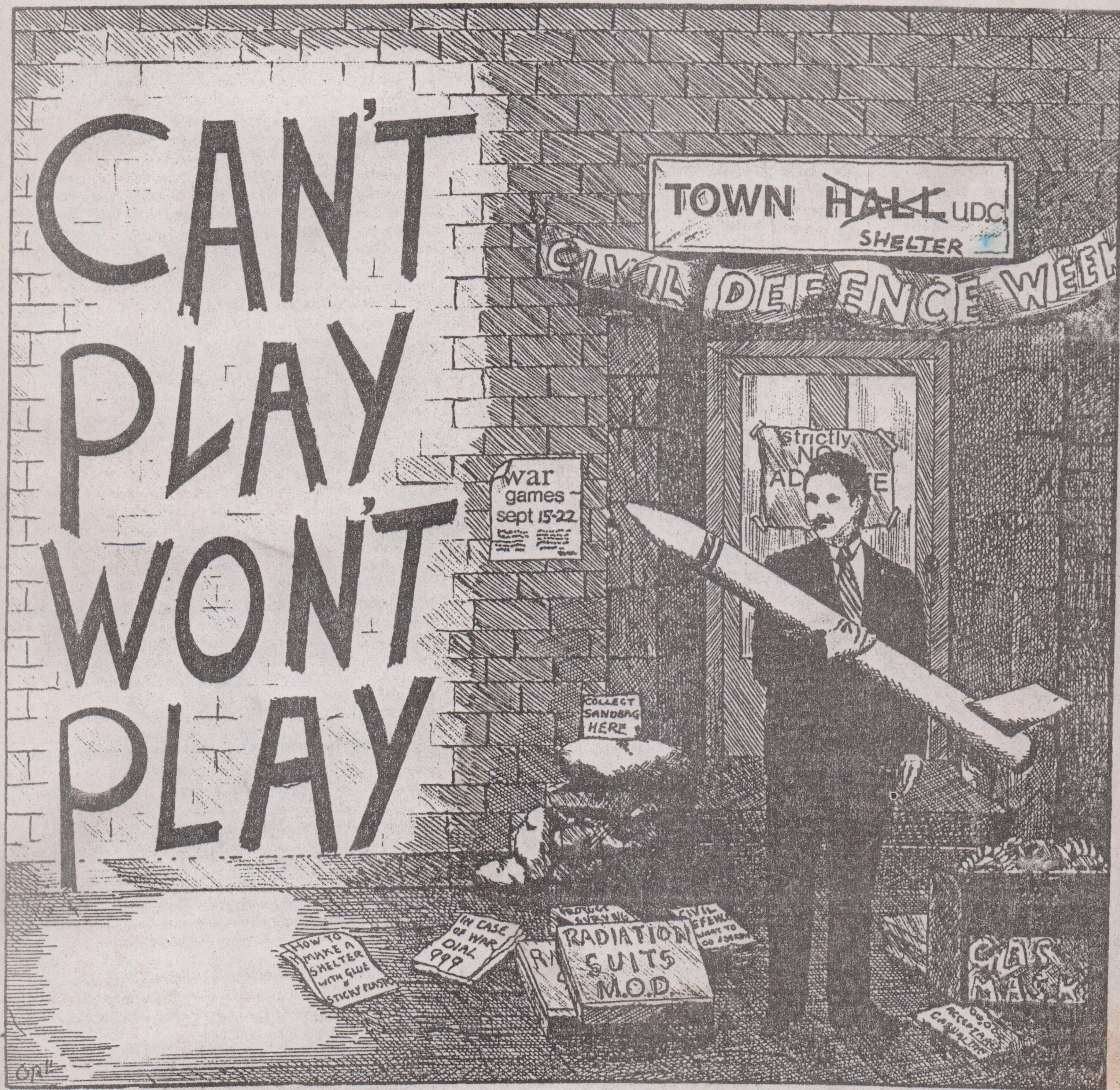


# Nottingham CND

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## Bulletin

SEPT. 20p



CIVIL DEFENCE — CND ACTION WEEK 15th 22nd

+ 10,000,000 WOMEN FOR GREENHAM.  
+ PERUGIA REPORT.



# WHAT'S ON

<u>September</u>	Sat 1	Ex-Services CND Demo in London
	Sun 2	<u>Members' Meeting:</u> "Trident" - 7.30pm Friends' Meeting House, Clarendon Street
	Thurs 6	<u>Co-ordinating Meeting.</u> NCND Office - 7.30pm
	Sat 15	<u>"Trident" Day School</u> with Dan Plesch. Queen's Walk Community Centre - 10am-5pm
	Mon 17	Bulletin Editorial Meeting. NCND - 7.30pm DEADLINE for contributions to October Bulletin Civil Defence Campaign Week begins
	Thurs 20	Start of <u>"10 Million Women at Greenham"</u> (see p 5 )
	Sat 22	<u>Civil Defence Campaign Event in Listergate</u>
	Sun 23	BBC Documentary "Threads" (on effects of Nuclear War - see p 7 and Radio Times) NVDA Meeting. NCND Office - 7.30pm
	Mon 24	BBC Documentary "On the 8th Day" (Nuclear Winter)
	Tues 25	Chilwell "4" at Shire Hall - 10am
	Thurs 27	Chilwell "3" at Shire Hall - 10am 'Stop the City' London Demo. Details from Mushroom Bookshop
	Sat 29	October Bulletins ready for collection
<u>October</u>	Sat 6	Deadline for collection of October Bulletins
	Sun 7	<u>Members' Meeting.</u> Friends' Meeting House - 7.30pm Discussion of Conference Resolutions and mandating of delegates
	Thurs 11	Co-ordinating Meeting. NCND Office - 7.30pm
	Sat 27	<u><u>NATIONAL DEMO at BARROW IN FURNESS</u></u>

## Neighbourhood Groups

Tues. 4	<u>Carlton/Gedling</u> meet 8pm Frank Weldon School Sneinton meet 7.30 26 Lyndhurst Rd.
Wed. 5	<u>City Centre</u> meet. Phone contact for details
Mon. 10	<u>Radcliffe</u> meet 7.30 Dayncourt 6th form block.
Tues 11	<u>Aspley</u> meet 7.45 William Crane Sch East Gate. Beeston meet 8pm Victoria Hotel, Dovecote Lane.
Wed 12	<u>Forest Fields</u> meet 8pm 69 Wiverton Rd.
Sat 15	<u>Carlton/G. &amp; Sneinton</u> stall at Netherfield Gala
Tues 18	<u>Arnold/Woodthorpe</u> meet 8pm Arnold Leisure Centre. (Discussion: Anti-Apartheid speaker)
Thur 27	<u>Bestwood</u> meet 8pm Top Valley Library. <u>Forest Fields</u> meet 8pm 69 Wiverton Rd.

Ring Contacts for OTHER GROUP meeting times and places

Basford meet Tues 4Sept 8.00 Zulu Rd Cmm. Centre.

### W.E.A. Course

World Peace & the Nuclear  
Debate

Tutor: Tony Simpson

10 meetings commencing  
Wednesday 26 September at  
7pm at the Adult Education  
Centre in Shakespeare St.  
fee £9.25 & £1.50 (UB40s)

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**Focus on**  
**CIVIL DEFENCE**  
**at the Listergate stall**  
**SAT. 22nd. SEPT.**  
**10am. - 5pm.**

CIVIL DEFENCE EXHIBITION

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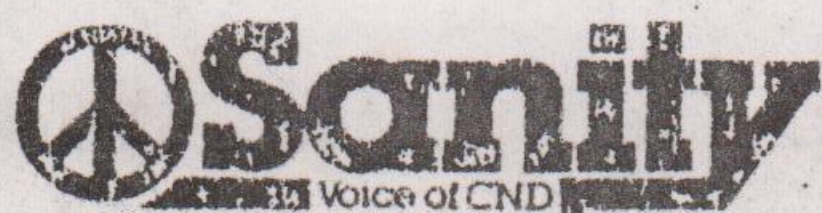
PUBLIC-OPINION POLL

While the army plays war games with conventional weapons, the Government is forcing local councils to make new and wasteful preparations for 'civil defence' against nuclear attack. The Government's aim is to make people believe that nuclear war is survivable.

**Civil Defence is no defence**

The Government's plans for 'civil defence' are a sham. After a nuclear attack on Britain, scientists estimate that 4 out of 5 people would be killed by the effects of burns, blast and radiation. Many of the 'survivors' would die from hunger or disease. It is also possible that months of intense freezing cold and darkness would follow in a NUCLEAR WINTER. Few of the remaining people or plants would survive.

CND's week's Civil Defence Campaign Sept. 17 to 23 is timed to coincide with the final week of Operation Lionheart, one of NATO's annual military exercises in which Britain is playing a major part for which thousands Territorial Army members have received calling-up papers. Significantly, the Government is not co-ordinating Lionheart with a Civil Defence exercise, in spite of recent legislation to compel local authorities to participate. Memories of 1982, when the Hard Rock exercise had to be cancelled owing to lack of support from Nuclear Free Zone Councils are still alive. It is important we keep them alive by alerting the public to what Civil Defence means.



ONLY £ 4 p.a. to NCND members!

( See p. 15 for details )

**HELP**

The event is being organised by West Bridgford Group, but help is needed from other groups. We need at least 6 people at a time to keep events going all day. If you can join the rota ring Don on 812611 (evenings.)

**The Chilwell 7**

4 NCND members are up before the magistrates at Shire Hall at 10 am on 25 September charged with intent to commit criminal damage. A further 3 will appear on 27 September 10 am, charged with having committed criminal damage. All are pleading 'not guilty'.

Come along and lend them moral support both outside the court and in the public gallery.





## ANNUAL CONFERENCE 1984

23rd, 24th & 25th

NOVEMBER

SHEFFIELD CITY HALL



Our 5 delegates elected at the August Members' Meeting are Kristian Ravnkilde, Bronwen Westacott, David Lane, Ross Bradshaw and Dave Dickenson.

The full list of resolutions - NCND has proposed two - are in the August "Campaign". Copies have been circulated to Neighbourhood groups and are also available in the office.

Compositing is now taking place, the idea being to combine similar resolutions in order to achieve a more workable interim agenda. I am acting for NCND in this. Deadlines for this and the ensuing processes leading up to the circulation of the final conference agenda on Nov. 2. are all given in "Campaign".

Our programme for dealing with all this excitement is as follows:-

1. Sept. Co-ordinating Meeting:  
Selection of main topics of interest on which we wish to mandate delegates.
2. October Members' Meeting: mandating delegates and proposing any amendments.
3. November Co-ordinating Meeting:  
decisions on the final agenda since it will not reach us in time for the AGM. Our delegates themselves will decide on matters not mandated or arising at Conference.

Emergency resolutions can be submitted at Conference on matters arising after 9 July, the final date for submitting resolutions. Again see 'Campaign'!

If we feel there is anything meriting an emergency resolution, it can be raised via monthly, co-ordinating or exec. meetings or via our delegates.

PHEW !

Kristian

### NEIGHBOURHOOD GROUPS

PLEASE check your August CAMPAIGN! , plough through and discuss the resolutions for Annual Conference in time for SEPTEMBER CO-ORDINATING MEETING on 6th. Sept. This meeting will have to decide the main topics for Exec. to choose resolutions to be discussed at the October monthly meeting on which delegates will be mandated to vote.

## Listergate Stall

The Lister Gate Stall had its second Birthday on Hiroshima Day. In August, 1982 some members of Arnold group obtained permission to run a stall under St. Peter's wall for the four Hiroshima - Nagasaki Days. This proved such an effective way of bringing the case for nuclear disarmament to the notice of Nottingham people, that it was decided to continue to run the stall on Saturdays.

Since then, come wind, rain, hail or blazing heat, few Saturdays have passed without the stall being there outside Marks and Spencers to catch the eyes of the Saturday crowds. Very many people have come up to the stall, talked to us collected leaflets, bought badges and literature. Many, too, have become members.

However, just before the stall's second anniversary, the police 'discovered' that we needed a licence to continue. For a few anxious days the future looked black but thanks to the tireless efforts of Chairperson Ann and others who made endless phonecalls, investigated the regulations and arranged a meeting with City Council representatives, the situation was resolved. The Nottingham City Council has maintained its stand for a Nuclear Free Zone and granted us a licence to continue until December, when all licences are reviewed. This will mean slightly different operating conditions which volunteers will be informed of.

So .... during the next few months let us run the most effective stalls ever. We need a stream of volunteers to wo/man the stall. (August was a very difficult month). How long since your group volunteered? Ring NCND and get on the Rota. Come along too, as individuals.

We particularly need lots of helpers on September 22nd for the Civil Defence Event. (see page 1).

*get involved!*





# WHEN THE LAUNCHERS LEAVE GREENHAM

## Telephone Blockade

As soon as you hear the news that the launchers are out again, ring one or more of the following numbers and PROTEST.

This is a very practical and effective way of asserting our power to disrupt communications and show our vehement disapproval of cruise.

THE CALL FOR AS MANY MEMBERS AS POSSIBLE TO COME TO THE SQUARE AT 5 p.m. STILL STANDS  
(See August Bulletin)

### NUMBERS to RING

Ministry of Defence 01 218 9000  
M.Heseltine's secretary 01 218 2111  
U.S.A. Embassy 01 499 9000  
Greenham Air Base 0635 46263  
House of Commons 01 219 3000  
Local M.P.s:-  
Nottm East: Knowles Ex. 3475  
secretary 4434  
South: Brandon Bravo Ex. 4429  
secretary 3495  
North: Ottway Ex. 6397 Sec. 4017  
Broxstowe: Lester (& sec.) 4440  
Rushcliffe: Clark Ex. 4528 Sec. 5189

## TRIDENT

### TRIDENT - LOBBY DAY SCHOOL

with DAN PLESCH

(author of "What shall we do after we've shown 'The War Game'")

SAT. 15 SEPTEMBER

10 a.m. to 5 p.m.

QUEEN'S WALK COMMUNITY CENTRE

The Meadows,

How to lobby your M.P.

Role playing

Specialist approaches  
(Christian, Ex-services, etc.)

Trident briefing.

PLEASE BRING YOUR OWN LUNCH

## National DEMO

Barrow-in-Furness  
Saturday October 27th

CND's autumn campaign focusses on Trident, culminating with a massive demonstration at Barrow in Furness, Lancs, where the Vickers works has the contract to build the Trident submarines.

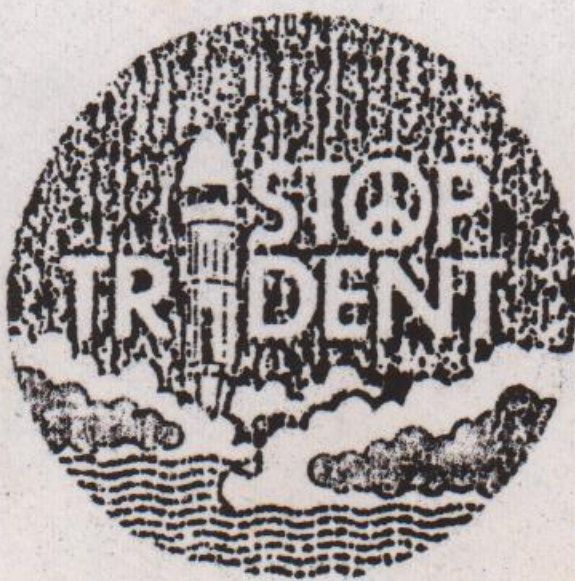
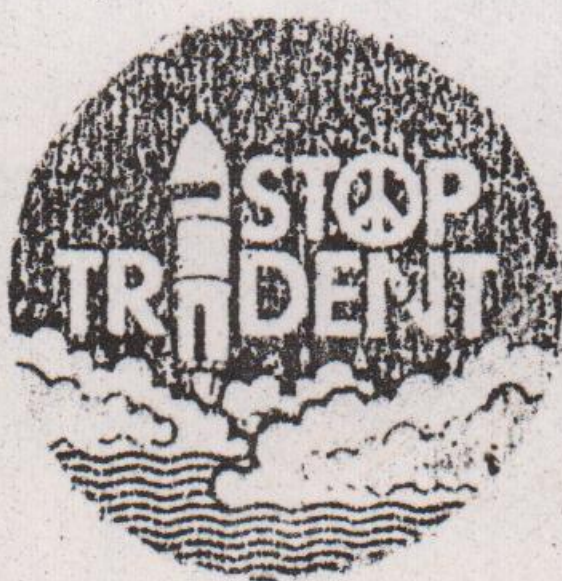
NCND has booked 4 coaches - as a start.

Leave: Salutation Inn, Maid Marion Way,  
7.30 a.m.

Return: approx. 11 p.m.  
(Leave Barrow at 6 p.m.)

Tickets: £ 8 (£ 4 unwaged)

PLEASE get your ricket early so that we have time to order more coaches.





# NEW OFFICE

14 - 18 St. Mary's Gate. Tel. 581948

Our new premises are superb; light and airy with a fine display area separate from the workroom. There is even a temporary parking area at the rear off St Mary's Place for deliveries and collection. We have one permanent place in the car park - No. 4.

There are snags though.

1. It's very expensive. We have to pay £725 for a six month lease which works out at £32 per week! We need contributions from Neighbourhood groups and individuals to cover this. PLEASE HELP. There is a Banker's order form below: if you can make a regular contribution this would be especially helpful.

We hope at the end of the lease to move into permanent quarters in the Rainbow Centre. (See special report p.13)

2. We need stacking or folding chairs for meetings. Can anyone help? We also need soft board for notices.

3. Most important - we need more VOLUNTEERS to wo/man the office Mon. to Sat. 10 am to 5 pm. We can do with several people at a time. Activities are multifarious: receiving visitors; dealing with stock; typing; filing; letter-writing; answering the phone etc. etc.

If you can give a day, half a day, even a couple of hours on a regular basis, please let us know. We would particularly like to have MORE WOMEN on the rota.

## THANKS!

NCND wishes to thank all who helped with the office move. We are specially grateful to Mushroom Bookshop, 118 Work shop, the E. Midlands Communist Party and the Tobacco Workers' Union for their offers of working and storage space for the 3 weeks when we were homeless.

# agm

SUNDAY 4th NOVEMBER 7.30 p.m.

Friends' Meeting House, Clarendon St.

### Nominations for Executive

2 Chairpersons (1 male 1 female)  
1 treasurer  
6 members

Name and membership number of each candidate (state which standing for) and proposer and seconder by 15th Oct. earlier if possible so that 'names so far' can go in the October Bulletin. Maximum 300 words from each candidate to be submitted by 29th October - why standing, work to date for NCND/NGs etc.

Questions for candidates to be submitted by 29th October - these will be put to ALL candidates on the night. 'Emergency questions', also for ALL candidates, may be considered subject to the same considerations as emergency motions.

### RESOLUTIONS

To be submitted as per the Constitution, i.e. no later than one week in advance to the office, earlier if possible please in time for the October Bulletin to attract more representative discussion.

Emergency resolutions can be discussed, AT THE MEETING'S DISCRETION, if submitted in writing at the beginning of the meeting and if they cover matters arising AFTER THE ONE WEEK DEADLINE.

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Please pay to the Co-operative Bank PLC, 15 Friar Lane, Nottingham for the account of Nottingham CND (A/C No 50138809) the sum of £

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mandated by me.

signed . . . . . A/C No . . . . .

Name . . . . .

Address . . . . .



# 10 million WOMEN for 10 days

## GREENHAM Sept. 20 - 30

If you think it will take a miracle — remember that miracles can be made to happen. Will you be part of making this one happen?

All women involved in Greenham, in any way, no matter how small, must embrace this idea and work for it — if it is to happen. Don't leave it to someone else — there is no one else. Don't dilute the miracle for a moment — see clearly that it is possible that 10 million women will be at Greenham at some point in the 10 days. A tidal wave of women's energy. It is only possible if we all pull together and say again, as we have always said, that... "we mean to halt the arms race and change the world."

Opinion polls show that around 80% of women in Britain, DO NOT WANT American cruise missiles here. That's well over 10 million.

This is an appeal to all women to support the three-year-old Women's Peace Camp at Greenham by going to join the camp for all or part of ten days Sept. 20 to 30.

During this time, the biggest NATO exercise ever will be taking place in West Germany. 57,000 Territorial Army volunteers from Britain will be given leave from Britain and Army pay to attend.

Derbyshire County Council have agreed to give all female employees who wish for it one week's unpaid leave to attend the camp. If you work for Notts County Council, why not follow the Derbyshire example, and ask for leave at this time?

THE ARMY PLANS TO MAKE WAR -  
WOMEN ARE GOING TO MAKE PEACE

Women who want to show solidarity here in Nottingham, please come to the Market Square on TUES 25 Sept 12 till 2 p.m.

We shall be chalking our names, singing together, and giving out information

We also hope to organise other local actions, including, possibly, a Women's Peace Camp at Chilwell. For details ring 473145.

Women who want to go to Greenham - we will put you in touch with others if you want to join a group and need transport.

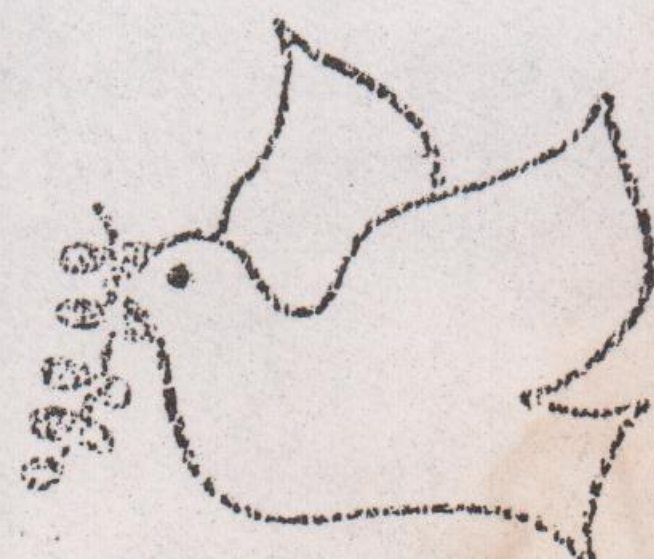
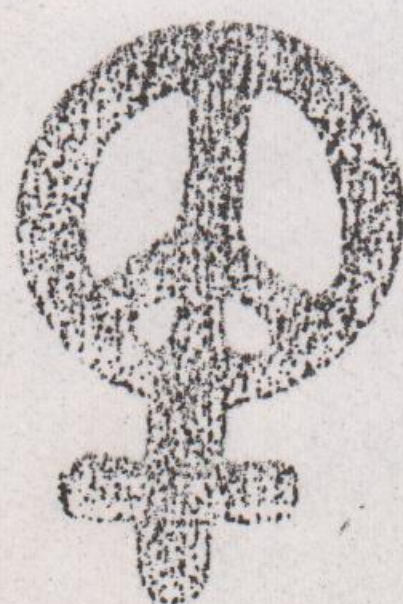
We hope local groups will organise parties to go and arrange transport.

The Greenham women have especially asked us to warn women that the common is easily destroyed by visitors leaving litter, cutting wood, etc.

Please come self sufficient, including water and food. Get as near to the base as you can and camp. Let nothing obstruct you

CONTACT for transport offers and requests and general info. 607906 between 6 and 8 p.m. or messages to the Women's Centre 411475

WOMEN FOR PEACE MEETS EVERY TUESDAY AT 7.30 AT ST ANDREWS CHURCH HALL, CHESTNUT GROVE. ALL WOMEN WELCOME.





# NON-VIOLENT DIRECT ACTION

## Nottingham NVDA

At the Peace Festival on July 8th, a special meeting was held for people who had taken part in Reclaim Chilwell to air their views on how the day had gone and what should happen next. A further meeting was held on August, 12th.

It was unanimously agreed that NVDA needed to become recognised as an established part of mainstream campaigning for peace in Nottingham, and rather than have various affinity groups work in isolated fashion on their own ad hoc actions, a more co-ordinated approach to NVDA on a city-wide basis was required. A network or structure had to be devised, representative of all affinity groups in Nottingham and district, which would provide the following general functions:

1. to plan and co-ordinate local NVDA actions.
2. to organise training for individuals and groups interested in NVDA.
3. to provide information and support for groups undertaking or planning to undertake their own activity.
4. to provide information on NVDA actions being organised elsewhere and to organise participation in them.
5. to have an NVDA account which can fund all aspects of NVDA campaigning and to undertake fund-raising for this account.

It should be noted that these are merely the broad aims outlined at the meeting and no specific constitution or aims have yet been determined. It is hoped that the aims can be formalised once a more representative forum of NVDA groups has been established. To this end, we are inviting representatives of all NVDA affinity groups to attend the next meeting of Nottingham NVDA on Sunday 23rd September at the NCND office at 7.30 p.m.

Under its constitution, National CND fully supports Non-Violent Direct Action and sees it as a legitimate and increasingly important aspect of campaigning. The purpose of NVDA can be seen as two-fold: to draw public attention to various aspects of the preparation for war by direct action and to demonstrate the strength and fierceness of opposition

to the war preparation by participating in acts of non-violent, disobedient actions.

NVDA is not a specialist activity performed by an elite group of activists. It is an essential aspect of all the peace movement's campaigning and should therefore be seen as open to all campaigners in the peace movement. Since Reclaim Chilwell, there is now a vast body of campaigners in Nottingham who have experience of NVDA. Nottingham NVDA hopes campaigners will utilise their own experiences and become part of an efficient and organised structure so that opposition to the arms race grows stronger and stronger.

Nottingham NVDA calls on all individuals and members of affinity groups to help form and run an effective management body for a concerted NVDA campaign. We need your help.

Next meeting - Sunday 23rd September  
7.30p.m. at NCND Office.

Paddy Carstairs.

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## **Alconbury Peace Camp — Conspiracy charges — Who Next?**

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Readers of "Sanity" and "Campaign" will know that 7 people from the Alconbury Peace Camp are facing conspiracy charges. This is the first time that conspiracy charges have been used against the Peace Movement since 1961. If the defendants lose, the authorities will have found a powerful weapon for silencing protest.

### Please HELP

by sending money to The Alconbury Defence Fund, c/o 5 Wye Terrace, Hereford,

by sending letters of support to the same address,

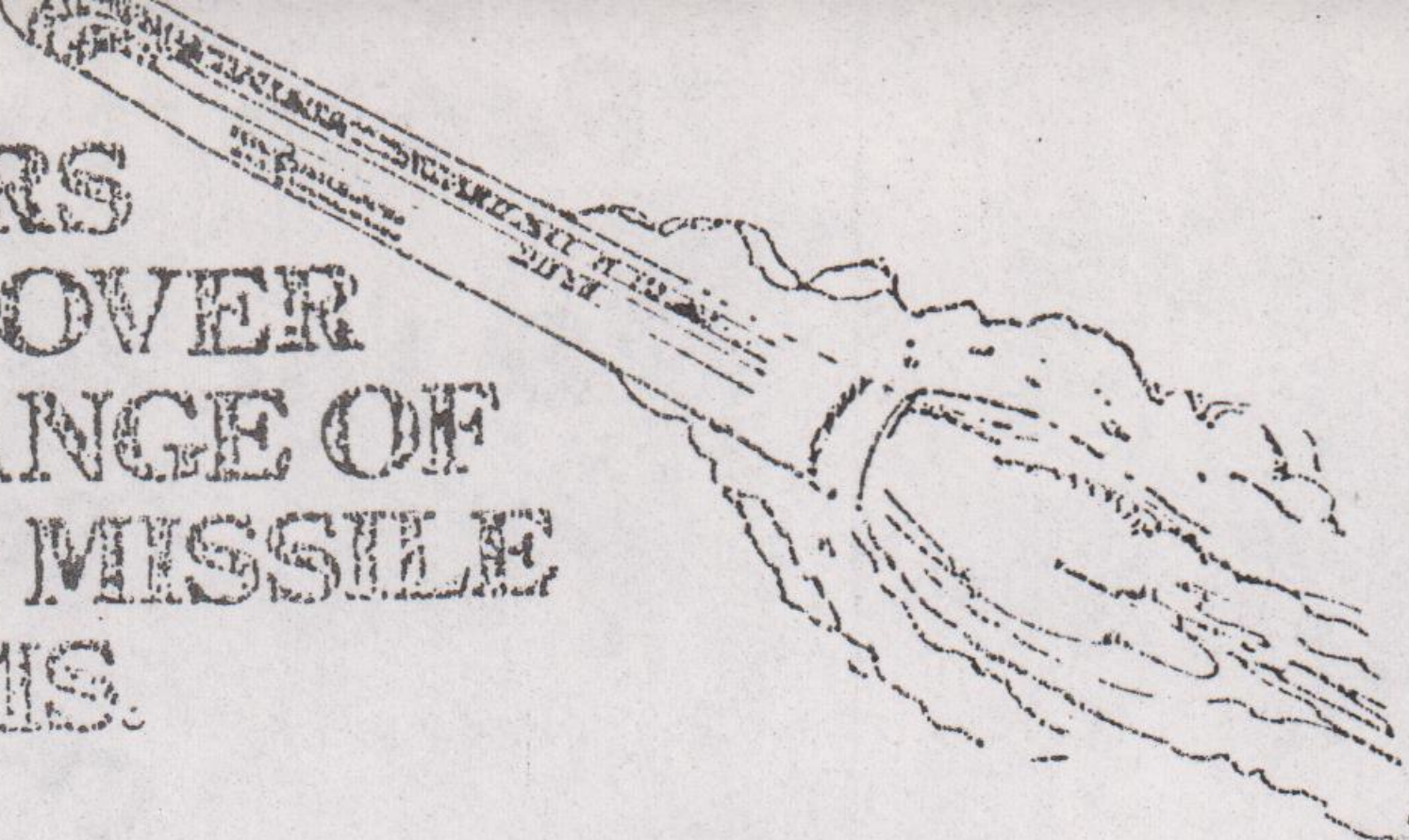
by visiting Alconbury Peace Camp (near Huntingdon, turning off A1)

(NCND has sent £20)



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THANKS

I was recently given the above piece of nukespeak along with a cheque for £330 to use "as you think best to further the ends of the Peace Movement".

Since we no longer have the use of the Factshop duplicator, I have decided to buy NCND our own — there for all groups to make use of — and split the remainder between Beeston Anti-Nuclear Group, Nottm Women for Peace to finance transport to Greenham, the Defence and Aid Fund, and "Peace News". (Do you get your fortnightly copy?)

Kristian Ravnkilde

Photos  
wanted

Urgently required — photos for peace calendar, which portray a humorous or positive thought provoking light on the peace movement or anything related to it. Black and white only please (colour costs too much to print). If you think you have anything suitable please ring Nottingham 705657.

from "The Guardian"

on Hiroshima Day

August 6th, 1984.

BBC to  
show two  
films on  
effect of  
atom war

The BBC is to screen two programmes on what would happen after a nuclear attack on Britain.

The first, on September 23, covers a 13-year period in the projected life and death of Sheffield during which Britain is devastated by nuclear war.

The two-hour documentary is called *Threads*, a reference to the intertwining relationships and resources which support life in a big city.

The direct effects of nuclear blast and subsequent long-term consequences of nationwide nuclear devastation are depicted in accordance with the research findings of scientific and professional bodies in Britain, the US, and the USSR.

The next day BBC2 will screen. On the 8th day, a documentary produced by the BBC natural history unit, and taking its title from computer-generated maps of the world used by American and Russian scientists to predict world temperatures on the eighth day after a nuclear war.

Their findings are that even if only a small portion of the 55,000 existing nuclear warheads were fired the whole northern hemisphere would be plunged into a nuclear winter — a long twilight with freezing temperatures.

These conditions, it is predicted, would spread to the southern hemisphere and could cause extinction of animal and plant species, threatening surviving mankind with starvation.

Mr Brian Wenham, director of programmes, said: "These are undeniably disturbing programmes, but they have been the subject of the most painstaking research."

TELL EVERYONE

ABOUT THIS



# PEACE FESTIVAL

The FESTIVAL GROUP report . . .

We are well pleased with the event. Many groups took part more fully than in previous years. Special mention must go to Bulwell and Wollaton who organised the very popular Exhibition and Video Marquee. Bestwood, West Bridgford Day Group and Beeston Mothers against Cruiseworked unceasingly coping with the hundreds of children who came to the Children's Festival.

These were the features that worked. However, the hot-air balloon didn't take off (it was too windy), the speakers' corner didn't happen, someone nicked our lump hammer and one group has the Co-op's trestle table instead of their own . . . (Please do the honourable thing.) On the other hand we have an impressive set of someone's keys.

All else went well - we think. The number of stalls was well up on previous years and came from a wider range of groups, the bands were largely good, and the sun shone all day.

At a guess 6,000 people came, which is especially good since the NUM rally was on at the Forest at the same time.

The range of opinion and vision represented at the Festival was usefully linked by our guest speaker, Bruce Kent (CND gen. secretary) who drew connections between groups as disparate as the striking miners, who oppose the use of nuclear power, and animal rights groups, who protest at the massive waste of animal life in testing new weapons on animals, and our own work in CND.

The day was the culmination of many months of planning and working. We're grateful to all who helped to make the Festival such a large and impressive event.

A detailed financial report will be circulated to neighbourhood groups. Next month we will outline possibilities for the 1985 Festival.

**Protest against WAR  
& those who profit  
from it.**


## STOP THE CITY

LONDON THURSDAY SEPTEMBER 27th

Coach tickets available from Mushroom; please buy them early so that we know whether to book any extra coaches.

In March, two coachloads and assorted individuals from Nottingham went to the City of London to oppose the horrors which are organised there, the place where profits are made out of war and death. On September 27th, the City of London will again be adding up how well it has profited from destruction.

Come to London to protest against this, to oppose the fortunes made by a few out of the misery of millions. Come prepared: bring ideas and energy, friends, plans, leaflets, sandwiches and balloons. It is up to all of us to make the day a success - we can use our imaginations to show them how we feel about our lives being at the mercy of their money.

For more information, contact:  
Box D, Mushroom, Heathcote St.  
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or

Come along to a meeting on Friday September 14th 8pm. at the Community Arts Centre, Gregory Boulevard, Hyson Green, when we can talk about the reasons for STOP THE CITY, our feelings and hopes for it and ideas for actions on the day.

NCND, while in complete sympathy with the aims of "Stop the City", has decided not to be directly involved



# Hiroshima Day in Bridgford

On Monday, 6 August members of West Bridgford peace groups and churches, supported by friends from Radcliffe, gathered in Tudor Square to commemorate the 39th anniversary of the destruction of Hiroshima. Although there were a few objections to our presence (particularly from a local solicitor who claimed we "had no right to inflict our views on others"), careful preparation had provided the necessary permission and vigil was held from 7.30am to 6pm without interruption.

A mid-morning procession along the main shopping street attracted a generally sympathetic response and children set up a garden of remembrance, planting crosses to commemorate people from all walks of life who died in the holocaust. The focus of our service was the harrowing story of Sadako Sasaki, a 12 year old child who, although evacuated to the countryside, developed leukaemia

after returning to Hiroshima in search of her parents. While in hospital she folded paper cranes, each as a prayer for peace. She completed 644 before she died. As an act of individual remembrance Jane Ripley laid one paper crane amongst the crosses in the rose garden.

The service was concluded with a number of songs from the music group, including one composed by Veronica Parker, which will be published in a future Bulletin.

Although such a commemoration is bound to be a sad occasion we drew strength from each other and the support of those who kept the vigil going all day. We came away with our commitment refreshed, and satisfied there had been a fitting local demonstration.

Angela Phelps



The procession in Central Avenue



# TRIDENT & NAMIBIAN URANIUM

To feed into CND's autumn anti-Trident campaign the Namibia Support Committee NSC)/Campaign against the Namibian Uranium Contract (CANUC) are planning a number of activities to focus on the link between Namibian uranium and the Trident programme. This article drawn from papers produced by the NSC/CANUC will look at the evidence that has come to light so far on the role of Namibian uranium in the Trident programme. For reasons of space a background knowledge of the issue of Namibia will be assumed (e.g. that it is illegally occupied by South Africa which has introduced apartheid into the country, and that the Namibian People are struggling for their liberation from South African domination.)

Namibian uranium has been imported into Britain for a number of years in defiance of a United Nations decree prohibiting the exploitation of Namibia's natural resources while the country remains under illegal South African occupation. The uranium comes from the Rossing mine, the world's largest uranium mine, in which the major shareholder is the British trans-national company, Rio Tinto Zinc (RTZ). Under a contract negotiated with RTZ, the Central Electricity Generating Board (CEGB) has depended on the Namibian source for approximately 50% of the uranium it needs. Via nuclear waste reprocessing this uranium has formed part of the nuclear weapons chain. The contract is due to finish at the end of 1984, and it was originally thought that this would mean that no further amounts of Namibian uranium would be imported into Britain.

However the government has to secure a supply of uranium for the Trident programme and this presents certain problems. Aside from Namibia, Canada and Australia are the main suppliers of uranium in the Western world. They have both signed Euratom agreements which prohibit the use of their exported uranium for 'military purposes or for the manufacture of any nuclear explosive device'. In addition to this the USA categorically denies that it has, does or will sell uranium to Britain for military purposes. It is of course legitimate to question both whether the Euratom agreements are enforced and the sincerity of American denials. If however these agreements are abided by, wholly or in part, it leaves Namibia and South Africa as the main potential suppliers of 'unsafeguarded' uranium. As far as is known Britain no longer buys South African uranium, although British Nuclear Fuels Ltd (BNFL) does process it for re-export, and while the government has confirmed the ending of the CEGB contract it has never said anything about stopping all imports of Namibian uranium. The evidence therefore points to Namibia as the chief source of Britain's military uranium not just for the Trident programme but for all Ministry of Defence (MOD) uses.

There are several ways in which the deployment of Trident will use uranium, as fuel for reactors, as an ingredient in weapons, in manufacturing plutonium for weapons and in manufacturing tritium for weapons.

The MOD requires uranium as reactor fuel for all its nuclear submarines. In the past the highly enriched uranium (HEU) used as reactor fuel has come from the USA in exchange for exports of plutonium (and is therefore not covered by the USA's denial of selling uranium to Britain for military purposes) however in 1983 BNFL signed a contract to supply the MOD with HEU. A new plant is being built for this purpose at BNFL's Capenhurst site. In the 1990's there will be a requirement of 70 tons per year of natural uranium to provide the HEU for Britain's nuclear submarines; 14 tons per year will be for the Trident submarines.

The amount of uranium for the Trident missiles themselves will depend on the number of warheads each missile will carry (either 8 or 14) and on the technicalities of the plutonium and tritium production processes. At the low end this could vary between 400 to 1260 tonnes and at the high end to an amount in excess of 7000 tonnes.

This uranium will have to come from existing stockpiles which consist in large part of Namibian uranium and/or from fresh imports, Namibia being the obvious source.



# CHILWELL

# A Personal Impression

There was something reassuring about the white hair of the policeman on my right who was helping to drag me off. The warmth of his bulging midriff under my arm was a far cry from the cold grasp of the Black Riders who had pursued me for most of the week and had almost caught up with me that morning. I would have pounced on any excuse for staying at home but I couldn't even muster up a headache much less the plague. Now as I contemplated my feet bumping over the grass I wondered how my claustrophobia would stand up to a night in the clink. I would probably disgrace myself and grovel for mercy, pledge my support for Olga Maitland and declare Reagan a saint. Thankfully, I was never to know. They were taking us out, not in. The West Bridgford Peace Group was deposited in the collective arms of its observers who had counted four in and counted four out again.

Undaunted, probably encouraged, we set off to look for other inroads and one, sharper than the rest of us, took unilateral action and nipped through a gap when police eyes were turned. My un-poker face drew attention to him but he was already picking his way through the inner wire and onto the base and was no longer their problem. Within seconds he was surrounded by soldiers and MoD police but played a mean game of hide-and-seek around a truck before being overcome and led off, grinning, to a waiting van. We could do no more than wave him a regretful farewell (and later humbly apologise to his wife for having mislaid him).

With one down but still intrepid we went in search of the action and soon found it. An attack on the fence was in progress and it was then that I faced an unexpected moment of truth. People were leaping onto the mesh, using their weight to drag it down, and as I helped tug I felt a chill of revulsion at what seemed to be a deliberate act of destruction, the antithesis of a peace protest and a denial of the Christian ideals that had led me into the peace movement and to the Chilwell trespass. And for one who was a vociferous supporter of disruptive action at any military base this came as a shock. The reality mocked the principle. If the means of trespass was wrong then the trespass must also be wrong. Clearly a re-think was called for and later undertaken, and the surprising outcome of my soul-searching is an even deeper commitment to the tearing of fences symbolic and actual. What I had mistaken for the voice of conscience was no more than the shock of tasting something of the poison inherent in the human condition and fear that it may erode the thin barrier of self-discipline. It will never be possible in the 'fog of war' (if you'll pardon the expression) that rises from the heat generated by this kind of protest to enjoy the comfort of luminous ideals, to remember the disease-ridden infants dying hungry and unloved for the price of a few nuts and bolts in a missile. But if they are firmly at the heart of a life dedicated to peace then I don't think it matters. A fence that encloses an evil that lashes humanity — even six mechanics and vehicle spares would be part of the war machine — and, from my point of view, spits in the face of Christ, is surely a legitimate target for a forceful expression of the outrage felt at more reflective moments. Maybe next time I will act with more conviction, proud of what I'm doing and proud to be photographed.

It wasn't a place for the camera-shy. Both sides acted as if they had shares in Polaroid. They photographed us and we photographed them photographing us. But it's one thing to stare boldly into a camera lens, quite another to come eyeball to eyeball with an irate police officer who made it plain that for him and his merry men plus the army enough was enough. We were on their land and would we kindly shift sharpish or he would release all the demons in

hell. Well — we had made our protest, trespassed not once but twice and there seemed nothing to be gained from defiance. To put it another way, we turned and fled with the least possible haste. The combination of barbed wire ensnaring the ankles, a confined space, stampeding soldiers and waiting paddy-wagons was enough to bring out the fowl in me. With mutterings in the sentiment of 'You're O.K. but a plague upon your land' we left and salvaged some pride by sitting and re-sitting on the fence the police were trying to restore. I became quite friendly with a perspiring Scot whose police number is forever imprinted on my heart. His only concern was for his lost hat and the fact that the English speak an unintelligible language. But he and I understood each other. As he dragged himself back to remove me for the third time with a plaintive: "Wull ye no' muiv? 'Spouse tha's a bally quavestion", I almost stood up and offered to carry him.

Tiredness set in on the journey home and with it a sense of futility. It had been a ridiculous protest and had achieved nothing, perhaps even damaged our cause. I should have recognised it as a classic case of demo fatigue, but that wasn't possible until much later when I listened to the news reports and realised that we had drawn national attention to the fact that yet another piece of our country has been prostituted to the war god. Just then I had to be content with a thought that has often revived my drooping spirit: if the people of Hitler's Germany had protested in this way around the armament factories, set aside self-interest and rejected his policies of hate, then the agony of the Second World War would never have scourged humanity. That is easy to say with hindsight, but unless we develop — and soon — the vision and resolve that will compel us to stand up and say no we may never be granted the luxury of hindsight.

Veronica Parker

## (Namibian uranium cont.)

To draw attention to this aspect of the Trident programme the NSC/CANUC together with people from other interested organisations are planning activities at Trident related sites in the North of England in the Autumn: BNFL Springfields (near Preston, Lancs.) which takes delivery of uranium oxide (yellowcake) from Namibia and converts it into uranium hexafluoride ('hex'); Capenhurst which enriches the 'hex' and then makes fuel rods for the submarines and for the military plutonium producing reactors; Chapelcross, the MOD plutonium producing reactor; Wind scale (Sellafield) which reprocesses nuclear waste and extracts plutonium from it. The action at Springfields is planned to be for women only.

If you are interested in finding out more about these activities or the issue of Namibia generally, contact Nottingham Anti-Apartheid c/o 11-04 Victoria Centre, Nottingham. (Tel. 472440)



# Report from Perugia

Guardian readers may have seen Tony Benn's Agenda article about the European Nuclear Disarmament Convention in Italy this summer, but others may not have heard about it. The rest of the British press totally ignored an event which once again demonstrated the immense strength and vitality of the European peace movement.

It was the third of the END conventions. Previous ones were in Brussels and Berlin. This year, Perugia was chosen as the venue for a thousand peace activists from all over the world to get together sharing ideas and experience. They came from every country of Europe of course, but also from the USA, USSR, Australia, Egypt, Nicaragua, China, Japan ..

... More than ever before the peace issue was seen to encompass not just the East/West conflict but also the North/South conflict. And, being in Italy focused our attention on the nature and intensities of those conflicts in the Mediterranean. Look at the map of that area and you'll see what a hot spot it is in terms of superpower rivalry and local territorial disputes, and why there is such concern about the deployment of American cruise missiles at Comiso, bang in the middle of it (not to mention the Rapid Deployment Force).

A Nuclear Free Mediterranean was one of the objectives discussed at the convention. It may seem an almost impossible goal, but people are beavering away at the idea of NFZs all over the place and at many different levels. One of the best workshops I went to demonstrated the linkage between NFZs on an international scale with those on a municipal scale. It was great to see how the inspiration of Manchester and other NFZ councils in Britain had sent waves of enthusiasm through a whole continent and beyond. The declaration of a municipal NFZ may be largely symbolic, but it has now become a most powerful symbol throughout Europe.

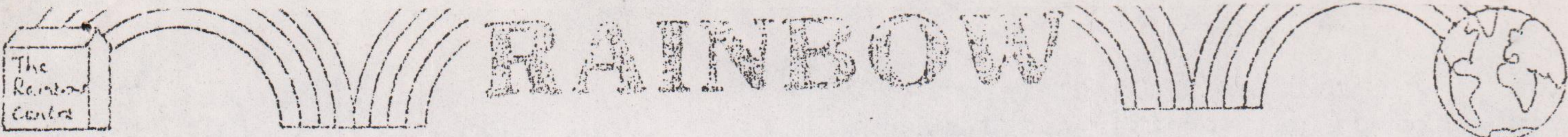
The European Peace Movement is not a coherent organisation. Groups with significant differences in terms of political identification as well as age, sex, class, religion and attitudes to pacifism or NATO-membership are linked by an unstructured network of individual contacts and sometimes by the activities of groups like the Dutch Inter-Church Peace Council or the Bertrand Russell Peace Foundation backed Liason Committee which organises these conventions. However, apart from the general commitment to peace and an end to the arms race, there are certain specific issues on which there is common understanding. One of these is resistance to the deployment of cruise and Pershing missiles. Another is the determination to be neither pro-American or pro-Soviet.

In the latter lies a difficulty which caused more dissension at this convention than at previous ones because of the presence of delegates from the official Peace Committees of the Soviet bloc countries. Some participants felt that these are not acceptable while unofficial peace groups in these countries are suppressed. Others felt that we should use the opportunity to create a constructive dialogue. These differences showed up in the two plenary sessions at the beginning and end of the convention when there were short demonstrations inspired by the German Greens. One of the two women reporting on the women's workshops which had taken place throughout the week used the time given her to attack the Eastern bloc delegates to the applause of some of the audience, but the dismay of women who felt she'd betrayed their trust.

Constructive dialogue was much more the order of the day though. Taking place outside the workshops were thousands of conversations between peace activists who would never have met were it not for such a gathering. It is upon those that the internationalism of the peace movement will thrive.

ANN KESTENBAUM





The newsletter of the Rainbow Centre.

Number 3 August 1984.

Hello again,

First of all many thanks to all those people who are showing their support and interest in the centre. We now know that such a centre will be welcomed and used by many groups and individuals.

## Premises

We are currently looking in detail at two buildings, one at 24 Heathcote St. and one at 146 Mansfield Road. We are looking at what planning consent exists, whether they conform to fire regulations, and our solicitor is examining the leases. Which of these buildings turns out to be the most suitable will not be known for a month or so but we hope to be able to get some premises by the end of the year.

However this does depend on certain things happening, like gaining enough political support to ensure some financial assistance from the councils. At two meetings the County Labour Group have expressed support for the idea but they have deferred any decision about granting us some money.

We know that many of you have lobbied your councillors but we need to keep the pressure on them, asking them to make a positive decision at their next meeting in September.

We are going to organise a meeting with the councillors at the County Hall but this needs to be the culmination of a campaign rather than the beginning. SO PLEASE ASK YOUR COUNTY COUNCILLOR WHY WE HAVEN'T BEEN GIVEN THEIR SUPPORT.

## Publicity

At our last main Rainbow Centre meeting we agreed to adopt a much higher and more assertive profile with regard to our publicity. So anyone with ideas on how and where to promote our ideas will be most welcome to come to the publicity meeting on Wednesday 29th August at 45, Teversal Ave, 7.30pm or to ring and give their suggestions to us.

## ££ MONEY ?

If we are going to think about setting up the centre in the next few months we are going to need lots and lots of money. Our income from the bankers order scheme is creeping forward but we do need to push

this again as we need to have a regular income; it isn't important to have large subscriptions but we need lots of people giving small amounts so please think whether you could give an order for £1 a month or could you get some of your friends to do this?

We have set up a fundraising group who are going to organise some events for the autumn. If you have some time and some good ideas why not join them. They will be meeting on August 21st, 7.30pm at 232 Derby Road.

We know that neighbourhood events tend to be more successful than those held in the centre of town and so we would like all neighbourhood and other groups to think about putting on an event which will raise funds for the centre. Please let us know if your group is willing to do this. The more we know that money is being raised or promised the easier it is to make decisions about obtaining the premises and equipment etc.

## Rainbow Trading

Rainbow Trading has continued to produce goods which are raising money for the centre. We are about to produce a small catalogue of the range of goods we are selling - from stickers and badges to childrens activity packs, cards and calendars. We still need people who can come up with good ideas and other who can draw, to relieve our hard pressed artist! and people to help with organising and selling our goods. If you are interested in this contact Rob or Val on 472802.

## Information

The library/resources working group has been very busy recently; it has drawn up a constitution and applied to the Charity commissioners for registration as an educational charity. It has written to various trust funds for money; it has begun acquiring a large amount of information which is available from the many different campaigns and groups in this country, and abroad. Job descriptions have been worked out and negotiations started over the possibility of having 4 workers in the



library, who would ensure that information packs are put together and displays made to the demands of those who want to use information in their work or other activities.

If you are interested in this aspect of the centre please come along to the NCND office on St Marys Gate on Monday 20th August at 7.30pm or contact Margaret on 473976.

## Recycling

Several people have suggested that the centre should be a focus for recycling of various products. This would be good, both in terms of raising money for the centre and also for bringing more people into the building. IS THERE ANYONE WHO WOULD BE INTERESTED IN HELPING TO ORGANISE THIS??? please let us know if you are possibly interested and we can discuss it in more detail.

## People needed

Returning to the question of premises, whatever we get will probably need some work doing on it. SO if you are any good with a paint brush, can plaster walls, rewire or check wiring, build shelving etc WE NEED TO HEAR FROM YOU SOON OFFERRING YOUR SERVICES.

RAINBOW CENTRE LIBRARY/  
RESOURCES COMMITTEE

CALLING ALL TEACHERS .....

The Library/Resources committee are planning to develop project packs and exhibition material specifically for loan to schools, from the Rainbow Centre. If you, as a teacher, have any ideas about the type of material you would like to see included in the packs: could suggest topics for the packs, or could volunteer to try out completed packs or exhibition material in your schools please get in touch. The library/resources committee can be contacted

Thanks  
Nicky (Harwood)

All cheques/p.o. made out to Rainbow Centre.

Please return to the Rainbow Centre. 45, Teversal Ave, Lenton. Nottingham.

## Space to let

If your group are looking for.... workspace; storage; meeting room; office space etc.... then we may have some space in the centre.

We would like to know now so that we can include them in our plans and in the new feasibility study that we are working on.

Please write to 45, Teversal Ave, Lenton.

## WANTED:

In order to conserve what money we have we would be grateful for any donations of..... typewriters.... duplicators..... index cards and boxes..... box files..... shelving..... display boards and stands... etc.etc. If you have any thing to offer or know where we may be able to get free/cheap supplies please let us know.

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# Famous Five go non-violent direct window cleaning

One dark July night, the Famous Five decided to clean up Chilwell. They entered the base by public footpath and, being equipped with windowlene and George's old knickers, started cleaning windows at the married quarters and the officers' mess. So that their efforts wouldn't go unnoticed, they left behind them their bills ("one window -one tank; two windows - 1½ tanks") and details of the other services the Famous Five Window Cleaning Co-op could provide (tunnel hoovering, barbed wire combing). Julian was rather bossy and led the others up a dark path where there was nothing to clean, and which gave soppy Anne the jitters.

The Five then thought it would be spiffing good fun to clean the police station windows, so they did this, singing "We are window-cleaning women." Unfortunately, they weren't always too careful in their work, and accidentally left behind some windowlene peace symbols. The police were somewhat surprised and were heard to phone up for instructions, complaining that they were surrounded by "CND types cleaning the windows."

The next place with dirty windows that the Five found was a huge canteen where the picket police were busy munch-their breakfasts, piggies eating piggies. But when they started cleaning the windows, Julian, George, Dick, Anne and Timmy the dog were suddenly grabbed by these unappreciative customers. Golly gosh! the police had jumped out of the windows just like SAS men!

The Five were frogmarched down the road until they came to a "STOP" sign. Being law-abiding children, they sat down to wait for the sign to change to "GO". But before you could say "lashings of ginger beer", a police car pulled up. Julian, Dick and George polished its headlights and bumpers, but soppy Anne, overcome with emotion at Timmy's death ( realizing he was only a toy dog he had gone and died ) literally went over the top - she climbed onto the car to clean the blue flashing light. After a sudden reincarnation, Timmy got upset and died again in protest when he saw Anne getting nicked for this act of cleanliness.

At the police station Anne ripped up a sexist calendar - "Exhibit No. 2, Sarge." Meanwhile, the picket police were punching the others down the road and hitting George on the head. Timmy protested again and again, and either died or came alive.

Eventually Anne was released. George is angry about being treated horribly by little men in uniforms, and Timmy either comes alive or dies.

The Famous Five's next adventure is to be continued. Meanwhile, if you would like to take part in a workshop on NVD window cleaning . . .

Contact: Famous Five  
c/o Enid Plyton.

Chris Cooke

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# Are YOU an exhibitionist ?

The exhibitions group is a new special interest group which will meet on Sunday afternoons between 3p.m. - 7p.m. at the office. The group aims to produce mount and present exhibitions on various themes which inform and educate the public and support the case for nuclear disarmament. These touring exhibitions are intended to reach a high proportion of Nottingham's one million population.

So if you are  
An artist, carpenter, calligrapher,  
display mounter, information researcher,  
organizer, photographer or welder why  
not come along to the office on Sunday  
Afternoons?

## Hiroshima -

NCND was present in Listergate for the four Hiroshima - Nagasaki Days with an exhibition and display stall. We gave out leaflets and talked to many people.

Over 500 people entered their names in the Booke of Remembrance which will be sent to the Museum of Peace in Hiroshima.

Many people, too, signed individual letters to the Presidents of the USSR and the USA calling on them to halt the arms race.

## Nagasaki

Raymond Briggs

BLIMEY!  
I WONDER IF THESE  
DOCTORS KNOW MORE  
ABOUT THE MEDICAL EFFECTS  
THAN THE POWERS THAT BE?



## « CYCLE FOR PEACE »



The group was launched, by Bruce Kent, from London on 28th July at the start of their anti-Trident demonstration. Their final objective was Barrow in Furness where the nuclear submarines are planned to be built.

This meant that the group had to cover 450 miles; during the ride they visited US bases at High Wycombe and Burtonwood, and US bases with Peace Camps at Molesworth and Upper Heyford. Various towns en route were to be visited, including Nottingham.

On Tuesday, 31st July, the group reached Keyworth and were met there by 5 of us from NCND.

Escorting the 47 cyclists from Keyworth into Nottingham we formed a cavalcade of 52 cyclists - a rare sight nowadays - and attracted considerable attention. This was enhanced by moderate traffic disruption at various points which was very satisfying! The swish of tyres and gears as we swept into Market Square was quite impressive.

After the Cycle for Peace group had displayed their banner on the Council House steps, and taken photos, we moved off to the Forest and then to the Manning School where the Peace cyclists were provided with meals and accommodation for the night.

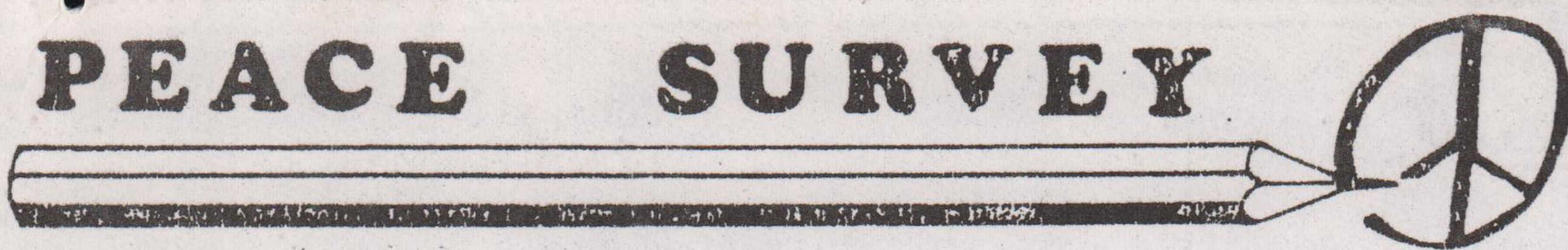
On Wednesday morning, 1st August, Cycles for Peace set off on their next stage to Sheffield.

Jack Rutherford

The British Medical Association's Annual Meeting of Representatives voted by over a two thirds majority for "Massive and progressive reductions in world arms spending - both nuclear and conventional - with the diversion of the resources thus freed to health care and welfare at home and in the developing countries".  
(reported by MCANW)



# PEACE SURVEY



## Radcliffe Group report.....

We have now been out 3 times with the Peace Survey on door-to-door canvasses. The questions, together with the notes provided below them, have proved an excellent lead into discussion. So much so in fact that each pair of interviewers - we mainly worked in twos - averaged only 5 interviews an hour. We found many people out - a disadvantage of working in August. Of the 98 people we found in, 31 declined to answer the questions for a variety of reasons: a few were hostile; many "too busy"; others "hadn't thought about it". Nearly all those who answered were friendly; some even thanked us for call-

ing; and several are considering joining CND.

Some of the people who were for Trident and Cruise were shaken to see the extract from the NATO handbook which is reproduced in the notes below the questions. One man refused to believe his eyes! The nuclear winter concept also roused great concern and is clearly a vital campaigning issue.

We plan to continue the survey.

Questions and Returns Sheets are available from NCND Office. How about it, other groups?

### First Results based on 67 Interviews

	Yes	No	Don't know
1. Should Britain spend over £9½ billion on Trident nuclear-missile submarines?	25%	67%	7%
2. Do you agree with American cruise missiles being based in Britain?	30%	68%	1%
3. Do you approve of Chilwell depot being leased to the Americans?	25%	62%	12%
4 a) Did you know that it is NATO policy to use nuclear weapons first even if they have not been used against us?	33%	65%	1%
b) Do you approve of this policy?	12%	82%	4%
5. Have you heard of the theory of "Nuclear Winter"?	36%	62%	1%
6. Do you think we should stop getting any more nuclear weapons and start cutting down on existing ones?	73%	22%	4%

This month's Bulletin is plain and solid. We have had so many contributions that we have had to pack them in at the expense of illustrations and aesthetic layout. Apologies to those members whose pieces have had to be held over. Please, though, keep sending things in.

As well as contributions, we want HELPERS at every stage of Bulletin production. Help is particularly needed with PRINTING, which is done at 118 Workshop. (For the Oct. Bulletin on Sept 25, 26, 27.) NO PREVIOUS EXPERIENCE NEEDED. Come along and learn. Ring NCND office (581948) if you're interested.

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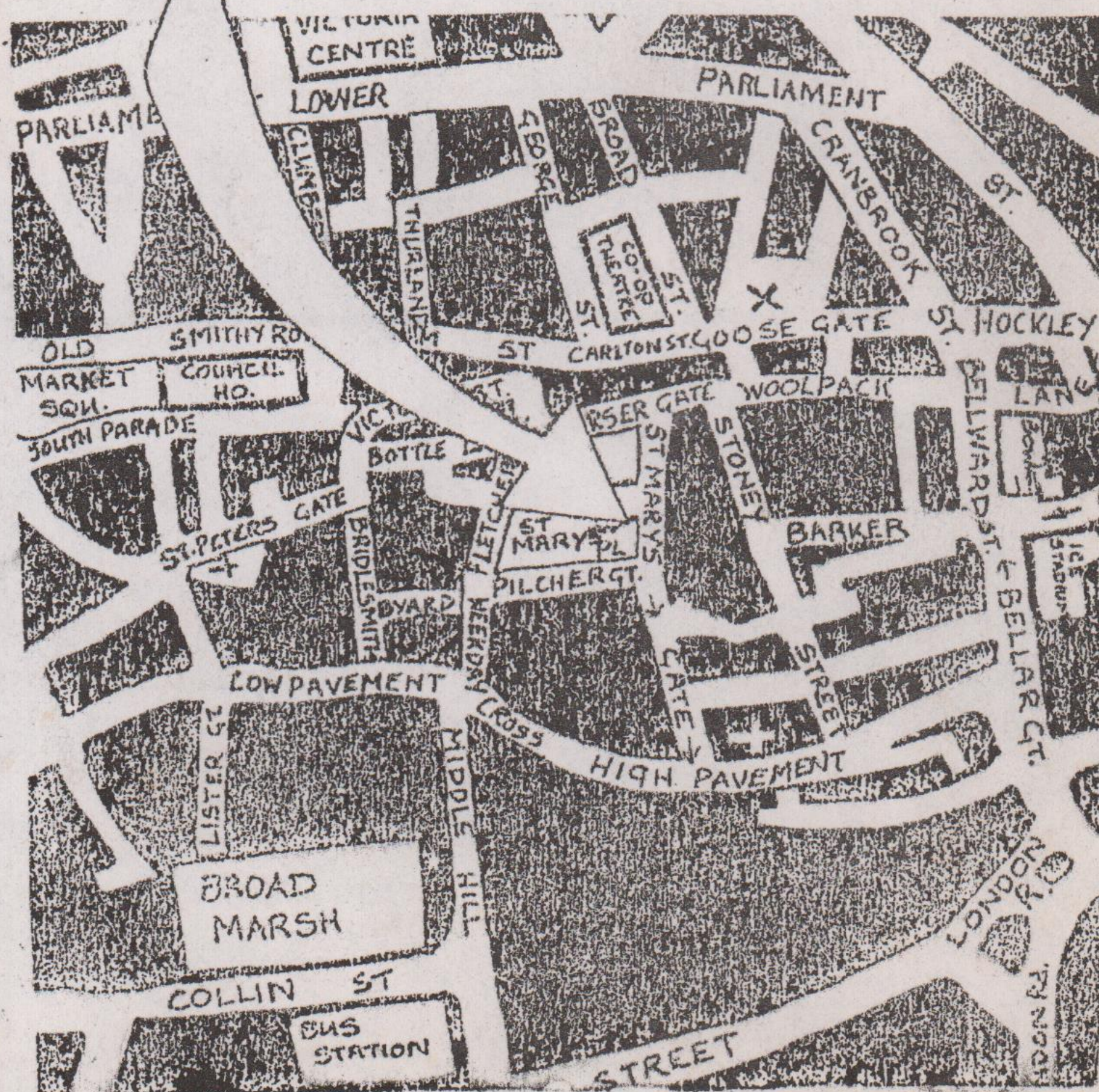
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