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NOTTINGHAM'S 6TH ANNUAL PEACE FESTIVAL

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JULY 13TH 12 TO 6PM VICTORIA EMBANKMENT

CHILDRENS PEACE FESTIVAL INFLATABLES EXHIBITIONS OVER 200 STALLS MUSIC, JAZZ FOLK ROCK REGGAE SPEAKERS COOPERATIVE GAMES VIDEOS HOT AIR BALLOON FOOD COURT CLOWNS DANCE THEATRE

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PLEASE NOTE:

There will be No Members Meeting in August.

Please support the

PARLIAMENTARY LOBBY

TUESDAY, JULY 8th 2.30 - 9.30pm.

Coaches: Salutation Inn, Maid Marion

Way, 9.00am.

Tickets: £6.00 waged, £3.00 unwaged.

LUNCH FOR PEACE

with Bruce Kent.

July 24th.

Newark Town Hall, 12.00 noon.

Entrance £1.50.

Forest Fields Peace Group

presents . . .

BALLISTIC BOOGIE

at the

Italian Community Centre,

July 18th.

8.00pm 'til late.

£1.25 UB40, £1.75 waged.

Disco by Jazzy Sounds.

JULY BULLETIN TEAM.

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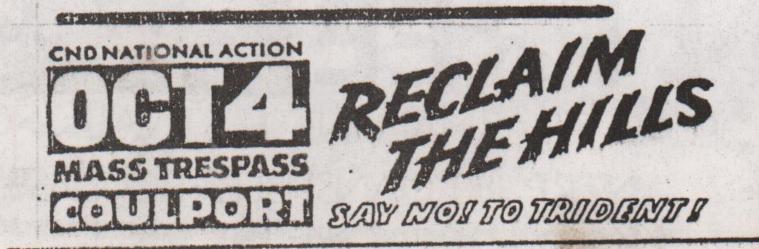
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CHILWELL - July 5th.

Don't Sit on the Fence - Cut it!

After the Cut.

1. There will be a meeting on Monday, 7th July for anyone arrested at the demonstration to discuss court procedure, pleas, fines, your rights, prison etc. A lawyer will be present.

Meeting at 15, Robinson Road, Mapperley, 7.30pm.

2. An evaluation and future planning meeting will be held on Thursday, 10th. July at the WEA, Shakespeare Street at 7.30pm.

Please come if you have any comments on the demonstration and/or are interested in having a say in organising future activities at USAF Chilwell.

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The acronym stands for "Lincolnshire and Nottinghamshire against Nuclear Dumping". The group has organised a conference on "Radiation and Health Monitoring".

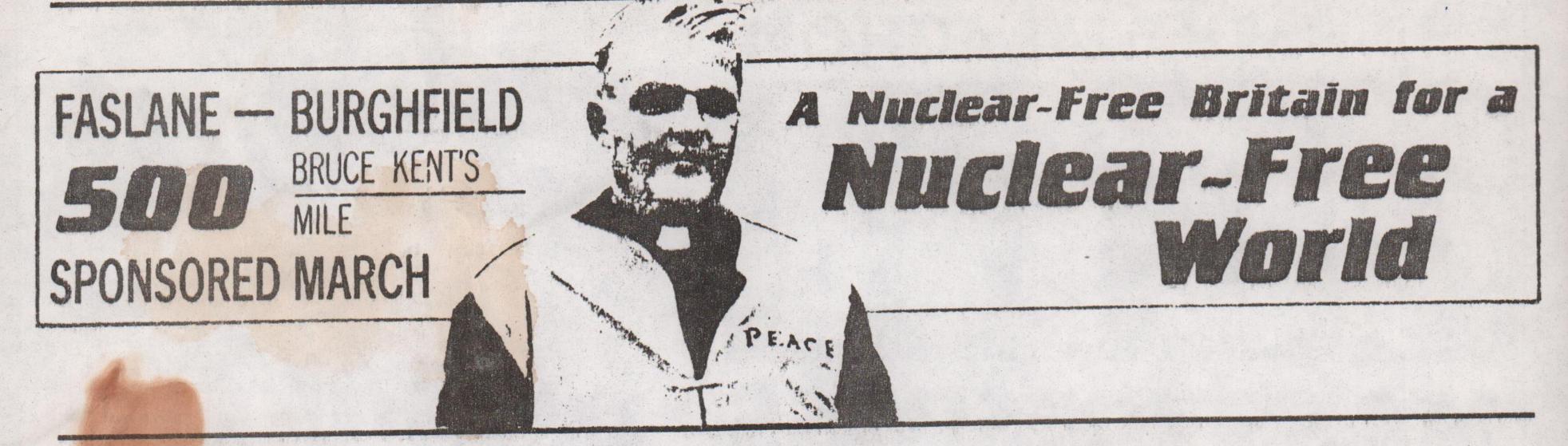
This will be held at Newark Technical College on July 5th 1986 between 10.30 a.m. and 5.0 p.m. The cost will be £5 waged, £2.50 unwaged and includes lunch: without lunch, it will be £2 and £1. The organisers stress the need for early bookings and for this, and further information, contact Pat Hewis, Tel.0636 892627.

Speakers will include: John Urquhart, Northern Research; B. Lambert, Biologist from Bart's; R. Wheaton, Edinburgh Radiation Unit; I. Haywood, Geographer, Newcastle University; T. Webb, Radiation and Health Monitoring Service.

Two other speakers, who have not yet been confirmed, will be: A. McNay, Regional Statistician, Northern Region Health Authority; Dr. R. Clarke, National Radiation Protection Board.

The subjects covered will be:

- The need for independent environment monitoring in the community and the inadequacy of existing practice.
- 2. Guide to current equipment and techniques.
- 3. Radiation in humans, particularly children and the foetus.
- 4. Availability of health statistics; problems of confidentiality.
- 5. Chernobyl; variations in regional fall-out.



Bruce's Walk.

Between June 30th and August 6th (Hiroshima Day) Monsignor Bruce Kent will be walking 500 miles from Faslane Nuclear Submarine Base to the nuclear warhead factory at Burgfield. He will follow the route along which secret convoys of nuclear weapons are regularly driven. This route passes through Nottinghamshire.

His main reason for undertaking the March is 'to make clear the connection between the disgusting waste of money on weapons of war in the world, and the poverty and suffering of millions of our fellow beings'. Money raised through sponsorship will go to CND and to War on Want to fund development projects in Nicaragua (where people are being killed by American weapons) and Eritrea (where people are being killed by Soviet weapons).

In Nottingham several events are planned to mark Bruce's arrival. They include a fast, a public meeting (with entertainment) and a Peace Service.

Dedicate a record to Bruce!

We must get maximum publicity for Bruce's walk and appearence in Nottingham. One simple, cheap and very effective way is to write to Radio Trent and Radio Nottingham and dedicate a record to him.

Please, everyone, do this and make the names Bruce Kent and CND heard a million times by thousands of listeners throughout July and particularly on July 21 and 22.

How about 'Please play 'Spirit in the Sky' for Bruce Kent who should be x miles from Nottingham by now. Tell him I'll see him tonight at the Congregational Hall',

For Radio Trent, write to: John Peters (6 - 9am); David Lloyd (10 - 1pm); Steve Merrick (2 - 5pm) and Andy Marius (5.15 - 7pm).

For Radio Nottingham write to Simon Mayo (Mon - Fri) or 'Call the Tune' (Sat am). Don't forget the 'phone-in programmes 'The Nottingham Connection' (weekday am) or
'Afternoon Special' with Dennis McCarthy (pm) on
Radio Nottingham.

Fast for Peace.

Feel like you need to lose a few pounds (lb's) and gain a few pounds (£££'s)? As a lead-up to Bruce's arrival in Nottingham on Tuesaday, 22nd July, there is to be a public fast to make the public and media aware of Bruce's reason for his long march.

The fast will be in Listergate surrounded by banners from 8.00am to 6.00pm. Monday and Tuesday, July 21st and 22nd. It needs participation by as many people as possible to gain media attention and the sympathies of the public. So, please, please come along. You can also be sponsored (or sponsor someone!!). Forms available at the office (472556).

Please let Karen Winfield (863955 evenings) know if you would be willing to publicly fast. Help is also needed to organise the event. Contact Karen.

JULY 21/22 FAST

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JULY 22 BRUCE KENT, GEORGE GALLOWAY

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FRIENDS -TALK AND ENTER-

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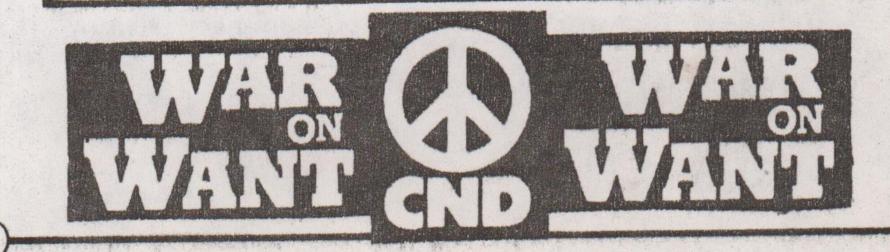
CONGREGATIONAL HALL,

CASTLE GATE 7,30P.M.

PEACE SERVICE AT ST PETERS

ST PETERS GATE WITH BRUCE

7.30 A.M.



CND NATIONAL ACTION COULDORS COULDORS

RECLAMILES
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No sooner is one action over than the next begins. Following the great success of the FEB 6 Blockade at Molesworth, National CND are calling for a Mass Trespass at the Trident facility at Coulport in Scotland.

Royal Naval Arms Depot (RNAD), Coulport, is sited on the Gare Peninsula, about 30 miles West of Glasgow. At present, it stores torpedoes for use by conventional and nuclear submarines and stores and fits POLARIS MISSILES and CHEVALINE NUCLEAR WARHEADS for use by Polaris submarines. It is being expanded to serve a similar role for TRIDENT.

On the other side of Gare Loch is Faslane - the Clyde Submarine Base where conventional and nuclear submarines are serviced including POLARIS SUBMARINES and is planned to expand to include TRIDENT.

The combined cost of developing these two facilities is estimated at £50m.

Trident is supposed to be Britain's independent deterrent from the mid 1990s. However, over half of the first submarine is due to be built in America and there are so many strings attached to the deal that Trident can never be wholly independent from the U.S.

Residents in the area are deeply concerned, not only about the Trident issue but the direct effect the construction of the two facilities has on their lives.

- 1. The MoD has taken over 2000 acres of open hillside which they have turned from a public beautyspot to an area of restricted access complete with bye-laws which make it an offence to walk on the hills.
- 2. That land is being deforested and torn up to build roads and the Trident Warhead Bunkers which will be surrounded by high security fence.

- 3. As a part of the work, some 110,900 cubic metres of dumped asbestos is having to be removed from the Clyde Submarine Base, Faslane, which is causing lengthy delays and much embarrassment to the MoD.
- 4. Jobs. The Alternative Employment Study Group in Dumbarton have calculated that Trident, as a replacement for Polaris, will cause long term job losses at both Faslane and Coulport.
- 5. The next Government could scrap the Trident Development making the inconveniences, upheaval, devastation and cost quite unnecessary.

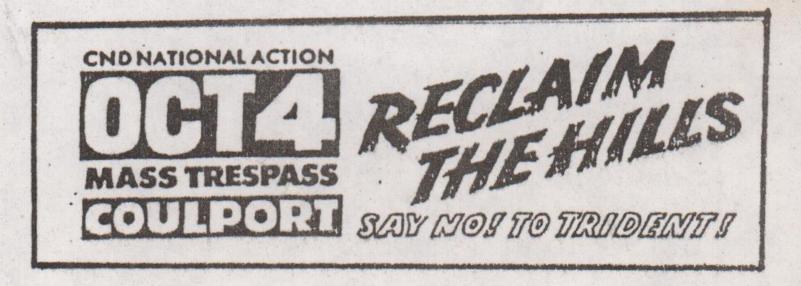
National CND has called for

RECLAIM THE HILLS

a mass Trespass onto the MoD land on the peninsula, to express our concern and anger about the Trident Development. The demonstration will be on Saturday October 4th and, like FEB 6, is being organised by a national Working Group (including Scottish Activists.)

There will be a meeting in Nottingham on Thursday July 17th for anyone who is interested in the action and for anyone who wants to be involved in the East Midlands Working Group who would concentrate on mobilising local people to go on October 4th. It is important that people come to this meeting as the planning for any campaign takes many months and, if this is to be a successful action, we need to start working NOW!

The meeting is at the WEA, Shakespeare Street, July 17th at 7.30 p.m.



TWO DAYS DEDICATED TO

The World's Nuclear Victims

OF

HIROSHIMA

NAGASAKI

CHERNOBYL Pacific Islands

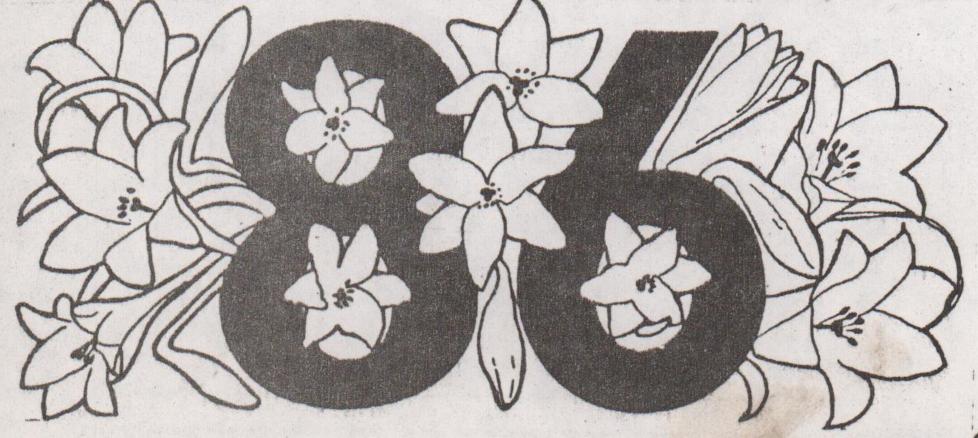
and many others

On Hiroshma and Nagasaki days this year, we shall think first of the 200,000 victims of those two atom bombs used 41 years ago.

We shall think also of the countless other victims of nuclear weapons development and nuclear energy:

- of the Crew of the Lucky Dragon, the Japanese fishing boat that was 85 miles East of Bikini Atoll in 1954 when the Americans blasted it to nothing;
- of the peoples of the Pacific Islands who have had to live in an area contaminated by American and French tests for nearly 40 years;
- of the Aboriginal tribes of Australia whose ancestral home was used for the first British atomic tests;
- of the British Servicemen carelessly exposed to radiation during the Christmas Island tests;
- of the leukaemia victims of Sellafield, Dounreay and other "civil" nuclear installations;
- finally, of the victims of Chernobyl whose tragic fate is making millions of people all over the world aware, at last, of the danger we all live in.

NCND aims to maintain a presence in Listergate - and hopefully in other central areas - on Hiroshima Day (Wednesday) and Nagasaki Day (Saturday).



Hiroshima Day

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There will again be

Shadows

When people returned to Hiroshima after the bomb, they found a number of faint shadows on pavements and steps showing where people had been at the moment of the explosion that turned them in an instant to vapour and dust. Last year, Peace activists in many different towns, both here and abroad, painted (with washable paint) shadows of nuclear victims on pavements. This proved a highly effective way of presenting the message of Hiroshima.

In Nottingham this was organized by Forest Fields Peace Group. Anyone who would like to take part in this year's Shadow project, please contact the office or P.A.N.

This year we aim to have more "Shadows" in the city centre where large numbers of peopOle can see them.

We hope, too, to join the pavement artists in Listergate and do some chalk Shadows during shopping hours.

Any Pavement Artists, please volunteer your skills!

There will be a special LEAFLET explaining what the Shadows represent and linking Hiroshima and Nagasaki to the other nuclear victims. A BANNER and PLACARDS will be there, too.

VOLUNTEERS WANTED, to give out the leaflets, carry placards, etc.

The full support of both City and County Councils is being sought for the Shadow Project.

Nagasaki Day

Sat. August 9th

The LISTERGATE STALL will give special emphasis to the effects of nuclear radiation. We shall invite people to

WEAR A FLOWER FOR NAGASAKI & CHERNOBYL

We are hoping to have white paper flowers available to offer to the public as we do white poppies on Remembrance Day. Radcliffe Group are holding a working session to make some. Could other groups do so, too?

OTHER SUGGESTIONS FOR ACTIVITIES ARE WELCOME.

PLEASE COME & HELP.

PLEASE contact the office if you are able to help with leafletting, chalking, Shadow painting, flower making or anything else.

WE NEED LOTS OF HELPERS ON BOTH DAYS.



DEVELOPMENTS AT MOLESWORTH

My first visit to Molesworth since February 6th - and it isn't only the weather that has changed - has made me have very different feelings as I come away. On Feb 6th, although I came away feeling horror at the base and what it stands for, I was strengthened by the numbers who had come to blockade despite the freezing weather and also by the support of being with my affinity group. This visit, as a scouting expedition with the Nottingham Defend Molesworth Group, left me with a frightening sense of the power and strength of the Government to push on determinedly with the Molesworth programme, each day bringing nearer the arrival of Cruise Missiles.

Driving towards Peace Corner, we were faced with a whole stretch of new road which blazons its way through the fields. It still has the Tarmac to be laid, but the foundations run from Peace Corner to the A604 - the existing road not big enough for the Cruise Convoy. What resources and energy can be found when nuclear weapons are at stake! Those same resources could be doing so much creative and positive work in the NHS, for example, where I work.

Since Feb 6th, contractors have been working both in the base and on building the new road: huge cranes (at least six of them) loom up on the horizon: new gates, more fencing, guard posts and silos at the heart of it. Within minutes of our arriving and speaking to people who are still there at the peace camp, the police were alerted and began to arrive - this happened as we drove to each gate, where there had been one policeman, two or three would arrive plus dog and truck.

Finally, as we made our way to Warren Lane gate, we were followed and hemmed in by a police van - they demanded details of the driver and documents have since had to be produced, searched the car boot and attempted to get details of the others in the car. As a parting remark, we were advised to "get going" and "keep away from this place" - I hardly think that he was trying to protect us from the nuclear threat that will hang over Molesworth.

Molesworth base is accelerating; the road to Peace Corner will probably finish at the end of July and how much longer before Cruise arrives? Let us do something to protest at this obscenity which can only have one end. Nottingham CND are planning a BLOCKADING ACTION ON SEPT 16TH, UN International Day of Peace and further details will be in the August and September Bulletins.

This government has done nothing to further the cause of peace in this International Year of Peace: what are we going to do? Let us register our protest at what is happening at Molesworth.

Cath Wakeman.





The Nottingham Peace Festival has now become firmly established in the calendar as NCND's major event of the year. This year's (the sixth) will be the biggest and, we hope, the best ever. As I write, the publicity machine is swinging into action, but just in case you haven't heard, the Festival takes place on the Victoria Embankment recreation ground (same place as last year) on Sunday July 13th starting at mid-day. The opening ceremony will be performed by Britannia, live and in person - don't miss it!

This year's attractions include (as last year) two stages - a large one with six well-known local bands performing throughout the afternoon and a smaller one with a weird and wonderful selection of music, comedy, drama, poetry and anything else you care to mention - over a dozen different acts in all.

Also retained from last year (and improved and expanded) is the very popular children's festival, with inflatables, games, performers and lots more - all kids under the age of ninety, welcome.

New!! for this year's festival is the "Food Court" - not quite like the one in Vic Centre; ours has got live entertainment and you can sit out in the sunshine (sorry about last year's weather, we'll try much harder this time!)

Other features are more stalls than ever, the Fire Brigade (with a fire engine), the CND hot air balloon, an exhibition marquee and two Peace buses.

Finally, don't forget "SPOTZ" alternative cabaret in the marquee on the evening before the Festival: starts at 8.00 p.m. and food will be available.

PS Volunteers are still needed for driving, fetching, and carrying, shifting heavy objects and setting up and taking down the Festival site. Please contact Rob and Celia on Nottm. 604986 if you can help.

ANDY HOUSEHAM.

CHERNOBYL

A national fund has been started for the victims of Chernobyl. The money will be sent via the Russian Ambassador and publicized in the Soviet Press.

Cheques should be made payable to the Chernobyl Disaster Fund, and sent to: National Westminster Bank, 28 Main St. Keswick. Cheques and cash can also be paid through any NatWest bank.



REVIEW: WHICH SIDE ARE YOU ON?

By LES PARSONS.

Les Parsons' book "Which Side Are You On?" is one of those books that is so moving and guided by such rightness of mind that you want to rush out into the street and urge the world to read it.

Written just after the American bombing of Libya, it is a personal account of Les's thoughts, feelings and perceptions regarding the protests that followed the bombing. He speaks with great clarity and frankness of the effect the news had on himself, his family and friends, and relates how the shock, fear and anger aroused by the crisis were quickly transformed into strong and positive action in opposition to the bombing.

Throughout the book, Les expresses his commitment to non-violence and civil disobedience, a commitment which deepened with his involvement in various actions following the Libyan crisis, including the roof occupation at Chilwell and the London demonstration outside the U.S. Embassy where Les was arrested. The story of his arrest and the sickening, needless violence Les was exposed to at the hands of the police, make harrowing reading. He describes many instances when, at a low ebb, he confronts himself with those dreaded doubts which must surely seize us all at times.. "why am I doing this? answer, as we all know, is that peaceful protest is the only humane response to the annihilating threat of the nuclear state. As Les says "we are in a crisis every week and there is no other way."

JACKIE JEZEWSKI.

THE PASSING BELL

Geurnica, Coventry, Hiroshima!
Three bell notes tolling for humanity.
Three cries of soldiers mourning for their mothers

And unborn children they will never see.

Each town with all its love and pride and promise,

The pavements sanctified with human tread,
The roofs, to shelter seeds of future greatness,
Built by the toil of labourers long dead.

Towns resonant with hammers in the sunlight And murmurous with talk at evening's close, They fell asleep in friendly normal darkness - Death swooped among them with his random blows.

Some dozens perished in Guernica's sorrow, And tens of dozens died at Coventry, Hiroshima has thousands dead and dying. What larger holocaust the next would be.

Guernica, Coventry, Hiroshima!

O toil no more loudly for humanity.

Shatter the cautions cowardice of silence,

Sound to denounce the murderers yet to be.

Connie Ford.

"FUELLING THE NUCLEAR ARMS RACE"

by Sheila Durie and Rob Edwards.

This is by far the most interesting and informative book that I have read for some time on the Nuclear Question, for Military or Peaceful purposes. The accidental (?) death of a Trade Union organiser at a U.S.A. Nuclear Plant in a car accident, as reported in the book, has a sinister connection with the murder of Hilda Murrell in this country.

A book that must be read.

FRIENDSHIP CANDLE.

During May last, Nottingham was host to some of the citizens of Karlsruhe, our twin city in West Germany. Among the party was Mr. Hajo Walter who is the present Chairman of the Karlsruhe Peace. Committee, and he called into the CND Office to make contact with us.

The Karlsruhe Peace Committee have very similar problems to us, having a 'Chilwell' within 10 miles of their city. Mr. Walter was very interested in our July 5th symbolic action at USAF Chilwell and left with leaflets for distribution amongst his members. He would like to be kept informed of our activities and will reply with his local news.

Before leaving, Mr. Walter left a 'friendship candle' with us. This small but appreciated gift can be seen on the office bookcase.

"I JUST HAVEN'T GOT ROUND TO IT!"

Dear All,

Fopllowing my letter in May's Bulletin about getting new members, I thought I'd let people know how I was getting on. The letter two months ago asked present Nottingham CND members to get their friends who weren't members to join by simply asking them.

In the area I live in, I asked several people why they weren't members. The replies I got were, !I didn't know my membership had lapsed" or !I kjust haven't got round to it yet".

All of them wanted to be CND members, but were not aware that they needed to renew their memberships, or how simple it was to join, or how little it cost them and how much it meant to us.

I gave membership forms to 10 people. 7 of them paid on the spot, the other 3 sent in their memberships soon after. A lot of people who agree with CND don't join because CND might not be as important to them as earning a living or looking after the house or because giving money to get rid of Apartheid in South Africa or getting the Contras out of Nicaragua may be more of a priority to them. For this reason they won't join until they get the opportunity to do so. It might be at a benefit, or a demo, or by chance they might come across a CND membership form somewhere. But unless the form is there, unless the question "Why don't you join CND?" is there, they won't think about it.

That is why simply asking your friends to join CND will get the right results. You'd be giving them that channel to help get rid of nuclear weapons. They've probably wanted to do it for a while, but with all the work they're doing, they "just haven't got round to it!".

JAZ SINGH Group 2000.

QUOTATIONS

"Our technology has outpaced our understanding, our cleverness has grown faster than our wisdom".

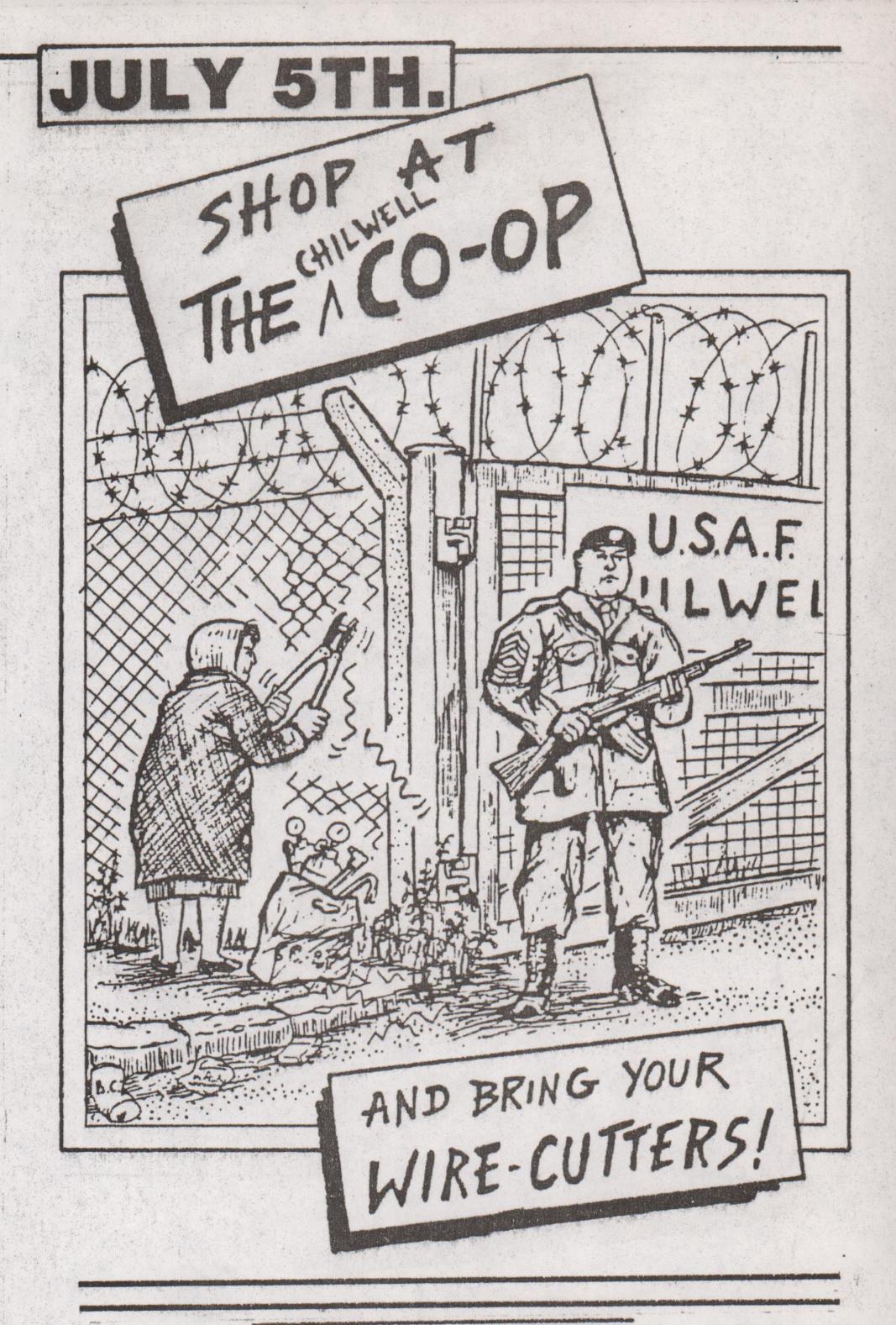
Or. Roger Revelle, (Chairman of the US National Committee for International Biological Program.)

"Ours is a world of nuclear giants, and ethical infants".

General Omar Bradley.

"The men who create power make an indispensable contribution to the nation's greatness. But the men who question power make a contribution, just as indispensable - for they determine whether we use power or power uses us".

President John F. Kennedy.



IN CONCERT FOR NICARAGUA and EL SALVADOR

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From Nicaraguas Caribbean Coast

THE FABULOUS DIRT SISTERS

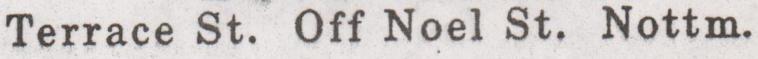
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