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'Give us jobs' say marchers



BLACKPOOL — Over 2,000 trade unionists demanded an end to mass unemployment at a rally here yesterday.

They called on the government to stop spending cuts immediately. The protest against government policy was organised by the north west regional council of the TUC.

Delegations from trades councils from all over the north west attended the rally.

Colin Barnett, secretary of the regional council and NUPE union official, said: 'We are demanding the government recognise the extreme seriousness of the situation and act now to reduce unemployment.'

'We want a 35-hour week together with our trade union

colleagues in Europe', he added.

Workers in the public services who will be hit hardest by the latest expenditure cuts were strongly represented.

Jim Baugh, area chairman of the Civil and Public Services Association, said the cuts would mean 580 in the national savings sector alone. 'For the sake of £1.5m we estimate they will lose a potential £100m in national savings', he said.

Sylvia McKevitt, from the Ministry of Defence at Liverpool, said she was disgusted with the government's record.

'This is supposed to be a Labour government elected by the workers — and they would rather pay out money in unemployment benefit than keep people in jobs.'

The demonstration marched along the seafront to an open-air meeting. Holidaymakers applauded their placards condemning unemployment.

Protest rally warns Cabinet

BENN CAVES IN

FROM STEPHEN JOHNS

BLACKPOOL — Prime Minister James Callaghan last night quashed remaining opposition to his government's spending cuts on the Labour Party national executive committee.

At a crucial meeting of the executive, Callaghan also got strong endorsement for the government wage policy which has slashed living standards.

The NEC was considering its attitude to resolutions condemning government policy on the eve of the 75th Labour conference which opens here today.

The Prime Minister once more enjoyed the support of Energy Minister Wedgwood Benn — considered to be the voice of the 'left' in the government.

Benn has now dropped opposition to government policy and he will in fact open up for the leadership in this afternoon's key debate on public expenditure and employment.

The executive refused to support two critical resolutions — one calling for an increase in public spending and the other backing Labour councils who refuse to implement the cuts.

The voting was 14 to 12 and 16 to 9 against these resolutions.

More support for the government came from the leadership on incomes policy.

A resolution sponsored by the Transport and General Workers Union, which backs the 4½ per cent limit and calls for a 'planned return to free collective bargaining' sometime next year, received a 16-9 majority vote.

Another resolution calling for the government to reverse the fall in living standards, legislate a £50 minimum wage, and bring in a 35-hour week was defeated by the same margin.

The conference is also due to debate mass unemployment today.

But here again the government is likely to escape any serious challenge.

The engineering union has a motion deploring 'unacceptable jobless levels', but suggesting only minor reforms and would not cause the Callaghan administration any embarrassment.

The 'left' have swallowed the detection of Benn, Michael Foot and other Tribune-ite ministers to the government.

See 'What We Think' page 2: 'Don't Rock the Boat — Sink It!'

African leaders put on the spot

FIVE BLACK African presidents meeting in Lusaka are trying to face both ways over the Kissinger-Callaghan deal for Rhodesia.

First reports said that an interim communique from the summit had rejected the proposals.

But two hours later the US State Department and the British Foreign Office were anxiously putting out statements that the presidents were unhappy, but they had accepted 'the essentials'.

In London Mr Chidawu Chirumuta, spokesman for the Zimbabwe People's Army, the 'Third Force', said guerrilla operations against the illegal Smith regime would go on.

Surrender

ZPA's six-point objectives included the unconditional surrender of the Smith government, an immediate amnesty for all political prisoners and the disbandment of the Rhodesian army and the 'so-called security services'.

Chirumuta said: 'We demand the immediate arrest of the heads of the Rhodesia government, including the army and police chiefs, to stand trial for war crimes.'

ZPA was also demanding the immediate abolition of the Land Apportionment Act and the freedom of Africans to join trade unions.

In a reference to Joshua Nkomo's arrival in Salisbury, he declared:

'The struggle will continue until these demands are met. It does not matter whether a black puppet government is created or not.'

'We shall still go on struggling until we create a socialist state in Zimbabwe.'

• See full text of African leaders' communique on centre pages.

6p DAILY

INSIDE TODAY

News Line has a top team of reporters at the 75th annual conference of the Labour Party in Blackpool this week — Chief reporter Stephen Johns and Industrial correspondent Chris Corrigan.

We promise you the liveliest and most incisive coverage in words and photographs of the big debates on the economy, wages, unemployment and foreign policy.

But we won't be neglecting anything from the constituency parties or the trade unions. We will make sure that delegates find a voice in the pages of News Line. Our reporters will be talking to the rank and file to get their views.

MAKE SURE you get your morning copy of the News Line.

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SPORT

Racing at Goodwood, Hamilton and Nottingham Football round-up plus photographs

SYRIAN HOTEL SIEGE

DAMASCUS — Syrian troops stormed a hotel in the capital yesterday killing three Palestinians and an Iraqi.

In the shoot-out 34 people were wounded.

Syrian news agency reports said one of the Palestinians was Abu Hashish and the Iraqi was named as Jabbar Darwish.

Police struggled for half an hour to remove the body of the group's leader.

Three of the Palestinian group were detained at the Al-Mazza prison, the notorious torture institution of the Assad regime.

All the Palestinian groups in Beirut declined to comment since they knew nothing of the incident.

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Prentice is rapped by PM

CABINET minister Reg Prentice was reprimanded by the Prime Minister yesterday. Callaghan said 'Prentice's tactics in attacking Labour left-wingers were not subtle enough.'

The reprimand came after Callaghan saw the prepared text of a speech that Prentice made last night to fellow right-wingers belonging to the Social Democratic Alliance.

Don't rock the boat SINK IT!

What we think

DELEGATES to the 75th Labour Party conference starting in Blackpool today face a barrage of pressure from the Labour and trade union leaders 'not to rock the boat'.

The question raised is whose boat, and which way is it travelling?

The answer is staring everyone in the face. The record of two and a half years of Labour government crawling before the bankers and the Tories is as follows:

- Unemployment has doubled to 1.5 million, the highest figure since before the war.
- Public spending has been cut as never before.
- Living standards have dropped more steeply than can be remembered.
- Heath's pay policy has been replaced by something much worse — 4½ per cent when inflation is the highest among the major industrial countries.
- The welfare state built up at the end of World War II is being dismantled starting with the health service, education and housing.

The Callaghan boat is packed with Tories and bankers (hiding below decks) and it is steering the same course as Ramsay MacDonald in 1931. The Labour and trade union leaders want this conference to rubber stamp what's already been done and give the go ahead for even more fierce attacks on the living standards of the working class.

This attack is contained in drastic economic measures that the Labour government will unfold once the hurdle of Blackpool is over. It will be in the 'siege economy' suggested by the 'New York Times' two weeks ago when Prime Minister Callaghan was in Canada.

The further devaluation of sterling will be the spearhead of this policy. It is not the result of the seamen's action over their pay claim: it was official, deliberate government policy long before that.

The result will be enormous increases in the price of all raw materials and foodstuffs. Passed on to the working class in the form of higher prices in the shops, the effect on workers' living standards will be catastrophic.

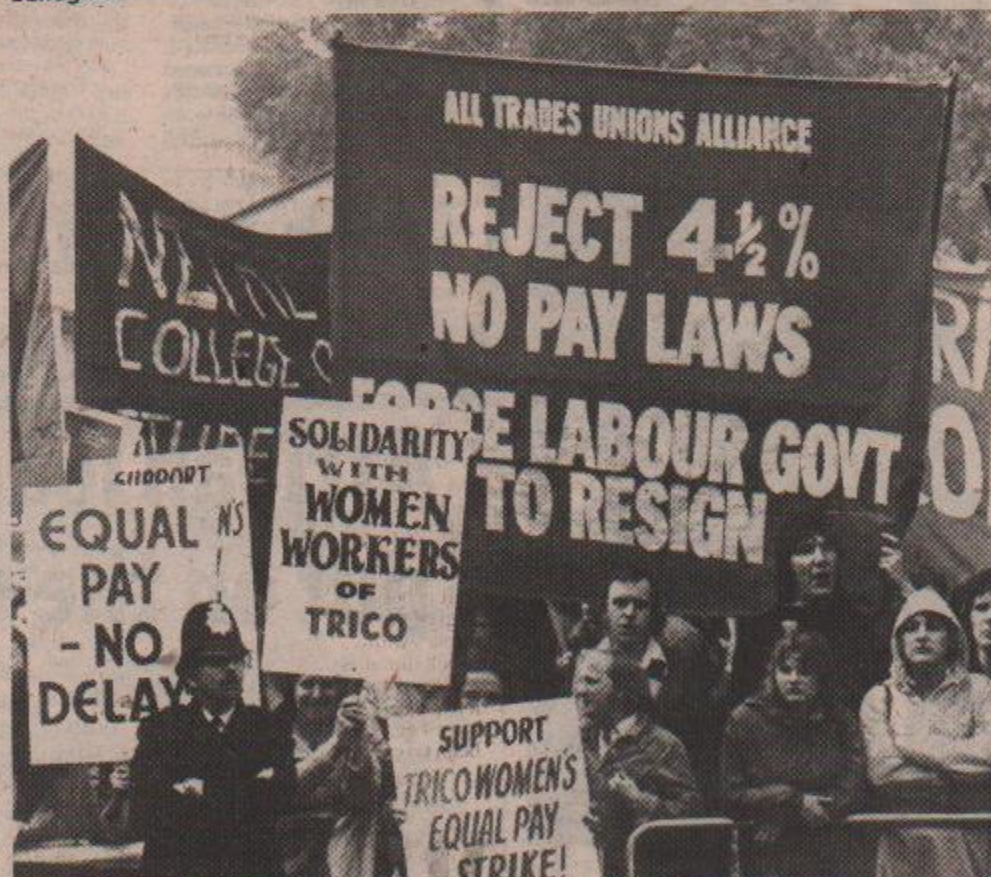
There will be further public spending cuts too. These are being dictated by the International Monetary Fund (IMF) as the Labour government gets deeper into hock to the bankers. This means that unemployment is not at a 'peak', but only on the verge of a disastrous increase.

Twelve months ago the now-retired Sir Harold Wilson told the Blackpool conference that 'unity' between the Labour Party and the trade unions would bring 'success'. All it has brought is hardship, poverty and unemployment for millions of workers, young people and the old aged.

The Labour 'left' and the TUC chiefs have backed every single item of Tory policy implemented by the Cabinet: the sacking of 8,500 Chrysler workers, the raising of unemployment, the cutting of



Callaghan



All Trades Union Alliance (Industrial arm of the WRP) lobby parliament

wages, the crashing of the pound, the cuts in local government expenditure.

Let there be no illusions in Energy Secretary Wedgwood Benn. He showed last Friday on the National Executive Committee (NEC) just where the 'left' stands, by casting his vote with Callaghan against an emergency resolution on the public spending cuts.

The 'lefts' have also accepted Callaghan's arrogant statement that no matter what the conference decides on the nationalisation of the banks, he won't be including it in the Party's next election manifesto.

Just as the Labour leaders use the working class as cannon fodder at election time, now the conference delegates are being treated with the same kind of contempt.

Callaghan says a bank nationalisation policy would be like 'an electoral albatross' around Labour's neck. He prefers to share the nest of another bird — the banking vultures who are scrambling to share the pickings of bankrupt British capitalism.

And what a squalid nest it is. The Bank of England, long believed to be the ultimate in banking respectability, has been located at the centre of the fringe banking scandal and foreign exchange control fiddling.

The demand from the Labour Party conference must be to open the books of the Old Lady of Threadneedle Street to lay bare the bankers' secrets. This is the way to make out the case for the nationalisation of the banks, insurance houses and financial trusts without compensation under workers' control.

By carrying out every demand of the bankers, the Labour government is deliberately dividing and demoralising the working class. This is the counter-revolutionary role of social democracy today all over the world — West Germany, Italy, Portugal.

It means that the conditions are being created for the Tories to come back with a massive majority. Only one force stands in the way — the strength of the working class.

Those delegates at this week's conference who speak out for the defence of the wages, jobs and living standards of the working class in opposition to the Callaghan government will have our support.

But more important than all the resolutions passed at Labour Party conferences in the last 75 years is action now by the working class against the government.

In a pre-conference article in the weekly 'New Statesman' Eric Heffer MP. says that no one wants to see the Labour government forced out of office. He doesn't know what he's talking about. The Workers Revolutionary Party does. And so do an ever-growing number of trade unionists up and down the country.

They are drawing the conclusion that the Workers Revolutionary Party first formulated in July 1975 — that this Labour government is nothing but a front for the Tories!

We say to all delegates from the trade unions and the constituency parties: It is high time to stop the rot. Put an end to the retreating by the Labour leaders and the TUC bureaucrats which is playing right into the hands of the Tories. Vote down the Tory policies that are being smuggled into this week's conference.

We call for a joint fight on principles based on a socialist programme to meet the economic crisis and rout the Tory menace: • REJECT the wage-cutting 4½ per cent pay controls. Full basic increases, plus a sliding scale of threshold increases worked out by committees of trade unionists, housewives and consumer organisations to keep pace with soaring inflation.

• Jobs for all. Occupy factories and places of work to stop closures and large-scale redundancies. Demand to see the books of all major firms. Make out the case for the nationalisation of all basic industry without compensation under workers' control.

• Fight all public spending cuts. Demand to see the books of the citadels of capital — the Bank of England, the major clearing banks, the insurance houses and building societies. Nationalise all of them and put their funds at the disposal of urgent social priorities in health, education and housing. Jobs and proper training for all school-leavers and living wage pensions for the elderly.

None of these measures will be introduced by the Callaghan government. That is why it must be brought down by the mobilisation of the independent strength of the working class.

This programme can only be implemented by the revolutionary action of the working class to smash the capitalist state and establish a workers' government on the basis of the independent strength of the working class.

Mountain discussion

LABOUR'S new Agricultural Minister, John Silkin, flew to Holland yesterday for a social get-together with other EEC Farm Ministers.

Tonight, such topics as the drought, the milk and dairy mountains and the value of the green pound, will be discussed over a nosh-up in the Hague.

Former farm Minister Fred Peart was invited to the dinner to bid fond farewells to his colleagues, but he is not well enough to attend.

He becomes the noble Lord Peart of Workington today, for presiding over the doubling of the price of food for the working-class housewives of Britain.

Miners must act on fringe benefits

THE MINERS' bid for fringe benefits and lower retiring age must be backed by 'realistic action' from miners themselves, MP Dennis Skinner said yesterday.

Skinner, member for Bolsover and leader of the miners' group of MPs in the Commons, said the miners' proposed meeting with the Prime Minister and the government would be 'little more than a diversion'.

He explained that he wanted to see a ballot among NUM members to give the leaders a clear mandate to demand a retirement age of 60 by next January — even if it contravened the pay policy.

'It's a big step — and if the miners want to take it, they still have to take this sort of realistic action,' said Skinner, who sits as an observer on the NUM national executive.

Miners leaders want to meet the Prime Minister soon after this week's Labour Party conference to discuss cutting the retirement age from 65 to 60 by January, without any loss of income for the miners involved.

The union's vice-president Mick McGahey described



McGAHEY... A burning issue

retirement as 'a burning issue in the industry' at the weekend.

McGahey successfully opposed right-wing attempts to oust him as chairman of the NUM delegation at the conference.

'We won't be climbing on the backs of the seamen. But we shall be pursuing the legitimate claims of the miners,' said McGahey after Saturday's delegates' meeting.

He added that they would be demanding 'gate-to-gate' payments — wages for the whole time a miner spends within the pit gates, including time travelling to the pit face, bathing and leaving the pit.

That could add up to 1½ hours in some cases, which would mean rises of up to 20 per cent.

PROFITS UP -BY SHORT HEAD

THE NEXT time you order a pint, it's a two to one chance you'll get short measure.

A national survey carried out by local authorities proved that 70 per cent of pints drawn in old glasses designed to be filled to the brim were short measured.

Half pints did a bit better, but for every two that were full three were short.

If you order your beer out of lined glass, you are more likely to get what you are paying for. Correct measure was given three times in four, and half pints were right nine times out of ten.

It is not just the difficulty of getting pint plus head into a pint pot, according to Mr M. A. Chapman, trading standards officer for Gloucestershire, who

was behind the 15 county survey.

'Whether the profit motive comes into it, I wouldn't like to say,' he added.

Coy

The brewers are a little less coy. They openly admit that if they used lined measure glasses they 'lose a lot of profit'.

That's why the survey found that out of 693 pints

bought, 463 came in a brim-measure glass and only 94 in lined ones.

The beer moguls who are coining millions in profits have short measure built in. You're being robbed at nearly every pull.

Just in case you think it's the barman at the fiddle take a look at the mechanical measuring dispenser, in your local. One in four of these are rigged to give short measure.

NORTHERN HOSPITALS HIT BY CUTS

MORE hospital cuts are looming in the Birmingham and Manchester areas.

The Birmingham area health authority claims it is 'overspending' and says economies are essential.

Peter Shaw, administrator of the South Birmingham district said: 'We believe that if we reduce our expenditure we will have to cut services.'

John Prescott, a member of the authority, admitted: 'We are constantly being invited by a wide majority of bodies to extend services and this is just not on.'

There will come a time the public will not get what they want, because the service is just not going to be there.

Many wards — and even hospitals — are expected to suffer a similar fate to that being dealt out by the authority to St Mary's Hospice, at Selly Park, Birmingham.

Funds

No funds can be guaranteed for the hospice, the authority decided last Thursday. This decision places a big question mark over the building, which was to be run partly with voluntary support.

Nurses at Manchester's most modern hospital have protested that staff shortages have meant that drugs and medicines are not being adequately checked before being given to patients.

'Gaps' have grown in the treatment of patients, nurses at the 1,000-bed Wythenshawe Hospital have told health authority officials.

Conditions at the hospital have at times become unsafe for elderly patients, said Sister



Nurses at St Mary's Paddington, London, who joined a day of protest last week against the cuts.

Barbara Boardman, a shop steward for the Royal College of Nursing at Wythenshawe.

'You have 26 patients to look after you cannot keep every one under your eye with three staff', she said.

'Many of the elderly have had strokes. There might be falls. We feel quite frightened by the idea.'

Sister Boardman added: 'Our concern is that we are unable to give adequate care to the patient.'

'Some of us feel drugs are not

being checked adequately, that accidents might happen and that by then it will be too late. We feel the public should be informed.'

'I am not talking about dangerous drugs, but day-to-day medicines.'

'It is policy for a trained nurse to give the drug and for another nurse with some training to check that it is the right one.'

'Sometimes the checking is left to an auxiliary, and there have been times when there has been no one available to check.'

Pomp and circumstance

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How Ford pay rise became a pittance

THOUSANDS of Ford Motor Company workers may get less than £1.50 a week extra in their pay packets as a result of the 1976 wages settlement.

This settlement is currently under negotiation between the company and union leaders.

Both Ford's and union negotiators are anxious to keep quiet about the size of the increase until the ink on the deal is dry.

Deal

If this deal goes ahead, a large proportion of Ford's 53,000 hourly-paid workers will see as little as one-third of the

TUC-Labour £4 pay rise maximum — itself a big wage-cut.

The 1976 rise in Ford's is being whittled down by insistence from the TUC that a 2p an hour cost-of-living increase paid earlier this month must be offset against the legislated limit.

Even if Ford workers were entitled to the £4 increase in the first place, this rise would be cut to £3.20.

But because the government's 4½-per-cent limit is also applicable, the maximum allowed for the majority of Ford workers is around £3 a week.

Reducing this by 80p — plus a further deduction for tax, etc — leaves less than £1.50 in take-home pay.

This is despite the fact that since the last Ford pay settlement two years ago, the cost of living has risen by 42.8

per cent — even according to official figures.

The reason for the puny size of the increase is the capitulation on the 'social contract' by reformist and Stalinist leading shop stewards who helped the union bureaucracy to formulate the claim.

Limit

Ford workers have never had an opportunity to accept or reject the 4½-per-cent pay limit.

All the talk about seeking 40-per-cent rises when pay legislation permits is an attempt to cover up their political cowardice and collaboration with the Labour government's attacks on working-class living standards.

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'TRIBUNE' MPS EXCUSE BENN'S BETRAYAL

CONFERENCE SPECIAL
FROM STEPHEN
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Digging
into the
PM's past

ANTHONY Wedgwood Benn and Michael Foot should stay in the cabinet despite its attacks on the working class, 'left' Labour MPs said yesterday at their pre-conference meeting.

'Tribune' group leader Norman Atkinson told a large audience that their five supporters in the cabinet should not resign.

He added: 'If Michael Foot and Tony Benn were to pull out of the cabinet now, then we would be going to the country in ten days' time.'

There is no doubt about that.

The veteran left MP, Ian Mikardo, went a stage further and excused the line-up of 'Tribune' ministers like Benn, Foot and Stanley Orme — who was on the platform yesterday — with the right-wing Callaghan administration.

Saul Mikardo: 'I am glad our comrades are in the government. Some of them must have a bloody rotten time and go through all sorts of difficulties and embarrassments.'

Both MPs were speaking at the traditional 'Tribune' forum held every year the day before the conference opens.

The question-and-answer session was dominated by one issue — should the Labour government be allowed to continue to carry out policies dictated by the international banks.

Resolution

Only one of the 'Tribune' MPs came out against Foot and Benn who at Friday's Labour Party national executive voted with Callaghan against a resolution condemning the latest public spending cuts.

Executive member Joan Maynard MP said: 'I quite honestly feel that to join the government at this stage is not what I would agree with.'

It is clear where the government is going. To join it would give it credibility and to stay with it gives it credibility and I have expressed my views to the people concerned.

Yesterday's forum shows the left MPs have accepted Benn's capitulation to Callaghan and the right wing.

Cover up

Atkinson is now leading an attempt to cover up this collapse by claiming that opposition will come in the future.

He reminded the audience that between now and the end of the year the government would be calling on four occasions for votes on anti-working class legislation.

I sincerely hope that between now and Christmas, those members of the cabinet who carry our particular banner, together with the trade union leaders, will try to come to some understanding as to the precise conditions under which the government will continue.

Earlier Atkinson revealed he had refused the offer of a job made by Callaghan.

But that is not to say that if Tony Benn or Michael Foot had said 'Look comrades, you had better come into the team — we have a job to do', the answer would not have been yes', added Atkinson.



Platform at the Tribune meeting

Halt EEC trade debt—Shore

BRITAIN had to halt the £2,000m-a-year trade deficit with the EEC or be forced to borrow money on 'ever more onerous terms', said Peter Shore, Environment Secretary, in Blackpool yesterday.

'We are seemingly incapable of stopping our trade haemorrhage into Europe,' he said.

If the community meant anything, this was not just a British problem.

It is one for which a community solution should be

found — indeed it is a real test for the EEC as a whole.

He told the Labour Common Market Safeguards Committee:

'If it is not dealt with collectively, then it must still be solved by the British government and people — it need be alone.'

Shore said the UK had been in deficit to the other eight EEC countries by more than £7,000m since joining the Market.

Even the continuing trade deficit with Japan was overshadowed, he added.

Jenkins joins import controls diversion

ONCE IMPORT controls were introduced in Britain, everything would very quickly have to be allocated by quotas and rationing, the economic adviser to the National Westminster Bank warned yesterday.

In his latest review of the economy, Dr David Lomax said that it was this danger and not reaction from overseas or treaty obligations which was the main problem with the widespread imposition of specific import controls.

On the eve of the Labour Party conference, Clive Jenkins, general secretary of ASTMS, said that his union would be pressing for an emergency resolution calling for immediate import restraints.

'Every moment's delay is costing thousands of jobs,' he said. 'We have to erect barriers against the flood of imports.'

Yet again Jenkins is trying to peddle a capitalist and a nationalist solution to the crisis of British capitalism.

To call for what would be a siege economy to prop up Britain's bankrupt and unproductive industry is to make working people pay yet again for the employers' crisis.

Jenkins and the other left trade union leaders are throwing up another diversion to avoid the real fight to bring the Labour government down as the first step in the struggle for socialist policies of nationalisation under workers control, the only solution for the working class to the scourge of unemployment.

PRIME MINISTER Callaghan's record in office 'contains more failures than triumphs', according to an unofficial biography published today. Authors Peter Kellner of the 'Sunday Times' and Christopher Hitchens of the 'New Statesman' argue that Callaghan 'apparently reached his level of incompetence' as Chancellor in the 1964-1966 Labour government.

Publication has been timed for the opening of today's conference in Blackpool.

Readers will be intrigued by a speech to the 1945 conference that Callaghan made in seconding a resolution moved by Ian Mikardo. He said:

'I think we are entitled to an explanation from the Executive Committee as to why the issue of public ownership was not included in the report.'

It may be said that as it is such a cardinal feature of Labour Party policy, there is no need to say anything about it. That may be true so far as the delegates here are concerned and the executive committee, but there are millions of men in the forces who do not understand that public ownership is a part of Labour Party policy.

I think it is high time that we should restate our fundamental principles in a document of this sort. I want the word to go out from the party conference to the men in the forces that unless the Labour Party is returned to power to bring in a planned system, a planned economy, and public ownership, then they will come back to unemployment.

The resolution was passed against the executive and meant that the post-war manifesto highlighted public ownership. The authors emphasise, however, that Callaghan is no left winger.

For example, at the 1949 conference the same Callaghan was found saying: 'We are going to need to be extremely flexible in the programme that we place before the country in our methods of carrying it out. I do not want us to feel, when we get back into power in 1950, that our first task, pre-eminent and above all, is to nationalise cement.'

They conclude that Callaghan has always been a 'sail-trimmer' moving in whichever direction the wind is blowing.

'Callaghan: The Road to No 10' by Peter Kellner and Christopher Hitchens, Castle £3.95



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Cut throat competition hits jobs at Personna

CLOSURE of a Glasgow factory with the loss of 280 jobs has been announced by Personna International.

Redundancy notices have been issued to the workers by the firm, which makes both razor and industrial blades.

Personna is also to close its sales office at Maidenhead, Berks.

The company's 4-per-cent stake in the fiercely competitive razor blade market has been challenged by the Wilkinson and Gillette monopolies.

Shop stewards at the plant in Hillington, Glasgow, have decided against acceptance of the closure, scheduled for later next year.

Redundancy notices to take effect before Christmas went out on Friday to 250 workers at Ferranti, Barrow in Furness. More sackings are expected to follow.

More than 70 jobs are to be lost when Great Universal Stores closes the Lancaster branch office of its mail order subsidiary Kay and Company within two years.

Plans by International Computers Ltd to cut 1,400 jobs will be discussed by a special meeting of union representatives next month.

Councils neglect battered wives

THERE are at least 6,000 battered wives in London, says a survey conducted by SHAC, the Housing Aid Centre for the capital.

The estimate is based on the number of desperate appeals for help to various aid centres in London by battered women.

The report, compiled by Maureen Leavers of SHAC's research department, criticises London boroughs for not doing enough to help distraught and often terrified wives.

Miss Leavers says: 'A battered woman has every reason to fear returning to her violent matrimonial home, but she may be refused the safety of temporary council accommodation until a full report has been compiled — and this takes time, often with more tragic consequences.'

There is no pattern to the way London boroughs deal with the immediate problem of housing battered wives who have left home, says the report, which bases its

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findings on information received from 22 London boroughs.

The report also points out that different boroughs make different requirements before they will help battered wives.

Some demand proof of battering; others give help first and then investigate; others will not help co-habitees but only wives.

The establishment of a

primary advisory service for battered wives, consisting of advisers with expert knowledge, is urged by SHAC.

And it recommends that all London boroughs should keep records of applications from homeless battered women so that the size of the problem can be assessed.

The report recommends five ways to help battered wives.

Boroughs should not require a battered wife to stay in a violent home until legal proceedings are started before granting aid.

Boroughs should not require a wife to pay off rent arrears which have mounted through no fault of her own and use the arrears as a bar to granting her a tenancy.

Boroughs should transfer a tenancy from a husband to a wife in certain circumstances.

More women's aid centres should be set up.

The environment department should make a compulsory for local authorities to provide immediate homes for homeless battered wives.

BOLTON STUDENTS HOMELESS

BY OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT

STUDENTS from Bolton's Institute of Technology were leafletting the town centre on Saturday in an urgent appeal for accommodation.

Crisis

Student's Union president, Nigel Ecclesfield, explained:

'There are no halls of residence at B.I.T., and the college has been putting up the course numbers. This means that we have an accommodation crisis.'

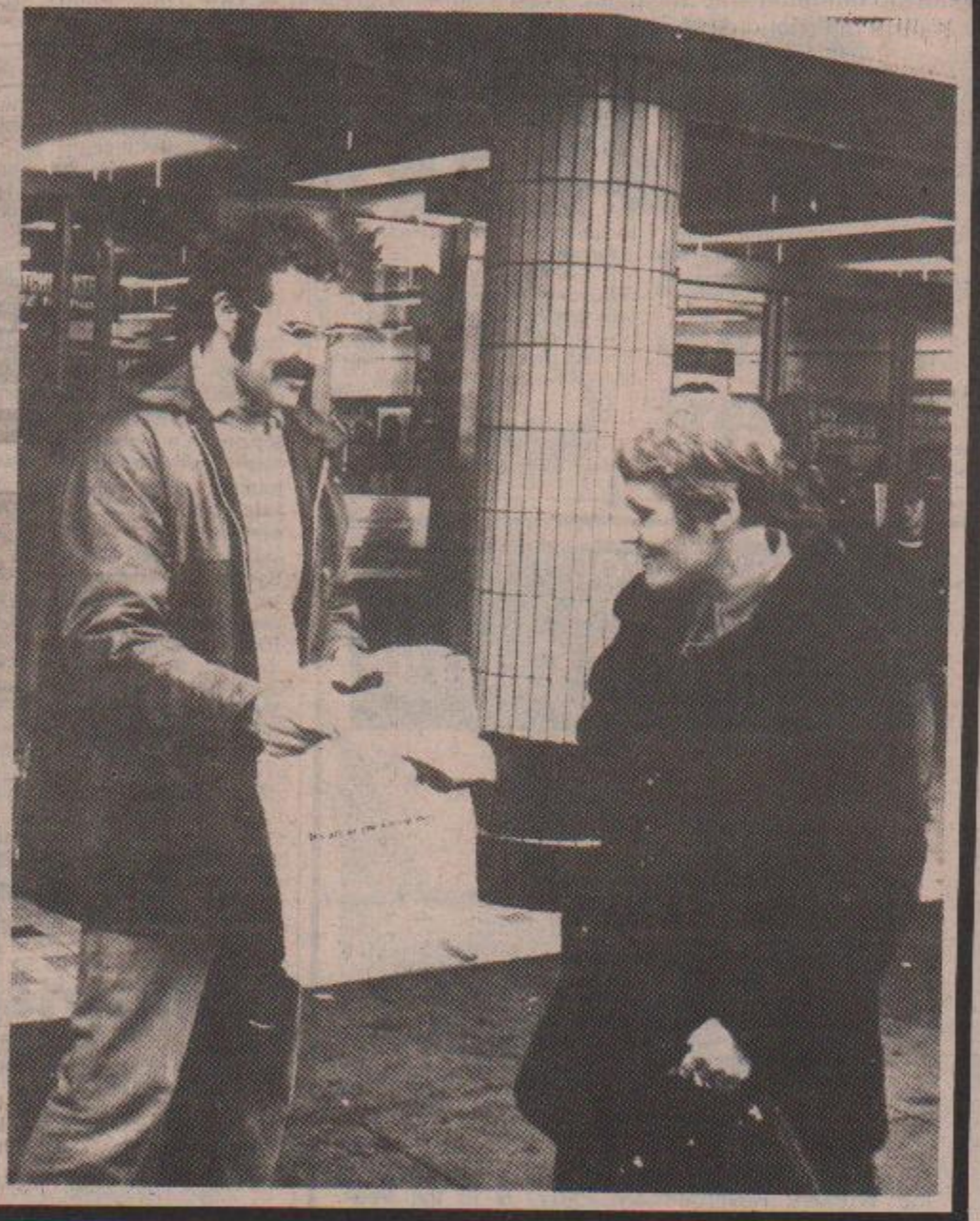
'It's overseas students that are the hardest hit. At

the moment we know of about half a dozen students that have nowhere to stay, but the number could well rise as the courses start on Monday.'

'We can accommodate about fifteen, anything more than that and we'll have to use college buildings.'

Leaflet

The leaflet being handed out asked for short-term lodgings to meet the immediate crisis as well as permanent accommodation.



LONDON WARNING TO SCOTS YOUTH

YOUNG unemployed Scots who come to London cannot find a place to live or a job and soon run out of money, a social worker warns today.

He said the grim situation in London for young people should be explained more fully in Scotland.

The warning is given by Mr Rab Ferguson, of the West End Co-ordinated Voluntary Services. It was set up to give assistance to young Scots who were coming south in increasing numbers because of youth unemployment.

Ferguson says the itinerant youngsters were no longer just those in trouble at home or runaways from special schools.

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Many of them were coming south with parents' consent to seek work. But they did not realise how much money they would need to pay for lodgings until they could find a job.

He says more should be done in Scotland at schools, youth clubs and by all working with young people, to warn them about conditions in London.

London's housing stock should be used to provide more homes for single people. There should be long term projects under the job creation programme for young people to convert houses and then live in them and convert more houses for others to live in.

They should be trained in the necessary skills.

The report urges the Labour government to 'act on its commitment' to introduce legislation to define the rights of homeless people.

SPECIAL HELP APPEAL FOR JAILED MENTALLY DISTURBED

CLOSER co-operation between courts, doctors and probation officers will ease shortcomings in the treatment of mentally-disordered offenders, says a report out today.

Units

The National Association of Probation Officers calls for the establishment of regional units to take care of such people instead of sending them to jail.

The increasing number of

persons requiring help, support and treatment for mental conditions has created a real problem, it says.

There are many instances of courts sentencing to imprisonment offenders in need of treatment and secure conditions, due mainly to the

lack of appropriate hospital accommodation.

The NPO report says that indecent exposure is now seen as 'more of a social nuisance than criminal' and recommends that it no longer be regarded as a criminal offence.

WORKERS REVOLUTIONARY PARTY

Meeting to commemorate

36th



Anniversary of
Trotsky's
SCOTLAND
Sunday October 10, 7 p.m.
Royal Stuart Hotel
Clyde Street, Glasgow

Speakers: G HEALY (Central Ctee)
CORIN REDGRAVE (Central Ctee)
MARY MATHIESON (YS National Ctee)

At all meetings there will be a showing of the new version of the film
Trotsky — A Documentary of his Life and Work

World News Line

FORD FUNDS FACE NEW PROBE

THE 'New York Times' reported yesterday that special Watergate prosecutor Charles Ruff was investigating whether President Ford, as a congressman, enriched himself with funds donated for campaign purposes.

Times said Ruff had issued subpoenas for the records of two Republican political committees in Michigan, Ford's home state, and of two trade unions, the Seafarers International Union and the Marine Engineers Beneficial Association.

The newspaper, which attributed its information to Michigan politicians and federal officials, said the investigation covered the years 1964 to 1974.

White House Press secretary Ron Nessen, asked for comment, said: 'I have seen nothing to indicate officially that the President is the target of an investigation.'

He added that Ford was not concerned by the allegations since the House of Representatives' Judiciary Committee had investigated 'all facets of this part of his life' in late 1973.

FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT

No comment was immediately available from Ruff's office.

The 'Times' report said Ruff apparently began his investigation on August 19, the day after Ford won the Republican Party presidential nomination.

It said Ruff had consistently refused to comment on whether he was investigating Ford or the two unions. Neither would he confirm that he had subpoenaed the records, the Times said.

Ford's finances were investigated when he became vice-president in 1973 by the Federal Bureau of

Investigation, the Internal Revenue Service and the House Judiciary Committee.

In the years after 1964, Ford was Republican minority leader in the House of Representatives and is known to have collected



more funds than he personally needed for his own campaigning.

The 'Times' said it was his practice to divert some of the money to Republicans in other parts of the country.

Bank official suspended in Bahrain

THE general manager of the government-controlled National Bank of Bahrain has been suspended from duty in connection with the failure of a company supplying prefabricated houses to the Gulf island state.

The daily newspaper 'Akhbar al-Khaleef' reported that bank manager Sandy Wood, a Briton, had been suspended pending the completion of investigations into the affairs of the Guernsey-registered Viking International company.

The officials said two government committees had been formed to investigate the affair — the first to look into why a large and apparently unsecured loan had been granted by the bank to Viking International. The second would investigate the relationship between Viking International and another company bearing the Viking name registered two years ago with majority Bahraini shareholding to build Viking houses on the island.

Nixon ready to spill the beans?

DAVID FROST, fresh from preliminary discussions with former US President Richard Nixon on a planned series of interviews, believes Nixon had come to terms with his fate and wanted to confront his past.

Frost, who arrived in Sydney, Australia, yesterday for a week as host of a local radio show, told reporters he found Nixon composed during the talks on the six-hour series of interviews expected to be shown on television early next year. He said he did not ask the

former President really substantive questions because one of the clauses in the contract for the series stated Nixon should not know what he would be asked until he was on camera.

'But I got the impression that he has come to terms with his fate and wants to say more than he has ever said before about what happened to him,' Frost said.

He said he believed the television interviews would have a purgative effect on the American people because there were many questions they wanted to hear put.

'People in the US are more fascinated about Nixon and what made him tick than they are about the present presidential elections,' he added.

WORKERS REVOLUTIONARY PARTY EDUCATION CENTRE

White Meadows, Derbyshire



WHITE MEADOWS, the residential education centre of the Workers Revolutionary Party, is in the Peak District, three miles inside the beautiful Peak National Park.

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THE GREAT DIVIDE

Millions more below US poverty line

BY A SPECIAL CORRESPONDENT

WASHINGTON — The average American family got poorer last year and another 2.5 million people joined the millions already below the official poverty line.

These are two of the facts disclosed by official figures just released by the US Commerce Department.

The statistics say average family income rose 6 per cent, to \$13,270, but inflation in 1975 ran at 9 per cent, meaning a net loss of income.

Income

The government report acknowledges the combination of recession and inflation as responsible for family income declining, and the increase in the number of poor.

The official poverty line is set at \$5,000 a year for a family of four not living on a farm. There were 25.9 million people living below this line in 1975 — a 19.7 per cent increase on the previous year.

About 25 per cent of all families in the country had an income of less than \$8,000. At the opposite end of the social order, the report shows 1.4 per cent of families with incomes in excess of \$50,000.



The queues get longer and longer outside New York welfare centres as both blacks and whites drop below the official poverty line

Black people continued to figure predominantly among the less well-off section of society — average income for a black family was \$8,780, almost \$5,000 below the overall average, and basically unchanged.

The number of black people below the poverty line increased by 363,000.

The most striking increase, reflecting the slump, was in the numbers of poor whites —

another 2 million fell below the poverty line.

It is against the background revealed in these statistics that the obscene farce of the presidential election campaign is being played.

It is perhaps not surprising, after all, to note another striking statistic, revealed by a TV and newspaper poll.

At least 50 per cent of those

eligible to vote in the coming election say they do not intend to bother.

Who can blame them? Unlike the corrupt handful of union bureaucrats who are responsible for American workers not having their own party, millions of Americans see no difference worth caring about between Ford and Carter. Both represent the tiny 1.4 per cent that has the wealth.



Hussein and Assad, two butchers of the Palestinians likely to attend one of the conferences

Anniversary strike in Basque country

MADRID — A general strike throughout the Basque provinces of northern Spain has been called for today. It marks the first anniversary of the execution of five anti-fascist guerrillas and renews the call for the release of all political prisoners.

The strike call comes from the left-wing Basque nationalists, ETA, two of whose fighters were among the five executed a year ago by garotting.

(The other three were members of a small Maoist group, the FRAP). There are about 150 ETA members still held in jail.

Tactic

In Madrid, shots were fired by riot police during clashes with striking post office workers at the weekend.

In a new tactic to break the postmen's strike, about 600 scab volunteers were brought into the main Madrid sorting office on Saturday, to clear the backlog of mail.

Pickets were injured and one strike leader was arrested.

The strike began four days ago over the government's failure to pay an increase promised after the January postal strike.

Spread

It spread from Madrid to postal workers in Bilbao last week, and then to Malaga, La Coruna and Santander.

With more postmen coming out at the weekend, 12 towns are affected by the strike now.

ETA to set up a political wing

SAN SEBASTIAN — The Basque guerrilla movement ETA says it is hoping to reduce guerrilla activity, while setting up a political wing to mobilise working-class support.

The announcement was made at a weekend Press conference held just over the border, near Bayonne in France.

ETA leaders said militants were leaving the guerrilla organisation to form the new party, together with other left-wing groups.

ETA said the guerrilla, military and political wings of the movement would be clearly separated.

The main Basque nationalist movement is the older, more respectable, National Party of Vizcaya (PNV), which was the ruling party in the Basque country during the short-lived period of autonomy ended by Franco's victory in the Civil War.

The younger, more active ETA, declares its aim to be a Basque Socialist Republic.

Strongly influenced by the guerrilla theories prevalent in the late 1960s, it is now apparently attempting a significant change of strategy.

BY OUR FOREIGN STAFF

ARAFAT MEETS SARKIS

BEIRUT — New Lebanese President Elias Sarkis and Palestine Liberation Organisation chief Yassir Arafat were expected to meet yesterday for talks on the Lebanese crisis.

The two leaders were to meet in the Melkart Hotel — in leftist-controlled west Beirut — with Arab League envoy Dr Hassan Sabri Al-Kholi participating.

Dr Kholi has already chaired two meetings between official Lebanese and Palestinian military leaders to discuss the application of a ceasefire and steps to implement the Cairo agreements regulating the Palestinian presence in Lebanon.

He has also held meetings with President Sarkis at his Baabda Palace two days running. Last Friday the Arab League envoy conveyed to Sarkis the letter from PLO chief Arafat announcing the Palestinians' unilateral ceasefire.

Message

King Khaled of Saudi Arabia has congratulated the Palestinian leader on his move and expressed the hope that others would follow Arafat's lead. The Saudi monarch's surprise message was endorsed by his right-hand strongman, Crown Prince Fahd.

Observers regarded the move as an important indication that the Saudis may now be throwing their considerable weight behind conciliation efforts — though radical Palestinians also view it as an attempt to encourage moderate Palestinian leaders to break their links with the Lebanese leftists.



Yassir Arafat

Khaled's political adviser outlined to the Fatah representatives in Damascus the Saudi proposals for a top-level Arab meeting reconciling Damascus and Cairo.

The proposal is that a mini-summit should be held in the near future bringing together one of three possible combinations of leaders: a four-cornered meeting between the Egyptian, Syrian, Saudi and Kuwaiti heads of state; a six-sided encounter grouping these plus Lebanon and the Palestine Liberation Organisation; and these six — plus Jordan.

Ally

Syria is reported to be insisting on the inclusion of its closest ally, Jordan, in the talks. Meanwhile the Palestinian and Lebanese leftist movements have been discussing the proposals, brought to Beirut by Fatah envoy Abu Mazen.

Sarkis is widely believed to be anxious to have his new cabinet

Talks with new President after offer of ceasefire

on its feet in time for the Arab summit meeting on October 14.

Tipped as possible successors to outgoing Rashid Kerami in the premiership — which always goes to a Sunni Muslim — are veteran ex-premier Saeb Salam, another ex-premier, Taqiyyeddine Sulh, and a former minister, Malek Salam.

Image

The new government is expected to be in the Sarkis mould — an administration of professional experts — and the figure most closely corresponding to this image is Malek Salam.

As a brother-in-law of Kerami and son of a Sunni political house, he would not be opposed by any sector of Muslim opinion — but he lacks the political stature to play a forceful role in welding the country together again.

• An artillery duel between left and right-wing gunners shook Sarkis's official residence in Beirut's eastern suburbs on Saturday night.

The rightist radio said most of the shelling from the mainly Moslem leftist side fell around the Baabda Palace, which Sarkis reopened after taking office on Thursday.

The palace, partially repaired after earlier shelling in the 17-month-old civil war, had been abandoned by former President Franjeh.

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REMEMBER THE RAID

ONE YEAR SINCE EDUCATION CENTRE WAS WITCH-HUNTED

TWELVE months ago, on the night of September 27, 1975, 100 police raided the education centre of the Workers Revolutionary Party in Derbyshire.

They came with an electricity generator to floodlight the grounds, truncheons, army flares, metal detectors, cameras and alsatian dogs.

They detained leading members of the party under room arrest for the six-hour raid, interrogated the students and stripped women in a search operation.

The raid came only a month after the school was opened and right on the eve of last year's Labour Party conference. It was a crude attempt to get a witch-hunt off the ground against the Workers Revolutionary Party.

It got an immediate response from large sections of the labour and trade union movement. This is our



Alan Sapper lobbied at last year's Labour Party Conference — to support the campaign against the raid

opportunity to thank the delegates to the Labour Party conference who came to the defence of basic democratic rights a year ago today.

Thousands of signatures were collected from trade unionists and Constituency Labour Party members protesting against the police raid, the biggest political raid in Britain since the war.

It was this groundswell of protest which ultimately forced the police and the Director of Public Prosecutions to lift the threat of any charges against the WRP or its members.

A trade union inquiry into the raid has been held up by action being taken in the courts by the Workers Revolutionary Party. One action is against 'The Observer' newspaper while another is against the Chief Constable of Derbyshire alleging trespass.

The police raid on the WRP education centre brought into sharpest relief the dangers to basic democratic rights. It proved that no one should be lulled into complacency by a Labour government in office.

On the contrary, a government that kept the Shrewsbury Two locked up and brought in the notorious anti-terror laws was only masking the conspiracies in the silent recesses of the Home Office, the army and the police.

The right-ward lurch of the Labour administration under Callaghan must redouble the vigilance of the labour and trade union movement to what's going on.



Machel

Five Presidents

LUSAKA — Confusion raged here last night over the meaning of the communique issued by five African heads of state meeting to discuss the Rhodesia crisis.

Although it ended with a call for the armed struggle to continue, reporters were told that in fact it meant that the Kissinger-Callaghan plan was 'nearing acceptance'.

They were told to suspend judgement until the leaders issued the final communique at the end of their talks.

FOLLOWING is the text of the statement issued by the five black African Presidents who met on the Rhodesian question:

“The struggle of the people of Zimbabwe, the African and international solidarity in the implementation of sanctions and co-ordinated action of all anti-colonialist forces and states have together brought the isolation and collapse of the illegal racist minority regime in the British colony of Southern Rhodesia.

The presidents hailed and



Trade unionists join to defend Ramadan

THREE THOUSAND Asians held a religious ceremony to mark the end of Ramadan in a disused clothing warehouse in Leyton, east London, yesterday.

The ceremony attracted a reactionary provocation by the extreme right-wing National Front. About 80 of them picketed the warehouse complaining about its

conversion into a mosque.

Two men were arrested during scuffles between the NF and the International Socialism group.

After the two-hour ceremony some 1,200 Asians marched through the surrounding streets demanding the right to have a mosque and denouncing the racism of the National Front.

Twenty people will appear in court in Walsall this week following Saturday's clash between National Front marchers and members of International Socialism group.

More than 1,000 police were drafted in to cope with the clash and charged with threatening behaviour, disorderly conduct and obstructing and assaulting the police.

ents reject Rhodesia deal

congratulated the people and fighters of Zimbabwe whose hard and heroic armed struggle forced the rebel regime and the enemy in general to recognise and accept the inevitability of majority rule, the need to establish immediately a transitional government to implement this principle.

Thus the victories achieved by the people of Zimbabwe in their armed struggle created the present favourable conditions for the convening of a constitutional conference.

This is a victory for all Africa and mankind and particularly

for all those countries and peoples who made sacrifices so that the brotherly people of Zimbabwe can be free.

Now that the pressures of armed struggle have forced the enemy to accept majority rule as a condition for immediate independence, the five presidents call upon the colonial authority, the British government, to convene at once a conference outside Zimbabwe with the authentic and legitimate representatives of the people:

• To discuss the structure and

functions of the transitional government.

• To establish the transitional government.

• To discuss the modalities for convening a full constitutional conference to work out the independence constitution.

• To establish the basis upon which peace and normalcy can be restored in the territory.

To achieve these goals two phases are envisaged. The first phase will deal with the establishment of an African majority transitional government.

The second phase will be

concerned with working out the details of the Zimbabwe independence constitution.

The presidents have carefully studied the proposals as outlined by the illegal and racist regime which, if accepted, would be tantamount to legalising the colonialist and racist structures of power. Any details relating to the structure and functions of the transitional government should be left to the conference.

The five presidents reaffirmed their commitment to the cause of liberation in Zimbabwe and the armed struggle.



Neto



Asians march

Most of the 20 were arrested when a 100-strong IS breakaway group left their march and tried to reach the National Front rally.

'It was the biggest operation the West Midlands force has carried out since the Birmingham bombing and we were very pleased that we stamped out any trouble before it had a chance to get a hold,' said police



Amnesty International Report

World-wide torture horror

THE governments of more than 100 countries throughout the world are imprisoning, torturing and executing people for their beliefs according to a new Amnesty International report.

The report, published yesterday, details the work of Amnesty International's national sections in 33 countries in Africa, Asia, Europe, the Middle East, North and South America, from June 1, 1975, to May 31, 1976.

These activities involve the gathering of information on cases of state suppression, and the launching of campaigns to defend political prisoners and 'prisoners of conscience'.

Concern

In Africa, the report expresses particular concern over the imprisonment of trade unionists, students and teachers in Ethiopia, Benin (formerly Dahomey), Congo and the Central African Republic.

The racist regime of Ian Smith continues to torture and execute African nationalists in secrecy, says the report on Rhodesia, and in South Africa there is substantial evidence of ill-treatment of the growing number of detainees by the security police.

Repression revealed in 100 countries

In Namibia, South African authorities have been empowered to create a depopulated zone along the entire 1,600 kilometre border with Angola.

Large-scale atrocities have been reported from Uganda and Equatorial Guinea, and the latter country is said by the report to have one of the most repressive and totalitarian governments in Africa.

It goes on to say that there has been an 'unmistakable deterioration in the overall human rights situation in the Americas'.

In the richer countries, repression is characterised by a systematic and well-organised apparatus which has at its disposal advanced technology and highly sophisticated equipment.

Some 30,000 political prisoners are believed to be held in Chile, Argentina, Brazil and Uruguay, and one out of every 500 people in Uruguay is a political prisoner.

Right-wing death squads have assassinated 15,000 people in Guatemala since 1979, and similar activities have escalated in Argentina, where whole families have been exterminated by the principal murder gang, the Anti-Communist Alliance.

Arbitrary executions, torture and imprisonment continue in Brazil, Bolivia, Haiti and Paraguay.

The victimisation of peasants and students in El Salvador,

Honduras, Colombia, the Dominican Republic and Nicaragua has been the focus of Amnesty efforts in those countries.

A state of bloody siege is said to exist in Nicaragua, where President Anastasio Somoza continues the 49-year-old rule of his family with the assistance of American advisers.

In the United States itself the Amnesty report indicates that a person's political beliefs are often behind criminal charges.

At least 40,000 political prisoners in India, up to 100,000 in their 11th year of imprisonment by the Indonesian dictatorship, 62,000 in Bangladesh, unknown thousands in the jails and torture centres of the fascist dictators of South Korea and the Philippines; this makes up the dismal picture in Asia.

In Europe, severe curtailment of democratic rights in Stalinist European countries is the subject of the report.

The sentencing of workers and intellectuals to psychiatric detention in the USSR is of special concern to Amnesty, and they estimate that there are around 1,000 such detainees in the Soviet Union.

Prisoners

At least 30,000 political prisoners are estimated to be held in the prisons and labour camps of the Albanian Workers Party government.

In Spain there is evidence that both detention and the use of torture is on the increase.

The detention and torture of political activists by the Turkish authorities and the use of solitary confinement against political prisoners in England and West Germany are also

denounced.

Iran and Iraq are cited as the most serious cases of mass repression and torture, with internal opposition to Syria's assault on the working class in Lebanon, worsening an already bad situation in that country. Cases of prisoners being tortured to death by electric shock treatment have been substantiated.

Amnesty International also has evidence of the use of torture on Palestinian prisoners in Israel, and by British officers in Oman. The Ministry of Defence has refused to hold an inquiry into the latter incident.

Mr David Simpson, Director

of Amnesty International's British section, said of the report: 'There is still a long way to go before British people are really well informed about the world we live in.'

Brutal

He went on to say: 'If justice were done to this report, no British government or commercial negotiation would be carried out without first consulting it to consider the human rights position in the country concerned. Almost every country named in the

report had representatives at a recent Military Equipment Exhibition sponsored by the Ministry of Defence.

The Amnesty report is one of the most extensive surveys of the brutal means by which the ruling class and the counter-revolutionary bureaucracies maintain their power ever published.

It also, unintentionally, reveals the absolute, undaunted, determination of the working class to defeat enemies, no matter how powerful.

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In silhouette in the Santiago stadium troops surround political prisoners (seen standing in first picture) ... and 'deal with them' (slumped on the ground in the second picture)

New Park Publications has proudly launched its latest title, 'How the GPU Murdered Trotsky'. It is a unique historical document brilliantly presented in three colours in magazine format.

The book was compiled by the International Committee of the Fourth International following a six-month investigation of the circumstances surrounding the assassination of Leon Trotsky, Lenin's co-leader of the Russian Revolution and founder of the Red Army.

It brings together hitherto unpublished evidence of GPU crimes against the Fourth International drawn from US government archives, court testimony given during the 1950s spy trials in New York and interviews conducted in the United States and western Europe.

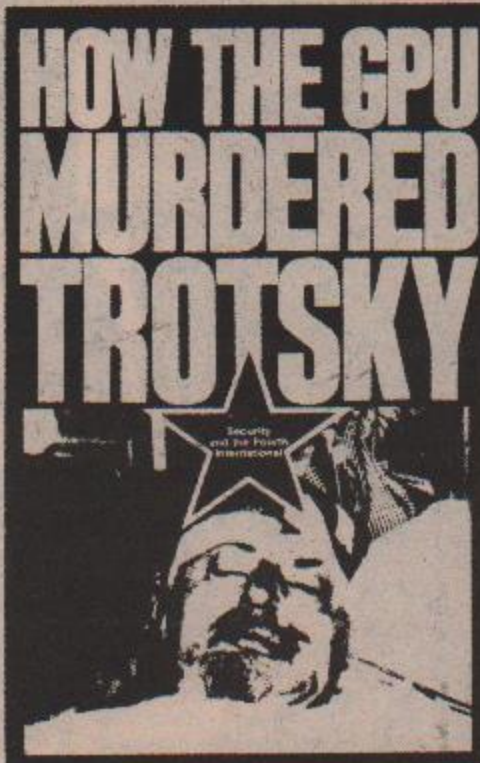
In tracing the history of murder, provocation and disruption by Stalin's undercover agents inside the Trotskyist movement, the book unearths their accomplices — Joseph Hansen and George Novack of the Socialist Workers Party (USA) who have conducted a 36-year conspiracy of silence to shield known GPU agents, cover up their crimes and suppress the truth from coming out.

This book, subtitled 'Security and the Fourth International', will appeal widely to industrial and professional workers, historians, students and young people.

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TYNE FIRE TERROR

BY OUR OWN
CORRESPONDENT

RAY SIMPSON, a welder in the Neptune Yard, who was on board the 'Glasgow', said: 'In my opinion there are not enough safety officers. We should also have properly-organised fire drill.'

'There is not an alarm system on the ship and not enough exits. On destroyers, compartments are very small. There is a lack of ventilation and only one way into the compartments.'

'Also, the jetties are always blocked, which makes it very hazardous for the fire engines to get down.'

'There should be a regular check of burning equipment and anything else that could cause accidents.'

Workers in Swan Hunter's have begun a disaster fund for the dependants of the eight victims.

Workers condemned safety lapses at the Neptune shipyard on the Tyne following last week's disaster there when eight died in a fire on board the HMS 'Glasgow'. Trade unionists explained their anger at the weekend to the News Line...

Trade unionists angry over conditions



Paul Thompson



Ray Simpson



Pete Taylor

Lucky

Paul Thompson, an electrician in the Neptune yard, told News Line:

'I was only working 15 yards from the area where the disaster started.'

'I was very lucky to be near an exit. I think it's wrong to have wooden ladders because they are no good in a fire.'

'There should have been two gangways — but one was broke and was away getting fixed.'

'There is a lack of ventilation. The lights were supposed to flash three times if a fire was to start. But the lights went out and we were in total darkness.'

Pete Taylor, a fitter in Neptune, said: 'There should be a warning like a klaxon — but there was no warning at all. Only word of mouth.'

'There is only temporary

lighting. Instead of the emergency lighting that's necessary. There are no reasonable ways out of the compartments. Many of them are blocked by cables.'

'Better means of fire checks are needed to avoid this happening again. The fire

brigade could not get near the ship because the jetties were blocked up.'

'The fire engines had to do a three-point turn when they took turn and delayed the rescue.'

'People were screaming for help while the firemen were going through the corridors.'

The tied cottage scandal hits Les

Scottish shepherd and family to be forced out

THE CASE of Leslie MacIntosh, a Perthshire shepherd who is to be evicted from his home with his family, has again highlighted the plight of the many agricultural workers who live in tied homes.

These are houses owned by their employers and given rent-free as part of the job.

After a disagreement with his employer over a cut in his coal allowance, Leslie was dismissed and given the statutory six months to quit his tied home.

Since that time, he has been unable to find other employment or a house. He, like many other farm workers, detests the system of tied houses because of its feudal overtones and because it deprives them of all independence.

Legislation has been passed to abolish tied cottages in England and Wales, but not in Scotland. The Transport and General Workers Union, the main farmworkers' union in Scotland, formed a strange alliance with the Scottish Farmers Union to maintain this system in Scotland.

A T&GWU spokesman claimed that because so many of their members in Scotland are stockmen who like to live near their work, and because farmworkers like to be free of the responsibilities of rent and rates, the system was in their interests.

Shelter, the campaign against homelessness, takes the opposite view.

The disruption caused to the life of the whole family when a farm worker loses his job is enormous. No council housing is available in rural areas and often a worker who has been dismissed by one employer, finds it hard to get work anywhere else.

Shelter says the local authority should have a

statutory responsibility to house people evicted from tied houses and that as soon as possible they should be abolished altogether.

This would entail a massive council house-building programme in rural areas, which in view of the cuts in local authority spending seems unlikely to be undertaken.

Hugh Brown MP, secretary of state at the Scottish Office, stated in a recent document that the existence of tied houses is detrimental to social justice.

Nonetheless, his document concludes that no legislation to abolish tied housing in Scotland is likely in the near future.

In the meantime Leslie MacIntosh and his family are due to be evicted some time in the next week.



This Moslem youth in the Lebanon had his feet cut by the right-wing Christian Falangists, who then forced him to walk...

Perspectives discussion

The draft resolution on perspectives is open for discussion before the party's second annual conference

Jobs for Youth Now campaign is decisive



The Jobs for Youth Now campaign outside the Trades Union Congress in Brighton earlier this month

PERSPECTIVES MEETINGS

KINGSTON: Monday, September 27, 8p.m. The Cricketers, Fairfield Green.

PLUMSTEAD: Wednesday, September 29, 7.30p.m. Barnfield Meeting Room, Barnfield Road, Barnfield Estate, SE18.

ISLINGTON: Thursday, September 30, 8p.m. Essex Road Library, Essex Road, N1.

BRIXTON: Tuesday, September 28, 8p.m. Brixton Library, opp. Brixton Town Hall, SW2.

HARINGEY: Wednesday, September 29, 8p.m. Hornsey Library, Haringey Park Road, N8.

LAMBETH: Thursday, September 30, 8p.m. South Island Library, South Island Place SW9.

BATTERSEA: Tuesday, September 28, 8p.m. Battersea District Library, Lavender Hill, SW1.

WOKING: Wednesday, September 29, 8p.m. Central Halls.

CRAWLEY: Thursday, September 30, 7.30p.m. 19 Station Road.

EAST HAM: Wednesday, September 29, 8p.m. Rising Sun, Romford Road, Manor Park, E12.

STOKE NEWINGTON: Thursday, September 30, 8p.m. Stamford Hill Library, Stamford Hill.

WILLESDEN: Thursday, September 30, 8p.m. Anson Hall, Anson Road, NW2.

TOTTENHAM: Wednesday, October 6, 8p.m. Lord Morrison Hall, Chesnut Road, N17.

One and a half million unemployed shows the role of the Labour government and the trade union leaders. It's even clearer if you look at youth unemployment.

There are thousands who have never had a job after leaving school two years ago. They've never had a job and they never will have one so long as capitalism continues.

I left school in February, because I was cheated off with being taught things that I had been taught the year before. After that I was on the dole for three months while I looked for a job.

Then I got a job in an office as a junior, taking home £15 a week and spending over £2 of that on fares to work.

I left there and started working in a sweat shop nearer home. I didn't have to pay the same in fares, and I was taking home £18. But after I had been working there for five months the place went bankrupt, and I've been out of work since.

Rights

This government is carrying out the dirty work for the Tories. It is only interested in doing the bidding for the ruling class, not in fighting for socialist policies to defend the working class.

That is why this Labour government has got to be brought down by the working class. Only socialist policies can defend the rights of the working class, and this government won't carry them out.

Socialist policies means nationalising the land, because that is the only way millions of workers can get decent housing. And nationalising the food industry is the only way to get cheap food. All basic industries should be nationalised.

And all the industries to do with medicine should be nationalised. At the moment they are privately owned and the money comes out of the pockets of the working class, but the National Health Service is collapsing.

This government will not do these things, and it is necessary to bring it down. The Tories won't continue to allow the government to carry on indefinitely anyway.

Military

All confidence in this government is being lost, and when all confidence has gone, the Tories will have to step in with police and the military. They know that the working class will fight to defend its rights.

We have to build revolutionary leadership, because only by revolution will we be able to get rid of this system and the ruling class. That means we have to build the Workers Revolutionary Party.

The present leadership of the working class has betrayed time and time again.

The trade union leaders say that we do not need to bring the Labour government down. But a lot of these leaders are not

Valery Wallace is 18 years old, and like about 340,000 other young people, she is unemployed. She was born in Jamaica and came to England with her parents nine years ago. Now she lives in Walthamstow in north London.



Valery Wallace

representatives of the working class at all.

The top men are bureaucrats and as the crisis develops more and more they cannot keep left-talking much longer. They can't keep propping up the Labour government and the ruling class.

The Jobs for Youth Now! campaign is very important. The success of the lobby of the TUC, when youth came from all different parts of Britain, showed that youth are not going to be thrown on the scrap heap and just take it.

The Jobs for Youth Now! conference on November 28 will be decisive. It's not just for youth, but for trade unionists,

apprentices — we want all sections of the working class to come to this conference.

We have got to get workers and young people who are coming into politics into the Party, and train them as leaders to fight back and lead the working class.

Trained

Everyone who joins the Party should go to the Education Centre, to be trained in Marxism and to be able to understand not just about the crisis and why there is one, but how to actually defeat it.

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BBC 1

7.05-7.55 Open University. 7.55 Closedown. 9.38 For Schools, Colleges. 10.45 You and Me. 11.00 For Schools, Colleges. 12.10 Closedown. 12.45 Midday News. Weather. 1.00 Pebble Mill. 1.45 Trumpton. 2.00 For Schools, Colleges. 3.10 Anno Domini. 3.55 Play School. 4.20 Deputy Dawg. 4.25 Jackanory. 4.40 Blue Peter. 5.05 John Craven's Newsround. 5.15 Potter's Picture Palace. 5.40 Evening News.

5.55 NATIONWIDE

6.50 SOME MOTHERS DO 'AVE 'EM
7.20 ANGELS: Part 4: 'Decision'. Pat's doubts about nursing are reinforced
8.10 PANORAMA

9.00 NINE O'CLOCK NEWS. Weather

9.25 THE MONDAY FILM: 'Little Fauss and Big Halsy'. Sidney J Furie's film about the partnership of a flashy motorcycle racer and his mechanic. Starring Robert Redford and Michael J Pollard

11.05 TONIGHT

11.45-11.47 Weatherman

BBC 2

6.40-7.55 Open University. 9.30 Labour Party Conference. 11.00 Play School. 11.25 Labour Party Conference. 12.30 Closedown. 2.00 Labour Party Conference. 5.00 Open University.

7.05 CARRY ON LEARNING: 4: Work it Out!

7.29 Weather

7.30 NEWSDAY. Foreign Report: The Children of Beirut.

8.10 MAX BYGRAVES: 'I Wanna Tell You a Story'. First of six programmes of stories and songs from the 1920s to the present day

9.00 I, CLAUDIUS: Part 2: 'Waiting in the Wings'. Livia's plans proceed around Julia and her sons

9.50 YESTERDAY'S WITNESS IN AMERICA: 'Babes in Hollywood'. James Cameron looks at the child film stars of the 1930s

10.40 ONE MORE TIME!

11.10 LATE NEWS ON 2. Weather.

11.20-11.25 Closedown. Martin Muncaster reads 'Boundaries' by John Ormond

GRANADA

9.30 Schools. 12.00 Chorlton and the Wheelies. 12.10 Rainbow. 12.30 The Galloping Gourmet. 1.00 News at One. 1.20 The Pied Piper. 1.30 The Cedar Tree. 2.00 Labour Party Conference. 3.50 Emmerdale Farm. 4.20 Clapperboard. 4.45 Nobody's House. 5.15 Supersonic. 5.45 News.

6.00 GRANADA REPORTS

6.45 OPPORTUNITY KNOCKS!

7.30 CORONATION STREET

8.00 GEORGE AND MILDRED: 'Baby Talk'.

8.30 WORLD IN ACTION

9.00 THE SWEENEY

10.00 NEWS AT TEN

10.30 APPOINTMENT WITH FEAR: 'The Vampire Lovers'. Baron Hartog ends the reign of terror of the Karlstein vampire family. With Peter Cushing.

12.10 THE CHALLENGING SEA: 'Bora-Bora Paradise'.

12.45 CLOSEDOWN

THAMES

9.30 For Schools. 12.00 Chorlton and the Wheelies. 12.10 Rainbow. 12.30 A Place in Europe. 1.00 News at One. 1.20 Lunchtime Today. 1.30 The Cedar Tree. 2.00 Labour Party Conference. 3.50 Emmerdale Farm. 4.20 Clapperboard. 4.45 Nobody's House. 5.15 Today Part One. 5.45 News.

6.00 TODAY Part Two

6.15 CILLA'S WORLD OF COMEDY

6.45 OPPORTUNITY KNOCKS!

7.30 CORONATION STREET

8.00 GEORGE AND MILDRED: 'Baby Talk'.

Mildred wants to adopt a baby

8.30 WORLD IN ACTION

9.00 THE SWEENEY: 'Tomorrow Man'.

10.00 NEWS AT TEN

10.30 THE PLAYWRIGHT. Tom Stoppard, author of 'Rosencrantz and Guildenstern Are Dead', 'Jumpers' and 'Travesties', talks to Benedict Nightingale

11.00 JENNIE

12.00 NIGHT GALLERY: 'Certain Shadows on the Wall'

12.25 Close. Roger McGough reads one of his poems

REGIONS

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BBC RADIO 1

247m
6.00 As Radio 2. 7.00 Noel Edmonds. 9.00 Tony Blackburn. 12.00 Paul Burnett including 12.30 Newsbeat. 2.02 David Hamilton (S). 4.30 It's D.L.T. OK! 5.45 Newsbeat. 6.02 Sam Costa (S) (joins Radio 2). 11.00 John Peel (S). 12.00-12.05 As Radio 2.

BBC RADIO 2

1500m (202m in Scotland) and VHF 90-91

6.00 News Summary. Weather. 6.02 Colin Berry (S) including 6.15 Pause for Thought. 7.02 Terry Wogan (S) including 8.27 Racing Bulletin. 8.45 Pause for Thought. 9.02-11.30 Pete Murray's Open House (S) including 10.30 Waggoners Walk. 11.30 Jimmy Young (S). 1.50 Sports Desk. 2.02 David Hamilton (S) including 2.45 and 3.45 Sports Desk. 4.30 Waggoners Walk. 4.45 Sports Desk. 4.47 Sam Costa (S) including 5.45 Sports Desk with racing results. 6.45 Sports Desk. 7.02 Pop Score. 7.30 Alan Deli (S). 9.02 Humphrey Lyttelton (S). 10.02 Sports Desk. 10.05 Band Parade (S). 11.02 David Bellan with The Late Show. 12.00-12.05 Midnight Newsroom. weather, motoring information.

BBC RADIO 3

64m, stereo and VHF 90-92.5

6.55 Weather. 7.00 News. 7.05 Overture (S). Sacchini, Weber, Vorisek. 8.00 News. 8.05 Morning Concert (S). Chabrier, Ravel, Debussy. 9.00 News. 9.05 This Week's Composer: Chopin. 9.50 The Robles Trio (S). 10.55 Beethoven Piano Sonatas (S). 11.40 American Wind Music (S). 12.10 Concert from Isle of Man (S). Part 1: Tchaikovsky, Lambert, Rossini. 1.00 News. 1.05 Concert (S) Part 2: Sullivan, Khachaturian, Massenet. 2.05 Richard Strauss (S). 3.30 Matinee Musicale (S). 4.30 Music for Organ (S). Bach, Franck, Forbes, Honegger, Janacek. 5.15 Bandstand (S). 5.45 Homeward Bound. (6.05 News). 6.30 Lifelines. 7.30 Elgar: The Dream of Gerontius (S). 9.25 Reconsidering John Stuart Mill. 10.05 Mendelssohn, Brahms (S). 11.05 A British Composer in Vienna (S). Burf. 11.25-11.30 News.

BBC RADIO 4

285, 330, 434m and VHF 92-95

6.20 News. 6.22 Farming Week. 6.40 Prayer for the Day. 6.45 Today. (News at 7.00 and 8.00). 7.25 and 8.25 VHF Regional News and Weather. 7.45 Thought for the Day. 8.45 Chorus Girl's Absolutely Final Performance. 9.00 News. 9.05 Start the Week with Richard Baker. 10.00 News. 10.05 Wildlife. 10.30 Daily Service. 10.45 Morning Story. 11.00 News. 11.05 Happy Birthday Ronnie Barker. 11.50 Announcements. 12.00 News. 12.02 You and Yours. 12.27 Desert Island Discs. 12.55 Weather and programme news. 1.00 The World at One. 1.30 The Archers. 1.45 Woman's Hour. (2.00 News). 2.45 Listen with Mother. 3.00 News. 3.05 Afternoon Theatre (S). 4.35 Story Time. 5.00 PM Reports. 5.50 Financial Report. 5.55 Weather, programme news. 6.00 News. 6.15 Hancock's Half-Hour. 6.45 The Archers. 7.00 News. 7.05 The World in Focus. 7.30 The Frank Muir Version. 8.00 The Monday Play. Last Summer (S). 9.30 Kaleidoscope. 9.59 Weather. 10.00 The World Tonight. 10.45 A Book at Bedtime. 11.00 The Financial World Tonight. 11.15 Today in Parliament. 11.30 News. weather. 12.01-12.04 Inshore Forecast.

CHANNEL: 9.30 Schools. 11.55

Closedown. 1.20 News. What's On Where and Weather. 1.30 The Cedar Tree. 2.00 Labour Party Conference. 3.50 Emmerdale Farm. 4.20 Clapperboard. 4.45 Nobody's House. 5.15 Supersonic. 5.45 News. 6.00 Channel News and Weather. 6.10 Beachcombers. 6.45 Opportunity Knocks! 7.30 Coronation Street. 8.00 George and Mildred. 8.30 World in Action. 9.00 The Sweeney. 10.00 News at Ten. Weather. 10.30 Walking Westward. 11.00 Police Woman. 11.55 News. Weather in French, followed by Channel Gazette. Weather and Closedown.

WESTWARD: 9.30 Schools. 12.00 Chorlton and the Wheelies. 12.10 Rainbow. 12.25 Gus Honeybun's Birthdays. 12.30 You and Your Golf. 1.00 News at One. 1.20 Westward News. 1.30 The Cedar Tree. 2.00 Labour Party Conference. 3.50 Emmerdale Farm. 4.20 Clapperboard. 4.45 Nobody's House. 5.15 Supersonic. 5.45 News. 6.00 Westward Diary. 6.20 Sports Desk. 6.45 Opportunity Knocks! 7.30 Coronation Street. 8.00 George and Mildred. 8.30 World in Action. 9.00 The Sweeney. 10.00 News at Ten. 10.30 Walking Westward. 11.00 Late News and Weather. 11.03 Police Woman. 11.55 Faith for Life. 12.00 Closedown.

SOUTHERN: 9.30 Schools. 12.00 Chorlton and the Wheelies. 12.10 Rainbow. 12.30 Farmhouse Kitchen. 1.00 News at One. 1.20 Southern News. Weather. 1.30 The Cedar Tree. 2.00 Labour Party Conference. 3.50 Emmerdale Farm. 4.20 Clapperboard. 4.45 Nobody's House. 5.15 Garmock Way. 5.45 News. 6.00 Day By Day. 6.45 Opportunity Knocks! 7.30 Coronation Street. 8.00 George and Mildred. 8.30 World in Action. 9.00 The Sweeney. 10.00 News at Ten. 10.30 The Playwright. 11.00 Phyllis. 11.30 Southern News Extra. 11.40 Heart and Harp of Mary O'Hara. 11.45 Farm Progress. 12.15 Weather and Closedown.

HTV: 9.30 Schools. 12.00 Chorlton and the Wheelies. 12.10 Rainbow. 12.30 The Playwright. 1.00 News at One. 1.20 Report West Headlines. 1.25 Report Wales Headlines. 1.30 The Cedar Tree. 2.00 Labour Party Conference. 3.50 Emmerdale Farm. 4.20 Clapperboard.

4.45 Nobody's House. 5.15 The Muppet Show. 5.45 News. 6.00 Report West. 6.22 Report Wales. 6.45 Opportunity Knocks! 7.30 Coronation Street. 8.00 George and Mildred. 8.30 World in Action. 9.00 The Sweeney. 10.00 News at Ten. 10.30 Season with Sellers. 12.10 Weather and Closedown.

HTV CYMRU-WALES: As HTV except: 1.20-1.25 Penawdau Newyddion Y Dydd. 6.00-6.22 Y Dydd. 8.30-9.00 Yr Wythnos. HTV WEST: As HTV except: 10.47-11.05 Interlude. 1.20-1.30 Report West Headlines. 6.22-6.45 Report West.

ANGLIA: 9.30 Schools. 12.00 Chorlton and the Wheelies. 12.10 Rainbow. 12.30 Afloat. 1.00 News at One. Weather. 1.25 Anglia News. 1.30 The Cedar Tree. 2.00 Labour Party Conference. 3.50 Emmerdale Farm. 4.20 The Romper Room. 4.45 Nobody's House. 5.15 Supersonic. 5.45 News. 6.00 About Anglia. 6.45 Opportunity Knocks! 7.30 Coronation Street. 8.00 George and Mildred. 8.30 World in Action. 9.00 The Sweeney. 10.00 News at Ten. Weather. 10.30 Lifestyle. 11.00 Mystery Movie: Banacek. 12.20 Reflection, followed by Closedown.

ATV MIDLANDS: 9.30 Schools. 12.00 Chorlton and the Wheelies. 12.10 Rainbow. 12.30 The Amazing World of Kreskin. 1.00 News at One. 1.20 ATV Newsdesk. 1.30 The Cedar Tree. 2.00 Labour Party Conference. 3.50 Emmerdale Farm. 4.20 Clapperboard. 4.45 Nobody's House. 5.15 Supersonic. 5.45 News. 6.00 ATV Today. 6.45 Opportunity Knocks! 7.30 Coronation Street. 8.00 George and Mildred. 8.30 World in Action. 9.00 The Sweeney. 10.00 News at Ten. 10.30 Platform for Today. 11.15 Police Story. 12.10 Richard Hamper. 12.15 Closedown.

YORKSHIRE: 9.30 Schools. 12.00 Chorlton and the Wheelies. 12.10 Rainbow. 12.30 Hogan's Heroes. 1.00 News at One. 1.20 Calendar News. Weather. 1.30 The Cedar Tree. 2.00 Labour Party Conference. 3.50 Emmerdale Farm. 4.20 Clapperboard. 4.45 Nobody's House. 5.15 Supersonic. 5.45 News. 6.00 Calendar. Weather. 6.45

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Emmerdale Farm. 4.20 Clapperboard. 4.45 Nobody's House. 5.15 Batman. 5.45 News. 6.00 Northern Life. 6.40 Police Call. 6.45 Opportunity Knocks! 7.30 Coronation Street. 8.00 George and Mildred. 8.30 World in Action. 9.00 The Sweeney. 10.00 News at Ten. 10.30 Lifestyle. 11.00 Boney. 11.55 Epilogue. 12.00 Closedown.
ULSTER: 9.30 Schools. 12.10 Rainbow. 12.30 Afloat. 1.00 News at One. 1.20 UTV

News, Lunchtime. 1.30 The Cedar Tree. 2.00 Labour Party Conference. 3.48 Ulster News Headlines. 3.50 Emmerdale Farm. 4.20 Clapperboard. 4.45 Nobody's House. 5.15 Out of Town. 5.45 News. 6.00 UTV Reports. 6.45 Opportunity Knocks! 7.30 Coronation Street. 8.00 George and Mildred. 8.30 World in Action. 9.00 The Sweeney. 10.00 News at Ten. 10.30 Monday Night. 10.35 Photography in Focus. 11.05 Monday Movie. 12.30 Closedown.

BORDER: 9.30 Schools. 12.00 Chorlton and the Wheelies. 12.10 Rainbow. 12.30 Farmhouse Kitchen. 1.00 News at One. 1.20 Border News. 1.30 The Cedar Tree. 2.00 Labour Party Conference. 3.50 Emmerdale Farm. 4.20 Clapperboard. 4.45 Nobody's House. 5.15 Supersonic. 5.45 News. 6.00 Border News and Lookaround. 6.15 Garmock Way. 6.45 Opportunity Knocks! 7.30 Coronation Street. 8.00 Lucky Feller. 8.30 World in Action. 9.00 The Sweeney. 10.00 News at Ten. 10.30 Border Month. 11.15 The Protectors. 11.45 News. Weather. 11.48 Closedown.

SCOTTISH: 9.30 Schools. 12.00 Chorlton and the Wheelies. 12.10 Rainbow. 12.30 Gambit. 1.00 News at One. 1.25 Road and Weather Report. 1.30 The Cedar Tree. 2.00 Labour Party Conference. 3.50 Emmerdale Farm. 4.20 Clapperboard. 4.45 Nobody's House. 5.15 Supersonic. 5.45 News. 6.00 Scotland Today. 6.30 Crimedesk. 6.45 Opportunity Knocks! 7.30 Coronation Street. 8.00 George and Mildred. 8.30 World in Action. 9.00 The Sweeney. 10.00 News at Ten. 10.30 Late Call. 10.35 Film: The Harness. 12.15 Closedown.

GRAMPIAN: 9.30 Schools. 12.00 Chorlton and the Wheelies. 12.10 Rainbow. 12.30 Galloping Gourmet. 1.00 News at One. 1.20 Grampian News. 1.30 The Cedar Tree. 2.00 Labour Party Conference. 3.50 Emmerdale Farm. 4.20 Clapperboard. 4.45 Nobody's House. 5.15 Supersonic. 5.45 News. 6.00 Grampian Today. Weather. 6.10 Out of Town. 6.45 Opportunity Knocks! 7.30 Coronation Street. 8.00 George and Mildred. 8.30 World in Action. 9.00 The Sweeney. 10.00 News at Ten. 10.30 Film: 'Cat on a Hot Tin Roof'. 12.25 Evening Prayers. 12.30 Closedown.

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5 (8)	0	GERANIUM	S Hall 8.11	J Lowe
6 (9)	003000	MAIN CHANCE	W Elsey 8.11	J Seagrave
8 (7)	000	MOSSY PATH	J Calvert 8.11	C Eccleston
10 (3)	0-3220	NO FEAR	E Wymes 8.11	Richard Hutchinson
11 (1)	0	OUR JANE	N Angus 8.11	P Tulk
13 (2)	0-04223	SERVICE CHARGE	Denys Smith 8.11	A Thornley
15 (6)	0-000	TOLLESBURY	P Poston 8.11	S Salmon
16 (4)	00400-0	WESLEYAN	M Camacho 8.11	S Salmon

PROBABLE SP: 9-4 Service Charge, 3-1 No Fear, 9-2 Main Chance, 6-1 Geranium, 8-1 Our Jane, 12-1 Blou Hemel, 16-1 Wesleyan, 20-1 others.

2.45 CALDER WATER SELLING STAKES £400

(3-Y-0) 1m 1f (6 runners)

1 (5)	0-2040	NORTH TWO	K Payne 8.7	S Eccles (5)
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4 (2)	0-00000	MELODY PARADE	M W Easterby 8.4	N Crowther (5)
6 (1)	30	QUEEN LUCILLE	J Cousins 8.4	J Seagrave
7 (3)	000000	SATASHA	T Craig 8.4	K Leeson

PROBABLE SP: 6-4 North Two, 2-1 Queen Lucille, 7-2 Melody Parade, 8-1 Stand Aside, 12-1 Satasha.

3.15 LORD HAMILTON H'CAP NURSERY £1,500

(2-Y-0) 5f (6 runners)

2 (3)	42223	GUARD DUTY	N Angus 8.10	Richard Hutchinson
8 (2)	224320	MAIDEN GRIEVE (D)	S Hall 8.0	E Apter
9 (1)	240032	KEIRA (C-D)	T Fairhurst 8.0	S Webster (5)
12 (5)	100012	WHENBY (D) (BF)	M W Easterby 7.9	C Eccleston
15 (4)	040	HOPE ETERNAL	N Angus 7.5	S Salmon
16 (6)	000110	CEPPO (C-D)	N Angus 7.3	G McBride (7)

PROBABLE SP: 7-4 Keira, 5-2 Whenby, 4-1 Cepppo, 7-1 Maiden Grieve, 10-1 Guard Duty, 12-1 Hope Eternal.

3.45 CHATELERAULT HANDICAP £1,000

1m 5f (7 runners)

1 (1)	223144	NOBLE GAME (USA)	Denys Smith 4.97	P Tulk
2 (3)	323220	WILLIE ORMOND	N Angus 4.812	K Leeson
6 (7)	21321U	TILTON BOY (C)	T Craig 3.69	C Dwyer
7 (6)	410000	ONWARD TUBAME (C-D)	F Carr 5.85	J Lowe
8 (2)	0-4403	GREEK MONEY (BF)	E Collingwood 6.80	R Barker (7)
11 (4)	300210	SPANISH NUN	G Wallace 5.77	R Barker (7)
12 (5)	0	P.C.'s RECORD	P Arthur 8.77	S Webster (5)

PROBABLE SP: 6-4 Willie Ormond, 15-8 Tilton Boy, 4-1 Noble Game, 8-1 Onward Tsubame, 12-1 Greek Money, 16-1 Spanish Nun, 20-1 P.C.'s Record.

4.15 LANARKSHIRE HANDICAP £900

1m (13 runners)

1 (8)	414040	SINDAB	J W Wallis 5.97	J Lowe
4 (10)	434032	GARDEN PARTY	T Craig 4.96	K Leeson
3 (9)	4-02000	CONFLUENCE	W Haigh 5.90	C Dwyer
6 (6)	0-00000	ELIE MARINE	H Blackshaw 3.810	T Lapping
7 (4)	300020	DUTCH MARTYR (C)	G Robinson 3.89	A N Robinson (7)
8 (13)	000001	PRINCE LAUSO	W A Stephenson 4.85 (Box)	A Barclay
11 (3)	000122	OCHIL HILLS STAR	N Angus 3.82	P Tulk
15 (7)	022300	MIDSUMMER MADNESS	S Hall 37.10	C Eccleston
16 (11)	234210	SWIFTLY	R Stubbs 4.78	G Douthwaite (7)
17 (2)	004110	DANCING PARTNER	P Poston 5.77	A Thornley
18 (1)	132030	LARELLA	G Wallace 4.77	R Barker (7)
20 (12)	203223	COURTING DAY	W Gray 4.77	S Webster (5)
41 (5)	00400	PETTITSLANE	P Poston 3.77	S Webster (5)

PROBABLE SP: 11-4 Ochil Hills Star, 7-2 Courting Day, 5-1 Sindab, 6-1 Garden Party, 7-1 Prince Lauso, 8-1 Dancing Partner, 10-1 Larella, 12-1 Dutch Martyr, 14-1 others.

4.45 CINQUEFOIL STAKES £500

(2-Y-0) 1m (15 runners)

4 (2)	000	COSTA MINT	T Craig 9.0	N McIntosh
4 (14)	0	DUTCH SILVER	J Calvert 9.0	J Lowe
8 (4)	00	LEZ	W A Stephenson 9.0	A Barclay
9 (7)	000	MAIDENS PET	M W Easterby 9.0	O Gray
10 (8)	30	MELPERION	T Fairhurst 9.0	C Eccleston
11 (6)	00	NORTHERN BOY	N Adam 9.0	R Barker (7)
14 (15)	00	SHEREEN	W Gray 9.0	E Apter
16 (3)	0000	SUMMER SAINT	N Angus 9.0	Richard Hutchinson
19 (5)	0	TARROPEKE	Denys Smith 9.0	L Charnock (5)
25 (12)	00000	FAIR LOUISE	W A Stephenson 8.11	G Welsh
29 (11)	00000	MARY MARINA	M W Easterby 8.11	N Crowther (5)
31 (9)	0	MIGHTY MAGGIE	N Angus 8.11	P Tulk
34 (13)	0030	PAOVANNA	J Calvert 8.11	J Seagrave
38 (10)	00230	THE GOD DAUGHTER	T Craig 8.11	K Leeson
40 (1)	00000	WINNISCENSE	J Etherington 8.11	L G Brown

PROBABLE SP: 100-30 Mesperton, 9-2 Tarropeke, 5-1 The God Daughter, 6-1 Northern Boy, 8-1 Maidens Pet, 10-1 Shereen, 12-1 Dutch Silver, 14-1 Mighty Maggie, 16-1 others.

GOODWOOD

DRAW ADVANTAGE: high except 2m and over

2.00 HAT HILL SELLING STAKES £1,000

(2-Y-0) 6f (9 runners)

8 (2)	00000	AMORE MIO	J Haine 8.8	P Eddery
9 (3)	222	CAMBERWELL BEAUTY	R Hannon 8.8	F Durr
10 (4)	033004	DEMELZA	C Dingwall 8.8	Ron Hutchinson
11 (1)	0400	GET INVOLVED	D Marks 8.8	P Madden
12 (6)	0	INTERPATAN	O O'Neill 8.8	I Johnson (3)
13 (7)	00	LIBERTY LASS	L Hall 8.8	J Mercer
15 (8)	040000	MARY CROONER	J Holt 8.8	P Waldron
17 (5)	002	TEEOFF	R Jarvis 8.8	P Cook
18 (9)	0	WANDERING WAYS	D Sasse 8.8	C Williams

PROBABLE SP: 7-4 Teeoff, 4-1 Wandering Ways, 5-1 Camberwell Beauty, 8-1 Demelza, 9-1 Get Involved, 12-1 Liberty Lass and Amore Mio, 14-1 Mary Crooner, 20-1 Interpatan.

2.30 KINRARA STAKES £1,250

(2-Y-0) 1m (8 runners)

1 (7)	0031	MINED ILLUSION (D)	B Hanbury 8.13	B Raymond
4 (4)	110	FAST FRIGATE	I Balding 8.11	G Starkey
5 (2)	000	KERRY BOLD	D Whelan 8.11	P Cook
6 (8)	000214	LINDSELL	R Hannon 8.11	F Durr
8 (5)	0000	MUMMY'S STAR	G P-Gordon 8.11	E Eldin
9 (6)	42	NIGHT BEFORE (USA)	P Walwyn 8.11	P Eddery
11 (3)	0	SAD ERIC	A Davison 8.11	E Johnson
14 (1)	0	SEA FREIGHT	H Price 8.11	B Taylor

PROBABLE SP: 11-10 Night Before, 9-4 Fast Frigate, 7-1 Kerry Bold, 10-1 Mined Illusion and Sea Freight, 14-1 Lindsell and Mummy's Star, 20-1 Sad Eric.

3.00 STONEHILL HANDICAP £4,000

2m 3f (7 runners)

1 (1)	110123	ALBRIGHTON (BF)	H Cecil 4.97	F Durr
2 (6)	200001	REGAL STEP	R Houghton 4.90 (6ex)	Ron Hutchinson
3 (5)	F24322	CUMBERNAULD	B Hanbury 9.810	J Mercer
6 (7)	010002	BELLE BRETONNE (C-D)	S Woodman 5.84	P Cook
7 (3)	000000	REINE BEAU (C-D)	E Beeson 6.80	P Eddery
9 (2)	040127	RUSHMORE	P Walwyn 3.97	D Cullen

PROBABLE SP: 4-1 Rushmore, 9-2 Regal Step, 5-1 Belle Bretonne and Night In Town, 6-1 Albrighton, 7-1 Cumbernauld, 16-1 Reine Beau.

3.30 COUNTRY PARK HANDICAP £1,250

7f (12 runners)

2 (11)	212112	STAR WALK (D)	H Candy 9.6	P Waldron
3 (3)	004411	PANOREALM (C-D)	M Stoute 9.6 (10ex)	B Taylor

MUD LOVING stayer Belle Bretonne looks set to land a repeat victory in the Stonehill Handicap (3.00) at Goodwood today.

The locally-trained mare turned in a fine effort when chasing home John Cherry at Newbury on her latest venture and will be far more at home over this extra three furlongs.

Belle Bretonne, a 25-1 shot for next month's Cesarewitch, always runs her best races at Goodwood and now has the underfoot conditions she thrives on. She has four pounds less to carry than when winning this race 12 months ago.

Key danger now comes in the shape of Rushmore, impressive when scoring in the mud at Lingfield last week.

Night Before, one of the smartest youngsters in Lambourn, looks the sort to make a really big name for himself and should start his winning ways in the Kinrara Stakes (2.30).

The colt indicated his winning turn was just around the corner when beaten in a photo finish by the highly rated Ad Labra in a 17-runner maiden at Newbury earlier this month. The third horse was seven lengths away, so the form looks well above average.

After a lean early season Panorealm has really come good in recent weeks and a 10lb penalty may not stop him from completing the hat-trick in the Country Park Handicap (3.30).

Bruce Hobbs, whose juveniles are in great form, can land the Foston Nursery (4.00) at

NOTTINGHAM with The Fixings — his only runner at the meeting.

This son of Pieces of Eight has his fair share of weight, but is sure to go well over this extended mile. His form figures do not suggest that he has achieved much, but he showed promise when fourth behind his very useful stable companion Cosy Bar at Newmarket in June.

Four Lawns looks a good bet for Division One of the September Stakes (4.30) on the strength of his encouraging effort at Newbury ten days ago.

Doug Marks' sprinter, running for the first time since April, finished a close fifth of nine behind Minstrel and will appreciate this considerable drop in class.

At HAMILTON, Keira looks set to reverse recent Ayr running with Whenby in the Lord Hamilton of Dalzell Memorial Handicap Nursery (3.15).

NOTTINGHAM

DRAW ADVANTAGE: 5 & 6f high

2.00 FISKERTON MAIDEN FILLIES' STAKES £700

(3-Y-0 fillies) 1m (23 runners)

1 (9)	000-	ADDIE	M James 8.11	Tives
2 (10)	000-04	AXELHOME PRIDE	A Bacon 8.11	J Williams
3 (8)	00-	BLUE MOONLIGHT	M Salaman 8.11	T Rogers
7 (16)	0030-0	EASTER JEWEL	S Underhill 8.11	W Carson
9 (6)	3	FATHERLESS	R Houghton 8.11	J Lynch
10 (5)	0040-0	FLYING FABLE	F Maxwell 8.11	J Higgins
14 (11)	030004	GUILSWAY	R Mason 8.11	C Moss
17 (20)	00000	LINCOLN FIELDS	R Boss 8.11	E Hild
18 (3)	000000	LOR-E-ANA BIRD	M Ryan 8.11	M L Thomas
22 (12)	00003	MISS NICE	Doug Smith 8.11	D Moss (7)
26 (13)	020	NIGHT FRAME	R Jarvis 8.11	A Bond
27 (18)	400000	NUROMA	M Tate 8.11	D McKay
28 (14)	0-0	PETRIKA (BF)	H Cecil 8.11	R Fox
29 (9)	0404-0	ROCKETANIA	C Miller 8.11	D McKay
30 (2)	003-0	SCARLETT THREAD	M Francis 8.11	R Fox
31 (1)	030033	SEALETTE	J Winter 8.11	D Maitland
32 (7)	003	SIRETTE	M Stoute 8.11	A Kimberley
35 (17)	0000	SOCIETY REEF	W Fisher 8.11	R Wernham (3)
37 (15)	0000	SUBTLE QUEEN	C Bewicke 8.11	J Reid (3)
38 (23)	04	TOP OF THE TREE	W Elsey 8.11	G Lewis
39 (21)	000-0	WELBECK LADY	V Michell 8.11	J Woodward
40 (22)	0-00320	YONG SOVEREIGN (USA)	W Wragg 8.11	G Baxter

PROBABLE SP: 11-4 Petrika, 4-1 Fatherless, 5-1 Sirette, 6-1 Young Sovereign, 13-2 Miss Nice, 9-1 Sealette, 12-1 Night Frame, 14-1 others.

2.30 ALVERTON SELLING HANDICAP STAKES £500

1m 2f (19 runners)

1 (11)	020012-	SUBALTERN (D)	C Dingwall 4.910	J Lynch
3 (15)	000040	BALLOON	F Wiles 3.90	J Higgins
4 (6)	102300	DISTANT COUSIN (D)	R Bastiman 4.90	C Moss
5 (1)	14000P	HARRY HALL (C)	M James 3.90	G Sexton
7 (5)	0-0000	DOUBLE SWEET	L Barratt 3.812	K Lewis (3)
8 (4)	0-0044	SUNFLIGHT	B McMahon 3.88	R Curant
9 (7)	030340	GOLDEN ENSIGN	D Dale 4.87	M Birch
11 (2)	400412	GUN TOWER	F Carr 3.85 (7ex)	K Lewis (3)
12 (14)	030020	IRONBRIDGE	J Bradley 3.83	B Rouse
13 (19)	00-0002	BALI BREEZE	C Benstead 4.82	R Wernham (3)
14 (18)	400033	LADY JAY	G Smyth 3.82	W Carson
15 (13)	0-00403	THORNTON BAY	J Cousins 3.81	M L Thomas
16 (8)	000431	ROSE PETITE (D)	K Whitehead 4.81	G Baxter
17 (3)	403200	GREY PRESTO	P Makin 4.80	G Baxter
18 (9)	00-00-0	TREKKELO	F Yardley 4.712	L C Parkes
19 (10)	300400	SOLAR CRESCENT	D Doyle 4.712	W Higgins (7)
20 (17)	00-00-04	MILD WIND	D Chapman 4.712	J Reid (3)
22 (12)	002024	LIZZIE EUSTACE	I Jordan 3.712	P Murphy (7)
23 (18)	000030	KITTY FISHER	K Ivory 3.712	P Murphy (7)

PROBABLE SP: 7-2 Gun Tower, 5-1 Rose Petite, 6-1 Lady Jay, 7-1 Grey Presto, 8-1 Ironbridge, 10-1 Bali Breeze, 12-1 Distant Cousin, and Harry Hall, 14-1 Thornton Bay, 16-1 others.

3.00 VICTORIA CENTRE HANDICAP £1,250

2m (12 runners)

3 (8)	1420-00	INVENTORY (C-D)	G Smyth 8.93	G Lewis
7 (9)	020320-	TARTAR PRINCE	T Waugh 9.811	M Kettle
8 (10)	003100	HIDDEN TALENT (C)	J Sutcliffe 4.87	B Rouse

PROBABLE SP: 33-1 Panorealm, 4-1 Star Walk, 9-2 Dame Clara, 6-1 Allez Britain, 7-1 Lotta, 8-1 Jackoleon, 10-1 Kallissima, 12-1 Fleur D'Amour, 14-1 Drop of a Hat, 25-1 others.

4.00 CHISLEDOWN HANDICAP £1,250

5f (9 runners)

4 (1)	112013	DAME CLARA	P Cole 9.5	D Dineley (5)
5 (10)	230100	KALLISSIMA	R Boss 9.4	I Johnson (3)
6 (12)	112102	ALLES BRITAIN	B Swift 9.3	G Ramshaw
7 (4)	000040	DROP OF A HAT (USA)	I Balding 9.0	J Mercer
9 (9)	000000	PRIMONATO	R Akehurst 8.7	P Madden
10 (2)	022422	FLEUR D'AMOUR	P Cundell 8.6	P Cook
11 (8)	440-341	LOTTO (D)	R Houghton 8.6	P Eddery
13 (7)	201400	MINIBUS	B Cambridge 8.3	D Gillespie (3)
14 (5)	040000	AMBERREN	S James 8.0	E Johnson
15 (6)	022442	JACKOLEON (D)	A Dalton 7.9	E Johnson

PROBABLE SP: 33-1 Panorealm, 4-1 Star Walk, 9-2 Dame Clara, 6-1 Allez Britain, 7-1 Lotta, 8-1 Jackoleon, 10-1 Kallissima, 12-1 Fleur D'Amour, 14-1 Drop of a Hat, 25-1 others.

4.00 CHISLEDOWN HANDICAP £1,250

5f (9 runners)

1 (8)	402000	MURRMATCH (D)	R Hannon 4.98	F Durr
3 (1)	110002	GALLICO (D)	S Woodman 5.91	I Johnson (3)
4 (5)	3-22140	PRINCESS OF VERONA (D)	V Cross 4.813	P Cook
6 (9)	221400	BEAUFORT STREET (C-D)	A Dalton 5.89	B Raymond
8 (4)	0-42010	TALAREA (D)	M Masson 4.81	H Ballantine (5)
9 (7)	223000	SICASANTA (D)	P Cundell 4.712	E Johnson
10 (6)	0000-04	THE SOLOSTAN (D)	J Sutcliffe 5.712	D Dineley (5)
11 (3)	0-20000	SONGFUL	W Wightman 3.79	D Cullen
14 (2)	033200	NOR BARS (D)	S James 4.79	D Gillespie (3)

SOCCER SPORTSLINE

BY BRENDAN MARTIN

BRUM'S
FOLLY
COSTS
POINTS

A SUPERB 30-yard cannon ball by Terry Yorath gave Coventry both points against Birmingham, but the Blues have only themselves to blame for not coming away with one of them.

Yorath's winning goal — his first for his new club — was typical of the enterprising football both sides had played for much of the game.

Substitute Donal Murphy beat two players with his first touch of the ball and passed square to his captain. Yorath took aim and fired a swerving volley low into the left corner of the net.

But the goal also summed up the folly of Birmingham's policy in the second half, when they missed scoring chances by leaving Trevor Francis unsupported in attack.

One of the nine Birmingham players at the back, John Connolly, made the mistake in



Tommy Hutchinson, the speedy Coventry winger, made his comeback after injury and Malcolm Page is suffering as a result

defence that gave the ball to Murphy, and not one of them was marking Yorath.

That should not detract from the spectacular shot, but it does highlight the consequences of attacking players, like Connolly, playing ineffectively in defence when they should be making chances at the other end.

Birmingham have their best side for a long time, and their new strength is in attack, where summer signings Gary Jones and Connolly have added both width and depth.

With these new qualities plus their familiar determination, Birmingham can be a force to be reckoned with.

They needed both qualities to come back with a Kenny

BURNS equaliser ten minutes after Alan GREEN gave Coventry the lead after 24 minutes.

Coventry welcomed the return of Scottish international Tommy Hutchinson, whose lay-off has not impaired his skill or speed on the wing.

But Birmingham have five players — Connolly, Francis, Burns, Hibbitt and Jones — who can more than match Coventry in attack.

If they had made use of them in the second half as they had in the first, they would have been good value for a draw.

As it was, Coventry were the team that played for a win and the final score was no more than they deserved.



Birmingham's defence is frozen as Terry Yorath (4) hits a 30-yard screamer for Coventry's winning goal

ROUND DIVISIONS TWO, THREE AND FOUR

Bolton—Chelsea chase honours

BOLTON'S refreshing contribution to this game makes them a good bet for promotion. They looked the part with former England international Peter Thompson taunting and teasing the Plymouth defence.

To their credit lowly Plymouth showed plenty of heart and fight with Paul MARINER again demonstrating his class, besides heading a fine goal.

But he also scored for Bolton while helping out his defence.

The game turned Bolton's way after the interval and their fluent and insistent attacks should have produced goals.

CHELSEA, a better drilled and speedier side looked set for promotion if they can maintain their present standard.

Blackpool kept up their attacking policy but failed to take their chances and slipped to their second successive defeat. A defensive mix-up between Ronson and Hart gave Chelsea their opportunity and FINNIESTON scored from a Swain cross at close range after 16 minutes.

Blackpool midfielder, Sudduck, should have equalised five minutes after the restart when Walsh and Hutton combined to give him a great

chance. His shot, however, was well wide.

WOLVES' unbeaten League record came to an end when Luton brought a halt to a run of six games without defeat.

Luton, the first side to score at Molineux in a League game this season, went ahead in the 29th minute when HUSBAND headed in following a corner.

After Deans had missed a couple of chances for Luton, Wolves equalised in the 61st minute through HIBBITT who volleyed the ball into the net.

Four minutes later DEANS restored Luton's lead again, following a corner.

DUNDEE SCOTTISH
SCENE
DOMINATE

Jim Cruickshank, the Hearts goalkeeper, is a dejected man as Rangers get their fourth at Ibrox on Saturday

BY OUR OWN
CORRESPONDENT

IN a performance marked by skill and character Dundee United maintained their leadership of the premier division by beating Partick Thistle.

But this was not an easy game for United. Doug Somner gave Thistle the lead after only three minutes and they then played it very tight at the back.

United did not panic and playing superb position football they built up wave after wave of imaginative attacks.

The equaliser came from the head of McAdam in the final minute of the first half after good play by Rolland.

Thistle were extremely unfortunate to have a goal disallowed early in the second half and United took full advantage of this let off by taking the lead again through

McADAM shortly afterwards.

Thistle played a well-organised four-four-two system which brought them numerous chances on the break throughout the second half.

But poor finishing denied them a point.

Both Celtic and Rangers returned to form with fine wins. Celtic, away to Kilmarnock, recorded a victory which was as convincing as the four-nil scoreline suggests.

A feature of the game was Celtic's improved attacking play.

CRAIG GLAVIN and DOYLE finally began to show real attacking promise and flair and skilfully assisted by Dalghish they proved too good for an

average Kilmarnock defence.

All three scored before McDONALD got Celtic's fourth from a Doyle corner.

Despite being twice behind to a good Hearts side at Ibrox, Rangers came out clear winners in the end.

Hearts played neat attacking football, but it was Rangers' power which eventually won the day.

The veteran Grieg was outstanding for Rangers.

His power and character lifted Rangers after Hearts took the lead and he was unlucky not to score, hitting the woodwork twice in the second half.

PARLANE and JOHNSTONE, who got two of Rangers goals, turned in fine performances and Colin Jackson was outstanding in the centre of Rangers' defence.

WARD AMONGST THE GOALS
AGAIN

BRIGHTON continued their winning ways — and their leadership of the Third Division — by putting three in at Tranmere.

Peter Ward was once again among the goals, which will no doubt have increased the demands from First Division managers on the look-out for strikers.

Tranmere fought back after WARD'S 18th-minute goal, and a back-header by ALLEN put them level again. But HORTON and BURNETT finished them off in the second half. Ward had

a hand in both goals.

Andy ROWLAND of Bury scored the only hat-trick in the League, including two in four minutes, to beat Peterborough, the day in the Third Division goes to Lincoln City. They hit four at Chesterfield, who remain without a home win at the bottom of the table.

It was a day for winning away. As well as Brighton and Lincoln, Walsall, Reading and

Shrewsbury went home with both points, and the latter two, along with Swindon, are just one point behind the leaders.

Walsall's win was timely, but they are still one of five clubs propping up the rest. So are Portsmouth, who may not see again many of the 12,000 who watched them lose by two goals to Reading.

There are no unbeaten teams left in the League, and Stockport but the scoring achievement of were among those who lost the distinction. They had George McBeath sent off as they lost at Huddersfield.

They are still one point clear at the top, however, as Bradford and Aldershot both drew, and are joined by Cambridge on ten points.

Elton John says he cannot bail Watford out of the financial trouble they say they do not have.

But he might be called up as centre forward if they keep having strikers stretched off at the present rate.

Keith Mercer, with a head injury, became their third to leave horizontally, and their only compensation must be their 4-1 win at home to Exeter.

SOCCER RESULTS

DIVISION ONE
Aston Villa 2 Leicester 0; Coventry 2 Birmingham 1; Derby 2 West Brom. 2; Everton 2 Bristol C 0; Ipswich 3 Arsenal 1; Man City 1 Man Utd 3; Middlesbrough 1 Leeds 0; Newcastle 1 Liverpool 0; Q.P. Rangers 3 Stoke 0; Tottenham 1 Norwich 1; West Ham 1 Sunderland 1;

DIVISION TWO
Blackpool 0 Chelsea 1; Bristol Rovers 5 Notts Co 1; Burnley 0 Hull C 0; Fulham 4 Hereford 1; Nottm For 5 Carlisle 1; Oldham 0 Orient 0; Plymouth 1 Bolton 1; Sheff Utd 1 Blackburn 1; Wolves 1 Luton 2;

DIVISION THREE
Bury 4 Peterboro' 1; Chesterfield 1 Lincoln 4; Crystal Pal 2 Mansfield 0; Grimsby 1 Preston 0; Northampton 0 Walsall 1; Portsmouth 0 Reading 0; Port Vale 1 Shrewsbury 2; Rotherham 1 Chester 1; Swindon 2 Gillingham 2; Tranmere 1 Brighton 3; Wrexham 2 Sheff Wed 2; York 2 Oxford 1;

DIVISION FOUR
Aldershot 2 Swansea 2; Barnsley 2 Bradford 2; Bournemouth 0 Colchester 0; Crewe A 1 Rochdale 1; Doncaster 4 Darlington 0; Huddersfield 2 Stockport 0; Southport 0 Newport 1; Torquay 1 Brentford 1; Watford 4 Exeter 1; Workington 0 Cambridge Utd 2;

SCOTTISH PREMIER
Dundee Utd 2 Partick 1; Hibernian 0 Aberdeen 0; Kilmarnock 0 Celtic 4; Motherwell 4 Ayr 1; Rangers 4 Hearts 2;

SCOTTISH DIV ONE
Arbroath 0 St Mirren 2; Dumbarton 1 Hamilton 2; East Fife 0 Morton 1; Falkirk 1 Dundee 6; Montrose 2 Clydebank 2; Q of South 1 Raith R 0; St Johnstone 0 Airdrie 2;

SCOTTISH DIV TWO
Aldon Rovers 2 Brechin 2; Alloa 5 Berwick Rovers 1; Clyde 1 Stenhousemuir 2; Cowdenbeath 1 Stirling A 1; E. Stirling 3 Queen's Park 0; Forth 2 Stranraer 4; Meadowbank 1 Dunfermline 1;

RUGBY UNION AND LEAGUE

RUGBY UNION
Tour match: A Scottish XV 34 Japan 9.
Club Matches: Bedford 30 Richmond 16; Blackheath 13 Northampton 9; Bridgend 13 Pontypool 12; Gloucester 8 Bristol 9; Headingley 18 Wasps 3; Ldn Scottish 7 Ldn Welsh 37; Llanelli 10 Moseley 6; Sale 22 Coventry 17; Saracens 18 Nottingham 9; Swansea 0 Newport 9.

RUGBY LEAGUE SECOND DIVISION
Blackpool 8 15 Huddersfield 42; Dewsbury 25 Hutton 11; Doncaster 15 Swinton 29; Halifax 18 Whitehaven 17; Hull 36 Batley 17; Keighley 31 Bramley 10; New Hunslet 30 York 5.

RUGBY LEAGUE FIRST DIVISION
Leeds 19 Leigh 10

SUNDAY RUGBY LEAGUE FIRST DIVISION
Bradford N. 40 Barrow 9; Featherstone R 31 Rochdale H 24; Oldham 23 Wigan 20; Warrington 10 Wakefield T 31; Workington T 17 Widnes 9.



Rodney Marsh



George Best



Gerry Daly



Gordon Hill



Stan Bowles

There's no business like...

THE CROWD PULLERS

BY OUR SPORTS STAFF

AS grim-faced players tear up and down grounds all over the country, fans are warming to a handful of stars who insist on entertaining the crowd.

For too long the game has suffered under stifling and unimaginative managers putting results first and enjoyment a long way second.

A few players and clubs resist this path to boredom. Gordon Hill, Steve Coppell and Gerry Daly of Manchester United, Stan Bowles of QPR and, of

course, George Best and Rodney Marsh of Fulham are the crowd-pleasers.

Hill made two of United's three goals to beat Manchester City and put Tommy Docherty's young adventurers just one point behind leaders Liverpool and Middlesbrough.

And Daly showed the highest skill when he curved a ball 40 yards down the

touchline, past the noses of City defenders, to put David McCreery clear.

The crowd loved it and United have proved that good football pays off. So have QPR, who are moving up the First Division list.

Many Loftus Road fans come just to see Stan Bowles, the 'naughty boy' of the soccer Establishment. He turns it on regularly and had

Stoke defenders bemused for long periods on Saturday as well as scoring a superb individualist goal.

And then there is the Fulham road show, the Best and Marsh double act which has sent gates soaring. Everyone plays with a smile at Craven Cottage.

What the dynamic duo have done for Fulham is to give the happy-go-lucky club

some real power and, above all, irresistible magic. It's paying off as Fulham move into fourth place in Division Two.

Even the referee enjoyed the game and Marsh moved to say afterwards: 'It was probably the most enjoyable game I have played in.'

Entertainment-starved fans in other parts must hope they can get a share of the fun.

UNITED RULE OK!

MANCHESTER United, overcoming the stunning effects of two early blows, beat Manchester City with an adventurous performance which must boost their hopes for their UEFA Cup match against Ajax.

United were a goal down after only six minutes, Dennis Tueart lunging forward to head in a cross from Hartford, and then lost England striker Stuart Pearson with a pulled thigh muscle five minutes later.

With Gordon Hill exposing City's limitations on the left flank, however, United were level after 15 minutes. Hill began the move on the left and when Coppell received the ball from Nicholl he turned sharply to drive in an angled shot.

Hill also set up the second 10 minutes later for David McCreery. And Hill escaped the attentions of the City defence once again in the 70th minute to put over the cross which enabled Gerry Daly to make it safe.

In between, City, beaten in the League for the first time this season, contributed their share to a pulsating match. Stepney was forced to save two headers from Royle, one of which he turned against the bar.

City will never believe that they did not equalise in the 67th minute, just before Daly put a seal on the result, when Buchan twice blocked shots on the line.

RAMPANT RANGERS QUELL STOKE

BY PAUL FELDMAN

STOKE always seem on the edge of honours and there is a definite touch of class about them. Yet they are never there at the end of the season and this one is likely to prove no exception.

At Loftus Road they were all but overwhelmed by a rampant Queen's Park Rangers, led by the mercurial Stan Bowles.

Their defence played square and bunched and QPR were able to split it regularly with immaculate balls from Don Masson.

Up front the Stoke forwards were disoriented and the support they got from Alan Hudson was minimal. John Tudor and Terry Conroy had chances in the first half, but couldn't take them and it's easy to see why Stoke have scored just one away goal.

Wild

Only wild finishing by Don Givens and last-ditch saves by Peter Shilton kept the scoreline respectable. Givens can't go on converting one in five chances if QPR are to be a threat this season.

Tony Waddington will want a better show of determination to match the obvious skills of Greenhoff and Hudson. They looked a dispirited lot at the end.

QPR have recovered well from a poor start and Eddie Kelly has fitted in well. Dave Sexton will have problems choosing the side when Gerry Francis is fit.



Peter Shilton is beaten by Don Givens' shot and Stoke's hopes die as QPR take a 2-0 lead at Loftus Road

Dave Webb and Johnny Hollins kept Stoke at bay and Parkes had relatively little to do. And Frank McLintock's cool head and experience is still vital.

The undisputed star was Stan Bowles, with his shuffles and his shoulder feints, one of which left Hudson on his back. In the opening spell, Bowles combined with Givens and Thomas to mesmerise Stoke's defence.

His theatrical gestures are not all that endearing, but you can't help admire his abundant talent. BOWLES' first League goal brought back memories of Jimmy Greaves.

He dragged and dribbled the ball past stunned defenders to go clear and made no mistake as a shaken Shilton advanced.

HAPPY DAYS AT FULHAM

THE crowd of almost 19,000 at Craven Cottage wasn't the biggest to see Fulham this season, but by the end of the match it was the happiest.

The home fans gave Best, Marsh and company a standing ovation for a brilliant second half display which came close to overwhelming Hereford.

In the end, Fulham not only scored four goals themselves (plus one for the opposition with a first-half own goal by Ernie Howe) but hit the woodwork three times and had a handful of near misses.

Fulham began with a flurry but Hereford responded and were beginning to settle down when Slough, the Fulham captain, scored from close range after 20 minutes.

Mellor stopped a Hereford equaliser with a point blank save but Fulham scored again in the 27th minute through Evanson after a move involving both Best and Marsh.

But Mellor then had an unsettled spell, which culminated in an own-goal when Howe headed a dangerous-looking cross

straight past the immobile 'keeper.

The second half opened much like the first with early attacks from Fulham, then Hereford pressure, and the visitors were unlucky not to get a penalty while the score was still 2-1.

But the turning point in the game came shortly afterwards with a fierce Best shot from 30 yards which hit the post but seemed to give Fulham new confidence.

A Best cross from the left found Mitchell who headed across goal for Marsh to nod in.

Marsh then hit Fulham's fourth three minutes later, with a terrific shot from the left-wing outside the area, 'one of his greatest', he says.

This was the signal for a final spell of great play from Fulham with Best and Marsh involved in half-a-dozen fine moves which came close to goals.

The afternoon belonged to Marsh for scoring the goals, but the crowd were also delighted with a George Best who looked sharp and fit. He directed in midfield and came forward at will for the full 90 minutes.