

FEEDBACK PUBLICATIONS

CLYDESIDE ANARCHISTS ACTION

First day - Wed, Oct. 12.

A rally was held in the Maclellan Galleries in Glasgow. This successful speech/discussion meeting attracted around 80 people. Books & pamphlets were sold and some new activists gained.

Second day - Thurs, Oct. 13.

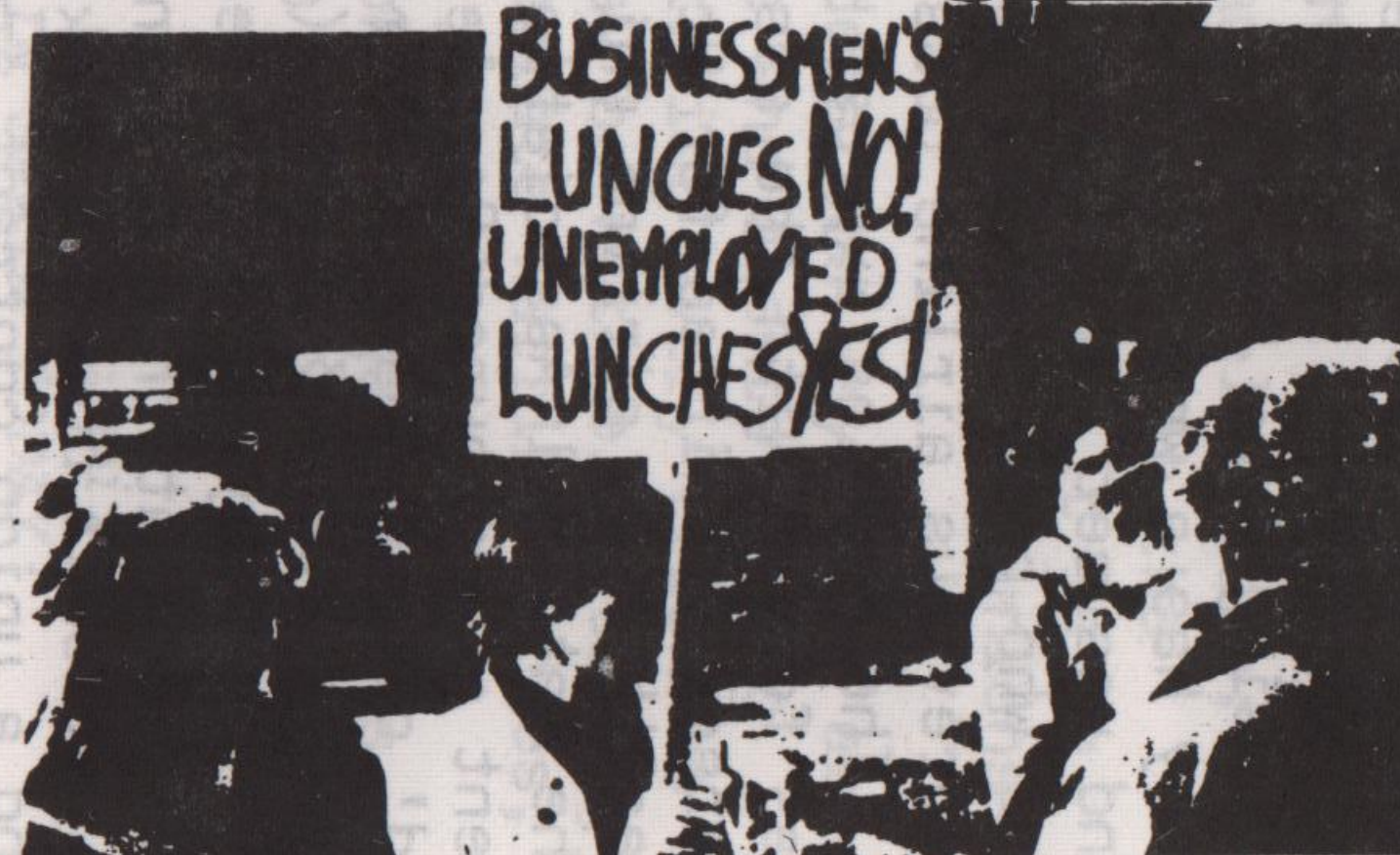
Direct Action at the holiday Inn, when a group of 22 anarchists under the ad-hoc title of 'The Unemployed Diners Club' did an occupation of the hotel at lunch time. Placards demanded 'Businessmen's lunches NO! Unemployed lunches YES! The employment of Youth Training Scheme 'slave' labour to help build a multinational empire and the fact that a businessman's meal costs more than many unemployed have to live on in a week fired the protest. It was also in solidarity with the Wyers Squatters in Amsterdam, where attempts are being made to evict the biggest squat in Europe in order to build a Holiday Inn. Local radio reported the occupation as the 'first of many' independent actions by the unemployed. (Further information on the Wyers squat from: POSTBUS 3362 1001 A.P. AMSTERDAM, HOLLAND).

Third day - Fri, Oct. 14.

Anarchist Field day. A screening of the Blue Collar video followed by a discussion and four individual workshops (Revolt against Work, Crime & Punishment) held at the Glasgow School of Art.

Next activity is some Direct Action in Glasgow on Mon 7 & Tues 8 Nov, '83 at the Confederation of British Industry Conference. Glasgow's Labour Council are promoting Glasgow as GLASGOW'S MILES BETTER featuring a smiling little yellow mister man. A large banner has been prepared for Britain's bosses (first CBI Conference in Scotland ever!) saying GLASGOW SMILES BITTER featuring a grimacing Mister Man! People wishing to attend should contact: Box 3, 488 Great Western Road, Glasgow tel: 041-339-8218

Clydeside Anarchists



NO CHOICE

No. 12 Anti-militarist Special. Police preparations, anarcho-feminism, War tax Nuclear Fiction, War Plans, local news and lots more. Donation S.A.E. to: Box A, Grapevine, c/o Cambridge Free Space, 25 Gwydir St. Cambridge.

LORDS OF THE REALM 2

An Investigation of the Wealthy families & behind the Multi-Nationals. Following their problems with distribution (everyone refused) the second issue has appeared examining the Daily Mail, Wall Street Investors, Hong Kong City Bosses, London's Merchant Bankers and more. Their editorial clearly distances them from the Ultra-right researchers who have tried to befriend them. From: Pommedor Publications, 105 The Mall, Hyde, Cheshire, SK14 2QT Great Britain. 50p.

SOLIDARITY UNDERGROUND

50p from Polish Solidarity Campaign 186 Avenue Road, London W3. Based on first-hand knowledge of the Solidarity underground, the authors have also used *Uncensored Poland* (newsletter of Information Centre on Polish Affairs U.K.) and *Voice of Solidarnosc* (bulletin of the Solidarity Information Office in Britain.) A brief past history, what happened as Martial Law hit, the underground Press, the underground factory committees, how the regional and national delegates get co-ordination - eg. when Walesa was let out of jail he was able to slip the cops and meet up with the co-ordinating committee. A committee of Social Resistance (KOS) emerged after Martial Law based on communal instead of trade-union networks in neighbourhoods and trusted personal contacts. Collecting information on repression, helping internees and their families, encouraging resistance 'Do not be afraid. Do something!' KOS seems to reach those parts of society which other organisational structures cannot reach. Solidarity's long term goals are: the rejection, boycott of State organisation; economic battle (using direct action on the job); self-education; finally the general strike! The authors remain very optimistic that Solidarity is already on the return to being the Polish worker's freely elected representation. The situation of Anarchists today in Poland is outlined in the EMMANUEL GOLDSTEIN GROUP's article which appears in the recent *Black Flag Autumn* magazine.

BLACK FLAG

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WHY THEY DIE IN GRENADA

The imposition of Marxist-Leninist rule upon Grenada, under the Queen's sovereignty - who said constitutional monarchy was a safeguard against dictatorship? - was acceptable to the "West" as long as it co-operated in semi-colonial rule. The former government of Maurice Bishop was content to play along with both sides of the coming world war - to be in the Commonwealth but at the same time plump for a "dictatorship of the proletariat" - which in the absence of a proletariat, means the "Afro-Marxism" of rule by the Army with Cuban agents infiltrating.

Whether as a consequence of Bishop's fence-sitting, or because a section of the "Vanguard party" was flexing its muscles, the military and police turned against Bishop, Cuba altered its line and a Maoist section of the party murdered half the Cabinet and seized power.

The Grenadans hated their rulers - the first thing they did when the Americans came in was to burn police headquarters - always a sure sign of libertarian feelings and an embarrassment to the invaders (who have the problem of building a new one).

The fact that they detested the Grenadan secret police does not explain or excuse Reagan's intervention. Equal hatred for police states elsewhere in the Caribbean - Haiti above all - does not cause sleepless nights in Washington.

The US is determined to impose a hegemony over the Caribbean. To do this it is prepared to edge aside the British Commonwealth - it will even take the risk of war with it, unless assured by its infiltrators in Britain this will not happen.



The US Government relies for its war fodder heavily on North American Blacks. With Black youth unemployment rising to 50% it has plenty of recruits, and Black soldiers, even with a majority of white officers, are more acceptable to the local population than East Germans, even with the jargon of anti-imperialism, acting in the same role.

TV has heartbreaking pictures of Black parents grieving over lost kids in the Marines. They lived as second-class citizens in the South and now they die in all parts of the world for the glory of the American eagle. Why?

The US today has a task laid down for it by a few politicians who have rammed it down the nation's throat by the compulsion of the media.

Of all the US wars in the last thirty years, only one "war criminal" remains in jail. Despite all the atrocities from Vietnam to El Salvador, the only "war criminal" held still is Lorenzo Komboa Ervin. His crime? To refuse to fight in what the world now knows as an unjust war.

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NUCLEAR WASTE

Radio-active nuclear waste is an essential if one has an atom bomb. It has to be dumped somewhere. We have to have an atomic bomb, don't we, or we'll be overrun by the Russians...but not on MY door you don't!

This is the attitude of John Bunyan's birthplace, Elstow, together with five neighbouring Bedfordshire villages. None has ever come out to oppose the bomb. All have subscribed to Conservative policy. There is no radicalism around - the last dissenter was John Bunyan.

But the Central Electricity Generating Board has chosen them for the site of the dump, 30 to 40 feet below ground.

This has woken them up as no agitation could! The same goes in Teeside, which at least has a radical tradition later than Bunyan but nothing particular at present but in Stewartby, they too are threatened with the presence of a nuclear waste dump. The landlord of the local pub is reported as voicing fears that it "would bring property values down". As if that is all it would do!

"PEOPLES" EXPRESS

BOYCOTT CALL BY WORKERS.

650 employees of the 'cut-rate' airline were sacked so that cheaper Federally funded work-study programme holiday students on short term contracts could deal with flight bookings.

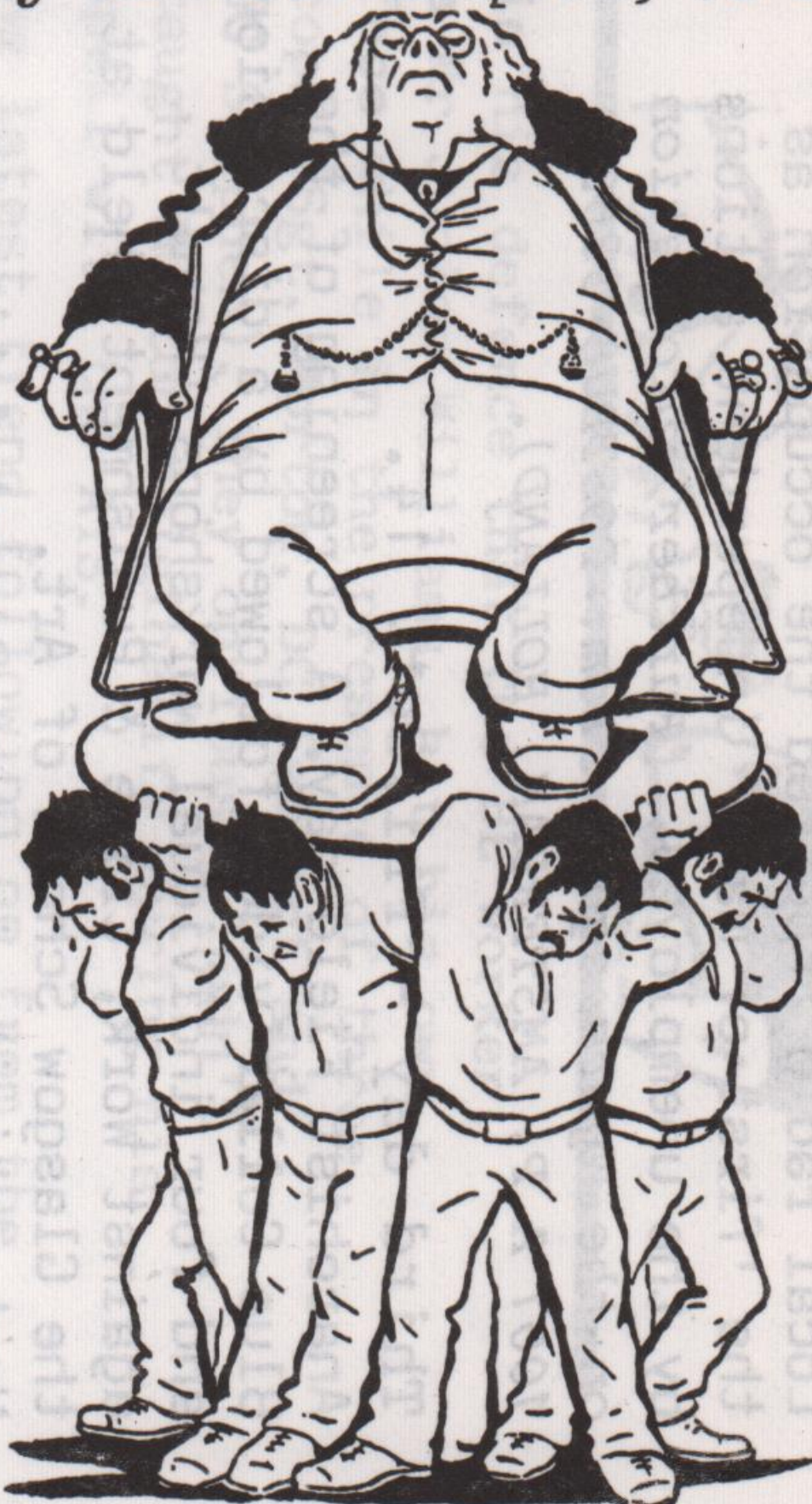
The predominantly black and latino reservation clerks & sales reps lost their jobs at a time when the company's business was expanding ie. taking on the Atlantic crossing from New York to London. The company has a worker's share ownership scheme and was set up originally by airline workers who pooled their redundancy money from a previous airline boss.

The Peoples Express Workers Association was formed with the assistance of the New Jersey Committee for Occupational Safety & Health, two airline unions, Legal Aid and the National Association for the Advancement of Coloured People. The 'employee owned' company had the workers sign new contracts every 3 months (some had worked for the company since it began in April 1981). Discrimination complaints, a Lawsuit and a national boycott seeking restored jobs and a union contract are the workers aims.

ECONOMIC LEAGUE

British Leyland management were helped in the trotskyst mole spotting by the Economic League, a consortium of industrialists who fund research into militants and subversives. In a previous issue of the News Bulletin we said that we would release the latest details on who's who in the EL. The following is 70% complete and there is no absolute guarantee that all the addresses are up to date.

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These people are directors of the EL. They are just the tip of the iceberg; the EL has contacts in all the major companies and many more in the smaller ones. It has been going since the beginning of the century. Apart from looking out for subversives it also specialises in producing anti-union propaganda. In one year alone they published over 20 million leaflets supporting the bosses case.*

SOURCE: ASDNN.

Blacklists of trade union activists have been available to employers for years from various sources. Since 1979 there have been over 1,800 applications to industrial tribunals for unfair dismissal for trade union activity. Blacklists operate to stop 'militants' even getting into companies. On construction sites and amongst electrical contractors lists exist. UCATT the builders union has to start organising from scratch, and when the site becomes organised the contract reaches an end and the task must begin again. Experienced union activists are often therefore last on a Boss's list for employment and on top of a blacklist. As a result false names & forged union cards are prevalent in the building industry. The BL 'moles' for the reasons of the Socialist League Party line also forged some references. The Economic League's Director of Information & Research Jack Winder is careful to ask all donors to the League not to reveal that they do. The Labour Research Department found out that 54 companies gave a total of £125,000 to the E.L. in 1982. Morgan Grenfell the Merchant Bankers handed over £20,000. Also helping out the League were: Barclays with £9,274; National Westminster £9,210; Midland £7,710. GKN, Brooke Bond, Distillers, BICC, Reckitt & Colman, Guardian Royal Exchange, Turner & Newall and European Ferries. British Leyland stopped making donations -officially- in 1976. But between 1968 & 1975 was putting over £2-3,000 per year. BL insist they did not use any outside firm or consultancy to track down the Socialist League moles. Know anyone who did not get a job lately?

IDLERS(Russian Style)

In August a system of punishments were decreed against drunks and idlers, with rewards for productive workers. New measures allow for the docking of pay up to one third, and the halving of holiday allowance. More recently militia have been sent out to bars and shopping areas to look out for shirkers.

SOURCE: Verbal Assault.

USA

Edwar Medlin criticised the conditions of employment and rates of pay of a temp agency and for his trouble got shot at. Medlin was interviewed in a local paper and claimed that many local firms preferred to go for casual labour from the job agencies because they knew that they would only have to pay out wages at minimum rates.

INTERNATIONAL NEWS

Germany

We raised before the issue of military personnel organising against war. In the US draft dodging has escalated to other acts of resistance, including sabotage. In the early 70's sabotage was used against nuclear-related equipment at US bases in W. Germany. Most resistance has over the years come from the lower ranks and from women and black recruits. More recently there have been examples in California of collusion between guards and pickets at blockades and other examples of GI's participating in anti-nuke marches/demonstrations are on the increase. Nowadays there are strict vetting procedures for troops guarding nuclear establishments. The authorities are clearly worried about the possibility of the barriers between the armed forces and the anti-militarists being wittled down.

SOURCE: Race Today.

The USA and W. Germany would collaborate to destroy the cities of Nuremburg, Frankfurt, Hanover and others in the event of a nuclear war according to a leaked report first compiled in 1964. This would be done with the aid of ADM's (Atomic Demolition Munitions), 350 of which are stored inside Germany waiting for the fateful day. The rationale behind all of this is that if the West loses a nuclear war then every effort would be made to see that the Warsaw Pact lot don't manage to colonise the Western cities intact. They would be destroyed in order to 'save them'. How many other countries are there that employ a similar policy. Tunbridge Wells look out!

SOURCE: Verbal Assault.

SPAIN C.N.T.(Renovados)

The Confederal congress of the "renovado" CNT took place in Madrid 29th Oct-1st Nov. (Black Flag was invited, but as so often in these things - the invitation was not received until 13 days before the event which was no time at all for working people).

The resolutions, contained in a pamphlet "The Conquest of liberty, to live in the future", are in no way different from those of the other CNT ("CNT-AIT"). Readers will recall our opinion that there are no proper definable differences between the "two" CNTs, that the same differences exist within them both, the same arguments, and the same sources of strength. Eventually the force of circumstances may draw them together again (at the workplaces, the differences are no more understood than they are abroad). It is a mistake however to think of the "renovado" CNT as something different from anarcho-syndicalism abroad, though this may arise with either in the future bearing in mind those interested in the disappearance or disruption of both.

Amongst the items for discussion and resolution were "relations with the libertarian movement" and "possibilities of unification with the CNT-AIT", and also the subject of international relations & creation "of an international organisation".

France-Radio Libertaire

On Saturday 3rd September a mass protest, organised by various libertarian groups & other free radio stations was held in the centre of Paris when over 5,000 people marched from the Place de la Republique to Place de Chateau-Rouge. During the course of the demonstration the floats at the head of the protesters suddenly stopped playing amplified music and began to transmit directly the broadcast of Radio Libertaire, not only to the protesters but to the thousands of bystanders and residents of the Boulevard Magenta as well.

Another protest meeting, organised by the proof readers union (CGT), was held on 13th September in the Paris Bourse du Travail and was attended by 500 people. On an international level protests to coincide with the Paris activities were held in Montreal (Canada), Oslo, Stockholm Copenhagen, Berlin and several Belgian cities including Bruxelles, Liege, Namur and Arlon.

On 21st September over 200 people attended a protest demonstration outside the French Consulate in Madrid, organised by the CNT-AIT.

Radio Libertaire which is an amalgamation of four separate radio stations comprising of a). Radio Libera
a). *Radio Libertaire* (the voice of the French Anarchist Federation).
b). *Radio Liberte* (a station struggling for the respect of human rights).
c). *Radio Esperanto* (the voice of the Esperantis Libertarian Workers Association)
d). *Radio Libertaria* (the voice of the CNT-AIT in exile). Now broadcasts continually from 6 am to midnight 7 days a week.

Now more than ever, Radio Libertaire needs our support. Send all donations to *Radio Libertaire, 145 rue Amelot, Paris 75011 FRANCE*

Source: *Le Monde Libertaire*.

IRELAND A MINI HITLER

Francis Macaleavy hated the British - not unknown in the Falls Road, perhaps, but the problem was he hated anything Irish too. He became a fervent Nazi, forming little street groups among the kids at his school, to the consternation of local parents who had enough paramilitary kids organisations to worry about without importing them from Germany's waste paper baskets. When he grew up Macaleavy found an outlet for his talents in the army... Which one? Well when you want to be a thug bossing it over people, there isn't so much choice, it either had to be the army of the British monarchists or the Irish republicans (not its illegal imitation in the north, but the genuine state-run one in the south. Isn't there political discrimination in the British and Irish armies? Yes, for libertarians, if they're fool enough to join. But not for authoritarians. Left-wing authoritarians would certainly be excluded from sensitive areas where they would confront, say, Russians. Right-wing authoritarians have no such barriers to face. Macaleavy was posted to the Lebanon in the peace-keeping force - a highly sensitive choice. Quarreling with an Israeli sentry, Macaleavy called him a damned 'Jewboy' and was afterwards reproached by his comrades for placing them all in jeopardy. Macaleavy whipped out his automatic gun and murdered his three Irish fellow soldiers in cold blood. One doesn't bargain for Nazi soldiers when one joins the army. These three Irish soldiers were, in one way, murdered by the Republic's Minister of Defence. If you had a blood thirsty Alsatian dog, would you let it loose in a school playground? Sentenced to life it was stated - wonderful psychological jargon, what a lot Freud has to answer for - that Macaleavy has a 'personality defect'. Yes, because he murdered three. If he had three million on his conscience, he would be a world statesman (or woman).

The other "official" CNT has been paralysed by an economic crisis: while its workshop organisation as such has nothing whatever to pay rents or continue to publish newspapers. All are suspended; a few halls are clung to, but the situation is desperate. The financial contributions made by the exiles is not - as some seem to have imagined - inexhaustible: it has now to rely on current contributions, rather than contributions made over thirty years. The amounts are pitiful. Yet the CNT is owed a fortune by the government.

The "patrimony" is something in the neighbourhood of £10 Million sterling: this is the value of what was illegally stolen by the Franco government, on victory, in breach of the constitution. The UGT has a similar, but lesser, amount due and has got paid. Not the CNT. Then there is (estimated) another £50 million due from the "quota" - ie. what the Francoists did with the money they stole. They built halls, printing presses, etc. all of which have an accumulated value, and they drew the weekly contributions for themselves by force. All this should go back to the unions from which it was grabbed.

The socialists are in power and naturally they are interested in getting their share, but they are none too keen on the CNT getting its share. The argument is

that "the CNT is divided...how do they know which is and which isn't, the CNT.. is mere ideological affinity enough..." and so on. (there never were any problems in deciding who was a CNT member and who wasn't when the Francoists went to the factories and took one in ten out and shot them). The other argument is that if the CNT won't participate in the union elections (which it is now legally able to do) how can it be told what working class support they have? (This affects the "quota" share).

Thus there is an additional reason to back those who want the CNT to stand for the workers committees (this should not be confused with parliamentary elections; nor with 'workers committees' in the socialist sense of the phrase. It is an equivalent to working "within the unions" abroad).

It can also be understood why there are so many infiltrators and agents trying to divert the CNT, trying every trick so that its finances may be withheld, trying to divide it as sepearate warring bodies, trying to discredit it while dividing, trying to build up phoney organisations to attack both sides and trying to take control.

The next Black Flag Quarterly will have an article THE CNT IN SPAIN TODAY

C.N.D. 'INTERVENTION'

A VIEWPOINT

At the march of 400,000 there were about 150 anarchists/anarchist sympathisers who took part and there were a reported 23 arrests - a similar ratio to the Stop the City exercise - at the rally in Hyde Park. Several attempted arrests were thwarted, however, as a result of solidarity actions: several cops were assaulted and comrades rescued. Altogether the cops seemed ill prepared to deal with intimidation while surrounded by a mass of middle class, respectable pacifists: snatch squads found it impossible to make arrests when the crowd was so tight. Under different conditions (ie, without the protection of the crowd) the anarchists would have suffered heavier losses. Throughout the speeches the small, but highly visible group of flag waving anarchists, kept up a constant barrage of heckling. This secured them a piece on the TV news and mention in the press. Kinnoch was well heckled, with the aid of a megaphone and it was later reported that as a consequence he was virtually unable to hear himself speak due to the juxtaposition of the P.A. But the remainder of the 'heckling' consisted, mainly, of mindless sloganeering, similar to what you'd expect from well seasoned trots: 'Maggie, Maggie, Maggie - out, out, out' was replaced by 'Boring, boring, boring' and so it was. Many of the 400,000 were pro-Labour, pro-establishment and into non-violence (there were the few exceptions, such as the straight looking, middle-aged bloke who calmly punched a cop in the face when some of the anarchists/punks were being attacked). It was therefore unsurprising that what the hecklers were trying to do was neither appreciated or understood. A small number of anarchists and others, once the speeches were over, then went on to Trafalgar Square to cause trouble at the Olga Maitland (far-right, pro-nuclear campaigner) vigil. It was disappointing that most decided not to. A hundred plus arriving from different directions at the square, would have proven very effective and a counter to the criticism that only the soft targets are sought. As it was, an 'intervention' in a mainstream demonstration, that is but a distraction to resistance against the war-mongers, was settled for. If the mainly middle-

class, quietist, CND had any real potential for effecting change (which they havn't) then a spectacle designed to get up their noses is just that, nothing more. Did the CND leadership really feel uncomfortable at the sight of a small number of incoherent flag wavers? If they did, so what? Many would admit though that they went along not because they thought that anything could be achieved, but because they wanted to express their anger (and frustration?). On the whole, though, a lot more importance is given to CND than they deserve. Rather than be swayed by these monolithic distractions that are getting nowhere, it would be better if anti-militarists put more time and effort into building an organisation that used tried and tested, workable tactics to make direct hits on the enemy. We need to stop playing games and indulging ourselves in this self-entertainment: its just pissing in the wind. Its not as though we're short of success stories to learn from: within the anarchist and anarcho-syndicalist traditions there are numerous examples. There are no rigid formula's to follow and direct action can be employed by different degrees. We also need to see just what we can do as a movement, autonomous from the left and the radical liberal.

But a flea in the ear is all we will be if our 'activism' is confined in the main to interventions. We don't have to 'plead' our case: as a movement we have our own track record to go by, although currently we are not seen, perhaps, to have our own practise of direct action that is working. Short of a general strike (and, say, a generalised mutiny within the military) nothing but offensive measures will achieve what we seek.

The 'A' Team.

NB. 'Stop the City' Court cases are being held at the Guild Hall in London on 4/11 and further disruptions of banks are also planned leading up to March 29th Stop the City action again.

On 29/10 the Greenham women took down a mile of fencing at the Cruise Missile base.

On 31st/10 a disruption of the House of Commons debate on the arrival of Cruise is to take place along with a march from Trafalgar Square to the Whitehall, Ministry of Defence area.

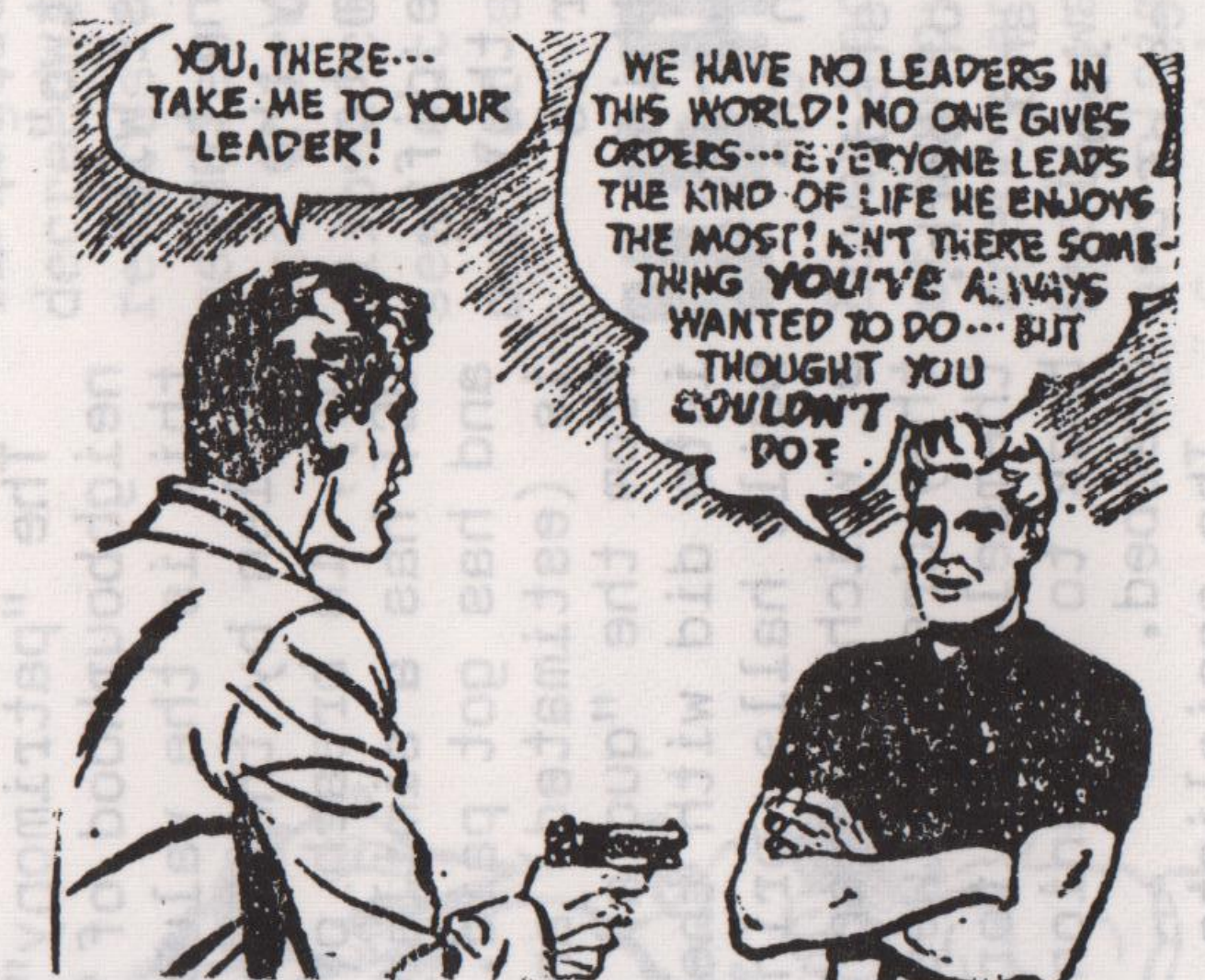
During the '2 minute silence' for the WWI & WWII dead at the Olga Maitland rally a loud piercing scream resulted in the arrest of a young South London man.

Prisons

Armley prison is overcrowded. Instead of an amnesty or demolition there is to be an extension built. Built in 1847 with 334 cells (one prisoner per cell) it nowadays was redesigned to take 623 prisoners. The daily average is really 1,150, often going over 1,246, more than twice the design, or four times the original! Inmates include those imprisoned for refusal to pay fines, for buying stolen goods, for being drunk, for shoplifting, being in a fight or awaiting deportation. Britain imprisons - proportionately - more people than any country in Europe, gives the longest sentences, has the most life prisoners, imprison more of the youth (this percentage is increasing). As Anarchists we see the roots of much 'crime' lie in the unequal power relations in society - divisions along lines of sex, money, race and age. Only a revolutionary change in society - the smashing of the State - will free people from the conditions which mould anti-social behaviour. But, here and now sentencing can be cut. It would not stop 'crime' but neither do

prisons. As it becomes more obvious that the police/judges/warders are themselves in fact the real criminals and profit off the people then the abolition of the dead system of imprisonment will become possible and we will be along the road to a really free society.

The Armley prison extension should be scrapped, already local people will have to move (since the local MP Michael Meadowcroft and Leeds Councillors agreed to the extension they are now asking for a little compensation to those having lost their homes - what of the prisoner's lives?) others will have to face a 20 foot wall just a few yards from their houses!



Policing

Surprise, surprise...one of the cops accused of assault on a British Leyland worker charged with pilfering was, in fact, an ex-member of the bomb and anti-terrorist squads. So this is where they end up when they're put out to pasture. Not content with tracking down some alienated youth sending out mickey mouse letter 'bombs' that are guaranteed not to work, the pride of Britain's police are now assigned to using their skilled inTERRORgation techniques on low paid workers wrongly accused of nicking spare parts from their place of work. Sergeant Brian Morton said in court

in his defence that the BL worker, a Mr Junior Williams, hit his own face while in the presence of three cops (Sgt. Morton, DC Lambert and DC Stephen). They obviously hadn't taught Morton originality during his spell with the ATS.

The latest trend following on from the "Neighbourhood Watch" scheme where locals report to the police suspicious people or behaviour, comes Cab drivers working for the police. In Central Florida it has set back graffiting, flyer-posting, and other night and fog operations. Cabbies are cops. Besides looking for 'suspicious' activity cab drivers watch for stolen vehicles from a list provided by the police. Advertising installed on the signs of cabs proclaim: "Free Bracelet With Every Theft".

SOURCE: G.B.

