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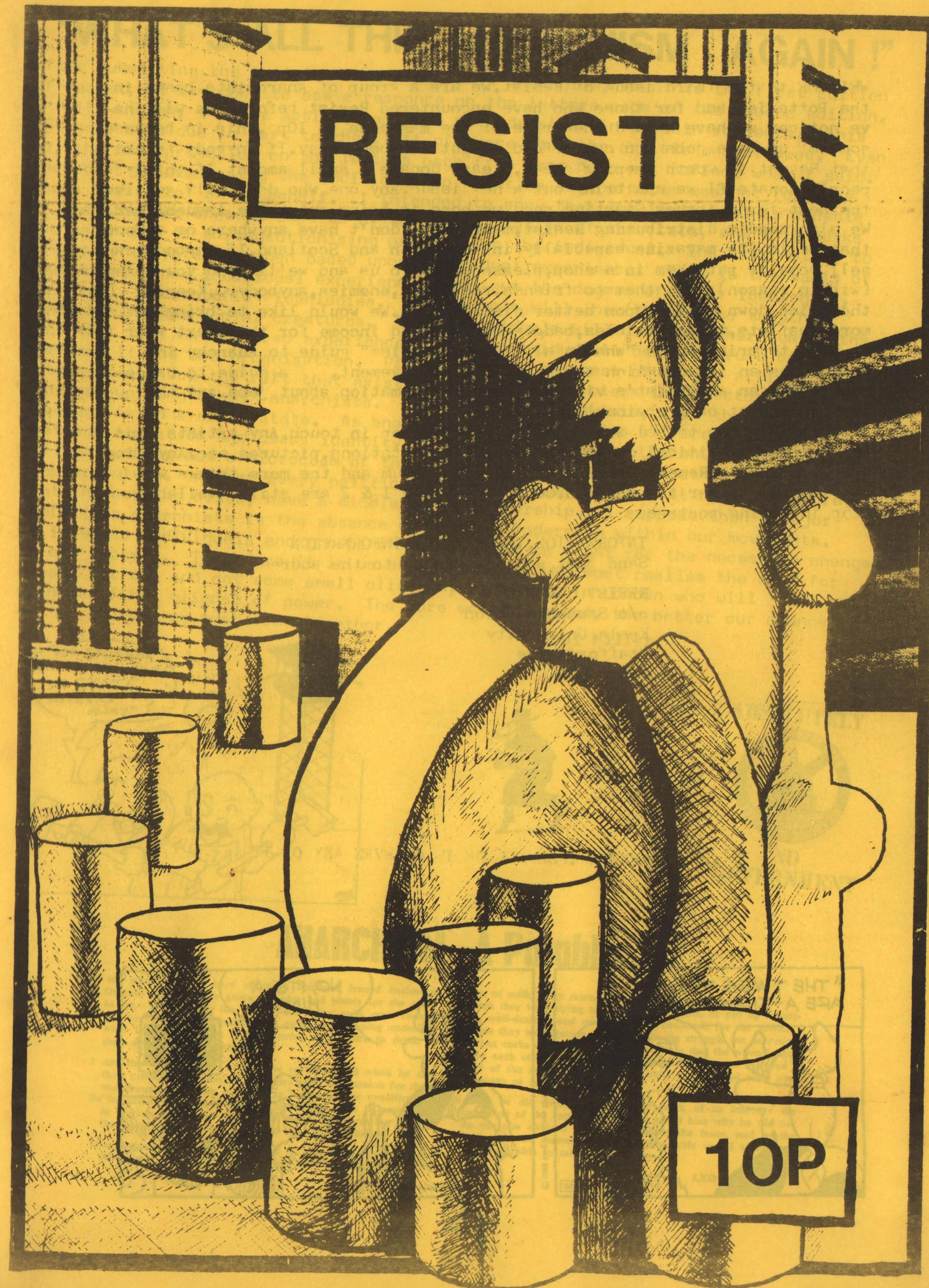


This is Tim, he started on a scheme just 'cos his friends said it was cool. Nothing big to start with, just two months in a rubber factory. But now he's on a two year computer programming course, and he can't get off it.

*And it's no joke.
Don't end up like Tim.
Just say no.*

**DOLE'S
YOUR
GOAL**

**GOVERNMENT TRAINING SCHEMES
REALLY SCREW YOU UP.**



WELCOME to the third issue of Resist. We are a group of Anarchists based in the Potteries, and for those who have encountered Resist before you will have noticed we have halved the price of the magazine to 10p. This is because some of us have jobs and can afford to put in some money. If anybody thinks that Resist is worth keeping cheap, please donate a small amount. If thirty people donate £1 we can bring out a new issue. Any one who does will receive the next three issues. Starting soon we hope to bring out three issues/year. We also need in distributing Resist, many areas don't have anywhere or anyone that sells the magazine especially in the North and Scotland. If anybody can sell some or put them in a shop, please write to us and we'll send you some (within reason); sell them to friends, relatives, enemies, anybody... Keeping the price down relies upon better distribution. We would like to bring out more leaflets, tapes, articles, badges but we need income for this. Next year we hope to bring out a "What's all this Anarchism" guide to Anarchy in Britain as an introduction to the Anarchist movement, a guide to Barcelona, from an Anarchist's view, including information about jobs and the best Anarchist bars (obviously).

Finally thanks to all who wrote in, please keep in touch. Any artists send in your work, political or not, any articles, quotations, pictures etc. Anything black and white. Remember Resist is an open forum and the more things we receive the bigger the edition. Copies of issue 1 & 2 are still available (25p including postage)

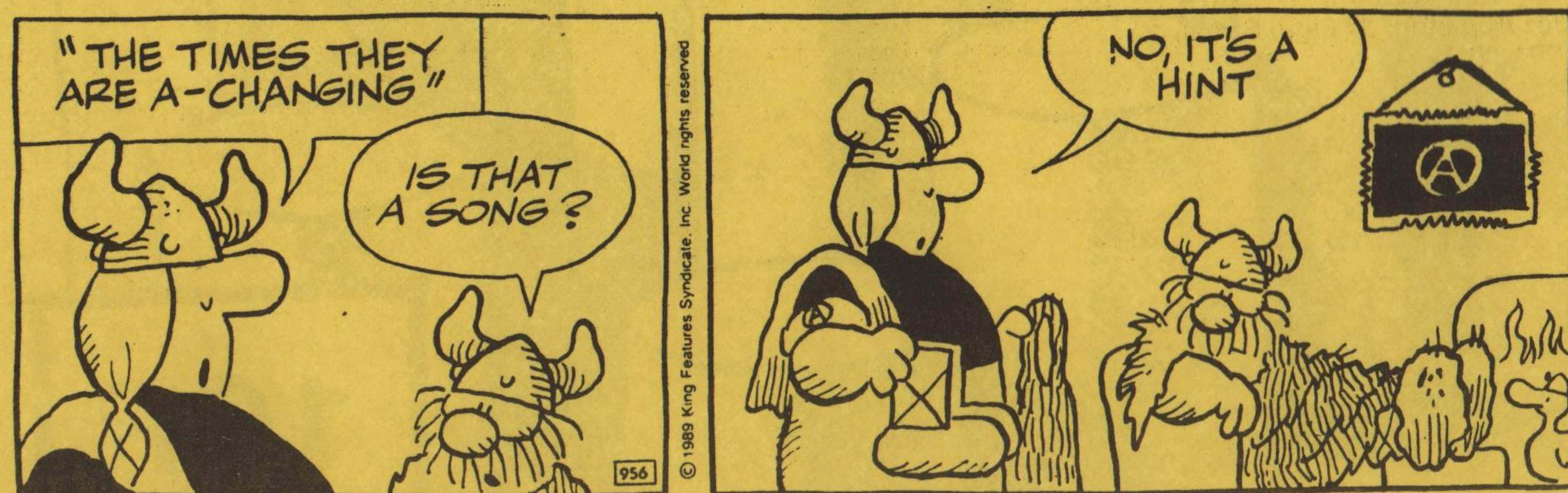
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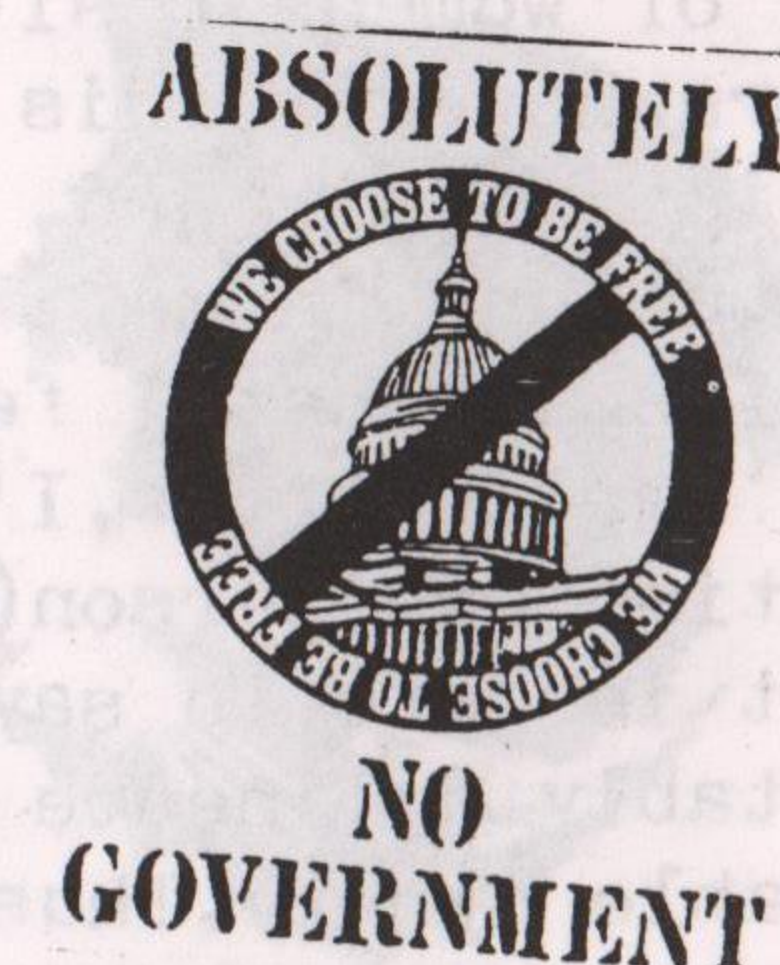


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"WHAT'S ALL THIS ANARCHISM, AGAIN!"

After submitting the article "What's All This Anarchism, Then" to the first Edition of Resist, it was good to see a response on the letters page of the second edition. I felt, though, that my article had been misunderstood in certain respects. This may have been due in part to the limit of space that the article was allowed. Even so, the interpretation on the letters page from Tony does not reflect what I said. The point in discussing the individual in relation to anarchism was not for some cheap 'ego trip' on my behalf. I intended to show that the individual is capable of breaking the chains imposed by the socialisation of the state, and this marks the beginning of a revolutionising process for the individual. The alternative to the present system is then based upon individual experience. This is the basis of anarchism, since individual experience rules out the dogmas of other ideologies, especially 'scientific' ideologies. Individuals will inevitably come together since humans are social creatures. Many individuals will come together due to the fact that they have shared experiences, thus individualism does not rule out communal living and organisation. Presumably, in the rest of Tony's article, he intends to attack the rift that exists between 'middle class intellectuals' and 'ordinary working class' anarchists. If the rift does exist, then the anarchist movement is in a sorry state. As anarchists, I hope we can all break with our past socialisation and class identity -- if we cannot, then the anarchist movement will be nothing but a microcosm of the existing state, except that it promises a happier future. Almost every political movement, even those that claim to represent the working class, have a middle class leadership. I suppose then a major comfort to anarchists is the absence of such a leadership within our movements. It is up to individuals and groups of individuals to fight for the necessary changes in our society. Therefore it is us as individuals who must realise the need for direct action, and not some small oligarchy somewhere in London who will 'sell out' with the first glimpse of power. The more we are united, the better our chances -- of course, we must come together.

Paul Miller.



ANARCHISM—A Parable

I see mankind as a herd of cattle inside a fenced enclosure. Outside the fence are green pastures and plenty for the cattle to eat. While inside the fence there is not quite grass enough for the cattle. Consequently, the cattle are tramping underfoot what little grass there is and goring each other to death in their struggle for existence.

I saw the owner of the herd come to them, and when he saw their pitiable condition he was filled with compassion for them and thought of all he could do to improve their condition. So he called his friends together and asked them to assist him in cutting grass from outside the fence and throwing it over the fence to the cattle. And that they called Charity.

Then, because the calves were dying off and not growing up into serviceable cattle, he arranged that they should each have a

pint of milk every morning for breakfast. Because they were dying off in the cold nights, he put up beautiful, well-drained and well-ventilated cowsheds for the cattle. Because they were goring each other in the struggle for existence, he put corks on the horns of the cattle, so that the wounds they gave each other might not be so serious. Then he reserved a part of the enclosure for the old bulls and the old cows over 70 years of age.

In fact, he did everything he could think of to improve the condition of the cattle, and when I asked him why he did not do the one obvious thing, break down the fence, and let the cattle out, he answered, 'If I let the cattle out, I should no longer be able to milk them.'

LEO TOLSTOY.

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In July last year, I attended an anarcho-feminist conference held in Leeds. I had intended to submit my impressions of it to its coordinators at Resister magazine; however, I decided that to contribute to a 'Women Only' forum was unsatisfactory. I decided instead, to submit to Resister. Much time has passed since that conference, but I do not think such a belated response as this is any the less relevant. It had seemed to me that anarcho-feminism had many positive implications (briefly, I felt that as a course of action, it had implications for all not just women, as it 'in essence' ought to transcend class, race, etc. Though, as became apparent, this was not necessarily the case in individual interpretations and applications of the term). I became curious as to how a group of anarchists (of any kind) could justify exclusion of all men from their workshops, as was the case here. I went to find out. I was immediately struck by a mood of antagonism towards all men and (amongst some) towards heterosexuals as well. Now, although I feel (for instance) that homosexuality is just as limiting as heterosexual sexuality, I do not share the aforementioned antagonism to either.

The prevailing attitude towards men was one of mockery and distaste. Such an attitude is pretty well warranted when held in reaction to current social conditions and types: indeed, I would have anticipated at specifically 'feminist' gatherings, since such a group would most probably concern itself only with current society, and the bettering of women's position within society's own parameters. However, this purported to be an anarcho-feminist affair and, as such, aroused different expectations in me.

When I said that I felt anarcho-feminism had positive implications, I meant in terms of a course of action. One person (or group) can only do so much and it is safe to say, more or less, that he/she will inevitably delineate his/her actions within a categorisable sphere. Thus, anarcho-feminism might prove to be a positive approach for some, with the benefit of all at heart.

The barring of men from the conference seemed to me to imply an inadequate assumption that a man could not opt to be active along anarcho-feminist lines. This for me precluded any anarchist leanings that this group made the pretence of having.

Women's position in society, even amongst their fellow anarchists, is still not what it should be and we do still need people (not just women) to keep us alert regarding our attitudes to our own and others' sex and sexualities. (We might find ourselves referring, more constructively, to anarcho-sexualists, rather than 'feminists'. This would at least recognise the need to rescue men from their sexual conditioning as well; and thus be more in keeping with the anarchist context.)

Divided by a thin blue line

Buffed by the critical aftermath of the deaths at Hillsborough, a senior South Yorkshire policeman protested: "All police officers are civilians in uniform." This may once have been true. If it were remotely believable today I doubt whether South Yorkshire police, whatever their perceived shortcomings, would have been so comprehensively, sometimes unfairly, attacked last week.

The ebb of public confidence in the police, particularly in cities, has much to do with their lack of believability as human beings. Many of them and their fictional television counterparts display what is known in sociological jargon as an "attitude problem". The sober motorist, randomly breathalysed and then randomly armlocked, recognises it. The corralled journalist, patiently seeking information at the King's Cross fire and told to go back to his effing office and ring Scotland Yard, recognises it. The crushed Liverpool fans, ordered to "move back, you dick-heads", no doubt felt it. Policespeak reinforces it every day.

These are the reactions of emotionally undisciplined, resentful and possibly bored people. They reflect, too, a state of siege. At one time it could safely be assumed that everyone except criminals was on the side of the police. In a dangerous shift these past 10 years — compounded perhaps by the mob experiences of the Brixton riots, the miners' strike and Wapping — many policemen now seem persuaded that every one of us is against them, the separate race in blue uniforms.

Civilians are trouble. Potential hooligans, potential rioters, potential car thieves. Seldom potential allies.

A clear sign that this will not do has come from the Met's commissioner, Sir Peter Imbert, in announcing image reforms for the Met service: courtesy, compassion, patience, efficiency... these are the new buzz words, and one can imagine how they must be mocked in certain station canteens. Imbert's problem is not overhauling attitude training, but making sure it survives acid erosion when fine new recruits encounter the old canteen mentality.

I would add to the commissioner's list the lost art of communication, from top to bottom. What possible

reason was there for Stewart Anderson, the assistant chief constable of South Yorkshire, to turn on his heel before the world's press after Hillsborough and refuse to deal with questions unless to demonstrate utter contempt for press and public alike? Answers were not really needed. Something well short of an explanation would have done. A hint of compassion. Words instead of a void from a civilian in uniform.

SUNDAY TIMES, MAY '89.

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You may say that criticism of a mere term is irrelevant as, in the end words are only words and this group were at least trying to initiate some action; this would be more or less fair comment. However, I feel that what I say is still of consequence, even in this light. For without words, which in turn breed concepts, we would not have the means with which to initiate action. If we abuse words and their interpretations we may misguide ourselves and others. I believe I witnessed an abuse of the adjective 'anarcho'; not a very major one, but one none the less that could mislead and sow division in our already (though beautifully) disordered ranks. We need all the unity we can get, so surely it is unsound as well as unconstructive to deny ourselves the support and friendship of our fellow anarchists, in reaction merely to the sexual and social conditions of current society?

To take on board the term 'Anarchist' is to move beyond petty sexual divisions; though not to cease fighting them. We must take care not to reinstate them within our own movement. After all, the term Anarchist alone, should ultimately suffice for each of us, man and woman alike, regardless of specific breakdowns in description which we can apply to our physical efforts. As anarchists we should be diverse, sure, but not divided.

Rum soul of the Bailey retires from the bench

Alan Rusbridger

An era came to an end yesterday when Judge Michael Argyle, aged 72, retired from the Old Bailey after 18 years.

The criminal fraternity will heave a sigh of relief. Court reporters will simply sigh. A small selection of His Honour's sayings is reproduced below:

On Travellers: "A settlement of gypsies and tinkers is importing a ready-made criminal community."

To a sex attacker: "You come from Derby which is my part of the country. Now off you go. And don't come before my court again."

To a man involved in a shooting incident: "You are lucky to come up before me. I led your regiment across the River Po. They are a good lot."

To an unemployed defendant: "If you don't object I'll start looking around for you to see what can be done. There was a time at the Old Bailey when judges could find work for even unskilled people, but it's very difficult these days. I'll see if one or more of my friends can do something."

To a black defendant who turned down the offer of a job: "Your attitude has done your own people no good."

On the lack of test cricket coverage from Australia: "It's enough to make an Orthodox Jew want to join the Nazi Party."

On the state of Britain in 1987: "Quite simply, Law and order does not exist in this country at the moment."

On illegal immigration: "Although the population is supposed to be 50 million it is

probably 55 million with illegal immigrants who should not be here anyway. I do not have the figures, but just go to Bradford."

To a black defendant accused of assault: "Get out and go back to Jamaica."

To the victim of a blackmailer: "You should have taken up ju-jitsu or self-defence."

To Felix Dennis, defendant in the Oz trial: "Since you are the least intelligent, I shall give you the lowest sentence." (Dennis is now a multi-millionaire.)

To a corrupt council official: "You have a wonderful war record. In this court that counts for a lot. I simply cannot put you behind bars."

On himself: "I have enormously enjoyed my work. I couldn't have done the job if I hadn't."

The Japanese have a rather ominous saying for those who do not conform to social norms: "Deru kugi wa utareru" — "The nail that sticks out must be hammered down."

I think we policemen are far too ready to assume a suspect's guilt in the early stages when we should be assuming his innocence. — Sir Peter Imbert.

DOLPHIN SAVED FROM HARM..

Last September, four men were arrested and charged with intention to steal a dolphin, the dolphin concerned being Rocky who has been kept in an enclosed pool for 17 years.

It has taken more than a year for the matter to be brought to trial when the four were tried and convicted of 'conspiracy to steal a dolphin' at Lancaster Crown Court in the second week of last September. Of course, the four were morally innocent of any crime. It was alleged during the trial that it was cruel and dangerous to attempt to release a dolphin into the sea but Bottle-nosed Atlantic dolphins (which Rocky is) are regularly sighted off the coast of the British Isles, and the water in the Marine World at Morcombe is the same temperature as that in Morcombe bay. Any in any fair-minded person's opinion, it's much more cruel to keep an intelligent animal in such a small confined space all its life, whilst making it perform humiliating stunts such as having its teeth cleaned with a giant toothbrush and making it sing 'Happy Birthday' through its spout. The manager of Marineland, Mr Braithwaite's only defence of these displays was that they are 'educational'.

But this is all irrelevant in the eyes of the law. The four were charged with 'conspiring to steal a dolphin' which means that the prosecution had to prove that they had a concrete plan worked out to steal Rocky.



Another victim of an appalling and deliberate — attack with a crossbow.

Apart from the polite evidence allegedly being full of holes (and lies) i.e. P.C. Perry (who arrested three of the defendants) didn't write his notes until seven days later, and it's alleged that he made them up anyway. When Sgt Craig apprehended one defendant, he supposedly said, "We are members of ALF and we tried to release the dolphin into the sea." No one in their right minds would have said that under similar circumstances. There was clear evidence that the men did not have a plan to release Rocky.

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Space limits me, but one point is that it would have taken "6 - 8" men to lift Rocky, another is that a letter was found in one of the mens flats requesting information on the desirability of releasing a dolphin. There were more points to indicate that there was no plan, but despite this, on September 16th, they were all found guilty and fined a total of £2 800 and suspended sentences.

In her closing speech, Miss Ruau (pro - secuting) said of the hope to free Rocky, "If you allow people in a civilised society to behave in this way, it is the first step to anarchy." Judge Heather Steel said, in what must for be an objective frame of mind, that the men were "totally irresponsible" and that "Rocky is an animal who has over the years given pleasure to countless numbers of people without any harm to himself."

Well, that just about sums up the whole attitude of the court -- what a farce -- but who are we to question our unbiased legal system?

If you want to help the four men pay their fines and legal fees, the address to write to is; MDF (Morcambe Defence Fund) c/o Blackcurrent Bookshop, Northampton.

All agree that art
and literature must
serve the revolution
or it is not worth a
bent kopek.

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P.S. A new Zoo Check report is forcing Braithwaite to make improvements at Morcambe pretty soon. He probably can't afford it, so he'll ask the council for financial help. We'll be ready to build a campaign to force the council not to help him. Together we can shut the dolphinarium for good. Contact for more details.

The Word Court Reporter.

IS THERE ANY ANARCHIST LITERATURE, REALLY?

There is an ever increasing amount of literature concerned with Anarchism that contrasts sharply with the lies, misinformation and distortion churned out by the state-controlled machinery. Reading is not the exclusive property of those in control, but is an important part of life's learning process and should not be regarded as intellectualism. By reading what others have said and have to say, we can learn how to cope with and fight our oppressors. By reading about Spain in 1936 or Russia in 1917 or the miners' strike in 1984, we are not being starry-eyed romantics. We can learn from past successes and mistakes to help us in the present and future. The four books below are excellent introductions to Anarchism. They provide not doctrines to follow but ideas to think about. There are many other books, articles, pamphlets, magazines and leaflets that all broaden our knowledge of anarchism and the world. Buying/stealing a book or pamphlet is one of the best ways to introduce someone to the ideas behind anarchism.. Here are the fab four !!

ABC OF ANARCHISM

ALEXANDER BERKMAN (FREEDOM PRESS) £2

First published in 1929, the ABC is still one of the best introductions to Anarchism ever written. Its layout of question and answer make it clear and understandable. Some of the material is obviously dated but it is well worth having a copy.

ANARCHY

ENRICO MALATESTA (FREEDOM PRESS) £2

Another oldie but goodie as the saying goes. It is more wordy and complicated than the ABC but again, it propounds the arguments for anarchism very well.

ANARCHISM

GEORGE WOODCOCK (PELICAN) £4.95 ?

A good introduction to, and history of, the anarchist movement. Very comprehensive but very long, making it useful as a reference book rather than something that should be devoured in one go.

EVERYTHING YOU EVER WANTED TO KNOW ABOUT ANARCHISM BUT WERE AFRAID TO ASK.

MEDRA GROUP, CARDIFF BLACK SHEEP, DARK STAR, REBEL PRESS.

A new booklet, well laid out and exceptionally clear in its content. Excellent analysis of the role of the anarchist in today's society, especially how we can work within pressure groups like CND. It is concise, clear, readable and short for those with little time to read.

Other introductions include ; Anarchy in Action -- Colin Ward, Anarchism and Anarcho Syndicalism -- Rudolf Rocker, and the aims and principles of all the main anarchist groups.

Most radical bookshops contain all these works but if not, try FREEDOM PRESS and/or us.

THE MEDIA JUNKY'S GUIDE TO ANARCHISM

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PESTS

ANARCHISM? Well, anarchism is about blowing people up, driving too fast, having fun at other people's expense and being generally very rude.....Isn't it?

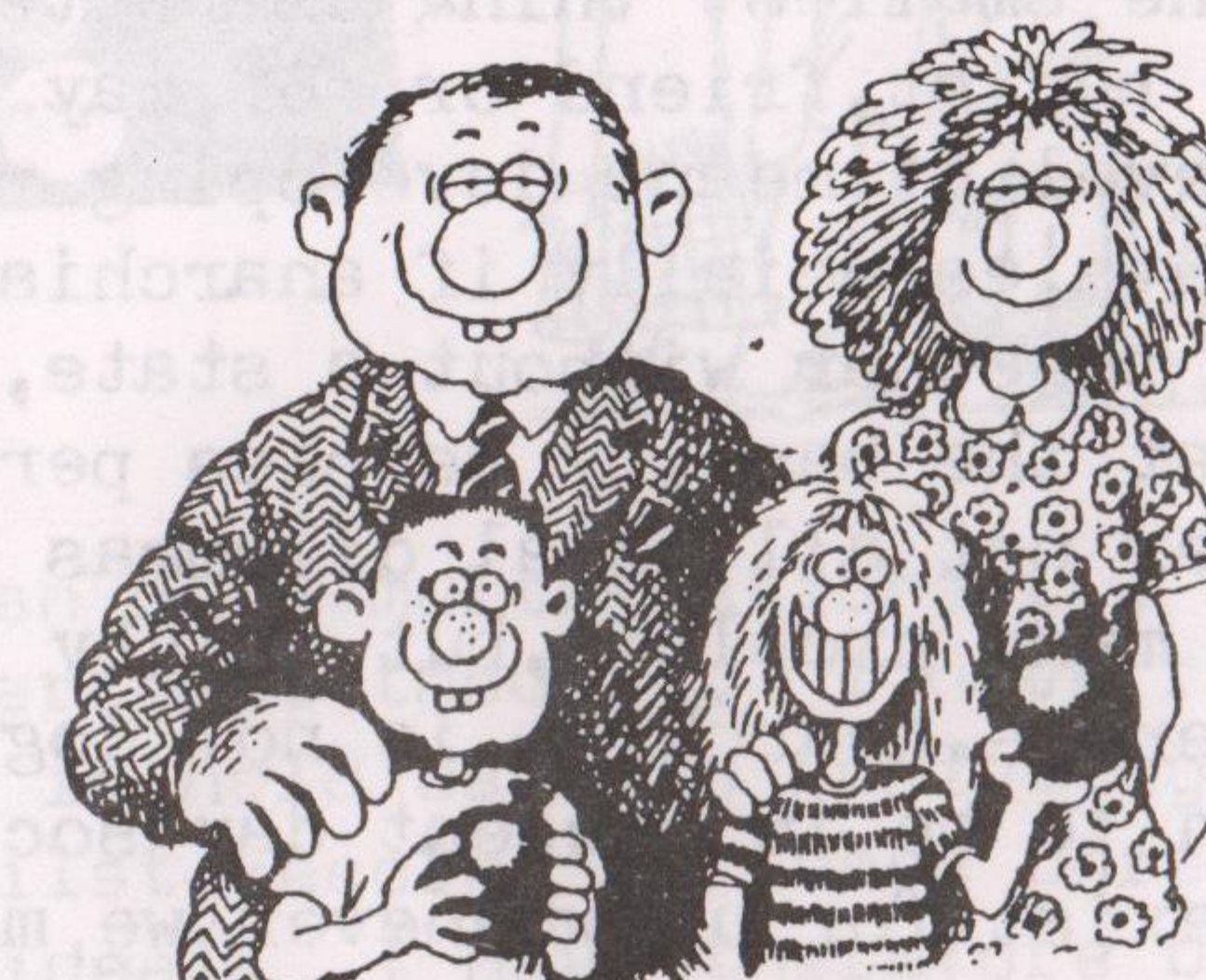
An ANARCHIST is a man who wears a black cape and laughs hysterically while clutching a bomb.

ANARCHY means disorder, violence, chaos and destruction. The Nazis were probably anarchists! They will destroy decent, civilized society!

STAMP THEM OUT! NOW!



POPULAR MISCONCEPTION
OF TYPICAL ANARCHIST



ACTUAL ANARCHISTS
IN REAL LIFE.



MORALITY AND OTHER THINGS

Anarchism is not simply a political theory, it is underpinned by a moral substratum without which an anarchist would be a hollow being. This layer of morality is based on how people see the world and what is 'right' and 'wrong' are therefore component parts of this view. Anarchists share similar ideas concerning the world, ideas that give meaning to the word anarchism, for instance, an understanding of the role played by a government and, the central conceptual notion in anarchist thought, the realisation that there is a better way of organising the world and consequently our lives, an understanding that human Nature can cope without hegemony. People cannot live by political principles alone, nor by concepts alone, people use 'Morality' as a guide to action. A type of morality exists in all societies (irrespective of the type of society and even if politics and morality become indistinguishable) but, as in our society, one that usually bears the imprint of variously imposed political principles (socialisation?), culturally derived standards of normality (often confused with morality), media propagated visions of how we should be and a dash of social cajouling (School, etc). Anarchists believe that people CAN live differently and in a way that is not only 'better' but also 'righter', without any externally imposed regulations, where the only regulation comes from inside. This would require more use of one's Will Power, but this is not a bad thing - The exercising of one's will is a positive aspect, for surely you are then guiding yourself, deciding which action is for the best, freely.

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Anarchists therefore bear responsibility to themselves to develop enough Will Power to follow the ideas espoused by anarchism. If, therefore, a person claims to be an anarchist she/he should live in a way that they see to be anarchic within the confines that exist in her/his environment. Conditions circumscribe particular events or actions but certain ideas (principles sound to dogmatic?) can be adhered to, otherwise the person would be a soulless anarchist, however it is up to each individual to figure out themselves how anarchism and their lives fit together. For instance, can sexism or racism fit into the scheme of things and on a more trivial basis (perhaps more important than is thought) the way in which domestic 'duties' are arranged. Before the action lies the shadow of the thought. If we believe in the ideas then we must push them outwards so that they come into contact with other people, in whatever way is possible. Most people have a variety of 'principles', only some of which stimulate action. These should be utilised, because even the smallest thing is better than nothing (telling someone not to be racist, friend or not, may have positive results). On a personal level it means developing relationships that incorporate such thoughts, especially if anarchism is about individuals and how they can live together without a state, because this new morality is established at the base, by people's perception of how things can be better. However not all moral dilemmas have an obvious solution and there remain many problems, but only by arguing and thinking can anarchism proliferate. Anarchism is not dogmatism nor is morality, even if it is seen to be in present day society. 'Good' and 'Bad' exist in anarchism, exist for us whenever we make decisions, and anarchists must decide what criteria they should use when making such decisions (if one does believe in the possibility of a criteria), or in what light they should assess the action (is it anarchist whi also satisfying certain desires of mine?). Values become important, as Paul said in his article, and they transcend class as a coherent morality should. We also bear responsibility, not only for our present actions, but for the Future and the Past. The Future, because the Future can be affected by us now (who will the Future anarchists hold responsible for their success?), and for the Past, because thousands of people have been killed trying to defend their glimpses of freedom, thousands have been thwarted from creating their Free Society (Spanish Civil War, Trade Unions and most undogmatic free associations (non ideological?) during just about all revolutions).



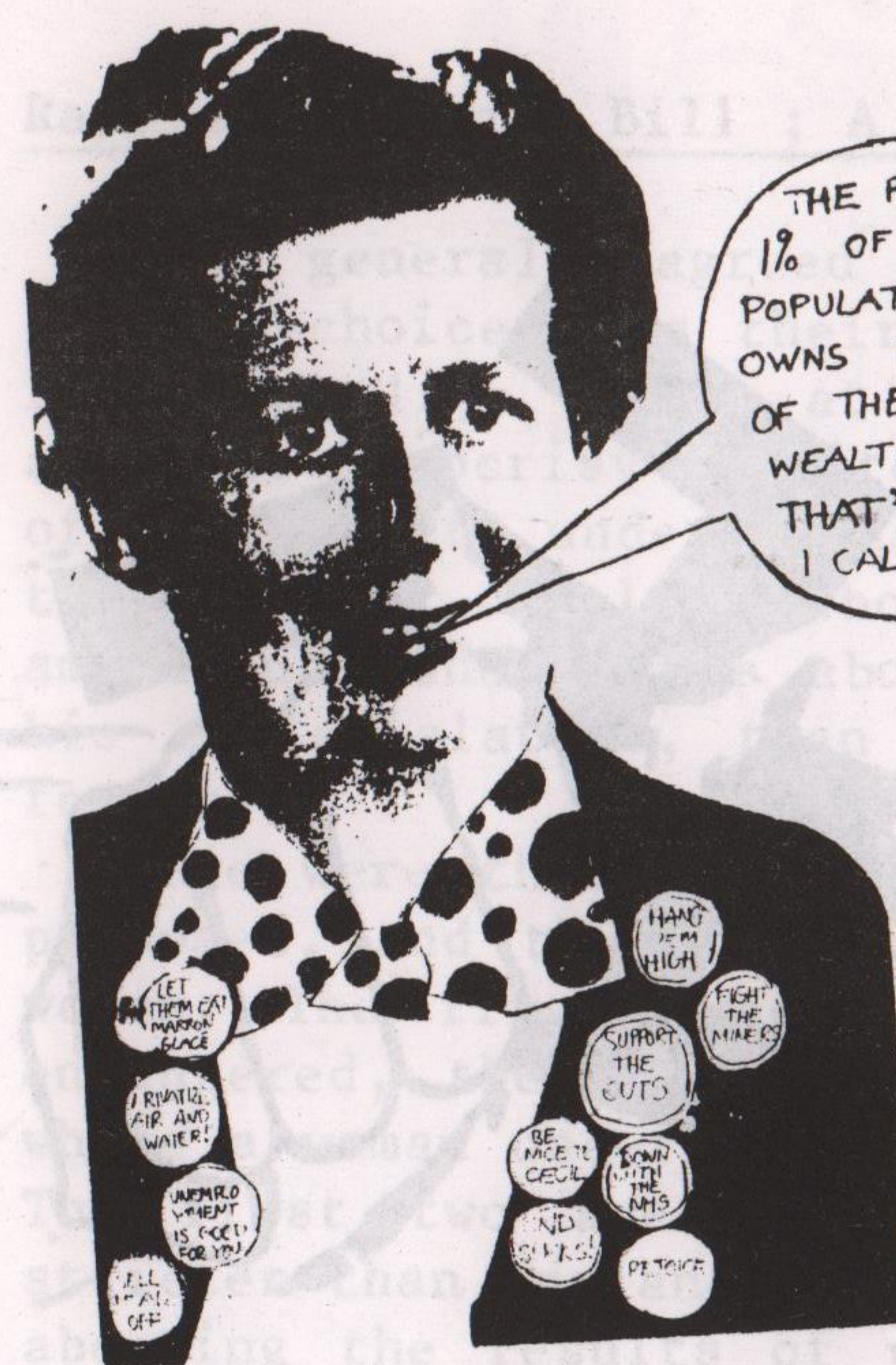
GUY FAWKES
The only person
to enter Parliament
with honest intentions

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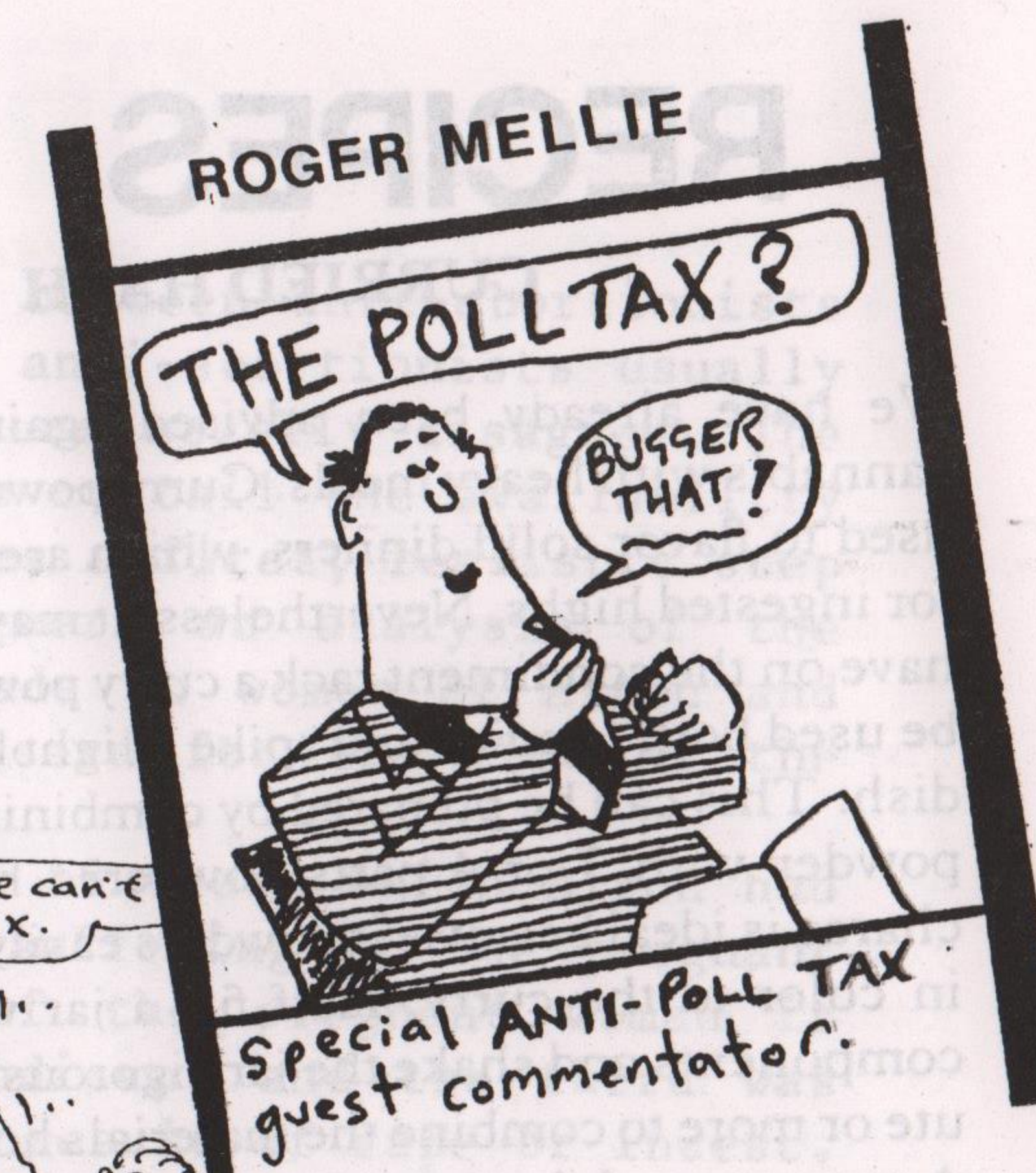
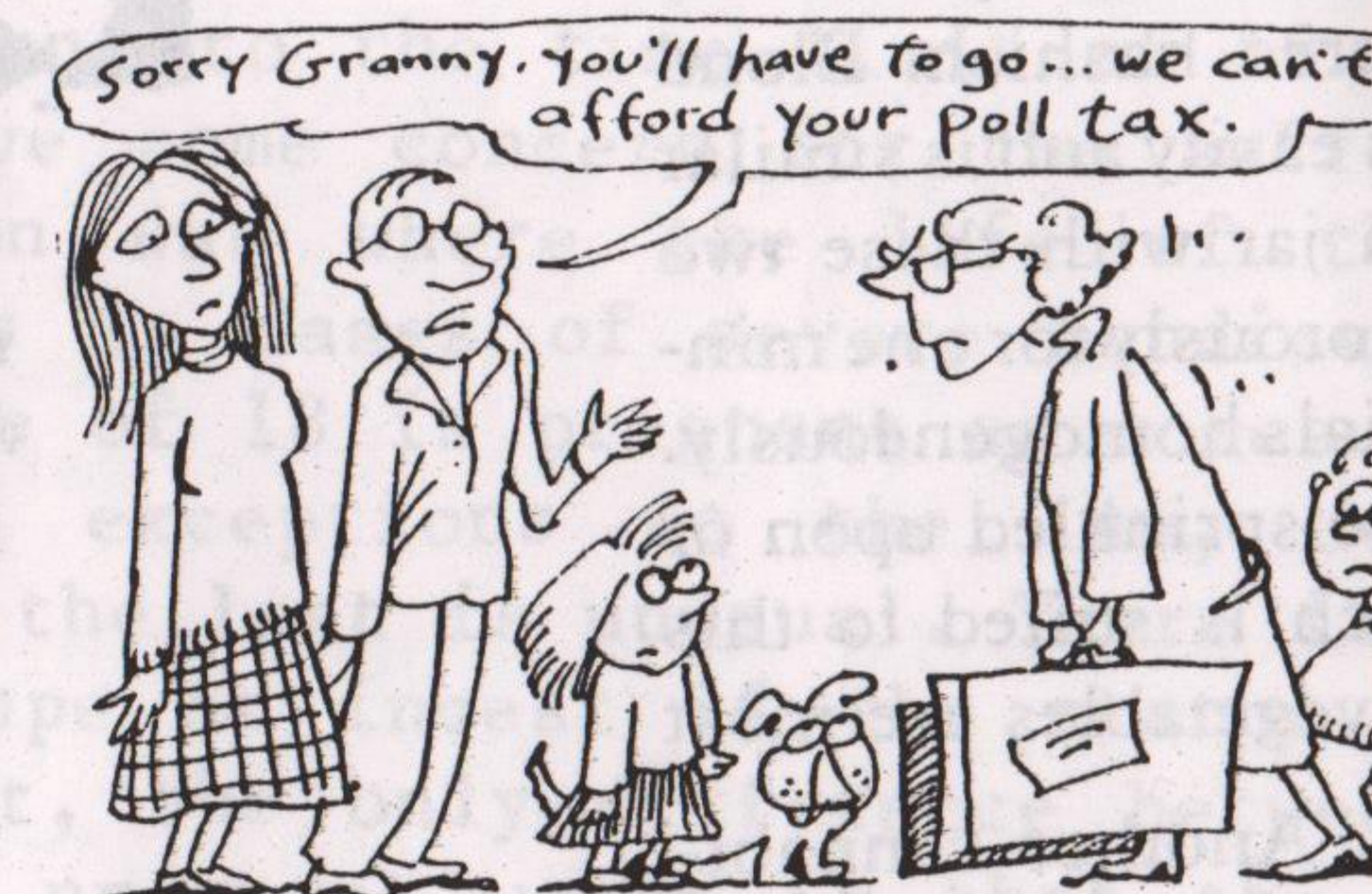
DAM

During the aftermath of the recent Lockerbie air disaster several people were arrested and charged with looting dead bodies for valuables. We realise that you may find this hard to believe, but one of the people caught looting was a reporter for the Sun.

SPOT



THE RICHEST
1% OF THE
POPULATION NOW
OWNS 21% OF
OF THE COUNTRY'S
WEALTH. NOW
THAT'S WHAT
I CALL PROGRESS



Dear Friends,

As a chairman of a multi-national, I have for some time been interested in the rise of anarchist thought. I have realised that anarchism has a lot of potential, yet it is held back in achieving its aims by the very nature of its philosophies. Whilst keeping to these unrealistic ideals, anarchism will always remain a Utopian ideal. I have therefore decided to write to your prestigious magazine (as it is the best around) in order to give some helpful criticism.

Firstly, what you need is marketing. Do some fundraising activities (e.g. T-shirts, sponsored "Kill-a-Kopper" nights, love-ins with audiences, mug people with disabilities). With the money raised, get your P.R. team and advertising team to earn their keep. Television (especially the new Murdoch Sky Channel) offers much advertising potential, as does the radio and daily tabloids.

Secondly, what you need are new ideals. People don't want to know about wimpy 'love thy neighbour' and 'do as you would be done by' policies. Give 'em what they want. Tits. Razamataz. Violence. Swearing (although some of you guys are leaders in this field already).

Thirdly, what you really need is power. Forget all this guff about exploitation. It's 'dog eat dog' in that jungle out there, and Johnny Arab isn't pulling his punches. Hit him where it hurts. Invest in third world nations and check out the armaments industry (that way, you can get government backing too). Once you've got things rolling smoothly in that department, you can afford to throw real weight around. Invest in a political party (it doesn't matter which, they're all in it together). Before long, you'll be able to do whatever you want, and have the protection of the police and armed forces. If questions start being asked about you at Prime Minister's Question Time, simply plant a few bombs and blame a minority. They can blame your scapegoat, divert attention, and act as an excuse to reduce civil liberties further.

It all sounds pretty enticing, doesn't it? You may be wondering what's in this for me. Very little (although a new Aston Martin wouldn't go amiss, chaps) in fact. I simply realise, as every good business man in this country does, that what is good for Britain is good for me. Rule Britannia, I say! Bash the Bosh.

I remain your obedient serf,

Sir Rathbone Basilthwaite - Finnes.

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RECIPES

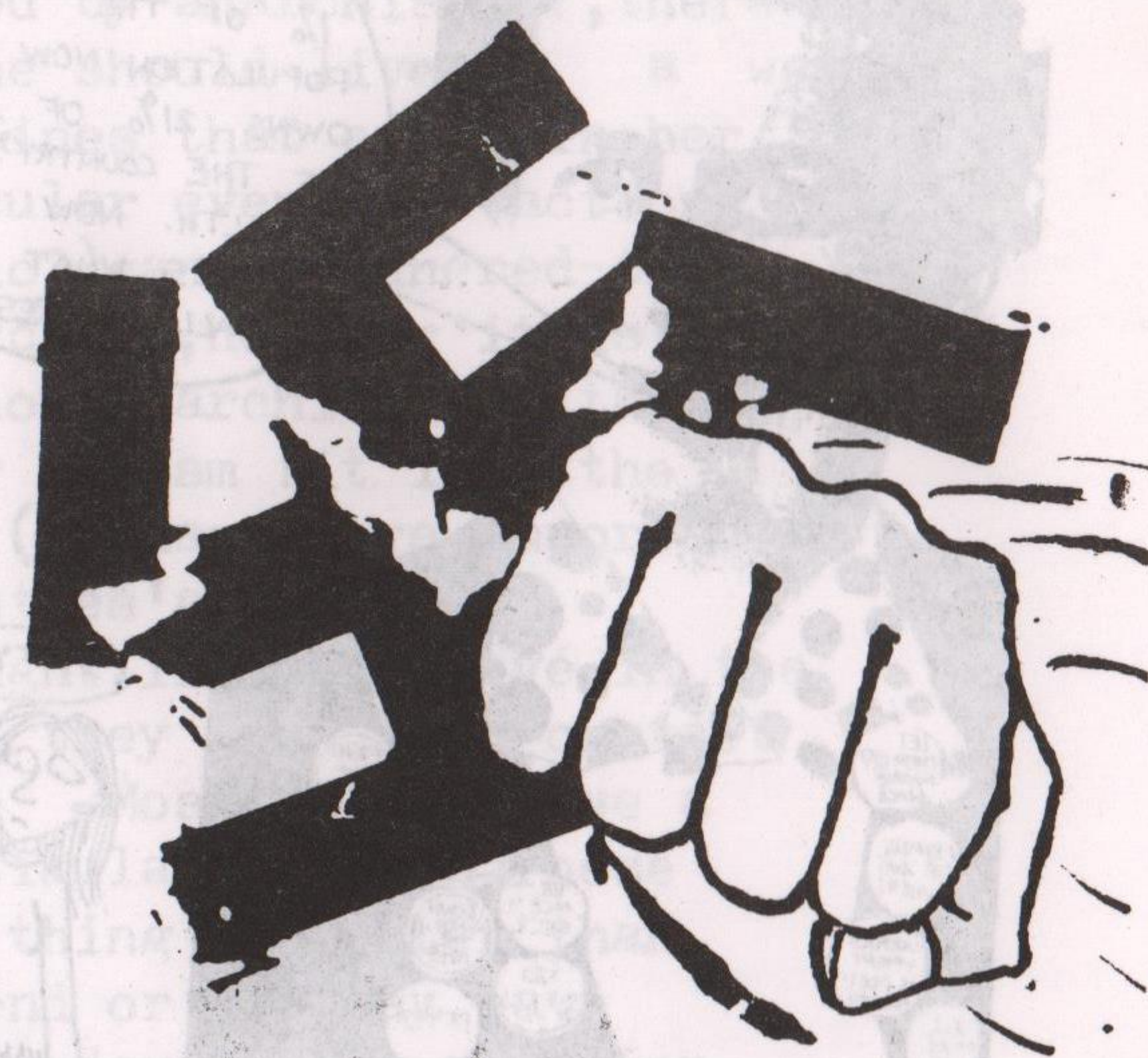
CURRIED HASH

We have already been advised against combining cannabis with heavy meals. Curry powder is generally used to flavor solid dinners, which are a poor vehicle for ingested highs. Nevertheless, it may be valuable to have on the condiment rack a curry powder which can be used both to spice and spike a light but nourishing dish. This can be prepared by combining 1 part curry powder with 3 or 4 parts powdered hashish. Blond charas is ideal because it powders easily and is similar in color to the curry. Half fill a jar with these two components and shake the jar vigorously for one minute or more to combine the materials homogeneously. A teaspoon of the mixture can be sprinkled upon or stirred into any small dish which is suited to this seasoning. Hot buttered rice or vegetables are most ideal because of the fat content. Another cannabinated curry preparation is described in *The Connoisseur's Handbook of Marijuana* by W.D. Drake, Jr. His recipe, although called Curry Powder, is actually a combination of freshly ground curry spices in cannabinated butter.

CANNABIS CHOCOLATE ICING

If you crush a bud of freshly dried marijuana between your fingers, you may notice a chocolate-like aroma mingled among its fragrances. There is no real similarity between cocoa beans and cannabis. The likeness is only in our perceptions. But it is strong enough that a high grade of aromatic grass grown in Mexico is referred to—at least in that country—as chocolate (pronounced cho-ko-lah-tay). It is possible to take advantage of this curious similarity and apply it in certain recipes such as the following:

Melt 4 ounces of cannabis tar in a double boiler. Add one teaspoon or more of vanilla extract. While stirring, add 4 ounces of honey. Thoroughly blend all of the ingredients. You now have an icing that can be used in bakery recipes of your own selection or invention, such as cannabis layer cake, frosted cupcakes, stoned-out ice cream topping; or you can just spread it on crackers. It's so damned finger-licking good that you may never even get past the finger-licking stage. This icing tastes amazingly like chocolate icing, but twenty minutes or so after eating it, you'll never remember a chocolate cake that made you feel this way. A tangy variation can be made by adding a teaspoonful of orange extract during the stirring.



NEWS FROM RARA (REVOLUTIONARY ANTI-RACIST ACTION) HOLLAND

For several years now RARA have been attacking Dutch multinationals that collaborate with the South African regime. SHV, Shell and Van Leer have all been attacked, forcing SHV to pull out of South Africa (fire damage to SHV alone came to £40m). Apart from RARA other groups have taken part in this struggle in Holland (autonomous groups etc). All this time the judicial apparatus didn't succeed in arresting anyone in connection with these actions.

However on April 11 a mass raid took place in Amsterdam. Three women and five men were arrested as a result. One person was able to escape. The police and the media were ecstatic, as they believed the hard core of RARA had been rounded-up. Those arrested on the April 11 raids were interrogated, but it became clear that the police had little evidence. The eight people arrested kept silent throughout five days of interrogation and then five were released, with another two released ten days later. The last person, Rene had his trial in August and received a 5 year prison sentence. The police evidence against Rene was extremely vague and he will appeal against his court decision at a higher court within the next few weeks. Letters of support will obviously be warmly received:

Rene Roemersma,
Penitenciarie Inrichting "Wemersluis"
Paviljoen 3,
Wenckenbachweg 48,
1096 AM Amsterdam,
Holland.

Since April demonstrations have been held outside the different prisons, leaflets distributed and a march through Amsterdam organised. The arrests did nothing to deter the actions against Shell and throughout Holland petrol stations are continuously under attack, in solidarity with RARA and resistance in South Africa.



Rape and Alton's Bill ; A Retrospective

It is generally agreed that the basic difference between anti-abortionists and pro-choicers is their attitude to the foetus; anti-abortionists usually feel that life begins at conception, and pro-choicers usually disagree. The apparent hypocrisy of Alton in merely attempting to curtail the availability of abortion is understandable if it is considered as a first, realistic step towards the complete abolition of abortion. However, an analysis of the amendments shows more about the patronising attitude to women of Alton and his co-legislators, than it shows about their concern for the life of the foetus.

There were three exceptions to the time limit of 18 weeks which Alton had proposed, and they all have some concern for the suffering of the pregnant woman. The first exception was where the life of the pregnant woman is endangered, the second was in cases of severe handicap, and the third was where a woman under the age of 18 is pregnant as a result of rape or incest. The first two are common exceptions to the law, even in countries far stricter than England, but the last is unusual. There is no justification for aborting the results of rape or incest if the status of the foetus is the sole consideration. In fact, the only difference between a pregnant rape or incest victim and another pregnant woman is that the former was forced to have sex, and the latter was willing. Even aside from the repugnant implication that women who have sex willingly deserve a child as some sort of punishment (which says a good deal about what people who believe this think about children as well as sex) this amendment implies that women of 18 or over, pregnant as a result of rape or incest, are completely happy with the pregnancy, are completely able to cope, or are somehow responsible for their situation. This is nauseating. Yet the issue of rape is an important one precisely because the rights of the foetus are overlooked giving prior consideration to the distress of the woman. It leads to the question of whether these situations cannot be matched in distress by others not taken into account.

LESBIAN & GAY FREEDOM MOVEMENT

We are a new movement to bring anarchist ideas and ideals to lesbians and gays, and to make sexuality a major campaigning issue for all anarchists.

We believe that we will never achieve real lasting lesbian and gay liberation without the overthrow of all governments and laws which oppress and exploit us.

We want :

- Sexuality freedom for all ages.
- Freedom from oppressive laws such as the "age of consent".
- Freedom from political party control and trade union leaders.
- Freedom from all situations where anyone is ordered about, exploited, or oppressed by others.
- Freedom to control our own lives.

We are going to provide advice, support, information and penfriends - and see these services as an integral part of our campaigning work.

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There are also practical considerations. Aside from the fact that a minor pregnant by someone over 16 is automatically counted a victim of statutory rape, how would a claim of rape or incest be substantiated? To cause minimum distress to the victim, she would have to be taken at her word. Otherwise, if this amendment is not to be a nonsense, the alternative would have to be a court case to prove the truth of the claims. This would undoubtedly cause delay and further distress, even presuming the victim felt able to come forward.

Hugh Montefiore (ex-Bishop of Birmingham) asks how doctors are supposed to be responsible for quantifying the amount of distress caused to a woman forced to continue an unwanted pregnancy: "...it seems that medical practitioners are simply being 'made use of'. They are being forced to make an assessment which cannot objectively be made." The 1967 Act gives grounds for abortion if the mental health of the woman is in danger. If anyone should know how much misery would be caused, it would be the pregnant woman herself. It is not just that anyone else should be allowed to impose their own criterion of distress on a given situation, like marks out of 10, according to their own system of values.

If this amendment was intended to show support for the "innocent victims" of other people's "perverted lust", why only until the victim is 18? Do the proposers really imagine that women don't get upset about rape or incest after this arbitrary date?! Clearly this is nonsense. The claims must be taken at face value if they have to be made at all, and if they are to be

taken at face value then they need not be made at all. At best this amendment was a heavy-handed, impractical attempt to protect the most fearful and vulnerable from some unnecessary misery; at worst it is a repulsive example of the kind of political manouvring that Alton and his ilk are prepared to indulge in, in order to impose their own moral values on others, without considering constructive alternatives, and without concern for the suffering of others. The complexity of this issue can only provide further reasons for the view that there is no place in it for bigotry, dogma or judgemental attitudes towards those who have already suffered enough.

A GAME TO PLAY AT HOME

Players 2 - 1,000,000

- 1) Everyone's given 3 matches or coins.
 - 2) Secretly, everyone puts 0, 1, 2 or 3 matches in their clenched fist which is held in front of them.
 - 3) A forfeit is decided upon. Examples of forfeits are : getting a tattoo, streaking, having a bath fully clothed, providing munchie material for everyone, wearing a sack for a day, sellotaping some pubes to your chin for an hour, suicide.
 - 4) Everyone playing must agree to the forfeit.
 - 5) In turn, everyone guesses what they think the total of everyone's matches in the clenched fists is. The correct one is eliminated (not literally).
 - 6) By a process of several rounds, only two people are left in a tense play off.
 - 7) The loser of the final round has to do the forfeit.
 - 8) The rest of you laugh.
- N.B. As with all games, this one is best played about an hour before you think you may pass out from noxious substances.

MU-SICK CORNER

WHAT'S A RESIST TAPE?

The idea of selling tapes originally came about because we thought it would be an opportunity for people to hear music they would not otherwise. Why not let people share the records that we are lucky enough to own. Records are fucking expensive and many people can't even afford to buy the ones that they know they like, let alone experiment and buy something they haven't heard but suspect that they like. Most of our tapes have a mix of tracks by various artists, and if having heard something you particularly like we'll be happy to record more of that artist "just for you!" Obviously our collections are limited so if you could do a tape to cover an area not dealt with below then please get in touch.

Each tape costs £1.50 which includes colour cover and postage. The tapes aren't professional quality but are better than most bootleg standard tapes, and all of our customers seem more than happy with them.

1: All You Need Is Blood
A cunning blend of truly sound alternative, pop, punk, rock, and scratch, including part of an interview with Charles Manson (who?).

2: Dub It Up Rasta
The finest radical and hard to get Peggae tracks, gathered together for one and a half hours of music to relax (or otherwise) to.

3: Skatin' To Freedom
Our resident skatin' lunatic put together this selection of thrash, hardcore and humour - from JIM JONES through to CLASS WAR. Have Fun!

4: Going Back To My Roots
A selection of some of the best Irish folk music, from the raucous songs of the DUBLINERS, through CHRISTY MOORE's biting songs, to the CHEIFTANS naive melodies.
1987 by the JAMS
This banned LP, now changing hands for up to £50 on the black market, is the first in a series of RESIST specials. Also includes the edited re-released version.

CONFLICT-CHUMBA-HIPPIES
Live, mixing desk tape of a HSA benefit gig, by CONFLICT, ELECTRO HIPPIES and CHUMBAWAMBA, in Stoke in November 1987. This Tape costs £2.20 and all proceeds go to the local HSA group.

ALSO AVAILABLE: TRIPPING, AND BLUES SPECIALS.....

CONFLICT-CHUMBAWAMBA
ELECTRO HIPPIES-STOKE NOV 1987
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THE BANNED LP
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going back to my roots

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REPPIN' IRISH FOLK SPECIAL tape 4

SWIRLING SOUNDS

DATA TO FREEDOM

CONFLICT

Dear Friends,

Thank you for your interest and supporting Conflict in what we are trying to achieve. As most of you are aware the past year has been a nightmare for those involved within the Conflict organisation. Following 'The Gathering of the 5,000' concert in Brixton, in April 1987, the police decided to show force and consequently a full scale riot developed on the streets of Brixton. The trouble that the police provoked on that night and on many other occasions at our concerts finally gave authority its required excuse - and Conflict was unofficially - then officially, banned from performing as the group 'Conflict' or as individuals anywhere within the boundaries of the United Kingdom.

We attempted, on numerous occasions, to continue playing and a few times were successful under secret names, but by now we had become the police's 'pet hate', and soon they visited every place we were due to play and "reminded" the venues' managers that music and drinking licences have to be renewed yearly and that if Conflict were to appear at their venue, then there "just might" be an objection to the renewal. Our concerts got cancelled one by one as we watched a large tour that took weeks of work arranging and a lot of money advertising being destroyed. Some people tried to help, including Chumbowamba, by allowing Conflict unadvertised time at their own concerts, but it soon became very disturbing to see how many turned their backs - when the real trouble started. Soon after this Conflict were threatened with incitement charges which were dropped due to insufficient evidence, and the official ban was lifted in March 1988. However, unofficially.....???

Another major setback still very much in evidence is the advertising bill for the Gathering concert, outstanding to Sounds Music Magazine. This debt of £2,193.00 was originally to be paid by Brixton Academy, but 'somehow' legally became placed as Conflict's debt. Sounds recently called in the powers that be (after Conflict refusing to pay for one year), and the result was 'Pollards Solicitors' summoning Colin, as organiser of the Gathering, to pay the sum of £80 a week until the debt is clear. They also took satisfaction in stating that if he defaults they will start bankruptcy proceedings against the group (this means they can confiscate equipment and belongings to the value of what's outstanding) and stated they may also bring other legal matters against Colin and stressed the likelihood of imprisonment. We have tried many ways of fundraising, ie., sponsored events etc., but we still desperately need help. We urgently need financial support and appeal to all reading if possible to send us a donation - the size is irrelevant. So far we have raised £500, which leaves us with roughly £1,800 to raise. Remember the size is irrelevant, we just need some help to keep these bastards off our back (at least for the time being). Those of you who have supported Conflict for some time must now be aware of certain changes, such as the price being removed from Conflict records and the increase in price. This is due to record shops now refusing to stock products with the price displayed on them and the increased cost occurred in producing and manufacturing a record. Conflict concerts will be slightly more expensive to enter than they were this time last year. Basically, in order to continue as a group Conflict are having to be more realistic. All costs have increased, including phone, postage, petrol, advertising, transport, public address systems, printing, this mail out.

Which brings us to the next point. From January 1st 1989, people wishing to remain on the 'Conflict Mailing List', which frequently sends out newsletters and information on all our activities and forthcoming concerts, along with relevant information relating to our struggle, will have to pay a yearly fee of £5.00. At this point we stress that this is not a fan club and the administration and despatching of the mailing is organised solely by Conflict. The fee simply covers the cost of postage, envelopes, printing and the various costs which occur in putting all the information together. For example, just printing the information in this mail-out has cost over £500.

We are aware that we will receive criticism over the last few paragraphs, but we also know that realistic people will understand. To be included on the mailing list please make payment to Mortarhate and enclose your full address.

Please make any donations to Mortarhate Records and send to the P.O. Box. Thankyou.

THE FINAL CONFLICT....?

The letter shown was received recently from the Anarchist-'Punk' group 'Conflict'. It shows once again in the problems which many people face when trying to resist (now at tack?) the power of the state.

Conflict are not just another band preaching rebellion, they represent an entire movement which, in the best tradition of Crass, has attempted to 'take on' the state and fight for anarchy and peace.

Like many anarchists they have realised the need to change their method of 'attack' from protest to resistance, in order to hold their ground.

The recent attacks on Conflict should be seen in the context of increasing pressure being applied to many groups and individuals involved in actively opposing the state. This should concern everyone - whether anarchist, communist(?), Green...etc...simply anyone concerned about the ever increasing state (of the nation).

RESIST RESIST

ARMAMENTS GET NOBODY ANYWHERE



AND EVERYBODY NOWHERE

RESIST RESIST

CNT/CGT? SPANISH ANARCHO-SYNDICALISM TODAY.

CONFEDERACIO GENERAL DEL TREBALL, CGT
(Federacio Local de Barcelona)
C/ Roger de Llúria, 123, pral
08037 BARCELONA

Teléfono: 215 13 64

Dear RESIST.

Enclosed is a statement from Barcelona CGT which is fairly self-explanatory. To the surprise of almost everybody all the historical patrimony and the name has been awarded to the CNT/AIT which has about 1/10 of our membership and 1/100 of our influence amongst the workers. We would be grateful if you could publish the enclosed statement in any of your publications. Though this has been a severe blow for anarcho-syndicalism in Spain and worldwide the mood is one of optimism, determination and anger amongst the membership. The name CGT has been provisionally adopted until the national congress to be held in Madrid on April 29 though this may be changed. We will write again after the 29th with any further information.

Since the beginnings of the democratic transition the CNT has been struggling to create its own space in the trade union arena. In spite of the difficulties of reconstruction after a gap of forty years, and a split (similar to that which happened in PSOE and other historical organisations), the CNT has succeeded in implanting itself within the working class with the support that workers have given us and which has been demonstrated recently in such significant events as the Bank Referendum, the elections in SEAT or the referendum in FASA-Renault. The supreme court sentence, which recognises us as the majority group within anarchosyndicalism, denies us the use of the name CNT because, transferring the philosophy of the state to the organisation, it gives more importance to the letter of the law than to the spirit of the organisation. The sentence hands over the use of the name CNT to the historic sector (also known as CNT-AIT) because the body which had the capacity to call the Congress of Unification (in 1984) - and thus the capacity to decide its date and place - was not the syndicates acting as a group i.e. the base of the organisation but the national committee.

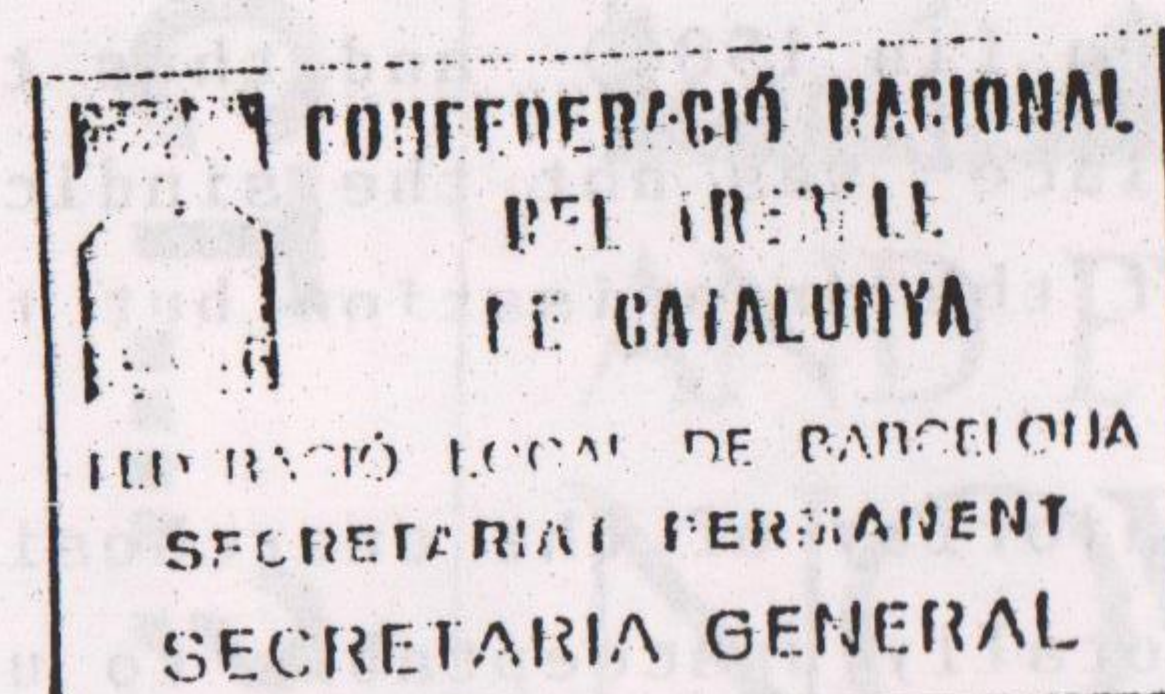
The attitude of the majority of the anarchosindicalist unions - namely that it was totally unacceptable to use the institutions of the state to compel, via the courts, the national committee to call the Congress of Unification - is penalised by the Supreme Court in this sentence. They have taken away our name because we refused to submit to the authority of a committee (the national committee) or to seek the aid of the state.

It was not our organisation which sold out its ideals and which put the future of the CNT in the hands of the courts but it was in fact the historic sector which has always made such exaggerated claims of their own ideological purity. The sentence curiously recognises those who, by continuous purges have attempted to lead the CNT to its annihilation and total marginalisation from the working class and from society.

After the state's recognition of the historic sector they are left without their false, spurious, and cynical argument that we enjoy the protection of the authorities. Anarchosyndicalism is not finished because of a court sentence. We, the anarchosyndicalist activists of this organisation reaffirm our commitment to the tradition of trade union and social struggle which has been practised by organised anarcho-syndicalism in this country since 1910.

For each one of us, in spite of the absurd decision of the judges, the spirit and ethics of anarchosyndicalism will continue being the basic and daily principles by which we guide not only our union activities, but also our actions of all types. We are well aware that, for various reasons, other workers outside our organisation have been struggling to build up this type of syndicalism, whether as individuals, collectives, or organisations. This sentence is, without doubt, a severe blow both to us and to this project, but the workers' movement has been built on the basis of setbacks and it has always emerged strengthened and with greater fighting spirit. On this occasion we must try to take advantage of this setback by encouraging all the workers and collectives that feel in tune with our project to participate actively in it, to make their own mark in the new chapter we are about to write.

It is for all these reasons that we will -in spite of beginning with a new name (CGT Confederación General del Trabajo) - continue struggling for those principles that we freely chose, that is to say the anarchosindicalist principles of one component of the organised labour movement of this country.



If you would like to know more about Spanish anarcho-syndicalism today, copies of the CNT "Alternative Teacher", magazine are available from us. (They are of particular interest to anyone thinking of going over to Spain to teach.)

'Subversives' face eve of war round-up

Tom Sharritt

POLICE would round up an estimated 20,000 "subversives" during any future war crisis and probably use force to suppress public disorder, according to a study to be published tomorrow. They might also be required to execute the sentences of special wartime courts.

The study, prepared by the South Yorkshire Fire and Civil Defence Authority's emergency planning unit, has used nuclear attack scenarios drawn up for the county to predict the likely impact of nuclear war on the South Yorkshire police and — by extension — the country as a whole. The report is to be presented to the planning assump-

tions management committee in Barnsley.

A summary says emergency planners know very little about the role of the police in wartime. Much information is either under security classification or need-to-know restrictions. The South Yorkshire unit has based its assumptions on current legislation. Home Office guidance, and other publicly available information.

The report says "subversives or potential subversives" would be seen as a threat to state security and comments: "It is likely to be the task of the police, with the aid of the Police National Computer, to round up and intern those individuals. The list of potential 'subversives' is likely to include political activists, trade unionists, pacifists,

etc. MI5's list is thought to number some 20,000 individuals."

During a period of transition to war, it says, the powers of police authorities would be weakened as the powers of chief constables increased under emergency regulations.

The police mutual aid co-ordination centre would be established and a *de facto* national police force would emerge, similar to that used during the coal dispute of 1984-85.

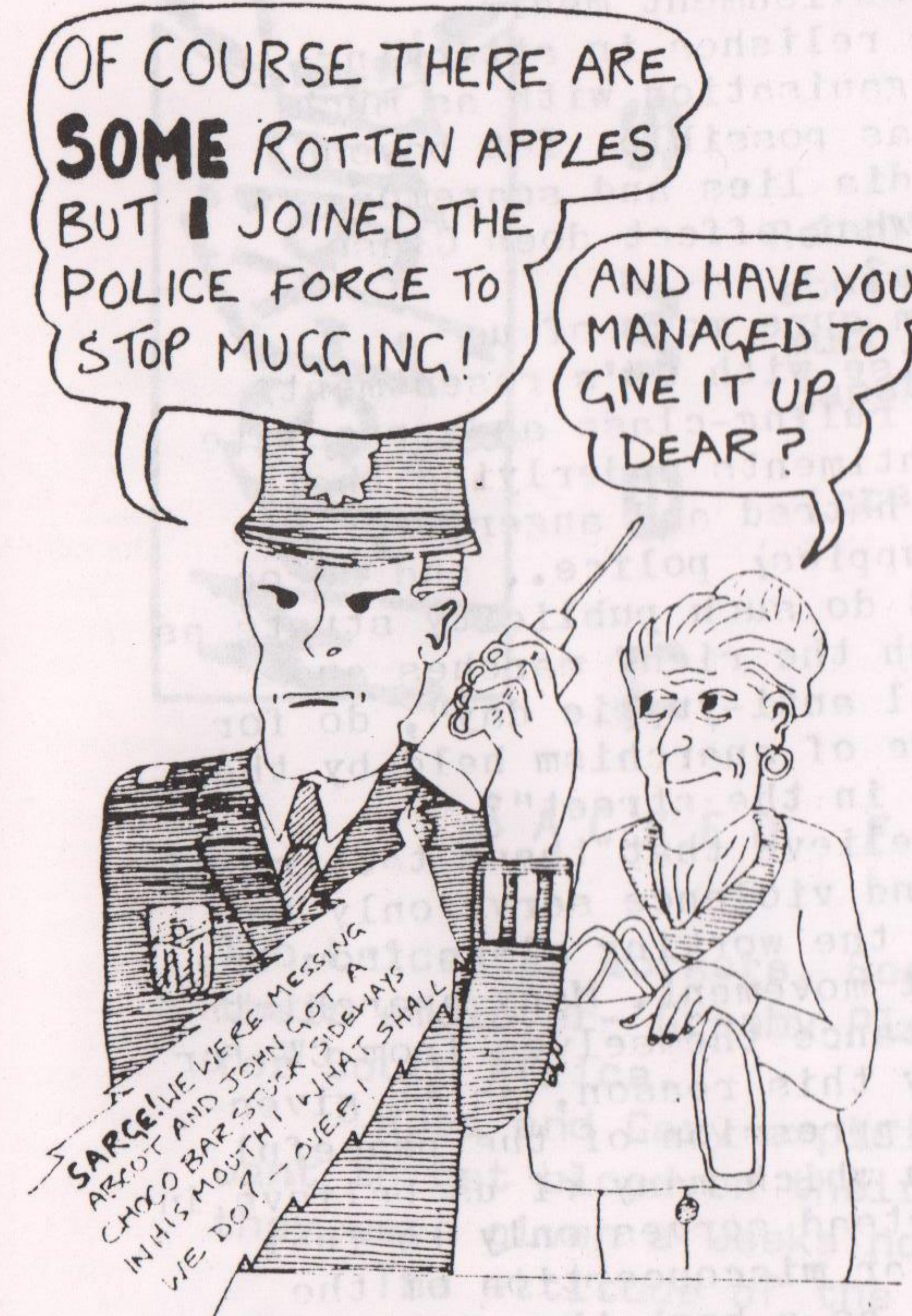
"After a nuclear attack, full emergency powers would operate and any vestige of the peacetime legal foundation of police administration and organisation would be suspended indefinitely."

The report predicts that police forces in England and

Wales would be increased by 50 per cent — 66,000 extra officers — by recruiting "suitable" civilians, refusing resignations, recalling retired officers, and directing civilian employees to uniformed duties. But some might be unable to report for duty, or might refuse, because of personal circumstances.

The report says that it would be reasonable to assume that peacetime inhibitions about the use of force for maintaining public order would be relaxed.

The report also says that after a nuclear attack the police, supported by the military if requested, would provide support and protection to wartime courts. It says the police might also be called upon to carry out the sentences of special courts.



Wet holiday ... A Polish youth, re-enacting an ancient Easter ritual, douses a policeman in Warsaw

"State coercion may be compared to a black thread upon which beads are loosely strung. The beads are men. The black thread is the State. So long as the beads are on the thread, they will not be able to move freely. They may all be gathered together on one side, and on this side the black thread will not be visible between them; but on the other side a large portion of the thread will be bare (despotism). One may arrange the beads together in separate groups, leaving corresponding intervals of black thread between these groups (constitutional monarchy). One may leave a small portion of the thread between each bead (republic). But so long as the beads are not taken off the thread, so long as the threads are not severed, it will not be possible to conceal the black thread".

LEO TOLSTOY

"The end of the Age" (1905) in *Essays from Tula.*

Friday 6 January 1989

Airport attack

Police are hunting a masked gang which tried to blow up a film helicopter at Liverpool airport on Wednesday night. The gang attacked the six-seater aircraft, being tested by Merseyside Police, with axes and threw two petrol bombs, which bounced off and exploded on the tarmac.



Tonight three police cars converged on us as we were out doing graffiti. A crime-free speech but of course with no money for media access this threat disappears. But this is against the Law. It is the job of the Police to uphold the Law. Laws protect property owners. Laws protect property laws protect walls and sidewalks and sidewalks are owned by the city and I live in the city so they are mine as much as anyone's. But evidently this is not so. There is a Law and the Law must be upheld: protect the buildings protect those who might be unfortunate enough to stumble upon a message as they walk haplessly along. And this poor soul's illusion of paradise might be pierced for just a moment. Keep the walls and floor hosed down and scrubbed and no one will suspect that they are splattered with regularity. And of course no one would mind the messages if their criticisms were not founded in truth. Yes yes cleanliness. Neat and tidy. Tidy little cellophane packages of bits and pieces of cows and pigs and chickens. Now so clean but the walls and floors of the slaughterhouse are splattered with regularity. Do the police screech to a halt outside and arrest the murderers? But this is not illegal because the people want to eat the victims. This is not a crime. And the murderers are hired assassins following the orders of their contractors' castebuds.

by Anna Mal

Yuppie's mission of class hate

ANDY MURPHY looks like any normal, young and responsible member of the community. At 27, he has his own £65,000 home in Dartford, a £12,000-a-year job in the finance department of a London borough and he drives his own car.

He admits to coming from an aspiring middle-class family with his father doing something "in telecommunications" and his mother a hairdresser.

What sets Murphy apart from his contemporaries is a loathing for the establishment and a hatred of those young professionals who move into up-and-coming areas, allegedly destroying traditional working class communities.

Bachelor Murphy is a contributor to the Class War newspaper which supports attacks on police and yuppie developments as part of a widespread revolutionary movement.

He sees nothing contradictory between his own comfortable lifestyle and the ranting views put forward by his hate-filled periodical.

The current issue, typical of its kind, has a cartoon of a young businessman with a brick and stones rebounding off his head and the caption "National Anti-Yuppie Day: Let's wipe the smile off their faces".

Gas canisters

Next to it, Class War "proudly presents the bobby batterin', rural riot 'Top Ten'" of assaults on police with Thames Valley heading the list.

This is the sickening face of a group that hides behind a PO Box number in Hackney.

Murphy admits he has never taken part in any illegal activities himself and says smugly: "We are not going to say 'Go out and chuck CS gas canisters' because if we are seen to be publishing inciting material, we will be arrested and done for it."

A master of self-justification, Murphy admits he is better off than many of his colleagues—but still manages to see himself as a poor unfortunate victim of "yuppiefication".

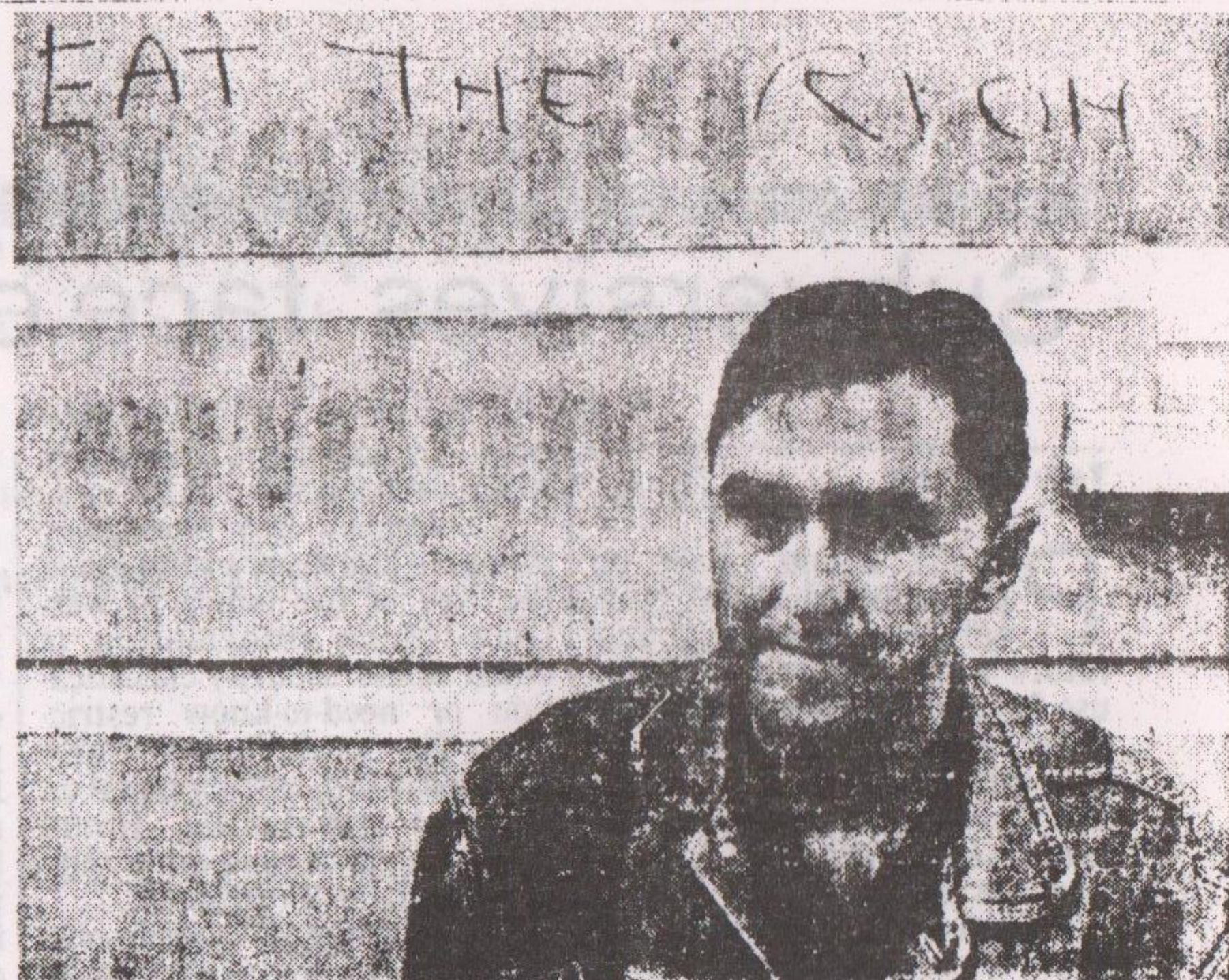
"It's a myth that Class War is opposed to private property," he says. "If you are trapped in a capitalist society, you have no choice but to go along with it."

● Class War, the underground anarchist group which preaches violence and revolution, has organised an anti-yuppie "Day of Action" on Saturday.

● The group takes itself extremely seriously but in reality has no more than 200 active members.

● While bitterly criticising their "class enemies" for buying their own homes and expensive cars, some are quite happy to enjoy the very privileges they so readily lambast.

● The Evening Standard today reveals the gross discrepancies between the lifestyle of one of the leading figures in Class War



PREACHER OF REVOLUTION... the anti-yuppie Andy Murphy

Once again Class War, that most famous and high-profiled anarchist group, has been the subject of media attention.

Not surprisingly, the pro-establishment media machine relishes in attacking the organisation with as much vigor as possible. Yet beyond the media lies and scaremongering what effect does Class War have?

I'm sure most of us sympathise with CW's resentment of the ruling-class and appreciate the sentiments underlying their blatant hatred and anger, for the rich/ yuppies/ police.. and so on. But what do such publicity stunts as the "Bash the rich" marches and "National anti-yuppie day", do for the image of anarchism held by the "citizen in the street"?

I believe that these tactics of terror and violence serve only to distance the working class from the anarchist movement. Many anarchists also distance themselves from CW for precisely this reason, as it gives a false impression of the peaceful anarchism which many of us believe in - and instead serves only to fuel the popular misconception of the anarchist as a bomb throwing, vicious terrorist.

I would be the last person to say that we should water-down our anger and actions just to get a good media-profile, but I do believe that the 'style' of Class War's campaign against the state (including their refusal to work with other anarchist groups) and the naive, and often misdirected venom of its newspaper is both misrepresentative and damaging to the anarchist movement as a whole.

(..having said that, however, the paper is a real good read for a few laughs!!)

Tim



new s i e t e r

Liverpool Anarchists would like to apologise for a certain magazine that hasn't had the decency to apologise for itself, or better still remove the word "anarchism" from its pages. That magazine is Freedom.

Not wanting to seem sectarian, the magazine Freedom is produced by a handful of individualistic liberals, who, although they do reprint some decent books, do very little else other than theorising and liberalising about what they believe to be "anarchism".

For instance, in past issues, apart from printing lots of crap, they have printed letters and articles from a certain individual who believes that anarchism means the right to do just exactly what you want, i.e. rape. Also articles supporting pornography and the right of nazis to parade their sick colours down our streets. And in their

March edition it is said about the Poll Tax:

"Anarchists opposing the community charge (Poll Tax) have simply not thought their opposition through."

and:

"Feminists should be glorying in women's new found recognition of female independence."

and:

"Youngsters, workers or students, should be clamouring for their new legitimacy as fully paid-up members of the citizenry."

What planet are these people living on? Anything that penalises us for being born, takes even more money out of our giros and wage packets, restricts our freedom even more, and is introduced by Thatcher stinks. Need we say more.

"Anarchists" like these we can do without.

Recently the Merseyside Anarchist Newsletter, printed the above article about Freedom magazine. Opinions are very much divided about the content of this very well 'established' paper. What do you think??
Is it interesting and enlightening? or just a load of irrelevant...even offensive, middle class crap?

SACKED FOR OPPOSING APARTHEID!!

Two Leicester workers, Ross Galbraith and Gary Sherriff, have been sacked by their employer- Granby Plastics of Leicester- for refusing to work on an order for South Africa.

Ross and Gary explained to the owner of the company that they did not want to get blood on their hands, by working for Apartheid and two days later they were given a weeks notice and sacked.

The attitude of the bosses is obvious as no black workers have ever been employed by the company- despite Leicester being a multi-racial city.

Because of Ross and Gary's principled stand against torture and oppression in South Africa, they are jobless and cannot claim unemployment benefit for the next SIX months! They are now suffering great financial hardship, and any donations would be really appreciated.

Lets build maximum support for our two sacked comrades and take action against scum like Granby Plastics and the hundreds of other UK companies proping up Apartheid for their own gain.

Please make any cheques payable to the :

South Africa solidarity committee,
c/o Leicester and District TUC.
138 Charles street,
Leicester LE1 11b.

THINKING FOR THE FUTURE.

As anarchists we are all opposed to the continued existence of the state and those patriarchal and coercive institutions which support it.

However, attacking these institutions (...whether they be the church, the judicial system, the police or whatever...) should not be seen as an end in itself. It is equally important to expose the lies on which these institutions were built, and free our minds from the poison of their myths.

Anarchists believe that there is a quality in life transcending greed and monetarism. This, I believe, is true human nature - a quality which encourages mutual aid, co-operation and peace. Yet all around us wo/men oppress each other and fight for domination over each other.

Yes, human nature has been perverted and polluted... this is necessary for the state's existence!! We must re-condition our brains from the lies impressed upon them in the past and replace them with life-sustaining aspirations.

I believe that we are on the dawn of a New Age of self-awareness, which manifests itself, partly, in the form of a growing ecological and biocentric consciousness. People are beginning to realise that the future of all life on Earth is being threatened by international capitalism, greed and 'big-business terrorism' - and that a new alternative is required.

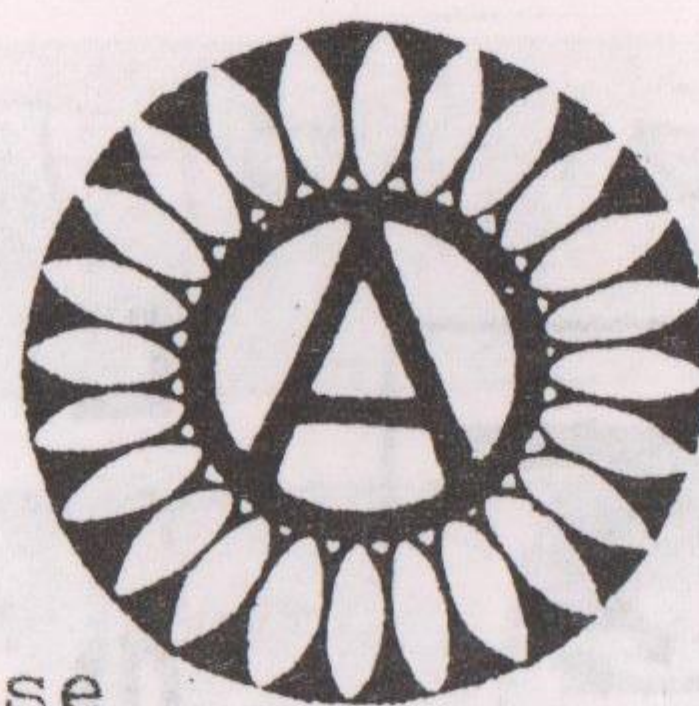
This journey of political-discovery is also a voyage of self-realisation, involving a re-analysis and criticism of all our previous conceptions of the environment, wo/mans role in life, and physical science itself (it has been said that 'science is not powerful because it is true, but true because it is powerful.'!).

I believe that a New-Age consciousness should incorporate a new 'Green' philosophy. By this I don't mean that we should all switch to lead free petrol and ozone-friendly aerosols and leave it at that....but that we adopt an all embracing view of the Earth as a complete living organism in its own right - in which we as humans are just one component (this is known as the Gaia hypothesis) and work towards some kind of sustainable future. This is necessary for survival!

However, at the other extreme I feel it is important that anarchists don't get lured into the trap of Paganism. Although we are looking for an escape from the mundane drudgery of labour and consumerism and Paganism can seem an attractive way of 'going back to the Earth' with its mysticism and reverence for all things natural, I feel it is also intensely reactionary. What Paganism does, is take a basic revolutionary demand - for the transformation of human society's relation to nature - and undermine it, turning it into some kind of mystical, religious escape.

Whatever you think about such ideas, it is undeniable that a reaction must, and is, taking place against the coercion and abuse of our selves, our fellow beings, and all the plants and animals of the world. If ever we are to live in a society where oppression and patriarchal domination are eliminated we must first raise our own consciousness and change our own way of thinking.

NO REVOLUTION WITHOUT PERSONAL EVOLUTION.



Fur salon to close at attacked store

By Virginia Matthews, Consumer Correspondent

A FUR SALON is to close at a London department store which has been attacked several times by animal liberation groups. Mr Richard Lusty, general manager of House of Fraser in Oxford Street, denied yesterday that it was giving into terrorism and said the closure was for economic reasons.

One well-established furrier, who has already received death threats from somebody claiming to represent the Animal Liberation Front and does not want to be named for fear of further reprisals, said: "Of course, House of Fraser cannot publicly explain that they are frightened. That would merely encourage more terrorism, but the fact is that they have been totally intimidated. The fur trade in Britain is still very strong and it makes no economic sense to withdraw like this."

The anti-fur-trade group Lynx, which is against violence and whose advertising campaign featuring a fur coat dripping with blood was made by the leading photographer Mr David Bailey, believes the public is now hostile to the fur trade.

But other shop owners in the fur trade claim House of Fraser has been scared off and predict that other "politically-sensitive items", such as leather furniture, may be the next to go.

In a recent attack on Selfridges, leather furniture worth thousands of pounds was slashed, while last December the planting of incendiary devices led to fires at Harrods and Selfridges, at a House of Fraser store in Cardiff and at Dingles in Plymouth.

An anonymous caller claiming to represent the Animal Liberation Front claimed the fires were "part of an ongoing war against the fur trade".

Mr Lusty said yesterday: "All department stores are extremely concerned about the increasingly militant tactics of animal rights groups and the frequency of bomb threats we believe come from them, but what are we supposed to do?"

"We could take the view that selling leather chairs, or even leather shoes, exposes us to the risk of attack as well, but there would be an outcry if we stopped selling them."

"I do not accept that our withdrawal from fur is a mark of the Animal Liberation Front's success - it is an economic consideration - but I do agree that we are concerned about the extremism of certain groups."

Miss Lynne Kentish of Lynx said: "We totally deplore the tactics used by the Animal Liberation Front and think the public has been persuaded of the need to stop buying fur coats by our peaceful protests and publicity campaign."

The British Fur Trade Association was unavailable for comment.

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Students riot for right to cheat

Dhaka - More than 200 students were injured and about 3,500 others expelled as thousands of students demanding the right to cheat fought pitched battles with riot police at the start of Bangladesh's secondary school final examinations. Police opened fire in an examination centre in Sonargaon town, about 25 miles east of the capital, injuring more than 50 people.

The authorities said about 200 students had forced their teachers out of the classrooms and were engaged in mass copying from books. Hundreds of others besieging the centre set off home-made bombs, calling on police to leave the area. Security forces used tear gas against "outsiders" helping students in the exams in the Sandwip district. At least 25 people were arrested, including students for cheating.



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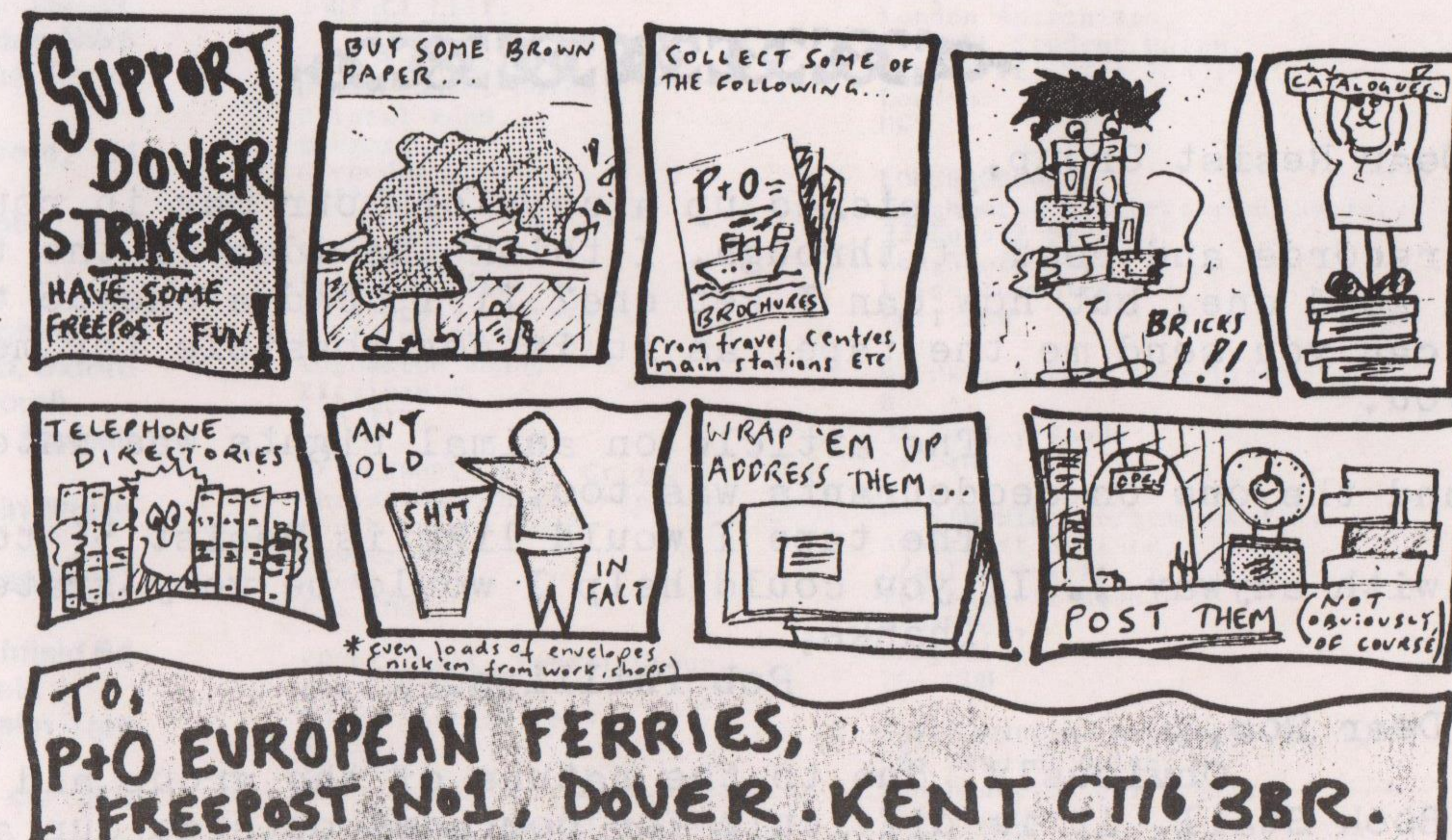
by Nomad



Ford in League

The Ford Motor Company admitted last night it was a member of the Economic League, the rightwing group which runs a blacklist of union activists and "subversives."

● I AM amused to learn that a Dr John Reeves of Seascale, Cumbria, has won the title of the Biggest Liar in the World in a local pub competition for telling tall stories. Dr Reeves, it transpires, works for British Nuclear Fuels at Sellafield, where he is responsible for training young apprentices.



Give P+O Management something to chew on... Obviously it will never bankrupt the fifth BUT it does waste their bureaucratic time (and a little cash)... TELL ALL YOUR FRIENDS! IT WILL COST YOU NOTHING - POST 'EM A PACKAGE EVERYDAY...!!

ANOTHER EXAMPLE OF HOW WITH NO MEDIA COVERAGE, PEOPLE QUICKLY FORGET THAT P+O ARE STILL FREE TO DO EXACTLY WHAT THEY WANT TO PEOPLE'S LIVES.

LETTERS

We would like to make our letters page a key part of the mag. so if you have any views on anything printed in RESIST, or on anarchism in general let us know!!

To the Resist Group,

Here is some direct action that you can do. Barclays may be out of South Africa but they are still involved in many shady deals around the world like money for arms etc. Luckily they have got a free service for you to tell them how much you hate them. Write to Barclaycard, Dept. 9397, Freepost, Northampton, NN11YG. And while on the subject of wasting big business money, phone 0800 373373 (which will cost you nothing as all 0800 numbers are free) and ask for freephone directory. Once you get this you can ring up any big business you don't like and tell them what you think of them. If you do either of these 'free offers' make sure you are untracable.

I thought this sticker was a great idea, so copy and enlarge and stick onto your local mercedes.

OI....RICH PIG

DO NOT ATTEMPT TO MOVE THIS CAR.
WHILE YOU ARE DRIVING AROUND IN FLASH CARS
PEOPLE ARE STARVING TO DEATH.

THIS CAR HAS BEEN BOOBY TRAPPED.

LOVE AND ANARCHY, CLASS WAR.

Maybe you can think up your own actions, these are just ideas.

Love,

Stoke CLASS WAR.

Dear Resist Group,

I picked up a copy of your mag in rough trade records and read it through. I think the idea of the tapes is a good one, but how can I get one? If I send a cheque to you can you send me the tape, as it is not possible for me to go to you.

The article on animal rights was interesting and the one on deodorants was too.

The tape I would like is Resist 3(to start off with anyway). If you could help I would be very grateful.

Thanks,

Rob Phillips.

Dear Rob,

Obviously, due to the nature of the group and the Book Stall, it is difficult for comrades outside our area to come to us. It is much easier just to send us a cheque with your address.

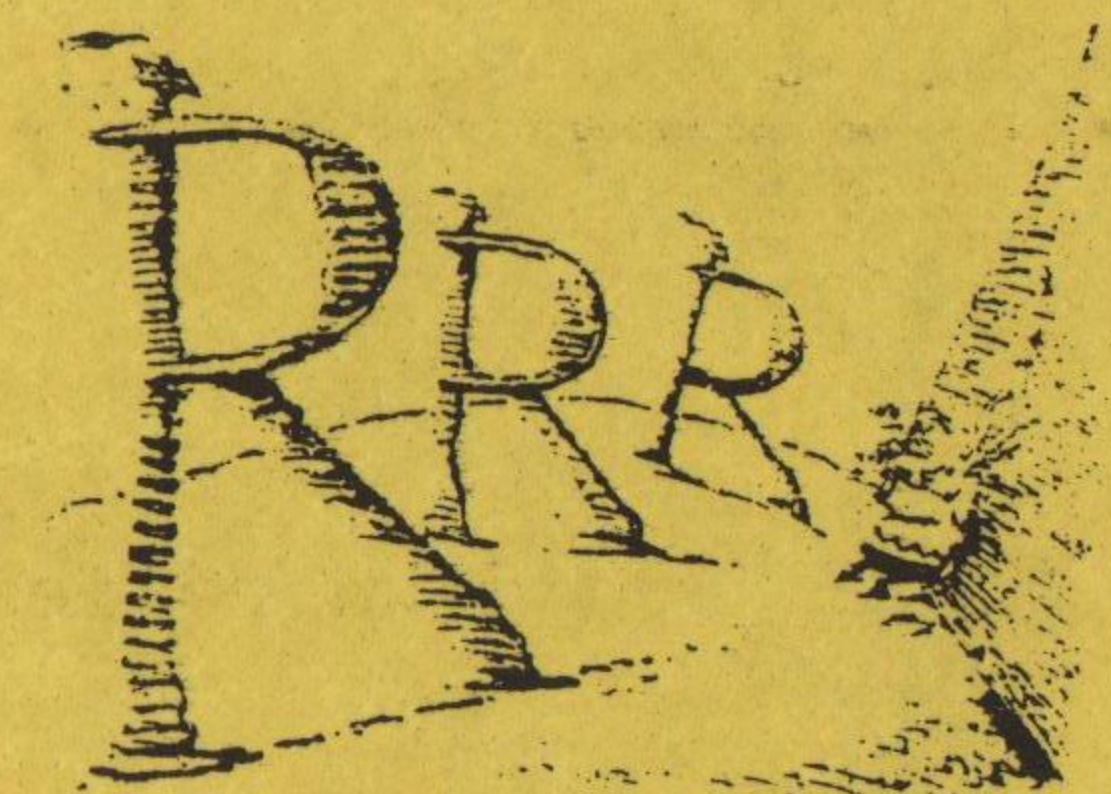
I must apologise to any comrades who have written to us asking for tapes etc. Due to big changes in the group there may have been some delay....But don't worry we'll get round to it!!

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