

DAY ON ANARCHISM, BOLTON.

Planned for May 4th at the Bolton Socialist Club, 16 Wood St. (off Broadshaw -gate) Bolton. All day even, including social/benefit with money going to the Black Cross Miner's Fund, DAM, etc. Probable workshops on anarcho-syndicalism, anarchist organisation, anarchism and feminism, anarchist prisoners support, as well as possible debate between DAM and the CP or Labour Party. Also exhibition and videos. More information: Bolton DAM/Anarchists, c/o Bolton Socialist Club, address above.

DAM - S WALES

All enquiries from now on c/o DAM National Secretary, 223, Greenwood Rd, Benchill, Manchester, M22 7HB.

BRISTOL CENTRE

The 'Beetle Centre', Cheltenham Rd, Bristol (next to Full Marks Bookshop) is at the moment under threat of demolition. Help is needed in occupation, resistance and conversion to open space type meeting place/cafe/workshop.

MINERS VIDEO

'Learning on the line', is the title of a miners video featuring interviews with miners about the strike. It costs fll to buy or f7 to hire (free to miners). On Beta only from Films At Work, 1a Terrace Rd, London E9 7ES (tele 01-986 9218).

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THE SYNDICALIST

Paper of the Manchester Direct Action Movement. Issue 1, includes miners news, Ethiopia, privatisation, medical stuff, etc. 5p plus sae from DAM National Secretary, 223 Greewood Road, Benchill, Manchester.

ANARCHISM AND FEMINISM/WOMEN WORKERS AND TRADE UNIONS, published by the Direct Action Movement. Lucid summary, followed by clear analysis of the problem of sexism in the trade union movement. 35p from DAM Publications, c/o 121 Railton Road, London SE24.

WOBBLE

Paper of the Rank and File Organising Committee of the Industrial Workers of the World. Includes statement by ROC, news on SA labour solidarity, the British miners strike, and details of an 'Abolish the wage system' leaflet, etc. Sae to ROC, Mi Mi Rivera, 1007 N Randolph, Champaign, IL 61820, USA.

ARGENTINIAN PUBLICATIONS:

'El Libertario', c/o FLA, Brasil 1551, Buenos Aires, Argentina. 'La Autoicha', c/o JC Gianantotio Di Giovanni, Pinzon 301, 1432 Buenos Aires, Argentina.



doubt argue, in true monetarist style, As a direct result of the 1985 Budget for the abolition of the Social Security the UK will now be the only part of system for all but the aged or disindustrial Europe with no effective abled. After all under a vastly devalued Minimum Pay control. The last vestiges wage system, a viable Social Security of such control - the Wages Councils system would threaten the downward spiral - are to be abolished. Furthermore the and provide a retreat for those workers Chancellor has now made it far easier for bosses to sack workers without worry- seeking something more constant. This is exactly how the US model works. ing about being taken to court for unfair If there were such a situation as dismissal - although in the past this no 'social wage', where would this leave led to few 'convictions' and the penalthe unions? What would be their position ties were meaningless.

From some guarters the Budget has been described as a virtual charter to expand poverty. But it has also highlighted the inadequacy of many trade unions to provide the sort of protection they allege for their lower paid members. The reality of the Budget is that it will pave the way for the eventual erosion of basis Social Security altogether, as well as creating the conditions for rates of pay comparable to current levels of State hand-outs.

It's difficult to defend the state REVOLTI controlled Wages Councils. Their inspectorates were sparse and ineffectual. Abuses were phenomenal and rarely were employers taken to court for infringements. Their abolition nevertheless The trouble is that trade unions, creates a watershed in economic history, as currently constituted, are more connot least because Minimum Pay is, as a result, now seen as one more barrier cerned with restricting entry (often through the closed shop system) into that has been swept away by the necessity the job market, especially if expanding of market forces. The lower paid sector is now to be expanded and the most to the employed sector means loss of diffsuffer will inevitably be the already erentials. Ultimately, therefore, craftdispossesed - casual workers, part-timers, based unions, as well as employers, young people, women workers, etc - as have an intrinsic interest in maintaining well as a whole new category of low a surplus of unemployed to keep wage paid brought into this sector as a conlevels up. Under such circumstances sequence of these measures. it is hardly surprising that trade unions The situation has not been brought seek to retain the Minimum Pay system, about solely because there is not suffalthough their reasons for doing so

icient statutory control - but because there has been too much statutory control. wider needs of all our class. Over the years the unions have allowed their grasp to be loosened, putting their faith in state, especially Labour government, intervention. Social Contracts increased the trend for union bosses to abdicate responsibility. This trend is now characterised by more proseeking to develop a more middle class, professional membership and 'no-strike' sweetheart deals.

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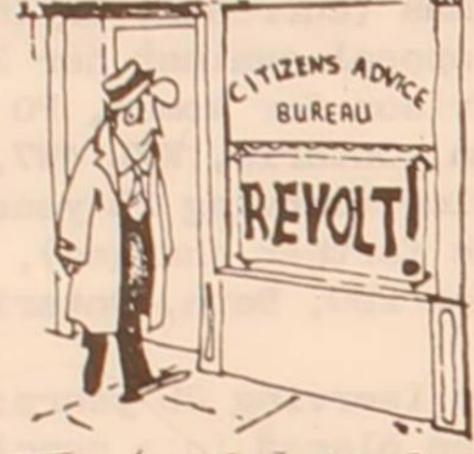
Sectionalism, the protection of differentials, etc are features of old style trade unionism that only succeed in pitting worker against worker, waged against non-waged, Craft-based unionism encourages the situation where industries rarely use strike action at the same tectionism, with the more powerful unions time as other industries out of solidarity, but instead compete for a better share of the labour market (as with the steel workers during the Miners strike). Trade unions are further const-The long-term effects of Chancellor rained by their very structure (which Lawson's actions will be seen not only - encourages rule from above) and by the amongst the lower paid - hotel and catering workers, Retail Trade workers, Health laws that exploit that structure. Sympathy actions, for example, are now Service 'ancilliary' workers, etc outlawed - the law making full use of and the jobless, but throughout all how one section of an industry or craft of industry (barring the well paid) is not in the same union as another as the competition amongst employers that may well be affected within the for higher profit margins and lower labour costs filters upwards. There dispute in the wider context. will also be less job security all round. demonstrated its structural drawbacks. 'Hire and fire them' will be the order It's attachment to parliamentarianism of the day.

Another Budget change is that from has proved the death of it as a viable and it is time that the coffin was finally lowered to rest and for labour militants, the lower paid and the unemployed to unite around one banner to form a revolutionary union movement as so vividly seen during the Miners strike, would be an impossibility. Independent organisation, class solidarity, self-management, direct action, avoidance of government or state: these are the distinguishing traits of such a revolutionary union - an Finally there is also the point that anarchist-syndicalist union.

now onwards no one will have the opportunity to sue for unfair dismissal unless they have been ina job for more than two years - previously it was one. Again compensation, via court action, was always invariably low, but the import ance of this change is that it's a clear signal by the Government to employers that the dismissal rate can be increased without recourse to consequence. Furthermore bosses will actually be encouraged to go for a regular labour turnover, not least to ensure that unions lose their grip further and that wage levels, through long-service, are kept down. if wages are being encouraged to spiral One union, one class, one world. downwards then the Government will no

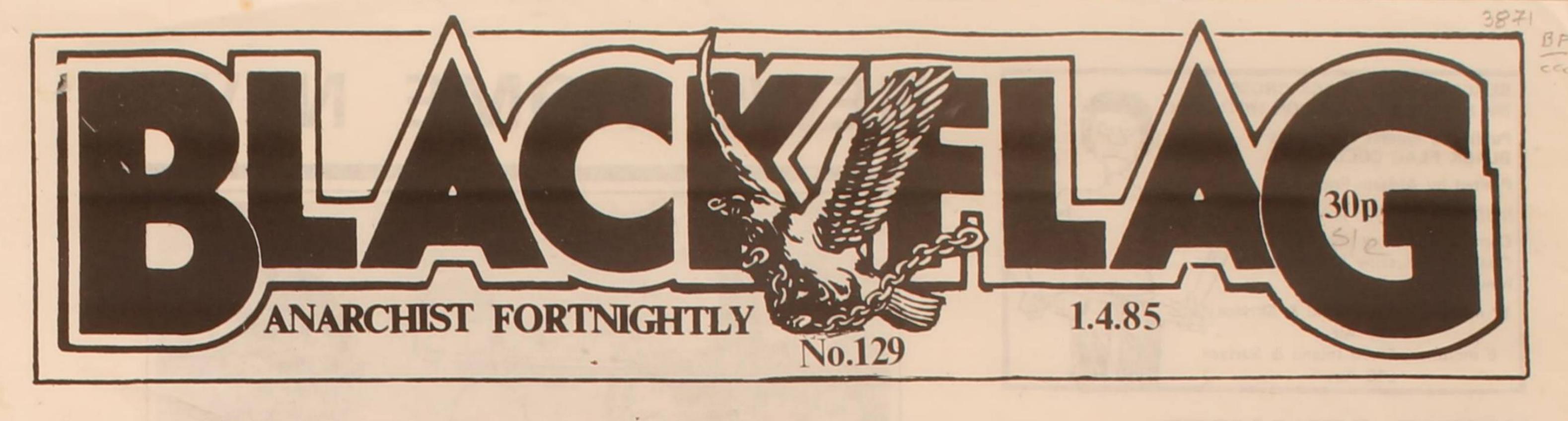
PAY DOWN, DISMISSALS EASIER

and how would they play out their role as 'labour organisations'? At the moment most unions only pay lip service to the needs of the de-unionised, non-due paying unemployed and the prospect of a greatly enhanced non-wage earning or underwaged earning class may well drive some, if not many, unions even further down the road of protectionism.



are not necessarily identical with the

Trade unionism has only too recently is still the main problem, though, and movement for social change. Unfortunately the funeral has been a long time a-coming. where the very idea of class treachery,



VICTIMISATION 800 KENT PIT JOBS TO GO NACODS DEMANDS REVIEW PROCEDURE LEVY BALLOT SABOTAGED

Up and down the country the NCB is doing its upmost to smash the overtime ban. The introduction of new working practices is already being attempted by management in some pits. Management inisist that where pits need weekend maintenance or recovery work, then this has to be undertaken during overtime otherwise normal shifts will be jeopardised. In effect this means that unless the ban is broken a lockout will be imposed as a form of punishment until the new practices are taken on board.

NEW REGIME

Orders from NCB management (if not the Government) are clearly to instill a regime of discipline into the pits as soon as possible in preparation for the planned closures. Miners have been sent home without pay for trivial reasons and others have been sacked for merely registering their protest at management refusal to go along with traditional agreements.

At one pit - Manvers, in South Yorkshire - 16 miners have beensacked since the return back simply because of an argument in a locker room involving the verbal abuse of scabs. This sort of action mirrors the sentiments expressed by South Yorkshire Area NCB director, George Hayes, when he issued a statement saying that any form of verbal abuse against strikebreakers would end in automatic dismissal.

NO DOLE

Sacked miners are being prevented in some parts of the country from claiming dole or any form of social security. The DHSS has made it clear that it regards any sacked miner who is still fighting dismissal as still being in dispute with the NCB. Also those miners who have been sacked pending a court hearing (which could take months to come about) are also cut off from getting Benefit in that the DHSS argues that the miner still has a chance of reinstatement.

By their own rules the DHSS has to pay out money in all these case. Instead the excuses they have come up with are lame and can be challenged. We all know, however, how long it takes to challenge a DHSS decision. Basically the DHSS is just messing the sacked miners about in an attempt to persuade some of them not to continue fighting for reinstatement. It's also yet another form of punishment and state retribution.

BIG LOSSES

Any miner dismissed - even if they have been acquitted in court - loses all chance of claiming redundancy money, normally theirs by right. In some cases this can mean losing up to £30,000 merely Dll. They were led by Superintendant for standing on a picket line!

According to one report there have already been cases of miners being fined £50 for breaches of the peace, getting dismissed, and losing redundancy rights. Effectually this means the picket has been punished three times: fined in court, sacked from work (and losing the tied house in some cases too) and finally losing £30,000 redundancy money in the process.

LOCKOUTS

At Betws (S Wales) management enforced a lockout on 250 miners because they refused to break the overtime ban. As a result more than 700 miners at the



David Voness (of Iranian and Libyan We have heard from an eye witness that James Braigie, the man at the centre Embassies fame). Within hours of Baigrie's death an of the W London siege drama and who anonymous caller phoned Black Flag claiming that the police had in fact used a heat-seeking device to pin-point where Baigrie was in the van, and then shot two Ferret CS gas cannisters into the Baigrie, a 34 year old Scot who had vehicle through the rear windscreen, hit him in the head, killing him outright as it exploded in his face. This then left the press to portray the wound as a shotgun wound, fired from Baigrie's own sawn-off gun.

was reported to have committed suicide when armed police stormed the van he was holed up in, was in fact murdered and an elaborate cover-up has taken place. escaped from prison and who had previous- one of which (according to our witness) ly worked as building labourer for 18 years, had been kept under siege for 36 hours surrounded by up to 120 police, many from the specialist firearms group,

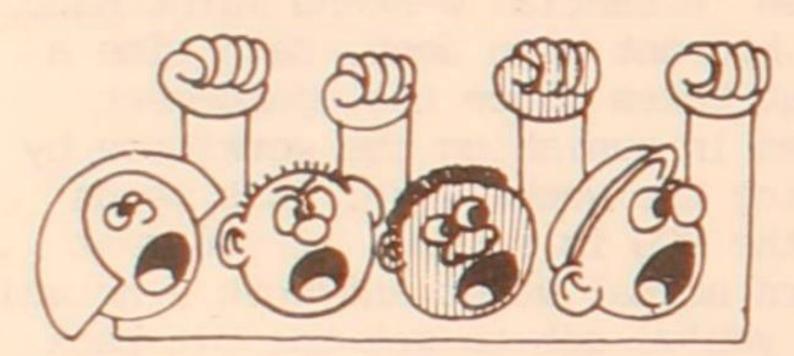
pit came out on strike in protest. Similarly at Markham Main (S Yorkshire), one of the most militant of pits and one of the last to go back. Here management lost no time in trying to introduce new working practices. This led to 1700 walking out. In Lancashire 1,800 miners were sent home from several pits - again because 'essential weekend maintenance work' had not been done. Each time a lockout takes place the management succeed in punishing the workforce by lowering the weeks wage. This means that the NCB is saying, if you want to earn normal wages and work a normal week, you've got to get the pit back to scratch by doing compulsory overtime.

SIEGE MAN 'NOT SUICIDE'



YOUNG PENALISED

Another feature of the 1985 Budget is the extension given to the Youth Training Scheme from a period of one year compulsory service to two years. Those young people who don't want to spend two years on slave labour type wages might also get their Social Security cut off. Moving to a new town to look for a decent job wont work either: under the new arrangements a person under 26 years old will have only two weeks in most places to find a job before getting cut off and being forced to return back home.



CRECHE EVICTED

On the second day of the London Borough of Lambeth's Women's Week, officials from the Council arrived at a Brixton creche to enforce an eviction. Eight bailiffs, board-up teams and two police Instant Response Units accompanied the officials. The police sealed off the area and the bailiffs smashed down the door to the creche (squatted by local mothers in a long-empty Council owned shop) and threw all the kids' toys inside on to the roadway.

Ironically local council-supported creches may be forced to close down, too, because of the rate-capping exercise. In addition some mothers have had to wait up to three years to get their kids in a council creche. The creche at the centre of the eviction was, on the other hand, run directly by the local community, without grants or council interference. The shop in which it was based had been previously empty for six years and was not even in a commercial position.

Some time after the eviction, a group of Muslims told the mothers that they were 'privileged' anyway and that the Council had promised the premises to them as a Muslim religious centre. 'Whites have enough privileges already', they told the women picking up the toys. This type of racialism is bread-andbutter to the Lambeth trendies who love setting one against the other, like the National Front in reverse.

SABS UNDER PTA

Things are getting a bit out of hand when animal rights' activists (10 members of the Bedfordshire and Huntingdonshire Hunt Saboteurs Group) are held under the Prevention of Terrorism Act. That, indeed, is exactly what happened when they were on their way back home from a peaceful occupation at Loughborough. The group piled out of their van at a petrol station. The owner of the station, seeing their black flags, thought it was the IRA (?) and called Special Branch. Subsequently arrested under the PTA they were held for 7 hours.



GLASGOW RIOT

On Thursday 21st March, 6000 High School students held a half-day strike and rallied in the centre of Glasgow. The protest 'organisers' (Young Socialists) were nowhere to be seen, except for one sighting of a tired steward running behind a group of students.

There were too many of the protesters to fit into the City Hall, where they were supposed to meet, so it wasn't long before the main square was full of students yelling 'You can shove the YTS up your arse', 'Burn Maggie Thatcher', 'Here we go', etc and holding placards with the words 'Dole is better than slavery'.

Police soon moved in. some on horseback, as school exercise books were ripped into pieces by the students and thrown into the air. One student commented, 'We're probably going to get expelled tomorrow anyway, so who cares?'.

As the crowds tried to leave the but nearly everything they owned. square the police drove vans at them to try and force everyone on to the pavement. One group then took a detour ing bag. A hearing is meanwhile due through the railway station, while for March 25; latest news is that the hundreds more charged down Glasgow's police are considering going for 'conmain shopping street. Afternoon shoppers spiracy to corrupt'. watched in amazement as laughing, yelling kids ran along the streets, easily avoiding angry cops on horseback, who tried to control the crowds by backing their horses into them. Large groups then Q. If an anarchist society were to began to spread throughout the centre be established in one part of the world, of the city. But one group had a specific how would it defend itself against fortarget in mind: they headed for a school eign aggression? in a nearby estate and proceeded to A. Everyone has a natural right to smash its windows, much to the shock use arms in self-defence, whether it of the headmaster and staff, who simply be in an anarchist society or any other, stared from within. though a smaller and less militaristic 18 students were detained. community doesn't have an equal chance



NEWS HOME NEWS

BUNKER RANSACKED

On Wednesday March 13 a group of anarchist/anti-militarists broke into and ransacked the Royal Observer Corp nuclear war monitoring bunker near Darton (grid reference E319 122) in response to the then planned UK Early Warning Monitoring Organisation exercise.

In side they found a single room all kitted out with rations, etc. They then expropriated documents, diaries andand maps and ransacked the place before leaving.

(The above is a precis of a Press Statement sent to us; a photo accompanying the statement is reproduced above). POLICE THEFT

Reported in the last issue was the case of two anti-school propagandists who, after seen giving out leaflets outside a school at Shipley, Yorkshire, were arrested and had their home ransacked and emptied by police. This time it was not the usual address lists,

Items taken included typing and printing equipment, clothes and even a sleep-

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against a major aggressive State. The anarchist society in these circumstances would be like, say, Denmark during World War 2, perhaps forced to give in against the threat of major State intervention, with the people forced into individual attacks and resistance. This is why major States regard aggressive war as lawful and individual attacks and resistance as criminal terrorism, while occupied States, unlike people, prefer to co-operate with the enemy.

Citizens' militias (with no officer class) have the capability of acting either in lieu of an army or to coordinate the resistance and are a natural part of an anarchist revolution.

It is clear from the example of the Spanish war that if militias are dissolved and armies on a regular basis formed, there is certain defeat by the enemy State, or by the new State formed on the back of the regular army.

MINERS UPDATE

GOING IT ALONE

The 'Spencerite' Notts Area, together with the S Derbyshire and Leicestershire Areas, have decided through their Area Executive to accept the current NCB wage offer, so sabotaging wage negotiat ions for the rest of the NUM. The same areas have also decided to break the overtime ban, which in itself was an essential lever to negotiating an improved offer.

With these actions the three areas are setting a trend for negotiations on an area by area basis, which in turn can only benefit management, and erode even further wage bargaining. Agreements of this sort are a clear indication of the 'new realism' so favoured by reformist trade unions as they queue up to accept 'sweetheart' deals.

STRIKERS BARRED

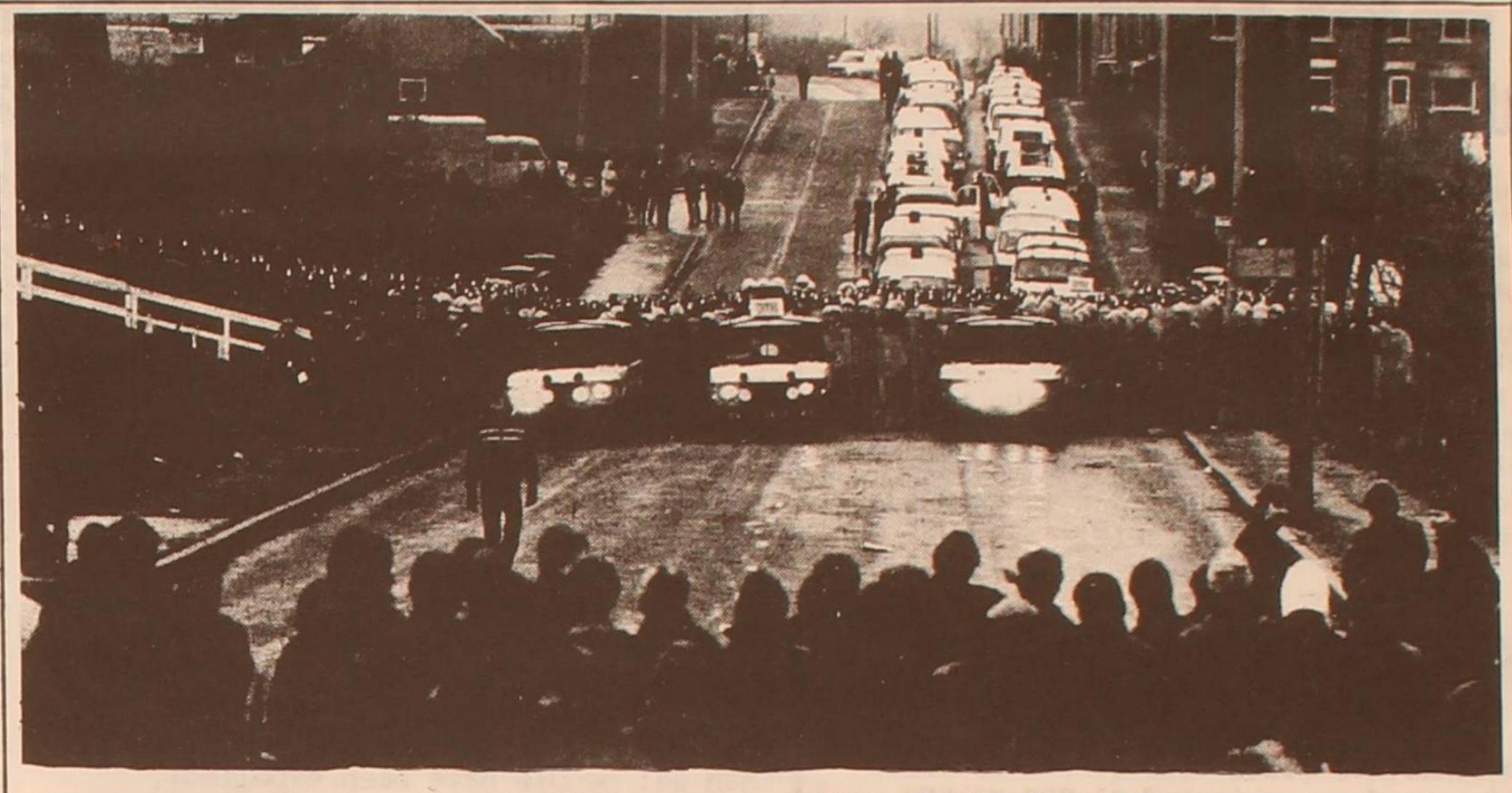
The renegade Nottinghamshire scabs have agreed to ban all ex-strikers who took part in industrial action over the last 12 months from standing for Area and Branch office. The scabs who have succeeded in hijacking the union at Area level, are using a union rule that forbids members whose union dues have lapsed more than eight consecutive weeks from standing for office. Technically the scabs argue that the strike was never official and so strike action will not be accepted by them as a legitimate excuse for not paying the union subs. This way the Notts scabs hope to retain their current positions of power for at least another year, in an effort to consolidate their new Spencerism.

SCOTS

Although Scots miners have incurred only 10% of all convictions as a result of strike action, 33% of all dismissals are allocated to the Scottish Area. Nor has this anything to do with the nature of the charges: 90% of all Scots miners arrested were for minor public order offences. Clearly a case of victimisation, especially with the hardline approach regarding an amnesty by the NCB Area Director.

HOSPITALISED

Not an unsuprising statistic: there have been more miners hospitalised as a result of police violence during the Miners Strike, than there were casualties during the entire Falklands War.



NACODS

An ex-striking miner from Shirebrook Pit deputy union (NACODS) members asks whether there is any truth in the in the Nottinghamshire Area decided not rumour that the TUC (Totally Useless to supervise during overtime sessions, Congress) is to hold their 1985 Annual even though miners scabs have decided Conference at Traitors Gate? Answers in turn to lift the overtime ban. However on a postcard to N Willis, c/o Congress the NACODS Executive overuled the Area decision and instructed all members House. to go along with the lifting of the **PW 12** ban where NUM members have so requested. Out of desperation local NACODS members The courtcase of the 12 Glasgow comrades in the Nottinghamshire Area have accepted arrested for occupying the offices of the order but have also decided not Price Waterhouse, the accounting firm to allow coal production during weekend who siezed the Miners funds, will take sessions.

PRISONERS FUND

The 50p levy to help sacked and imprisoned miners is in danger of being banned through the courts as a result of scab interference. A ballot on the levy is to be boycotted by the Notts, S Derbyshire and Leicestershire Areas. They are prepared to argue to the courts that the NUM has no power to organise such a levy as NUM funds are still in the hands of the Official Receiver. Of course there is nothing to stop the NUM from bypassing the courts altogether by setting up a seperate trust fund, via the Support Network and to

make the levy voluntary.

SCAB BONUS

In the Yorkshire Area, scabs are being paid extra to stay at home and not to work, in order that trouble at the pit head is avoided.

LIFE ON THE VOUCHER

roaching. Not a consumer gimmick, but a how many vouchers we havn't used up. harsh reality as more and more the state is taking central control over the way the lower paid and unwaged spend what little cash is allotted to them.

We've seen Housing Benefit, we've experienced the Electricity and Gas Coupon and compulsory deductions from Social Security payments, now we will have the Health and Drugs Voucher.

This new idea is to be introduced as soon as possible, according to Chancellor Nigel Lawson. It's his way of reducing Health rights even more. What it amounts to is that if the scheme goes ahead all of us - waged as well

The Age of the Voucher is fastly app- ment as a right but only according to Lawson wants to dish out £18.30 worth of health care vouchers and £27 worth of drugs care voucher to each and every one of us on a yearly basis. Those of us on Social Security or on a long-term illness might get a few more, but when they've run out, that's it. Anything more and it will have to be paid for direct or through a private insurance scheme.

Apart from the obvious effects, other consequences will include a proliferation of private health schemes, the erosion of the National Health Service even more, an increase in private hospitals, as unwaged - will not get health treat- etc. All of which would mean a health

MINERS UPDATE MINERS UPDATE

BRITAIN 1984. THE NEW REGIME IN IT'S EBRYO, OR THE LULL BEFORE THE STORM?



RUMOUR

place in the Glasgow Sheriff Court, (you recognize it by the neo-brutalist architecture) Ingram St, Glasgow on the April 15, 16 and 17. Any supporters will be welcomed at the case, as well as donations to cover fines, etc.

ONE OF MANY

Peter Gates - a founder of the Camden, St Pancras and Finsbury Miners Support Group (which includes East London DAM and Anarchy Collective members) and one its most active members - has been imprisoned for one year (reduced from 2 years because he has only just become a father) for merely standing on a picket line.

The police accused him of assault after they (the police) waded in to break up a picket line at Kings Cross Station one evening last summer.

Peter, a building worker and organiser of a rank and file section of the building workers union, is now in Wormwood Scrubs and letters of support, etc, would be welcomed.

service geared to the rich, with third rate treatment for everyone else, until the vouchers run out, then we'd be lucky to get even that.

For the unwaged the only thing the state hasn't tried yet is Food Coupons not that uncommon in the USA, where the idea of the health scheme vouchers was first studied for DHSS approval.

The state's ideal is to abolish hard cash as much as possible. For the wealthy there will be credit cards and direct debits; for the poor credit cards are out but direct debits or the use of coupons will take the place of cash. What this ammounts to is Subsistence Living: getting no money at all, just enough vouchers to get food (but only according to DHSS calculations) and health treatment, with the rent, rates, fuel bills all paid from one state department to another.

And who said 1984 was but a joke? BLACK FLAG PAGE THREE

INTERNATIONAL NEWS INTERNATIONAL USA

In San Francisco longshoremen members of the ILWU Local 10 - have been sacked by their union for refusing to handle South African goods. The union officials broke a local ban - set up by Local 10 - on a ship that had been blacked and sent in scabs to unload it. At the eventual arbitration hearing the ILWU officials demanded that penalties be levied against individual dockers who had taken part in the blacking, not the Union itself. SOURCE: Wobble.

SPAIN

Police recently raided the CNT-AIT Regional Committee Offices in Bilbao and caused an estimated £1,250-£1,500 worth of damage. Although some money was also confiscated, the police seemed far more interested in documents, accounts etc. The C.N.T.-A.I.T. see the raid as part of a long campaign of intimidation against them. Source: Solidaridad Obrera

GERMANY

Two Red Army Fraction fighters, Adelheid Schulz and Rolf Clemens Wagner, have been sentenced to three consecutive life terms and two consecutive life terms respectively.

Both were convicted of the murder of Hans Martin Schleyer, a leading industrialist, in 1977. Schulz has already been convicted of the murder of chief banker, Jurgen Ponto, while Wagner is currently serving a 15 year sentence in connection with an armed robbery conviction.

BOLIVIA

As we go to press we learn that the Army has been deployed in an attempt to smash peasant and COB militia units who have barricaded all the main road routes into the capital, La Paz, in support of the general strike.

The strike was called in support of industrial action taken by Bolivian miners and in protest at new austerity measures introduced in response to IMF demands.

N.B. The strike is now over with the COB succeeding in getting an across the board wage increase of 232% (they originally demanded 500% to meet the inflation rate) for all workers. Prior to the cessation of the strike, over 10,000 miners took part in the erection of barricades in the streets, blockading all the main thoroughfares into the Capital, leading to martial law being declared and the Army called in.

Two nazis safe-housed by leading British fascist, Ian Souter-Clarence, have ended up with sentences of up to 14 years for their part in a bombing campaign designed to discredit legitimate left resistance actions.

The two, Ulrich Tillmann and Walter Kexel, were part of the Hepp Group, who a couple of years back instigated a bombing campaign aimed to kill and injure civilians and ordinairy soldiers in the hope that their actions would

CHILE

The following letter-from an anarchist group in Chile- was recently published by a Spanish anarchist paper. It has been edited.

"Since the beginning of the dictatorship in Chile discussion, organisation and direct action have all been intensified. Pinochet's regime has, in fact, managed to solve the problem of radicalizing the population by its use of pure military repression. Arbitrary arrests, military operations/occupations of working class districts and forced expulsions are now everyday occurence. Many friends have disappeared following raids on vast sectors of the populations (More than 641 people have been expelled). "The media (radio, television, and newspapers) is muzzled and all channel's of legal opposition have been strictly prohibited. Only two magazines - "Hoy" and "Mensaje"- are legally distributed but neither contains any relevant information. In order to hold out their power, the Pinochet regime recently decided to empound all rifles/guns (They don't have enough!) Political opposition left-wing and bourgeois-democratic, (especially the former) remain completely

underground.

range is bad. We are also experimenting Of all the various political organwith sky-rockets that can be safely isations, the multi-party bourgeoisoperated from mountain sides outside democractic alliances, like the "Democrat: villages. We direct them towards the Alliance" and "Socialist Block", are centre of a village and they destroy in the worst conditions. Their "nonthemselves at a certain height, scattering violent" line is useless if we hope leaflets in all directions. to buld up opposition. On the other Many friends have been caught distrhand, the M.D.P. (Popular Democratic ibuting propaganda by hand because they Movement) and the other social/political didn't have the technical means of doing organisations who have helped build the same job more effeciently and quickly." opposition through more effective protests Messages of support/financial aid/ are now in a position to become the vanguard of a mass anti-dictatorial ideas/publications, etc: via the ABC, c/o BM Hurricane, London WClN 3XX. movement, assuming they can continue their activities in the face of increased systematic repression and military control CHILE of the streets. To suceed we must effect-CHILE ively combine the mass struggle and CHILE revolutionary forces. The most serious problem, however, that affects the more advanced opposition to the regime is internal ideological differences. The M.D.P. is an amalgam of Marxist-Leninist reformism, petty-bourgeois democracy and revolutionary worker influences. Its organisation is hierarchical and its political line is imposed from above by the Communist Party, the M.I.R. and a section of the Socialist Party. Many of their calls of protest have failed because of wrong timing or because they didn't immediately appeal to all the faction involved. Such popular organisations must be fully prepared before they

be mistakenly credited by the press and police to the leftist/anarchist officer in the BM's Column 88 (defunct Revolutionary Cells (RZ) who were then, aspiring terrorist organisation), as and are still, involved themselves in well as having connections with the carefully planned bombing attacks on military property. The Hepp Group are fascists whose aims were/are to attack fascist training sessions in Dorset non-German military forces occupying and the safehousing of fascists via W Germany; the Revolutionary Cells are against all forms of militarism -Aid' network. Latest news is that Kexel has taken whatever the origin. Kexel and Tillmann were both his own life, Hepp is still at large originally arrested near the Poole home of and Souter-Clarence remains immune.

SAFE-HOUSED NAZIS JAILED

can hope to mobilize the population. The M.D.P. alone, for example, can't mobilise anything except its squalid force. The majority of these popular organisations are independent and demo cratic when it comes to decision-making. They are full of representatives from almost all the many political tendencies, all of who attempt to impose their particular ideology-party.

Regarding our activities, we continue to help organise women's groups and Revolutionary Popular Fronts. As an anarchist group, we are also preparing aims and prnciples and will send them on as soon as they are finished. We now need specific information (from Spain or Europe) about low cost technical ways and means of distributing revolution ary propaganda (leaflets, etc.) in the streets by using quick action that are relatively safe. We are, in fact, working on a device called a "lanza-panfletos". It consists of an empty milk jar into which is placed a small explosive charge and a fuse. You put the leaflets on top of the explosives and leave the device in an avenue for a maximum of 5 minutes before it goes off. The small explosion throws the leaflets up into the air and they are quickly collected up by passers-by. This device endangers no-one. The main problem is that it can only hold 100-150 leaflets and the



Souter-Clarence in Britain, where they had been safe-housed. Souter-Clarence was a major in the SS, a member of the neo-fascist British Movement, a training British National Party and the National Front. From his Poole home he organised the League of Saint George funded 'Brown

VANCOUVER

Appeal cases are pending for certain members of Direct Action/Wimmins Fire Brigade (aka Vancouver 5). Money badly needed to cover all the costs. Their support group has told us that they are optimistic for reduced sentences. For more information and donations to the appeal: Free the Five Defence Fund, PO Box 48296, Bentall Station, Vancouver, BC, V7X 1A1, Canada.

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Also write to the five direct. Contact details are as follows:

Doug Stewart (on a 6 year sentence, now recuperating from a 26 day hunger strike in protest at isolation conditions from which he was later moved): c/o Kent Prison, PO Box 2000, Agassiz, BC VOM 1AO, Canada.

Julie Belmas (currently trying to organise an appeal against her 20 year sentence), Prison for Women, PO Box 515, Kingston, Ontario, K7L 4W7, Canada.

Brent Taylor (serving 25 years and still to face further charges), Millhaven Prison, PO Box 280, Bath, Ontario, KOH 1GO, Canada.

Ann Hansen (serving 25 years; is expected to be placed in a special maximum security unit, yet to be purpose built), Prison for Women, PO Box 515, Kingston, Ontario, K7L 4W7, Canada.

Gerry Hannah (serving 10 years; has formed a rock band inside the prison and he hopes also to form a prison Musicians Union), Matsqui Prison, PO Box 4000, Abbotsford, BC, V25 4P3, Canada.

Direct Action/Wimmins Fire Brigade were tried and convicted on various charges relating to the bombing of a cruise missile parts factory and a hydro electric station; the firebombing of porn video stores; and possession of arms, etc.



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certain. Good work!!! Sudbury Prison, Derby DE6 5HW: Thanks for the article on Germany Graham Cooper (2½ yrs), Glen Wright also. I would very much like to see HMYO CENTRE: Glen Parva, Safron Rd., Wigton, any English translated material you Leicester: Simon Brookes(18 mo.), Robert have about the Prisoners Union and other Travis (18 months). activities there in Germany. In recent WALTON PRISON: 65 Horby Rd, Liverpool, weeks I have received copies of Frei L93 D.F. William Bannister (2 yrs), Micheal Raum and other publications which support Jones (2 yrs.) , Stephan Lowe (2 yrs.), the wider stand in W Germany. I have Raymond Patton (2 years). found them very informative. My German Strangeways Prison: Southall St., Manchester is getting better but I still miss some M60 9AH: Dennis Pinnington (3 mo.), points, so would like some English trans-Risley Remand Centre: Warrington Rd, lated material as well. I would also Risley, Cheshire: Gary Mould (2 years) like a copy of your list of prisoners Old Elvet: Durham DH1 3HU: A. Routledge. to write to, which was mentioned in (Andre--not Andrew, as previously reportedthe October issue. we are pleased to announce, out of nick.)



Comrades everywhere who have been sending in money from all round the world to the striking miners and their communities are asked to keep up the support as the hardship will go on for many more months. The Support Network itself in many parts of Britain is still flourishing. In South Wales the Lodges are continuing to act as a focal point for funds; in Kent the womens support groups have remained mobilised - the Kent fields are under constant threat of closure; elsewhere support groups are continuing on a pit by pit basis. Comrades can best help by keeping in contact with pits that they helped out during the 12 month strike; support groups can be contacted via the NUM branches in some cases, or direct via the welfares and womens groups in others.

BLASPHENY

Two Japenese anarchists of the WRI (War Resisters International), Kou Mukai and Ruriko Toda, were recently arrested in Osaka and face a possible two years each in prison for their alleged involvment in distributing leaflets lampooning the Japanese Emperor, Hiro-Hito. Police also raided the WRI's offices in Osaka and confiscated 1000's of leaflets.

Although it's no longer illegal to publicly make fun of the Emperor of Japan, many still, apparently, consider it blasphemy to do so. SOURCE: Le Monde Libertaire.

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ANARCHIST BLACK CROSS

LEMPER

Hello Black Flag!

How are you?!! This is just a note to say I have received the last three issues of the Fortnightly and note sent at Xmas/New Years Season. Your work with the miners will be important for the future as well as for the present. Of this I'm

Am glad to be receiving the paper! Thanks very much.

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Readers should note that all further contact with John Andrews on ABC or any other anarchist activity should now cease. His political involvements, we are informed, are no longer.



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