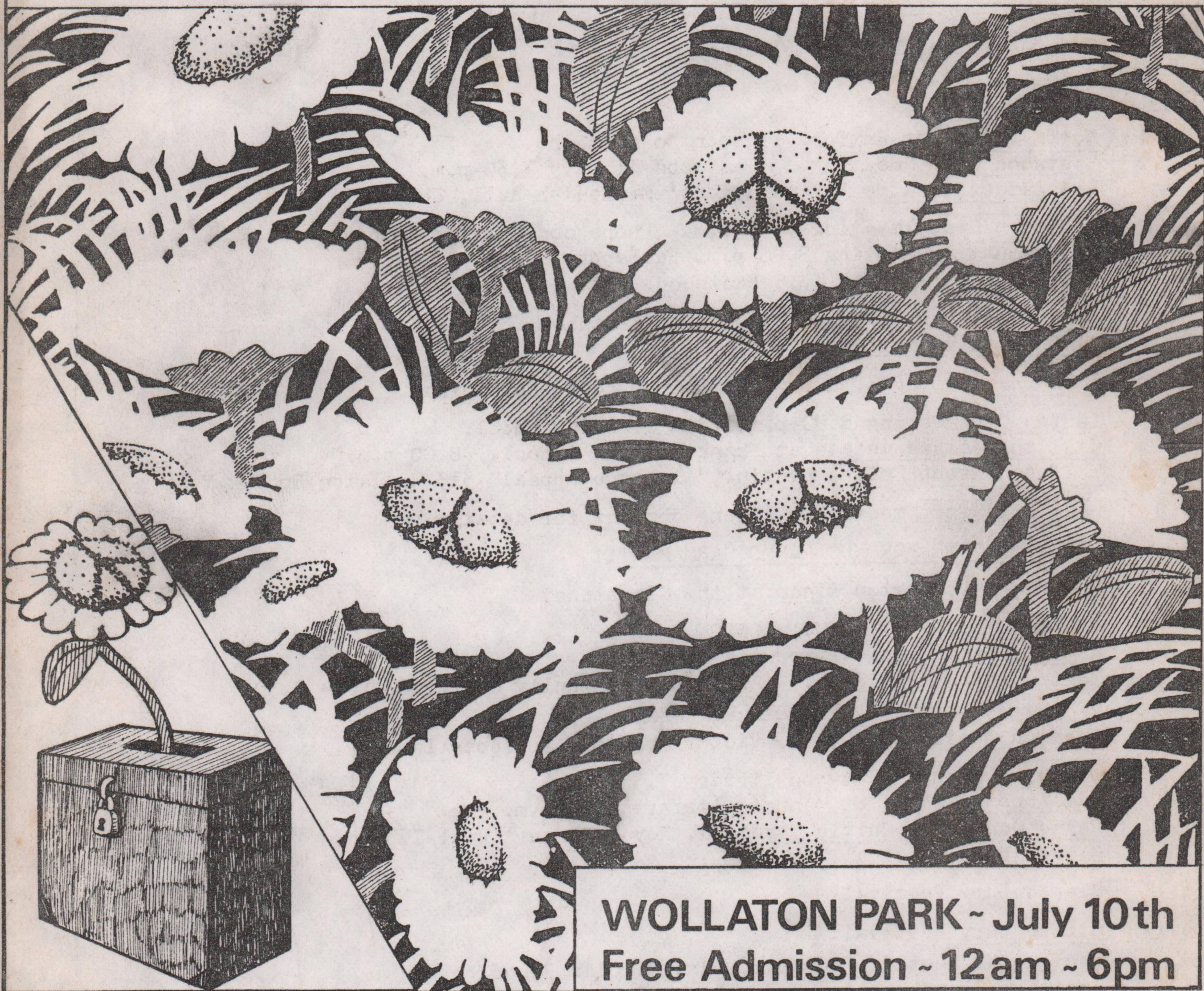


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NOTTINGHAM CND BULLETIN JUNE '83



NOTTINGHAM PEACE FESTIVAL



WOLLATON PARK ~ July 10th
Free Admission ~ 12am ~ 6pm

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WHAT'S ON!

- Tue.24 International women's day of action.
- Wed.25 Safe Energy Group meeting 7.30 p.m. Factshop.
NVDA Planning meeting 7.30 p.m. Factshop.
- Thur.26 Peace Festival planning meeting 8.00 p.m. Factshop.
- Fri.27 Stapleford Group public meeting, Maycliffe Hall, Stapleford. 7.30 p.m.
- Sat.28 Nottingham Women for Peace. St. Peter's Church.
Aspley CND Jumble Sale. 1.30 p.m. Broxtowe Youth Centre.
Notts. CND meeting. Mansfield library 10.00 a.m.
- Mon.30 Bulletin meeting 7.30 p.m. Factshop.
- Tue.31 Start of Upper Heyford blockade.

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- Wed. 1 Nottm. at Upper Heyford 12 noon to midnight.
Eastwood Group meeting. Eastwood library 7.30 p.m.
Red Ladder theatre 'Preparations' Methodist Hall, Chilwell.
- Thur.2 Sneinton Group meeting 7.30 p.m. Phone contact for details.
Co-ordinating Meeting 8.00 p.m. Factshop.
- Sat.4 MYSTERY DEMO - meet 11.45 Factshop.
- Sun.5 Peace Festival workshop 11.00 a.m. Factshop
NCND Monthly meeting.
- Mon.6 Airborne meeting 7.30 p.m. 26 Belper Road, Nottingham.
- Tue.7 Lenton CND meeting 8.00 p.m. Edna G. Olds School.
Carlton/Gedling debate at Frank Wheldon School. 8.00 p.m.
Wollaton Group Coffee Evening "Airborne Appeal" 313 Wollaton Road. 7.30 p.m.
- Wed.8 West Bridgford meeting. Phone contact for details.
- Thur.9 USE YOUR VOTE FOR NUCLEAR DISARMAMENT!!
- Fri.10 Sherwood/Carrington Disco at the Gladstone.
- Sat.11 CND DOWNING STREET DEMO, LONDON
Anti-Trident Demo - Barrow-in-Furness.
Lenton CND Jumble Sale. All Souls Community Centre 12.30 - 2.30.
Cruise missile at Sherwood/Carrington.
- Tue.14 Beeston meeting 7.30 p.m. Victoria Hotel, Dovecote Lane.
- Wed.15 Eastwood Group, Eastwood library 7.30 p.m.
St. Anne's Group, St. Anne's library 7.30 p.m.
- Fri.17 Peace Concert - Curtis Mayfield, Royal Concert Hall 7.30 p.m.
Glastonbury Festival.
- Sat.18 Glastonbury Festival.
- Sun.19 Glastonbury Festival.
- Tue.21 Lenton CND meeting 8.00 p.m. Edna G. Olds School.
Sneinton Group meeting 7.30 p.m. Phone contact for details.
Opening day of Prague Peace Assembly.
- Sun.26 Great Nottingham Sponsored bike ride.
Peace Festival workshop 11.00 a.m. Factshop.
Peace Picnic at R.A.F. Cottesmore.
- Mon.27 St. Anne's showing The Bomb.
- Wed.29 Safe Energy Group. 7.30 p.m. Factshop.

JULY

- Sat.2 MYSTERY DEMO.
- Mon.4 Start of Greenham Blockade.
WALK FOR LIFE in NOTTINGHAM.
- Tue.5 WALK FOR LIFE in NOTTINGHAM.
- Sun.10 Nottingham Peace Festival.
- Sat.16 USA - USSR Embassy Link.

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ARRESTS

OF N.C.N.D. MEMBERS
AT UPPER HEYFORD BLOCKADE
ON 1ST JUNE

DEFENCE +

AID FUND

OPEN

All contributions please to
N.C.N.D. Defence & Aid Fund



at 15 Goosagate
Nottingham
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In case anyone doubts why we're doing it, here's two quotes from the next day's Guardian:

NATO DOUBTS ON CRUISE CONTROL

The first of the 160 cruise missiles due to be based in Britain will arrive at Greenham Common next month.....according to a report drawn up for NATO parliamentariansalso questions Mrs. Thatchers assurance about the effectiveness of a joint Anglo-American agreement covering the use of the missiles.

MASS ARRESTS TOTAL 271 IN UPPER HLYFORD BASE PROTESTS

Altogether 200 people - a third of the demonstrators (not quite right) - were arrested, bringing the total for two days to 271. contractors working on silos for the new EF111 electronic jamming planes were held up by about 100 determined protesters THAT'S US!!!!!!!!!!!!

7:30 in the morning in the pouring rain wasn't the best start to a day's blockading but forty-odd of us got on the bus to the principal US nuclear airbase in this country which already houses nuclear-armed F111 jets.

We all eventually arrived at the Hazel Gate which we'd been assigned, a long with a bunch from Milton Keynes and a few others. The gate is used by contractors working on the base and was busiest at lunchtime and leaving time.

Arrests started almost immediately, after warnings from the police that anyone going back after being moved would be taken in. We eventually rationed ourselves so that the last ones got taken away during the afternoon rush, when they managed to hold up a whole stream of cars for about half an hour. A film crew was there for part of the time - from an Irish station!

After that, the support people stayed behind mounting a vigil till midnight, singing (very musically!) peace songs, talking to the police, getting cold and waiting for the relief shift. That sorted, we all drove to Banbury to wait for our heroes to be released. The coach had to leave before they all got out, the rest got picked by vans belonging to workcon building collective, who'd also provided hot food and drink during the day.

Everyone ended up feeling tired but so elated! So the planes kept flying but we got a lot of publicity and our affinity groups worked really well, providing legal and material support for the blockaders.

Inside report!!!

Having confounded the police (they didn't have enough officers to arrest us, or vehicles to take us away immediately) we eventually spent an hour or so sitting in police mini-buses at an emergency arrest documentation centre; unknowingly awaiting sneaky Polaroid snapshots of ourselves. From there we were taken to Banbury Police Station, to be detained for up to 2 hours in a concrete garage. Then into the police station itself for a little bit more form filling. We were then detained in the police gymnasium (at times 100 or more prisoners) while we waited for charging and bailing. Some of us waited a long time. Some of us waited longer. Some of us were kept for up to 12 hours. The police did what I took to be their best to look after our needs - although 5 gallons of chicken soup was not welcomed by a room full of vegetarians. ++++228 arrests for obstruction, June 1st, POP Wu

COMMENT

The last Bulletin comment said that time was short and warned that we might soon have a general election. Well, we have one and everyone knows how this has thrown CND and the Political Parties into a frenzy of activities.

This election has been timed so that CND activities such as the Peace Canvas and NVDA will not have time to mobilise public opinion against the government's nuclear policies.

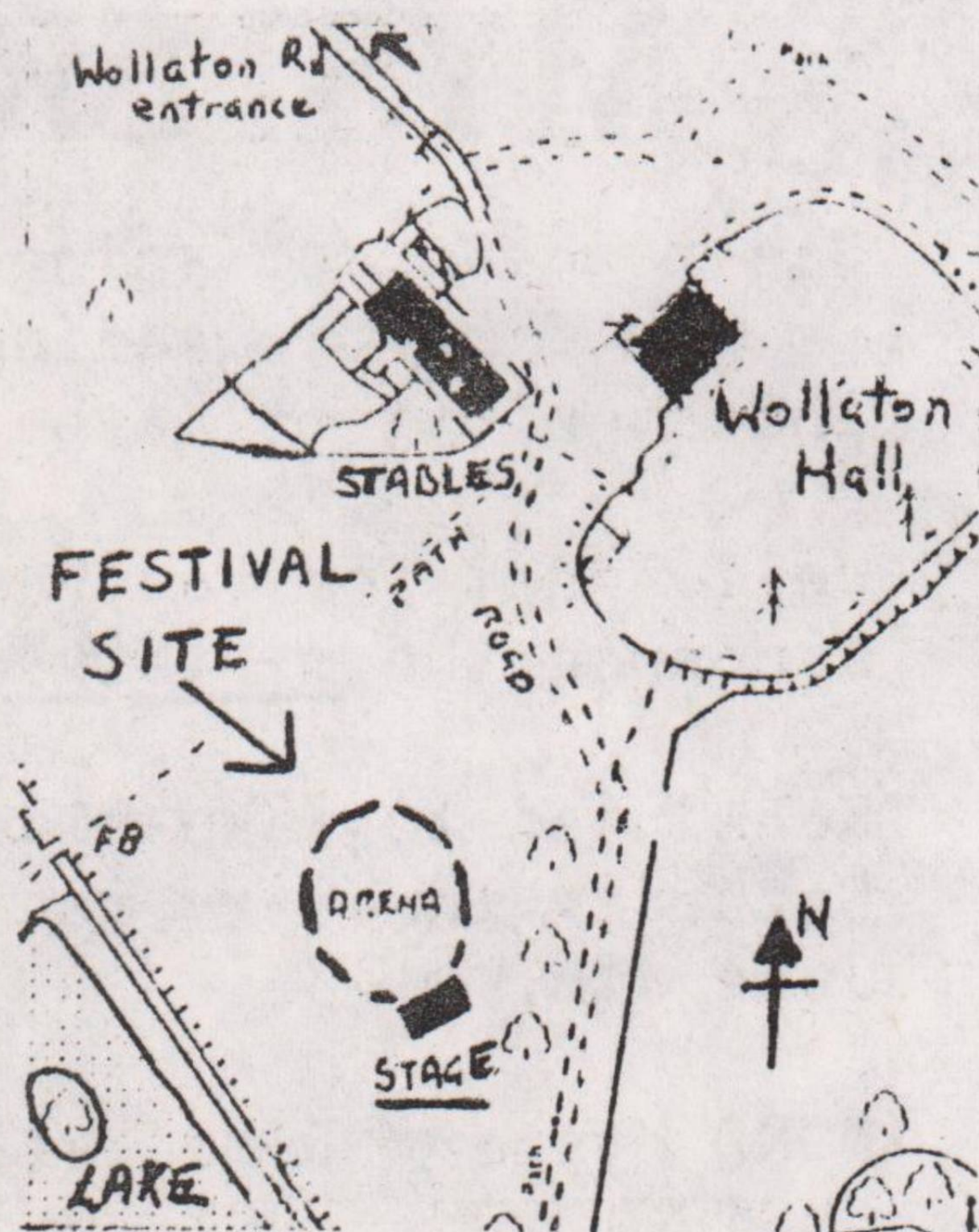
What is now important is that when the new government is in power, whichever party it is, there is still a very active CND movement pressing for unilateral nuclear disarmament, which is the ONLY means of breaking the vicious circle of the arms race.

Extra-parliamentary activities and NVDA MUST continue to be the tactics used to maintain our pressure.

1983 PEACE FESTIVAL - 10th JULY

WOLLATON PARK 12.00 TO 6.00

THE time is now here for all local NCND groups to decide what contribution they are to make at this years Peace Festival. Thus far only a small number of groups have booked their stall or stalls. Leaving it until the last minute could result in problems obtaining the requisite trestle tables and issuing the necessary wind-screen stickers.



Please contact Pete Zabulis on 620448 to book your stalls as soon as possible. The map shows the position of the festival's arena on Wollaton Park. For other information regarding the festival, contact me on 411890 or the office on 581948.

Paul Day

WANTED. Has anyone got a box van we can use to convey the stage to and from the site on Friday 8th and Monday 11th July?

GREENHAM EVICTION

by NEWBURY THIEVES COUNCIL

On May 12th large numbers of police and bailiffs moved in to the Greenham Common Women's Peace Camp to enforce an eviction order obtained by Newbury Council. Women at the camp decided to peacefully blockade the roadways to prevent bulldozers being moved in. Unfortunately ten women were arrested and the bailiffs began taking the women's possessions - tents, camping equipment and vehicles - which they said will be sold to recover Newbury Council's costs.

YOU CAN HELP !

- Greenham need help to replace their stolen cars and equipment -

UPPER HEYFORD

31st May to 3rd of June

You're in luck folks. There are a few tickets left for the coach going to Upper Heyford on June 1st. The tickets are only £3 unwaged and £5 for those lucky few in paid employment. The coach leaves from the Salutation Inn, on Maid Marion Way, at 7.30 a.m., returning to Nottingham by 6.00 a.m. the following morning.

Do come even if you're not taking part in the blockade. There are lots of things to do that don't involve the risk of arrest, such as Car Park Attendants, Reception people, Walkie-Talkie people (women), toilet attendants, Campsite attendants, Legal support and people to run a creche.

If you don't fancy any of the aforementioned tasks, simply bring your penny whistles, guitars, a camera, some food and some song sheets and have some fun while helping to create a positive, peaceful atmosphere.

If you've got your own transport and can spend more than a day at Upper Heyford (it is Whit. week) you could help by transporting people around the base, parents to and from the creche, etc. Petrol will be paid for, excluding your journey to and from Upper Heyford. There will be a special campsite for people staying for 2 or more days.

For more information, contact the office on Nottm. 581948. SEE YOU THERE.

TRIDENT DEMO

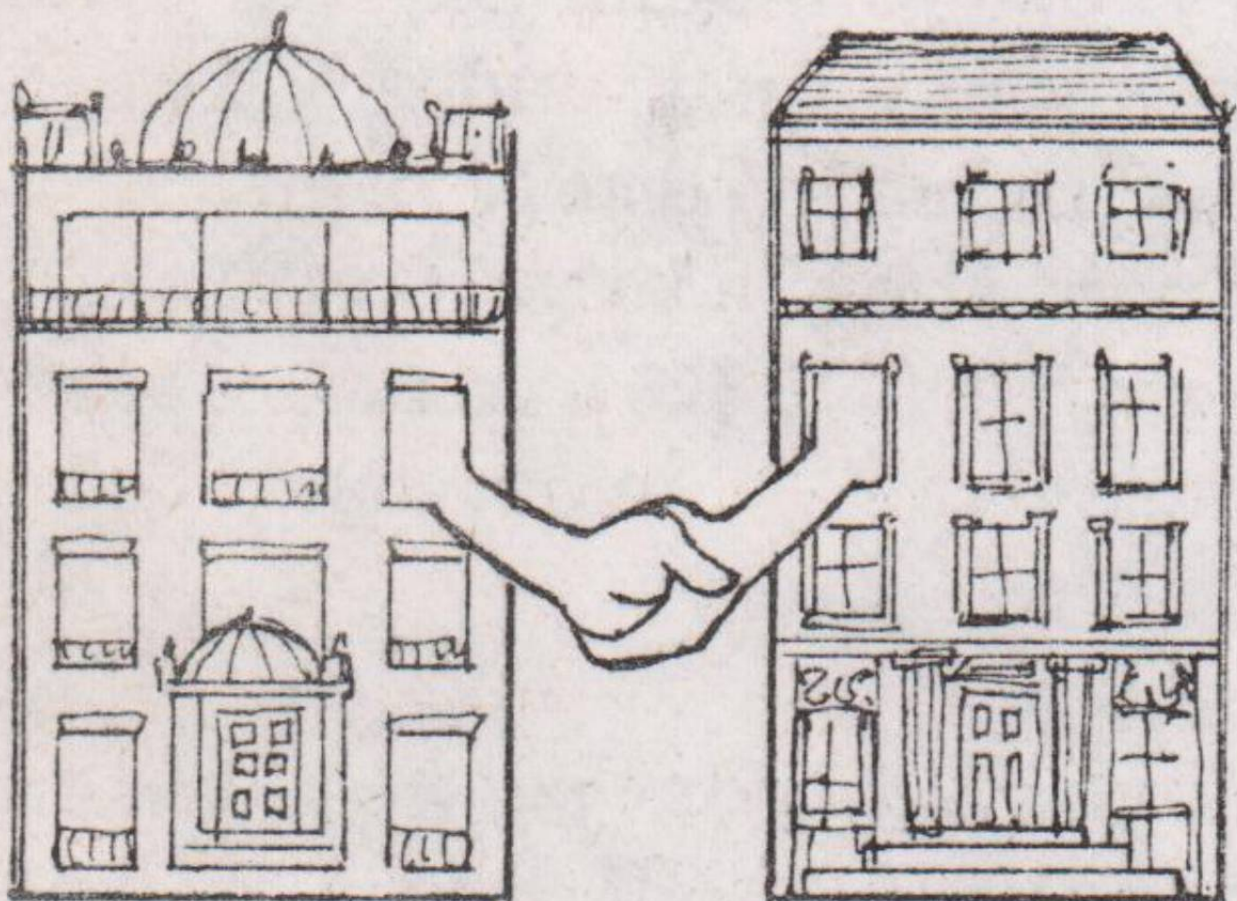
Barrow-in-Furness CND are organising a big (it's hoped!) demo against Trident on Saturday, 11th June. There is to be a march and rally - the march to begin in the town and move down to the Vickers factory. Why Barrow? Simply that Vickers will be heavily involved in the construction of Trident submarines, so their facilities could be used to construct more peaceful things (Freighters, etc.).

Please do your best to support this demo as the Trident issue is equally important as Cruise.

For further details contact:

Kate Blanchard, 7 Tyne Road,
Barrow-in-Furness, Cumbria.

or ring 0229-43633
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EMBASSY LINK-UP

Did you read last month's Bulletin?
Have you been wondering about the S.S.A.
- U.S.S.R. Embassy link-up?

Well, having gained your attention with our deliberate error, we can now say that the U.S.A. - U.S.S.R. Embassy Human Chain is going ahead on July 16th.

The event is being organised by London region CND and will involve Declarations being handed in to both embassies (probably by schools against the bomb) and two huge globes being passed along the chain.

There will be a Nottingham coach going for the day. Tickets are available from the office.

PEACE CONCERT

Are you one of the people who can't get to Glastonbury?

You don't relish the possibility of camping out in a sea of mud?

Have no fear!

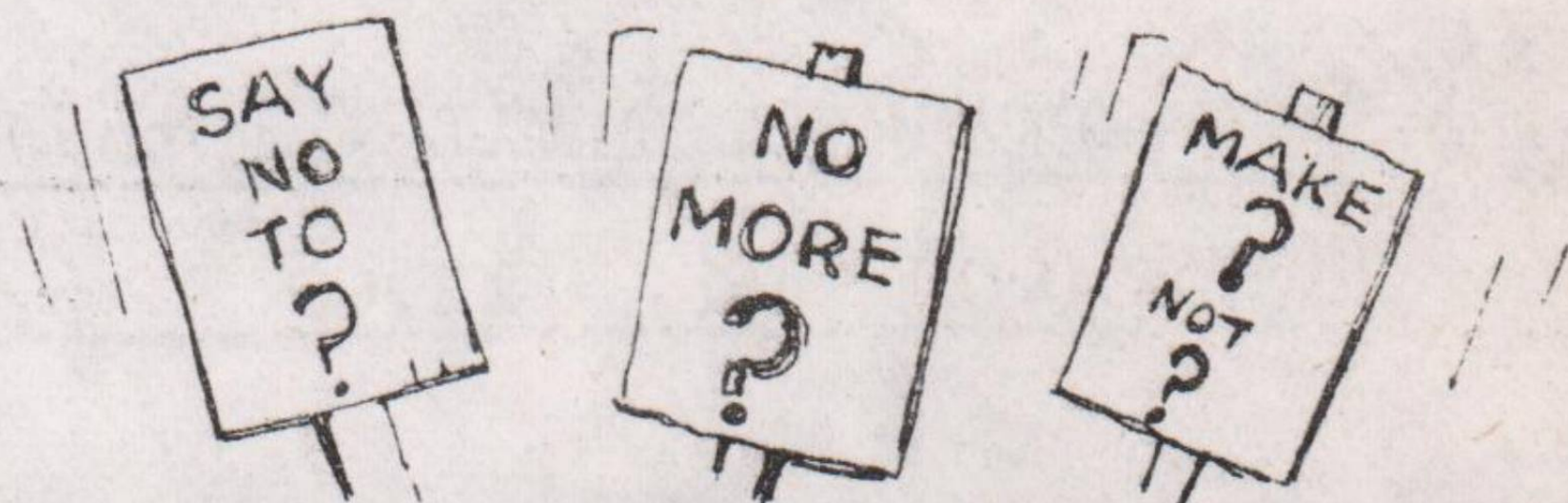
Curtis Mayfield is coming here!

Yes, Notts. county council are staging a peace concert.

On Friday, 17th June at 7.30 p.m. - (which is the first night of Glastonbury festival) Curtis will be giving a concert at the Royal Concert Hall (and then dashing off to Glastonbury). This is a magnificent piece of advertising for NCND - we will be selling badges, etc. inside the hall, displaying banners and all manner of goodies.

Tickets are available from usual outlets, but there is a 20% discount on tickets bought in blocks of 10 or more. For details of this offer, phone -

David Groom - 824824 extension 388
Terry Frost - 609307



MYSTERY DEMO

Has peace campaigning lost your interest?
Do you find blockading nuclear bases inconvenient or maybe a little too Direct?

Well, just for you (and everyone else) we announce the mystery demo!

Scheduled to take place on the first Saturday in every month, starting Saturday, June 4th.

NCND Mystery Demos will be totally LEGAL, UNSTRENUOUS, LOCAL and FUN!

If we've caught your attention, please give a couple of hours of your time on Saturday, June 4th. SEE YOU ALL AT THE NCND OFFICE at 11.45 a.m.

THE PRESS WILL BE IN THE DARK AS WELL, SO HOPEFULLY THEIR SENSE OF INTRIGUE WILL BE ROUSED AND THEY WILL TURN UP. SO WE NEED LARGE NUMBERS OF PEOPLE.

what's been going on. . . .

Sunday at Lakenheath

Getting up quite early was made easier by a beautiful morning. Once the animal liberation coaches had departed, the CND coaches were able to leave almost on time.

On arrival, we attempted, without realising it, to enter the base at gate no. 2, which was not appreciated by security guards!! As soon as we got off the coach we were supplied with maps and info and bought CND balloons to carry around and release. So far, several have been received, the furthest coming from Hull. A police officer acted as "Lollipop man" to ensure our safety in crossing the busy road. It was strange to be in such an American environment: left-hand drive cars, barbecues, American kids - some base dweller shouted "Go home" to us, which seemed ironic.

The first impression was of the size of the base and the thought that it was only the tip of the iceberg. The F.A.B. camp was sited at the opposite corner of the base and the walk around the perimeter afforded quite a good view of what was going on inside, even though the base was closed for the day. Near the camp was the main kite flying point and hundreds of people produced a good display of all sorts of kites including home-made ones.

There was a generally enjoyable atmosphere at both kite flying areas and the weather remained perfect for the whole day. Roughly 1000 were present, spread out all around the base and a generally enlightened day was had by all.

Geoff

The Lakenheath Blockade

Sunday evening

Groups from London, Canterbury, Sheffield (Peace Chariot), Nottingham and the F.A.B. camp registered for the blockade, making a total of 59; a further group from Sheffield were to arrive and register later that evening. Because of a lack of numbers (Where were you all!) we decided to blockade at 3 gates. As training in non-violent direct action was not necessary and we were to begin the blockade at 6 a.m. the following morning, most of us had an early night.



Monday morning

It poured it down - all morning! But we were not to be daunted by either the weather or the large number of policemen at each gate. During the early morning we blockaded at our allotted gates, being only partially successful through occasionally delaying the entry of vehicles into the base for periods of up to 5 minutes. At about 9 a.m. we changed tactics; concentrating large numbers of people at each gate in turn; finally concentrating on Gate 2.



At noon, Gill and Helen from the "Peace Chariot" were arrested, following warnings by the police that they would be if they sat down in the road again. Gill was arrested initially, Helen following suit so that Gill wouldn't be in custody alone (a nice thought from a campaigner of long standing). Shortly afterwards a number of people entered the base by jumping over the fence from the top of a mini-bus, the barbed wire at the top of the fence being covered with an old rug, while the rest of us created a diversion. No arrests were made but M.O.D. police were unnecessarily rough in their handling of the campaigners.

monday afternoon

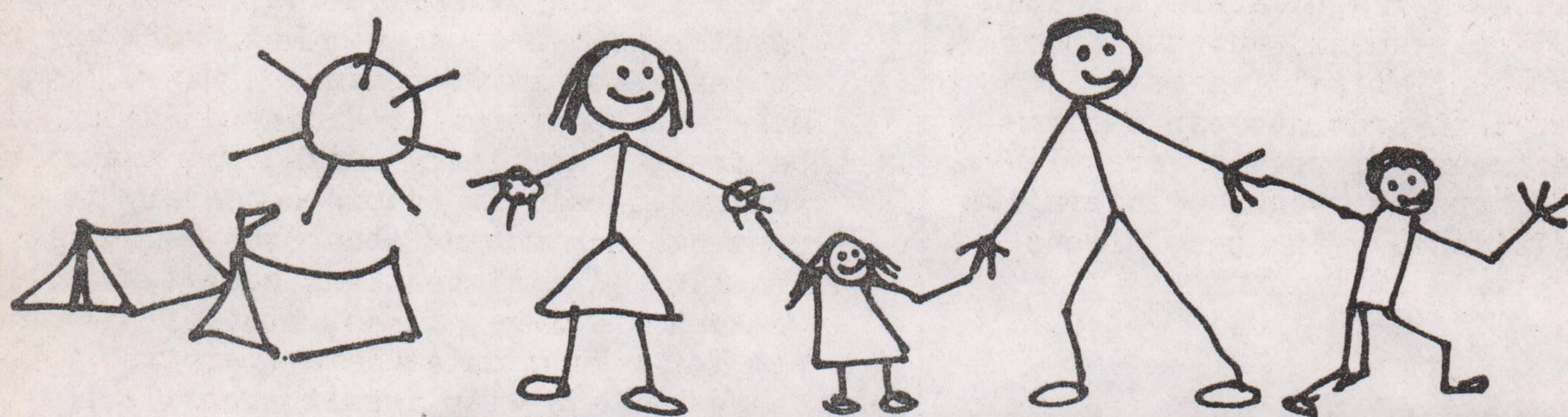
Because the blockade in the morning was only partially successful (no blockade has yet succeeded, so why should Lakenheath be any different?) tactics were again changed. It was decided to enter the base simultaneously, at 2 separate points while others again attempted a blockade of Gate 1. At 3.50 p.m. the "Rabbits" went under the fence (a hole had been dug the night before) at the back of the base near the F.A.B. camp and the "Hares" ran through an open, weakly guarded gate. A total of 55 persons entered the base, including 2 babies and an 8 year old boy and stayed inside for forty minutes. They danced, sang and had a picnic while American security personnel sent for the British police, who again removed them without making arrests.



We ended the day by holding a Vigil at Gate 2 (they didn't play the US national anthem as usual at 5 p.m.) when most people leaving the base had to smile or wave at us as we sang and danced and smiled and waved at them. American personnel, as at most of their bases in this country, are instructed not even to make eye contact with peace campaigners.

In retrospect, taking part in the blockade was a thoroughly enjoyable experience. Friendships had been made and renewed, decisions had been made amicably, we felt that we had the support of everyone involved in the action, had established good relations with the police and had demonstrated our goodwill towards individuals working on the base. Was the blockade a success? We had disrupted the work on the base, got lots of publicity, been positively non-violent and had encouraged more people to take part in non-violent direct action.

Many thanks to all those involved, to the F.A.B. camp, to those people who sang and played their instruments when things got a bit tense (one or two police officers were unnecessarily violent when removing blockaders), to Julia and Pauline who were our legal advisers. See you at Upper Heyford and Greenham Common: and to those hovering on the point of taking part in a blockade, do join us, its great fun and feels very positive.



F.A.B. PEACE CAMP

Its the camp's first birthday on Monday, May 30th. Its a Bank Holiday so do go down for the weekend and help them celebrate and take part in whatever spontaneous action arises out of the weekend. Take your own tent, sleeping bag, food, etc., and enjoy taking a positive step toward ridding this country of foreign bases.

The F.A.B. camp were very impressed with the "Fly for Peace" events, organised mainly by members of N.C.N.D., but would like to see more people from Nottingham, more often. They need your support, be it moral, physical or financial.

At long last it looks like they've found a long term site for the camp; no-one seems to know who owns the land on which they're camped. However, they are now very close to some of the residents of Lakenheath and are concerned about relations with the villagers. They're also low on funds so if any Neighbourhood Groups can send them donations they'd be very grateful and could campaign much more effectively if they weren't worried about finances. The running costs of a peace camp are high. They're also experiencing a few problems because of changes of personnel at the camp, its always difficult absorbing new members into a group, but are pleased that new people want to join them.

On Monday, May 16th at Mildenhall Magistrates Court at 10 a.m. Gill and Helen who took part in the blockade will be answering a charge of "obstructing the highway." Members of the camp will be there to support them, (this Bulletin won't be out by then), but if you'd like to find out what penalties they incur ring the N.C.N.D. office.

The camp's address and telephone number are as before their latest move.

In Peace,
Ann for F.A.B.

p.s. Unfortunately, 2 American Air Force men from Lakenheath were killed when their F1-11 crashed whilst they were taking part in the latest NATO nuclear and chemical alert at the base. For their own sakes, as well as for ours, I wish someone would "take the toys away from the boys."

Report on CND National Council Meeting of April 16/17

The full list of items discussed at the last Council Meeting is available in the NCND Office. However, listed below is a brief summary of the main points mentioned.

Nuclear Freeze

There were two related resolutions saying that CND should give prominence to the demand for a nuclear freeze. One of the resolutions called for a bilateral freeze (i.e. a USA/USSR agreement) and the other for an immediate unilateral freeze by Britain as a step towards nuclear disarmament. These freeze proposals were viewed as a halfway house between unilateralism and no Cruise/Trident. The resolutions were both passed.

N.A.T.O.

While NATO remains a nuclear alliance, CND is committed to opposing it and pressing for Britain to withdraw. One proposal that said we should 'note' this resolution passed by the last National Conference and campaign against Cruise and Trident before worrying about NATO, was defeated. Instead an education pack is to be produced, speakers are to be educated on the NATO issue and CND's 'NO NO NATO' pamphlet is to be reprinted.

International Committee

There was a big debate over whether or not to support the Prague Convention of the World Peace Association. Some argued that we should use any forum to make links with other peace movements. Most thought that we shouldn't be seen to support a front organization for official Soviet policy. After I informed the meeting of Nottingham's intention to send a delegate to Prague and Scottish CND said the same, the meeting decided to send observers (but not delegates).

Greenham

There was a proposal that CND should organize a mass mixed action at Greenham in the late summer (i.e. after the mixed sex Star Marches have arrived at Greenham). This was a very contentious proposal, opposed by those women on Council who represent the Women's Peace Camp. The proposal was defeated.

General Election Strategy

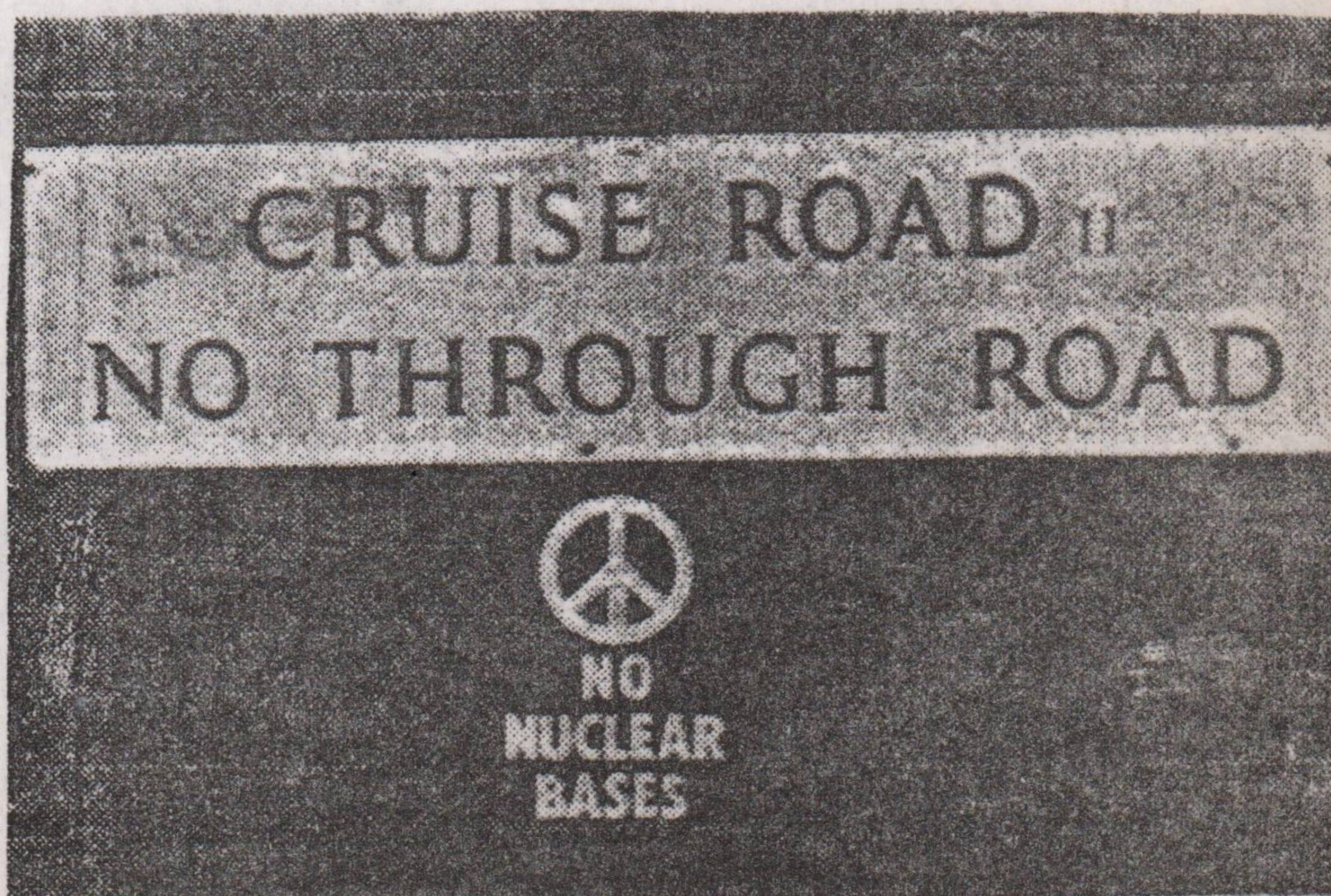
A very long discussion on every aspect of the election helped to clarify the CND Election Strategy. For more info see the separate article on the Election in this Bulletin. The CND election slogan will be 'No Cruise! No Trident!' plus a third 'essentially unilateralist' element.

Non-Violent Direct Action

It was proposed that there should be more emphasis towards actions against suppliers and contractors. 'Tarmac' offices are already being picketted and councils asked to disinvest because of their work on the Cruise silos at Greenham. 'MAN-VW' who make transporters for Cruise missiles will be treated similarly (with more dramatic actions should it become necessary to prevent them moving about the Berkshire roads). A disinvestment campaign (e.g. National Savings, bonds, etc.) is to go set for a particular date (perhaps Nagasaki Day) with institutions to be pressed to disinvest from government stock. This could be extended to include Barclays, Nat West, Midland and Lloyds Banks who support the anti-CND smear organization The British Atlantic Committee.

Many other topics were discussed including the Tory Offensive, Sanity magazine, Future planning, Specialist sections, and reports were received from Labour CND, Liberal CND, Youth CND, Trade Union CND. Further info available from myself at the NCND Office.

Mark





American Slide Show

On Friday, 22nd April, Vivian Kendon, an American peace activist, presented a slide show about a peaceful 'invasion' of a nuclear base in Arizona. It would appear that security on the base was virtually negligible, with no fence or regular patrols. Perhaps this is not so surprising considering that the base is in the middle of nowhere and covers an area of over 300 square miles. Once the protesters were in the base, the authorities were very lax in their attitudes and showed no real concern. They went through the motions of arrest, etc., but on the whole were more interested in the next game of pool or can of fizzy lager. One guard actually changed sides during the demonstration and is now under a court martial charge. Some 900 people took part in the operation and by all accounts it was a huge success. More power to the American 'doves.'

May Day 1983

Each year, Nottingham Trades Council hold a May Day event. This year the event was held on May Day bank holiday and was used to demonstrate the trades unions commitment to CND.

Starting at 11.00 a.m. from the square, about 500 people marched, in the pouring rain, by a very devious route, to Queens Walk Community Centre, in the Meadows. The march is usually lead by a brass band, but this year the honour was given to NCND's very own music group, a sound that has to be heard to be believed, especially the noise of a sax filling up with rain water. The march was followed by the NCND Cruise missile. There were many colourful Trades Union and CND banners out, including a Trades Union banner on wheels!!!

On arrival at Queens Walk, banners were dismantled and we all 'dripped' into the centre and started trying to extract money from people by selling books and badges, cakes and curries, etc. Oh, there were some speeches as well. Highlight of the afternoon was a performance by our famous (well almost) music group.

Rob Harvey

Byelorussian Peace Committee

On Thursday, 5th May, I was present at an informal discussion between two visiting members of the Soviet Peace Committee and a group of peace workers from diverse movements, at the Friends Meeting House, Nottingham.

The two women, one a teacher and the other a journalist, were both from Minsk, Nottingham's twin city in the U.S.S.R.

Earlier in the day they had been received by the Sheriff of Nottingham, who gave them copies of the City of Nottingham Peace Declaration.

Among the questions answered were these points:

organisation

The Soviet Peace Committee is structured pretty much the same as CND - with volunteer groups electing a council, which in turn elects a Presidium.

finances

It is financed by voluntary contributions - the Russian state is neither asked, nor gives monies. In fact, the movement is financially sound.

aims

The Soviet Peace Committee is not just a movement against nuclear weapons and war, but all war. Few people would argue with the women who said that the Russian people knew more about the realities of war than most.

relationship with Soviet State

The representatives said they were prepared to make demands on the state if they felt them necessary.

Questions which weren't answered, which I will be taking to Prague in June include:

Money - what do they do with it, if they don't spend it on protesting against the state.

Their views on the 'unofficial' dissident peace groups in the Eastern bloc.

Their views on nuclear power.

Robert Layton

Notts CND

Meeting of April 30th

Many points that were discussed at the meeting include:-

1. Funding of Notts. CND. It was decided that funding was needed so that Notts. CND could back specific events and/or publications, etc. It was proposed that a 5p per member levy be requested from every group within the county who wish to participate in Notts. CND and who wish to be represented at a national level in the CND organizational structure. This will be decided at the next meeting.
2. Notts. CND decided against taking out an advert on the front page of the NCC 'Round Robin' due to insufficient funds. This may, however, be pursued in the future.
3. 'Walk for Life' which is in Mansfield for 2 days and Nottingham for 2 days will be welcomed to Mansfield by a 'gig' and any events which any groups wish to organize, including a brief 'feeder' march to go out, welcome them, and come back with them.
4. The sales of CND's magazine SANITY were discussed. Due to the huge investment in producing the mag, it is essential that more effort be put into turning it into a source of funds. People were asked to take a few extra copies along to meetings to try to sell them.
5. It was hoped that Notts. County Council might produce a booklet stating the effects of a nuclear war on the county and the civil defence plans for the population (i.e. none), similar to a publication produced by Leeds City Council. This is to be pursued.
6. It was felt that Nottingham CND's neighbourhood groups could give more support to the county. Only one person from NCND was present at the meeting. Each group, including NCND's neighbourhood groups can send two representatives.

Bulletin Deadline

Entries for the July Bulletin should be in by June 1st.
Entries for August should be submitted by July 1st.

7. Notts. CND need a treasurer, a SANITY distribution person, a press officer, a replacement for the Secretary (who will soon be leaving), and a replacement for the National Council Representative (ditto).

The next meeting is in Mansfield Library at 10.00 a.m. on Saturday, May 28th.



-well, after a manner of speaking!

On 23rd April, Beeston Anti-Nuclear Group at last managed to have its bookstall in the local Square in spite of opposition on the Council, particularly from one of "our" Conservative councillors whose re-election (no great surprise) we deeply mourn.

We set up bright and early with the keenest shoppers and, with the aid of many members who don't often join in, kept going till after five. The usual range of books and badges sold well - all new to Beeston - and we got several new members and enquiries, including a great long session with two young policemen. I think we started to get through to one of them!

The highlight of the day was the Cruise lorry. We didn't get our act together for the street theatre, but used it to great effect as a focus for leafletting. Park, give out loads, get moved on, repeat - dead easy, and gets you to know the local traffic wardens!

Next time we mean to do the theatre, there are plenty of willing loonies here, and we hope for an even greater success - by then, it may be even more important to make our voices heard.

Thanks very much to all the helpers and to Mary from Workcon who drove their lorry and helped with the leafletting.

THE SPRING OFFENSIVE AND THE SUMMER IN PRAGUE

In recent weeks it has become apparent that the government is in the process of launching a major offensive on the credibility of the peace movement. In a recent speech, Michael Heseltine has claimed that CND is dominated by "left-wing activists ranging through the Labour Party to the Communist Party." He has alleged that their purpose is "to argue the cause of the Soviet Union at the expense of the free societies of the West." The Government evidently means business and it is essential that we are ready to respond to these charges.

There would be no point in denying that many CND activists have left-wing sympathies. No-one should be ashamed to call themselves socialist. What needs to be clearly stated is that the vast majority of those of us on the left do not have any desire for the sort of political system that prevails in the Eastern Block.

The second charge, that our purpose is "to argue the cause of the Soviet Union," stems from recent statements made by CND spokespersons. Many of us have been too ready to latch onto the soothing noises that have been coming from the Kremlin in the past months. When asked about the threat from the Soviet Union, our stock response has been to draw attention to the increasingly belligerent posture of the United States. The Soviet Union, they point out, are trying their best to achieve arms limitation. This answer may satisfy many CND members, but the public remains unconvinced.

Further evidence of the extent to which we are seen to be taken in by Soviet propaganda is the decision by Nottingham CND to send representatives to the World Peace Conference in Prague. At the prompting of the Communist Party, we have gone against the advice of national CND. We might do well to now reconsider this decision.

The fine-sounding World Peace Council is a Soviet-sponsored front which includes the "official" peace organisations of the Eastern Block. Nottingham CND is indeed naive if it fails to recognise this conference as simply a public relations exercise on behalf of the Soviet Union. Speeches will be made attacking the United States as the source of all evil, while the Soviets will be proclaimed as the champions of peace. While all this is going on, the genuine peace movements in Eastern Europe will continue to be harassed and suppressed.

What, I wonder, will the people of Prague make of it? The Czechs have been under the domination of the Kremlin and their Stalinist stooges since the coup of 1948. They will still remember the sight of Russian tanks rolling into their city in 1968. This is the country where people are hounded by the secret police for demanding the same human rights agreed by the Soviet Union in Helsinki. What will the members of Charter 77 have to say about this conference?

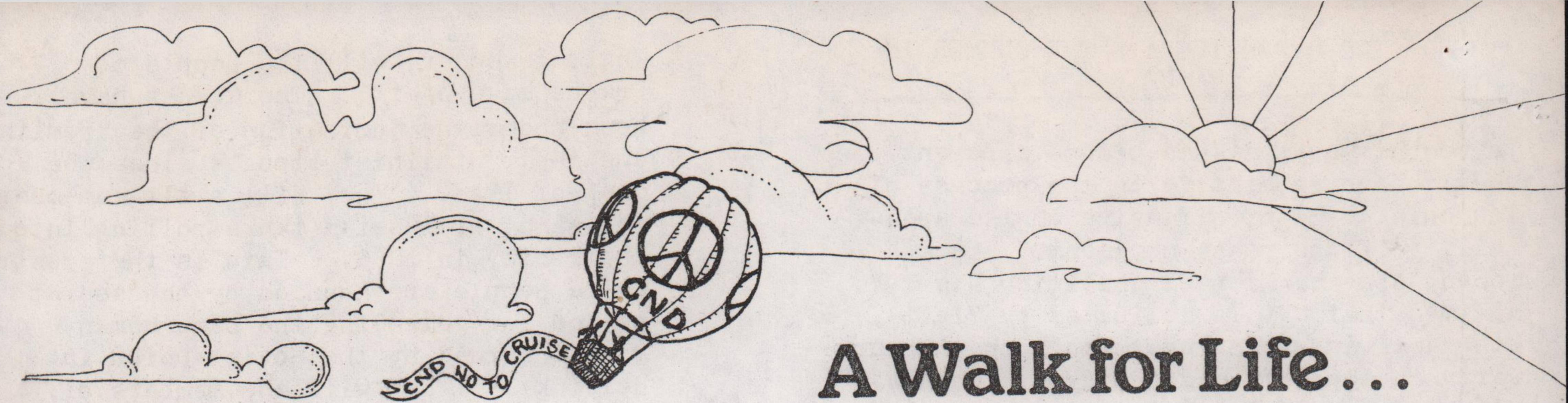
If CND is to be able to counter Heseltine's new offensive and go on to win the public's support for disarmament, it must do two things. Firstly, it must proclaim its political neutrality as a movement. It must be able to encompass a broad spectrum of political opinion. Secondly, it must avoid any suggestion of allegiance to either of the super-powers. Neither the United States nor the Soviet Union are seriously negotiating for arms reductions. Both are equally to blame for the nuclear arms race. For Nottingham CND, however, the first task is to reconsider its position on the Prague Peace Conference. We cannot afford to lay ourselves open to the accusation that we are either naive or misguided, but that is just what we are doing at the moment.

Mike Carter

NOTTINGHAM COMMUNITY
ARTS & CRAFT CENTRE

**UNDER
THREAT**

The centre, heavily used by CND groups in recent years, for such things as posters, leaflet and placard making is now under threat. John Waller, an ex-NCND officer and Bulletin editor, was recently appointed to the full-time post of Co-ordinator at the centre, but now East Midlands Arts are threatening to withdraw their £11,000 grant which pays for the post and the centre's overheads. Further details available from NOTTINGHAM COMMUNITY ARTS AND CRAFTS CENTRE, 41 GREGORY BOULEVARD, HYSON GREEN. Tel. 782463.



A Walk for Life...

THE LATEST ON CND AIRBORNE.
(CND's Hot-Air Balloon)

The number of M.P.'s who have sent donations is now fourteen.

The Derbyshire Peace Federation have supported us with a donation of £500. Including this on 5/4 our bank balance stands at £1270.

A couple in Norfolk, who are expecting a legacy have "promised" up to £1,000.

We are now in a position where, encouraged by the Executive Committee, we can stand financially on our own, though of course still needing space at the Factshop and support from the Bulletin.

Anyone going to the Glastonbury Festival (June 17, 18, 19th.) will see us there. We're hiring a balloon and running a raffle which will be drawn on two days with the first prize on both days being a flight in the balloon. We have been offered this facility free by the Festival organisers. We would like the names of anyone prepared to help with the ticket selling. (It should be easy and the times can be arranged to suit you.) You can be part of the action rather than wander around as a 'punter'. Phone in to-day and let Dave Smith on 581948 know.

We now know that we will get the balloon within the next six months (sooner hopefully). The actions we intend to take are both peaceful and legal: some of them will be fundraising for the areas we visit, others will be more 'pertinent' but must remain secret, all will grab the attention of the Media, Locally & Nationally for CND. We are forming a group with regular meetings for those interested in the project, it's fund raising, its plans for future actions and the logistics of putting them into effect. Get your names to Dave Smith at the Factshop.

The band 'Flux of Pink Indians' have agreed to do a benefit 'gig' for CND Airborne. Details of venue and date to follow.

So, for those of you interested in the 'CND Airborne' project come along to the inaugural meeting on JUNE 6th. It will take place at 26, BELPER ROAD, HYSON GREEN. (off the Forest end of Bentick Road.)

Unfortunately, on going to press, we still haven't received confirmation of the use of the Forest as the campsite for 4th/5th July. We will let neighbourhood Groups know as soon as this is finalised.

Slab Square is booked for Tuesday 5th July from 11.00 a.m. - 5.00 p.m. and it is intended that there should be a walk in from the campsite arriving at 11.00 a.m. The format for the day is designed to accommodate any activities planned by local groups. Therefore, please help us to make this a big day for NCND and the walkers. Plan activities - Street Theatre/Music/Stalls/Leafletting/Canvassing/Clowns/Paint-ins/Vigils/Petitions/Shelter Building Contest, etc. etc. etc.

The previous day, of course, is the 4th July - One idea from the walkers is the theme "Independence from America Day." (Fancy Dress?) It is hoped to have a 'shared meal' on the Monday evening with neighbourhood groups encouraging the various ethnic groups as well as themselves to come along to the campsite with various foods to share.

As to the evening of the 5th, there are no plans as yet, but again the walkers want to involve the local community. So perhaps some sort of celebration for life could be arranged.

So these are some ideas - let's hear yours. Contact the NCND Office with your thoughts and plans. It will, of course, be easier once we know the campsite but DON'T leave it till then, start planning now.

treasury

Although the books are being kept up to date by an office worker, this job will be coming up in the future, so if you're the kind of person who gets a kick out of mysteries and balancing numbers, get your name into the office now and you can be shown the ropes.

Minutes and matters arising

The minutes of the last policy-making general meeting (February) were agreed except that it was established that NCND has NOT made any donation to the Airborne Appeal (but see below).

Policy decisions since February

Co-ordinating and Exec meetings have made decisions on policy matters, detailed in the appropriate minutes circulated to neighbourhood groups, covering the following:

Minibuses for NVDA participants are subsidised out of coach fares;

Office and financial procedures have been improved;

Legal status and proper budgeting are being looked into;

Official delegates are going to the conferences in Berlin (Hilary

Trengrouse at her own expense) and Prague (Rob Layton paid for by the

International Fund which still needs cash). Both will report back;

We are taking out an ad. on the front page of the next Round Robin;

Nottinghamshire CND

An official report was not presented: discussions had covered the Walk for Life, trade union involvement, election strategy and funding.

It was decided that Notts CND should be financed by a levy on the groups involved.

NCND's rep., Mark Page, is leaving and a replacement is needed.

Financial statement

The statement circulated was approved - we're about solvent.

Exec members

Kristian Ravnkilde is now co-chair. **Rob** Layton new exec member.

CND National Council

Nominations wanted for new rep (also on Sanity board).

Constitution

The amended constitution as circulated with valid amendments was approved and will be circulated separately.

NCND and USA/USSR et al.

The main topic for the meeting provoked (!) lively debate with the aim of formulating an NCND policy on attitudes to the superpowers and of preparing resolutions for National Conference. No resolutions were made, as the meeting decided to defer the question till the next available monthly meeting (June or July depending on when the Turkish Peace Movement speaker can come). A decent time for discussion will then be made.

Election Strategy

We are in agreement with the national strategy on concentrating our efforts in marginal seats - Nottingham North and East. More discussion needed at Co-ordinating and a special meeting to be arranged.

CND Airborne

This is becoming an independent body with its own finances, but will continue to have the use of NCND offices. £100 will be paid to NCND to cover costs to date and they will be billed for future expenses (but not rent of office space). This amounts to a £40 donation by NCND.

Lawyers for Nuclear Disarmament

has been set up in Nottingham and offers help - any ideas to office.

Monthly Meetings

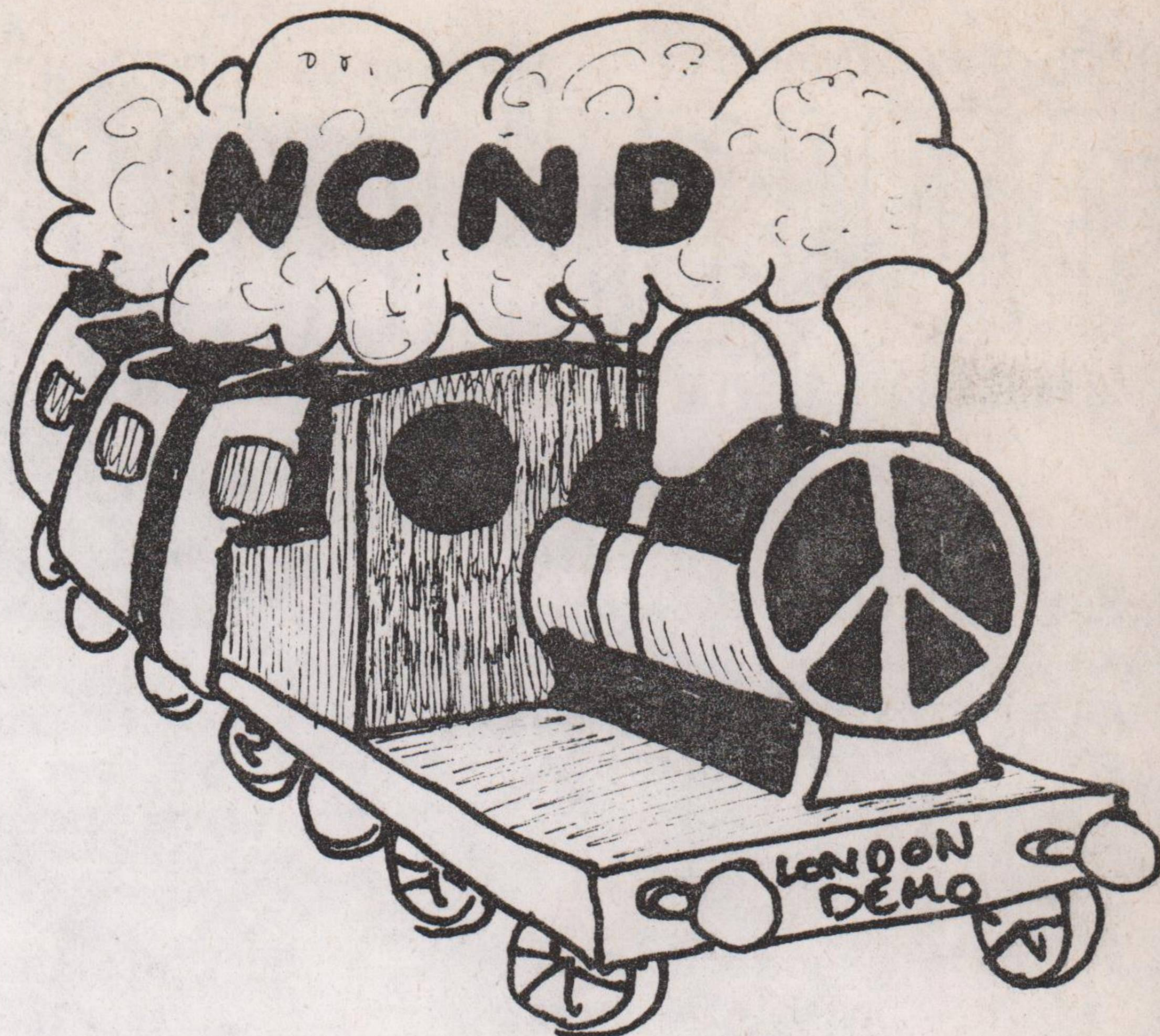
Suggestions for topics to office, please.

Transport Arrangements

For your benefit as well as the campaigns, NCND arranges transport to various demonstrations, blockades, etc. In the past we have tried to price seats so as to break even, so that transport is available at cost price. Unfortunately, the Lakenheath coaches were not filled, with the result that £100 loss was incurred. To avoid this happening in future the NCND Executive has decided:

1. Prices will be calculated to allow for 20% empty seats (fill them and we make 20% profit).
2. A reduction will be offered for those who book early.
3. We cannot guarantee a seat will be available within the last 14 days.
4. Additional coaches will not be booked within the last week unless there are enough reserve places booked for the coach to be viable.

* Book early if you want to go.



Available now from the office are the train tickets for the BIG CND October 22nd demonstration.

Please get yours early - not only will it save you money, but it will also help NCND; as we've had to pay a rather large deposit on the trains.

See postal order form on back of Bulletin or call into the office.

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Most Bulletin readers will know of Mushroom (if not, we hope you will call in immediately and buy huge quantities of books, magazines and badges from us) so there doesn't seem much point in yet again listing the wonderful range of literature (from Anarchism to Zen) we stock.

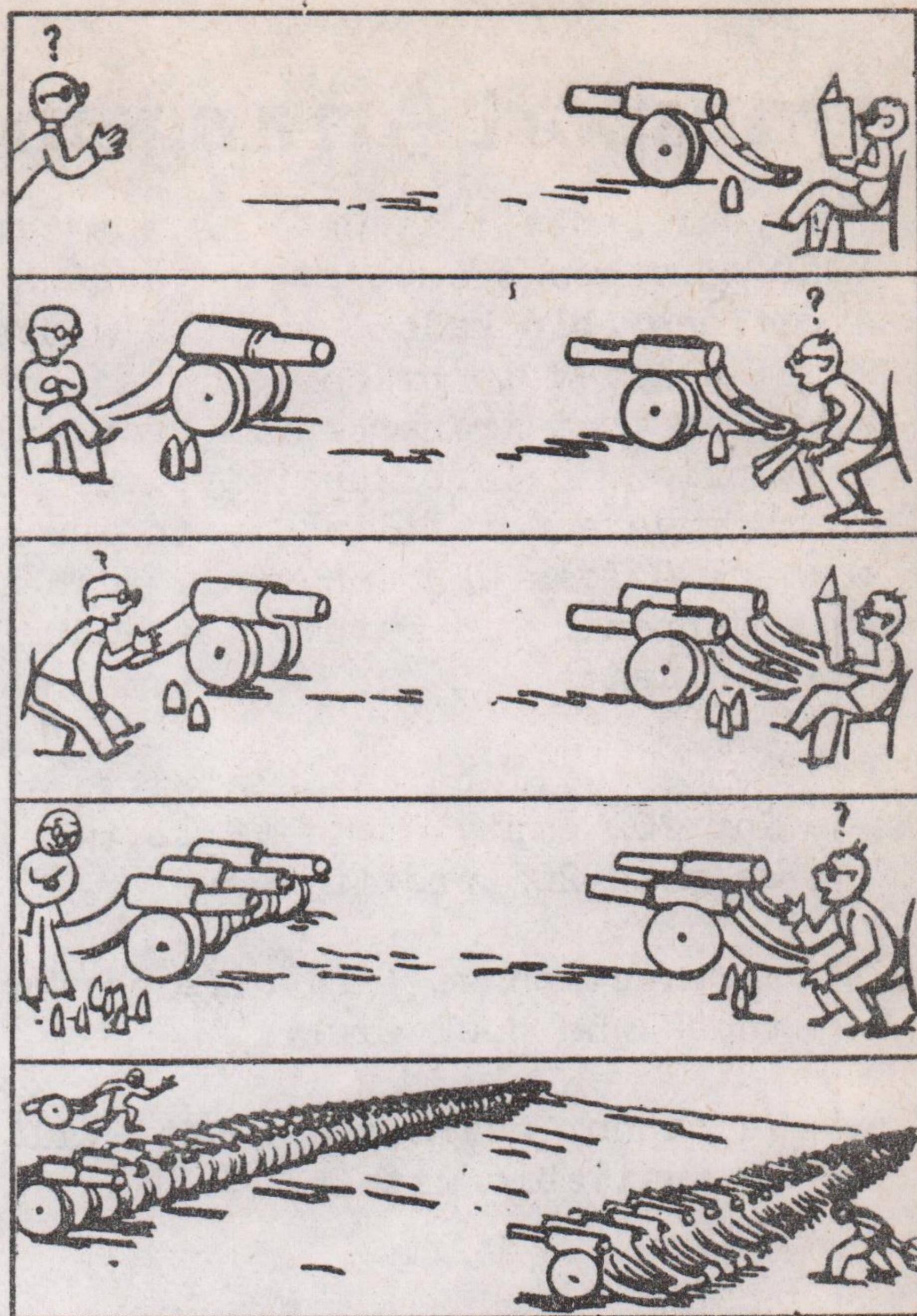
So instead we thought we'd tell you a bit about working in a non-hierarchical structure, and also about our involvement in disarmament campaigning.

Mushroom is legally a partnership owned by the people who work there. We are hoping to turn ourselves into a legal co-operative soon, but meanwhile we work co-operatively and collectively anyway. We feel that this is very important - there is no point in working for a free society in hierarchical and unfree ways. In practical terms this means that there is no boss - or that we are all bosses. So we are all, jointly, responsible for the shop. Of course certain workers specialise in certain aspects of the work at particular times, but we try to share skills and knowledge as much as we can. All workers are paid the same amount, and important decisions are made by all of us together at regular meetings.

As well as it suiting us politically, we work collectively because we want to demonstrate that efficient working does not need any one person to be in charge. And working in this way is certainly much more enjoyable than working for a boss.

Though individually we are involved in different campaigns to different extents, as a collective we are all committed to disarmament. In the past Mushroom has sponsored a meeting at which Duncan Campbell and Nick Armstrong spoke about "Warplan UK" and "Nottingham after the Bomb." As well as running bookstalls at major NCND events, we supply disarmament bookstalls and the NCND library. Posters and leaflets to inform people about peace issues are on display in the shop. We have published three relevant pamphlets: "Making Non-Violent Revolution," "From Protest to Resistance" and "The Anti-Nuclear Songbook." We will shortly join a new group which is forming for workers in the book trades against the bomb; and, of course, we stock an excellent range of books, pamphlets, periodicals and badges on all aspects of disarmament/non-nuclear futures/ war and peace/nonviolence (see our opening paragraph).

Can we help you get rid of the bomb? Call in now.
Love and peace, Mushroom Collective.



IN ATHENS, Mr. Andreas Papandreou, the Greek Prime Minister, said he will propose to the other Balkan leaders, immediate action to establish a nuclear-free zone in the area. "In any case," he added, "we are determined to remove nuclear arms from our country, unilaterally."

RESOURCES

Sneinton group have produced bilingual leaflets in English and Urdu - anyone wanting help translating or using these, contact the Sneinton contact.

Write clearly!

Please fill in details on forms clearly - if your name/address is wrong please let us know: you probably didn't write clearly enough for us to read it!

I AM WORRIED.....

I am worried that the peace movement in this country, that national CND and we here in Nottingham, have not given enough thought to the meaning and implications of non-violent direct action. My unease is rooted in my experience of the Burghfield blockade and conversations I have had with people since then. Judged by conventional standards, the Burghfield action was a complete success:- we closed the factory, no arrests, no injuries, well-organised, good-humoured, no violence, a good feeling...

And yet, I came away feeling worried. What is the difference between non-violence and non-provocation? What is violence? If direct action is to be peaceful, does that mean it has to be passive? Which is most important - the non-violence or the direct action? How can our movement be spontaneous and well-prepared? Who decides the direction of our protest; who decides the tactics; who is in control? What is the meaning of control, and how important is it? What are our aims - purely practical, or moral, psychological, political? What is the state? How does it work? What does it want? How can we be better, sharper, quicker than the state? What does it mean to be arrested, imprisoned, beaten?

I feel that we have to examine these problems urgently. I sometimes wonder whether people realise the enormity of what we have taken on. We cannot go into it unthinkingly, or just thinking about practical details like who's going to drive the bus and who's going to phone the lawyers. We need to re-imagine our politics, our habits, our responses and our aims. I would like to see the debate taken up here in Nottingham, at NVDA planning meetings, in neighbourhood groups, at executive meetings, and here in the pages of the Bulletin.

I don't know what the answers are. I only know that unless we take the questions very, very seriously, we are not going to win.

Pete Strauss

APPEAL

INTERNATIONAL FUND

to finance delegates to
BERLIN and PRAGUE

As reported in the last bulletin, the Co-ordinating Committee decided to send delegates to both the International Peace Conferences - and use this as the basis of a publicity campaign.

So far we have raised £81.

We need a minimum of £165.

Please send contributions without delay. (Cheques payable to NCND International Fund.)

If you feel it is important to keep links with people in Eastern Europe and the U.S.S.R. open, this is your chance to do something about it!

Delegates: Berlin - Hilary Trengrouse
Prague - Rob Layton

Because of the time factor - Berlin will be over by the time this bulletin is printed and the Prague delegate had to be named by May 6 - the Executive had no choice but to appoint delegates. These were ratified by the Quarterly Members' meeting 8.5.83.

FRIDAY 10th JUNE

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POSTAL AUCTION

Calling all fans of Coronation Street and Glenda Jackson! Two items are on offer this month: a signed wooden spoon and photo from Pat (Elsie Tanner) Pheonix and also an original photo (autographed) of Glenda Jackson (note that this is an actual photograph, not a "fan-club" type print).

Offers in excess of £2.00 are invited for the Elsie Tanner contribution and £1.00 for the Glenda Jackson contribution. Send offers to NCND, 15 Goosegate and mark envelope 'Postal Auction.'

Please support this idea as our funds are running very low and these people have been so good as to make an effort to help us.

Simon

LETTERS

Dear Friends,

I object very strongly to part of the article by Mark Page, 'Lessons we can learn' in May's Bulletin.

CND is an organisation which embraces every political, theological, and religious group. Amongst its members are Tories, Jews, Liberals, Socialists, Social Democrats, Christians, Communists, Atheists etc. etc. AND ANARCHISTS. Why single out anarchists for attack? CND should welcome people from every ideological persuasion and I feel it would be very dangerous to start excluding people from the movement because of a minority view point. (Where would it stop?) It is much better for the movement to be as broad based as possible because this reduces the chance of the Government being able to charge CND of being controlled by any one particular faction. (eg The Labour Party.)

Personally I think it is a VERY encouraging sign that Communists, Anarchists, Christians etc. etc. can work to-gether in the CND movement and it is because of this broad base that WE shall succeed in our fight to rid the World of nuclear weapons.

So everyone who has 'heart felt' ideals feel free to wear identity of your particular persuasion alongside the CND symbol.

Only if we ALL work to-gether can we hope to stop the bomb.

IN LOVE, PEACE AND ANARCHY,

Dave Smith.

On hearing the news that the four major banks (i.e. Lloyds, Nat West, Midland, Barclays) donated £58,000 to the British Atlantic Committee, I immediately closed my account.

My own bank, the Nat West, did not deny making such a donation, although they did say they were looking into the matter.

I feel it is very important that all CND members/sympathisers transfer their money from these banks to a more scrupulous organisation. (I feel sure the Co-operative Bank, for example, will be pleased to look after your money) and to let their banks know the reason for this action.

Incidentally, the Girobank has been known to make cheap loans to the Ministry of Defence, among other people.

Simon Church

Dear NCND,

My visit to Lakenheath on Sunday. I went to Lakenheath and I saw some kites and some balloons I had a picnic dinner in the peace camp. We went There because of the Americans bombs. We wont Americans to stay with us but we don't wont There bombs because they will destroy us. All we wont is peace.

No to Nuclear weapons.

Zara Age 8

The Bulletin team this month was;-Rob H, Rob L, Anne, Andy, Marion, Maureen, Mark-thanks to everyone else who helped as well.

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NEIGHBOURHOOD NOTEBOOK

WEST BRIDGFORD - The new daytime group is now well established.
Ring 232644 for information.
CHILDREN OF ANY AGE WELCOME.

ST ANN'S - Locals were surprised to see a CND stall on Robin Hood Chase on two recent Saturdays. Much interest was generated and many signatures collected for the Refuse Cruise Petition.

The group meet regularly on the third Wed. in the month at the Chase library.

CARLTON/GEDLING - have invited local political parties, churches and trade unions to participate in a public debate on June 7. Carlton West Labour Party and the Communist Party have replied, but not the Conservatives or S.D.P. - yet. Methodist and R.C. churches have also replied but not the C.of E.

STAPLEFORD - has arranged to show the CND exhibition in their library May 23 to June 4. There will be a public meeting with speakers on May 27 (see Diary) and group meetings on June 6, 13, and 21.

WOLLATON - are holding a "Bring and Buy" coffee evening in aid of the "Airborne Appeal" on June 7. Members of other groups invited.

FACTORY CND GROUPS

For all those interested in Factory CND Groups, there are meetings every Wednesday at 8.00 p.m. - contact -

Hugh Potter,
201 Ilkeston Road,
Nottingham.

If you require information on the leafletting of factories - contact -

Pauline Topley,
Chairperson,
Raleigh CND Group.

RADCLIFFE

PEACE CANVASS

Six of us recently went on our first Peace Canvass. The wind blew, the rain belted down, and some doors closed on us at the mere mention of CND. Nevertheless we all felt it was tremendously worth while.

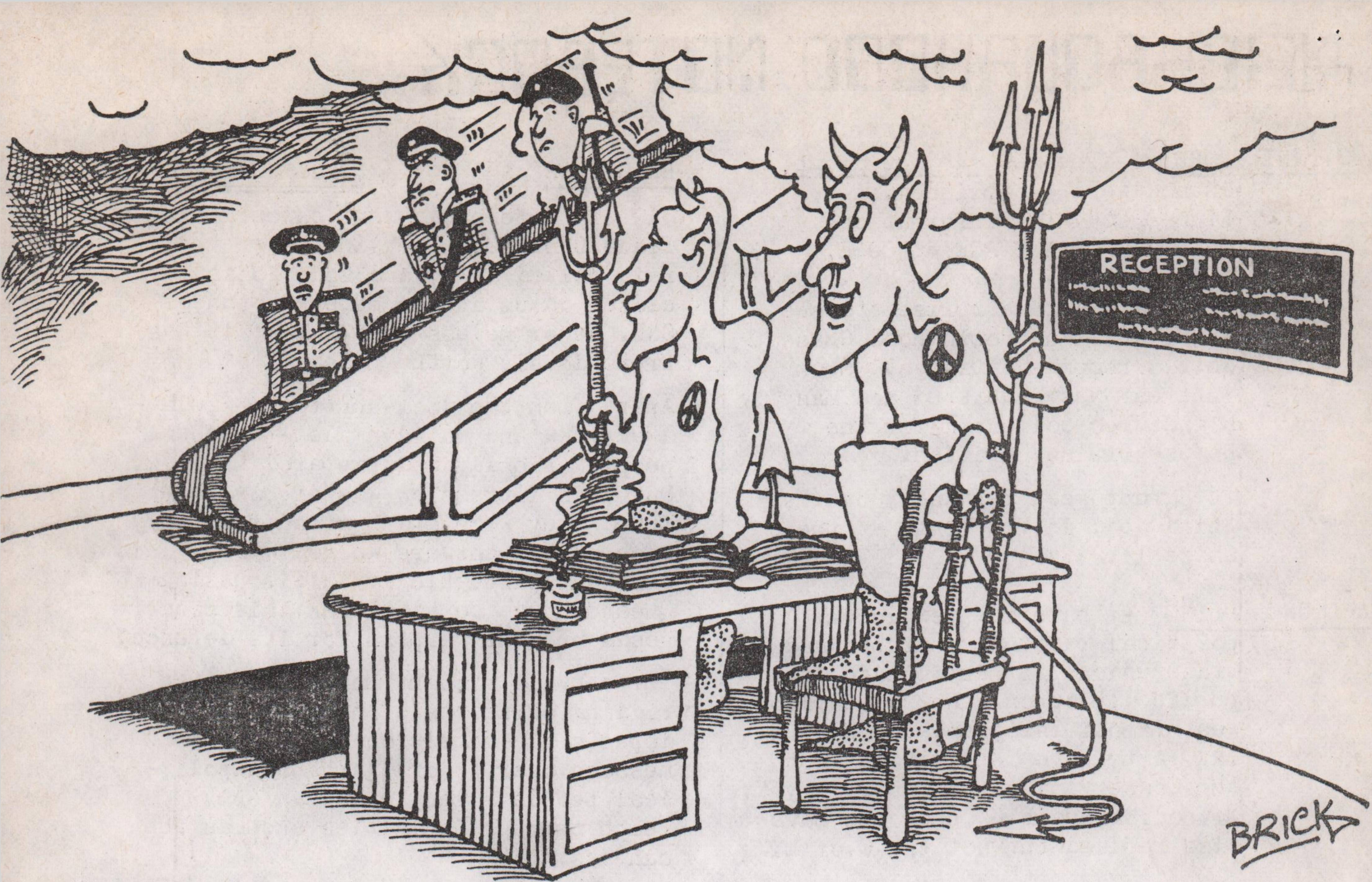
Apart from the door-shutters - relatively few and mainly male - we found people friendly and prepared to talk. Our main impression was of how confused they were and how contradictory some of the answers we got where. This came out particularly in discussing Question 4 : Do you think this country needs nuclear weapons for its defence?

The canvass brought home to us that ridding ourselves of nuclear weapons depends ultimately on getting our message over to ordinary, non-political people - people we can only reach through activities such as the canvass.

We all agreed to meet at the same time the following week to peace-canvass in a marginal constituency - Nottingham South or East - where we might be able to win votes for an anti-nuclear candidate.

LABOUR CND meets on the last Sunday evening of the month at the Transport and General Workers Union Offices, Mansfield Road. Your help is needed to put the case for the unilateralist stance in the forthcoming election campaign.

NCND Executive



"DO YOU WANT TO TELL THEM THE BAD NEWS OR SHALL I?"

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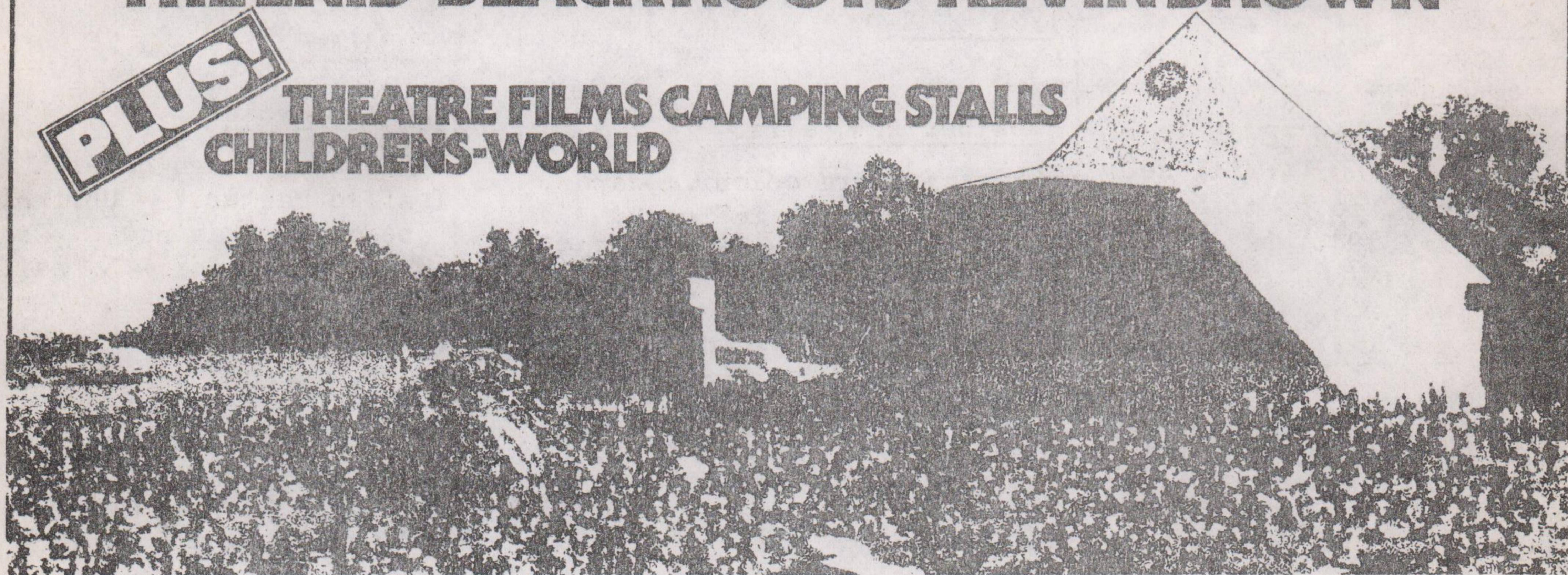
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SATURDAY JUNE 4th

JOAN RUDDOCK,PAUL JOHNS(chair christian CND),ROGER SPILLER(vice-chair,CND)

- 10.30 From the Midland Station
- 10.45 reception
- 11.00 press conference
- 11.30 Listergate photo call
- 12.00 over to Clifton lunch!
- 2.00 Sherwood/Carrington
- 3.00 St.Annes
- 3.45 Listergate

For more details contact CND office

Apublic meeting will be held at the Rainbow Rooms,Broad Street

Starting at 7.30pm

Speakers include ; JOAN RUDDOCK
Speakers from; Nottingham Medical Campaign
Lawyers against the Bomb
Christian CND

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These two pages have been put together by Nott'm Y.C.N.D., a group which works with both National Y.C.N.D. and local N.C.N.D.

Do you take a keen interest in your local group? (or is it a bit boring?) - Have you taken any steps at all to find groups of people your own age to campaign and talk about the nuclear threat?

WELL WE'RE HERE!!!!

Nott'm Y.C.N.D. has been around for some time. We are now inviting all youth to come along to our meetings and not be treated like kids.

We're Dynamic, Potent and a force to be reckoned with (phew)!

Come along on:-

Thursday evenings 700pm

Saturdays 130pm

at 118 MANSFIELD RD (Nottingham).

(Please ring contacts for dates as we are organising a new set of discussions - see later).

YCND WHAT WE ARE DOING!

Recently YCND has been involved in many activities namely: the organising and building of the April 9th 'Rock Against Cruise' at Clarendon College, the May Day demo - i.e. a YCND banner and contingent, and organising to send coaches to the May 7th. Also solving some problems and forming ourselves together after the disruption of the past. Taking an active involvement in CND Regional Conf. has led us to suggest the idea of a YCND Regional Conf., to organise YCND events in the region and get the different groups together to discuss ways in which we can improve and develop the campaign, (any groups interested contact Nott'm YCND). At the forth coming YCND National Conf. these issues will be discussed. We ourselves have submitted resolutions calling for support for the people of Nicaragua, and for closer campaigning links with the Trade Unions Movement. YCND supporters were also on the 'People's March For Jobs'.

Group Members have suggested a new list of discussions including Government Propaganda, Liberation Struggles, NATO, Greenham, Ecology, Deterants, etc., all are invited!

LETTER

What we the young are for is the good of tomorrow. YCND can help bring the peace which we have long sought. Our demonstrations, including the festival for peace and the recent Nottm May Day march, were not against what our world should be. Just because we are not supported by everyone does not automatically make us the rough revolutionaries. We are youth as portrayed by the media. We are striving, in our own way, for the peace which the majority in this land want.

We therefore support the party which cares about these issues, and condemn the personality politics of Thatcher & Reagan who talk about the horrible East against which we need to defend ourselves. Most of their arguments are trash propaganda; who says the Soviets want war? What have they in comparison to our country? Theirs is a communist regime which in ways is luckier than us. We are being fed with lies which attempt to justify spending our money for tomorrows toys- for the weapons of an unnecessary war. When all we really want is jobs and peace.

JANE COCKERILL, YCND MEMBER.

If you are interested in Nott'm YCND, would like any information or to know more about our meetings drop us a line!

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BROCKWELL PARK MAY 7TH

A NATIONAL EXCLUSIVE FROM OUR CHARISMATIC COMMIE ...RICK the RED...

On the trip down to London, the bets were being made as to whether it would be raining when we got there. It wasn't, and although we were soaked by a shower on the march, by the time we got to Brixton it had decided to be a warm day, so we waded through the muddy park with the warm sun on our backs.

Nott'm YCND took three coaches and around 160 people who left the Salutation at around 8.30 am. We arrived at Victoria Embankment to find that the march had, unusually, left near its 11.00am deadline. We joined together with about 200 others and our own police escort (!) and proceeded to Brixton where we joined up with the tail end of the March.

All together there were around 30,000 on the march and about 60,000 for the free concert at Brockwell park. The crowds vouched for the success of YCND's first major event, but the element of enjoyment overshadowed the political content of the festival.

We arrived at Brockwell Park at around 2.30, having missed The Damned, in the middle of Hazel O'Connor's set. Her strong sound came over well, although marred by a poor sound system, and her venom seemed mainly directed at the element responsible for a long succession of missiles thrown up from the front of the stage and the steady destruction of the fencing in front of them.

Clint Eastwood and General Saint were their usual excellent self, but the crowd were really waiting for The Style Council. The concert was predictably behind schedule by now, and all Paul Weller gave us was 2 numbers, 'Speak Like A Child' and 'Money Go Round' (their next single, the proceeds of which will go to Youth CND).

The most sad aspect of the concert, in my opinion, was the Greenham Common

women attempting to communicate with the crowd which was primarily concerned with the next band. The result was even more missiles to try and drive them off stage, and they left to be succeeded by a dose of Madness.

Unfortunately we had to leave around 6.30, a few numbers into an excellent set by Madness, which started with the Nutty Boys throwing CND t-shirts into the crowd (it's funny, I've never seen them wearing them on TOTP!). They fitted the mood of the crowd, being there to show their commitment to the cause, but once having made that gesture getting on and enjoying themselves.

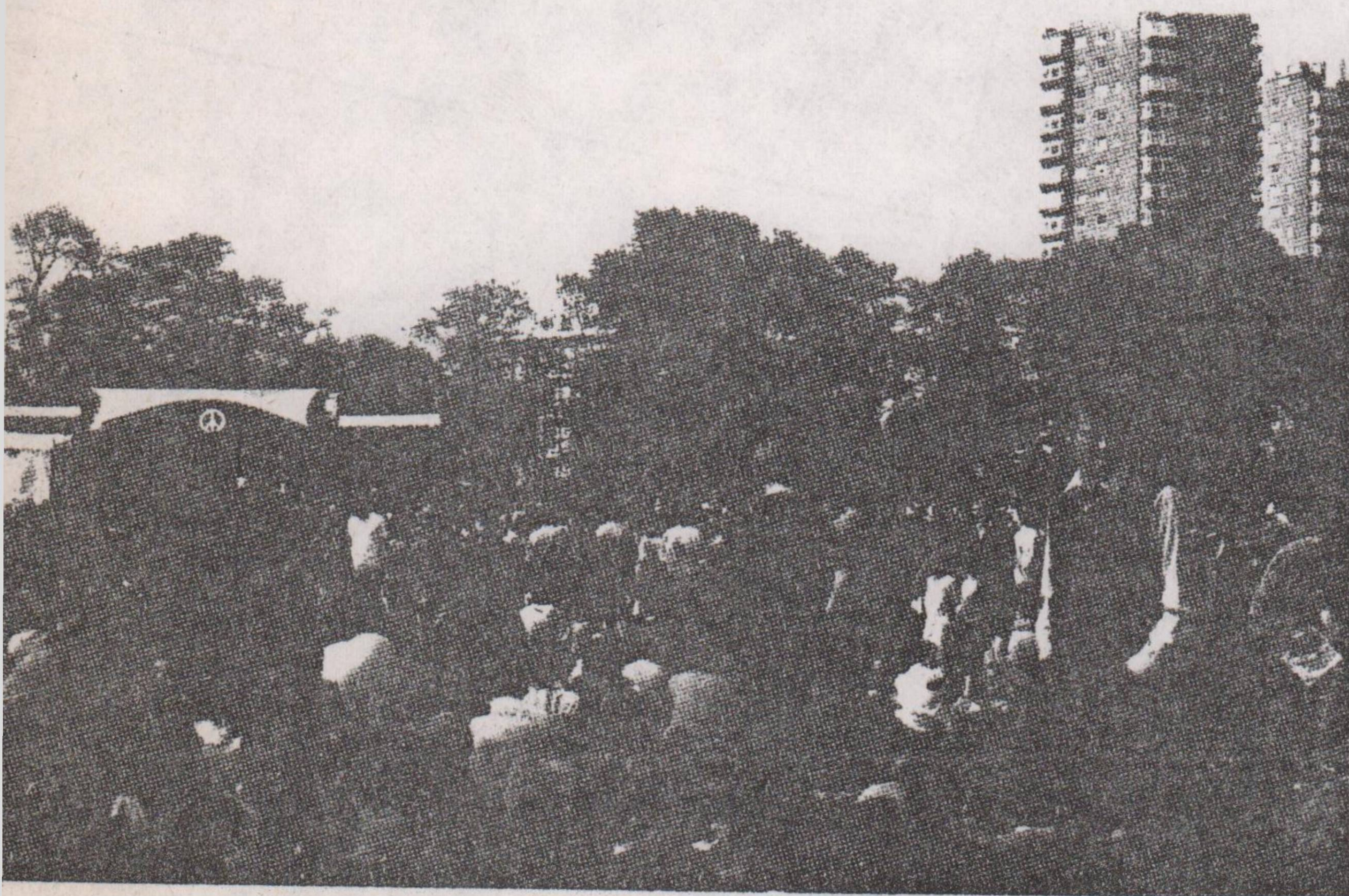
Overall the festival can be said to have been a success. Lady Olga Maitland and the Women For Defence could not have attracted support like that, and beside the concert there were a theatre and numerous stalls. The consensus on the way back was that it was a worth while gesture that had been made, but many of us thought that a stronger political content should have been there and that the energy of so many young people could have been channelled more productively.

See you next time.....! Rick the Red!



Brian Scott

Where is the main march anyway?



nuclear election

PEACE CANVAS

The Radcliffe group have just carried out a canvass of private housing off Oakdale Road, Sneinton (East Nottingham constituency) on 17/5/83.

70 houses were visited, - a further 10 refused to answer and must be considered mainly hostile.


A similar canvass of 32 council houses in Radcliffe was carried out the previous week, this time 4 refused to answer.

Results:

	Yes	No	Don't Know		
Q.1 Do you think	17	44	9	Sneinton	Sneinton Only
that American Cruise	24	62	12	percentage	62% oppose Cruise
missiles should be	7	22	3	Radcliffe	
based in Britain?	24	66	12	Total	
Q.2 Should our					
government spend	21	42	5	Sneinton	60% oppose Trident
£11,000m on new	30	60	7	Percentage	
Trident nuclear	9	20	3	Radcliffe	
submarines?	30	62	8	Total	
Q.3 Do you think					
that Britain should	40	23	7	Sneinton	57% oppose American
get rid of American	59	32	10	percentage	nuclear bases in Britain.
nuclear bases?	22	10	-	Radcliffe	
	62	33	7	Total	
Q.4 Do you think that					
this country needs	36	29	5	Sneinton	41% oppose all British
nuclear weapons for	51	41	7	percentage	nuclear weapons
its defence?	14	13	5	Radcliffe	
	50	42	10	Total	
Q.5 If there was a					
General Election	45	22	3	Sneinton	64% Think disarmament is
tomorrow, would nuc-	64	31	4	Percentage	an important election
lear disarmament be	22	10	-	Radcliffe	issue.
an important issue	67	32	3	Total	
for you?					

33 of 102 people interviewed completely agreed with the CND line, 16 of 102 completely disagreed (based on questions 1-4 only).

STOP PRESS.....STOP PRESS...

In the nuclear election  it's your choice

This election is costing, and will cost CND and NCND a lot of money.

The leaflet produced by National, and the advertising, both Nationally and locally have drained our reserves.

Those of you who can, please make a donation, however small, your money is very badly needed.

....STOP PRESS
WALK FOR LIFE

The campsite has now been confirmed as being on COLWICK RACECOURSE. The walk to the square will therefore start at the racecourse and the evening activities will take place there as well.

In an effort to minimise office work & curtail expenses, the executive committee proposes to revise the method for the renewal of membership.

In future a personal reminder will be delivered with the bulletin one month before subscriptions are due. If payment has still not been made by one month after the date of expiry the names will be deleted from the membership list. Renewals received after that period of time (2 months) will be treated as new members and a new number allocated.

Neighbourhood group contacts and bulletin distributors will also be informed of the date of membership expiry, as the relevant number of the month will be appended to the members name (eg. 7 for July) on group lists.

As renewal reminders for May and June have been delayed, those members affected will be given to the end of July to renew.

nuclear election

The general election has been sprung on us - not that we hadn't thought it might happen - and CND nationally and locally has decided to use it as another campaigning opportunity. We aim to show all parties that we mean to succeed, to make nuclear disarmament a major election issue.

Our election strategy was discussed at the last monthly and co-ordinating meetings and again at the Campaigners' Conference on 15th May. I also attended a meeting the day before that in London to co-ordinate the regions' activities and pick up the first of the nationally-produced materials.

What follows is the outline of NCND's plans, I don't mean to be authoritarian and no-one has to join in, it's just what needs to be done for an effective campaign. Feel free to do other things but a word of warning - the election laws are strict about what we can put out, especially in the way of leaflets and posters, so consult the office. You can say what you like (libel and slander excepted) in the papers and interviews.

We are concentrating on the marginal seats: in our area these are the three Nottingham ones. Neighbourhood groups outside these are asked to help leaflet and Peace Canvass in their nearest marginal constituency: co-ordinators have volunteered for each of these and groups have been assigned areas to cover.

For leafletting, the contacts are:

North: Heath King (Bestwood) 260481
East: Dilys Jones (Carlton/Gedling) 57823
South: Maureen & John Hind (Wollaton) 281371

and for canvassing:

All three: Jos Wood (Radcliffe-on-T) 33-3637
Contact her for any canvassing outside your own areas, concentrating on shopping districts.

The first thing we are doing - from the office - is sending questionnaires to all the candidates asking for their views on nuclear issues. Their answers will be circulated to national office and neighbourhood groups so that we can all use them in leaflets, press releases, asking questions at public meeting etc.

Candidates are also being sent briefing materials and we would like as many groups and individuals as possible to go to their surgeries, meeting, walkabouts, whenever, and test them!

Voters are our second target, through leaflets, canvassing, advertising, canvassing and stunts. Materials and ideas abound, more are needed as well as BODIES to carry them out and MONEY to finance them. Anyone who can help please get in touch, through your neighbourhood group, the contacts above or the office (581948).

Everything we do will be backed by national press coverage, which is our third aim. We must keep the local media (Trader, radio, TV) interested in our activities and national office can help get stuff in the national media too if it's sufficiently newsworthy - bear this in mind when making plans and let the office know in good time to arrange it. the same goes for local press coverage.

Events already planned are now even more important: the Women's Day for Disarmament on 24th May and the Peace Pentecost (22nd May) and blockade (1st June) at Upper Heyford are fine opportunities to make our voices heard and need all the support we can raise.

Post-election, too, events are planned: it's not the end of our work, whoever "wins". More details later, but it's certain that unless we keep up the pressure on the politicians and keep building bridges between real people we'll never be allowed to achieve peace.

SPECIFICS:

We have our Cruise missile which can be used to make an impact when doing the Canvass, leafletting etc. Forest Fields are already using it, others could do the same.

Neighbourhood groups can arrange hustings on the nuclear issue - BE SURE to invite ALL candidates in your constituency and make a noise about any that refuse. Tell the press (but remember the Post boycott).

A canvassers' pack is available from the office - leaflets, hints on answering awkward questions etc.

Countywide advert going in the Round Robin in early June.

The media group can help with press work but needs more help itself - contact the office.

MONEY NEEDED - £2.50 buys 1000 leaflets
£3 a hundred posters, £600 a full page in the Trader.

Posters and leaflets available from the office and co-ordinators. Legal advice on leaflets also via the office. The posters are ideal for putting up in windows - national members are being sent one each for this purpose. Other good places are libraries, sympathetic shops, clubs, work, community centres.....

Regular bulletins will be coming from national office with events, quotes, issues etc. We'll try to keep neighbourhood groups informed, but it's going to be even more important than usual to keep calling in at the office to collect stuff - try to fix for at least twice a week.

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*** STOP PRESS *** JOAN RUDDOCK WILL BE IN NOTTINGHAM ON 4th JUNE, ALSO PAUL JOHNS
CHAIR OF CHRISTIAN CND *** WATCH OUT FOR NEWS OF HOW WE'LL BE EXPLOITING THEM *****