

With winter coming and with no real possibilities of power cuts till at least after christmas the mining communities battle on against increasing hardship and the attempt to isolate and lay seige to the pit villages by the state forces.

Realistically strike action in support is unlikely to come and with the possibilities of the state mounting a massive scabbing operation to shift pithead stocks mass picketing on its own is unlikely to sucseed an alternative to be considered is the occupation of the mines by the wnole communities. . In alot of ways the miners and the women support groups have shown a degree of autonomy with the food kitchens, fundraising and the independent direct/ sabotage actions, our brothers and sisters in the mining communities are an example to us all, LETS ALL ACT ON IT!



Rising Free Promotions Anyone interested in helping to put on some solidarity with the mining communities benefit gigs with hopefully anarchist/ libertarain type bands like the Luddities, the System, the Apostles if you want to help get this off the ground get in touch.

DHSS BIG BROTHER

One of our unemployed comrades was waiting to be done by the DHSS for the crime of trying to survive on the dole by earning a few quid on the side, in the meantime a leaflet went out about a DHSS demo on Nov.5th. which had the name and address of this comrade on it for contacting, this leaflet had been out a week, about this time papers with the leaflet were taken from a stall (see papers in demand) the DHSS were in touch to say that this comrade will be taken to court with charges of fraud, he was only given. two weeks notice! his court appearance is on Nov. 6th. a day after the proposed demo - is all this only just a coincidence???????

Editoria

Er whats this Hising Free formerly derby agitator, wheres the agitaior' good question, well you see in this new format longish articles can now be done as well as quick news, info. with the agitator you could'nt print long articles on only one side and its beyound our means to get extra sides done. Why the change of name? for the hell of it really. RISING FREE: won't come out on a set time, it will be sometimes iortnightly, every 3 weeks, monthly. the next issue will be out in three weeks time on Fri. Nov. 23rd. available from forum books & Guts. when theres 4 pages the price is 15p, 3 pages 10p & 2 pages 5p. the charge is cause there is a need for us to at least get some cash back cause we're always skint even with the charge we're only covering 1 third of our costs. In the future, to be precise by the end of feb. we should have our own means of production i.e. a photo copying machine, secound hand of course, this will enable us to bring out Hising Free every fortnightly, weekly, twice weekly?? and we will be able to have more pages and produce more copies. ORGANISE! PARTICAPATE! DEMONSTRATE! LETS ALL RISE FREE! copies of class war, black flag

and direct action which were on sale on the newstrolley in the market place were taken by the police, we have been informed that the copper concerned for this thiefing would like a word with us and would we please vist the cop shop.

Swindle

- * Derby, Nottingham, Leicester, any readers of Black Flag, Direct Action in the above cities or in the E.Mid's. if you are interested in forming an East Midlands Class Struggle Anarchist Group, get in touch, Rising Free 39 Denbigh st. Chaddesden Derby.
- * IS there a spike from swadlincote out there, some one rang up by that name suspiciously asked about details of the proposed DHSS demo, when questioned more closely the phone went dead, if their is a spike from swadlincote then i'm Dick from Derby.
- * There is a planned March & Rally in Derby on sat. nov. 24th. the main speaker is Brother scargill assemble point is the Arboretum.

A report from the youth aid charity states that youth on the goverments YTS (Youth Training Swindle) are in daily danger of death and and serious injuries. Their have been 27 deaths over the past 5 years on the schemes, there have also been nearly 1,000 serious accidents and more than 10,000 minor ones, trainees have 78 injuries per 100,000 compared with 60 per 100,000 amoung other workers.

ETHIOPIAN officials acknowledged yesterday that the country was importing large shipments of Scottish whisky at a time of massive famine. An embassy spokesman in London said the Moscow-backed military regime had decided to break an official ban on luxury imports to beat a rocketing black market.

There is a benefit concert in support of the people of Chile and for the local peace movement on wed. nov. 14th. Queens hall methodist church london rd. 8.00pm. live on stage: MILLANTU tickets from forum books 2.50 waged 1.50 unwaged.

It is reported that as much as 500,000 bottles of whisky, with a market value of some £3 million, has been shipped to Ethiopia. British charities yesterday reported raising £5 million from the public since Tuesday when harrowing scenes of death and starvation were shown on BBC TV.

Peace group take depot road signs

A group of peace campaigners today claimed to have removed all military road signs around Chilwell depot as part of a campaign against its use by American service personnel.

A spokesman for the Forest Field Action Group said the green metal signs would be delivered to Nottinghamshire County Council

The spokesman, Mr Peter Strauss, said the group had received information that Chilwell is to be a defence modification authority for the Trident nuclear programme and would in future be involved in the supply of technical equipment and spares for Trident.

JUST WHAT WE ALWAYS WANTED? - wow Derbys a step nearer to getting a brand spanking posh new hotel, so that big wigs who come to the city will have somewhere to park their carcasses also the Labour run city council hope the prestig will win them some extra votes, the cost of this little gem is a mere 6 million pounds, council house rents went Derbys other Labour run council, Derbyshire county council are dipping in to the purse for £500,000 to pay an advertising agency to do a white wash job on them, this money will pay the agency up untill march then another £800,000 has been put aside, the agency is the same one who hype red ken and the GLC, so for the next few months we'll have council leader red dave Bookminder forced down our throats, feeling sick ex top cop alf parrish cashing in on his job, after all GONE BUST - our well known local small time capitalist Rad Anjelic of Fabric international, which will close down because of bankruptcy, poor old Mad was on quote once for calling the unemployed layabouts, see you down



For 15 years the British state has shited on the Republican working class in the North of Ireland with an army of occupation, torture, internment, concentration camps, shoot to kill the list of oppression is endless. The Brighton bomb whether or not it is the road to victory was a case of some of that shit being repaid, of course anarchists have fundemental differances with the irish mationalism of the I.R.A. and in general their tactics especially Sinn Fein and their ballot box, but lets face it, the bombing happened and the only real critisism we can have is that we wish the whole fucking cabinet had got blown to hell. The attitude of some of the various trot vanguards was sickening they tryed to distance themselves from the bombing and tryed to cover this up with arguments like it will only make Thatcher more popular and give her a few extra votes, and the state will use it as an excuse for more oppression, the bombing may well bring Thatcher a few more votes for the time being because of the unpopular bombing with this way of thinking the miners should go back to work because their strike is unpopular, some bright spark tory might latch on to the idea and plant a bomb every time theirs a bye-election, who gives a toss about votes, as for more state oppression when it comes down to it the state don't need excuses and if it does it can simply manufacture them. The Trots go on about popularity and votes because one day they hope to become popular and con people into voting for them, give us the Brighton bombing anyday.

Six Killed by Troops

In case you havn't heard, six people - civilians - were reported killed by NATO security forces taking part in the massive Operation Lionheart exercise. Also a soldier had his head decapitated by a tank. None of this got reported by the media of course, all the pet journalists and television PR types going for the official government line. 'D' notices were served on the six deaths - the only way you'd hear being the grapevine (in our case, Ekomedia). Lionheart, of course, has a dual role: preparation for nuclear war and prepar-

Ation for civil war. There were around 130,000 troops taking part in the exercise. There was some attempts made to

ANARCHST RADIO

Just when the authorities have begun a new clampdown, especially on smaller ethnic and political pirate radio stations, we have good news that Rebel Radio has come on air in Bristol. The station has been broadcasting on Sundays, 5pm to 9pm on 103.5 FM and describes itself as providing 'a voice for those decent individuals bent on subverting the police state'. Rebel Radio has already put out programmes on police violence, Stop the City, striking miners, civil defence and the Vancouver Five, as well as lots of 'loud obnoxious music'. They have been broadcasting from a 'top secret hideaway in downtown Bristol' and the Dept of Trade and Industry have been watching their every move, but have failed to catch them in the act so far. Send your tapes and cheques c/o Box FR, 116 Cheltenham Rd. Bristol. Not so lucky were Sheffield Peace Radio who were followed whereever they went. They were finally busted on May 20 and are facing heavy fines and the loss of all their gear. They got lots of support and have a booklet about their experiences: available 50p from SPR, c/o 55 Ashland Rd. Sheffield 7.

disrupt the operation (classic resistance stuff: changing road signs, interfering with radio traffic, road blockades, etc).

One US commander, Lieutenant-General Robert Wezel stated that all US troops would be defended from attack by protesters. He said, 'I will do everything within my power to ensure that anarchists and criminals' (surely the two are synonymous in the state's eyes?) 'who damage US property and endanger life are arrested by the proper German police authorities and are prosecuted fully under German law.'Later police were reported to have fired warning shots at pacifists demonstrating at Hanau, near Frankfurt. (source, Black Flag)

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Trying to be martyrs To the only cause Three months in jail A couple of curtain calls Sitting in your bed-sits Always thinking hard One track minds Fuck a Party card

If you are interested or can give info or help, especially technical, cash or backup aid, please write to <u>Radical Anarchist Transmissions</u> (<u>RATS</u>). c/o BM Hurricane, London WC1N

(source, Black Flag)

Repeating Marx When paying fares Trying to convert With your doctrinaires Waiting for the time Whilst building the sect Trying to control And having no effect

Always arguing About the sacred text Fight the heretics Who is next? Aways on the look-out For anti-Marxist plots Looking to the future For the opening shots

Reading all the volumes Then knocking on doors Explaining all the theory Hiding all the flaws Looking to the Bastion Whevever that may be Praying to the Leader Looking for the key



Black Flag Winter 1984

Looking at the lessons Of failures before Finding new solutions To the class war Standing in elections With which you disagree Win a score of votes In your efforts to be free

Some kind of fantasy Inspired by Red lines Paying with your lives And expensive fines But of course your're blind Afraid of being a bore So you shout and scream About distant class war.

PRICE WATERHOUSE OCCUPIED

At 7.30 am on Tuesday, 4th September, 12 Anarchists stormed a multi-storey office block in Glasgow city centre. They went in to occupy the headquarters of Accountants Price Waterhouse the millionaire outfit which sequestrated the South Wales Miners Funds.

SUPPORT YOUR LOCAL ANARCHIST

The 12 Anarchists have been charged with "breach of the peace" and "malicious damage". They face considerable fines and will be on trial on the 10th of December. Since all 12 defendants are on the dole they will find any fine hard to meet. All contributions to their defence fund and solid@rity greetings: Autonomy Press, 4th Floor, 64 Queen Street, GLASGOW



Ne are now in the 17th month of our dispute with The Hindle Group of companies. We realise that ours is not the only dispute taking place at the present time, and that our fellow trade unionists must be receiving many appeals for financial support. However after 17 months of strike action, you will appreciate that, the lads on our picket line are living on a pittance, and are prepared to carry on doing so until we get a just settlement to this dispute. Since the beginning of the miners. strike and the massive appeals on their . behalf, we have 'noticed an appreciable. drop in the financial support that we

MURRAYS APPEAL

Has a woman the right to have children? Is she condemned to barrenness because the State has convicted her? The question is even more important in countries which deny women the right to choose because of religious dogma, yet force women in prison to a lifetime of enforced celibacy.

The matter is being challenged in the European Court by Marie Murray and Noel Murray, both currently in Limerick Gaol.

Marie and Noel are both anarchists who were sentenced in Dublin some years back for the alleged murder of an offduty policeman during the course of a bank robbery. A third person was involved but he was not charged because he had been too badly beaten up by the police to appear in court. Marie was sentenced on the basis of a 'confession' (made in earshot of the sounds of Noel being tortured). The two were given life by a non-jury court. Recently we were contacted by friends of Noel and Marie and asked if we could help in raising the legal costs of the forthcoming court hearing. They need £5000. They would have needed far more had it not been for their barrister - Sean McBride (an ex-IRA Chief of Staff - in a time when such a position was deemed respectable by the Dublin authorities - and Nobel Peace Prize winner) who is offering his services for free. All Black Flag readers are asked to send as much as they can and to start collections now. We have to have the £5000 by the end of December. Perhaps a fiver all round?

were getting up till then. No one can appreciate the plight of the miners and their families better than us, because we have been in the same unfortunate position for 17 months now. So please dont let us become the forgotten few in. the struggle for justice for the working men and women in this country today.

The workers at Hindles Gears in Bradford have brought out a benefit single to highlight and raise cash for their struggle, the two sides of this excellent record are Part of the union and year and a bit, itswell worth getting, send £2 to Stuart Firth, 21 Throxenby way, Bradford. next time your thinking of going for a piss up, dont, stay in, send for the record and send a small donation. THESE WORKERS NEED YOUR SUPPORT!!!!!!!



MINERS mutual aid

Organise a food/money collection in your workplace, neighbourhood why not in your local pub/club. we are thinking of doing a food collection down town in midweek, if you can help get in touch. also the miners support group does a collection downtown on sat. everyweek on albion st. Food/money donations can be sent to N. Derby's. miners relief centre, TGWU officies, charnwood st; Derby or take them yourselfs to the mining communities, talk to the people see for yourself, whats going on.



to a article on the General strike in Derby Agitator no.3

I found your article on the General Strike interesting, for myself i dont imagine theres much of a chance for a call for a General Strike to suceed, however the class struggle is a pernament factor and in putting the case for such a move we are indulging in a process of education. The miners strike wont last forever and the struggle wont disappear, i think that the best way to challenge the state is ultimatly through a General strike, for such a move to suceed i think we should start now to explain 'the potentialities of the General strike, how to go about it, what forms it can take, the instances it can be used in and the likely result and probable consequences.

workers revolutionary organisation i.e. factory comittees & workers councils, these are to my mind the intial syndicalist organisations.

For the latter i think the establishment would attempt a coup de tat and we should be starting now as anarcho-syndicalists to put the case, alongside this the various marxist-lennist theories pale. Factory committees federated regionally & nationally running in tandem with the workers councils (community councils) would give the working class the strenght to

(A) oppose the vicious attack by capital on working class living standards.

(B) challenge capital where it hurts at the point of production through the General or Mass Strike, aim for the overthrow of the present economic & political society i.e. a revolution.

(C) these organisations would then be a means of running a post revolutionary society.

Of course this is a pipe dream but not to my mind nesasarilly always so, in many ways the times are with us, mass unemployment, growing poverty, dissolutionment with the current orth-

Yet we should go even further, co-existent with the mass strike we should build up the theory of



odox state organisations i.e. tradeunions, political organisations and parliamentry institutions.

WHAT WE ARE DOING IS HOPEFULLY THE FIRST STEP TOWARDS THIS HAPPY STATE OF AFFAIRS.





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COMMUNIST PARTY - FALSE FRIEND TO but were refused permission to address the delegates. We talked to an officer for half-an-hour confirming the hollow

We learned of this at a meeting with the

charges that we were being devisive in favouring Kirkconnel. He seemed to think that we were supporting Kirkconnel for political reasons whereas, in fact, that village had been recommended to us by miners because it was getting less help. than others. The hostility of local and regional authorities (Dumfriesshire) made it a special case.

So what to do with the money? At a meeting of Clydeside Anarchists on 1st August it was unanimously agreed that in spite of our criticism of the Ayrshire N.U.M the money should go to the headquarters at Miller Road. After all the money had been collected for Ayrshire miners and August and a receipt given.

Why have officials of Glasgow Trades Council and Ayrshire N.U.M. behaved in this disgraceful fashion? Their are several reasons for this: Anarchist solidarity with

This is not the first time that Clydeside Anarchists and stalnaists have clashed over striking miners. During the last bloodbath in 1943 the Communist Party tried to stop the miners at Cardowan from going on strike. The dispute concerned the intention of the Government to jail 16 miners for non-payment of a fine. The Anarchists in Glasgow were the only substantial group to support the miners and were invited to address mass meetings. The stalanists call for a return to work was defeated by 760 votes to 7 and supported given to the anarchist demand that nobody goes back to work until the fines were withdrawn. The miners were victorious.

£1,500 TO AYRSHIRE N.U.M.

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the lighting miners by-passed by the official collection thus inadvertently undermining the centralised authority of the Glasgow stalanists as organised in the Trades Council.

Also, apart from the threat of anarchist ideas penetrating mining villages the provision of local strike funds weakens the fight centralised control which the area N.U.M's exercise.

Incidentally, instead of using their usual ham-fisted stalanist tacticts of imperiously ordering us to stop collecting they had approached us in a comradely and constructive manner we could have, reconciled the different apparoches. But the approaches cannot change. They don't trust the working-class (that is why they rig ballots) still less do they relish anarchist ideas which celebrate autonomy and independence of workers from bureaucratic (often self-appointed) 'leaders'.

The communist party thrives on the industrial scene because of apathy and the willingness of its members to carry out boring and routine tasks. Its success in the unions is in inverse proportion to its failure and political rejection by the working-class. But so tenuous is its influence that it must fight a constant battle against other left groups and independent ideas. Thus the virulence of their attacks on the anarchists.

The anarchists have been reluctant to criticise the leadership of the N.U.M. because of basic proletarian solidarity. But we think that our experience with the Scottish stalanists compels us highlight this phobia for centralised control. It is killing, rank-and-file initiative. It is only when the set-piece battles with the police are abandoned and groups of miners use their initiative, i.e. occupations and installing central heating in scabs buses, that some progress is registered. We welcome · the growing independent miners' actions in Yorkshire and Staffordshire.

The anarchist idea of mutual aid and the creation of self-help groups is essential to the success of the strike, an aggressive strategy by raising money in which hundreds of miners flood-in to the cities every day of the week joining with sympathisers to both raise money in street collections and keep the miners arguments firmly in the forefront of public discussion. Above all, we believe that the strike must spread to wider sections of the working class or it will fail.

We intend to continue with what we see as our elementary class duty. We are maintaining our street collections and will be spreading the collection among a wider range of pit villages. We also hope to help miners communities set up 'Self Help Group' in the immediate future.

newspaper.

Cammell LAIRDS

The 37 Cammell laird shipyard workers from Birkenhead in merseyside who were jailed

for a month for comtempt of court after refusing to end their occupation in defence of joblosses were freed after serving their sentence they are continuing their struggle. On oct. 22nd. the scabs at the yard voted 316/1 against reinstatment of the 37 class war fighters no doubt these state arse lickers will lose their jobs in the future after the state has used them, but class

traitors deserve all the snit thats thrown at them.

FICK OFF



Below is a report about the Cammell lairds 37 by a member of the Liverpool Direct Action Group.

The support has been bullshit the city cauncil run by the MILITant has done fuck all but give the 37 prisoners a title or honour of "Freemen of the City" fucking HA HA HA what did that do to free the 37? The 37 are GMBATU members they got no support but for a few hundred pickets outside cammell lairds roughly oncce a week, GMBATU nationally done fuck all, GMBATU locally done fuck all, they had a token one day strike on wed. 17th. oct; the socialist city and county councils did'nt want to know. A demonstration was called by the GMBATU on fri. 14th. oct. they hardly told anyone about it, no posters, no leaflets, they announced it two days before they had their demo with about 1,000 people turning up. Why wait untill they were sent to prison in order to have a one day strike and demo? strike action should have been called the moment the whole dispute over redundancies took place, but this is trade unionism for you. There should have been mass picketing out side the Walton prison stopping things going in that has nothing to do with the prisoners, instead there was only a few people standing around each day.

ANARCHIST PUBLICATIONS

Black flag fortnightly paper, Direct Action monthly paper and class war monthly paper are available from Rising Free Black Flag quarterly magazine 75p are on sale in forum books,



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Practical Anarchy, Glasgows revolutionary newspaper, free but send small donation & sae, Autonomy press, 64 Queen st; Glasgow. INTERNATIONAL PRESS; if you can read different langueges this applys to you; various papers of some of the sections of the international workers association(anarcho-syndicalist) Direkte Aktion, Postlagerkarte 073654A, 4600 Dortmund, West Germany. Le Combat Syndicaliste, Bourse du Traivail, 3 rue Merly, 31000 Toulouse, France. Lotta Di Classe, CP 2382, 00100 Roma AD, Italy. Solidaridad Obrera, c/Reina Cristina 12,2,2a Barcelona 3, Spain. (send money in their currency)

Remember the Reagan 'joke' back in august when he said during a broadcasted radio voice test that he had signed legislation outlawing Russia and added 'WE BEGIN BOMBING IN 5 MINUTES' Well the Russians took it seriously to the extent that the soviet army (far east division - based at vladivostok) immediately issued a coded signal (intercepted in Tokyo) saying that the USSR was about to enter a state of war with the USA.

The signal (sent to a Fleet commander off the coast) was withdrawn. 30 minutes later, but during that crucial half h ur the japanese responded by placing its military on a state of full alect. It was only after quick intervention from the Pentagon explaining that the Reagan comments were Unofficial that japan also withdrew its instructions. (Source. AANN)

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