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DAILY

U.S. LOAN CHIEF FLIES IN

He will
insist on
more cuts

BY OUR ECONOMICS CORRESPONDENT

US TREASURY Secretary William Simon flew into London last night to strong-arm the Labour government into accepting big new cuts in public spending.

It coincided with the postponement for one week of the departure of the International Monetary Fund team.

Prime Minister Callaghan is claiming to have rallied a Cabinet majority against the size of the cuts recommended by Chancellor Healey and the bankers.

The Fleet Street Press are portraying Callaghan as fighting for economic growth against deflation and for long-term international aid against a short-term IMF loan with strings.

Callaghan is said to be preparing an appeal to the Common Market leaders at the EEC summit in The Hague next Monday and Tuesday.

Simon's visit is closely linked with recent talks in Washington between Harold Lever, the government's banks minister, and top US officials.

Lever told Washington that the government could not survive a stiff dose of cuts.

Healey's December package may amount to a maximum of a £2,000 million cut in government spending in two stages — £1 billion now and the rest later.

Joel Barnett, Chief Treasury Secretary, said last night that the next round of cuts would be 'both painful and difficult'.

He warned that they could not be brought in overnight because it would have 'catastrophic social consequences'.

'This is well understood by our friends from abroad,' he added.

Now Barnett, Healey and Callaghan will have to try to persuade Simon of this!

● SAUDI Arabia's Sheikh Ahmed Zaki Yamani warned in Scotland last night that attempts by the west to curb the economic power of the Arab oil-producing countries could lead to a collision course that would only lead to the destruction of everybody.

Saudi Arabia's Minister for Petroleum and Minerals said that the International Energy Agency — the body representing western oil consumers — could make Arab producers resort to much harsher measures if it implemented an oil-sharing plan.

Unless the new administration

in the United States under Jimmy Carter, and other western powers, adopted an unbiased approach to the Arab cause, no counter-measures would be able to defeat Arab oil as a weapon.

Lecture

Sheikh Yamani was delivering the Encyclopaedia Britannica lecture at Edinburgh University.

He was to have given the lecture last year — but was prevented when he was seized in

Vienna and abducted last December. Guerrillas stormed the headquarters of the Organisation of Petroleum Exporting Countries and seized 11 oil ministers and other officials.

Arab oil producers suspected the agency aimed to ensure that Arab oil could never again be used to further the Arab cause.

'If this indeed proves to be the real aim, then the Agency and the Arab world, and perhaps the whole of the western and developing worlds, will be set upon a collision course that can only lead to the destruction of everyone.'



WILLIAM SIMON... Here to read the Riot Act on cash

MINERS SHOW THE WAY

LEN CLARKE, president of the Nottingham miners, has said it:

'We have always supported the Labour government and the TUC, but if the government wants to keep miners underground until they are 65, then they should fall.'

Scarcely two weeks ago NUM president Joe Gormley said almost the same thing. If the government couldn't deliver to the working class and get through its legislation, then it should be resolved one way or another in an election, he said.

Everyone knows that Gormley and Clarke are right wingers in the unions. If it has dawned on them that the rump Labour government should be forced to

an election, then millions of trade unionists are thinking along similar lines — and probably worse!

Since July 1975 the policy of the Workers Revolutionary Party has been to mobilise the working class to bring down this anti-working class Labour government.

Today we can proudly say that our struggle is being confirmed in the workers' movement:

• In the decision of miners to ballot on industrial action to secure the right to retirement at 60.

• In the expression of class militancy shown on November

17 when almost 100,000 trade unionists, mainly from the public sector, marched on parliament to oppose the cuts.

Though the protests being voiced up and down the country by workers, housewives, tenants, pensioners and students are important, we say that the situation requires more urgent action.

We are now in the countdown period. The Letter of Intent between the Labour government and the International Monetary

Fund (IMF) has been delayed a week while US Treasury Secretary William Simon visits London to read out the Riot Act.

When the loan conditions are settled, Chancellor Healey will present a bankers' budget in December involving further large-scale attacks on workers' living standards.

This government is supported by all the 'lefts', the Communist Party and revisionist groupings of every shading.

They say 'Push it to the left'.

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we say 'Push it over the cliff'.

The working class put Labour in office in February 1974 after the miners brought down Heath. Now, because the government has betrayed every single election pledge and gone completely over to Tory policies, it is the responsibility of the working class to put them out.

Labour Party members — demand an immediate emergency conference to adopt a full socialist programme. Expel the right wingers and coalitionists in your midst.

Trade unionists — join the fight

On eve of Sheffield conference

to defend jobs, wages and decent living standards by mobilising in struggle to force the Callaghan government out and defeating the Tory menace in a new election.

But above all, let us have the biggest attendance of trade union delegates, youth and pensioners' representatives at tomorrow's Sheffield conference called by the Young Socialists and the All Trades Unions Alliance.

Make it a clearing house of revolutionary socialist ideas for the coming bitter class battles.

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Motorway campaign broke

PEOPLE who try to prevent a motorway being built through their neighbourhood are facing 'a war of attrition, a war that the citizens cannot win.'

This was declared yesterday during an unprecedented public appeal for funds at the hearing in Winchester into objections to the M3 extension.

Counsel for the 'anti-motorway M3 action group', David Keene, said the Transport and Environment Ministries should pay part of the protesters' costs to help convince the public that inquiries were not the hopeless struggle they often seemed.

The M3 objectors are broke, so broke that their entire team of professional agitators — lawyers, planners and engineers — will give up the full-time fight if no new funds come in.

Since January 1974, the group has raised and spent almost £31,000. The financial burden has been hard for many of the protesters.

'It is the usual David and Goliath battle that these inquiries into motorways turn out of be,' Keene continued, 'only this time it seems that David is about to run out of pebbles.'

Several thousand pounds were needed urgently if the campaign was not to close next week, Keene added.

'It would be a matter of public disquiet that on top of all the other doubts about the system, such inquiries are now becoming a war of attrition, a war that the citizens cannot win,' he concluded.

Laker verdict delayed

AFTER seven days of legal argument, the Court of Appeal today reserved judgement in the legal battle over independent airline boss Freddie Laker's cut-price 'Skytrain' service between London and America.

Lord Denning, Master of the Rolls, said the court hoped to give judgement as soon as possible.

The government appealed against a High Court Judge's ruling last July that former trade secretary Peter Shore acted outside his powers when he set about changing civil air transport policy — a change which included the axing of Skytrain — in a white paper last February.

November Fund still only at £902.08!

WE are extremely concerned now. With only another four days to go, we still have not yet reached the first £1,000 of our £4,000 target.

And it is not the time for sitting back. The miners are coming into the fight against this Labour government and behind them stand hundreds of thousands of other trade unionists.

The battle is on. The Tories are preparing for a head-on collision and so must we. It is not the time to retreat.

Sound the alarm, therefore, for our November fund. We will not make it this

month unless you battle with your lives. We are too far behind. It will take a very big effort now to catch up.

But we must do it. More than ever before. Today our daily paper is vital for politically preparing for this fight. So please, everyone of you. We know what a magnificent effort you have made in the past. Let's have a very special one now. Rush every donation immediately to:

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November Appeal Fund
21b Old Town,
Clapham, SW4 0JT



Bill Sirs

Grant cuts will hit services

THE cut in the government's Rate Support Grant announced this week would mean an unacceptable rise for Essex ratepayers and widespread cuts in services would have to be made, County Council members said today.

Some services could be discontinued altogether and there is to be a serious review of staffing levels, said a council spokesman.

If services stayed as they were, next year's county precept would go up by 23½ per cent — up 12p to 63p — just to meet the cost of inflation and the loss of grant.

The council's Co-ordinating and Finance Committee will review the position on December 7.

10,000 stop work at Leyland

ABOUT 10,000 Leyland workers in the Midlands were idle last night and production of four models at a standstill because of two strikes.

But 6,000 of them are expected to return to work next week and production of the Princess and Marina Models will re-start.

The 143 toolsetters at the Coventry engines plant voted yesterday to end their week-old strike over a training dispute, and go back to work on Monday.

Leyland said 1,000 other

workers laid off at the factory would go back to work in phases from Monday.

Some 5,000 workers laid off at the Cowley assembly plant because of a shortage of engines from Coventry would return when new engines were delivered.

The second dispute has now made 4,000 men at Longbridge idle and halted Mini and Range Rover production.

More men are expected to be laid off next week if the dispute continues.

MORE SUPPORT FOR JOBS CAMPAIGN

LAST-minute support has been coming in for the 'Jobs for Youth Now' conference in Sheffield tomorrow.

The conference, bringing delegates from all over Britain, is organised by the Young Socialists and the All Trades Unions Alliance.

Two specially-chartered trains will take the London contingent while coaches have been organised from the regions.

TGWU shop stewards at Scottish Cables, Renfrew, have voted to send a delegate to the conference. The Aberdeen branch of UCATT, the building workers' union, will send two delegates.

Teachers at Chelsea School, West London, have raised £9.50 in a collection towards the YS

Jobs for Youth Now campaign.

St Mary's Hospital, Praed Street, Paddington, branch of the National Union of Public Employees has voted to send a delegate to the Jobs for Youth Now conference.

UCATT union members at London Transport building and works department at Parsons Green, west London, have collected £5 and donated £2 from their branch towards the Jobs for Youth campaign.

EARLY RETIREMENT 'A BURNING ISSUE'

say
steel
union
leaders

BY CHRIS CORRIGAN

EARLY retirement is becoming a 'burning issue' among steelworkers, union leaders told the British Steel Corporation yesterday.

Bill Sirs, secretary of the 104,000-strong Iron and Steel Trades Confederation, said his union's immediate claim was for retirement at 60 for workers such as coke-oven men, blastfurnace men and steel makers.

But Sirs retreated from making the same stand as the miners' leaders. The ISTC executive have put no date on their claim.

Sirs said of his members: 'Their conditions are dirty and arduous and have an effect on their health.'

'Earlier retirement is beginning to become a burning issue with steelworkers.'

Further talks on the ISTC claim are due on December 7. Eventually the union wants all steelworkers to retire at 60.

The union also lodged a claim for the maximum rise under the 4½ per cent pay policy to be paid to more than 70,000 workers from January 3.

The ISTC told the BSC that when the present pay policy

ended next July it expected provision to be made for restructuring pay in the industry.

Said Sirs: 'To bring about the necessary greater efficiency in the British Steel industry there must be reconstruction and streamlining.'

'We want the rates and conditions to allow this to come about.'

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'Suspension made me bald' Porn squad chief

ONE of the defendants in the Old Bailey trial of six former Pornography Squad officers told the jury yesterday that he lost all his hair after being suspended.

George Edward Fenwick, 47, the second of the men to go into the witness box, said he had become depressed after his suspension in 1974.

His counsel, Mr Peter Weitzman, QC, said: 'From the physical point of view we can see that you are completely bald.'

Fenwick said he had contracted a nervous condition after his suspension. He had received medical attention and was invalided out in 1975.

He explained that he had been on Scotland Yard's Obscene Publications Squad from September, 1970, until January, 1973, and was moved to Kingston at his own request.

'I thought it was a department that nobody should stay in for too long and I wanted out.'

POLY TO EXPEL NUS PRESIDENT

THE STUDENTS' union at the North-East London Polytechnic meet next Tuesday to discuss the threatened expulsion of their president.

Governors have decided to expel 25-year-old Andy Strouthous and severely reprimand Geoffrey Fryer.

Both had been suspended following the interruption of a meeting in the director's office by up to 20 students earlier this year.

All but one governor were 'forcibly detained', the administration alleges.

Strouthous, of the 'International Socialism' group, had completed his first year as a sociology student and was president-elect when the troubles occurred during the summer. He is now on a sabbatical year as fulltime president.

Student vice-president Colin Hall said a special meeting of the union would discuss the situation on Tuesday.

'There are obvious dangers in a department like that in the sense that you have to look at filth day in and day out.'

Mr Weitzman read from a confidential report compiled by Fenwick's senior officer at Kingston in which Fenwick was described as a man of boundless vitality and drive and a 'forthright, outspoken man, gifted with a very agile and lively mind and a firm disciplinarian.'

Referring to a police officer's contact with informants, Fenwick said it would be possible, but difficult, to get results by keeping them at arm's length.

He said his approach to informants was the social one. He would listen to them and be a shoulder for them to cry on.

Fenwick said that obscene films were occasionally shown on Friday evenings in the Porn Squad office.

When visitors wanted to see a film or books, the immediate reaction of squad officers was to brush them aside politely.

'But of course there were visitors for various reasons we could not brush to one side. Visiting senior police officers, particularly from outside the country, were in that category,' he said.

He gave as an example a request for films to be used ostensibly for training detectives.

The trial was adjourned until Monday.

EQUAL PAY GAP WIDENS

PAY gaps between men and women workers are widening despite the Equal Pay Act, claims the Labour Research Department.

The claim is based on Department of Employment official figures for industries where women tend most to work alongside men.

In 12 out of 15 of these occupations the money gap between male and female hourly earnings (excluding overtime) widened during the

period in question, says a Labour Research report.

The figures in question cover the period between April 1975 and April this year. The government's target date for achieving equal pay throughout industry was December 1975.

Labour Research says that in the course of the 12-month period: 'In most of the jobs, women did manage to get a slightly higher percentage increase than men but this fact is more than offset by the widening money gap.'

It added: 'Even where women workers got an increase of over six percentage points more than men — 24.9 per cent compared to 18.6 per cent in the case of cost and accounting clerks — their hourly earnings still fell further behind the men's.'

'These facts confirm the view that many employers have ignored equal pay legislation and are continuing to discriminate illegally against women workers.'



POWER SITE MEETS TODAY

Isle of Grain pickets

THE hard-fought Isle of Grain strike may end today. Workers who have been picketing the £300m power station construction site in Kent for the past six months are holding a mass meeting today.

The settlement offer from contractors Babcock and Wilcox means the pickets have won most of the demands they have fought for so determinedly through

great hardship.

A remaining sticking point is that some of the workers — although receiving compensation — will not get their old jobs back.

Nearly 1,000 workers were sacked last June for striking in support of 28 scaffolders fighting a safety issue.

John Baldwin, general secretary of the AUEW's construction section, will attend today's mass meeting to recommend acceptance.

Heathrow strike goes on

REFUELLING workers at London's Heathrow airport voted to continue their strike yesterday.

They walked out on Wednesday after one employee was suspended for refusing to train on a new type of vehicle.

Meanwhile, a mass meeting will be held today to hear the outcome of further talks between shop stewards,

representing 400 men, and the management of Shell and BP.

BP want one man to operate the new vehicle, while the union insist that two are needed.

Planes were continuing to make unscheduled stops at other airports to re-fuel, said a British Airways spokesman.

TV rental profits up

TV RENTAL and electronics group Rediffusion yesterday reported a £700,000 increase in profits for the first half of this year. On turnover up to £6m to £64m, the pre-tax tally for the six months to the end of September came to £7,430,000 compared with the £6,719,000 in the opening half last year.

Over the whole of the last financial year, Rediffusion turned in record profits of £16,307,000.

The 'peace' fraud

Comment by Stephen Johns

At the same time scrupulously documented evidence concerning murderous attacks by prison warder on Irish political prisoners gets not a single mention in the national daily Press with the exception of News Line.

In this way the peace campaign has become an instrument to maintain British Imperialist rule over part of Ireland that has already cost well over 1,000 lives in the past seven years. There is not a single instance in history where an oppressed people have failed to fight the annexation of their country by the ruling class of the powerful nations.

The Irish are no exception. Furthermore News Line warns the British working class that the oppression by the army in Ulster will be used directly against the working people of this country when they struggle to defend their basic rights as the slump gets worse.

Violence and Imperialism go hand in hand. It was the ruling class of Britain who engineered the Carsonite rebellion within the army which led to partition of Ireland in 1921; it was the generals, landowners and capitalists who deliberately encouraged sectarian hatreds to divide the working class in the six

counties of Ulster; it was successive British administrators who formed the 'B' Specials, brought in internment and started torture for which they were found guilty at the European commission of human rights.

So long as this brutal regime is continued there will be killing in Ireland. We say peace can only come when all troops are withdrawn, the British administration dismantled and the Irish people left to settle their own quest for national independence and socialism.

It is the duty of all workers to stand together with their Irish brothers against the main enemy — the ruling class who will march with Mesdames Williams and Corrigan through the streets of London today.



Betty Williams

SOUTH SEA BUBBLE BURST INTO COURT RECORD

BY OUR OWN REPORTER

A HIGH COURT judge will give a judgement next week on a case brought by South Sea islanders whose homes have been ravaged by mining profiteers.

Mr Justice McGarry is expected to take 4½ days to give his judgement — the longest-ever judgement in the history of English civil law.

At the turn of the century Ocean Island was found to have one huge deposit of phosphate.

British imperialism moved in. The island, then the home of the Banaban people, became ravaged by mining, first by a private company and later by the British Phosphate Commissioners.

A few years ago the Banabans began their fight for a larger

share of the profits from the exploitation of their former homeland and for the rehabilitation of parts of it to enable them to return and live there.

Their marathon claim, the hearing of which began in the High Court in a snowstorm in December 1974 and ended this summer, was in two parts.

In the first they sued the BPC and the government, claiming the right to have the island replanted with food-bearing trees and shrubs which, they said, would enable them to return and build up a viable fishing industry.

Claimed

In the second, the islanders — who, since the end of the war when Ocean Island was occupied by the Japanese, have lived on Rabi 1,500 miles away — claimed more than £21m in additional royalties from the BPC.

For 15 days last year the judge and court went 'on location' to Rabi and Ocean Island — a round trip of 33,000 miles — so that the judge could see for himself.

The hearing ended on June 16, since when the judge has been preparing his judgement — expected to amount to 250,000 words.

Whatever his decision, Mr Justice Megarry is unlikely to have the last word. It is virtually certain that the Appeal Court, and then the House of Lords, will each have an opportunity to add further records to those already notched up by the case.

'Dickensian' housing if rent rises

TENANTS in Edinburgh's 56,000 council houses will have to live in conditions 'reminiscent of Dickensian times' if proposed rent increases go ahead.

This claim was made by a deputation from the Edinburgh Union of Tenants' Associations who lobbied the Tory-dominated district council on Thursday.

The Edinburgh Tories plan to raise council rents by 75p a week from next July.

Deputation leader James Birnie said: 'Council tenants are completely disgusted with this proposed increase. This is a grossly unfair burden on a section of the community which is least able to afford it.'

Temporary truce in dock dispute

A TEMPORARY truce has been called in the freight dispute at Portsmouth docks. Southampton dockers have agreed to withdraw pickets for a week while talks take place.

Dockers at Southampton, Poole, Weymouth and Plymouth say shipping firms are endangering jobs at the smaller ports by planning to switch freight traffic to the non-registered docks at Portsmouth.

Mr Birnie's plea was backed at the council meeting by representatives of West Leith, Granton and West Pilton Tenants' Associations.

Geronimo in happy hunting ground

□ GEE GERONIMO, the 13½-in-long, giant West African land snail listed in the 1977 Guinness Book of Records as the largest known snail, died yesterday while in hibernation. Owner Chris Hudson, 21, of Furze Hill, Brighton, said Gee Geronimo made more than 52 television appearances in Britain.

'Nuclear dustbin' protest

ENVIRONMENTALISTS are meeting in Kendal, Cumbria, on Monday to discuss the next moves in their campaign against a planned 'nuclear dustbin' on their doorstep.

Growing protests have temporarily forced the Labour government to postpone planning permission for a £600m nuclear waste processor.

The state-owned British Nuclear Fuels Ltd wants to build the dustbin at Windscale to process nuclear waste from

Japan and Europe.

These countries want to be rid of the responsibility for disposing of the contaminated waste which is highly dangerous and difficult to make safe.

Environment Secretary Peter Shore said in a Commons written reply: 'I am still considering this matter. I have directed the Cumbria County Council not to grant permission on the application until I have reached my decision.'

Shore has not even agreed to a public inquiry into the

proposal yet. But the delay indicates the sensitiveness with which the rump Labour government sometimes reacts to public hostility.

The Friends of the Earth and a lawyers' ecology group are considering a courtroom challenge to the government if a public inquiry is not granted.

Cumbria Council, in giving its own go-ahead for employment reasons, has specifically excluded itself from responsibility for certain safety hazards.

A trip down Memory Lane



THE WIDE leafless avenue of Exhibition Road, where pedestrians cross at their peril, leads this week and until December 23 down memory lane.

For at the Victoria and Albert Museum, one of the ailing and aged Victoria's last bequests to the nation — she tottered out of Balmoral to tap the cement of the foundation stone in 1899 and dropped dead two years later — is an exhibition entitled 'A Tonic to the Nation'.

It is a commemoration to the Festival of Britain held 25 years ago.

To anyone under 30, it can't awake any living memories, but for the older ones who care to cast a mind back to 1951, names and shapes of the South Bank start shifting around like forgotten trunks in an old attic.

The Dome of Discovery, the Skylon, the Shot Tower, the star-shaped emblem of Britannia draped in bunting. It was the Attlee government's launch into the future, the symbolic break from the drab austerity of war-time, ration books and bomb sites. With Herbie Morrison, Lord Festival, at the helm of the good ship Campania, the message was 'Britain can be great again.'

I was 13 at the time. I remember watching flickering pictures through a storm of snow that was television in those days, when interviewer MacDonald Hobbie wore a dinner jacket and black bow tie, in our front room what's more, to apologise yet again that normal service would be resumed as soon as possible and in the meantime an interlude of slowly turning windmills.

From the tower of Alexandra Palace, news stories were beamed of work in progress at the South Bank site, and at the cinema Gaumont Pathe told us in the frenzied upper-class accents of the commentator it was 'Mud, mud, mud all the way.'

Serial

Would the festival be ready in time? Would the acres of knee deep mud dry out and give way to the promised fountains? It was like a serial at Saturday morning pictures.

It did open on time and they unveiled the shocking new architecture of the Festival Hall, the Dome of Discovery like a giant darning mushroom and the cigar shaped Skylon held up miraculously by fine steel wire. Then started the controversy — would it blow down?

The memories hang there in the Victoria and Albert like bells to the passage of time.

The Royal Opening with the stammering George VI and his ever-smiling lady Queen. The photos of the crowds, the women in swaggy coats and fully-fashioned stockings, the long 'new look', the men in flapping trousers, padded shoulders and demob raincoats.

I went to the Festival of Britain in a school party and went inside the great concrete Dome of Discovery, but what I discovered there has passed without trace. I drank at the fountains and crossed the Thames by the Hungerford Bridge.

I only remember the reality — bomb sites, trams, drabness and of not having anything. I remember my father leaving home at five in the morning and coming back exhausted from work at 8 o'clock at night. I remember the first fearful foray into HP, cold rooms with a coal fire, bus journeys with vibrating windows and notices that said 'Do not spit.'

The Festival of Britain heralded the onset of the boom. It spawned the appalling bric a brac

BY BRIAN MOORE

of festival biscuit tins, mugs, cigarette-lighters, ties, badges, lampshades and all. Others watched the bulldozers clear the Old Lion Brewery by Thameside and had plans for festivals of their own.

When the then Lord Mayor of London, Sir Denys Lawson, cut the tape to open the Festival back in 1951, he started another race — into land speculation, property development and unit trusts. The runners made fortunes in the 1960s on the crest of the boom, the pickings were easy. Gazumping and straightening were the order of the day.

Asset-stripping, milking pension funds, buying local councillors for a fiver a time.

Hallmark

The architecture of the town centres throughout the country bears the hallmark of the Festival style, but behind the multi-storied windows and the concrete blocks lies another tale.

The 25 years have come full circle. Next year's festival sideshow, the Royal Jubilee, will spawn yet again the mugs, the lighters, the ties and the lamp shades.

But the only boom today rumbles in from the Atlantic in the wake of Concorde... and it is travelling empty.

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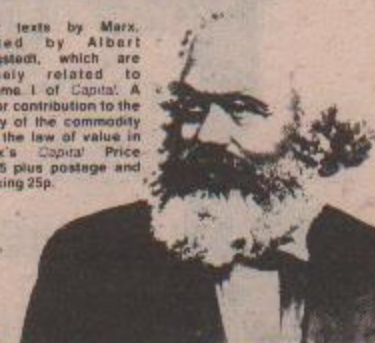
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KIRKBY ON THE SPOT REPORT

Shop stewards support A&W jobs fight

BY A SPECIAL CORRESPONDENT

SHOP Stewards from three factories in the Albright and Wilson chemicals group have promised full support to workers at the firm's Kirkby factory, which is threatened with closure.

Management attempted to stop action in defence of jobs by offering special 'fidelity payments' as part of a redundancy deal offer to the Kirkby men. But when a full shop floor meeting was asked what they thought of the offer 90 hands supported a motion to oppose the closure.

Slump

Kirkby is one of the north west's new towns built with 'boom' industry in the 1960s, but now the slump is destroying these industries as firms are forced to attack their work forces in preparation for a cut-throat trade war.

The closure plan takes the number of people to receive redundancy notices in Kirkby this year past the 1,000 mark.



Headline for story in the current issue (November) of the 'Albright World' magazine

The closure threat came as a complete surprise to the workers. They had been given a £250m sales target for 1976 and in the first six months of the year had reached £135.6m. They thought their jobs were secure.

Indeed, the November issue of the firm's employees' magazine

'Albright World' declares, 'A post war explosion in our growth'.

The magazine lists 'spectacular expansions' in the firm, which leapt from a total £4m assets in 1949 to a multinational concern, with operations in Italy, Spain,

France, Australia, Ireland and Canada.

Kirkby shop steward Jimmy Gough has warned of the anger building up among working-class people in Kirkby, which has one of the highest youth unemployment rates in western Europe.

Class war is being waged in the town's factories, with a whole series of redundancy blows against workers.

In March, Otis Elevators said their workforce must be cut by 200 by September.

Closure

In May Dublier's Electronics made 65 redundant after a two week strike.

Hygena's local furniture plant, asked for another 300 voluntary redundancies in June.

In August 170 jobs were lost with the closure of Sefex Electronics, and in October Control Dataset announced the closure of its factory, axing another 50 jobs.

Redundancy plans have also been suggested at Connelly's

and Blackley's, a subsidiary of BICC's.

Bob Plenderleith, branch secretary of the plant's GMWU branch, said there are workers in the factory who want to stand and fight. 'We have a lot of young people here, in their 20s. They've just got married and have started to buy houses because they thought their jobs were safe,' he said.

'There are lads here who spend £38 a week straight away on those sort of commitments. They cannot afford to lose their jobs.'

'The same goes for the other parts of the company, particularly the Widnes factories in Anne Street, West Bank and Dans Road (Bush Boake and Allen).'

'They've never invested much money in the detergent and chemical factories in Widnes,' he said. 'They've just patched-up and repaired, and have already started a run-down by cutting out hiring of transport to make drivers redundant.'

'In Kirkby they are trying to say we can't expand. There isn't the room. But we have 30

acres of land just behind this factory we could use,' he said.

'At one time the labour force here was 264, but now it's 132,' he added. 'And then the management makes an issue out of our production being 40 per cent below capacity. Of course it is — we've only half the work force.'

'I think they are planning to phase here out by 1977 and in Widnes over the next two years,' he added. 'The shop stewards in these factories are the first to offer 100 per cent support, n but it won't end there.'

Support

'We are now contacting our Marchon factory in Cumberland and asking for support,' he said.

Dates have been agreed for meetings between management and the regional officers of unions involved: John Whelan (General and Municipal Workers' Union), Bert Broderick (Amalgamated Union of Engineering Workers) and Arthur Bates (Electric, Electronic and Plumbing Trade Union).

COURTAULDS CLOSEDOWN IN THE NORTH WEST

DEADLOCK OVER AINTREE'S FUTURE

LIVERPOOL — Shop stewards at the Courtaulds knitting mill at Aintree said yesterday attempts to keep the plant open had reached deadlock.

The multi-national company refused to budge during talks with ten of the stewards in London on Thursday night.

Courtaulds still says the mill will close on January 20 unless the workforce agrees to a list of 54 demands for increasing productivity.

A ballot of transport union members at the mill recently rejected the list by a large

majority. The 54 demands are a fundamental attack on trade unionism.

Alternative proposals from the union have in turn been rejected by the company.

Bert Mendal, union branch secretary, said: 'The position remains deadlocked.'

Peter Evans, transport union national officer for the textiles industry, is travelling to Liverpool to address the mass meeting.

On Thursday, delegates from 21 plants in Courtaulds yarn mills division threatened a possible all-out strike against closures in the division.

No action committee—Flint Trades Council

FLINT, N Wales — Flint and District Trades Council has given up any real fight to save the jobs of the 1,500 Courtaulds' workers who will be thrown on the dole in January.

Their first attempt to set up an action committee was virtually unpublicised. The

secretary admitted to a group of angry women that he had thrown away 250 leaflets advertising the meeting.

Not surprisingly, only about 20 people turned up and it was decided to call another meeting a week later if they could get a room.

The second meeting was held this Tuesday, with as little publicity as the first.

When only 18 people came, the platform claimed the people of Flint were 'too apathetic' to

fight and decided to abandon the action committee idea altogether.

The trades council say they are continuing to fight — but they have proposed no viable policies to stop the closure.

So far, the action has been confined to pleading with Courtaulds for another six months (ignored), pleas to Tory MP's (Sir Anthony Meyer, Tory MP for W Flintshire, says he thinks many of the Courtaulds workers will be better off on the dole anyway) and asking the Labour government for more money to attract new industry (no response).

A proposal that the workers should occupy the Castle Works caused senior shop steward Tom Griffiths to storm out of the first meeting of the trades council. It was 'political anarchy' and would only jeopardise the 'delicate negotiations' currently being held with the company.

Given such leadership, a number of workers in Flint are considering moving out of the town now before it becomes a complete ghost town.

The problem is — where is there to go to now that unemployment is soaring to record levels everywhere?

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World NewsLine

Palestine commandos raid Tel Aviv

BY JIM MUIR
OF INTERPRESS

BEIRUT — In one of the most successful attacks launched inside occupied Palestine in months, Palestine commandos last night planted explosive charges in factories and workshops in an industrial region at the intersection of

Itzhag Saadeh and Petah Tikva Streets in Tel Aviv.

The charges exploded one after another beginning at 8 p.m. last night, and started a major fire which raged until this morning. The blaze destroyed a textile factory, a motor assembly plant, a warehouse containing rubber tires and several other workshops and depots.

fire. The Israeli radio did not confirm whether the fire was the result of a commando operation or simply accidental.

The vast extent of the fire, the fact that it continued all night in spite of heavy rains and the efforts of fire companies from the entire Tel Aviv region, and finally the fact that the Tel Aviv fire chief refused in a radio interview to confirm or deny that the fire resulted from 'arson' all point to the actual cause of the blaze.

It is to be noted that the explosions which started the fire were heard throughout the region as a series of dull consecutive blasts, but were naturally not mentioned by Radio Israel.

Commentators point out that this operation, coming on the heels of a series of other similar commando attacks in the heart of occupied Palestine, and together with the continuing unrest in the West Bank, which

is directed both against the occupation, and the fresh attempts of King Hussein to pose as leader of the Palestinian people, constitute the Palestinian answer to various current attempts to bypass the will of the Palestinian people.

Struggle

In a comment on the General Assembly vote two days ago in favour of a resolution calling for the establishment of a Palestine state on the West Bank and Gaza under the leadership of the Palestine Liberation Organisation, the political editor of Wafa pointed out that increasing international support for the Palestinian cause was a result of revolutionary armed struggle both inside and outside occupied Palestine.

He added: 'our people are determined to carry on the struggle until they have achieved all their goals'.

Destroyed

Radio Israel admitted the blaze in its Hebrew and English-language broadcasts this morning, and reported that according to preliminary investigations, a third of the factories, workshops and warehouses in the region had been destroyed as a result of the

Strike against police shooting in Sri Lanka

BY A FOREIGN CORRESPONDENT

COLOMBO — Workers in Sri Lanka's banks and on tea, rubber and coconut plantations joined a one-day strike yesterday in protest over the recent death of a student in clashes with police.

The strike, called by independent trade unions, also affected work in ports, shops, offices and factories. Some 550,000 were involved, union sources said.

Trade unions affiliated to opposition political parties and several pro-government unions dissociated themselves from the strike.

A similar one-day stoppage called on November 19 by the renegade revisionist Lanka Sama Samaja Party (LSSP) to protest against the shooting of the student was described as a failure by the government.

The student was killed on November 12 when striking university students and staff of the Peradeniya campus 70 miles north of here clashed with police trying to rescue the university president, who was being held hostage.

The president has since been replaced and a senior judge has been appointed by the government to inquire into the incidents, in which 61 people were hurt.

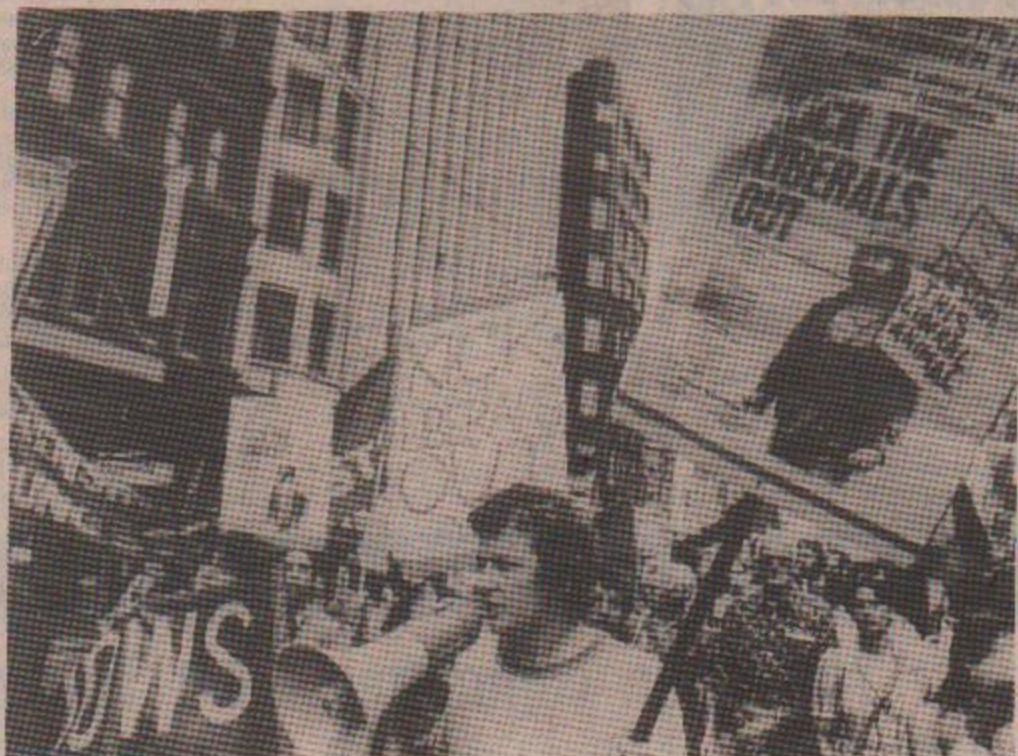
SYRIANS AWAIT ZIONIST GO-AHEAD

LEBANESE president Elias Sarkis is reported to be 'optimistic' about the chances of gaining Israeli approval to move Syrian forces south of the Litani river into the area held by Palestinian commandos.

Earlier reports from Tel Aviv said Israel has told the Syrians through American intermediaries a move south of the Litani will not be tolerated. But since then there have been further secret diplomatic contacts.

Syrian forces are standing by waiting for the go-ahead to enter the port of Tyre, which serves as a supply point for Palestine commandos in the Arqoub region.

It now seems likely the Zionists will agree to a 'symbolic' Syrian presence in the area rather than allow the PLO to retain unchallenged control of the border region.



THE Socialist Labour League, Australian section of the International Committee of the Fourth International, staged a series of marches this month to mark the first anniversary of the Canberra coup.

They demanded a general strike to overthrow the Liberal (Tory) government of Malcolm Fraser who was brought to power after the governor-general Sir John Kerr forced Labour premier Gough Whitlam out of office.

Picture shows a section of the Young Socialists contingent on the march through Melbourne.

YOUNG SOCIALISTS

APPEAL

for the Lebanese workers and the Palestinian refugees

Collect medical aid and clothing

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their homes and herded into ghettos in Lebanon by the Syrian-backed rightists. Time is precious — it means lives. Arrange collections of medicine and clothing. Ask your local trade union branches and Constituency Labour Parties for contributions.

For details of the medical aid and clothing appeal, write to:

National Secretary
Young Socialists,
21b Old Town,
London SW4 0JT

Co-operate with CPs call by Brandt

GENEVA — Social-democratic leaders were urged yesterday not to 'fight against phantoms', but to recognise that some western Communist Parties are ready to co-operate with them.

Former West German chancellor Willi Brandt, told a three-day congress of the Socialist International:

'One must understand the realities of communism in the later 20th Century.' He referred to the 'increasingly marked

polycentrism in what used to be called a communist world camp'.

Among the parties represented in Geneva, the French Socialist Party already has an electoral alliance with the Stalinists, while the Italian Socialist Party is also working with them.

Disillusioned

More than 60 of the mercenaries were reported to have been killed in action and the rest came home 'bitter and disillusioned'. It says an American who formerly worked as a CIA operative in Indochina also appeared in London in connection with the mercenary operation.

The authors also allege that the CIA is continuing to conduct major economic

BY OUR FOREIGN STAFF

intelligence-gathering programmes against America's allies.

They say they obtained a 1975 airgram containing secret instructions from Secretary of State Henry Kissinger to all American diplomatic and consular posts outlining eight key intelligence questions on 'priority economic, financial and commercial intelligence requirements worldwide'.

One question was: 'What actions are being taken or planned by foreign governments or private groups that could substantially affect the ability of American business to compete for foreign sales so as to involve the US interests in an important way?'

The economic intelligence gathering was revealed in the US Senate last year and was said to be designed to learn if other countries might overtake American companies in developing new technology.

CIA spent \$500,000 on Angola mercenaries

CHICAGO — The Central Intelligence Agency spent up to \$500,000 in Britain, recruiting mercenaries for the Angola war, according to Philip Agee.

In an article due to appear in the January edition of 'Oui' magazine, ex-CIA man Agee, currently facing deportation from Britain by the Labour government, names two US embassy officials involved in recruiting the 'dogs of war'.

Agee's article, written together with journalist Steve Weissman, says that in 1975 the US spy agency budgeted £32m for its campaign to back anti-communist forces in Angola.

Much of this money went to mercenary recruiters in Britain, some coming through Portuguese in Brussels, and 'some coming straight from the American embassy in London'.

Three different sources among British mercenaries are quoted as saying that recruiters got thousands of dollars direct from two US embassy officials.

'But for all the money and effort that went into the Angolans mercenary operation — and so far we've heard that as much as \$500,000 was spent in Britain alone — only 200 or so British mercenaries actually turned out and most of them seemed a sorry lot,' the article says.

SECURITY AND THE FOURTH INTERNATIONAL

GEORGE NOVACK: A case of falsifying history

BY THE INTERNATIONAL COMMITTEE OF
THE FOURTH INTERNATIONAL
NOVEMBER 26, 1976

ON November 5, 1976, the obituary columns of 'The New York Times' carried a five-line announcement buried deep in the inside pages.

'JACOBS, Sara. We mourn the passing of our distinguished and dedicated longtime friend & co-worker Sara Jacobs. Officers and Staff, Jewish Labor Comm. Jacob Sheinkman, Pres., Emanuel Muravchik, Exec director.'

It no doubt meant little to the readers of America's biggest selling daily. But in the offices of the revisionist Socialist Workers Party there was top-level conferring.

After three weeks of discussion they produced their own obituary notice... penned by the 'resident philosopher' himself George Novack.

It appeared on Page 30 of the issue of the weekly 'Militant' on November 26, 1976, under the heading: 'Sara (Weber) Jacobs dies, was a secretary to Trotsky'.

This is the first literary excursion by Novack since the International Committee of the Fourth International indicted him and Joseph Hansen as accomplices of the GPU, Stalin's secret police.

It is an astonishing article since it does not reveal the most interesting information of all about Weber, namely that she was the sister of Lola Estrine (Mrs David Dallin). Sister Lola figures very prominently in our indictment of Novack and Hansen, but we will return to Novack's deliberate omission later.

Examination

The indictment was presented on January 1, 1976, following a detailed examination of the circumstances surrounding the murder of Leon Trotsky in Mexico on August 20, 1940. (See 'How the GPU Murdered Trotsky', New Park Publications, 1976, £3).

The International Committee's investigation proved that Hansen and Novack had conducted a 36-year conspiracy to shield known GPU agents, cover up their crimes and prevent an unearthing of their activities inside the Trotskyist movement.

In the course of the investigation and the ensuing



George Novack

orchestrated slander campaign, the name of Sara Weber came to the surface as a minor but definitely interesting figure.

Interest turned to genuine curiosity when Sara and Jack



The late Sara Weber (Jacobs)

intervention was to try to give an alibi to Hansen over his self-admitted contact with the GPU agent 'John' (Dr Gregory Rabinowitz) in New York in 1938-1939.

How did the Webers know Hansen was meeting the GPU agent 'John' in secret on behalf of Trotsky, James P. Cannon and Max Shachtman? Miss Weber alleged that she heard Trotsky talk about it to Hansen as they drove through a crowded section of Mexico City in 1939.

Amazing

Trotsky spoke 'in a lowered voice' but still the amazing Miss Weber heard all — in spite of the fact that the contact was a closely-guarded secret and remained a complete mystery to the rest of the leadership of the SWP and the Fourth International.

In the International Committee statement, 'The Indictment Stands' (published in News Line on October 2-9, 1976) we confidently rejected the Jacobs' alleged evidence. We proved that when Weber claimed to have heard Trotsky telling Hansen to pursue his

contact with 'John', the contact had already concluded!

We commented: 'But Weber's long-suppressed recollection clashes with Hansen's version of events on the crucial matter of dates.'

'Timetables invariably present great problems for those who falsify history, for they are obliged to synchronise a number of fictionalised events with the exacting tempo of actual developments. Stalin more than once came to grief with historical inventions.' (See 'Accomplices of the GPU' published by the International Committee of the Fourth International, 30p).

Concluded

We concluded by calling for the most thoroughgoing examination of the Jacobs' 'affidavit'. Unfortunately, Miss Weber joins the many other 'witnesses' to Hansen's collaboration with the top GPU agent in the United States.

The others who allegedly knew — Trotsky, Cannon and Shachtman — are all deceased too.

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Novack acknowledges this in his obituary of her in the 'Militant' on November 26, 1976: 'One of her last political acts was the signing of the statement condemning the slander campaign by Gerry Healy's Revolutionary Workers Party (sic) of Britain against Joseph Hansen, George Novack and other leaders of the Socialist Workers Party.'

'This was accompanied by a letter testifying from personal knowledge to the truth about Hansen's contact with a GPU agent at Trotsky's request.'

Her statement did not clear Hansen at all, it only brought her (and sister Lola) deeper into the conspiracy to cover up his secret, unjustifiable, inexplicable and thoroughly sinister cavorting with the GPU at a time when the Trotskyist movement was facing the most terrible blows from Stalinism.

Falsification

Novack's obituary becomes the subject of minute examination because it is a falsification of Weber's history both inside the Trotskyist movement and outside it.

To the ordinary reader the impression is created by Novack that a 'comrade in arms' has passed away after lifelong service to Trotskyism.

It may not be important but the first paragraph says that she died of cancer in New York City on November 6. This can't be right since the 'New York Times' announced her death a day earlier.

But the second paragraph is more critical. Novack says that she came to the United States around 1920 'and lived for most of her life in New York, where she furthered her interest in Marxist ideas.'

What, on the pro-Zionist Jewish Labor Committee? To take this paragraph at face value is to regard Weber as one of the friends of the people, a member of the Novack/SWP family. Is this really the case?

It is true that she worked on Trotsky's secretarial staff in Prinkipo in 1931 when he was first forced into exile and again later when he was hounded to Mexico where he was murdered.

It is also true, as Novack states, that she stayed in touch with Trotsky's widow, Natalia. But there is much more to the story, which Novack deliberately leaves out.

We refer to the Goldman correspondence which is deposited at Wisconsin University. In this archive there are letters between Trotsky's US lawyer, Albert Goldman, and the Jacobs in the late 1940s.

Exchange

This exchange of letters starts on November 23, 1948, with a letter from Goldman to Sara Weber in which Goldman says:

'I have a little over \$2,000 belonging to N [Natalia] and it may be best for you to keep any money you have belonging to her so that in case anything happens to me she will have you to fall back on until the money I have can be sent to her.'

'Naturally I have protected her in the sense that I have specifically stated in a document that I have money belonging to her but in case of death it might take some time before she can get it. It is better if the money is divided among two persons.'

'This reminds me that immediately after I returned from Mexico in 1941 (after the death of the Old Man) I deposited several thousand dollars in the Emigrant Savings Bank in my name and in the



Albert Goldman and Trotsky

name of Joseph Hansen. I don't know what has happened to the money. Some of it has been drawn out. The bank book was kept by Hansen.

'I write this to you so that if I should die suddenly someone should know about it.'

On November 27, 1948, Sara Weber replied saying: 'I will do as you advise: will keep the money here in a special account, with accessibility to it (for as long as the money lasts) by me and Lola.' (Mrs David Dallin.)

This established the closest political and personal relations between the two sisters — a relationship that Novack hides in his obituary.

Question

Taking up the question of the Goldman-Hansen bank account, Sara Weber went on:

'Now, the money in Emigrants Savings Bank. Could not you get a statement from the bank as to the balance on hand, perhaps also showing withdrawals by dates?'

'Was there any understanding originally that withdrawals were to be made only on express request from N [Natalia]? I am afraid that N forgot all about

this money or would be reluctant to make inquiries about it so that unless you make the initiative in the matter, the money will be lost as far as N or her wishes are concerned.'

'I realise how distasteful this must be to you but cannot urge you strongly enough to get the money out of H's [Hansen's] hands. By the way, you probably know that N is having trouble with the archives, that portion of it which is in "their" hands.'

Despite repeated inquiries she has been unable to get any kind of a clear answer from "them" as to the contents. This oppresses her no end.'

The double quotation marks are included in the original for emphasis.)

This correspondence lays bare for everyone to see the state of relations between Natalia and Hansen after Trotsky's death and puts an end to another part of Hansen's mythology about himself and the Trotsky family.

What of the claims by 'Intercontinental Press' and 'The Militant' that Weber was a member of the Hansen-Novack 'in-crowd'?

Again we must turn to the Goldman correspondence.

Here we discover letters



Natalia Trotsky

written by Jack and Sara Jacobs to the lawyer in 1949, in which the question of copyright on Trotsky's books is under urgent discussion.

The Jacobs, then, in close political sympathy with the right-wing Shachtmanite

tendency, were desperately trying to keep reproduction of Trotsky's works out of the hands of the 'Cannonites' (i.e. Hansen and Novack). Jack Jacobs' final letter, dated March 7, 1949, concludes:

'It appears to us a dreadful thing to contemplate seeing the

Cannonites get hold of the "legacy" of the Old Man's writings by sheer default because nobody else makes a single move in the matter. It may be too late to do much but certainly I propose to try even at this late date to do something about it.'



Lola Estrine (Mrs David Dallin), sister of Sara Weber



Mark Zborowski

'It seems to me you should do whatever is possible to help. Please give us all information so that we at least do not work in the dark. Natalia herself is all at sea and only now realises how they have been working piecemeal to grasp everything in their hands.

'Whether she has the strength and the will to reverse this course I cannot say, but she is writing to us for advice and we can only give such advice if we know all the facts. Urgently. Jack.'

Tumbling

Another Hansen-Novack falsification comes tumbling down. Here is clearest proof that Sara and Jack Jacobs were deep political opponents fighting a bitter struggle over Trotsky's writings.

But Novack's obituary is a fraud on a far more damaging count. The late Sara Weber was the sister of Lola Estrine (Mrs David Dallin) and Novack suppresses this from the readers of 'The Militant'.

Mrs Dallin, wife of the State Department hack, David Dallin, plays a central role in Security and the Fourth International.



James P. Cannon

Our investigation proved the following:

● It was Mrs Dallin who was in Trotsky's household in Mexico when General Alexander Orlov's letter arrived pinpointing Mark Zborowski as the key GPU agent in the Paris section of the Trotskyist movement.

When Trotsky showed her the letter and asked her advice, Mrs Dallin said that Zborowski was

completely loyal and above suspicion. After deceiving Trotsky she returned to Paris where she immediately told Zborowski of the existence of the Orlov letter, enabling him to prepare his alibi.

● In 1941 it was Mrs Dallin who worked with Novack to bring Zborowski to the United States where he quickly re-established himself in the Fourth International spying on the activities of the Trotskyists.

● Although Mrs Dallin and her husband were the first to learn that Zborowski was a life-long GPU agent — early in the 1950s — they kept it from Mrs Else Bernaut, widow of the NKVD defector Ignace Reiss, who was murdered in a plot set up by Zborowski.

Crucial

The most crucial point is that if Mrs Dallin knew all these murky details about Zborowski's killer role in the Trotskyist movement, so did her sister Sara. Yet Novack makes no mention of the Sara-Lola connection. He is only interested in falsifying Sara Weber's history and falsely claiming a

new ally in their campaign to halt an inquiry into their activities as accomplices of the GPU.

Instead of writing dishonourable obituaries, we challenge Novack to end his 11-month silence on the indictment presented by the International Committee.

For example, will he publicly join Hansen in denying that Sylvia Franklin, née Callen, alias Caldwell was a GPU agent?

Hansen claims that she was an 'exemplary comrade' and quotes the SWP control commission which cleared her in 1950.

Hansen turns a complete blind eye to the documents that we have produced from the New York Supreme Court which proved that she was an unindicted co-conspirator in the Robert Soblen spy ring, along with Beria, Zborowski, Lucy Booker, Floyd Cleveland Miller and others.

When we reproduced the sworn affidavit of Louis Budenz, managing editor of the Communist Party's 'Daily Worker', which showed how Franklin was recruited and paid, Hansen swept this aside saying that Budenz was an 'FBI stool pigeon'. (Intercontinental Press, November 24, 1975).



Ignace Reiss

Is that your position too, Mr Novack? If so, then a document freshly unearthed from the archives makes curious reading.

At 11a.m. on Monday, March 17, 1947, a statement was released to the Press in New York City. It stated: 'In his book, This is My Story, to be published on March 20 by Whittlesey House, Louis F. Budenz, former Daily Worker editor and ex-member of the

Communist Party's national committee, reveals highly important information about the terrorist activities of the NKVD, the Russian secret police, in the United States.

'The most sensational is his detailed account of the preparations made here for the assassination of Leon Trotsky in Mexico City in 1940. Budenz testifies from personal knowledge that the initial moves in the conspiracy leading to Trotsky's murder were taken in New York City by Russian secret agents.

Assistance

'He says that they had assistance from some Communist Party leaders, but he does not indicate how fully the Americans were aware of the plot. He tells how he himself collaborated with secret police agents named 'Richards' and 'Roberts' to weave their web around Sylvia Ageloff.

'Through a "Miss Y", a member of the American Communist Party selected for this purpose, Miss Ageloff was introduced in Paris to "Frank Jackson", Trotsky's assassin. Jackson used Sylvia Ageloff, a friend of the family, to gain access to Trotsky's household and commit the crime.

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Thus Budenz adds new and hitherto missing links to the chain of evidence presented during Jackson's trial in Mexico which showed him to be a Soviet police agent. Budenz's disclosures confirm the conviction held by the most advanced sections of world public opinion that Trotsky's murder was carried out by the Russian secret police.

This is not the only act of political murder prepared or executed on American soil in recent years and charged to the Soviet police network. Budenz also refers to the case of Juliet Stuart Poyntz, former Communist Party leader, who disappeared from her home in New York City in 1937 under mysterious circumstances.

He states that a "member of the (Communist Party) Political Committee, whom we will call Comrade H., advised me, almost in so many words, that she (Miss Poyntz) had been 'liquidated' by the Soviet secret police." (Page 263).

This tends to confirm the charges made to a New York Federal Grand Jury by the Anarchist leader, Carlo Tresca, that Juliet Poyntz was abducted and slain by the NKVD. Tresca himself was later shot and killed by unidentified assassins in New York City on January 11, 1943.

Budenz substantiates the fact that the terrorist operations of Stalin's secret police have been extended from Russia and other countries into the United States. Here, as elsewhere, the threat of

political murder hangs over working-class opponents of the Stalin regime and the policies of its American agency, the Communist Party.

Terrorism from any quarter is incompatible with the free life of the labor and progressive movements and their democratic functioning. Such abhorrent methods must be exposed and fought without compromise to the very end.

Call

For these reasons, we call upon the District Attorney of New York County to summon a Grand Jury to investigate the role of the NKVD and of certain American Communist Party leaders cited by Budenz in his book, in the cases of Juliet Stuart Poyntz and Carlo Tresca, and in the conspiracy leading to the murder of Leon Trotsky.

Earl Browder, Jack Stachel, Budenz himself, and all other Communist Party leaders, past or present, who are known to have been involved in the activities of the Soviet secret police in our community, or who are declared to have had knowledge of such activities, should be subjected to official examination and such judicial action as the facts may warrant.

Among the host of signatories — including Norman Thomas, Dr John Dewey, James T Farrell — we find the name George Novack, former secretary, American Committee for Defense of Leon Trotsky.

This raises the question — are there two Novacks? There is the

Novack who in 1947 was for the exposure of Stalinist crimes cited in Budenz's book and there is another Novack who, in 1950, cleared Sylvia Callen as a GPU agent in spite of Budenz's testimony and who now blackguards the International Committee for raising the Budenz revelations.

Instead of slandering the International Committee, Novack would do better getting his lines straightened with his fellow accomplices.

• When was Budenz's evidence worth investigating and when did it become the unfounded ravings of an 'FBI stool pigeon'? (Hansen in 'Intercontinental Press', November 24, 1975.)

• When Budenz admitted collaborating with the GPU controller 'Richards' and 'Roberts' (Dr Gregory Rabinowitz), did Hansen, even at this late stage (1947), admit to the SWP leadership that he too had consorted with this same agent who set up the Trotsky assassination plot?

Proof

Or did Novack have to wait, along with the rest of the Trotskyist movement, to learn of it in August 1975 only after the International Committee produced documentary proof, namely the report by US Consul Robert McGregor, dated September 1, 1940, 12 days after Trotsky's murder?

• Does Novack today agree with Hansen that Carlo Tresca was murdered by the Mafia or the Italian fascists, or does he still hold to the view expressed in the 1947 statement that it was a GPU killing?

To pose these questions, is to answer them. There is no doubt at all where Novack stands. His place in this gigantic conspiracy is contained in the dishonest and falsified obituary of Sara Weber.

In appearance it is a minor side issue, but in content it goes right to the heart of the matter. Novack lines up with Hansen in using blatant historic falsifications to slander the International Committee and to try to prevent an international commission of inquiry.

We have said before and we repeat again: the investigation goes on. The campaign for an international commission of inquiry into Hansen and Novack will be waged in every country.

The real history must and will be written by the International Committee which is the only force carrying forward the principles and traditions of Trotskyism through the building of the world party of socialist revolution.



Joseph Hansen

THE TRESCA MURDER

Antonini '95%' Certain Stalinists Are Guilty

By Felix Morrow

The clash between the Italian-American labor movement and the assassination of Carlo Tresca reached a climax last week when the Italian-American Labor Council repudiated the unionists and first vice-president of the Italian-American Union, issued a statement to the press.

square his account with the... (Stalinists). I will... time to do...

THE TRESCA MURDER

Stalinists Are Suspect Labor Leaders Insist

Communist Party and Italian Stalinist Alibis Are Not Convincing to Those Who Know Stalinist Murder Methods

By Felix Morrow

A great assemblage of workers, estimated by the New York press at between 5,000 and 6,000 persons, mourned the death of Carlo Tresca at a memorial meeting conducted last Saturday at Manhattan Center under the joint auspices of the Il Martello Group and the Italian-American Labor Council. The mourners heard, over the body of the assassinated anti-fascist leader, a recitation of the Executive Committee of the International Labor Union of North America.

"Equal Rights" Bill Would Destroy Laws Protecting Women Workers

By LARISSA REED

Does Novack agree with Hansen that Carlo Tresca was murdered by the Mafia or the Italian Fascists, or does he still hold the view expressed in the 1947 statement that it was a GPU killing?

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by Georges Vereeken

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TRUDEAU SPEECH SPARKS CURRENCY CRISIS

MONTREAL — The Canadian Dollar has tumbled to its lowest level for nearly a year against the US dollar despite intervention by the Bank of Canada.

Dealers said the currency was falling. Prime Minister Pierre Trudeau had failed to dispel fears for the country's future in the face of Quebec separatism.

In a televised speech on Thursday, Trudeau appealed for unity, but bankers were said to feel he had not taken a strong enough line on separatism.

Elections in the mainly French-speaking province of Quebec were won by the separatist Parti Quebecois 10 days ago.

BID TO RAISE POISON CARGO

**Pollution
danger
as steel
drums
rust**

ROME — When the autumn storms subside over the south Adriatic, maritime experts will start to defuse a 'poison time bomb' ticking away in the cargo of a sunken Yugoslav merchant ship.

Their target is the 2,500-ton Cavtat, resting with over 900 steel drums of highly poisonous lead tetra ethyl and lead tetra methyl 300 feet deep, among corals, spongestone and swarms of sardines, three miles off the south Italian port of Otranto.

Experts say that if corrosion leads to the leaking of the toxic petrol additives, their escape could provoke a major pollution disaster in large areas of the Mediterranean.

Depending on the quantity absorbed by a human body, lead additives can cause hallucinations, madness or death.

The Cavtat sank after colliding with the Panamanian vessel Lady Rita on July 14, 1974. So far the steel drums have withstood corrosion, but nobody knows how long they will hold out.

Crumble

Under the auspices of Otranto magistrate Alberto Maritati and with the active help of the Italian navy, work began a few weeks ago to pull at least one of the steel drums to the surface.

But continuous bad weather forced them to postpone the operation. It will be resumed as soon as possible.

The British manufacturers of the drums, Detel Company of London, were quoted by Maritati as stating that all the containers would eventually crumble.

Half of the cargo is stowed away in the Cavtat's hold, the rest stands on deck.

Recovery work is complicated and expensive due to the depth of the water and strong under-sea currents.

Concrete

Maritati said he hoped all the drums standing on deck, about 450 of them, will be recovered. The others, if it proves impossible to lift them up, could be neutralised by pouring tons of concrete into the ship's hold.

This would inevitably wreck any chance of finding out what else the Cavtat was carrying at the time of the collision.

The circumstances of its sinking and its rather doubtful past, have led to speculation in Italian newspapers that it also carried illegal freight, possibly

Vietnam's enemies 'cleared' away

HONG KONG — Vietnamese Defence Minister General Vo Nguyen Giap recently said his forces had cleared away 'enemy troops' opposed to the new communist regime and suppressed counter-revolutionaries, the official Vietnamese news agency said yesterday.

The agency, monitored here, quoted General Giap as telling an audience of military officers the army had 'cleared away the remnants of enemy troops', suppressed counter-revolutionaries and maintained political security and social order in the south.

The report did not say where or when General Giap was speaking.

PRICES UP AS FRENCH TRADE GAP WIDENS

PARIS — Prices rose in France by 0.9 per cent in October giving an inflation rate of 9.9 per cent over the last 12 months, the Finance Ministry announced yesterday.

The biggest single contributor to the rise was food prices — they climbed 1.2 per cent. Fresh food prices were not included in the temporary price freeze announced by the government in September.

The government also revealed a widening trade gap. In October the trade deficit totalled £574m, the biggest this year.

The franc weakened against other major currencies on the foreign exchange market, touching five francs to the dollar in anticipation of the inflation figures.

The government's September anti-inflation package recommended a 6.5 per cent limit for price and wage increases in 1977 after the price freeze expires at the end of this year.

But Deputy Finance Minister Michel Durafour warned yesterday the sectors of the French economy which cannot keep their prices down below an excessive rate may be saddled with a continuing price freeze next year.

BY OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT

weapons for one of the trouble spots in the Mediterranean.

The Rome daily 'La Repubblica' mentioned an alleged five-and-a-half-hour gap between the Cavtat's collision and its sinking. Considering the highly dangerous cargo, it said the ship could have easily been towed into more shallow waters.

The captain and the 28-man crew were all saved, and 'Repubblica' said they may have had good reason to want the Cavtat to sink where it was.

The captains of the two ships cited heavy fog as the main cause of the collision. But newspapers claim that it was a warm summer day and visibility

was satisfactory.

In January 1970 the ship was involved in a major row with Italian custom patrol boats which tried to stop it on a journey through the Bay of Naples.

According to legal charges brought by the Palermo prosecutor against its Dubrovnik-based crew, the Cavtat ignored calls to stop for an inspection of its cargo.

Instead it sped off and was only caught nine hours later with a fire raging aboard and the crew disembarking. The crew was charged with smuggling and acts of piracy.

EAST BERLIN — Police yesterday arrested professor Robert Havemann, a persistent critic of the ruling East German Communist Party. His friends said the 67-year-old physicist was arrested at his home in the East Berlin suburb of Gruenheide yesterday afternoon. They added that police told him he was being taken to the Fuerstenwalde district court, about 12 miles away. The friends said he was given no reason for his detention nor told how long he would be held.

The world of the taxman

DENMARK is the most heavily-taxed nation in the western world, according to comparative statistics released in Paris.

A single person in Denmark has an average of 43.3 per cent of his income taken away from him before he can spend it, while the same person in Spain would retain 92.1 per cent of his gross earnings, the figures show.

The statistics have been published by the Paris-based Organisation for Economic Co-operation and Development (OECD) in a standardised survey of revenues statistics from its 24 member-countries.

The OECD groups the most industrialised states — which are those with the most developed tax structures — and the latest published data on relative tax burdens covers available statistics up to 1974.

But the organisation points out that international data comparisons have to be treated with caution. For instance, the figures take no account of government services provided out of tax income and there is no 'best buy' offered as a country to live in.

The most striking split comes between northern and southern Europe, in tables showing total tax revenues — including social security contributions, direct and indirect taxes — as a

percentage of gross national product.

The Danes come top of the list. Taxes in Denmark represent 46.68 per cent of the country's economic output — gross national product. Then comes Norway, with 45.27, the Netherlands with 45.18 and Sweden with 44.21 of GNP.

At the other end of the scale, the Greek government takes just 22.43 per cent of GNP in taxes, while Portugal takes 22.35. Spain is well clear at the bottom of the table with 18.83 per cent.

Denmark has the heaviest taxes

The tables 'also reveal differences in how various governments treat family units, from the single man to the married couple with children.

A typical two-child family in France, Italy, or Portugal for instance, benefits from negative taxation. Thanks to family allowances and other benefits, they end up after tax with more than their original income.

All countries treat childless married couples more leniently

than single persons, with the curious exception of Portugal, where marriage makes no difference until you have children.

The biggest gap in this area occurs in West Germany, where a single person is left with 67.3 per cent of his or her income after tax, while a childless married couple retains 73.5 per cent.

The attitudes of different governments to couples with children vary widely. In Greece, for instance, it makes almost no difference at all — 0.3 per cent — whether a couple has two children or none.

In Austria, on the other hand, a married couple with two children are 16 per cent better off than their childless neighbours, in terms of disposable income.

No matter where you live, however, the tables have a sobering message — taxes have gone up everywhere since 1965, and all the lines on the graphs still point upwards.

Total tax revenue in Britain in 1974 amounted to 35.56 per cent of GNP, putting Britain 11th in the league table of OECD members.

A single person in Britain in the same year was left, on average, with 69.2 per cent of his or her gross earnings after tax, less than in 15 OECD countries but more than in six others.

The average married couple with two children, with all benefits and deductions taken into consideration, was left with 79.1 per cent of the family's gross earnings.

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SATURDAY

YOUR WEEK

BBC 1

8.50 Ragtime. 9.05 Indoors, Outdoors. 9.30 Multi-Coloured Swap Shop. 12.13 Weather. 12.15 Grandstand. 12.20 Football Focus. 12.45, 1.10, 2.50 Motor Racing. 12.50, 1.20, 1.55, 2.30 Racing from Newbury. 1.40 Boxing. 2.15, 4.00 International Cross Country. 3.15 Rugby League. 5.05 News. 5.20 Basil Brush Show.

5.50 DR WHO
6.50 BRUCE FORSYTH AND THE GENERATION GAME
7.45 THE DUCHESS OF DUKE STREET: 13: 'One Night's Grace' Louisa is intrigued by the mysterious woman who has come looking for Lord Haslemere.
8.35 SHIRLEY BASSEY: Show 5. Shirley with guests Mel Tormé, Clive Westlake, Emma
9.20 STARKY AND HUTCH: 'The Specialist' with Paul Michael Glaser and David Soul
10.10 NEWS: Weather
10.20 MATCH OF THE DAY Jimmy Hill presents highlights from two of today's important matches
11.20 PARKINSON
12.20-12.22 Weatherman

BBC 2

3.10 Saturday Cinema: 'Poor Devil'. 4.20 Play Away. 4.50 Dastardly and Muttley. 5.00 The Money Programme.
5.50 OPEN DOOR: Free Palestine and Palestine Action
6.20 HORIZON: 'A Child of Our Own' Repeat of Monday's programme about the experiences of a childless couple
7.15 NETWORK: 'Caldmore Rises' BBC Midlands programme about a community action group in Walsall
7.45 M*A*S*H: 'Operation Noselift'
8.10 MR MAGOO
8.15 NEWS AND SPORT: Weather
8.35 FILM INTERNATIONAL: 'Football of the Good Old Days' First showing in Britain of Hungarian director Pal Sandor's film about a local football team in the 1920s
9.55 THE LIVELY ARTS - IN PERFORMANCE: Recording of the Musicians' Benevolent Fund's St Cecilia's Day concert, including Mozart's Flute and Harp Concerto and Franck's Symphonic Variations
11.25 LATE NEWS ON 2: Weather
11.30-1.05 MIDNIGHT MOVIE: 'The Phoenix: City Story' 1955 film about the 'Sin City' of Alabama

GRANADA

9.15 First Act. 9.40 In Focus with Harry Secombe. 10.05 The Lone Ranger Show. 10.30 Pete Smith. 10.40 Saturday Matinee: 'Demetrius and the Gladiators' 12.30 World of Sport: 12.35 On the Ball. 1.00 International Sports Special I. 1.10 News. 1.20 The ITV Seven: Catterick (1.45, 2.15 and 2.45); Wolverhampton (2.00, 2.30 and 3.00); 3.10 International Sports Special II - Scrambling from Tweseldown. 3.50 Half-Time Round-Up. 4.00 Wrestling 4.50 Results Service. 5.05 News. 5.15 New Faces.
6.15 MEN OF ACTION: Tyrone Power in Oscar-winning 'Crash Dive'.
8.15 CELEBRITY SQUARES. 9.00 Within these Walls.
10.00 TWO'S COMPANY: 'The Patient'. 10.30 NEWS
10.45 AQUARIUS: 'He is a Camera'.
11.30 THE LATE FILM: Robert Mitchum in 'Man in the Middle'. The court martial of an American lieutenant who has murdered a British sergeant
1.05 THEATRE MACABRE: 'The Raja's Diamond'. An adaptation of the Robert Louis Stephenson story.
1.35 Closedown

LWT

9.00 First Act. 9.25 In Focus with Harry Secombe. 9.50 Supersonic Saturday Scene. 9.55 Superfriends. 10.55 Space 1999. 12.00 Supersonic. 12.30 World of Sport: For details see Granada. (1.10 News). 4.50 Results Service. 5.05 News from ITN. 5.15 Celebrity Squares.
6.00 HAPPY DAYS: 'Fonzie the Flatfoot'.
6.30 JONATHAN ROUTH AND CANDID CAMERA
7.00 YUS MY DEAR: 'The Repair'
7.30 NEW FACES
8.30 JOE FORRESTER: 'Deadly Weekend'.
10.20 POLICE FIVE SPECIAL
10.30 News from ITN
10.45 AQUARIUS: 'He is a Camera'. Joris Ivens, now 78, has made films over 40 years about the Spanish Civil War, Russia, South America, Africa and Vietnam. In 1938 he made a film in China and returned there in 1973 to make 12-hour epic on life in China today entitled 'How Yukong Moved Mountains'. This evening Peter Hall talks with Ivens and his partner Marceline Lorian
11.30 HOMICIDE
14.30 CLOSE Gordon Bailey reads one of his own poems, followed by Closedown

REGIONS



Shirley Bassey

CHANNEL

CHANNEL: 12.30 World of Sport. (1.10 News). 5.05 News. 5.15 New Faces. 6.15 Film: 'The Lost World'. 8.00 Sale of the Century. 8.30 The Streets of San Francisco. 9.30 Within These Walls. 10.30 News. 10.45 Aquarius. 11.30 Lucky Feller. 12.00 Weather. Closedown.

WESTWARD

9.30 First Act. 10.00 In Focus with Harry Secombe. 10.25 Big Blue Marble. 10.55 Look and See. 10.55 The Flintstones. 11.20 Gus Honeybun. 11.35 Tarzan. 12.30 World Of Sport. 5.05 News. 5.15 New Faces. 6.15 Film: 'The Lost World'. 8.00 Sale of the Century. 8.30 The Streets of San Francisco. 9.30 Within These Walls. 10.30 News. 10.45 Aquarius. 11.30 Lucky Feller. 12.00 Talking Point. 12.05 Closedown.

HTV

9.05 In Focus with Harry Secombe. 9.35 First Act. 10.00 Sesame Street. 11.00 Breaktime. 11.30 Batman. 12.00 Supersonic. 12.30 World Of Sport. 5.05 News. 5.20 Island Of Adventure. 6.15 New Faces. 7.15 Celebrity Squares. 8.00 The Streets of San Francisco. 9.00 Within These Walls. 10.00 Two's Company. 10.30 News. 10.45 Aquarius. 11.30 The Collaborators. 12.25 Weather and Closedown.

HTV CYMRU-WALES:
As HTV General except: 5.20-6.15 Happy Days. 5.45-6.15 Sion A Sian. 11.30-12.25 Something To Declare.

ULSTER

10.35 Hammy Hamster. 11.00 Skippy. 11.30 Sesame Street. 12.30 World Of Sport. 5.05 News. 5.15 New Faces. 6.15 Film: 'Robinson Crusoe On Mars'. 8.15 Celebrity Squares. 9.00 Within These Walls. 10.00 Two's Company. 10.30 News. 10.45 Aquarius. 11.30 Police Woman. 12.30 Closedown.

ATV MIDLANDS

9.15 First Acts. 9.45 In Focus with Harry Secombe. 10.10 Tiswas. 12.30 World Of Sport. 5.05 News. 5.10 Cartoon. 5.15 Film: 'Jason And The Argonauts'. 7.10 Woody Woodpecker. 7.15 Celebrity Squares. 8.00 New Faces. 9.00 Lucky Feller. 9.30 Within These Walls. 10.30 News. 10.45 Aquarius. 11.35 The Prisoner. 12.30 Closedown.

ANGLIA

9.00 First Act. 9.25 In Focus with Harry Secombe. 9.50 Animal Alphabet. 9.55 Woody Woodpecker Show. 10.20 Fantastic Voyage. 10.45 Breaktime. 11.10 Clapperboard. 11.35 Space 1999. 12.30 World Of Sport. 5.05 News. 5.15 Tarzan. 6.15 New Faces. 7.15 Celebrity Squares. 8.00 Within These Walls. 9.00 Police Woman. 10.00 Two's Company. 10.30 News. 10.45 Aquarius. 11.30 Dan August. 12.25 At the End of the Day. Closedown.

YORKSHIRE

9.00 Farming Outlook. 9.30 First Act. 10.00 In Focus with Harry Secombe. 10.30 Little Rascals. 10.40 Ghost Busters. 11.00 Wait Till Your Father Gets Home. 11.30 Batman. 12.30 World Of Sport. 5.05 News. 5.15 The Magician. 6.15 The Adventurer. 6.45 Lucky Feller. 7.15 Celebrity Squares. 8.00 New Faces. 9.00 Within These Walls. 10.00 Two's Company. 10.30 News. 10.45 Aquarius. 11.30 Man In A Suitcase. 12.25 Closedown.

GRAMPIAN

9.30 Scene On Saturday. 9.30 Batman. 10.00 Big Blue Marble. 10.30 Thunderbirds. 11.25 Cartoon Time. 11.30 The Munsters. 12.00 The Lone Ranger. 12.30 World Of Sport. 5.05 News. 5.15 New Faces. 6.15 Film: 'Crash Dive'. 8.15 Celebrity Squares. 9.00 Within These Walls. 10.00 Two's Company. 10.30 News. 10.45 Aquarius. 11.30 Dan August. 11.25 Evening Prayers. 12.30 Closedown.

SOUTHERN

9.15 First Act. 9.40 In Focus with Harry Secombe. 10.10 A Place In Europe. 10.35 Regional Weather. 10.40 The Rovers. 11.10 Lassie. 11.35 Space 1999. 12.30 World Of Sport. 5.05 News. 5.15 Woody Woodpecker. 5.30 The Invaders. 6.00 Lucky Feller. 6.30 New Faces. 7.30 Celebrity Squares. 8.15 Film: Colombo. 10.00 Two's Company. 10.30 News. 10.45 Aquarius. 11.30 Dan August. 12.25 Southern News. 12.30 Weather; the Strange Story of Sheila Cassidy. Closedown.

TYNE TEES

9.30 First Act. 10.00 In Focus with Harry Secombe. 10.30 Opportunity. 10.35 Lassie. 11.05 The Addams Family. 11.30 Tarzan. 12.30 World Of Sport. 5.05 News. 5.15 The Magician. 6.15 The Adventurer. 6.45 Lucky Feller. 7.15 Celebrity Squares. 8.00 New Faces. 9.00 Within These Walls. 10.00 Two's Company. 10.30 News. 10.45 Aquarius. 11.30 Baretta. 12.30 Epilogue. 12.35 Closedown.

SCOTTISH

9.15 First Act. 9.45 In Focus with Harry Secombe. 10.10 Documentary. 10.40 Around The World In Eighty Days. 11.00 Breaktime. 11.30 The Addams Family. 12.00 Supersonic. 12.30 World Of Sport. 5.05 News. 5.15 New Faces. 6.15 Film: 'Men of Action'. 8.15 Celebrity Squares. 9.00 Within These Walls. 10.00 Two's Company. 10.30 News. 10.45 Aquarius. 11.30 Late Call. 11.35 Jason King. 12.30 Closedown.

BORDER

9.30 First Act. 10.00 In Focus with Harry Secombe. 10.25 Cartoon Time. 10.40 Ghost Breakers. 11.00 Breaktime. 11.30 The Yellow House. 12.00 The Addams Family. 12.30 World Of Sport. 5.05 News. 5.15 Candid Camera. 5.40 Sports Results. 5.45 Movin' On. 6.45 Yus My Dear. 7.15 Celebrity Squares. 8.00 New Faces. 9.00 Within These Walls. 10.00 Two's Company. 10.30 News. 10.45 Aquarius. 11.30 Police Story. 12.30 Closedown.

SATURDAY

RADIO

SUNDAY

(S) Stereophonic

BBC RADIO 1

6.00 As Radio 2. 8.06 Ed Stewart with Junior Choice (S). 10.00 Kid Jensen. 12.00 Paul Gambaccini. 1.31 Joe Bugner's Top Twelve (S). 2.30 Alan Freeman (S). 5.31 It's Rock 'n' Roll (S). 6.30 In Concert (S). 7.30-12.33 As Radio 2.

BBC RADIO 2

8.00 News Summary. Weather. 8.02 Tom Edwards (S) including 8.03 Racing Bulletin. 8.06 As Radio 1. 10.02 Sam Costa (S). 12.02 Two's Best (S). 1.02 The Gag Crackers' Ball. 1.30-5.55 Sport on 2: Football League Special (1.30, 2.40, 3.00, 5.00, 5.45); Rally Special (1.30, 2.10, 3.10, 4.50, 5.30) The 1976 Lombard RAC rally. Racing from Newbury (1.30, 2.00, 2.30); Cricket (2.10) The MCC's Indian Tour. Rugby Union (2.40, 3.00, 4.50, 5.25). 5.00 Sports Report. 6.03 Wally Whyton. 7.02 Listen To Les. 7.30 Radio 2 Top Tunes (S). 8.15 Kings of the Keyboard (S). 8.45 Saturday Night (S). 10.02 Europe Pop Jury (S). 11.02 Sports Desk. 11.05 Alan Dell (S) with The Late Show, including 12.00 Midnight

Newsroom, weather, motoring information. 12.31 News Summary.

BBC RADIO 3

7.55 Weather. 8.00 News. 8.05 Aubade (S). 9.00 News. 9.05 Record Review (S). 10.15 Stereo Release (S) Vivaldi, Scarlatti, J.S. Bach, J.C. Bach. 11.15 Czech Piano Music (S) Recital: Dvorak, Janacek. 12.02 Robin Ray (S). 12.55 News. 1.00 Heritage. 1.15 Violin and Piano (S) Recital: Mozart, Ysaye, Ravel, Geminiani, Sarasate. 2.15 Man of Action (S). 3.35 Music of the Masters (S) by Beethoven, Mozart, Mendelssohn, Mahler, Beethoven. 5.00 Jazz Record Requests (S). 5.45 Dietrich-Fisher-Dieskau (S). 6.40 Critics Forum. 7.30 North German Radio Symphony Orchestra (S) Concert, part 1: Weber. 8.05 The Art of Economics. 8.25 Concert (S) part 2: Brahms. 9.20 French And German Style. 9.40 French Choral Music (S). Concert: Durafle, Poulenç,

Messiaen, Langlais. 10.25 Alessandro Scarlatti (S). 10.40 Interpretations on Record (S). 11.25-11.30 News.

BBC RADIO 4

6.30 News. 6.32 Farming Today. 6.50 Outlook. 6.55 Today's Listening: Weather. 7.00 News. 7.10 On Your Farm. 7.40 Today's Papers. 7.45 Outlook. 7.50 Today. (8.00 News). 8.50 Yesterday in Parliament. 8.55 Party Political Broadcast (Conservative). 9.00 News. 9.05 From Our Own Correspondent. 9.30 The Week in Westminster. 10.00 News. 10.02 Between the Lines. 10.15 Daily Service. 10.30 Pick of the Week. 11.30 Science Now. 12.00 News. 12.02 Robin Ray. 12.55 Weather and programme news. 1.00 News. 1.15 Any Questions? 2.00 Weekend. 3.00 News. 3.05 Thirty Minute Theatre. 3.35 Music of the Masters (S). 5.00 PM Reports. 5.55 Weather, programme news. 6.00 News. 6.15 Stop the Week with Robert

Robinson. 7.00 News. 7.02 Desert Island Discs. 7.30 These You Have Loved (S). 8.30 Saturday-Night Theatre. 9.58 Weather. 10.00 News. 10.15 A Word In Edgeways. 11.00 Lighten Our Darkness. 11.15 News. 11.38 Closedown. 11.45-11.47 Inshore Forecast.

BBC RADIO 1

6.55 As Radio 2. 8.00 Playground. 8.32 Lombard RAC Rally. 8.34 Ed Stewart (S) with Junior Choice. 10.00 Simon Bates with All There Is To Hear. 1.00 Jimmy Savile with The Double Top Ten Show. and 2.00 Speakeasy. 3.00 Anne Nightingale's Request Show. 5.00 Insight. 8.00 Tom Browne (S). 7.00-12.33 As Radio 2.

BBC RADIO 2

6.55 New Day. 7.00 News Summary. Weather. 7.03 Dudley Savage (S). 8.03 Come Alive! 8.32 As Radio 1. 10.02 David Jacobs (S) with Melodies For You. 11.30 People's Service. 11.55 Good Listening (VHF). 12.02 Family

Favourites (S). 2.02 Listen To Les. 2.30 Hooray For Hollywood. 3.30 Acker Bilk. 4.02 Charlie Chester (S). 5.55 Good Listening (VHF). 6.00 Tom Brown with the Top Twenty. 7.02 Brain of Sport. 7.5. 7.02 The Gag-Crackers Ball (S). 7.30 Glamorous Nights (S). 8.30 Sunday Half-Hour (S). 9.02 Your 100 Best Tunes (S). 10.02 Sports Desk. 10.05 Nording 78 (S). 10.40 Sounds of Jazz (S) including 12.00 Midnight Newsroom; Weather; Motoring information. 12.31-12.33 News Summary. 0388C RADIO 3

7.55 Weather. 8.00 News. 8.05 Pablo Casals. 9.00 News. 9.05 Your Concert Choice (S). 10.15 Music Weekly (S). 11.15 BBC Scottish Symphony Orchestra (S) Concert: Mozart, Bartok. 12.30 Words. 12.35 Dvorak's Chamber Music (S). 1.20 American Organ Music (S). 2.15 Talking About Music (S). 2.45 The Operas of Wagner (S). 5.20 The Reith Lectures 1976. 5.50 Boulez at

the Round House (S) Concert: Part 1: Finniszy, Boulez. Part 2: Varese. 7.35 Drama Now (S). 9.00 Viola And Piano (S). Schubert, Brahms. 9.50 The Art of Economics. 10.10 Weeklies and Byrd (S) Concert. 10.45 Sounds Interesting (S). 11.25-11.30 News.

BBC RADIO 4

7.15 Apna Hi Ghar Samajhiye. 7.45 Sunday Programmes. 7.55 Weather. 8.00 News. 8.10 Sunday Papers. 8.15 Sunday. 8.50 Programme News. 8.55 Weather. 9.00 News. 9.10 Sunday Papers. 9.15 Letter From America. 9.30 The Archers. 10.30 Morning Service. 11.10 Week's Good Cause. 11.15 Motoring And The Motorist. 11.45 From The Grass Roots. 12.15 You And Yours. 12.55 Weather, programme news. 1.00 The World This Weekend: News. 2.00 Gardeners' Question Time. 2.30 Afternoon Theatre. 4.00 News. 4.02 Talking About Antiques. 4.30 The Living World. 5.00 In Touch. 5.15 Down Your Way. 5.55

Weather. 6.00 News. 6.15 You. The Jury. 7.00 News. 7.02 Transatlantic Quiz. 7.30 Chapter And Verse. 8.00 Music To Remember (S) Concert: Holst, Sibelius. 9.00 News. 9.03 Festival At Farbridge (S). 9.58 Weather. 10.00 News. 10.15 Tonic To The Nation. 11.00 For All Sorts and Conditions of Men. 11.15 News preceded by Weather. 11.36 Closedown. 11.45-11.48 Inshore Forecast.

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SUNDAY

BBC 1

9.00 Nai Zindagi, Naya Jeevan. 9.30 Playboard. 9.45 Trade Union Studies. 10.10 Peter Donaldson's Illustrated Economics. 10.35 Zarabanda. 11.00 Sunday Worship. 11.45 Dressmaker. 12.00 Your Move. 12.35 Contact. 1.00 Farming. 1.25 Erica on Embroidery. 1.38 An ABC of Music. 1.50 News Headlines. 1.55 Film Matinee: 'Oh, Rosalinda!'. 3.35 Bugs Bunny. 3.45 Boswall's Wildlife Safari to Mexico. 4.10 The Waltons. 5.00 Little Lord Fauntleroy. 5.30 Write on!

5.55 NEWS. Weather
6.05 ON THE MOVE
6.15 ANNO DOMINI
6.55 SONGS OF PRAISE
7.25 THE BROTHERS: 13: 'Out of the Blue'.
8.15 THE LIVER BIRDS
8.45 PAUL NEWMAN SUPERSTAR: 'Torn Curtain' 1966 Julie Andrews and Lila Kedrova
10.45 NEWS. Weather
10.55 READ ALL ABOUT IT including interviews with Arnold Wesker and novelist Ian McEwan
11.30 THE DEVIL'S MUSIC: 2: 'Work and Mother Wit' Third in series on history of the blues
11.55-11.57 Weather.

BBC 2

4.45 Rugby Special: Ulster v Leinster. 5.45 Westminster.

6.15 SONGS OF SEARCHING: Ralph McTell
6.30 NEWS REVIEW
7.10 LIGHT OF EXPERIENCE
7.25 THE WORLD ABOUT US: 'Return to the Punjab' Documentary film about a Sikh family living in England who return to the Punjab for their daughter's arranged marriage
8.15 FACE THE MUSIC
8.45 NEWS ON 2: Weather
8.50 THE LIVELY ARTS Bernard Keefe analyses the enduring appeal of operatic composer Puccini
10.00 LOOK, STRANGER: 'Early One Morning' A day in the life of a Birmingham Vegetable Market stallholder. The first of a new series of four programmes.
10.25 SECOND CITY FIRSTS: 'Glitter' by Tony Bicat. Third new play from Birmingham
10.55-12.55 A SENSE OF JUSTICE: 'The Execution of Private Slovik' Film about the only American soldier to have been executed for desertion — in France in 1945. Starring Martin Sheen; directed by Lamont Johnson

GRANADA

9.30 Musical Triangles. 10.00 Morning Worship. 11.00 Keep Up With Yoga. 11.25 Cartoon. 11.30 Castaway. 12.00 Weekend World. 1.10 Pro-Celebrity Snooker. 1.40 Elephant Boy. 2.05 The Kick-Off Match. 3.10 Cash and Company. 4.05 South Riding. 5.05 The Muppet Show with Charles Aznavour. 5.35 Snacker.

6.05 NEWS
6.15 REPORTS ACTION
6.40 OPINION
6.55 STARS ON SUNDAY
7.25 THE SIX MILLION DOLLAR MAN: 'The Return of Bigfoot'.
8.20 YUS MY DEAR: 'The Holiday'
8.50 NEWS
9.05 THE BIG FILM: Mia Farrow in 'Blind Terror'. Sara sensed something was wrong — but couldn't see the bodies. She was blind
10.45 THE BRITISH AT WAR: 'Target for Tonight'. Harry Watt's account of RAF personnel preparing a bombing mission over Germany. This film was shown as a morale-booster in the UK and as British propaganda world-wide.
11.40 THE PROTECTORS: 'A Pocketful of Posies'.
12.15 Closedown

LWT

9.05 Link. 9.30 Keep Up With Yoga. 10.00 Morning Worship. 11.00 Junior Police Five. 11.10 Thunderbirds. 12.00 Weekend World. 1.10 Cartoon Time. 1.15 The London Weekend Show. 1.45 The Protectors. 2.15 The Big Match. 3.15 The Family Film: 'The Blue Lagoon'. 5.05 Snacker. 5.35 The Muppet Show with Charles Aznavour.

6.05 NEWS FROM ITN
6.15 REPORTS ACTION
6.40 OPINION
6.55 STARS ON SUNDAY
7.25 HAWAII FIVE-O: 'Double Exposure'
8.20 TWO'S COMPANY: 'Robert's Record Player'. Robert's neighbour threatens court action when he takes to playing cathedral music...
8.50 NEWS FROM ITN
9.05 THE LOG OF THE BLACK PEARL. When a young stockbroker inherits his grandfather's ship 'The Black Pearl' and goes in search of sunken treasure, he is followed by two men intent on finding it first
10.45 THE LONDON PROGRAMME: Private education in and around the capital
11.45 CLOSE: Gordon Bailey reads one of his own poems followed by Closedown

REGIONS

CHANNEL

2.13 Today's Weather. 2.15 The Big Match. 3.15 Jennie, Lady Randolph Churchill. 4.10 Puffin's Birthday Greetings. 4.20 Celebrity Squares. 5.05 The Muppet Show. 5.35 Snacker. 6.05 News. 6.15 Reports Action. 6.40 Opinion. 6.45 Weather. 6.55 Stars on Sunday. 7.25 Six Million Dollar Man. 8.20 Yus My Dear. 8.50 News. 9.05 Film: 'Blow Up'. 11.05 Russell Harty. 12.45 Epilogue: Weather. Closedown.

HTV

9.30 Link. 10.00 Morning Worship. 11.00 Keep up with Yoga. 11.30 The Addams Family. 12.00 Weekend World. 1.10 The Count Of Monte Cristo. 1.40 Cartoon Time. 1.45 West Country Farming. 2.15 The Big Match. 3.15 Film: 'The Challenge'. 4.35 Jennie, Lady Randolph Churchill. 5.35 Snacker. 6.05 News. 6.15 Reports Action. 6.40 Opinion. 6.55 Stars on Sunday. 7.25 Candid Camera. 7.50 The New Avengers. 8.50 News. 9.05 Film:

'Rachel, Rachel'. 10.55 University Challenge. 11.25 The Crezz. 12.20 Weather and Closedown.

HTV CYMRU-WALES:
As HTV General except: 2.15-3.15 Soccer Special. 6.15-6.35 The Boy From Nazareth. 6.35-6.55 LUsern.

HTV WEST:
As HTV General.

BORDER

9.05 Link. 9.30 Wild Country. 10.00 Morning Worship. 11.00 Keep up with Yoga. 11.30 Gardening Today. 12.00 Weekend World. 1.10 Untamed World. 1.40 Farming Outlook. 2.10 Football. 3.10 Cartoon Time. 3.15 Film: 'Promise Her Anything'. 5.00 Border Diary. 5.05 The Muppet Show. 5.35 Snacker. 6.05 News. 6.15 Reports Action. 6.40 Opinion. 6.55 Stars on Sunday. 7.25 Six Million Dollar Man. 8.20 Bless This House. 8.50 News. 9.05 Film: 'Frau Doktor'. 10.50 Salute to Glenn Miller. 11.35 Closedown.



Valerie Walsh in 'Yus My Dear', Granada 8.20

9.30 Farming Today. 10.00 Morning Worship. 11.00 Keep up with Yoga. 11.25 Cartoon. 11.30 Gardening Today. 12.00 Weekend World. 1.10 Tarzan. 2.10 Star Soccer. 3.10 Film: 'The Glass Bottom Boat'. 5.05 The Muppet Show. 5.35 Snacker. 6.05 News. 6.15 Reports Action. 6.40 Opinion. 6.55 Stars on Sunday. 7.25 Six Million Dollar Man. 8.20 Yus My Dear. 8.50 News. 9.05 Film: 'The Chase'. 11.30 University Challenge. 12.00 Father Paschal. 12.05 Closedown.

ULSTER

11.00 Keep up with Yoga. 11.30 Gardening Today. 12.00 Weekend World. 1.10 Link. 1.35 Cartoon Time. 1.45 Let's Play Bridge. 2.15 The Big Match. 3.15 Space 1999. 4.10 Dusty's Trail. 5.05 The Muppet Show. 5.35 Snacker. 6.05 News. 6.15 Private Lives. 6.55 Stars on Sunday. 7.25 Six Million Dollar Man. 8.25 Candid Camera. 8.50 News. 9.05 Sports Results. 9.10 Film: 'The Victors'. 11.45 I Don't Think We've Met. 12.15 Closedown.

YORKSHIRE

9.00 Link. 9.30 The Stationary Ark. 10.00 Morning Worship. 11.00 Keep up with Yoga. 11.30 Farming Diary. 12.00 Weekend World. 1.20 The Muppet Show. 1.40 Calendar Sunday. 2.05 Football Special. 3.00 South Riding. 4.00 Film: 'The Silver Fleet'. 5.35 Snacker. 6.05 News. 6.15 Reports Action. 6.40 Opinion. 6.55 Stars on Sunday. 7.25 Six Million Dollar Man. 8.20 Yus My Dear. 8.50 News. 9.05 Film: 'Blind Terror'. 10.40 University Challenge. 11.10 George Hamilton IV. 11.40 Closedown.

TYNE TEES

9.40 The Boy From Nazareth. 10.00 Morning Worship. 11.00 Keep up with Yoga. 11.25 Where The Jobs Are. 11.30 University Challenge. 12.00 Weekend World. 1.10 The Muppet Show. 1.40 Farming Outlook. 2.15 Shoot. 3.05 South Riding. 4.05 Mr And Mrs. 4.35 The Little House On the Prairie. 5.35 Snacker. 6.05 News. 6.15 Reports Action. 6.40 Opinion. 6.55 Stars on Sunday. 7.25 Six Million Dollar Man. 8.20 Yus My Dear. 8.50 News. 9.05 Film: 'Blind Terror'. 10.40 Impact. 10.55 Police Story. 11.50 Epilogue. 11.55 Closedown.

SCOTTISH

9.05 Link. 9.30 Keep Up With Yoga. 10.00 Wild Country. 10.25 Hammy Hamster. 10.45 Elephant Boy. 11.10 The Little House on the Prairie. 12.00 Weekend World. 1.10 University Challenge. 1.40 Farming Outlook. 2.10 Hogan's Heroes. 2.40 Scoopsport. 3.55 The Glen Michael Cavalcade. 4.35 Lucky Feller. 5.05 The Muppet Show. 5.35 Snacker. 6.05 News. 6.15 Reports Action. 6.40 No Easy Answer. 6.55 Stars on Sunday. 7.25 Six Million Dollar Man. 8.20 Yus My Dear. 8.50 News. 9.05 Film: 'Blind Terror'. 10.45 Russell Harty. 11.35 Closedown.

GRAMPIAN

11.00 Keep Up With Yoga. 11.30 Gardening Today. 12.00 Weekend World. 1.10 University Challenge. 1.40 Farming Outlook. 2.05 The Inventors. 2.40 Scoopsport. 3.55 Cartoon Time. 4.05 Towards Christmas. 4.35 Woobinda. 5.05 The Muppet Show. 5.35 Snacker. 6.05 News. 6.15 Reports Action. 6.40 Opinion. 6.55 Stars on Sunday. 7.25 Six Million Dollar Man. 8.20 Yus My Dear. 8.50 News. 9.05 Film: 'Blind Terror'. 10.45 Mission Impossible. 11.40 Evening Prayers. 11.45 Closedown.

WESTWARD

10.00 Morning Worship. 11.00 Keep Up With Yoga. 11.30 The Beatles. 12.00 Weekend World. 1.10 Pro-Celebrity Snooker. 1.45 Farm and Country News. 2.15 The Big Match. 3.15 Jennie Lady Randolph Churchill. 4.10 Gus Honeybun's Birthdays. 4.20 Celebrity Squares. 5.05 The Muppet Show. 5.35 Snacker. 6.05 News. 6.15 Reports Action. 6.40 Opinion. 6.55 Stars on Sunday. 7.25 Six Million Dollar Man. 8.20 Yus My Dear. 8.50 News. 9.05 Film: 'Blow Up'. 11.45 Russell Harty. 12.45 Faith For Life. 12.50 Closedown.

ANGLIA

9.05 Link. 9.30 Musical Triangles. 10.00 Morning Worship. 11.00 Keep up with Yoga. 11.30 Woobinda — Animal Doctor. 12.00 Weekend World. 1.10 Cartoon Time. 1.25 Weather. 1.30 Farming Diary. 2.00 Match of the Week. 3.00 The Flintstones. 3.30 Little House on the Prairie. 4.30 Snacker. 5.00 Cartoon Time. 5.10 Candid Camera. 5.35 Bygones. 6.05 News. 6.15 Reports Action. 6.40 Opinion. 6.55 Stars on Sunday. 7.25 Hawaii Five-O. 8.20 Yus My Dear. 8.50 News. 9.05 Film: 'Up The Junction'. 11.10 Russell Harty. 12.00 The Big Question. Closedown.

SOUTHERN

9.05 Link. 9.30 Keep Up With Yoga. 10.00 Morning Worship. 11.00 Farm Progress. 11.27 Weather. 11.30 Batman. 12.00 Weekend World. 1.10 Porky. 1.15 The Champions. 2.15 The Big Match. 3.15 The Muppet Show. 3.45 Film: 'Gunlight at Comanche Creek'. 5.30 News. 5.35 Snacker. 6.05 News. 6.15 Reports Action. 6.40 Opinion. 6.55 Stars on Sunday. 7.25 Six Million Dollar Man. 8.20 Rising Damp. 8.50 News. 9.05 Film: 'Candy'. 11.20 Within These Walls. 11.55 Weather. Closedown.



Eric Allan plays Jock in episode 4 of 'Snacker' on Granada at 5.35

CLASSIFIED

THEATRE

BUSH THEATRE Shepherd's Bush Green, W12. 01-743 5050. Evgs 8p.m. Hull Truck with *Bridget's House*.

ICA ARTS CENTRE THEATRE Nash House, The Mall, SW1. 01-930 6393. Today: Crystal Theatre of the Saint present *The Pirates* at 1.15 p.m. The Black Theatre of Brixton present *The Jolly Green Soldier* 8p.m.

KING'S HEAD THEATRE 01-226 1916. Evgs 8p.m. *Spokesong* by Stewart Parker.

ROYAL COURT THEATRE 01-730 1745 *Rum and Coca Cola* by Mustapha Matura. With Norman Beaton of TV's *The Fosters* and Trevor Thomas. 8p.m. Sat mat 5p.m. and 8.30p.m.

ROYAL COURT THEATRE UPSTAIRS. 01-730 1745. Joint Stock present *Light Shining in Buckinghamshire* 8.15p.m. £1.

SOHO POLY 18 Ridinghouse Street W1. 01-636 9050. *A Treat* by Glenn Chandler with Lawrence James, Tony Steedman, Chris Sullivan. Directed by Brian Croucher. Lunchtimes at 1.15p.m. 60p.

YOUNG VIC (by Old Vic) 01-928 6363. *Anthony and Cleopatra* by William Shakespeare. Sat. 3p.m. and 7.45p.m. 80p.

ALMOST FREE THEATRE 01 485 6224. November 1-3 *Grannia Faust* by Edward Bond, lunchtimes at 1.15p.m. *The Swine* by Edward Bond, lunchtimes at 1.15p.m. Played in repertoire until December 3.

CINEMA

THE OTHER CINEMA. 25 Tottenham Street (at Charlotte St). 01-637 9308. Today 1.30p.m. YUKONG: A WOMAN, A FAMILY. 2.45p.m. YUKONG: THE FISHING VILLAGE. 5.30p.m. YUKONG: THE PHARMACY. 9.15p.m. YUKONG: THE GENERATOR FACTORY. 12p.m. YUKONG: THE OILFIELDS.

MEETINGS

WEEK OF SOLIDARITY WITH THE PALESTINIAN AND THE LEBANESE PROGRESSIVE MOVEMENT. Monday: Public meeting. London School of Economics plus Film *THE KEY*. 7p.m. Entrance Free. Thursday: LSE Cultural evening 7p.m. 50p. Photo exhibition, film plays entertainments etc. Friday: LSE 7p.m. Solidarity meeting. Entrance free. Sunday: March in solidarity with the Palestinian and Lebanese people. Assemble Hyde Park 1p.m.

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APRIL 7 TESTS STAMINA

Well weighted to repeat Hennessy success

TWO PAST winners of the coveted Hennessy Gold Cup (2.05), Royal Marshal II and April Seventh, are in the line-up for this year's running of the 3¼ miles stamina test at NEWBURY today.

As it happens, they are also the only two in the whole field with a course and distance success to their credit, so it should be no surprise to find these two, together with Rag Trade, dominating the proceedings. Naturally, both have more weight, but April Seventh seems the more leniently treated as he has only 7lbs more than when

BY OUR RACING CORRESPONDENT

winning last season's Hennessy by three lengths. Royal Marshal II carries 17lbs more than his victory two years ago. Add to that the fact that April Seventh has won his only race this season whereas his rival has been beaten twice, and at points to another big race success for the in-form Bob Turnell stable.

Gamely

April Seventh showed his present well-being when staying on gamely to beat Go-Over in the Terry Biddlecombe Challenge Trophy at Wincanton a month ago, and he has done nothing wrong on the Marlborough gallops since.

The biggest danger to April Seventh may come not from Royal Marshal II but from last year's Grand National winner Rag Trade, one of Fred Rimmel's three Hennessy runners, and all the better for an outing this season at Haydock.

And, of course, another who cannot be ruled out is Fulke Walwyn's Ghost Writer, who has been the hot favourite on the ante-post market.

April Seventh is not the only horse from the Turnell stable who can score a repeat win. Shock Result can do just that in the North Street Handicap Chase (1.30), although he is making his seasonal debut.

Yet another fancied Turnell runner, Beacon Light, will take a lot of beating in the Berkshire

Hurdle (2.35). But Acquaint looks the more likely winner of this competitive two miles hurdles test.

Attracted

At WOLVERHAMPTON, where the Staveley Handicap Chase (2.00) has attracted a disappointing field of four, in-form Broncho II must be preferred to Canadius, who is making his seasonal debut and will probably need the outing.

Finally at CATTERICK, the safest bet should be Even Swell in the Charles Vickery Memorial Cup Handicap Chase (2.15). Neville Crump's nine-year-old has managed only one win from six outings this season, but looks far better than the opposition.

NEWBURY

BBC1 1.00, 1.30, 2.05, 2.35

1.00 HOPEFUL CHASE £2,000
2½m (8 runners)

1	1-02111	GRAIGUE HOUSE (C)	Miss Morris 8 11 13	N Wakley
3	3P-03PF	GREEK SALUTE	T Forster 7 11 8	C Read
4	2220P-0	NEON STAR	R Turner 7 11 8	A Turner
5	1010-43	OVER ACTING	G Balding 7 11 8	R Linley
6	000-000	ROMANY CAR	F Kent 7 11 8	B Forsey
7	00	SILVER PRINCE	G Balding 6 11 8	J Fox
8	0-013-4	WELL REFINED	Ms Lawther 7 11 8	Mr R Lawther (7)
11	0	DISCOUNT MARKET	C Bewick 5 11 5	V Soane

PROBABLE SP: 6-4 Graigue House, 2-1 Discount Market, 5-1 Neon Star, 10-1 Over Act, 12-1 Greek Salute, 16-1 others.

1.30 NORTH STREET H'CAP CHASE £2,250
2m (7 runners)

1	211F1-3	MENEHALL	F Walwyn 9 11 7	M Floyd (5)
2	313F-00	DULWICH	C Davies 9 11 7	R Hyett
3	403001	SHOCK RESULT (C-D)	R Turner 10 11 5	A Turner
4	1123-30	CASSAB (BF)	T Forster 9 11 2	G Thorne
5	2F4-122	TUTOR'S BEST	M Banks 8 10 8	B R Davies
6	114P-4	FLAME KING	P Cole 6 10 0	Mr N Henderson
7	02F413	BENDEAR	R Armtage 12 10 0	H J Evans

PROBABLE SP: 2-1 Shock Result, 9-4 Cassab, 4-1 Dulwich, 11-2 Menehall, 10-1 Tutor's Best, 14-1 others.

2.05 HENNESSY GOLD CUP H'CAP CHASE £12,000
3m 2f (21 runners)

1	1110-F0	TAMALIN	G Richards 9 11 13	J J O'Neill
2	02140-1	APRIL SEVENTH (C-D)	R Turner 10 11 9	A Turner
3	P-23F-34	ROYAL MARSHALL II (C-D)	T Forster 9 11 3	G Thorne
4	04F11-0	RAG TRADE	F Rimmel 10 11 2	J Burke
5	41200-3	EVEN UP (C)	Mrs Oughton 9 11 2	R Champion
6	14040-0	MONEY MARKET	C Bewick 9 11 1	V Soane
7	P-1112-4	MICKLEY SEABRIGHT	F Rimmel 8 10 11	Mr P Brookshaw (7)
8	F12B-41	GHOST WRITER (C)	F Walwyn 9 10 10	W Smith
9	0020-32	LEAN FORWARD (C)	R Armtage 10 10 10	H J Evans
10	142211	ANDY PANDY	F Rimmel 7 10 9	S Morshead
11	133F-1	ZETA'S SON (C)	P Bailey 7 10 9	I Watkinson
12	0310-40	BARMER	R Blakeney 8 10 5	J McNaught
13	11F0-01	TREGARRON	Oliver 9 10 3	C Tindler
14	23P4-21	LORD BROWNDODD (C)	P Cundell 8 10 3	J King
15	113F-3	LE ROSTAN	D Kent 8 10 1	P Hayes
16	1F30-42	TOP PRIORITY	J Gifford 7 10 1	C Read
17	FPP20P	CHURCHTOWN BOY	M Salaman 9 10 1	John Williams
18	211-400	CARROLL STREET	G Balding 9 10 0	R Linley
19	10F1-11	BANLIEU (C)	D Morley 6 10 0	B R Davies
20	0131-00	SUPER OOL	J Hayward 9 10 0	B McNally (7)

PROBABLE SP: 9-2 Ghost Writer, 6-1 April Seventh, 7-1 Andy Pand, 8-1 Rag Trade, 10-1 Royal Marshall II and Even Up, 12-1 Mickley Seabright and Banlieu, 14-1 Barmer, 16-1 Lord Browndodd, 20-1 others.

2.35 BERKSHIRE HURDLE £4,000
2m (9 runners)

1	22211-4	BEACON LIGHT (D) (BF)	R Turner 5 12 0	A Turner
2	011-03	ROYAL EPIC (C-D)	V Cross 5 12 0	F McKenna
3	1120-33	ACQUAINT (D) (BF)	F Winter 5 11 3	Mr N Henderson
4	1113-00	FLITGROVE (C-D)	D Nicholson 5 11 10	J King
5	1121-1	PETERHOF (D)	M W Easterby 4 11 9	C Tindler
6	3110-21	SWEET JOE (USA) (D)	Thomson Jones 4 11 9	I Watkinson
7	21130-2	HAVANUS (FR) (C-D)	D Morley 4 11 5	B R Davies
8	2330-11	LINE SHOOTER (C-D)	F Walwyn 4 11 5	W Smith
9	10401-4	RUNNING SCARED (D)	A Pitt 4 11 1	R Champion

PROBABLE SP: 7-4 Peterhof, 4-1 Beacon Light, 9-2 Sweet Joe, 6-1 Line Shooter, 10-1 Havanus, 14-1 Running Scared, 16-1 Royal Epic, 20-1 others.

3.05 SPEEN NOVICES' HURDLE DIV I £750
2m (24 runners)

1	1	LINKENHOLT (C-D)	P Cole 6 11 10	R Champion
2	033233	CRITICISM	R Armtage 5 11 3	H J Evans
3	00	DUBROVNIK	S Wright 5 11 3	R Hyett
4	00	RICHARD GRENVILLE	J Gifford 5 11 3	J King
5	0-0	SILENT BURN	T Forster 5 11 3	G Thorne
6	04220P	ANNS DREAM	E Reavey 4 10 12	A Turner
7	202020	BAILADOR (FR)	G Balding 4 10 12	R Linley
8	00	BITTER TOP	Mrs Easton 4 10 12	C Brown (5)
9	0P33F	COMET KOHOUTEK	G Harwood 4 10 12	G Lawson
10	00	COMPTON CASSEY	D Nicholson 4 10 12	R Dickinson
11	00	FACULTY	J Old 4 10 12	C Candy
12	P00	FOOLSMO	L Bowman 4 10 12	Mr J Pawert (7)
13	00	FRUIT PICKER	D Nicholson 4 10 12	R Mangan
14	00	GALE FORECAST	Mrs Oughton 4 10 12	C Read
15	00P	GREAT REVIEWS (USA)	M Salaman 4 10 12	M Salaman
16	30U	HILL STATION	M Bolton 4 10 12	R Rowell
17	00	JUST REVENGE	D Barons 4 10 12	P Leach (3)
18	0	MEKHALA	J Haine 4 10 12	S Holmes (5)
19	0	PREVINITOUS	A Davison 4 10 12	G Gracey
20	00F0	SPRATZI	Mrs Finch 4 10 12	R J Owen (7)
21	00	SUNBEL	J Powney 4 10 12	I Watkinson
22	0	THUNDER RUN	N Graham 4 10 12	P Burgoyne (7)
23	02P2	TRAGUS	D Morley 4 10 12	B R Davies
24	0034-0	TROMBO	M Francis 4 10 12	D Cartwright

PROBABLE SP: 2-1 Richard Grenville, 9-4 Linkenhol, 11-2 Tragus, 8-1 Bailador, 12-1 Comet Kohoutek, 14-1 Dubrovnik, 15-1 Criticism, 20-1 Anna's Dream and Just Revenge, 25-1 others.

3.35

SPEEN NOVICES' HURDLE DIV II £750

2m (22 runners)

2	1U	SHACKLE SUN (D) (BF)	F Winter 5 11 10	R Kingston (3)
3	00P-12	MOONSTRIKE (BF)	P Haslam 4 11 5	Mr N Henderson
4	0-0404-3	ARDLAIR	R Armtage 5 11 3	H J Evans
5	00	BENTLEY GREEN	D Nicholson 5 11 3	R Mangan (5)
6	00	BIG MUDDY	G Balding 5 11 3	R Linley
7	0-0	EVEN COURT	Mrs Oughton 5 11 3	Mr D Oughton (7)
8	22-0203	LISTEN HERE	R Turnell 5 11 3	A Turnell
9	000004	MERRY KERRY	J Joseph 7 11 3	Joe Guest
10	000004	ORILLO	G Balding 7 11 3	J Fox
11	004000	SHANADA	I Pattullo 7 11 3	W Smith
12	004000	THE DEALER	F Winter 6 11 3	James Guest (2)
13	0	BEZANT	P Ashworth 4 10 12	K Gray
14	0	DISMASTED	D Barons 4 10 12	P Leach (3)
15	00	DOUBLY ROYAL	D Nicholson 4 10 12	R Dickinson
16	0004F-0	KARAMIST	C Benstead 4 10 12	R Atkins
17	0P	MASTER KARL	S Pattemore 4 10 12	R Mangan
18	PP0-00	MELIVAN	C Knipe 4 10 12	John Williams
19	0	OFFICER DIBBLE	M Bolton 4 10 12	R Rowell
20	340-40	SABROSO (USA)	D Morley 4 10 12	B R Davies
21	0P	TOUR DE FORCE (USA)	Balding 4 10 12	J King
22	0P	TULLOW LANE	N Wakley 4 10 12	N Wakley
23	00	YAMADORI	R Houghton 4 10 12	M O'Halloran (5)

PROBABLE SP: 5-2 Shackle Sun, 4-1 Sabroso, 11-2 Listen Here, 7-1 Tour de Force, 8-1 Yamadori, 10-1 Ardair, 12-1 Moonstrike, 14-1 Merry Kerry and Dismasted, 16-1 others.

CATTERICK ITV 1.45, 2.15, 2.45

12.45 SINNINGTON SELLING H'CAP HURDLE £400
2m (15 runners)

3	03000-0	EARLY MORNING	F Wiles 6 11 7	S Wiles (5)
4	B10F2-1	SEA WANDERER (C-D)	A Percival 8 11 6	V Percival
5	20-02F0	FREE GIRL	J Cousins 6 11 0	S Houlker (7)
6	U0-10P3	ROLUS (C-D)	D Chapman 7 11 0	K McCauley
7	00-4000	MARCHI (D)	F Dever 10 10 13	F Leavy
8	2-11300	GALADON (C-D)	J Barclay 10 10 12	Mr H Barclay
9	000	WILLYBOY	A Potts 4 10 5	D Atkins
10	0400-04	HOT TODDY (D)	R Allan 5 10 3	J Beaton (5)
11	3001-40	SAN PALESTINE (BF)	W Storey 4 10 1	Barbara Oliver (7)
12	0-00-4	YOUNG CROSBY	J Cahert 5 10 0	N Tindler
13	0F-U0FF	HOOPER BRACKEN	T Kersey 8 10 0	G Kersey (7)
14	000P-0	DOUBLE LIE	D Plant 4 10 0	P Mangan
15	000000	GOLDEN BLUE (D)	F Barton 11 10 0	Mr F Barton (7)
16	00000P	ROYAL LUSTRE	J A Turner 6 10 0	P Salmon (7)
17	03P0-	FALLOON FOLLY	J Dodds 4 10 0	Mr H O'Neill (7)

PROBABLE SP: 2-1 Sea Wanderer, 9-2 Rolus, 5-1 Hot Toddy, 6-1 Galadon, 8-1 Marchi, 12-1 Free Girl and Young Crosby, 16-1 others.

1.15 HURWORTH NOVICES' CHASE £600
3m (12 runners)

1	24-FP21	CLEAR HORIZON	Mrs M Greenall 6 12 0	Mr P Greenall
2	400P-10	GOLD PRINCE	R Bethell 7 12 0	D Greaves
3	000-00-0	CHEAL BOATMAN	Denys Smith 6 11 7	A Dickinson
4	0000-22	CRAIG PRINCE	E Weymes 6 11 7	A Bowker (5)
5	000F-04	FORTUNE'S NIECE	J Berry 6 11 7	G Shaw
6	2F-P040	KING ROSS	Mrs S Chesmore 7 11 7	N Tindler
7	00	MAGIC WAND	G Cundall 6 11 7	Mr C Cundall (5)
8	004F3-4	MURTON JESTER	C Drew 10 11 7	D Atkins
9	0002F-4	VENGA RAPIDO	E Collingwood	D Atkins
10	0022-34	KENTMERE	W A Stephenson 5 11 5	G Faulkner (3)
11	00-3F	RATHOWEN	Lady Harris 5 11 5	D Munro
12	00	TENSCORE	G Richards 5 11 5	D Goulding

PROBABLE SP: 7-4 Clear Horizon, 5-2 Craig Prince, 9-1 Kentmere, 13-2 Gold Prince, 10-1 Fortune's Niece, 12-1 others.

1.45 ZETLAND HANDICAP HURDLE £700
3m (9 runners)

1	310200	RAGAMUFFIN	G Richards 9 11 7	C Pindoll (7)
2	P01021	SILKSTONE	S Norton 8 11 8	G Graham (5)
3	31-3104	CALDBECK	D MacDonald 6 11 6	J L Goulding (7)
4	300-300	ROMANY STAR	A Bacon 5 11 2	G Shaw
5	1413-42	DEVON MIGNON (C-D) (BF)	R Bethell 6 10 12	M Lowry (5)
6	12-4041	VIMY RIDGE	W A Stephenson 4 10 6 (4 ex)	G Reid (7)
7	0P0110	NAIVASHA (C)	A Potts 4 10 1	D Atkins
8	021-043	SNOW RIVER	R Brewis 5 10 0	P Mangan
9	1000-0P	MISS ISIS	A Watson 6 10 0	M Barnes

PROBABLE SP: 3-1 Vimy Ridge, 4-1 Devon Mignon, 11-2 Silkstone, 7-1 Caldbeck, 8-1 Naivasha, 10-1 Ragamuffin, 12-1 Romany Star, 14-1 Snow River, 20-1 others.

2.15 CHARLES VICKERY H'CAP CHASE £1,000
3m (6 runners)

2	432413	EVEN SWELL (BF)	N Crump 9 11 3	D Atkins
3	F0-0212	TEDDY BEAR II (BF)	W A Stephenson 9 10 8	G Faulkner (3)
4	42U0-1	SEBASTIAN V	C Bell 8 11 1 (8 ex)	V R Lamb
5	00211-2	ALYSTAR	A Kemp 6 10 5	V Percival
6	2-P0313	TARTAN TUTOR (C-D)	R Bethell 9 10 5 (8 ex)	M Lowry (5)
7	14000-R	KRONGE (C-D)	A Watson 8 10 0	P Mangan

PROBABLE SP: 9-4 Sebastian II, 9-4 Teddy Bear II, 1-1 Even Swell, 7-1 Tartan Tutor, 12-1 Alystar, 16-1 Kronge.

2.45 WILLIAM HILL NORTH EASTERN H'CAP £1,650
2m (7 runners)

2	21-230F	CHOSEN SLAVE (D)	A Kemp 9 11 9	V Percival
3	2112-B1	WYLLAM BOY (D)	W A Stephenson 7 11 11 (4 ex)	G Faulkner (3)
4	10-0012	PRINCE VISION (C-D)	M Naughton 9 11 5	C Hawkins (5)
5	01-3442	SUBWAY	B Wilkinson 8 10 9	D Atkins
6	110U3-0	BAR ROCK	J Hanson 8 10 9	A Bowker (5)
7	1403-03	KALROSA	M Camacho 7 10 4	D Greaves
8	33F0-P2	THREE FRED'S (C-D)	A Watson 9 10 0	P Mangan

PROBABLE SP: 15-8 Wyllam Boy, 11-4 Prince Vision, 4-1 Chosen Slave, 6-1 Three Fred's, 10-1 Subway, 12-1 Bar Rock, 14-1 Kalrosa.

3.15 BEDALE HANDICAP HURDLE £700
2m (14 runners)

1	21110F	TANORA (D)	Denys Smith 7 12 7	C Grant (7)
2	2-00334	PURPLE GEM (C-D)	A Eubank 8 11 3	Mr A Eubank
3	13-1440	TERRELES (D)	J Cousins 6 11 1	Mr P Barry (7)
4	000-000	MEADOW MAJOR	R Allan 7 11 0	J Beaton (5)
5	012F	TREE BREEZE	Miss S Hall 5 10 13	P Mangan
6	403130	THURLESTANE (D)	J Twibell 4 10 11	R Lee (7)
7	F-21001	GIROSTAR (D)	T Barnes 6 10 8 (4 ex)	M Barnes
8	1340-40	GRIMSBY TOWN (D)	Denys Smith 7 10 6	N Blamer (7)
9	40-0022	SARCEIN (D) (BF)	Ht Jones 5 10 4	A Dickinson
10	12000-0	JUST SPIDER (C-D)	B Wilkinson 8 10 1	P Mangan
11	000-043	CALCULATOR (D)	W A Stephenson 6 10 0	A Fletcher (7)
12	10-0003	SPRING FLING (D)	W A Stephenson 4 10 0	Mr K Jewett (7)
13	0PF-113	GOLDEN END (D)	R Cross 5 10 0	S Charlton (5)
14	400010	SEATON SANDS (D)	J A Turner 5 10 0	P Salmon

PROBABLE SP: 7-2 Girostar, 9-2 Sarcein, 5-1 Spring Fling, 13-2 Tanora, 8-1 Calculator, 10-1 Purple Gem and Grimsby Town, 14-1 others.

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SCOTTISH SCENE

BATTLE OF THE BLUES IS TOP MATCH

BY OUR SPORTS STAFF

MANCHESTER City's away form has improved considerably this season, accounting for their high position in the table.

They have taken seven points out of 12 away from Maine Road and take enigmatic Birmingham at St Andrews today.

Jimmy Conway, their Republic of Ireland midfielder, misses the game. Conway, who returned to the side against West Brom last week, after missing 10 games with a shoulder injury, has aggravated the damage. Paul Power deputises.

Birmingham's six away defeats this season robs them of a leading position in the League. At home they're a different proposition, however, and it could be the match of the day.

Searching

Spurs, searching for their first win in six games, have Ian Moores playing his old club Stoke at White Hart Lane.

Moores, bought for £75,000, returned to the side and scored against Sunderland last week. Tottenham still lost and are losing touch with clubs above them.

Stoke's three points out of 16 away won't inspire their fans but at least they have Alan Hudson back. He has recovered from a stomach strain which has kept him out for the last three games.

John Marsh replaces suspended Mick Pejic at left back but Tony Waddington will not name his final line-up until



Jimmy Conway is out for Manchester City at Birmingham

just before the kick-off.

Scottish winger Willie Johnston returns for West Brom at home to Everton after a five-match suspension for bringing the game into disrepute.

He is added to the 12 who lost 1-0 at Manchester City last week. David Cross, £140,000 buy from Coventry, will make his home debut.

Everton captain Mike Lyons could be switched from midfield

SUE Barker meets Chris Evert in Tokyo tomorrow in the final of a £62,500 world tennis tournament.



Alan Hudson is back for Stoke

into the forward line by manager Billy Bingham.

He has named a squad of 13 and if Lyons does play up front it could pave the way for the return of Bryan Hamilton.

In Division Two Derek Hales, the League's top scorer, is doubtful for Charlton's trip to Bolton with a groin strain. He will have a late test.

Don Revie, the England manager, was planning to watch Hales after a number of recommendations from other managers.

John O'Hare is back in the Nottingham Forest side at Cardiff for the first time since dislocating an elbow two months ago. He replaces Sean Haselgrave.

Needed

Better away results are needed by Forest if they are to challenge for promotion.

Two goalkeepers in the news are Richard Teale, who wins his third appearance of the season for Fulham, at Blackpool, and Southampton keeper Ian Turner who has recovered from a cartilage operation and returns at Oldham.

In Division Three, leaders Brighton expect to be unchanged for the visit of second-place Wrexham. And much-travelled George Graham stands by to make his Crystal Palace at home to Chesterfield.



Peter Taylor is the first to admit that he has not shown his true form since

joining Spurs from Crystal Palace for £200,000. He says he is 'scared' to try

all his skills in case they don't come off. Keith Burkinshaw must hope that the England international repays some of the big fee as quickly as possible to help lift the club off the bottom

CRICKET

Early training for Greig's men

WHILE heavy rain in Madras stopped play in the final Test between India and New Zealand, MCC were up early in Bombay for a solid two-hour net session.

Only the keenest fans caught a glimpse of Tony Greig's merry men as they left their hotel before 9a.m.

The quick bowlers let themselves go for the first time, and on a dampened surface Bob Willis produced some fiery stuff, including one ball which nearly cut Greig in two.

Bob Woolmer was absent from the practice with a slightly sprained right ankle.

MCC have one more full day in Bombay before going by train to Poona for their opening fixture against West Zone on Monday.

In Madras, meanwhile, no play was possible on the first day of India's final Test. Two days of heavy rain left the outfield wet in several places.

Play is expected today and there are still five days left as six were scheduled originally.

Tennis profits

ALTHOUGH the British Lawn Tennis Association budgeted for a loss this year, the annual accounts published yesterday show a profit of £41,965. Two

main reasons for the surplus are a return of £121,000 from the 1975 Wimbledon Championships, and the British team's good run in the Davis Cup.

RACING RESULTS

TEESSIDE

1.15 (2m): GOOLAGONG, Mr H Orde-Powlett (4-1) 1; Barclay's Own (33-1) 2; Danecastle (12-1½) 3; Wakefield (33-1) 4, 17 ran. 15, 5, (Lord Bolton) T: 37p, 28p, 41p. NR: Indian Sol. 1.45 (2m): FAIR CHEER, M Lowry (5-2 fav) 1; Glenland (4-1) 2; Tudor Cracker (16-1) 3; Old Cock (8-1) 4, 6 ran. 2½, 12, (J Fitzgerald) T: 33p, 19p; F: 68p. 2.15 (2m): INFANTRYMAN, T Stack (11-4 on fav) 1; Swanky Guide (6-1½) 2; Dumyasha (7-1) 3; Jimmy Allen (16-1) 4, 5 ran. 3, ½, (W A Stephenson) T: 18p; F: 30p. 2.45 (2m): ABIDE WITH ME, G Faulkner (10-1½) 1; Upper Echelon (13-8 fav) 2; Brief Bay (7-1) 3; Whispering Grace (7-1) 4, 10 ran. hd, 12, (W A Stephenson) T: £1.59; 38p, 12p, 18p; DF: £2.92.

3.15 (3m): IRISH TONY, D Atkins (11-2) 1; Gulescard (25-1) 2; Guiding Star (4-1 fav) 3; Soutra (13-2) 4, 11 ran. 2½, nk, (N Crump) T: 54p, 20p, £1.59, 24p. 3.45 (2m): BATTLEMENT, A Flint (9-2) 1; French Hollow (2-1 fav) 2; Pal Dan (5-2) 3; Trevino (20-1) 4, 15 ran. ¼, 4, T: £1.23; 13p, 11p, 10½p.

TOTE DOUBLE: £4.15
TOTE TREBLE: £33.85

NEWBURY

1.00 (2m): BRONSON, J King (10-1) 1; Roundtown (14-1) 2; Ramadan (8-1) 3; Tempest Girl (7-1) 4, 23 ran. 12, 3, (V Cross) T: £1.47; 47p, 39p, 22p. 1.30 (3m): GAY VULGAN, M Floyd (7-2) 1; Royal Thrust (4-1) 2; Gardenvale (3-1 fav) 3; Clifton House (12-1) 4, 7 ran. 5,

bad. (F Walwyn) T: 56p, 20p, 26p; DF: £2.22. 2.00 (2½m): MASTER H, P Blacker (6-4 fav) 1; Brown Admiral (9-1) 2; Harvest (33-1) 3; Abo (9-2) 4, 10 ran. ½, 7, (M Oliver) T: 24p, 15p, 20p, 61p. DF: 77p. 2.30 (2m): EARLY SPRING, A Turnell (7-2 on fav) 1; Copshill (4-1) 2; Lucky Wish (14-1) 3; 3 ran. 12, bad. (A R Turnell) T: 11p; F: 15p. NR: Supreme Halo. 3.00 (2½m): MIDNIGHT COURT, M Floyd (5-4 fav) 1; Approaching (9-2) 2; Successor (10-1) 3; Fell Swoop (11-1) 4, 13 ran. 5, 15, (F Winter) T: 13p, 15p, 19p. NR: Keening. 3.30 (2m): LEVARAMOSS, A Goncalves (4-1) 1; Heluan (7-1) 2; Yellow Boy (7-1) 3; Jack O'Malley (20-1) 4, 18 ran. 6, 4, (S Ingham) T: 77p, 23p, 17p, 19p. TOTE DOUBLE: £2.95
TOTE TREBLE: £11.35
JACKPOT: not won

Mc Grain boost to blaze Celtic trail

DANNY McGRAIN gave Celtic's championship challenge a boost yesterday when he passed a fitness test on a damaged shin bone.

He plays against bottom club Kilmarnock and lessens the blow of 5-4 favourites Celtic's loss of Bobby Lennox with a broken leg in midweek. Paul Wilson deputises.

Their win over Rangers was a big boost for morale and their Glasgow neighbours hope for a revival against Hearts.

Rangers, now two points adrift of Celtic, having played a game more, hope their impressive past record at Tynecastle will see them through.

Hearts have a poor home record this season, winning just one of their six Premier League fixtures.

Rangers could be set to give Colin Stein his first League outing for over a

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year. He was brought on as a substitute against Celtic, and it is likely he will line up at the kick-off.

Motherwell, with Willie Pettigrew back in scoring form, should be too good for Ayr United — even away from home.

Aberdeen, who head Dundee United on goal difference at the top, could make it a point's advantage by tonight.

Without suspended Jim Shirra, they are at home to disappointing Hibernian while Dundee United have a difficult match at Partick Thistle.

NO FAVOURS FOR NEWPORT IN F A CUP

NEWPORT will receive no favours from Southend when they meet them in the second round of the FA Cup — the fixture which the Welsh club say will be its last unless someone steps in to take it over.

The only chink of light for Newport's future seems to be victory over Southend on December 11. That would bring the possibility of a lucrative Third Round tie against a First Division club.

But Newport's cash crisis does not impress Southend manager Dave Smith. 'We will go out to win on December 11 — the way we would any other game,' he said.

'Of course it is sad to see any club in this state, but soccer is all about winning and we expect to be in the Third Round.'

There were no fresh moves on Newport's crisis yesterday, so as the club's manager Jimmy Scouler said: 'The situation looks very dodgy indeed.'

But he added: 'In the meantime we carry on and hope for the best,' and he announced an unchanged side for the Fourth Division match against Halifax tonight, which could be Newport's last home game.

Halifax will face the same team which beat Bournemouth 3-0 in Tuesday's FA Cup replay. Eddie Woods, who came on as substitute for injured skipper Steve Derrett in defence, retains his place.

Cup failure brings sack

MALCOLM MUSGROVE was yesterday sacked as manager of Fourth Division Torquay United just a week after the club was knocked out of the FA Cup by non-League Hillingdon.

That home defeat by the Southern Leaguers, coming on top of an unimpressive Fourth Division record since Musgrove took over four years ago, seems to have been the last straw for the club's directors.

They issued a statement which said: 'The directors of Torquay United have, in recent months, shared the disappointment of supporters at the inability of the club to make progress on the playing field.'

'They have been concerned at the inconsistency of team performances this season, which indicate that the basic problems of previous years have not been overcome.'

The directors went on to say

that they had made the decision with 'very great regret', but that no club could survive economically without success 'from time to time'.

Musgrove, who has no plans for the future, said that he felt sorry for the chairman, with whom he had had a 'very good relationship'. He added: 'I feel I have been let down badly by the players.'

Torquay, now lying in the bottom half of the Fourth Division, will appoint a new manager as soon as possible.

Willie Ormond, the Scotland team manager, has been offered a fresh contract. His present one expires next month. Ormond is seen as the manager most likely to get Scotland through to the World Cup finals, despite their defeat against Czechoslovakia. He will consider the offer over the weekend.

CRISIS TEAMS MEET

BY PAUL FELDMAN

DERBY and Sunderland, both adrift at the foot of Division One without managers, meet at the Baseball Ground today with nothing but uncertainty ahead of them.

Dave Mackay's sacking was still reverberating around Derby yesterday with club captain Roy McFarland joining the fray.

He came through a fitness test on a leg injury and then accused some of his team mates of helping to undermine Mackay.

He said: 'I gave everything for Dave

but to be honest as a team we have not given 100 per cent in some matches. It is definitely one factor in getting him the sack.'

Mackay himself was saying nothing, though he did promise some revelations next week. Meanwhile, his future looks bleak.

Derby directors disliked his methods. They thought he treated the players too much as equals and failed to impose sufficient discipline. They wanted constant success and didn't get it. So Mackay's head rolled.

Rumours were flying about possible successors. Names linked to the club yesterday included Bobby Moore, Jack

Charlton and former Derby captain Ian Durban, now player-manager of Shrewsbury.

But 34-year-old Durban had heard nothing from Derby. 'I am very happy at Shrewsbury and I am not touting for a job,' Durban said.

Caretaker boss Colin Murphy, promoted overnight into the hot seat, has not had the early breaks he might have looked for.

Kevin Hector has a recurrence of an ankle injury and Bruce Rioch, the man Mackay moved up from midfield as a stand-in striker, has a knee ligament strain.

Both face late tests and the outcome

Derby v Sunderland and not a manager in sight

could determine whether Colin Todd reverts to the back four. Todd made no secret of his dislike of playing in midfield and had a public dispute with Mackay after one game.

Murphy, whose squad includes midfield man Jeff King and striker Jeff Bourne, was as optimistic as he could afford to be yesterday.

The players here are professionals with a great deal of responsibility and pride. I am sure they will work as hard as they have always done, he said.

Sunderland have their own problems and the club is still recovering from Bob Stokoe's shock resignation as manager.

Temporary chief Ian MacFarlane doesn't know what his future at Roker Park is.

Some reports talk of an imminent appointment, others of giving MacFarlane a chance to prove he is the man for the job.

Since he took over, Sunderland have managed to haul themselves off bottom place and their last-gasp win over Spurs last week boosted confidence.

Problems have not gone away, however, with defenders Dick Malone and Jackie Ashurst still wanting transfers after being dropped.

Today they are without injured captain Tony Towers and forward Alan Foggon. Gary Rowell continues at number four and MacFarlane makes a late choice between Roy Greenwood and Tommy Gibb.

Sunderland have stayed at their 1973 Wembley triumph hotel this week. Perhaps memories of past glory will inspire them to greater things this afternoon.



Todd, George, McFarland

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TODAY'S GAMES

DIVISION ONE

Birmingham v Man City
Coventry v Arsenal
Derby Co v Sunderland
Leeds v Leicester
Liverpool v Bristol City
Man Utd v West Ham
Middlesbrough v Ipswich
Newcastle v QPR
Norwich v Aston Villa
Tottenham v Stoke
West Brom v Everton

DIVISION TWO

Blackburn v Hereford
Blackpool v Fulham
Bolton v Charlton
Bristol Rovers v Hull
Cardiff v Nottm Forest
Chelsea v Burnley
Millwall v Sheff Utd
Notts Co v Luton
Oldham v Southampton
Orient v Wolves
Plymouth v Carlisle

DIVISION THREE

Brighton v Wrexham
Chester v Northampton
Crystal Pal v Chesterfield
Grimsby v Portsmouth
Mansfield v Swindon
Oxford Utd v Port Vale
Peterboro v Sheff Wed
Preston NE v Lincoln
Rotherham v Walsall
York v Shrewsbury

DIVISION FOUR

Aldershot v Hartlepool
Barnsley v Colchester
Bradford City v Watford
Brentford v Cambridge
Darlington v Exeter
Doncaster Rovers v Crewe
Newport City v Halifax
Southport v Southend
Swansea v Workington
Torquay v Scunthorpe

SCOTTISH PREMIER

Aberdeen v Hibernian
Ayr v Motherwell
Celtic v Kilmarnock
Hearts v Rangers
Partick v Dundee Utd

SCOTTISH DIV ONE

Airdrie v St Johnstone
Clydebank v Montrose
Dundee v Falkirk
Hamilton v Dumbarton
Morton v East Fife
Raith v Queen of the South
St Mirren v Arbroath

SCOTTISH DIV TWO

Berwick v Alloa
Brechin v Albion Rovers
Dunfermline v Meadowbank
East Stirling v Queen's Park
Stirling v Cowdenbeath
Stranraer v Forfar

RUGBY

RUGBY UNION
COUNTY CHAMPIONSHIP
Cumbria v Cheshire (at Kendal 2.30)
Northumberland v Durham (at Gosforth 2.30)
Yorkshire v Lancashire (at Otley 2.30)
Gloucestershire v Oxfordshire (at Glos 2.45)

JOHN PLAYER CUP
(First Round)
Northampton v Widnes

CLUB MATCHES
Bedford v Coventry; Blackheath v Neath;
Cardiff v Llanelli; Harlequins v Cambridge University; Leicester v Moseley; London Irish v Gloucester (2.45); London Scottish v Oxford University; London Welsh v Newport (2.30); Swansea v Richmond.

RUGBY LEAGUE
Players No.6 semi-final
Castleford v Widnes (2.30)

DIVISION I
Leeds v Barrow

SUNDAY
RUGBY LEAGUE
First Division

Bradford Northern v Salford (2.30); Leigh v Rochdale Hornets; Oldham v Workington Town; St Helens v Hull Kingston Rovers; Wakefield Trinity v Wigan; Warrington v Featherstone Rovers.

RUGBY LEAGUE
Second Division
Batley v York (2.30); Halifax v Keighley; Hull v Bramley; Huddersfield v Blackpool; Birmough (2.30); New Hunslet v Doncaster; Swinton v Huddersfield.

JOHN ROBERTS, who made his under-23 debut ten years ago, captains the first Welsh Under-21 side which faces England's youngsters at Wolverhampton on December 15.

Roberts is one of the two over-age players allowed in each side in the new European competition which begins this season. The other is Alan Curtis. Swansea's full international striker.

Baptism of fire for 'gasman'

ANTONI OTULAKOWSKI, who was working part-time for the Gas Board only a month ago, makes his First Division debut for WEST HAM in front of 55,000 at Old Trafford today.

The young defender, who cost £60,000 when West Ham took him away from part-time football with Barnsley last month, comes into the back four in place of Alan Curbishley.

Curbishley, the only victim of last week's defeat at Newcastle does not even have a place on the subs bench. The No 12 shirt goes to Bill Green, returning after his injury last month.

It is a baptism of fire for any player to make his start in First Division in front of

'Doc's Red Army', and as West Ham are propping up the other 21 teams in the table, it is an experience Otulakowski will not find easy.

Not that MANCHESTER UNITED are having an easy time lately. Tommy Docherty has already dropped Lou Macari to make way for his new signing Jimmy Greenhof. Today he also leaves out Northern Ireland international right back Jimmy Nicholl, Alex Forsyth taking his place.

Peter Cormack returns to Anfield to face his old club with his new club BRISTOL CITY, who have won both games since he joined them. LIVERPOOL are



Peter Cormack unchanged.

Second-placed IPSWICH, defending an unbeaten run of seven games, keep the same side that beat Sunderland in mid-week for their visit to MIDDLESBROUGH. Captain Mick Mills has not recovered from his groin strain, so Les Tibbott continues at left back.

His namesake David Mills, the Middlesbrough striker is also injured — he strained his thigh in training — and misses the match. Seventeen-year-old Stan Cummins makes his League debut in Mills' place.

Their task at home to QUEENS PARK RANGERS is made all the easier by the absence of Stan Bowles, who is automatically suspended for the match after being sent off last week.

Eddie Kelly, who was ineligible for the midweek UEFA Cup tie against Cologne, returns to the party of 12, and Peter Eastoe is also named and may have his second full game.