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Unity Carnival 1993

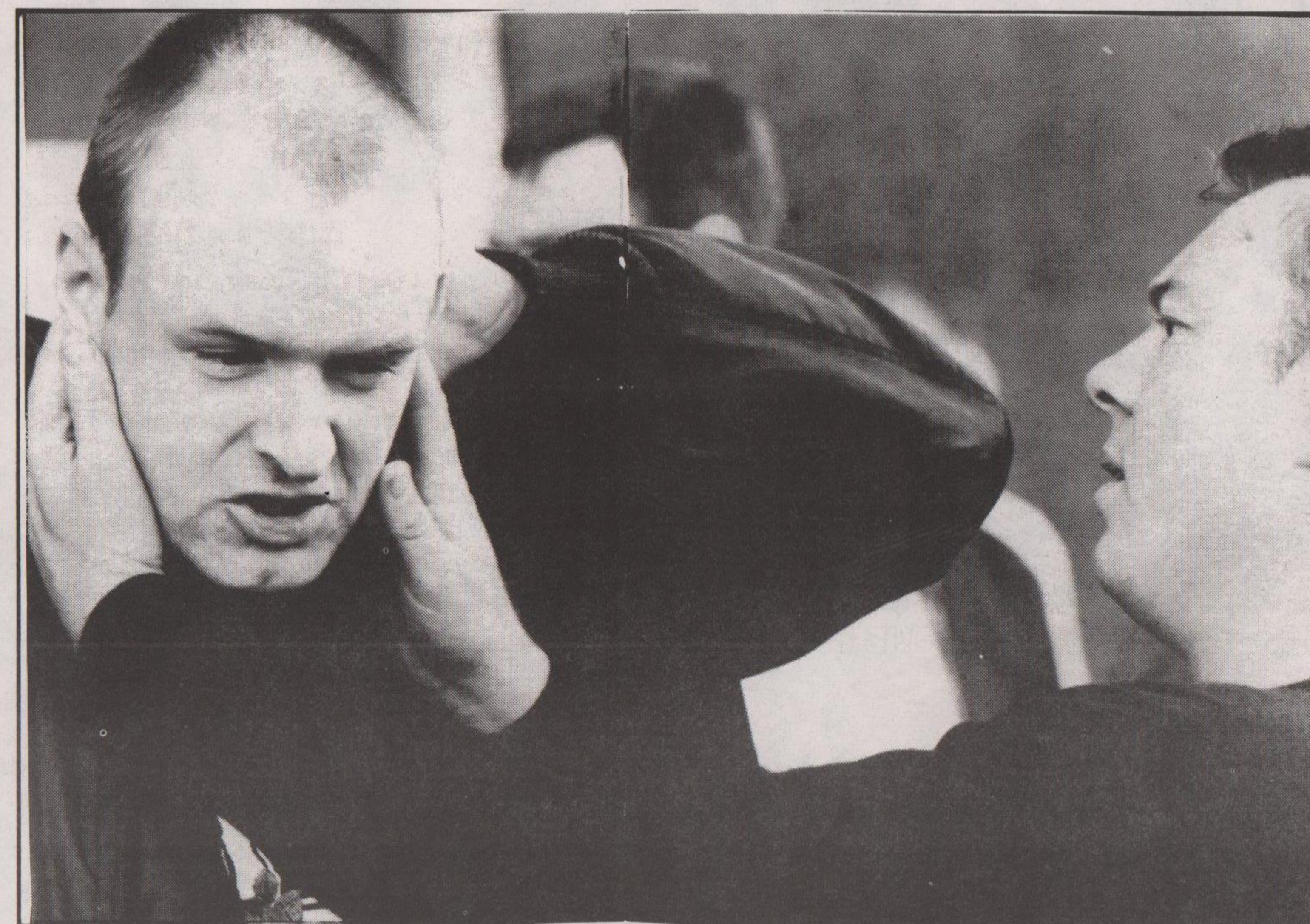
Stop Racist Attacks!

The Tyne and Wear Anti-Fascist Association, together with Anti-Fascist Action are currently organising a major FREE national anti-racist carnival on 12th June 1993 in Newcastle upon Tyne. The aim of the Unity Carnival, which is now established as an annual event, is to raise people's awareness of racist and fascist activity throughout Britain.

There will be a main stage with rock, reggae and bhangra bands, a smaller stage with acoustic and world music and a performance tent featuring comedians, drama, entertainers, poets etc. There will also be numerous activities for children, such as five-a-side football, inflatables, rides, a wheelchair obstacle course, juggling workshops etc. A large number of stalls selling food drink and other items will also be available. This unique event will be free and the expected attendance will be at least 7,000 people. The day will be immensely enjoyable and will also serve an important educational purpose.

WAR ON THE STREETS

ANTI FASCIST ACTION - IN THE AREA



On Sat 12th Sept 1992 the fascist organisation Blood and Honour planned to hold a gig in London, featuring the Nazi bands Screwdriver, No Remorse, Skullhead and Dirlewanger! (a German band named after an SS officer, just in case you were wondering).

On the day they hoped to meet up at Waterloo station and head off together from there. They'd seen the growth of their ideas across Europe, the recent fascist riots on TV as well as the attacks on refugee hostels in Germany; and now they planned to organise their own day of racial violence in London. Blood and Honour are linked to the British National Party (B.N.P.). The gig was also intended to be a rally for fascist organisations from across Europe. At a recent Blood and Honour gig in Herefordshire the night ended with a vicious racist attack on a group of Asian shop workers. CONTD

THE BATTLE OF WATERLOO



FASCISTS FLEE' FROM THE BATTLE BEFORE THEM.

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On the Saturday, over 250 fascists arrived at Waterloo station to be confronted by a counter demonstration mobilised by ANTI FASCIST ACTION. The beating they received, will set them back years. On the day AFA organised stewards to give confidence to and defend our demonstration. No one was in any doubt that we were the winning side; and as one of the many news reports put it- "Blood and Honour had called the event with the intention of going on a rampage of racial violence and at the end of the day found that they had bit off more than they could chew."

FASCIST ACTIVITY LOCALLY.

Most people think of the fascists as being just a small group of mindless thugs. We believe that to dismiss them this way is both naive and dangerous. It is true that fascism is relatively small in the UK, compared to the rest of Europe. This fact, and the continued commitment of AFA to smash fascism over the last seven years is no coincidence.

It is also true that they are prepared to carry out violent activities. Mindless they are not. The fascists have a core of serious and determined political people.

Though many of their activities in our region have been propaganda stunts, they have shown that they are prepared to take to the streets. More importantly, they have been carrying out the necessary political work needed to involve and win over more support. Never underestimate your enemy. We need to smash fascism now while it is still small.

*Fascism thrives on weakness, ignore this and they will simply walk over us all.

*We in AFA know that there is only one way to beat fascism and that is by preventing and causing maximum disruption to all their activities. Whenever and however they try to organise.

TIME TO CHOOSE SIDES

Fascism thrives on ignorance. It is a dangerous cancer that must be removed in the early stages. The growth and influence of fascist ideas over white working class youth across Europe, has shown how easily Fascist parties can become part of everyday political life.

SMASH FASCISM

We must stop all their activities, their marches, their meetings, their paper sales and their gigs. To do this we must be prepared to defend ourselves and not hide behind police lines for protection. We must learn to rely on ourselves and each other. We must contest their ideas within the rest of the white working class and refuse to rely on guilt tripping trendy left anti-racism to do this. We seek to UNITE all working class people AGAINST the common enemy

GETTING INVOLVED

AFA does many things, and there's usually a job to suit everyone. Along with our primary commitment to physically opposing the fascists, we also run open days, socials, displays, talks, regular street stalls, self-defence and the delivery of thousands of leaflets to estates targetted for recruitment by the fascists. Every year, we organise the AFA Unity Carnival, which features major bands and is attended by over ten thousand people annually. We also monitor the activities of Fascist organisations. AFA respects that different people want to get involved in different areas of activity within our organisation. What we want is maximum participation from people as regards their needs and abilities.