

# SPRINGBURN FOLLIES

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## Springburn shopping scandal

**WHO CONTROLS THE SHOPPING CENTRE ?** Don't use the front of the shopping centre. The only people who have this privilege are the Labour Party. Like all the other so-called political parties they think you are only voting fodder.

The manager has twice said that Springburn Follies can't use this spot. This man called a Jobs Petition 'this thing'. This means that your job is not important according to this idiot. Show him that if your job is rubbish then your cash is rubbish, boycott this centre and teach him a lesson.

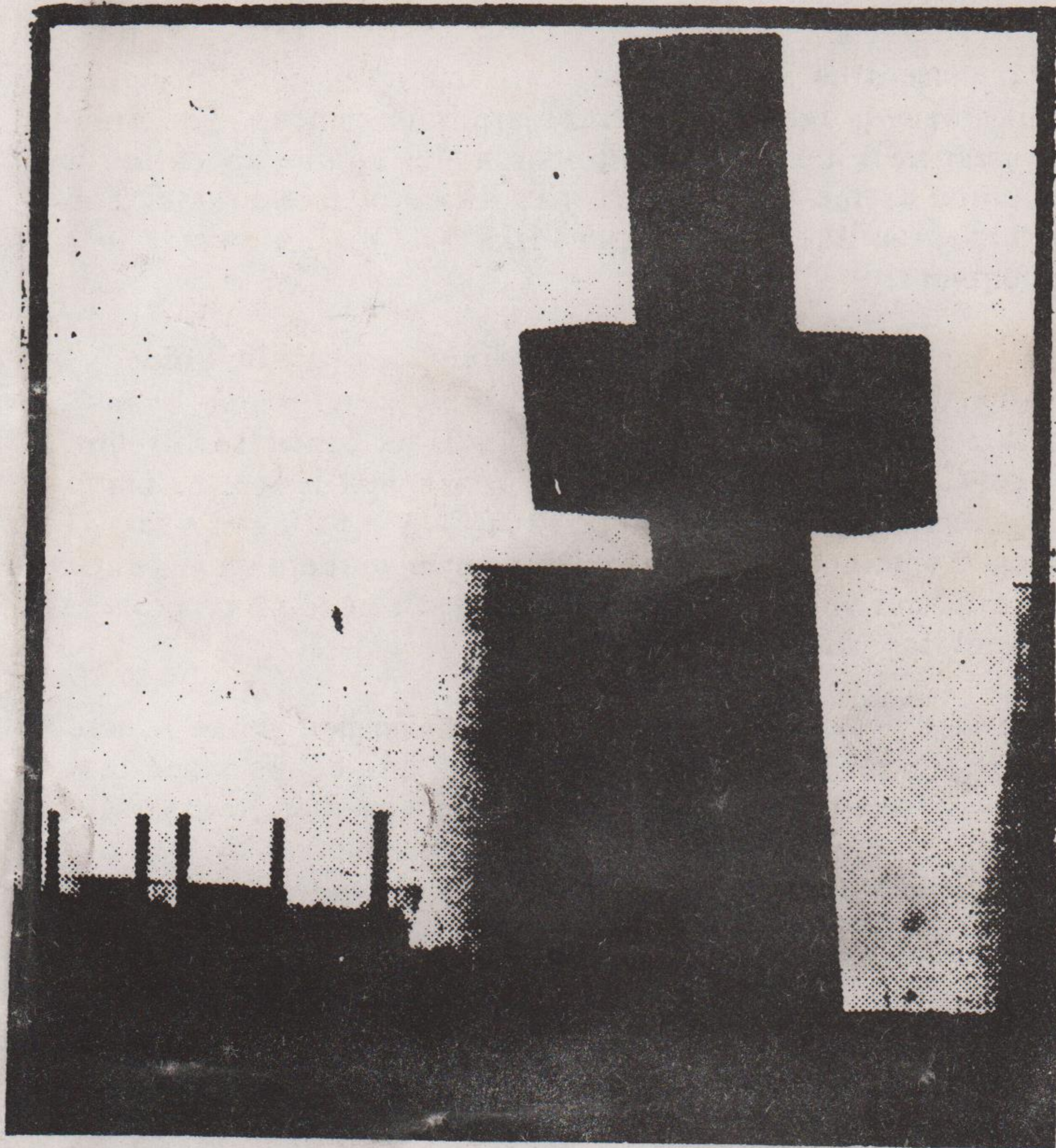
It's not for our sake, but the sake of all local papers. Us today, you tomorrow will be the rule if this man gets away with this.

### WHOSE CENTRE

What does the Springburn Centre mean to you ? Is it another name for Shopping Centre ? ... Or do we take it at word value and call it a Community Centre ? It's important we find out. Either it should be called Shopping Centre or else shop owners have stolen this centre from Springburn people. Its time we in Springburn demanded use of the centre or see it called SHOPPING CENTRE. We must get this matter cleared up once and for all.



## DANGER! Asbestos at Work...



SOME 85 YEARS AGO after the Factory Inspectorate recognised the dangers of inhaling asbestos dust we now find an epidemic of asbestos related deaths which will last well into the 21st Century.

This asbestos dust can cause:

1. Asbestosis: lung scarring
2. Mesothelioma : tumour of the pleura
3. Lung Cancer
4. Cancer of the stomach, large bowel, oesophagus, mouth: pharynx, kidney, alimentary tract and ovary.

The Labour Party are only now showing some concern about this growing problem even though it was a Labour Council who gave planning permission in the first place to allow these asbestos death traps to be constructed.

This newsheet has made several attempts to get information on the asbestos problem in the Springburn area, only to be given the run-around by the bureaucrats who are more concerned in saving face and their public image than in saving human lives.

It is up to the people concerned to organise themselves and demand access to the information which is rightfully theirs.

Ask your MPs and councillors why they've been sitting on their backsides for so long on this issue.

It's your health and that of your family's which is on the line, not theirs. Is that not worth fighting for ?



# University Union Rip Off

AT GLASGOW UNIVERSITY the workers are being ripped off by T.G.W.U. Branch No. 7...

Their committee is unelected, self appointed and dictatorial. Shop stewards think the workers are ignoramuses. The workers must sack these arrogant people. Its no use appealing to the union as the area organiser is aware of these facts. This meglomaniac likes little hitlers like T.G.W.U. stewards in the university.

Don't be kidded into joining other unions, don't be kidded into setting up staff associations. Instead tell Moss Evans and his cronies that No. 7 Branch will be controlled by the workers. If the threaten to cut off funds just leave the union in a mass body and use the £5,000 - £7,500 per year which the union gets to set up your own workers movement. Run this movement yourselves; you don't need glory seekers to speak for you.

Don't say you can't. All workers have common sense so use it. You can all organise yourselves. If rule books stand in your way burn them ! It's your union money that creates all unions; show your muscles. Tell the bureaucrats that since you are the union you will control it or there will be no union.

The last most serious treading on democratic rights is as follows :

Several weeks ago members voted to reject a 4% rise. The vote was 98% to reject the rise against 2% to accept it yet 2 weeks later the union just accepted the rise because it suited them. The members vote was not even considered.

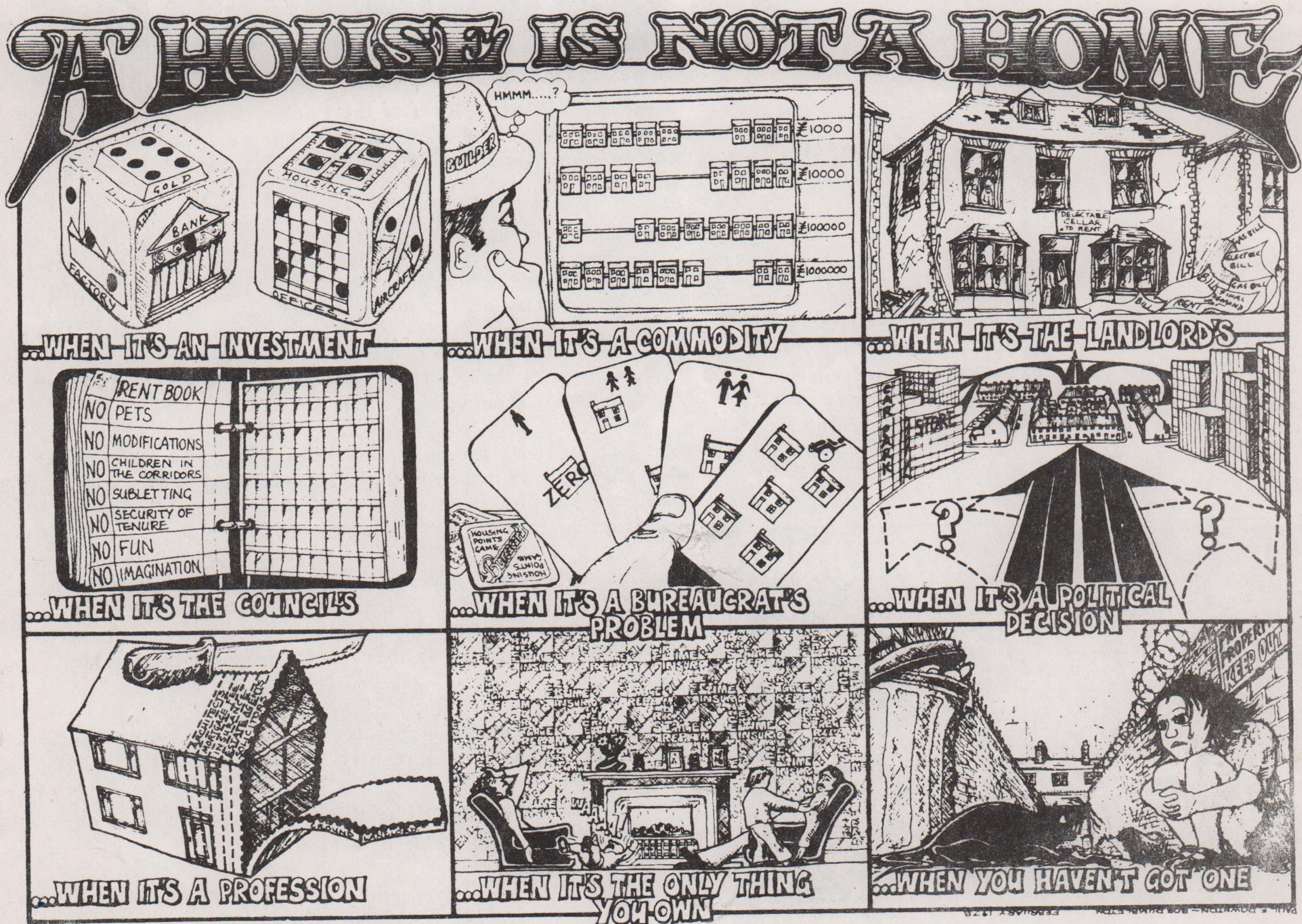
This is why all anarchists reject this phoney of union democracy. Why don't workers do the same ?

## KILLERS AT LARGE: Y.O.P. SKILL

ANDREW LEWIS aged 16 years was murdered by the government and employer mafia. This mafia is called the youth opportunity programme. Dangerous machinery killed him. Under this scheme dangerous machinery is legal.

Do any of your family work under this or a similar scheme ? If they do they could be the next victim. I ask all parents to persuade kids to reject this scheme. If they don't they might help to kill or maim them. Not only did Andrew Lewis get killed to make someone a quick profit, but many youngsters have been maimed under this scheme. The next one killed or maimed to make somebody a quick buck could be your kid.

Its time this slaughter was ended: only we the people can do this. The politicians of right, left, and centre support it, the T.U.C. support it. Act now for the sake of all our kids. The kids could also mount their own campaign. Let's get off our backsides and do something about it.





# Outfoxing the Hunt

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SPECIAL INVESTIGATION

Although despised by millions, hunting with hounds still accounts for the lives of some 30,000 foxes every year. However the hunters are under a greater pressure than ever before to curtail their bloody atrocities.

Clydeside Hunt Saboteurs have been to the forefront in the fight to save animals on our very doorsteps. The local Lanarkshire and Renfrewshire Foxhounds have been receiving intense pressure recently. The pressure **MUST** be kept up.

The Lanarkshire and Renfrewshire Hunt, based in Houston, Hunt foxes Tuesdays and Saturdays during the season from September to March. If you are interested in going out to 'sab' a hunt for the first time, it may be advised to contact experienced members of the Hunt Sabs. Association who will assist you to be effective in saving the lives of hunted animals.

The following are some tactics which may be used to 'outfox' the hunt.

**PRE-MEETING.** Before the hunt starts, sabs spray areas where foxes may be found with strong smelling substances to mask scent of foxes.

**PRE-BEATING.** Takes place at same time and involves sabs making loud noises to clear area of cover of wildlife and drive them away from hunters.

**FALSE TRAILS.** Using a rag soaked in urine, aniseed, etc., the sabs drag a false scented trail which will have the hounds run round in circles to no avail.

## **FOLLOW THE COUNTRY CODE.**

Before the hunt starts all gates, fences etc., which have been left open for the hunt are secured with chains, padlocks, barbed wire, etc. While struggling to open gate they are not hunting.

**HORN CALLS.** The pack of hounds are controlled by the Huntsman blowing a small horn, sabs in turn control the hounds with a similar horn to disrupt the hunt.

**VOICE CALLS.** As above sabs use false voice calls and yells to stop the hounds from killing.

**ROOHISES.** A series of bangers which can be used to great effect to clear woods of wildlife and also keep hounds away.

**INFILTRATION.** By looking like a hunt supporter it is often possible to gain information of the day's activities and future events — practise scowling in front of the mirror.

These are only a short list of tactics which are available to committed saboteurs. All of them need to be used responsibly so that no damage or injury to animals or property occurs.

There are many ways in which action may be taken to help other than that of direct action in the field. Publicity and letter writing, lobbying members of parliament, all have their part to play in the struggle, as does fund raising and donations.

If you feel that you would like to help or you need further information please write to:

**CLYDESIDE HUNT SABOTEURS**  
c/o Fund for Animals,  
12 Royal Terrace,  
GLASGOW.

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## **COMPUTER CONTROL**

Universities are giving data concerning peoples lives, both public and private. They call this 'geographical studies'.

If students get this personal data, so can police, private firms, special branch and various other state snoopers: all this is done by computer systems.

We should demand to see that all information about our lives is destroyed once its usefulness is over.

We are all entitled to have private lives as well as having to look after ourselves and families. Only we the people must act and stop controlling our lives. **LET'S START NOW.**

## **LOCAL NEWS SHEETS.**

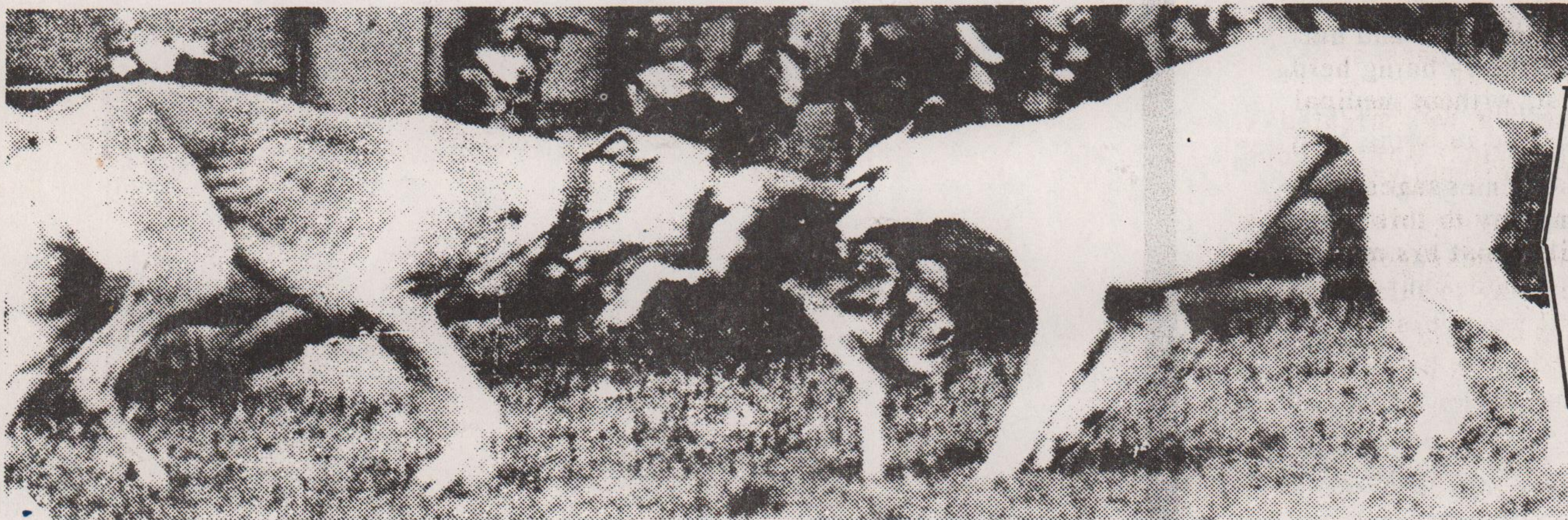
At the moment **SPRINGBURN FOLLIES** appears to be the only anti-authoritarian newsheet in Springburn. We wish there were a lot more. We would like to see the following examples in Springburn; Sighthill View, Cowlares Voice, Keppochhill Star, Red Road News, Hawthorn Roots, Petershill Gazette, and Balgrayhill Sun !

We recommend anti-authoritarian newsheets, not apologies for failures of tenants associations or community councils; not newsheets to boost egos of political parties, right, left or centre.

We also recommend that local people run own newsheet. If any difficulties about starting a newsheet write to **Autonomy Press** for suggestions and costs. I am sure they will help.

Their address is:

**AUTONOMY PRESS**  
64 Queen Street  
GLASGOW  
G1



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THEIR  
'PLEASURE'...  
TRAINED  
DOGS  
TEAR APART  
LIVE BAIT.**



# People Not Profits!

We the people of Springburn must help the miners. They had a good turn out at the Caley demonstration in June. Not only that, their problems are the same as Springburns.

Mass unemployment and social deprivation is what is happening here. The miners are fighting a war to prevent their area becoming just like Springburn. Unlike Springburn people who put faith in useless politicians (from all parties), union branches and shop stewards, tenants associations and community councils, they are fighting back.

Let's set up a **SPRINGBURN MINERS SUPPORT GROUP**, who can not only campaign for miners, but fight to save and improve Springburn to **PEOPLE'S** standards, not commercial standards.

We recommend no dealings with local parties, community groups, Unions or elected personalities. And no 'personalities': they are only interested in the limelight.

**WE MUST RUN A CAMPAIGN OURSELVES.** We can organise without a rigid committee and rule book.

## stop press

Young Ian Richardson was arrested while protesting against Battery Food production. He is an animal rights supporter and also works with the Glasgow Mutual Aid for Miners fund. He works hard for both causes.

He suffers from a mastoid and has heart trouble. Yet he is being held till November 1st, without medical treatment.

We ask you to send messages of support and sympathy to this brave young lad. It will boost his morale.

**WRITE TO :**

Ian Richardson  
Prisoner 8071  
Cell 151  
Block C  
HM Prison  
Barlinnie  
Riddrie  
GLASGOW

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