the tune of billions yet working people are been forced to pay for this with job lossess, benefit cuts and tax rises, whole sections of our community are been pauperised whilst the bankers and pliticians grow fat at our expence." Said Ian Brooke outside the bank.

As protestors piled into the bank the manager, a great surly brute of a man, remonstrated with the protestors. Despite reassurances that the protest wasn't against bank staff and we would leave when the cops arrived the manager balled and shouted and

set off the alarms. As the shutters went up and dry ice descended people left the bank as the cops arrived. (only the disco lights were missing)

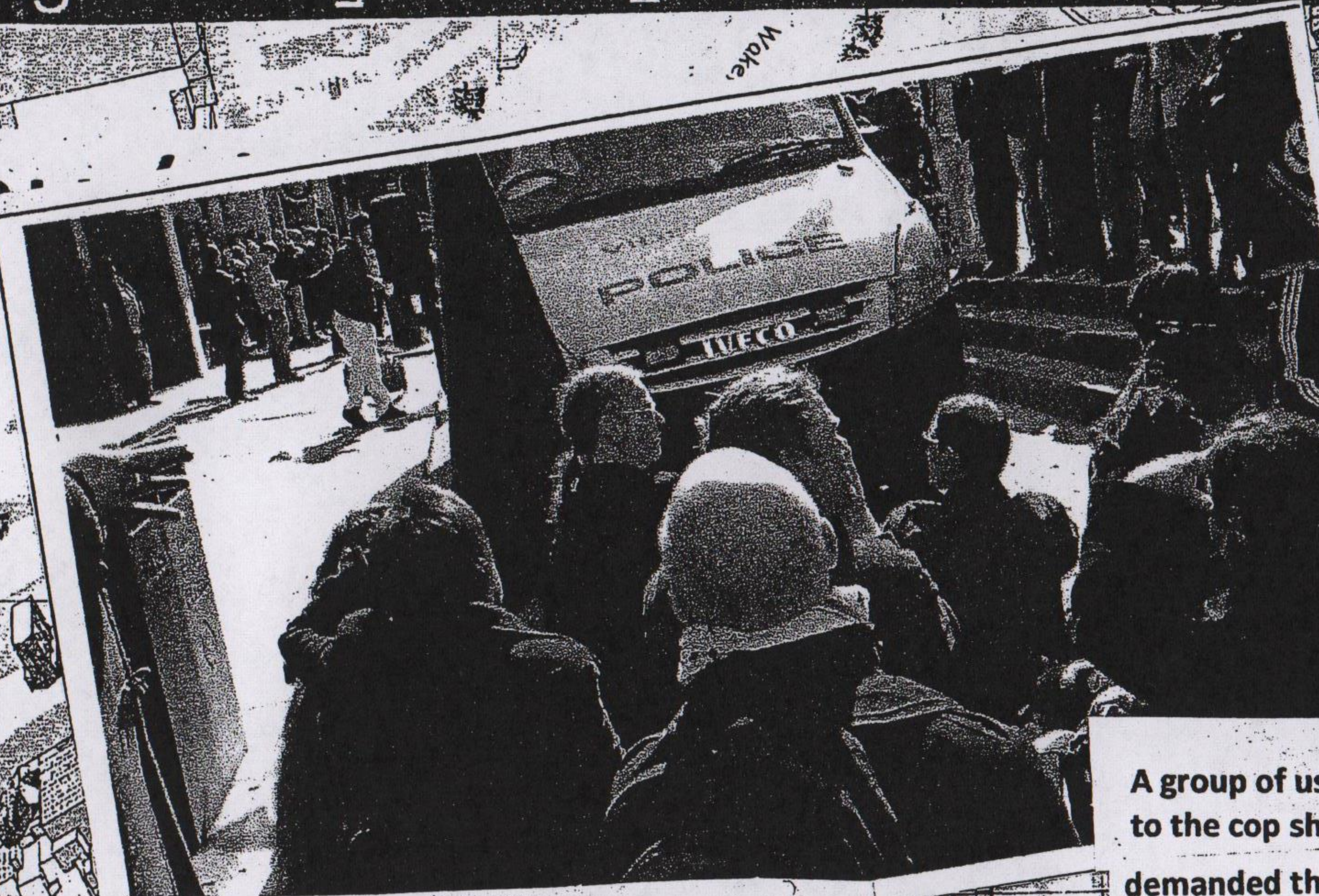
Outside there was now a crowd of about 200 gathered to hear the ranting of agitators explaining the link between austerity and the banking rip off. Busker Robin said the police didn't turn up when he was mugged but could turn up in seconds flat when a bank was occupied and money was invplved. As he began playing an anarchist song on his violin, one of the most bizarre occurrences happened in the history of protests in Huddersfield.

<http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=xdrh1EVN>



Sit down protest.

A cry went up as the cops had grabbed Alan Brooke and dragged him towards the van, instinctively the crowd rushed the cops surrounded them and tried to snatch the prisoner back, after a bit of pushing and shoving the cops managed to get him in the van so the protestors and bystanders sat in the road in front of the van to resist the arrest. Perplexed the cops pleaded and begged with the crowd to move and they refused, for once the cops weren't getting their own way.



Mr Obnoxious Bank Manager

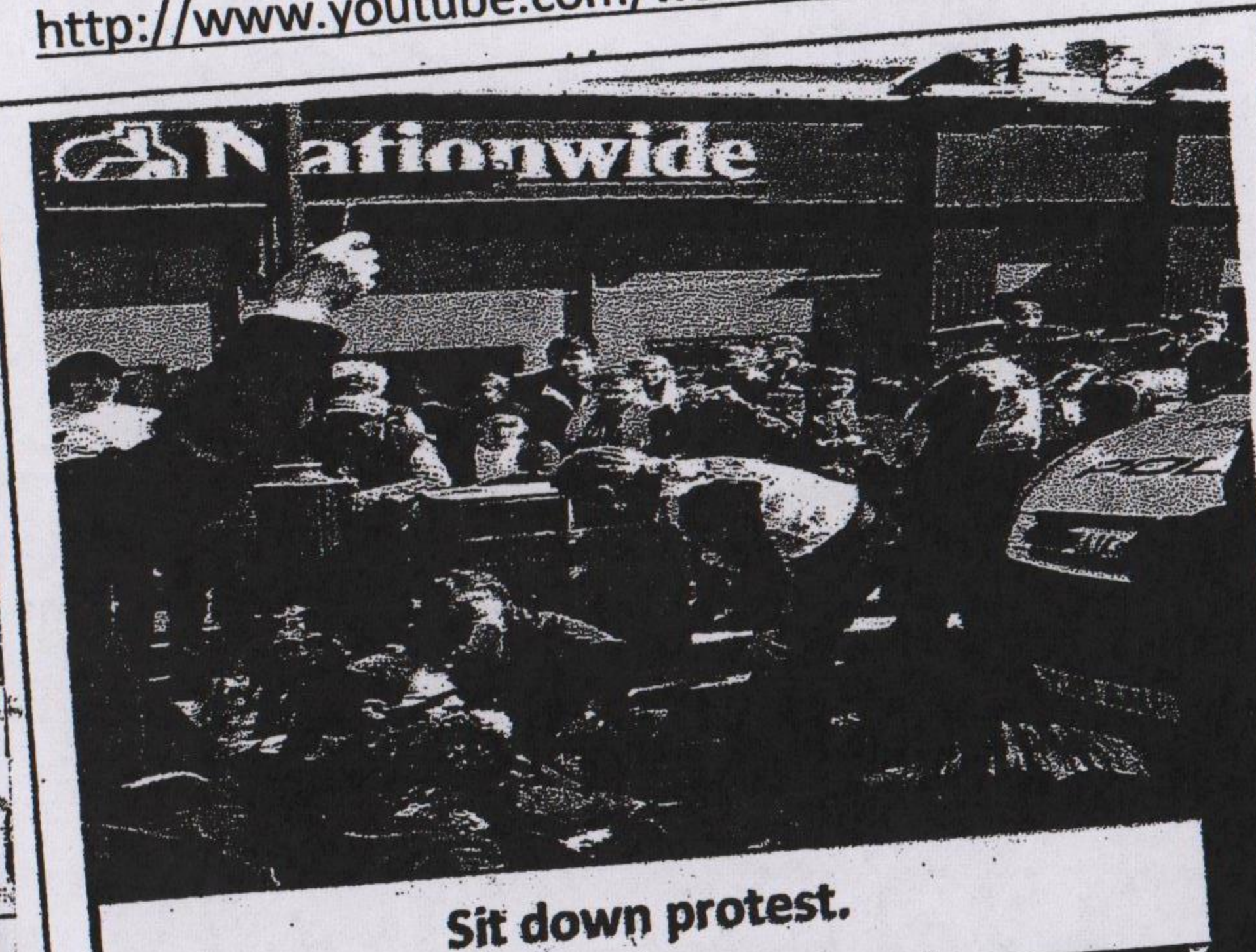
A group of us including a few shoppers marched to the cop shop occupied their reception and demanded their rrelease then sitting in vigil outside till the two were released at midnight.

Certainly Huddersfield Anarchist League who led the charge on Barclays have pulled numerous stunts in town and outwitted and out maneuvered the cops at every turn in a bizarre form of guerrilla war that will continue to target those who have caused the crisis of austerity. Only by mass strikes, direct action and ocupations will austerity be defeated; we believe for many people the 'Battle of Barclays' was a training ground for such action.

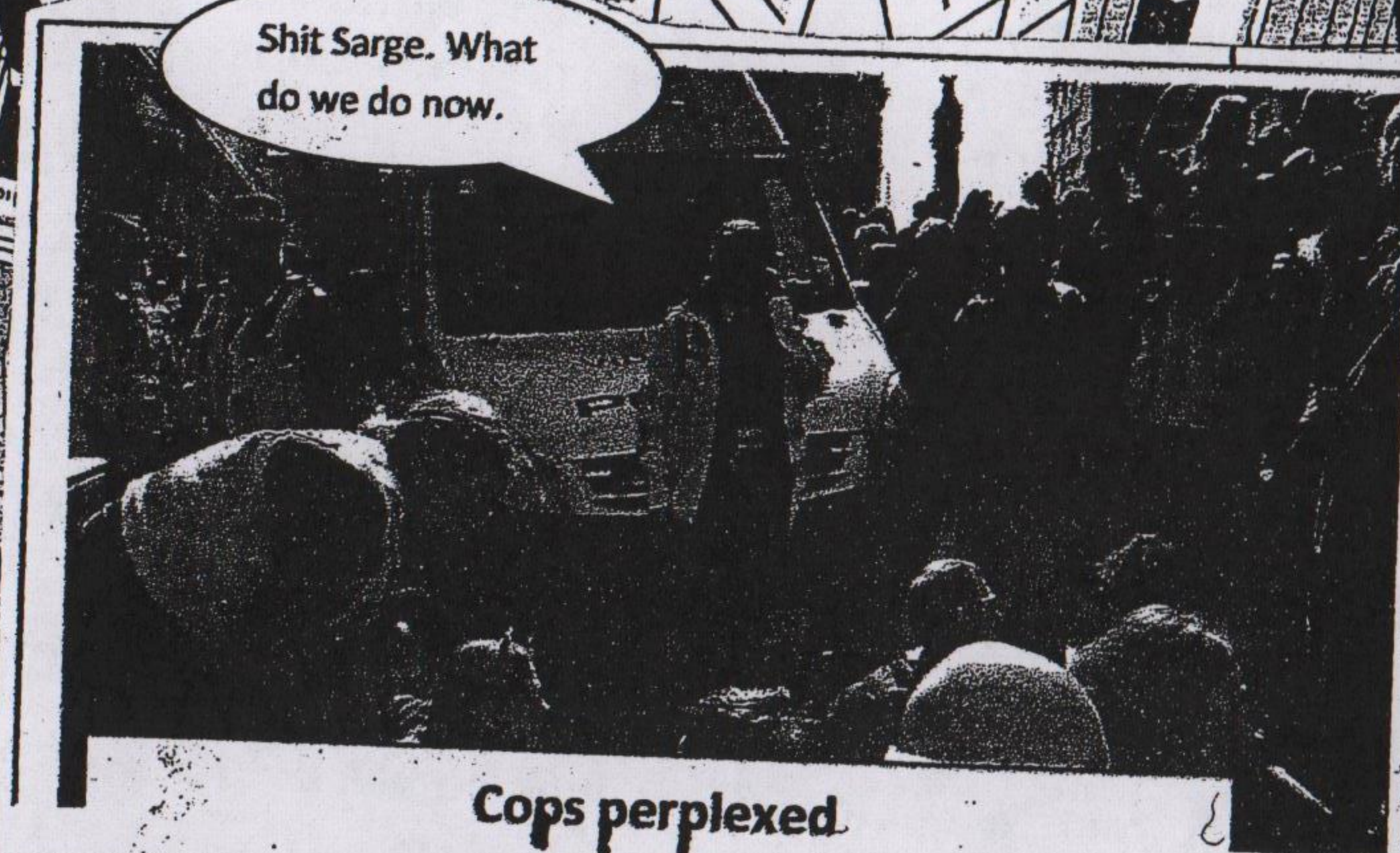
Another cry went up, that Busker Robin had been walled up by the cops against the window of Nationwide and then bundled roughly into the back of the van. Why? For playing an anarchist song on a violin? Has it come to this? Or for having the bottle to be involved in such an action? It took the cops a good 20 minutes to leave Market Cross because of the action of the crowd and if more people would have joined in they would have been knackered.

It was unprecedented that local people would use direct action to resist an arrest; is it the begining of the Huddersfield Spring? Is this the sign of things to come should they try to evict people for non-payment of the bedroom tax?

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Sit down protest.



Cops perplexed.

DEMO
DEFEND THE HUDDERSFIELD 2
Arrested on a bedroom tax protest.
Friday 26th July
at Magistrates Court
9.30am

Bring Banners.
Food, entertainment.

HUDDERSFIELD TOWN CENTRE

Our day
will come.

The arrest.

FREE THE HUDDERSFIELD 2.

Alan Brooke and Robin Von Mickwitz were the two anarchists arrested on the anti-bedroom tax demo on 6th of April and charged with a public order offence of 'disruptive behavior'. They were bailed to stay out of the ring road and appeared at Huddersfield Magistrates Court on 18th April where they pleaded not guilty. They are now allowed back into the ring road.

The public gallery was packed and when the Judge asked Alan how many witnesses he was calling he just took a lingering look at the gallery to hoots of laughter.

Quite a few cops were sent along with a re-mit to be over familiar with us and get information, whilst the court took the unprecedented action of having two G4S offices in the court telling us to shush and other cases were moved else where. All this shows that the authorities are scared of our unpredictability and resolve.

At the trial set for 26th of July we will hold a festival of resistance.

Brooke and Von Mickwitz, sounds like a surreal 70s outlaw series and maybe it is.

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Please
move, we
are trying
to repress
dissent.



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CLAYTON FIELDS UPDATE

Village Greens have been in the news recently with the local Kirklees LDF issues and the national legislation changes (Growth and Infrastructure Bill), which look as if it will become increasingly difficult for new Village Greens to be registered and significant Green Belt areas will become developed.

The appeal to the Supreme Court by Paddico to try and deregister Clayton Fields Village Green will still happen. However the case is quite complex and is being heard in conjunction with another in the South of England with similar issues. The Supreme Court is currently overloaded with cases to consider and it is entirely possible that our case may not be heard until 2014. From the legal advice we have been given, we are still confident of success as there is very little precedent that an appeal at this level has overturned a decision made on the grounds of 'Justice'. We hope that we will get an early hearing and can look forward to a proper Bonfire Night in 2013 on the field.

The good news is that we note that there is now complete access to Clayton Fields from Deveron Grove, Murray Road, Halifax Road, and George Avenue. Perhaps Paddico are now taking the advice of Judge Vos in allowing free access until the appeal courts have made their final decision and if so, our thanks to them.

We do need to ensure we have adequate funds to support the Supreme Court action (we have no idea what contribution CFAG will need to make),

Meanwhile in Cairo.

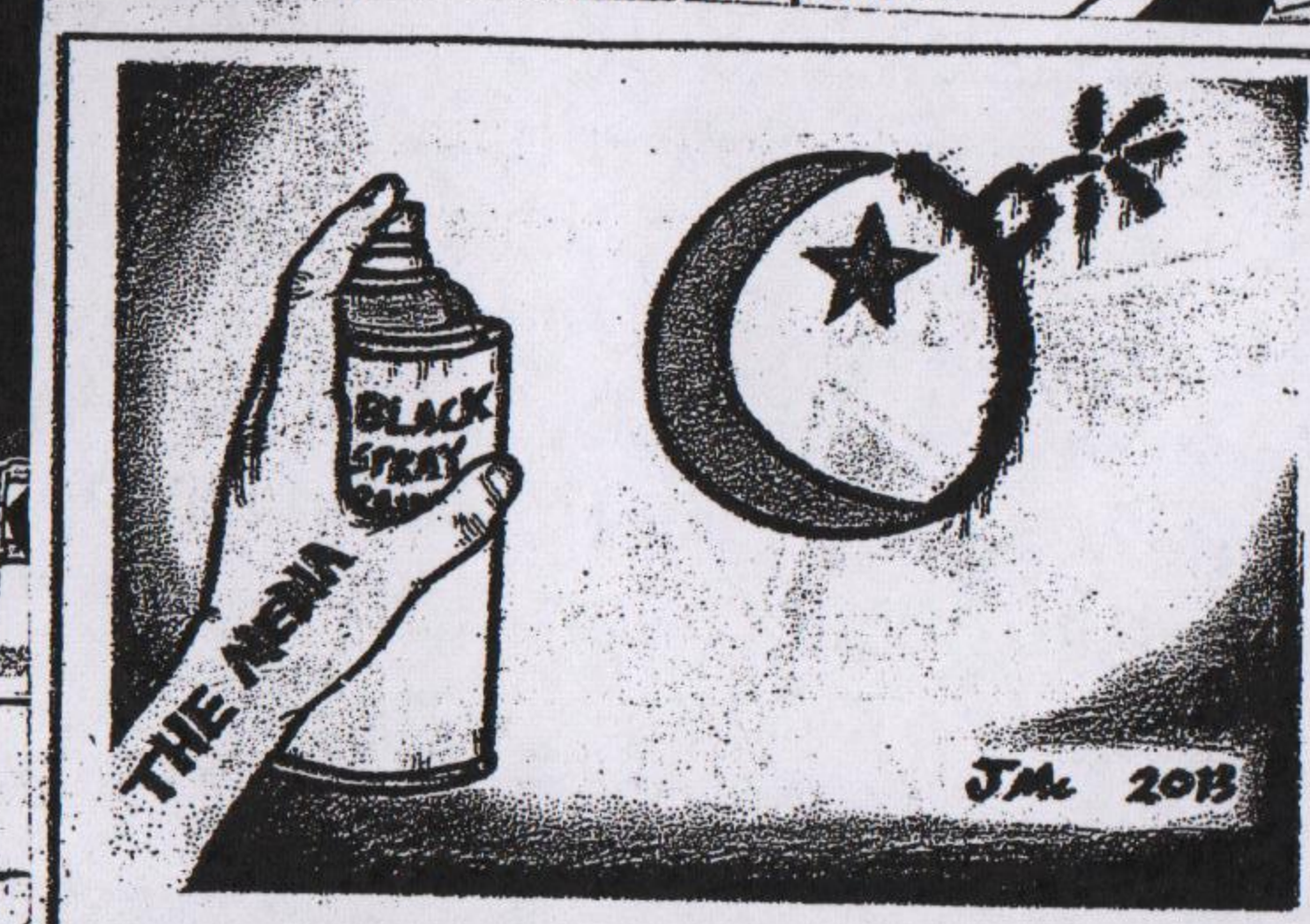
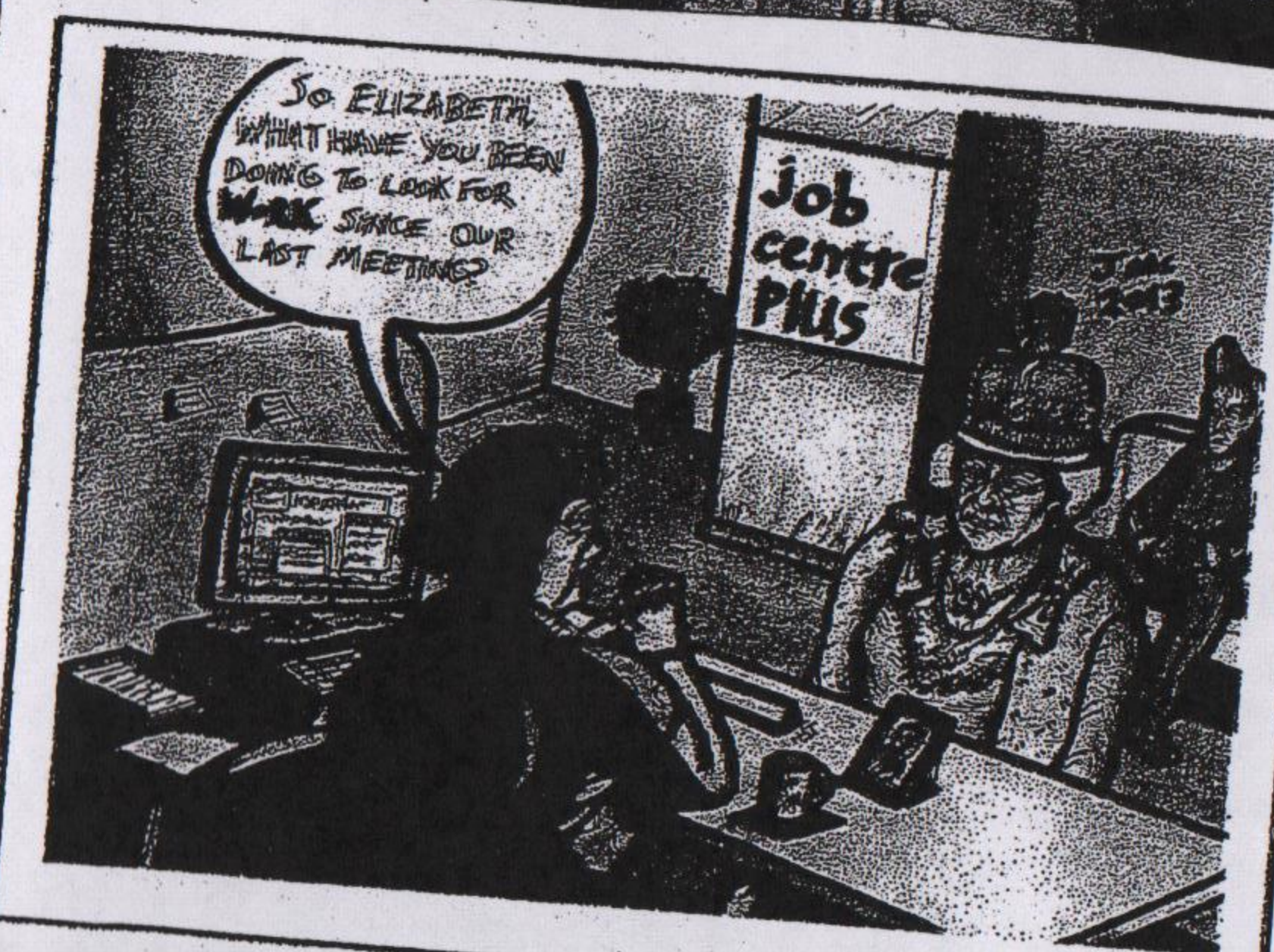
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I take it
you haven't
had sex
for a while.

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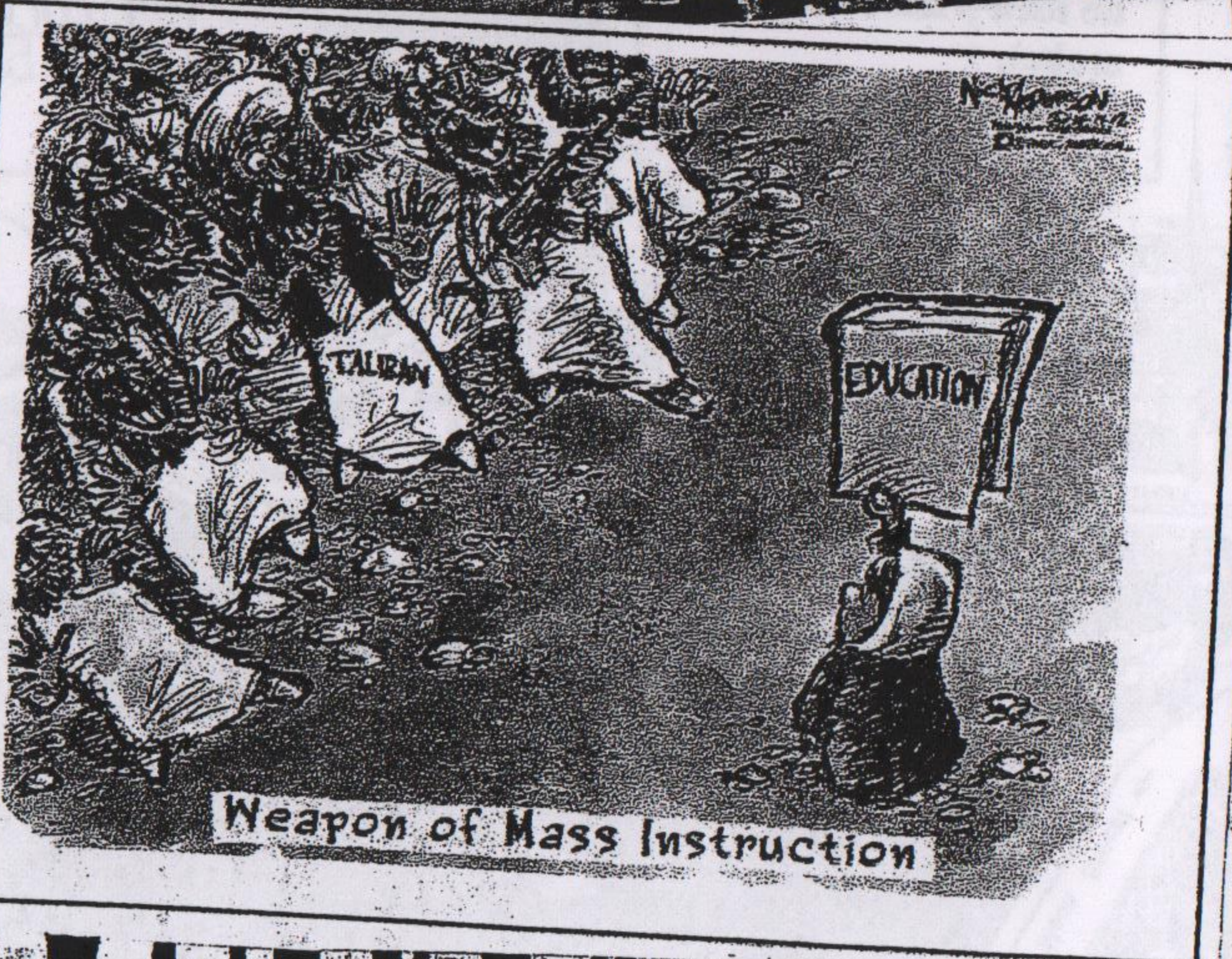
Benefit scum playset

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Special so

You can either go shopping or take to the government

The government could fix everything that's wrong with the country if they'd simply read my Facebook updates



Weapon of Mass Instruction

Mehboob Khan, leader of Kirklees Council and his mates, who are mift cos anarchists super glued them out of the Town Hall.

.....talking about getting in and out of the town hall, when bedroom tax protestors made a representation to Cabinet on the 25th April and one of Mehboob Khans constituents tried to talk to him in the doorway of the Town Hall, the Leader of the Council did nothing more than 'allegedly' shoulder barge him aside and call another one a 'cocksucker'. Well that's hardly the sort of behaviour we should expect from one of our elected representatives (or is it). Indeed this could constitute assault even though it took the cops an hour to turn up (unlike when Barclays calls), and even then they didn't seem much interested, it's a case of one law for them and another for us. Of course this is only an allegation and we are of course looking into it.

I love Jessica Sankey. She is the most beautiful woman



in the world, ever.

She is a new member of

Hal. She likes red.

1914 THE WAR TO END ALL WARS?????

It is predictable that David Cameron would jump on the bandwagon regarding the commemoration of the start of the Great War in 1914. To reduce this historic event to a nationalistic celebration would be to miss the lessons of that great conflict altogether.

What was the first major mechanised conflict of the 20th century brought into focus the utter waste, tragedy and futility of a war that saw the major powers competing for resources and markets to sell their goods and benefited only the arms companies and industrialists. The war highlighted the utter damage that conflict inflicts not only on the human body in the form of high explosives and gas, but also the mind in what was then termed shell shock and what today we would call post traumatic stress disorder a complaint that affected the families of the sufferers especially when 'self medicated' with alcohol and has reverberated throughout the generations. Indeed a whole genre of art, film, poetry and writings from the survivors of the war stand as testimony to the utter barbarity of a war which slaughter millions of young men of all nations.

It is sad that we as a society have not learnt the lessons as young men and women continue to be recruited to the forces in the dubious name of Queen and Country only to be sent on imperial adventures to have their minds and bodies smashed under the barbarity of conflict and then as in 1918 return damaged, reliant on charity with little support from the state that sent them there in the first place. Once again people of many nations are been sacrificed on the altar of private profit as business contracts prove to be more important to the powers that be than the health and wellbeing of individuals.

Recently I met a lady whose son drank himself to death; she made it quite plain that she blamed the military for sending him to war in the first gulf conflict and then offering no treatment in civvy street.

Any commemoration of 1914 would be puerile unless it deals with the cruel realities of war and starkly poses alternatives to the culture of violence and war and the nationalism that permits this.

Many of us are mooted the idea of a festival in 2014 to commemorate the war from an anti-militarist and pacifist stance using music, poetry and politics to get an anti war message. Contact us at. rearguardaction@yahoo.co.uk

HAVE A SLICE OF SATAN'S WILLY

For us there is no barrier between politics and art or emotions or life. There is no barrier between each other and no barrier between us and nature. The only division is between the rich and the rest of us. Anarchism Is balance, equilibrium, peace and Love.

look into the mirror
See myself, I'm over me
I need space for my desires
Have to dive into my fantasies
I know as soon as I'll arrive
Everything is possible
Cause no one has to hide
Beyond the invisible
Sajaja bramani totari ta,
raitata raitata, radu ridu
raitata, rota
The brave and wise men came
together on horse
Close your eyes
Just feel and realize
It is real and not a dream
I'm in you and you're in me
It is time
To break the chains of life
If you follow you will see
What's beyond reality
Ne irascaris Domine,
ne ultra memineris iniquitatis:
ecce civitas Sancti facta est deserta:
Sion deserta facta est:
Ierusalem desolata est:
domus sanctificationis tuae
et gloriae tuae Do not be
angry Lord,
or remember iniquity forever:
behold the Holy City is a desert:
Sion is mad a desert:
Jerusalem is desolate:
the house of your holiness and glory

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