

YOUTH Voice

An attempt to solve the riddle for living posed by the awful fact that the only thing more boring suffocating and soul-destroying than working is not working.

Unemployment and the youth opportunities programme has left large numbers of young people feeling dissillusioned frustrated and exploited.

The publication of the Government's White Paper, New Training Initiative: a Programme for Action, heralds the imminent massive expansion of "training" schemes for increasing numbers of unemployed young people. While issues such as the level of trainee allowance, compulsory or voluntary entry, remain unresolved at present, there is a measure of agreement over the nature and aims of this additional period of training.

The schemes set out to train the young for the needs of industry in such social and life "skills" as "flexibility, responsibility, respect for authority, adjustment and adaptation". The White Paper

at its most blunt states that the new scheme will "aim to equip young people to adapt successfully to the demands of employment".

This new package is more about containment, conformity and reducing the unemployment statistics than offering policies to provide meaningful work opportunities for all over 16's.

Youth Voice has been put together by a group of young people and adults who are concerned about the present situation.

If you are interested in getting involved either in producing Youth Voice and looking at alternatives to youth unemployment come along to our next meeting on:
MONDAY 19TH APRIL, 7.30 PM at the International Community Centre, 61b, Mansfield Road, Nottingham.

c/o 31a Mansfield Road.
Nottingham.

Alternative Responses to Youth
Unemployment,

19. General Vacs. - ctd.

YOUTH OPPORTUNITY!

IMPORTANT JOB.

IMPRESSIVE SALARY

~~£22.50~~ per week

APPLY H.M. GOVT.

~~£15:00~~

UNREPEATABLE OFFER TO EMPLOYERS

**-FREE WORK-
BEAT THE RECESSION**

H.M. Govt. are pleased to announce to industry a massive subsidy

REPLACE COSTLY WORK FORCE WITH FREE KIDS

JOBS NOT BOMBS?
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I've never thought much of working anyway. It's just so boring, Monday to Friday, nine to five, stuck in an office, a factory, a shop. Being pushed about by your Boss, getting lousy wages.

I don't understand why people go on so much about 'The right to Work' the right to work for someone else, to make money for someone else?

How many jobs can you think of where you can really do something you like doing? Work all your life in a lousy job, with no thanks for what you do, and nothing to show for it at the end. (Do your parents?).

Being on the Dole means that you are broke, you are bored, and you are on your own. But if they paid decent benefits you could go out more and have the money to do what you want. Instead we're 'PUNISHED' for not working and stuck in POVERTY.

I think that instead of asking for jobs we should ask for higher benefits. We've got the right to live with enough money - nothing to do with work. And then we've got to get together with other people in the same boat to do things for ourselves - anything you want. Set up a band, a recording studio, a disco, travel around with your mates... all the things you do that they call 'hobbies', that you do in your 'spare time' - do them all the time!!

If we start saying that we need to work, that we're bored without working, then we will always be pushed around and told what to do.

Do it yourself! We've got the time to enjoy ourselves, but we need more money to do it!

LIFE TODAY

The TV's boring a hole in your head, you watch Humpty Dumpty and his friend little Ted, a sixteen year old lying in bed, you wonder if you'd be better off dead. Every so often at the 'job centre' you call in, but what's the use, they have nothing at all in.

Dole doesn't offer the independence we need, you MP's and bosses and adults take heed, if you give us no jobs, no chance to succeed, we'll grow bitter this way and on your scraps feed, we'll hang around on corners, we'll stare at the floor, we'll smash in the windows and threaten the law, we'll live to be the Yobos you call us and more, for we have nothing to live for, you bolted the door.

**JOBS
NOT
BOMBS**

AS I SAID
AT THE PARTY
CONFERENCE.
IF THERE WAS
A BUTTON I COULD
PRESS WHICH
WOULD SOLVE
THE UNEMPLOYMENT
PROBLEM....



YOUTH OPPORTUNITIES PROGRAMME

HORROR STORIES

Are young people on YOP and WEEP schemes being abused, or is that just a reactionary statement as some would have us believe?

Make up your own mind:-

- 1). Evidence suggests that 35% of Employers regard WEEP entrants as an extra pair of hands.
- 2). All work experience programmes are supposed to involve induction, day release and counselling but, according to a survey in summer 1979, only 13% of WEEP trainees were receiving off-the-job training.
- 3). I told them I was interested in woodwork they put me on a YOP scheme planting trees.
- 4). There is reason to suspect that these schemes are affecting the availability of apprenticeships, the numbers of these have fallen to half the 1968 provision.
- 5). A YOP trainee in Milton Keynes asked for a ladder to help paint a toilet ceiling, but was told to stand on the seat. The seat broke - and £15 was deducted from his wages to pay for it.

'WELL, WE ALL THINK IT'S A JOLLY GOOD THING!'



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training

ROCK You'll find it a satisfying job that offers you a good, secure future. And the pay's good - worth £5 a week in the first year, including accommodation. Hours are based on a 40-hour week. You get 4 weeks holiday, free pension and opportunities for promotion. Qualified tradesmen are also welcome. Send for the booklet.

Alien and white; but in some
 21 and 49; in good health
 are required—men 5' 6"
 (167.6 cm) in height; minimum
 about 5' 3" (160 cm) in weight.

Become a
PRISON OFFICER


in today's Prison Service

**Make decisions
to spare?**

KNOCK [redacted] 72 cms (women 162 cms) in special circumstances).
to: The Police Careers Officer,
[redacted] Marrow Road, London W2 1XH.

AIN'T NEVER GONNA K

CAREER OPPORTUNITIES ARE THE ONES THAT NEVER KNOCK

CAREERS

when you...
You could be the...
training would make...
and find out more.

MANAGEMENT BIAS ~ NEW TRAINING INITIATIVE?

Jim Prior; ' We still lag behind our competitors in having an educated, trained, and flexible labour force.'

i.e, young people as 'putty' to make their money.

He goes on to state that those who benefit from training contribute to its costs

in other words you pay to learn skills that will benefit them.

The Document also states that due to the lack of training 'many people are less productive and derive less satisfaction and reward from their work than they might! but your productivity benefits them before it does you: 7% of the population have got 84% of the loot- earned through your productivity!

The training bias; 'It's one thing to train them, (but) there is absolutely no guarantee of a job at the end of it'.

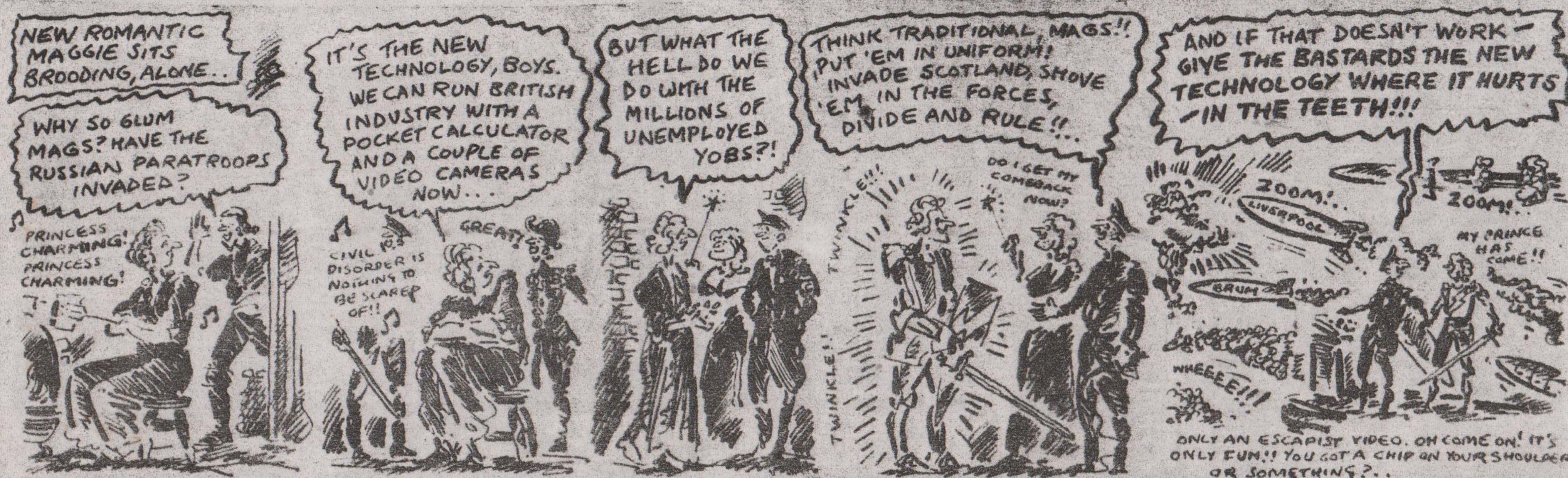


Tories hate people who are not pulling their weight- thats why YOP and Dole rates are low, and you are made to feel like 2nd class citizens by society (which they run).

The whole document stresses the benefits to everyone from better training opportunities and thus wealth, but there is no reason to suppose that young workers are going to get their fair share of that wealth that they produce.

The Government uses the **MYTHS** of 'National Interest' and 'Wealth for all,' to force this kind of legislation through. Some young people may benefit from the schemes, but they will be the ones who 'got on' anyway.

YOP JOBS?: ' If you are going to use the criterion of success of the YOP, that of... ...placing them in permanent jobs... then I think you are misunderstanding the purpose of the programme. (Cliff Warner, Nottm snior Careers Advsr).



CONSCRIPTION

'There is no better experience for young people than a period of time serving the Queen, when they will learn Loyalty, Self Discipline, Self Respect, and esprit de corps'.

(Tory MP).

WHAT'S BORED WITH BEING BORED... WANNA DO SOMETHING..... TRY THESE

The Drop-in Centre, Green Lane,
Clifton, Tel: 211994.

Contact: Simon, Phil.

Open: Monday-Friday, 2 p.m. till
5 p.m.;

Wednesday morning 10 a.m. till 1 p.m.

Workshop: 9 a.m. till 5 p.m.,
Monday - Friday.

5-a-side football for unemployed,
Wednesdays 2 p.m. at Notts.
County ground.

**6 I've wanted to act
for years, but I never
did have the time**

The Coffee Bar Project

International Community Centre,
61b, Mansfield Road, tel:
Nottingham 49842.

Contact: Leroy Wallis

Open: Wednesdays, Thursdays,
2 p.m. till 7 p.m. (possibly moving
to Ukadia, Marple Square).

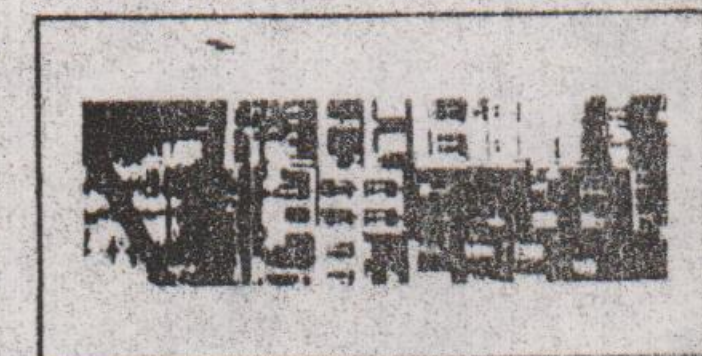
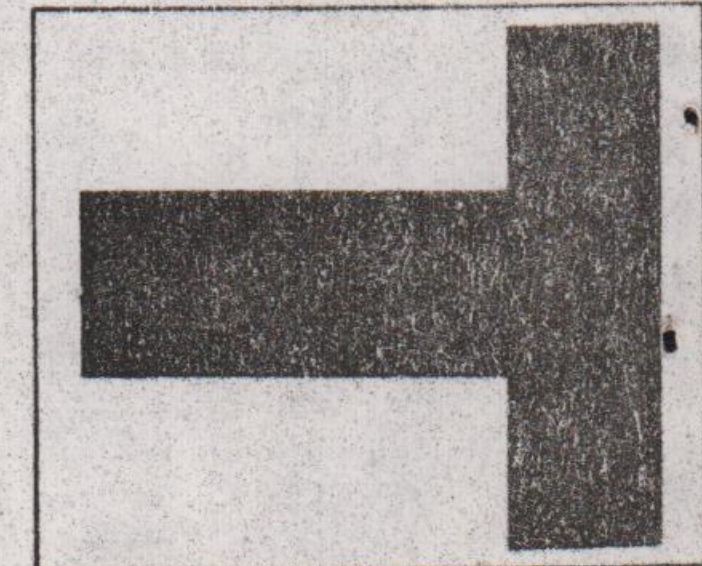
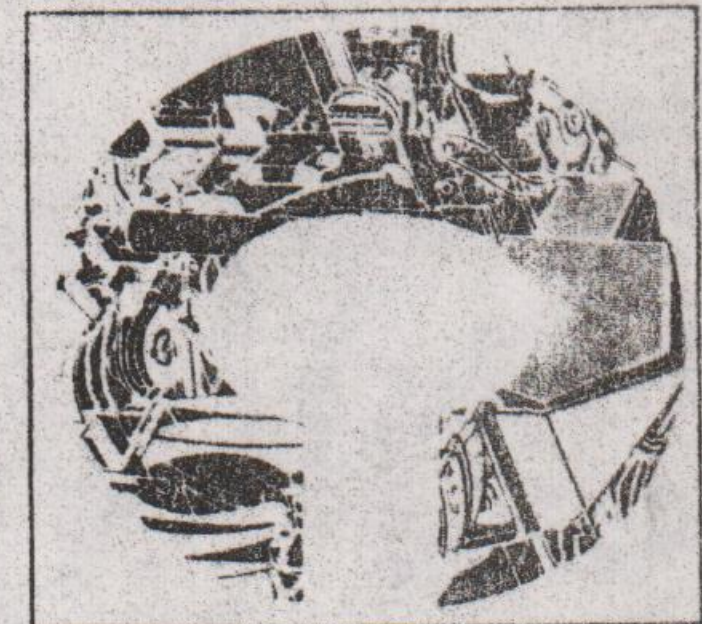
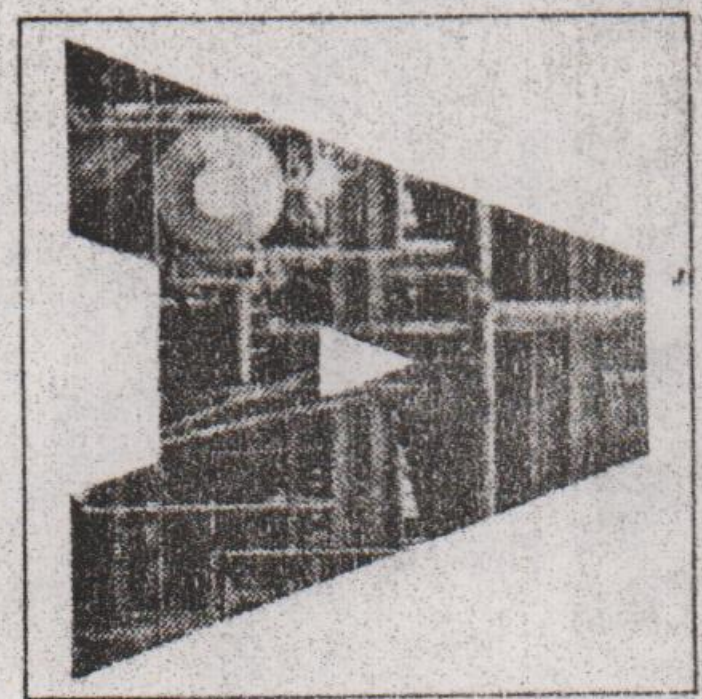
Top Valley

There are plans underway to set
up facilities for the unemployed
- advice surgery, drop in centre,
cooperatives.

Alan Howes on 275573 would welcome
ideas and interest.



**HOW TO
MAKE AN
ART OUT
OF THIS
BOREDOM?**



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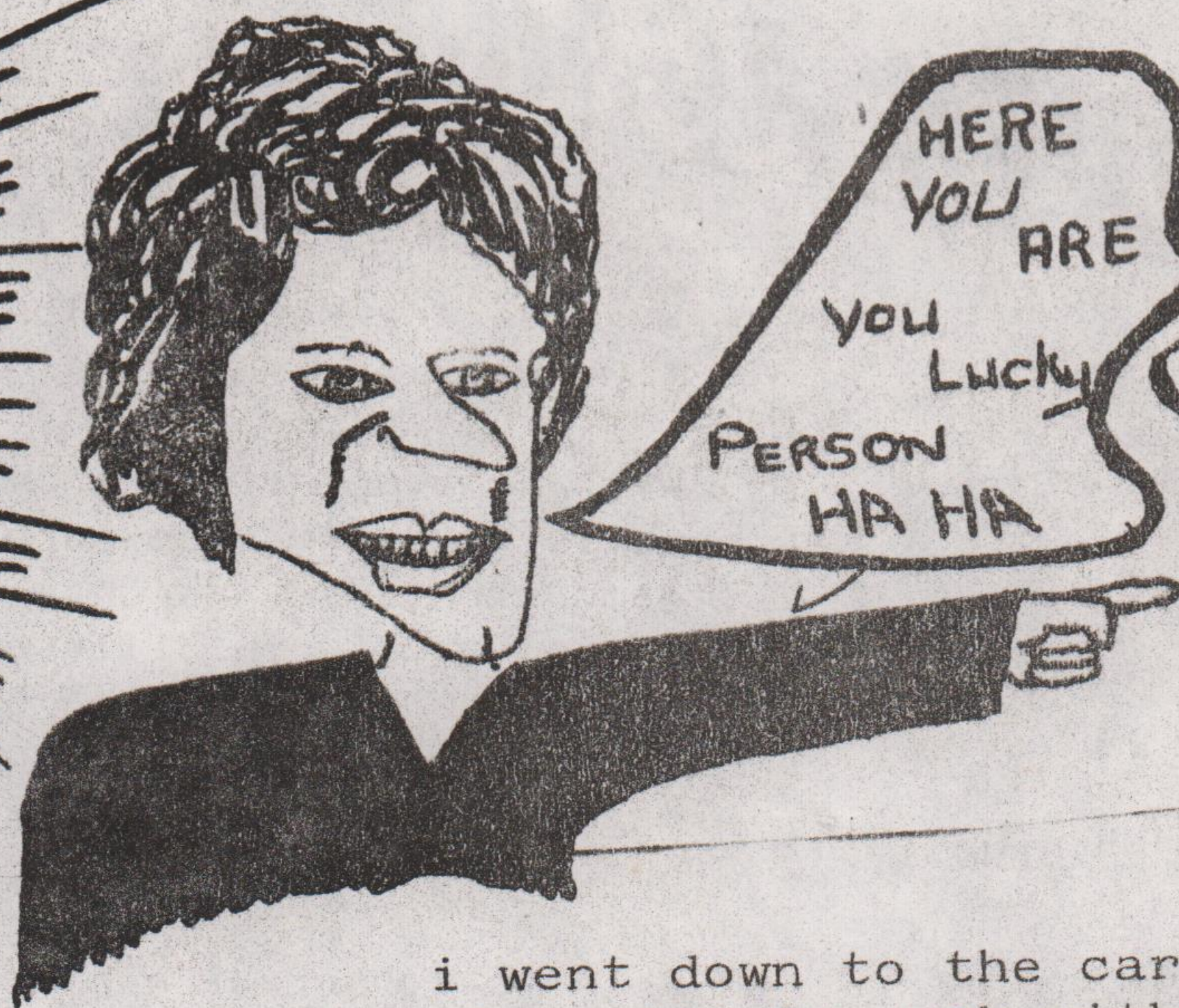
Tel: 789720.

Contact: Maggie Mann

Open: 9 a.m. - 5 p.m.
Monday-Friday.

**LIFE
ON THE OUTSIDE**

TOP



HERE YOU ARE
YOU ARE
LUCKY
PERSON
HA HA



JUST BECAUSE
Im a
Y.O.P

i went down to the careers office and told them that i wanted to work with young children and they gave me an interveiw with mother care - by josie

ARE YOU ON A YOP SCHEME TO
KEEP THE UNEMPLOYMENT FIGURES
DOWN?

is mr norman tebbits new scheme around about way of highering the school leaving age (LET ME OUT)



ON YER
BIKE,
NORMAN

THERE
IS
NO
ALTERNATIVE



ARE YOU BEING USED AS
CHEAP LABOUR?

are trained people being taken out of a job and being replased by a 16 to 18 year old for less money

90% of employer do not class y o p training as work experience

Make it

Bill To the State:
one family on the dole

Lost income tax	1060
Lost indirect tax	247
Lost NI contributions	1043
Cost of unemployment benefit	2,258
Cost of Family Income Supplement	231
Cost of rent and rate rebates	441
Cost of free school meals	156
Cost of administration	156
Cost of redundancy pay	615
total	£6,207

NOW DOESN'T
THAT MAKE
SOUND
ECONOMIC SENSE..





YOUTH AGAINST THE MISSILES

YOUTH AGAINST THE MISSILES is a group open to anyone under the age of 25.

(BUT IF YOU'RE OLDER STILL KEEP READING.)

It is active in the fight for unilateral nuclear disarmament in Britain.

We formed Y.A.M. in January, 1981 with about 6 people at the first meeting. We now have about 200 contacts around the Nottingham area. We have been building the movement in as many schools and colleges as possible, and we are also trying to build the campaign among the unemployed youth.

Y.A.M. is affiliated to Y.C.N.D. and N.N.D. (as well as 118 Workshop), but is run autonomously. We are not connected with any political party and although some of our members are members of other political groups, Y.A.M. itself doesn't support any particular party.

But come to think of it, I don't think

we have any Margaret Thatcher supporters. I wonder why.

We have been active in many anti-nuclear activities. We have supported N.N.D. demonstrations and have held meetings and social events in different areas. We have produced 3 editions (& the 4th is soon to be printed, hopefully) of the Y.A.M. magazine, and we have also made and sold about 400 badges.

A large amount of our members went on the Peace Train down to London for the National Demonstration (much to N.N.D.'s dismay as they lost money because there were so many young people with fl tickets. Sorry, N.N.D.!). We have also supported demonstrations in Manchester and Derby.

It costs 50p. to join Y.A.M. for a year and if you're too old to be a member, how about donating some cash to us (we're not very well off I'm afraid). If you would like to know more about Y.A.M., ring Candida on 607902; or if you're an enthusiastic youth, why not come to a Y.A.M. meeting?

They're held every Saturday afternoon at 2:30p.m. at 118 Workshop.

CANDIDA.



TO LOOK AT HIM YOU'D THINK IT WAS ALL OVER BAR THE SHOUTING....