



LONRHO

The sanctions busters

'It is clear to everyone in Africa that British sanctions are and always have been meaningless formulae' — 'TINY' ROWLAND

Smith won't serve under Steel

DAVID STEEL easily captured the Liberal leadership yesterday and Mr Cyril Smith immediately said he would not serve under him.

Steel told a Press conference: 'We intend to replace the politics of despair with the politics of hope.'



DAVID STEEL

It sounded very high-brow, but few at the meeting knew what he meant.

Sporting a 'Vote Pardoe' rosette, Smith, the big bombshell from Rochdale, said:

'I will not accept any post under him.' He said he would become a Liberal backbencher.

At another Press conference, the defeated contender John Pardoe was asked:

'Are you prepared to serve under someone you have virtually branded as a liar?' Pardoe laughed and kept saying: 'No comment.'

Final figures (subject to scrutiny)
STEELE 12,541
PARDOE 7,032
STEEL 64 per cent of votes cast.

PRINCESS'S LETTERS MISSING

LONRHO boss 'Tiny' Rowland yesterday accused the government of working with the South African secret police, BOSS, and helping big US firms to break Rhodesia sanctions.

He also said that government investigators were suppressing the originals of more than 50 letters written to him by Princess Alexandra and her husband Angus Ogilvy.

Stung by official criticism in the Lonrho report, Rowland released the texts of two statements he put on record with his solicitor in November and December 1975.

In the first, Rowland stated that Allan Heyman, QC, one of the two Department of Trade inspectors, held talks in South Africa with leaders of BOSS, the apartheid regime's notorious secret service.

Heyman met Brigadier Buys and General Kruger, Rowland said.

His statement reported him asking Heyman, when they met on October 30 last year, why the inspector had seen BOSS in Cape Town.

'I found this extremely strange as I was on oath and happy to give him whatever information he wanted about my activities since I joined Lonrho or about myself', it continued.

'Yet Mr Heyman has never mentioned this side of his investigation to me', the statement added.

'Why was the inspector's sole journey to South Africa and to no other country on the African continent?' he asked.

Rowland pointed out to his solicitor:

'I know that he said Scotland Yard and BOSS had a close working relationship and MI6 allowed him to see files so

BY ROYSTON BULL

confidential that two MI6 men waited in the room while he read them.'

Rowland then put on record that he was 'astounded' to discover that the official transcript of his evidence to Heyman on October 30 had been cut 'sufficient to alter the value and effectiveness of my sworn evidence'.

'I am able positively to state that all references to the visit of Mr Heyman to BOSS in Cape Town have been removed in their entirety', Rowland declared.

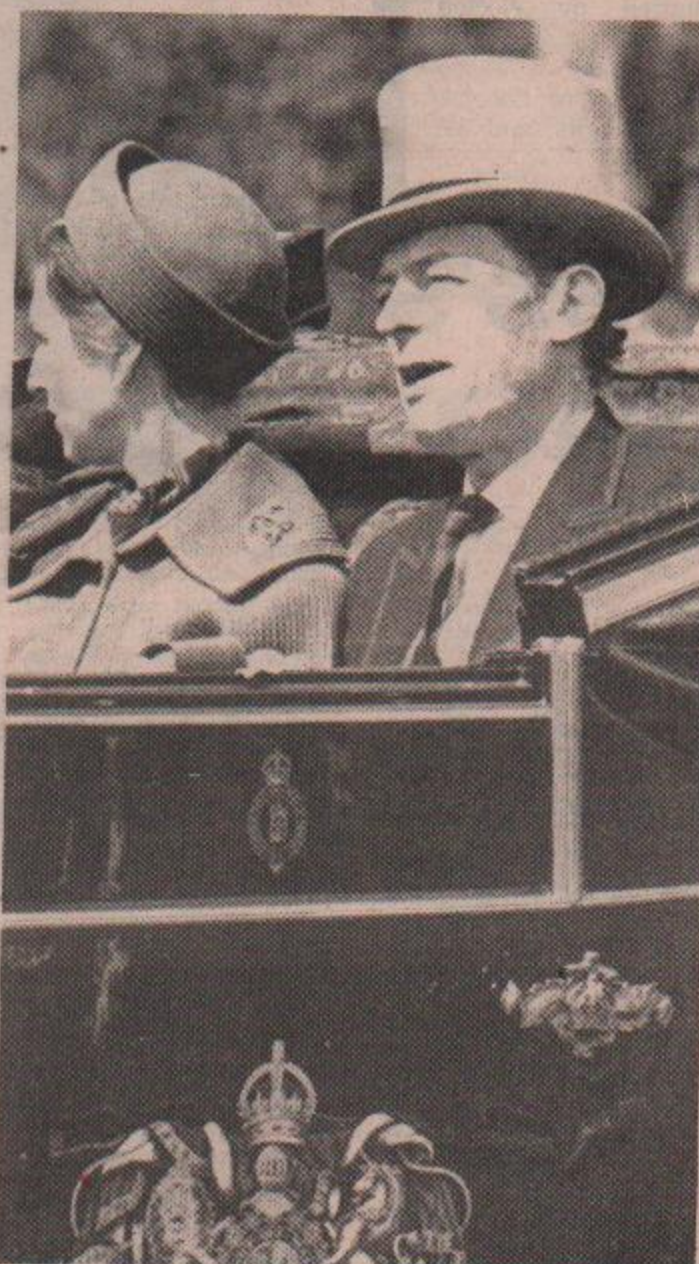
On the missing letters, Rowland told his solicitor:

'You know that I have written asking for the return of my letters, some 50-odd from Mr Angus Ogilvy and Princess Alexandra, three or four times.'

'Against my better judgement you encouraged me to pass them across the table to Mr Heyman who claimed that photostats he already had were indistinct.'

'They are now being withheld from me, which I will not accept.'

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Princess Alexandra seen with her husband, Angus Ogilvy, at the recent state reception for French President Valéry Giscard d'Estaing

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WHAT WE THINK

The stench of Lonrho

LONRHO director Tiny Rowland revealed yesterday that parts of the official government report are missing and facts suppressed. This raises a number of crucial questions which will be bothering many people:

- Who is the government protecting by withholding the 50-odd letters from Princess Alexandra and her husband, Angus Ogilvy, to Tiny Rowland?
- Why has the government failed to take action against some of the biggest names in British industry who Rowland alleges are sanctions-busting in Rhodesia?
- Why did the government collaborate with BOSS, the South African secret police, in the course of the Lonrho inquiry and why are these contacts deleted from the official transcripts?
- Having delayed the report and mutilated it, the Labour government is attempting to stifle its sensational political implications. They are trying to cool a political crisis by giving Lonrho an acceptable face.

But what has come out so far shows not just the ugly face of Lonrho but of the capitalist system itself and the parasites at the top.

The trade union leaders know what's going on. But they go along with government wage-cuts, high unemployment and the destruction of the social services — placing all the burdens of the capitalist crisis on the backs of the working class.

The activities of Lonrho must be investigated by a trade union inquiry staffed by elected representatives of the trade unions.

It must demand the nationalisation of Lonrho, confiscation of its assets and profits, and the establishment of workers' control.

PRINCESS'S MISSING LETTERS

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Curiously, the transcript of that meeting also fails at that particular moment when Mr Heyman was accepting the letters from me, Rowland added, meaning there was another deletion.

In the second statement, Rowland charged that the British government 'side-stepped giving a karate chop to the Rhodesian economy'.

'British banking continues to be the commercial backbone of Rhodesia and British companies are the dependent ribs,' he added.

He details the 'heavy increases' in business with Rhodesia since the Smith regime declared UDI in 1965 and names Leyland, Massey Ferguson, Tate and Lyle, Cadbury-Schweppes, and other famous firms.

Rowland said Sir Val Duncan, late chairman of Rio Tinto Zinc, instead of being criticised for not halting RTZ's Rhodesia trade, 'was knighted, and embraced by the Foreign Office as an adviser, by the Bank of England as a director'.

The Queen is reported to have large shareholdings in RTZ as well as in Lonrho.

Ogilvy, who resigned all directorships Tuesday after getting the heaviest criticism in the Lonrho report, is her cousin.

Rowland added it was 'useless' protesting to the Foreign Office about sanctions breaking.

The 'extraordinary contradiction' in government policy was typified by Lonrho's closure of its oil pipeline through Mozambique only for the government-controlled BP to provide Rhodesia with alternative supplies.

Detailed evidence of these rail shipments was ignored by Foreign Office top civil servant James Bottomley, Rowland alleged.

DOUGLAS, Isle of Man — The government was warned here yesterday there will be trouble in the coalfields against indiscriminate pit closures.

The mineworkers' annual conference instructed the union's national executive to consult the membership on possible action when pits are threatened.



South Wales delegate Des Dufield said: 'We are not going to tolerate indiscriminate pit closures.'

Record coal stocks have built up since the start of the slump and coal consumption is still down.

But Coal Board chairman Sir Derek Ezra, addressing the conference yesterday, bluntly told miners they are not getting coal out quickly enough.

His demand for higher productivity was backed up by Lawrence Daly, the union's general secretary. Ezra also said a local-based output incentive scheme was needed.

Suggestion

The conference welcomed a suggestion from Arthur Scargill, Yorkshire miners' president, that the nuclear power

programme should be halted until guarantees were given that it presented no danger to the public.

He said threats of radiation developing today were more serious than those arising from the explosions in Japan at the end of World War two.

Nuclear power stations presented a problem while Britain was becoming 'the dumping ground for nuclear waste'.

PAY RISE CUT AS BONUS SLIDES



Building workers on the picket line at St George's hospital yesterday morning

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BUILDING workers on a hospital site in south London have gone on strike over a cut in their bonus.

Thirty-five construction workers on the Higgs and Hill site at St George's Hospital are due to get their £6 rise under the state pay laws this week, but on Monday they heard that their bonus was to be cut by 4p an hour (£1.80 a week).

This means that after deducting tax from their £6 they would end up with only £2.20 in their pockets.

A meeting was held immediately. The project manager refused to withdraw the cut, so the men decided to go on strike.

'They're trying to squeeze us now because of the employment situation,' said their convenor Mick Grogan.

'We decided we had to make a stand on this issue or next week they could cut the bonus again.'

BY CHRIS CORRIGAN

POOR conditions facing bus crews and passengers has sparked off a strike by 400 drivers and conductors.

Over 100 buses were idle yesterday following the stoppage at the Cricklewood depot of London Transport.

Crews were finally provoked into strike action by the failure of management to keep clean washrooms and toilets.

'They stopped cleaning them weeks ago as an economy measure', said a driver on picket duty yesterday.

Repeated protests got no response. Crews were also refused permission to use management washrooms and toilets — which are always being cleaned until they sparkle.

The bus workers are demanding hygienic facilities before returning to work. But they are angry about other worsening conditions.

They complain of:

- Running times being cut — increasing accident risks.
- New schedules — cutting jobs and making services less frequent.
- Inadequate cleaning of buses — creating dirty surroundings for crews and the public.
- Lack of concern about breakdowns — and bus ventilators which only blow hot air.

System

Workers at the Cricklewood depot, like many other depots in London, are fighting a new operations system. This is being imposed by management with the co-operation of T&GWU national bus officer Larry Smith.

It involves splitting bus services into two — a 'primary' schedule and a 'supplementary' schedule. Only the 'primary' schedule



Men at the Cricklewood depot yesterday

will provide regular services.

Eventually, the 'supplementary' schedule will be phased out altogether, causing heavy job-cuts and worse tempers at bus queues.

Jones and Smith are desperate to stamp out opposition to the new system.

This is because the split system is part of the Labour

government's 'Transport Policy' document published in April.

A key sentence in the government's document states: 'In urban areas the main need is for reliable services, even at the cost of lower frequencies than are available at present.'

This is a

deceptively-phrased way of telling transport authorities to slash the number of buses on the roads.

Page 37 of the government document also says:

'It may be useful to have wider experiments to assess the possibilities of such services as shared taxis, car pooling, and jitneys (vehicles

running on loosely defined routes without fixed stopping places).'

The T&GWU bureaucracy has welcomed the policy document.

They say that in order to keep the right-wing Labour government in office, the working class must make all manner of sacrifices.

Cuts spark a walk-out

Prison wall of silence breached

BIRMINGHAM — A 'wall of silence' around the Winson Green prison had been breached and was now wide open. Mr Douglas Draycott, QC, said at the city's Crown Court yesterday.

Mr Draycott, prosecuting at the trial of 14 prison officers who have denied assaulting six Irishmen arrested after the Birmingham pub bombings in 1974, said the accused had looked confident when they first entered the dock a month ago.

'They were happy and confident that a wall of silence which it was thought would be impenetrable had been built round Winson Green. That wall has been breached — it's wide open.'

Mr Draycott told the jury in a closing address that it was a great compliment to them that the case had been put in their hands after the bombings had occurred in the city.

'That trust was put in a Birmingham jury in spite of what has happened.'

Referring to the defence case, he said they had not brought any witness to rebut the prosecution evidence except a doctor.

'What prison officer — I am not referring to the accused — what convict, has been called to refute the evidence? The answer, nobody.'

Woman missing in Uganda

THE government is gravely concerned about the whereabouts of a 74-year-old woman missing in Uganda after being released from the hi-jacked Air France Airbus.

Foreign Minister of State, Mr Ted Rowlands, told the Commons that Mrs Dora Bloch, who has dual UK/Israeli nationality, had disappeared after being released in Kampala on July 2 and taken to Mulago General Hospital.

The British High Commission in Kampala had been told that the Ugandan government ceased to be responsible for the hostages from the time of the Israeli invasion and that they had no knowledge of Mrs Bloch's whereabouts.

A TEENAGER who has served a sentence of three months' detention was cleared yesterday of a broken-glass attack on a man in a discotheque.

Graham Roberts, 18, of Whiteleigh, Plymouth, convicted at Plymouth Crown Court on February 12 of maliciously wounding Mr Mark Taylor, had his conviction quashed and sentence formally set aside, by the special identification appeal court.

An order that he pay £18.50 compensation to the victim was also set aside.

As in the case of Christopher Whitby, reported on page 5, the appeal court will give its reasons in writing later this week.

Union chiefs try to spike cab tax revolt

FULL-TIME officers of the Transport & General Workers' Union are trying to sabotage a country-wide strike of lorry drivers.

Due to last for seven days from midnight on Sunday, the strike is being organised by an unofficial shop stewards' committee.

Lies are being spread against the shop stewards, whose policies in defence of drivers' rights have won strong support.

One allegation against the strike campaign is contained in circulars sent out by T&GWU headquarters.

The circular makes the claim that recent localised

strikes in the road transport industry were financed by employers.

No attempt is made to substantiate this claim.

The stoppage is in protest at a plan to tax the subsistence allowance that drivers are paid when they have to lodge away from home.

The plan was agreed

between union leaders, the employers, the Inland Revenue, and the government.

Since the unofficial strike call was issued, the parties have met again and drew up a revised scheme.

But the drivers insist it is just as damaging as the original.

Pressure is being put on

members to ignore our strike call', a leading member of the unofficial committee told News Line yesterday.

From depots in the Midlands area we have reports of full-time officials hanging around saying we are 'misguided'.

But the only people doing the misguiding are people like Jack Jones.

Callaghan wants 'gesture'

PRIME Minister Callaghan yesterday asked the Confederation of British Industry (CBI) to make some gesture towards the TUC's decision to hold down wages to 4½ per cent.

He was speaking after a National Economic Development Council meeting between government ministers,

the Treasury, the Bank of England, the CBI and the TUC.

CBI president Lord Watkinson said he was pleased with the wage limit, but gave no specific commitment to reduce unemployment or hold down prices.

Callaghan said the meeting outlined the government's 'new industrial strategy'.

No murder ruling for army

A SOLDIER who shoots a fleeing unarmed man in the back thinking he is a 'terrorist' is not necessarily guilty of murder.

Each case would have to be decided on its own facts, said five law Lords yesterday.

It would be for a jury to decide whether a soldier acted reasonably in all the circumstances.

The Law Lords were ruling on

a matter referred to them by Attorney-General Sam Silkin, QC, in the hope that they would give guidance to the army in Northern Ireland.

But they declined to give such guidance, doubting whether the hypothetical facts on which they had been asked to express

opinions should have been brought before them at all.

Lord Diplock observed that those facts were so scanty, and couched in such general terms, that he could not say whether a soldier, in such circumstances, could be said to have used unreasonable force.

The case arose from the shooting dead of Patrick Anthony McElhone, of Pomeroy, County Tyrone, in 1974, by Corporal Alun Jones of Preston, Lancs.

Let's get our priorities right

Not a single service should be slashed

On May 25 News Line examined the system of 'priority scaling' in the health and social services. Headlined 'The Unkindest Cuts — The Science for Slashing Health Services' — special writer Bernard Franks said that 'government cuts are being operated under the guise of re-allocation of priorities — in reality wholly robbing Peter to half-pay Paul'.

Jimmie Algie and Clive Miller of The National Institute for Social Work have written to News Line, protesting that he misinterpreted 'priority scaling'. Yesterday we published their letter in full. Today, Bernard Franks replies...

FIRST, I must totally refute your 'point of basic agreement'.

You have no agreement whatsoever with us or the thousands of social service workers who have resolutely campaigned and demonstrated for months against hospital closures, parasitic private enterprise in medicine, scape-goating of social workers and the cruel cuts in provision which can only increase suffering and destroy the jobs of those who work to end it.

We do not accept, under any

circumstances, that poor, sick and helpless people must be robbed to pay for the crisis of capitalism while all we can do is to help 'minimise' the consequent effects.

Official

As a matter of fact even the official schemes for allegedly minimising the effects of the crisis are themselves under equally vicious attack — witness the Labour government's scuppering of the Child Benefit plan.

You certainly do NOT agree with the struggle to defend all services against political

policies which seek to undermine and to destroy them.

You have merely paid lip-service to this because in reality you are offering a glorified work-study scheme for implementing health and social service rationing.

In essence you are saying: 'Yes, of course we oppose the cuts in principle — now let's get on and show you our method for living with them.'

This is why in February this year, when the cuts were formalised in a government White Paper and universally condemned by trades unions, students, professional workers, etc. — your first article appeared with a scheme to 'cope with cutbacks', and for 'allocating even scarcer resources among social services in stringency periods'. Your terms, not mine.

Cutback

In the two articles covering nine pages, you manage just half a sentence in 'defence' of services, only to follow it with a 'but', and then proceed to brush it aside and get on with your system:

'One phase in social services development is over. A new phase begins. Reorganisation and expansion give place to stringency, nil growth or cutback.

'We may legitimately seek to fight against nil growth in social services on various grounds but to the extent it goes ahead we should arguably handle it systematically so that its ill effects for clients are minimised.'

This wholly capitulatory view is reaffirmed in your reply:

'If at times the struggle to defend social services fails and cuts occur, how might we ensure that client suffering is minimised?' — not exposed, denounced, fought or ended, but 'minimised'.

Limited

You studiously avoid any remarks on our political and economic outlook as if the discussion is limited to aspects of technical efficiency within the social services.

But what is the 'current stringency phase' you mention? Isn't it the period in which incomes and services to the helpless, the sick, the elderly, children and to young people, the handicapped and all deprived working people, who have done nothing to create the crisis, are being ruthlessly ransacked to pay for it?



Nurses demonstrate against the cuts

This is no 'stringency phase', but a period in which capitalism in decline and decay seeks to destroy irrevocably the protective rights and improvements in conditions won by the working class.

References to stringency phases and expansionist periods can only imply the dangerous notion that it is alright to let social services be slashed to ribbons now because all will be put right in the next upturn, perhaps Callaghan's promised oil-boom-based glorious 1980s?

Even the name of your system — 'priority scaling' — has dubious connotations.

Policy

It has become the policy of the Labour government to advance its expenditure cuts and fierce rationalisation of services in the terms of 'determining priorities', 'resource reallocation', 're-routing of funds', 're-distributing wealth', and even 'equalisation'. (See for example DHSS document 'Priorities for Health Personal Social Services in England' and SHHD document 'The Health Service in Scotland — The Way Ahead'.

You justify your priorities scheme by saying that all health is relative anyway. This is an entirely spurious argument, presumably to imply that successive cuts just bring about a new relative level of provision.

But the basis for the establishment of a free, universal health and social security service, fought for by the working class in the 1940s was to achieve absolute not relative cover for all people and for whatever condition; from a heart attack to a bruised finger — which might incidentally be a serious blow to the livelihood of a typist or factory operative.

It is this comprehensive system of hospitals, social workers, local GPs, emergency services and clinics, midwives, residential homes, chiropodists, district nurses and all which is under enormous attack and in some areas faces collapse.

As for your system for involving workers and consumers in debating 'priorities' — it is a plan to draw them into accepting and actually applying the cuts which are taken as 'given', so all that is left to decide is the relative size of the slices of the reduced cake.

I quote from your original article:

'Priorities entail choices. The scarcer our resources, the more significant and difficult our choices become. They involve decisions on what to do, given the many things we might do, given the existing levels of manpower, finance, equipment, facilities, time, and so on. We are appraising alternatives. Choices vary depending on how the alternatives are analysed.'

Quite so. This is entirely the role of 'participation' schemes.

Some remaining points raised:

You dispute my use of the term 'token services', in a situation where you would use the classification 'minimum acceptable coverage' to mean provision which must be ensured whatever else is not done.

Token

Your original article, however, equates the two terms e.g. 'Sometimes purely token services may be provided as a minimal acceptable response to a client problem', and later — 'Minimum acceptable coverage might be exemplified by provision of house adaptations only for those severest physically handicapped persons who could not physically continue living in the community without them.'

For myself, it is a distinction without a difference.

Finally, on the question of operating all services for all people who need them in the fullest and best way possible, you state that this has never happened and that 'priority decisions are made directly there are not enough resources available to provide the best possible services for everyone needing them'.

We entirely reject the idea that not enough resources are available.

On the contrary, provision in terms of labour, buildings, materials, techniques, information, research, are already available, or easily producible in abundance.

Do-gooders, reformers and others often accuse revolutionary socialists of crying for a perfect social system which must take decades to achieve. Meanwhile, they say, people are suffering NOW and must be attended to immediately.

The fact is, their own activities for 'minimising suffering' do not even scratch the surface of the worsening cruelty and privation of a system in decline, while creating the illusion that something is being done.

In fact, they finally end up leading the way in destroying the very reforms they fought earlier to achieve.

We, on the other hand, have never aimed at 'pie in the sky by-and-by'.

We say there are measures which can be taken now for tremendously and immediately improving the conditions of the victims of capitalism.

Socialist measures for forcibly taking the landlords and employers off their backs, the grasping hands of financiers and bankers out of their pockets and the greasy fingers of the mighty drug, materials and equipment suppliers out of the NHS till.

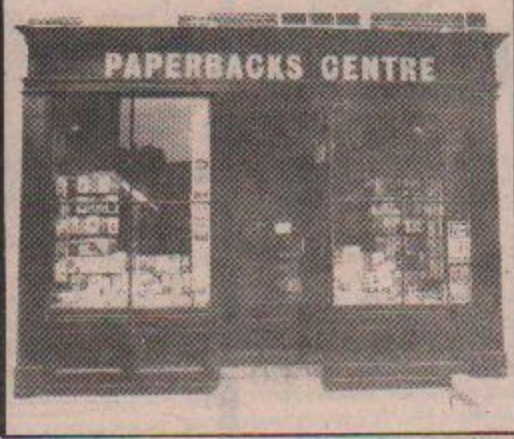
In a thousand-and-one examples workers, in demonstrations and action against cuts, against racism, against unemployment, show they are not prepared to stand by and see their rights and conditions wiped out.

We say the working class must oust the Labour government which implements Toryism and replace it with a socialist government which will refuse to see services cannibalised to pay for the crisis of capitalism.

That is the political way to defend all services against policies which undermine and destroy them.

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STOCKPORT — Production was at a complete standstill yesterday at Sunblest bakery at Bredbury, where 320 workers are on strike over shift arrangements.

Yesterday was the first day that the dispute had been made official by the Bakers' Union. The effect was immediate.

Associated British Foods management withdrew a 50-strong strike-breaking force and only hospital consignments left the factory.

Loss

Lorries turned away from the picket line and only a few office staff were left working.

The strikers say that management reorganisation of their three-year-old shift agreement has led to loss of earnings of up to £6 a week for some workers.

'We fought for that agreement. It's worked for three years and we're not letting them take it off us,' said a Bakers' Union shop steward.

On Friday all ABF factories in the country are being called out on official strike and bakeries owned by other firms may take sympathy action.

AUEW shop steward George Crook said he was contacting his district secretary because some AUEW members are disobeying a union instruction to stop work.

Two tubemen die in crash

A LONDON tube driver and a guard were killed yesterday when their train collided with stationary carriages at a depot. They were in the driver's cab of a Bakerloo line train coming out of service when it collided with empty, stationary stock at Neasden. No passengers were on board.

An inquiry would be held and the results passed to the railway inspector at the Environment Department, said an LT spokesman.



Picket line at the Sunblest bakery, Bredbury

WHITBY SLATE WIPED CLEAN

THE judge at an Old Bailey trial which led to the jailing of an innocent man had failed to carry out a critical analysis of the identification evidence, a senior appeal judge said yesterday.

The criticism of Judge Michael Argyle's summing-up to the jury in the trial of Christopher John Whitby on a robbery charge came from Lord Justice Roskill, one of the five judges in the special 'identification' appeal court.



Mr Christopher Whitby and his wife Barbara, who joined him at the appeal court yesterday

Legal

During legal argument, Lord Justice Roskill remarked:

'Without wishing to criticise the judge unfairly, one of the lessons of this case is that his summing-up was seriously defective in that he never subjected the identification evidence or the alleged corroborative evidence to really close and critical analysis.'

Mr Whitby, 27, a warehouseman, of Hayes, Middlesex, was jailed for six years in November, 1974, after being convicted of taking part in a £23,000 payroll robbery at the EMI factory where he worked.

But dramatic new evidence

from a conscience-stricken informant led to his release on bail last November pending appeal.

Yesterday the judges formally quashed his conviction, set aside his sentence and awarded him costs out of public funds.

Lord Widgery said a detailed judgement would be given at a later date when the court issued guidelines to trial judges on how to deal with identification evidence.

After the hearing, Mr Whitby said: 'I am pleased it is all over. It is good to be free, but it is even better to be cleared as well.'

'I just hope that this can do some good and save other people from going through the

same thing.'

Mr Whitby, who went to court yesterday with his wife Barbara, added:

'I hope to be compensated in some way. I was very bitter about spending a year in jail for something I did not do.'

Original

'EMI re-employed me about three weeks ago, but at lower pay. I hope to get my original job back now.'

'I shall have just a quiet celebration tonight — a couple of drinks in the pub.'

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A PALESTINIAN spokesman yesterday accused Syrian units, part of the 15,000-strong Syrian force which invaded Lebanon last month, of bombarding the left-wing-held city of Tripoli.

He conceded that the southward advance of the left wing-PLO alliance had been pushed back about three miles, but said they still controlled the towns of Shekka and Amioun.

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Bitter fighting continued around the beleaguered refugee camp of Tel al-Zaatar and gunfire also rattled through Beirut which is almost totally without electricity and running water. A huge column of black smoke was rising from near the city centre.

In southern Lebanon a fire at Zahrani oil refinery, caused by Syrian artillery, was put out late on Tuesday night.

Transferred

✓ Palestinian Commando leader Yasser Arafat announced yesterday that the headquarters of the general staff of the Palestinian Liberation Army (PLA) were being officially transferred from Damascus to Beirut.

Staff members of the PLA have been imprisoned by Syrian authorities.

International Press Services reports that three foreign journalists who entered right-wing positions around Tel al-Zaatar found right-wing claims to have occupied substantial parts of the camp to be 'palpably false'.

The reports of the three — the first independent confirmation of the situation round the camp — show that the right-wing propaganda is largely inaccurate but confirm the reports emanating from the left wing-PLO alliance.

An urgent message from the Palestinian News Agency Wafa said Syrian forces were shelling Sidon and surrounding villages.

The shelling hit a civilian hospital, causing over 50 casualties. Evacuation of the wounded from the Osseiran Hospital was impossible because of the density of the Syrian shelling.

The Syrians are also concentrating on a blockade to stop food, fuel and medical supplies moving through Lebanon.

They have shelled ships attempting to approach the coast and are preventing food from the rich agricultural area of the Beqaa Valley from reaching the coastal cities.

But there is an air of desperation about the right-wing and Syrian attacks. There are some ten or twenty areas in which they are vulnerable — Shakkra was one and it took a massive military counter-attack to push back the left-wing offensive.

Offensives

More such offensives will undoubtedly be launched if Tel al-Zaatar should fall. The reactionaries could pay dearly for their attack on the camp.

Arab League mediator Mahmoud Riad was yesterday trying to convene yet another meeting of the two sides. But the class nature of the conflict has made a negotiated settlement impossible.

And the Arab League leaders stand condemned of doing absolutely nothing to stop this latest murderous aggression by the Syrian bourgeoisie.

Hunger-strike by Argentine refugees

BUENOS AIRES — Sixty Chilean and Uruguayan refugees, including 25 children, have gone on indefinite hunger strike pleading to be flown out of Argentina, where they fear for their lives.

Under the military regime of General Videla, right-wing murder gangs are carrying out a reign of terror against refugees from other right-wing regimes in Latin America.

There have been kidnappings, torture and

murders.

The refugees are staging their hunger strike at a hotel where they are staying under the auspices of the UN High Commission for Refugees.

Recently a whole group were forcibly abducted by right-wing gunmen, and beaten and tortured.

Neither the UN nor the Argentine police appear to have given any protection — in fact the latter are suspected of complicity with the gunmen.

Another 27 refugees have been at the Canadian embassy since last Friday. They say their lives are in danger, and are asking to be allowed to flee to Canada.

Assad has pilots shot

BEIRUT — The Syrian regime is carrying out brutal repression of opponents within the armed forces who oppose the war against the Palestinian and Lebanese people.

Ten pilots from one Syrian air force squadron were sentenced to death by firing squad at their base, for refusing to carry out operations ordered against the Palestinian resistance and

Lebanese masses.

Other Syrian officers, who refused to go to Lebanon with the intervention army have also been executed.

Meanwhile in northern Syria the regime is taking emergency measures of repression to deal with popular discontent.

The Palestine news agency, Wafa, reports that high-ranking officers of the Palestinian Liberation Army are being arrested in large numbers.

CHU TEH (1886-1976)

CHU TEH, whose death was announced on Tuesday night, was one of the heroes of the Chinese Revolution.

He was military commander-in-chief of the revolutionary army which made the historic 'Long March' of more than 6,000 miles across China in 1934-35.

Chu was one of the last of a generation of revolutionaries in South-East Asia whose early life was influenced by the nationalist struggles in the area.

Born in 1886, Chu became a company commander in the Yunnan army which played a key role in the 1911 revolution which overthrew the Manchu dynasty and opened the way to the Chinese Republic.

In 1922 he went to Shanghai and offered his services to the Kuomintang, led by Sun Yat-sen, against the marauding war-lords. Later he went to Germany and joined the Communist Party in Berlin before returning to China.

At this time Chu was profoundly influenced by World War I and, above all, by the Russian Revolution. In the early 1920s he went to Russia and attended the Congress of the Toilers of the East.

Chu made a conscious decision to be a revolutionary, deliberately abandoning a well-to-do life as a state functionary and setting out in a planned way to break the habit of opium smoking.

During the stormy years of 1925-26 Chu Teh served as a commander in the Kuomintang Nationalist Army in the Northern Expedition led by Chiang Kai-shek.

In August, 1927, he led a Communist rising in Nanchang, which was put down by the Kuomintang.

The following year he joined forces with Mao Tse-tung in Kiangsi to form the Fourth Army of the Chinese Workers' and Peasants' Red Army.

This army consisted of some 50,000 fighters, only 4,000 of whom had rifles. 10,000 others had spears, swords and hoes.

It built a stronghold in the southern part of Kiangsi and over the next six years Chiang Kai-shek led no fewer than four unsuccessful 'extermination campaigns' against it.

In 1934, this time advised by German Nazi generals, Chiang launched his fifth 'extermination campaign'. Avoiding the head-on clashes which had failed before, he encircled Kiangsi, began to starve it out and moved in gradually.

Faced with the alternative of extermination, 100,000 red soldiers broke through the Kuomintang ring in October, 1934, and — accompanied by women and children — began the long trek north.

Journey

Over the next 12 months, they passed through 12 provinces, crossed 18 mountain ranges and 24 rivers. Only 20,000 completed the journey to Shensi Province in the North West.

Unlike western generals, Chu achieved fame for sharing every hardship, including cold and hunger, with his men.

There is no question that the well-merited prestige of Chu, which has lasted over 40 years,

300 on trial for Morocco plot

RABAT — About 300 people are being tried in Morocco this month in connection with the abortive uprising in March 1973 aimed at overthrowing King Hassan and setting up a republic.

One trial has opened this week in Fez, central Morocco, others are in progress or due to start soon, in Rabat, Casablanca, Meknes and Settat.

Some of those standing trial were arrested after being acquitted by a military tribunal in 1973.

A number have since been granted provisional liberty. Others who were arrested in 1973 have never stood trial.

Last week in Rabat Abdallah

Malki was sentenced to death by firing squad, while the other six were acquitted.

The seven were tried before a military tribunal because they had been sentenced to death in their absence in 1973.

At that time a military tribunal tried 159 people in connection with the March events. Sixteen were sentenced to death and 71 were jailed.

The prosecution claimed at the 1973 tribunal that 'armed bands' of Moroccans had infiltrated from Algeria to foment an uprising against Hassan.

The authorities accused left wing leaders of involvement in the uprising and banned their movements for a time.

BREAK-OUT AT BERLIN JAIL

WEST BERLIN — West German police and Interpol were alerted after four women prisoners escaped from jail here.

One of them is Inge Viett, whose release was demanded by the ill-fated Entebbe hijackers.

According to top cop Hermann Oxfort, the four overpowered two women warders at the prison.

He said they had a gun and added: 'The assault was excellently planned and

executed'.

The four women are Gabrielle Rollnick; Inge Viett, Juliane Plambeck and Monika

Berberich.

The first three were allegedly involved in the kidnapping of Christian Democrat leader Peter Lorenz in February last year.

Lorenz was held hostage for the release of five jailed anarchists.

He was released after the five had been flown to South Yemen.

Monika Berberich was convicted for a bank robbery.

Juliane Plambeck, who was awaiting trial since September over the Lorenz case was accused on Monday of killing West Berlin Chief Judge Guenter Von Drendmann in November 1974.

Inge Viett, 31, escaped from jail here in July 1973. Last year, with 23-year-old Plambeck she made an unsuccessful escape attempt, sawing through cell bars with a file.



Chu Teh

stems from the determination and courage which he showed at that time.

When the journey was completed, the army was renamed the Eighth Route Army, with Chu Teh as commander-in-chief. It fought tenaciously against the invasion by the troops of Japanese imperialism.

After the war, Chiang Kai-shek again tried to crush the red soldiers. But the revolutionary forces, again commanded by Chu Teh, and this time known as the People's Liberation Army, defeated Chiang.

The People's Republic of China was proclaimed in September 1949 — the greatest step forward by mankind since the Russian Revolution of 1917.

Though never Marxists, Chu and others of his generation were convinced revolutionaries. It was, above all, their response to and experience of the revolution in Russia and their own revolutionary struggles which sustained them, despite

the theories and programmes of Stalin and Bukharin which they never challenged.

Though they did not break with Stalinism, they came into headlong conflict with it in practice. In 1936, Trotsky wrote, concerning the Canton uprising:

Responsible

'Face to face with the supremely responsible practical task (though it was posed prematurely) the Chinese communists, and even the representative of the Comintern, after taking into account the entire past experience and, as it were, all the political assets, drew the conclusion that only the workers led by the communists could lead the peasants against the urban and rural bourgeoisie; and that only the dictatorship of the proletariat based on an alliance with the hundreds of millions of peasant poor could ensue from such a victorious struggle.'

'Just as during the Paris Commune... the Proudhonists and Blanquists had to resort to steps directly contrary to their own doctrines and thus revealed all the more clearly the actual logic of class relations — so in Canton too the leaders, who were stuffed to the ears with prejudices against the bogey of the 'permanent revolution', once they set to work, proved guilty of committing this original permanent sin from their very first steps.' (New International, April 1936, Page 60)

Chu Teh was a military, not a political, leader. All the same he shared the hostility to Trotskyism common to the rest of the leaders of the Communist Party of China, which to this day insists that Trotskyists are 'fascists'.

While peddling that ancient lie, put forward by Stalin in the 1930s, the Chinese leaders have backed the CIA forces in Angola, provided weapons for Mrs Bandaranaike to crush revolutionary youth in Sri Lanka, supported Pakistani

militarism against the national aspirations of Bangla Desh, supported the anti-working class European Common Market, and given a hero's welcome in Peking to such reactionary figures as Richard Nixon, Edward Heath and the sister of Shah of Iran.

The Stalinist policy of peaceful co-existence, practised by the Chinese Communist Party, was directly responsible for the massacre of millions of communists in Indonesia.

Chu Teh, despite his great military record, never questioned the policy imposed on the Chinese Communist Party by Stalin in 1927 of complete subordination to Chiang Kai-shek's Kuomintang. Yet this policy led to the massacre of the Communists in the cities, particularly Shanghai.

Defeat

He supported the infamous Moscow Trials, still justified by the Chinese leadership to this day, and endorsed the 'Popular Front' policy adopted by the Communist International in 1935 — exactly the policy which had led to the Chinese defeat of 1927.

The Chinese Communist Party leaders, however — Chu among them — were forced by the revolutionary developments throughout Asia to disregard Stalin's instructions after World War II to hand over the leadership of China to Chiang Kai-shek.

The Chinese Revolution was thus not a product of Stalinism but a defeat for it.

The current huge upsurge of the world revolution imposing defeat after defeat on imperialism and Stalinism alike, can only intensify the crisis for the bureaucracy in Peking, as well as in Moscow.

The Chinese leaders — Chu Teh included — have betrayed the interests of the world revolution with their reactionary theories of 'social imperialism' and 'socialism-in-one-country'.

The defence of the conquests of the Chinese Revolution and its extension into the West demands imperatively the construction of a Trotskyist party in China based on the programme and perspectives of the International Committee of the Fourth International.

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Defense attorney Emanuel Bloch at Sing Sing with the Rosenbergs' sons

Interview with Michael Meeropol, son of Julius and Ethel Rosenberg

THE ROSENBERG FRAME

JULIUS and Ethel Rosenberg were strapped in the electric chair at Sing Sing prison, New York 24 years ago.

Despite the massive

voltage Ethel Rosenberg took nearly two minutes to die.

Judicial murder followed their frame-up trial at the height of the McCarthy period, in

Could you outline the Rosenberg case?

The barebones outline of the case, as presented in March 1951 to a federal jury, was that my parents, Morton Sobell, David Greenglass (my mother's brother) and a supposed Soviet spy, a vice-consul in New York, Anatoli Yakovlev, were indicted for conspiracy to commit espionage.

From the point of view of the government, a conspiracy indictment is beautiful, because you don't have to prove that any specific espionage took place; you don't have to prove treason; you don't have to prove intent to injure the US; you don't have to prove damage to the US. You don't even have to prove successful espionage. All you have to prove is that two or more people agreed to commit a crime and committed one overt act to further that.

Accomplices

Under federal law, the testimony of confessed accomplices is all that you need to convict. If the jury believes the confessed accomplices that the person refusing to confess is in fact guilty, you can find them guilty.

That's exactly what happened in my parents' case. There was an indictment for conspiracy and the jury believed David Greenglass and Ruth Greenglass, who was not indicted, but confessed to be part of this. She and another man named Harry Gold were named unindicted co-conspirators.

So they said, Ruth and David, that my parents had talked to them, tried to convince them to be spies and succeeded in convincing David to be a spy. David then went and supposedly stole the secret of the atom

bomb and transmitted some of it through Harry Gold to the Soviet Vice-Consul Yakovlev and some of it directly through my father to who knew?

Basically that's the case, the jury believed the Greenglasses and didn't believe my parents.

The role of Harry Gold was as a self-confessed spy who had earlier confessed to having conspired with Klaus Fuchs, the British spy. The only evidence ever introduced against Harry Gold was his own confession.

We believe the man was a Walter Mitty fantasizer. Fuchs never identified him. In fact, he declined to identify him. Fuchs' very detailed physical description in his confession has been suppressed. We have never been allowed to see his confession.

He orally gave that same detailed physical description to Marshal Perlin, who was Sobell's lawyer and visited Fuchs in prison in 1959. Fuchs described the person that he met as much taller, heavier, and much older than Gold, with a foreign accent.

Gold's role was to buttress the Greenglasses. Gold said that he was a spy. He had already been sentenced to 30 years in prison, so it was clear that his testimony, unlike the case of David Greenglass, was not based on bribery. Greenglass was talking to save his skin and his wife from ever spending a day in jail.

Witness

But Harry Gold seemed a very safe witness. And, in fact, the defence fell into that trap and didn't cross examine him. But he never identified my parents as being involved in any espionage.

All he did was corroborate that Greenglass was a spy. The only evidence against my



Michael Meeropol

ROSENBERG CASE-UP

which the Rosenbergs were convicted as 'atom spies'.

Today their children, Michael and Robert Meeropol are fighting to establish their

innocence.

With Morton Sobell, the Rosenberg's 'co-conspirator' they have established the National Committee to Re-open the Rosenberg Case.

parents was the oral testimony of David and Ruth Greenglass.

Every time the government people said something specific that was subject to independent verification, we can punch a hole in it.

For example, the sketches Greenglass supposedly drew that were introduced at the trial have been seen by scientists and have been dismissed as uselessly crude, the secret of nothing.

Justification

The prosecution used them to say that this proves the conspiracy was successful, they stole the secret of the atom bomb. The judge used this as the justification for the death sentence. But the prosecution knew it was a fraud.

Here these diagrams are, authenticated by top scientists. The scientist who authenticated some of Greenglass's diagrams actually authenticated not the diagram he saw, but a diagram he had in his head that filled in all the gaps in Greenglass's crude and useless diagram.

George Kistiakowsky, who was the head of that whole explosives chemistry division, and some of the people under him, Henry Linschitz, who is a professor of chemistry at Brandeis and Philip Morrison, a man who holds one of the patents on the atom bomb — those three have stated publicly, the latter two under oath in an affidavit, that the Greenglass diagrams are worthless.

There has never been any rebuttal from the government. It basically said 'as to the value of these diagrams, we take no position.' A big difference from what they said at the trial.

There are a whole bunch of specific perjuries on the part of David and Ruth Greenglass.

One very simple one I can

mention to you. They said that they took passport photos as preparation to flee the country. This is supposed to corroborate that they were spies. It builds up their credibility.

However, the pictures that were introduced at the trial and are still on exhibit are regular ordinary family snapshots.

Kind of a 'dirty trick' that the government got away with. They palmed them off on the jury and the defence also.

How do we know this? Because the Schneirs (authors of *Invitation to an Inquest*) took the photos, made copies, went to the place they were made, showed them to the person who ran the place, and he said that they were not passport photos.

If they had asked for passport photos, they would have gotten real passport photos. They were the wrong shape, contrast, that sort of thing. There's one proven perjury right there.

Harry Gold was supposed to have gone to Albuquerque, New Mexico to meet with David Greenglass. We don't believe that ever took place. The documentation of it is a photostat of a hotel registration card signed in the name Harry Gold.

Photostat

First, Gold had said under other circumstances that he never used his real name, always gave a false name.

Second, it's a photostat. Why not the 'original', it could have been subjected to spectrographic analysis to see how old the paper and ink was. But a photostat made in 1951 from an original can't be tested that way at all.

But a documents expert examined it and found forged

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April 5, 1951. Ethel Rosenberg is escorted from the New York federal courthouse at Foley Square after being sentenced to die in the electric chair

The Rosenberg Frame-up

Continued

hotel clerk's initials and the wrong date stamped on the back. If the date on the back is correct, Harry Gold wouldn't have been in Albuquerque when he said he was.

All of these things led us to the conclusion that the card is a forgery and when we tried to find out from J Edgar Hoover, we were told that the original had been destroyed.

The defence didn't know almost any of the things I have said. The only thing it knew was that Julius and Ethel Rosenberg were innocent.

The defence did not know there wasn't a secret of the atom bomb, the defence did not know that Greenglass was not a spy, the defence was unsure about Gold, they thought he was a bit crazy and that's one reason they didn't cross-examine, figuring he might say something worse under examination.

They also probably couldn't bring themselves to believe that the government would concoct a frameup out of whole cloth. Therefore, the defence strategy was Greenglass and Gold are spies, but my clients aren't, which gives away 80 per cent of the case.

What evidence have you been able to get recently?

We have gotten a number of cumulative points, plus these incredible Kaufman papers. They add an entirely new dimension to our analysis.

A couple of the cumulative points Harry Gold supposedly said when he met with Greenglass, 'I come from Julius'. He said that under oath at the trial.

Seven months before then, in August 1950, under oath when he was being prepared for grand jury testimony, he said that the code was, 'I bring greetings from Ben from Brooklyn'. That we got from the criminal division of the Justice Department just this past fall.

Truth

If he was telling the truth at the trial, the prosecution was still legally bound to inform the judge that he had told an entirely different story seven months earlier, so that the defence could use that under cross examination.

I think, in fact, neither was true, that Gold was fishing for a code and he lied when he said it was 'Ben from Brooklyn' and he lied when he said 'I come from Julius'.

Again, David Greenglass in August 1950 denied vehemently that my mother was involved. At the trial, he has her doing the typing.

Those are little tidbits and you must remember, we have only gotten one tenth of what the FBI has.

They claim all sorts of exemptions under the Freedom of Information Act and we're fighting them in court.

What specific documents do you want that you know they have?

We want Fuch's confession.

They won't release that. They claim that since the papers come from Britain, it would be a violation of a treaty obligation to release them unless the British give permission.

The British won't give permission because our government is telling them not to give permission. It's a real Catch 22.

One of the things we learned from the Church Committee is that when the FBI engages in illegal activities, these things are filed in special field office files. It's called the 'do not file' file. And this is not sent to Washington.

That's significant in the forgery of the hotel registration card in New Mexico. That evidence would be in the Albuquerque field office. The judge specifically directed them to search the Albuquerque field office. Lo and behold, when they searched it, they had to admit the evidence had been destroyed. So we may never know unless there are copies in the Justice Department.

The judge should have directed them to search field offices all across the country.



Marchers in Grosvenor Square, in front of the United States Embassy

violation, it's canon four if you want to look it up.

That is documented in a letter from the prosecutor to Clarence Keeley, the present FBI director, when Judge Kaufman asked his opinion on what sentence should be, asked him to go to Washington to find out the opinion of people in Washington, and relay it to Judge Kaufman. Judge Kaufman told him not to

their kneejerk defence of Judge Kaufman.

The Kaufman papers are all over the country. No matter how much the 'New York Times' doesn't cover it, or the 'New York Post' doesn't cover it, and no matter how much the news media gives us one shot coverage, this won't go away. The papers are here to stay and they speak for themselves.



Julius Rosenberg in custody of FBI agents following his arrest on July 17, 1950, as an 'atom spy'

Could you discuss the Kaufman papers?

These are 30 FBI documents. They describe activities of Judge Irving Kaufman, beginning in the middle of the Rosenberg-Sobell trial and continuing till May 1975.

The activities were designed to thwart the defendants' right to appeal their original conviction, to thwart any public discussion and criticism of the original trial and Judge Kaufman. His role in this was to come off the bench and become a trench fighter with the prosecution.

He is firing off memos before my parents were executed saying that it's going to the Supreme Court and may delay the execution to the fall, and that the Justice Department must vigorously oppose this.

He met with the prosecutor when he was considering sentence and defence council was not present. That is a total

make a recommendation.

In court, he said I have not asked for a recommendation.

Meanwhile, he's gotten a recommendation from two judges, from the prosecutor, assistant prosecutor Roy Cohn, J Edgar Hoover, the Attorney General.

You can ask advice, but you must do it in public in court or in private with defence counsel present.

Then we have a worse violation, where a man from the Justice Department tells a top FBI official that he knows Judge Kaufman will give the death sentence if he doesn't change his mind. A hanging judge!

We have not called for Judge Kaufman's immediate impeachment. We have said these raise very serious charges. We have asked for an independent group of members of the bar. We stress independent because the American Bar Association is absolutely contaminated by

We asked Judge Kaufman to rebut us and make his files public. He hasn't answered us, needless to say.

The entire FBI apparatus was terribly concerned and participated in this cover-up. And attorney generals were and so were officials.

They have a letter in there about how Walter Sullivan used his influence to get a Chicago station to refuse to allow the Schneirs to be interviewed about their recently published book.

That may be the reason why we're still not getting coverage, even though these papers are dynamite.

It's hard for the Press to completely black it out.

It's not like the 1950s. Then you didn't get a thing. And you knew you weren't going to get a thing. There was nothing that could be done about it.

Now, you get a little and you're very happy for that. You sometimes forget that you're really getting shafted anyway.

Don't you think it's connected with the attempt to cover up for the FBI and the CIA?

Yes, I think it's part of the counter-attack that you've seen in the last six months with the assassination of the section chief in Greece, and the attack that that entailed on 'leaders' in Congress, the organisation of the Fifth Estate in Washington, and the persecution of Daniel Schorr for making the Pike report public. All of that is part of a very well orchestrated campaign.

There is a tremendous counter-attack to the attempt to expose, to reform, or really to abolish the FBI and the CIA. Part of that is the attempt to keep the lid on the Rosenberg-Sobell case.

You can say, well alright, in the 1960s, Hoover was senile and Johnson was worried about the Vietnam war, so we did things we're sorry for.

But if you started it in the 1940s, killed two innocent people in the 1950s, and you've kept doing the same thing right up to the present, then you can't explain it away by Hoover being senile in the 1960s, by the Vietnam war, or by Richard Nixon being a crook.

Oppose

You've got to explain it by bureaucratic imperatives and the desire of the leader in this country to keep the people in the dark, so they won't oppose things that are done in their name with their money that are not in their interest.

If we realise that this has been done since 1945, and there were elements of that before, then we will realise that we won't solve the problem by having a new watchdog committee on the CIA, of having Clarence Kelley apologise for COINTELPRO, etc.

Have you taken your fight to the labour movement?

Yes, we've had film showings at District 65, we've made contacts in the city of Chicago with labor people.

We haven't done anywhere near as much as we should.

To a certain extent, the suppression of the left in the late

1940s and early 1950s — my parents' case was a major element — helped to screw up the labour movement also.

The Freedom of Information Act belongs to everybody. If a labour union wants to know how the company that they work for is doing or has done, so that when a company cries poverty or covers up unsafe working conditions over a long period of years, the Freedom of Information Act is a way that workers can find out that they've been breathing noxious gases for twenty years and get some compensation to pay their medical expenses.

Resist

If the government is able to resist our efforts for a full accounting of what they have and for a full disclosure, they can do it to anybody.

Don't you feel that under the present conditions of political and economic crisis, the FBI, CIA, and other police agencies will more and more be directed against the labour movement?

No question about it. That's the great opportunity we have in the struggle — not just our struggle but the whole Freedom of Information Act struggle — to keep it all alive, keep them on the defensive.

All of that is very important because the government wants them to keep down angry people in New York who are going to be trying to unite to try and fight back against the incredible crisis that's hit New York City.

The labour movement in a few years is not going to be happy sitting back and watching profits grow while employment doesn't grow.

We're on a pre-emptive counter-attack. That's how we see our fight in the general national struggle.

I'm an economic historian. I've always said that if you look at the model of the Great Depression, militancy did not occur till things started to get better.

There was demoralisation, fall-off in union membership, fall-off in radical activity from 1929 down to 1933. It starts to perk up and reaches its height in

1936 because people had hope. The New Deal brought hope and not results. They got mad and despair turns to anger when things seem to be improving but are not.

Anger

With all the back patting that the administration has done about turning the corner on the recession, if corporate profits are going up, and unemployment is not going down, there is the anger. I predicted about a year ago that the anger would start to be visible and clearly the FBI and CIA are doing their damndest to fragment, to infiltrate, to do everything they can to make sure that this anger doesn't unify people.

Going back to the original trial, what do you think of the defence strategy?

The content of the defence was a non-political defence with very little understanding of what was happening at the time.

It showed future lawyers and defendants in political trials how not to conduct a political defence. But you can't blame the lawyers for that. They did the absolute best they could and were constrained by lack of help and political support, and no defence committee.

What do you think was the responsibility of the Communist Party in that?

I don't really know. You would have to ask an official of the CP who was alive then. My impression is that the organised left felt that any association of the organised left with my parents would doom my parents, so it's best to separate them. That's one opinion.

Another opinion is that many members of the organised left did not know how serious it was until after the sentence had been given.

Another opinion is that the left was just stretched to the breaking point using its lawyers to defend itself.

So there are a number of explanations as to why the CP, for instance, did not participate in a defence committee, why the 'Daily Worker' didn't cover the trial, as for instance left papers cover trials today, and why in fact there was not one word written de-bunking the evidence in the case until six months after the conviction. And why there was no defence committee formed until the fall of 1951, which was eight months after the conviction.

Blame

I don't like to cast blame. Well, I don't know if a spirited political defence would have made a difference, but it certainly couldn't have had a worse outcome.

A frontal assault on the whole issue — there is no secret to the atom bomb, this trial is a fraud, everybody is lying, the government is trying to frame two Communist activists, or if you don't want to admit that they're Communists, two

progressives, and a defence committee is formed.

The committee is there giving the lawyers support, raising money, publicising the issue, and attacking at every point. But that's not the way they did things in those days.

Do you know about the case of Gary Tyler?

Gary Tyler is a perfect example. Here is a crime committed. It is essential from the point of view of the people in power in Louisiana that a black activist, not just any black person, be framed for murdering somebody.

Even though the person killed might have been killed by the crossfire from one of his own

people, I mean it was a bunch of rioters stoning a schoolbus, for God's sake.

The two witnesses who testified against Tyler, testified that their testimony was beaten out of them virtually. Tyler maintains his innocence and the courts refuse to grant a new trial. The perfect example, very much the same kind of frame-up as that of my parents.

A heinous crime, everybody hates the person who did it and just assumes the defendant to be guilty. Two people frightened into lying. It's almost as simple as that.

Information on the Rosenberg case can be obtained from: The National Committee to Reopen the Rosenberg Case, 250 West 57 Street, Room 606, New York, NY 10019.



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THURSDAY JULY 8, 7.30 p.m.
Victoria Hotel, 52 Wallgate
Speakers: MIKE FARLEY (Secretary Wigan Trades Council in a personal capacity)
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LEEDS

Sunday July 11, 7.30 p.m.
Wellesley Hotel, Wellington Street
Speakers: CLIFF SLAUGHTER (Central Cttee)
ALEX MITCHELL (Editor News Line)
PAT PRIEST (YS National Cttee)

PUBLIC MEETINGS

CHATHAM

Wednesday July 14, 8 p.m.
The Dover Castle, Globe Lane off High St
Speakers: ROGER SMITH (Central Cttee)
SIMON PIRANI (YS National Secretary)

BRISTOL

Thursday July 15, 8 p.m.
Lawrence Weston School
Stile Acres
Speakers: CORIN REDGRAVE (Central Cttee)
JULIAN LEACH (YS National Cttee)

PETERBOROUGH

Friday July 16, 7.30 p.m.
The Pyramid Community Hall, Breton
Speakers: ROGER SMITH (Central Committee)
SEAN HYDE-SMITH (YS National Cttee)

NOTTINGHAM

Sunday July 18, 7.30 p.m.
International Community Centre
61B Mansfield Road
Speakers: ROY BATTERSBY (Central Cttee)
SIMON PIRANI (YS National Secretary)
STEPHEN JOHNS (News Line Editorial Board)

IPSWICH

Sunday July 26, 7.30 p.m.
The Town Hall
Speakers: CORIN REDGRAVE (Central Cttee)
JULIAN LEACH (YS National Cttee)
ROYSTON BULL (News Line Editorial Board)

CRAWLEY

Tuesday July 27, 7.30 p.m.
AUEW Hall, Robinson Rd
Speakers: JACK GALE (News Line Editorial Board)
JULIAN LEACH (YS National Cttee)

MERTHYR

Monday August 2, 7.30 p.m.
College of Further Education
Merthyr Tydfil
Speakers: MIKE BANDA (General Secretary)
SIMON PIRANI (YS National Secretary)
CHRIS CORRIGAN (News Line Editorial Board)

What happens to Co-op pensioners' cash now?

THE London Co-op is almost certain to appeal against a High Court judgement which may cost them over £2m.

Co-op chiefs were consulting their legal advisers over a ruling by Justice Brightman that the Society committed a breach of trust by paying less than commercial interest rates on loans from the workers' pension fund.

But the man who fought the case, retired Co-op milkman Robert Evans, is afraid the

Society's directors may attempt to get round the judgement by stringing out the repayment over a long period of time.

Mr Evans said he had a letter from the London Co-op chief executive to another director stating that if the judgement went against them they would not pay back in one lump sum.

'This will penalise the people paying into the fund,' Mr Evans said yesterday.

If they had to pay back several millions in one sum this would be reinvested in the Society and earn the new higher rate of interest of 11.5 per cent.

'But if they paid out in small sums over a number of years, they would largely avoid these interest payments.'

The court judgement — made only Tuesday after a 17-day hearing — could have repercussions throughout the Co-operative movement.

Many societies have been using their employees' pension funds as a source of 'cheap money'.

One leading actuary who deals with pension funds said yesterday:

'The practice of cheap loans from pension funds is quite widespread in the Co-operative movement.'

But in private industry I know of no examples. In fact most funds have specific clauses ruling out 'self-investment'.

A more important issue raised by the case is the secrecy in which pension funds are managed.

It is a simple matter for the public to obtain the accounts of companies.

Stephen
Johns
interviews
an actuary
and the
man who
took the Co-op to court (above)



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Details

But it is almost impossible for the man in the street to get details of pension funds.

Even the beneficiaries of the funds have difficulty in obtaining information over the way their money is being invested.

Few funds, for example, send out reports to all beneficiaries as a matter of course.

Some nationalised industry funds have in the past lent out money to the parent body at less than market rates.

In 1974, for example, the

government made special provision for £335m to be paid into the British Rail pension fund in five instalments.

This was because the British Rail Board had been receiving loans from the fund at less than market rates for many years.

Private

The practice was a hangover from the days of private ownership when members of pension funds had no choice but to lend the employers their money at low rates.

The London Co-op judgement would seem, therefore, to have limited application outside the Co-operative movement.

But it does provide another insight into the pension fund scandal.

Basically pension funds have been used to prop up the capitalist system.

Managers have invested them in big business.

Some large property investments have been undertaken at a large loss to the fund.

Recently there were

allegations that the British Rail pension fund had bought some overpriced Picasso paintings.

Effect

Another effect of the pension funds is to tie large sections of the working class and middle class to capitalism, since the size of their retirement pension depends on the length of service with the company concerned.

This puts financial pressure on employees not to fight for their rights for fear of being sacked.

One worker for each day of the year to be sacked

LEEDS — Redundancies are planned at Doncaster's Monk Bridge, the heavy engineering firm supplying blades to the aircraft industry.

The firm has given notice that between August 20 and September 3, 365 workers from all departments will be made redundant.

Even if sackings go ahead as planned, workers fear a further round of redundancies in September.

At a meeting last weekend the shop stewards' committee agreed to voluntary redundancies, but rejected the management's plans to lay off

workers on the basis of poor time-keeping and bad workmanship.

Workers are critical of union leadership in the factory.

One worker told News Line: 'Communications are very poor between the union and shop floor. I've worked here 11 years and I'm due to be made redundant.'

'I think the lack of confidence in the union leadership was shown by the vote against their recommendations on Tuesday.'

Management argue that sackings must go ahead or the future of the company will be placed in jeopardy.

Huge cuts in Notts and Yorks

MICHAEL COWAN, finance chairman of Nottinghamshire County Council, yesterday announced cuts of more than £28m over the next three years.

The lion's share will be borne by education with social services and the environment also suffering.

It means a cut this year of £3.4m.

The Labour group representing the Labour-controlled councils of South Yorkshire have decided to oppose redundancies as a result of the government's spending cuts.

The councils met in Barnsley this week to discuss ways of fighting the £14.8m cutback.

They decided to make 'small economies' but they were agreed that jobs must be safeguarded.

The decision was hailed in the local Press as 'a victory for the left'.

Doncaster Labour group were the only council to pledge not to reduce the education service.

In Barnsley cuts have already occurred in education.

Staffing ratios in schools have been increased by 0.3 per cent which means that by September there will be 39 teachers short.

The Barnsley group said they would not be increasing council rents.

Transport in south Yorkshire is not to be reduced, but the road-building programme will be cut by £750,000 and the industrial development programme by £680,000.

Winning Post

NEWMARKET

ITV 2.30, 3.05 and 3.35

DRAW ADVANTAGE: none

2.00 REG DAY MEMORIAL TROPHY H'CAP £2,500

1 (2)	1-12103	AHDEER (USA) R Armstrong 49.10	L Piggott
2 (1)	42-1110	ALBRIGHTON (C) H Cecil 49.6 (5 ex)	A Bond
3 (4)	01-0042	GREAT BIRNAM G P Gordon 58.4	E Eldin
4 (3)	4-0231	BALDUR Denys Smith 48.2 (5 ex)	P Tulk

PROBABLE SP: 6-4 Ahdeer, 5-2 Albrighton, 3-1 Great Birnam, 11-2 Baldur.

2.30 ELLESMERE SELLING STAKES £1,000

1 (3)	004	BILLION N Callaghan 8.11	G Starkey
2 (3)	0003	WITTON WONDER C Britain 8.11	W Carson
3 (6)	0	FASCINATING RHYTHM S Ingham 8.8	G Ramshaw
4 (2)	0032	GAY ALICE R Hannan 8.8	F Durr
5 (1)	0000	PURPLE HAZE K Payne 8.8	S Eccles (5)
6 (4)	0000	SCORPIO MAID D Thom 8.8	G Baxter
7 (1)	00	THE GOD DAUGHTER K Payne 8.8	A Cousins

PROBABLE SP: 7-4 Gay Alice, 11-4 Witton Wonder, 7-2 Billion, 6-1 Fascinating Rhythm, 12-1 others.

3.05 JULY CUP £15,000

1 (7)	22-3011	IMPORT (D) W Wightman 59.6	M L Thomas
2 (6)	31-0211	LOCHNAGER (D) M W Easterby 49.6	E Hide
3 (10)	122-142	ROMAN WARRIOR (D) N Angus 59.6	A Murray
4 (3)	133-410	THREE LEGS (D) (BF) L Cumani 49.6	L Piggott
5 (19)	0331-02	BE TUNEFUL (D) J Hindley 49.3	J Mercer
6 (14)	113-301	GENTILHOMME (D) N Adam 38.11	P Cook
7 (2)	004111	GWENT (D) B Hobbs 38.11	G Lewis
8 (1)	110-003	HITTITE GLORY A Breasley (FR) 38.11	P Eddery
9 (5)	1-03311	KALA SHIKARI (D) A Breasley (FR) 38.11	Y Saint-Martin
10 (8)	110-010	PETIPA (FR) (D) P Prendergast (IRE) 38.8	C Roche

PROBABLE SP: 9-4 Lochnager, 11-2 Roman Warrior, 6-1 Gentilhomme, 8-1 Hittite Glory, 10-1 Kala Shikari, 10-1 Be Tunesful and Three Legs, 12-1 Gwent and Import, 16-1 Petipa.

3.35 CHILD STAKES £8,000

1 (7)	01-0440	DUBOFF (D) B Hills 49.6	E Hide
2 (5)	21320-0	ROSSSALLA (C) (D) H Cecil 49.6	L Piggott
3 (18)	001-1220	SAUCEBOAT (C-D) (BF) N Murless 49.3	G Lewis
4 (1)	00-3810	HEAVEN KNOWS R Smyth 38.5	E Eldin
5 (14)	031-21	FALL TO PIECES (D) P Walwyn 38.2	P Eddery
6 (3)	3142-21	RED RUBY J Dunlop 38.2	Ron Hutchinson
7 (6)	241	INTERMISSION (D) J Tree 37.12	D Dineley

BRIGHTON

DRAW ADVANTAGE: 5 & 6f low.

2.00 BEAU BRUMMELL STAKES £1,000

1 (5)	000	BEDFORD LODGE N Callaghan 9.0	J Lynch
2 (2)	00	EL HIPPI N Vigors 9.0	B Taylor
3 (4)	000	LINDELL R Hannan 9.0	B Rouse
4 (3)	000	TELESTAR W Wightman 9.0	J Matthews
5 (1)	0	THE DUTCOTT G Hunter 9.0	J Matthews

PROBABLE SP: 7-4 El Hippy, 2-1 Bedford Lodge, 4-1 Telestar, 6-1 Lindeell, 12-1 The DUTCOTT.

2.30 RAGGETTS SELLING HANDICAP £600

1 (9)	200-330	WELSH DRAGON (C-D) T Gates 89.11	R P Elliott
2 (4)	203-040	SWAGMAN (D) H Smyth 99.2	H Ballantine (5)
3 (8)	0-10000	PRINCE HERHAM N Callaghan 39.1	J Lynch
4 (7)	00-4400	WIGGED (USA) J Old 88.12	F Morby
5 (5)	000-000	CALMIN A Dalton 48.9	
6 (1)	04-0000	FARM GAZE (C-D) R Bastiman 58.11	
7 (1)	0020-00	HENDRABURNICK C Dingwall 38.0	I Ems (5)
8 (1)	00-2400	TROLLER J Hayward 57.11	P O'Leary
9 (2)	000-424	CYCLAMATE (BF) W Wightman 87.11	D Cullen

PROBABLE SP: 2-1 Cyclamate, 3-1 Swagman, 4-1 Welsh Dragon, 11-2 Prince Herham, 11-1 Troller, 10-1 Wiggled, 20-1 others.

3.00 TAJ MAHAL HANDICAP £2,500

1 (3)	3-0020	ALL HOPE (FR) M Jarvis 9.3	B Taylor
2 (5)	212114	MANDATE (C-D) R Hannan 8.13	
3 (1)	241223	GROVE'S BOY (C-D) (BF) C Britain 8.1	R Fox
4 (2)	408-140	KARAKORUM J Nelson 7.11	J Lynch
5 (8)	100412	ANDY REW (D) (BF) P Cole 7.11	S Raymond (7)
6 (6)	30102-0	FLYING COLOURS (C) W Wightman 7.10	D Cullen
7 (4)	040-010	LE DELUX J Sutcliffe 7.10	B Rouse
8 (7)	000-100	KLEPTES (C-D) J Winter 7.3	D McKay

DONCASTER

DRAW ADVANTAGE: 5 to 8f (straight) high: 8f and over (round) low

6.45 CLAYTON STAKES £1,000

1 (2)	000-00	OWEN GYLDWYR P Rohan 9.0	J Seagrave
2 (3)	00-4	PALACE ROYAL W Hern 9.0	J Mercer
3 (5)	0	SNOW-STAR J Bethell 9.0	
4 (3)	00-00	SNOW VENTURE R Hollinshead 9.0	T Ives
5 (10)	40-00	YUKON TRAIL W Elsey 9.0	E Hide
6 (7)	00	DOUBLE POPPY J Leigh 8.11	C Moss
7 (1)	000	HAPPY THOUGHT (FR) H Wragg 8.11	
8 (6)	0-023	NARGIS C Britain 8.11	W Carson
9 (1)	0-13	RIBOFLEUR G P Gordon 8.11	E Eldin
10 (1)	000020	UPANISHAD H Wragg 8.11	M L Thomas

PROBABLE SP: 2-1 Nargis, 5-2 Palace Royal, 3-1 Ribofleur, 11-2 Upanishad, 8-1 Snow-Star, 10-1 Happy Thought, 12-1 Yukon Trail, 16-1 others.

7.15 WHARNCLIFFE SELLING HANDICAP STAKES £800

1 (5)	201202	GALADRIEL (D) E Reavey 58.7	R McKay (7)
2 (6)	403000	HALLAH A Jarvis 39.4	J Seagrave
3 (1)	03-0041	EVE (D) T Molony 49.2 (5 ex)	M L Thomas
4 (5)	30-0122	GOLDANIA (BF) P Cole 48.12	D Dineley (5)
5 (7)	01000-0	SARAH LOUISE S Holland 58.12	R Stainby
6 (3)	11-020	WESTWARD LEADING (D) A Bacon 58.11	D Nicholls (5)
7 (2)	00-00	MOORMAN R D Peacock 38.9	
8 (12)	40004-0	TRY ROCKING A Bacon 48.9	T MacLean
9 (1)	0-12403	BARLEYCROFT STAR (D) (BF) W Stephenson 48.8	
10 (4)	030000	PEGGY JET E Carr 48.4	C Dwyer
11 (10)	0-01334	PHILMARNIE (D) A Smith 48.3	M Birch
12 (1)	0-2242	AFRICA STAR A Balding 47.10	S Salmon

PROBABLE SP: 11-4 Goldania, 3-1 Galadriel, 5-1 Eve, 11-2 Westward Leading, 7-1 Barleycroft Star, 8-1 Hallah, 10-1 Philmarnie, 12-1 Africa Star, 16-1 others.

7.45 DONCASTER HANDICAP STAKES £1,200

1 (4)	000-000	SUNSET SONG E Carr 8.6	M Birch
2 (7)	0-12042	SOLSA M Stoute 8.2	E Hide
3 (5)	341-104	MINO BOY J Etherington 8.1	W Carson
4 (1)	03-10	EVENTURA (D) G P Gordon 8.1	E Eldin
5 (3)	0300-00	ROYAL PURSUIT H Wharton 7.11	G Duffield
6 (1)	400033	SHADY DESIRE (D) T Fairhurst 7.10	S Webster
7 (12)	231002	KRUGERRAND R D Peacock 7.8	E Johnson
8 (1)	004-000	TOUCH OF CLASS H Wragg 7.7	M L Thomas
9 (6)	003033	PAMS GLEAM R Hollinshead 7.5	K Lewis (5)
10 (1)	00-00	NORTON FALCON M H Easterby 7.2	S Salmon

PROBABLE SP: 2-1 Solasa, 4-1 Eventura, 5-1 Krugerrand, 13-2 Sunset Song, 8-1 Shady Desire, 9-1 Touch of Class, 10-1 Mino Boy, 12-1 Pams Gleam, 16-1 others.

10 (2)	201023	KALLISSIMA (D) (BF) R Boss 37.12	M L Thomas
11 (9)	1-04	SUNBIRD W Hern 37.12	W Carson

PROBABLE SP: 7-2 Fall To Pieces, 4-1 Intermission, 9-2 Red Ruby, 5-1 Housalka, 7-1 Sauceboat, 10-1 Sunbird, 12-1 Duboff and Heaven Knows, 14-1 others.

4.10 SOHAM HANDICAP £2,250

1 (6)	221-002	KELLYSTOWN (D) (BF) B Hobbs 39.7	G Lewis
2 (4)	403200	PERANKA (D) W Marshall 49.3	R Marshall
3 (1)	000233	SHACKLE (D) M Jarvis 49.0	B Raymond
4 (2)	0-30440	LE VINGT-HUIT (D) J Sutcliffe 49.0	J Mercer
5 (7)	3-20301	GALLICO (C-D) S Woodman 58.8 (5 ex)	I Johnson (3)
6 (3)	3111-30	FARIDINA (D) (BF) I Walker 48.7	W Carson
7 (3)	000213	ALGORA (D) M W Easterby 48.1	E Hide

PROBABLE SP: 11-4 Algora, 3-1 Kellystown, 4-1 Shackle, 6-1 Gallico, 8-1 Faridina, 12-1 Peranka and Le Vingt Huit.

4.40 FULBOURN MAIDEN STAKES £2,000

T.F. 2-Y c & g 6f (15 runners)			
1 (10)		ANAX B Hobbs 9.0	G Lewis
2 (15)		ANOTHER REVENGE T Corbett 9.0	
3 (13)	22	CHAIN OF REASONING (USA) (BF) W Hern 9.0	J Mercer
4 (1)		CONIFER B Hobbs 9.0	G Baxter
5 (15)	3	DARING MARCH J Bethell 9.0	P Cook
6 (1)		GOLDEN VOW G P-Gordon 9.0	D Maitland
7 (6)		HAYWIRE P Haslam 9.0	I Johnson (3)
8 (7)		HIGHLY DELIGHTED G P-Gordon 9.0	E Eldin
9 (14)		J.O. TOBIN (USA) N Murless 9.0	L Piggott
10 (9)		LOST SCENT R Armstrong 9.0	W Carson
11 (12)		MAIN LINE J Powney 9.0	G Starkey
12 (11)		MERCY'S QUALITY G P-Gordon 9.0	P Guest
13 (8)		MR PARK LANE N Callaghan 9.0	B Raymond
14 (3)		PRE CATALAN B Hobbs 9.0	R J Ferguson
15 (2)		PRINCE BLAKKANA J Winter 9.0	P Madden

PROBABLE SP: 5-4 Chain Of Reasoning, 5-2 J.O. Tobin, 4-1 Daring March, 6-1 Anax, 12-1 Conifer, 16-1 others.

5.10 LIMEKILNS STAKES £2,000

1 (2)	01	PADDINGTON N Murless 8.8	L Piggott
2 (3)		ELUSIVE B Hobbs 8.7	G Lewis
3 (4)		GOLD SPARK T Corbett 8.7	
4 (5)		MEADOW BRIDGE N Murless 8.7	
5 (1)	0	QUALUZ (FR) H Wragg 8.7	G Starkey
6 (1)	0	LADY OF YORK G Blum 8.4	T McKeown

PROBABLE SP: Evens Paddington, 11-4 Elusive, 4-1 Qualuz, 12-1 Lady of York, 14-1 Meadow Bridge, 16-1 Gold Spark.

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PROBABLE SP: 11-4 Mandate, 7-2 Grove's Boy, 9-2 Andy Rew, 11-2 All Hope, 7-1 Flying Colours, 8-1 Kleptes, 10-1 Le Deux, 20-1 Karakorum.

3.30 CHIPPENDALE STAKES £800

1 (2)	04-003	FRENCH FOX R Tunnell 49.9	
2 (4)	00000-0	ESPRIT D'OR Miss Wilcox 49.6	B Rago
3 (1)	0	FORTRITION S Matthews 59.6	B Rouse
4 (7)	00003-0	INJUDICIOUS R Tunnell 49.6	
5 (1)	0000-00	CORNET VOYCE R Sturdy 38.10	
6 (1)	0-00340	LUCKY DEVIL H Price 38.10	B Taylor
7 (3)	04-004	ROLFE (USA) R Houghton 38.10	D McKay
8 (1)	000-040	OKIE R Smyth 38.7	E Fitzgerald (7)
9 (1)	0	SARATOGA MAID B Wise 38.7	H Ballantine (5)

PROBABLE SP: 6-4 Lucky Devil, 5-2 Rolfe, 4-1 Okie, 9-2 French Fox, 12-1 Fortriton, 20-1 others.

4.00 BLACKMANTLE STAKES £1,200

1 (5)	0-00440	GULLIVER LAD D Dale 49.1	R Fox
2 (4)	0000-44	PAUL ALISON (BF) A Phil 48.8	G Ramshaw
3 (1)	030223	VRONDI B Wise 48.8	K Ballantine (5)
4 (2)	3331-00	OU DALLA (D) P Walwyn 38.3	F Morby
5 (6)	132-044	SANGRAIL (BF) R Tunnell 38.3	
6 (1)	000-4	MISCHIEF H Price 37.10	B Rouse

PROBABLE SP: 7-4 Mischief, 11-4 Paul Allison, 7-2 Oudalla, 11-3 Sangrail, 7-1 Vrondi, 20-1 Gulliver Lad.

4.30 FITZHERBERT HANDICAP £1,200

1 (2)	211034	COURT CIRCUS (D) B Hanbury 49.4	R Muddle
2 (4)	100230	BUSTED FIDDLE (D) (BF) H Price 49.2	B Taylor
3 (4)	24-0240	HILL STATION (C-D) J Nelson 48.2	J Lynch
4 (5)	143211	MANTOP (D) C Brittain 47.10	R Fox
5 (1)	02311-0	THE GRIGGLE (C-D) G Harwood 37.10	

PROBABLE SP: 11-4 Mantop, 11-4 Busted Fiddle, 9-2 Court Circus, 11-2 Hill Station, 10-1 The Griggle.

8.10 HUDDERSFIELD MAIDEN AUCTION STAKES £1,000

12-Y-O	5f	(14 runners)		
2	061		ROYAL ARTIST M W Easterby 8.11	N Crowther (5)
3	071	4	DANCE MAJOR P Makin 8.8	P Cook
4	061	000	GERAGHTY RACING J Etherington 8.8	J Seagrave
6	1331	03220	GOLD POT D Williams 8.5	R Wernham (3)
7	1121		BEDLAM HILL J W Watts 7.13	W Bentley
8	061		JACK SOMERS J Etherington 7.13	M L Thomas
9	031	002	PARATUS H Hollinshead 7.13	K Lewis (5)
12	021		TUDOR WAKE M W Easterby 7.13	J Skilling
13	081	3	CHADS HOUR P Rohan 7.10	L C Parkes
14	111	000	GREEK MYTH J Fitzgerald 7.10	
15	114	040	GRITTLE P Carr 7.10	W Carson
16	101	003	JANES GIRL V Mitchell 7.10	G Duffield
17	111	00	JENNY SPLENDID J Haine 7.10	J Reid (3)
19	111	30	QUICK NOTE J W Watts 7.10	J Lowe
PROBABLE SP: 6-1 Dance Major, 4-1 Quick Note, 5-1 Chads Hour, 6-1 Geraghty Racing, 5-1 Jack Somers, 9-1 Grittle, 10-1 Janes Girl, 12-1 Bedlam Hill, 16-1 Others.				

PROBABLE SP: 6-4 Dance Major, 4-1 Quick Note, 5-1 Chads Hour, 6-1 Geraghty Racing, 8-1 Jack Somers, 9-1 Grittle, 10-1 Janes Girl, 12-1 Bedlam Hill, 16-1 others.

8.35 WEMBLEY HANDICAP STAKES £1,500

1 (5)	0-02134	BRANDS HATCH L Cumani 39.0	P Eddery
2 (4)	01240-3	THE BAKER D Gandolfo 48.8	J Reid (3)
3 (1)	4-03101	AFFIRMATIVE (C) M H Easterby 48.8	S Salmon
4 (7)	041411	WHIRLOW GREEN (C-D) J Winter 58.6 (5 ex)	M Kettle
5 (2)	10-0003	DEEP RIVER I Walker 48.1	W Carson
6 (3)	120	TAKE AIM J W Watts 37.12	J Lowe

PROBABLE SP: 5-2 Brands Hatch, 3-1 Affirmative, 4-1 Whirlow Green, 6-1 Deep River, 13-2 Take Aim, 8-1 The Baker.

9.05 CANTLEY STAKES £1,000

1 (10)	21	MANDALUS (D) M Prescott 9.1	G Duffield
2 (1)	3	CABIN BOY W Hern 8.11	J Mercer
3 (5)	0	SOCKBURN M Camacho 8.11	B Bentley
4 (8)	0	SON EMINENCE (FR) Denys Smith 8.11	P Cook
5 (7)	00	SUNSHINE LIE M Carmacho 8.11	E Johnson
6 (1)	0	RICHMOND HILL J W Watts 8.6	J Lowe
7 (1)	JIMS-DOUBLE Hbi Jones 8.6	J Seagrave	
8 (1)	LE RIFIFI D Sasse 8.6		
9 (1)	HELPING HAND Hbi Jones 8.3	B Henry	
10 (1)	LEGATO S Wainwright 8.3	J Wainwright (7)	
11 (1)	PENNYS PET Hbi Jones 8.3		
12 (1)	WEISSHORN M H Easterby 8.3	M Birch	

PROBABLE SP: 3-2 Mandalus, 11-4 Cabin Boy, 5-1 Richmond Hill, 6-1 Son Eminence, 7-1 Weisshorn, 8-1 Le Rififi, 10-1 Legato, 12-1 Sockburn, 14-1 Jims-Double, 16-1 others.

ROMAN WARRIOR TO BEAT THE LOT

ROMAN WARRIOR can successfully take on the best from the south and France in the July Cup (3.05) at Newmarket today.

Undoubtedly the most popular speed horse to be trained in the north for a long time, Roman Warrior has a record which must give him a great chance of beating all comers for this coveted sprint.

Yet, with a lot of money going on dual winner Lochnager in the past couple of days, the five-year-old is likely to be at very attractive odds.

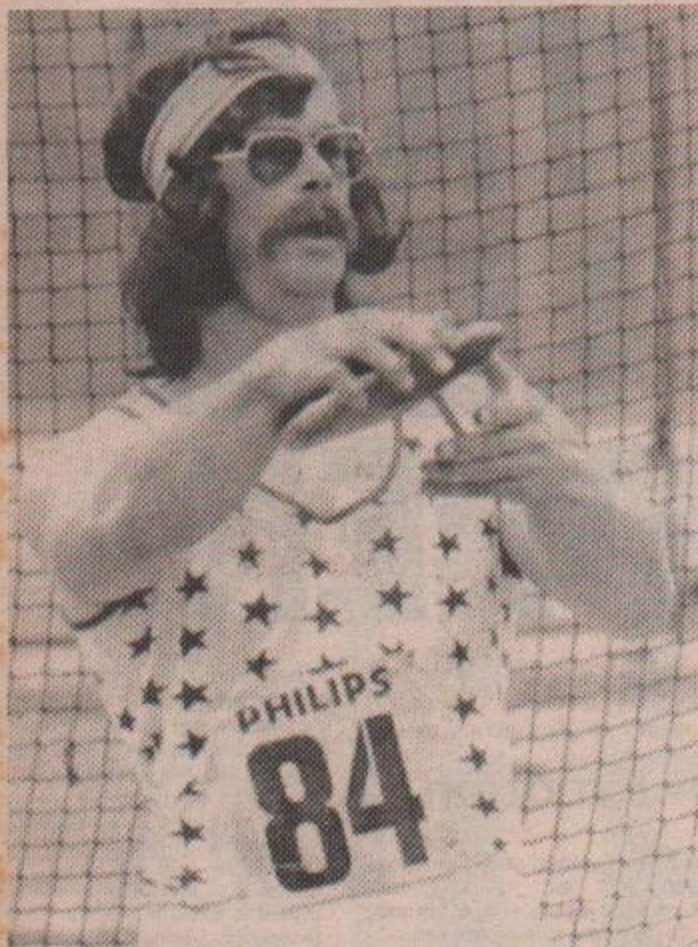
Lochnager obviously holds a favourite's chance on his defeat of Reality and Hittite Glory in the King's Stand Stakes at Royal Ascot and the fact that he beat Roman Warrior in Sandown's Temple Stakes.



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Mike Winch has demanded an inquiry into Olympic selection

THROWERS CALL FOR AN IMPARTIAL INQUIRY

AN INDEPENDENT inquiry into selection procedures and the financing and planning of Olympic preparation was called for yesterday by the British International Throwers Association.

The Association has made the suggestion in a letter to the British Amateur Athletic Board.

It follows their protest at the failure of the selectors to add British record-holders Bill Tancred (discus) and Barry Williams (hammer), or the vastly improved David Ottley (javelin), to the team for Montreal.

In the letter, Association chairman Mike Winch accuses the BAAB of discrimination against throwers.

This is exemplified by the Olympic selection and by a statement attributed to a senior national coach suggesting that the shot, discus and hammer be dropped from international competition because athletes involved take drugs.

This is a statement made on the basis of no concrete evidence, Winch says. The Board's policy towards coaching, competition and

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financial assistance was 'totally inadequate', Winch added.

The faith of the public who have contributed towards Olympic preparation funds to help these athletes has been betrayed.

Arthur Gold Secretary of the BAAB said yesterday that the team to go to Montreal was a matter for the selectors, and that they made their decision three weeks ago.

There were special reasons for the addition of Alan Pascoe, Mike Cordon (decathlon) and Bernie Ford (10,000 metres) to the team since then, and there would be no further changes.

Pascoe's ability was beyond

dispute, and the 400 metres place in the team had been left open in the hope that he would recover his fitness.

In the case of the 10,000 metres, the selectors had felt that there was at the time of selection insufficient evidence of the relative claims of Ford and Ian Stewart after injury had

forced Stewart out of the trials race.

And Cordon's addition was justified, said Gold, by the fact that when the selectors met on June 13, there had been little decathlon competition, and Cordon had not, unlike other athletes, had a fair opportunity to impress the selectors.

Stadium open but Taiwan issue unresolved

MONTREAL — The main Olympic stadium is as ready as it can be even if the row over Taiwan's participation continues to cast doubts over the Games themselves.

Over 1,000 building workers will leave the building today. Many of them have been involved in struggles with contractors over pay and conditions.

Work only started on the stadium in 1974 and the project was speeded up to finish in time for the Games.

The original design was abandoned and the tower that was supposed to be the crowning

glory is still unbuilt.

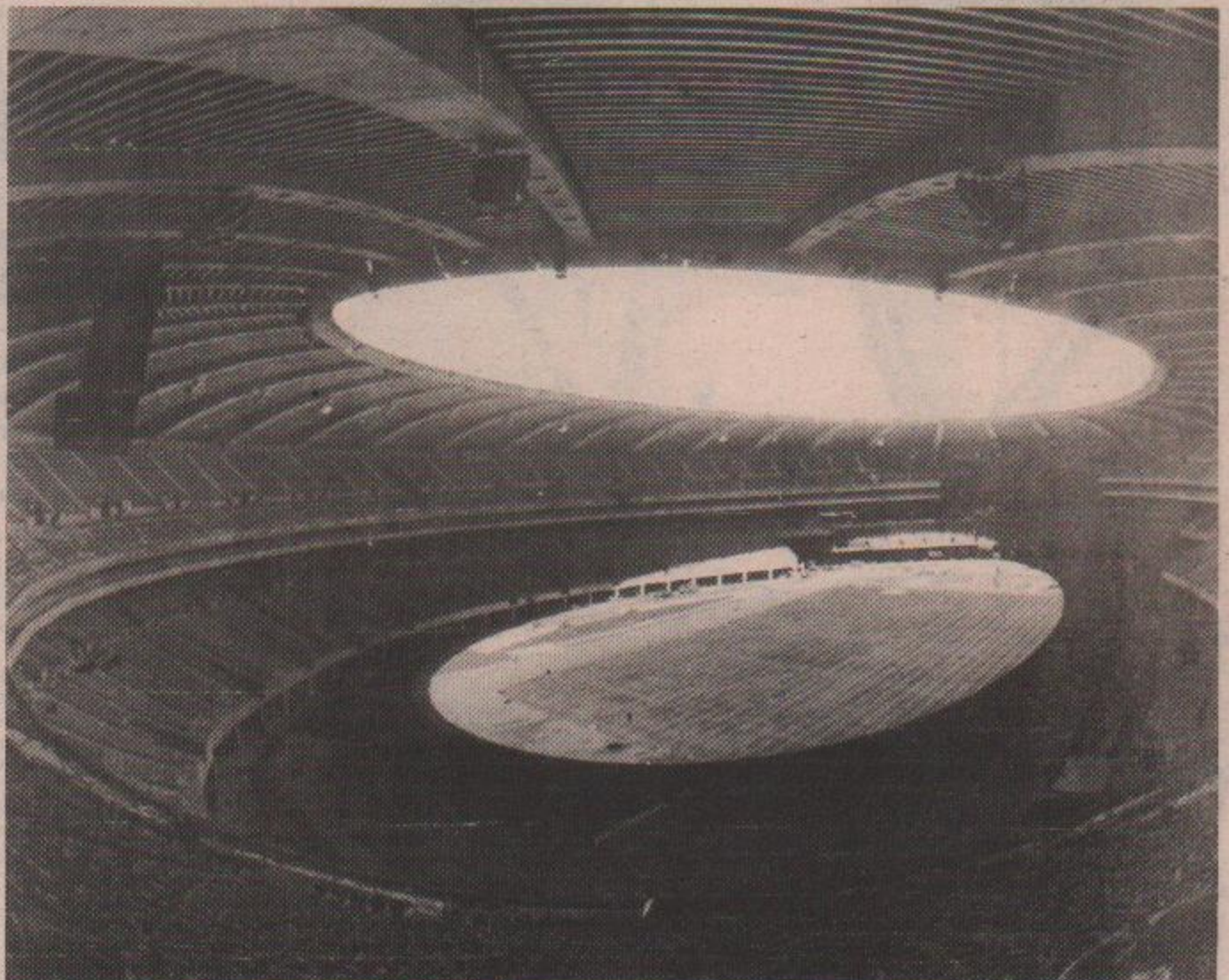
Thousands of athletes have arrived in Montreal to stay in the pyramid-shaped skyscraper blocks. Many have complained about cramped conditions.

The athletes are housed in what is virtually an armed camp, surrounded by high wire fences and thousands of armed troops and police.

Meanwhile, the row over Taiwan's intention to compete as the 'Republic of China' goes on. The Canadian government still refuses to let Taiwan enter because it recognises the People's Republic of China.

Lord Killanin, president of the International Olympic Committee, is expected to meet government officials later this week in a bid to break the deadlock.

Opinion is hardening among IOC members with a French official declaring that the Games should be cancelled rather than bow to the Canadian government.



The Montreal stadium — ready but without the trimmings

QUEBEC Province is raising a \$450m loan from US banks to cover costs of the Olympic Games.

It will need at least another \$250m to help pay for half the Olympic Games complex. The

other should be raised by revenue from the Games.

The aim is to repay the loans through the proceeds of a special lottery as well as through an increase in cigarette taxes.

HELENA Fibingerova, former women's world shot put record holder, is Czechoslovakia's leading hope for a gold medal at Montreal.

Fibingerova, who celebrates her 26th birthday in Montreal on July 19, holds the women's indoor shot put record, and has been performing well this year.

Another former world record holder, discus thrower Ludvik Daneek, will be defending his Munich gold medal.

Lamb and Lever skittle Essex

TIM LAMB of Middlesex and John Lever of Essex landed five wickets apiece as Sussex and Northamptonshire were shot out for a combined total of 205 as the championship race heated up yesterday.

Lamb did the damage at Lord's, where Sussex were

sent back for 90 in 43.1 overs — and he had Sussex and England captain Tony Greig to thank for his success.

Lamb led the Middlesex attack, because Greig called up Middlesex fast bowling star Mike Selvey to boost his ailing squad before the third Test at Old Trafford.

Lamb responded by having John Barclay, Roger Knight, Paul Parker and debutant Javed

Miandad all leg before and also dismissed Peter Graves, top scorer with 30.

His final figures were five for 32, while Mike Gatting contributed three for 15 in mopping up the tail.

Lever's five for 47 saw Northamptonshire all out for 115 in 45.3 overs. His victims were Roy Virgin, Geoff Cook, Jim Hardley, Richard Williams and Sarfraz Nawaz — David Acfield

stepping in with four for 17 to complete the Essex euphoria.

Yorkshire captain Jackie Hampshire hit his fourth successive 50, against Nottinghamshire at Worksop. Another half-century maker was Warwickshire's Dennis Amiss against Derbyshire in Coventry.

Gloucestershire lost six wickets for 140 at Cardiff after Sadiq and Andy Stovold had put on 77 for the first wicket.

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TAKE LEAD IN OPEN

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OUTSIDERS threw down the challenge to the big names on the first round of the £75,000 Open Championship, over the sun-scorched Royal Birkdale links, South Christy O'Connor Jr., a Ryder Cup player from Ireland, lit the fuse for the charge of the lesser lights, by establishing a record three-under-par 69 for the altered course.

First man out at 7.30a.m. he streaked to five under par before disaster struck at the 505-yard 13th.

A three-over-par eight prevented him from going clear and he was caught by Japanese Norio Suzuki, who is playing outside his home country for the first time, and 19-year-old Spanish PGA champion, Severiano Ballesteros.

Scoring generally was disappointing. It was nothing near as hot as the gorse and will scrub fire near the first green, which held up play for 30 minutes.

Johnny Miller, the former US Open Champion, and second favourite at eight to one, is still well in contention with 72, while the mighty Jack Nicklaus, the nine to two favourite faded to 74.

Nicklaus was a little surprised at the pin placement. 'Every green was a different pace and you never knew what the ball was going to' he said. 'The grass on the greens is going fast. They need more water.'

The 27-year-old O'Connor, with eight single putts in the first 10 holes, was five under par when he split the middle of the fairway with his drive to the 13th.

Pressing for distance, the Irishman used the same club for his second strike. He attempted to fade the ball, but instead it went straight in the treacherous willow scrub.

O'Connor found the ball under a little branch, caught the branches on his down swing and failed to move the ball. Using

brute force, he successfully chopped it out at his next attempt, but went into a bunker.

Emotion

The Irishman made a good recovery, but charged his approach putt three feet beyond the hole and missed the return. To his great credit he showed no signs of emotion as he walked off the green.

O'Connor did not allow this

setback to ruin his round and he covered the remaining holes in one under par, with a birdie three at the 16th where he holed a 12-foot putt to record his best round in the championship.

Naturally, he was despondent at the finish. "It was a hell of a disaster," he said, "for I felt as though I could do 60. I said to myself I must birdie the next four holes. A lot of players were saying scoring was going to be low, but this is the hardest course I have ever played in my life."

Close faces pace trio

MIKE SELVEY, the 28-year-old Middlesex medium-fast bowler, will almost certainly make his test debut for England against a full-strength West Indies at Old Trafford today.

John Snow yesterday pulled out with hamstring trouble. England have lost both their opening bowlers with Chris Old crying off on Tuesday.

John Edrich, suffering from an old thigh injury, is still doubtful for the game. A decision will be made on him this morning.

If Edrich cannot play, Chris Balderstone, the 35-year-old Leicestershire bat will get his chance in Test Cricket.

The West Indies have brought together their fastest possible attack and have also strengthened their batting line-up for a pitch which should play fast but true.

Clive Lloyd has brought back the fiery Wayne Daniel to join experienced Michael Holding and Andy Roberts in the attack.

Problems

Daniel who had serious run-up problems at Trent Bridge, is running wider from the stumps. He is in tremendous form. He

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demolished Yorkshire last week with six for 21.

Between them, the trio should give a weakened England side many problems and Brian Close will certainly know that he's been promoted to number one after a few balls.

The West Indies have made a number of other changes from the side that drew with England at Lord's.

One man who can count himself unlucky to be left out is Larry Gomes whose place goes to Collis King.

Crucial

Vanburn Holder is omitted from the twelve announced last night and Bernard Julien could find himself 12th man by the start. The Test will give Frank Hayes, who fills Close's number four spot, a great chance to prove himself before his home supporters and Derek Underwood and Pat Pocock could prove crucial if the pitch takes spin.

But the West Indies have run into great form recently and might prove too strong for England this time.

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COUNTY CHAMPIONSHIP
Westcull: Northamptonshire 115 (J K
Lever five for 47, D L Achfeld four for 17),
Essex 215 for five (G A Gooch 74 not out),
Cardiff Gloucestershire 239 (D A
Graveney 35, M A Nash four for 58),
Glamorgan 131 for one (A Jones 63 not out,
G P Ellis 38).
Lords: Sussex 90 (T M Lamb five for 32),
Middlesex 157 for three (J M Brearley 97
not out).



Andy Roberts (left) and Wayne Daniel will menace England's batsmen

CATTERBUCK
 35-1 (7): **CASTLE CULLEN**, S. Parkin
 13-1 (1); **Bingo Lix** 3-1 (4 fav); 2: **Higson's**
Kolly 25-1 (3); **Simmballion** 19-1 (4); 10 ran.
 16-1 (4); **Sheddin** 7-1 (2); 42-8; 6-1p; 17p; 33p.
 14F (4-30)

DE (53): **HAND CANTER**, N. Crowther 6-5
 (4 fav); 1: **Brianna** 20-1 (2); **Jinky Jim** 12-1 (2-1);
 3: **Northgate Lass** 14-1 (4); 11 ran. 27-1; 4.
 (2); **Hendley's** 7-1 (2); 24p; 17p; 28p; 23p. NR.
 Gold Kestrel, Purple Haze.

3-15 (4m 2): **SNOW WARNING**, S. Salmon
 4-5 (3); **Stilton** 11-8 (4 fav); 2; 2 ran. 1; **W**
Elsley 7-1 (2); 14p.

1-45 (4m 7): **MASTER CHAD**, S. Webster

(5-2) 1. Tree Breeze (11-10 un fav) 2. Frisky Scott (5-2) 3. Field Moss (50) 4. 4 ran. 4. B. (P. Peacock) 7: 4hp. F. 7hp. 4.15 (7): AVON ROYALE. S. Saltram (3-4) 1. 3. Confluence (7-1) 2. Petite Souris (32-1) 3. Forgets Image (10-1) 4. 13 ran. 4.45 (10) D. Ringier. T. 4hp. 1hp. 2hp. 22p. 4.45 (10) 4. VIGREY. J. Seagrave (17-2) 1. Schoolhouse Dale (evens fav) 2. Make a Signal (2-1) 3. Apple Princess (33-1) 4. 6 ran. 4.45 (4) J. Etherington. T. 3hp: 18p. 1hp. F. 7hp.

TOTE DOUBLE: £3.10
TOTE TREBLE: £8.70

2.00 (61): ICENA, F Durr 17-11-1; Rhosla
7-11-2; Salote 17-4 fav; 3. Wedding Band
(8-1-4 17 ran, 1.1) H Thompson Jones T:
9tp: 23p. 23p. 14p. NR: Feminist, Swing
South

2.30 (1m 21): SO SHARP, J Mercer (9-4) L
Belper (6-4 fav) 2. Gracious Melody (13-8)
3. Jan, 1, 2. (W H) T: 20p. F: 45p.

3.00 (68): SKY SHIP, J Mercer (16-1) 1;
Pungahai (re-vals) 2. King Eel (9-2)
3. Cozy Bar (7-1-4, 6 ran, 3, 2) (W H) T:
71p. 23p. 14p. Df: 66p. NR: Muster
Lane

3.30 (m): **TRUSTED**, Ron Hutchinson
19-41; 1 Free State (13-8 fav); 2. **Burma**
Pinsk (13-1); 4, 1. **Rambola** 19-11; 4, 7 ran. 1
a. 11 Dunslop; T: 11p; 15p, 16p. DP: 25p.
4.05 (7): **FIGHTING LADY**, J Mercer
7-21; 1. **Net Cui** (13-2); 2. **Solar** (11-4 fav); 3.
Oriental Star 17-21; 4, 6 ran. hd-hd. (E
Colingwood); T: 45p; 22p, 20p. DP: cf. 30.
NR, Manila.
4.40 (m) 10: **BEAU DUTCH**, P Cook (6-5)
1; **Tutu** (5-4 on fav); 2. **Silversmith** (9-11); 3
ran. nk. 7. (M Sloute); T: 30p; F: 35p.
5.10 (m) 2: **SWEET SWALLOW**, P Young
20-11; 1. **Welsh Relic** (14-1); 2. **Good**
Manners (6-1); 3. **For Keeps** (33-1); 4, 6 ran.
1-2; 2. (P Robinson); T: cf. 04; 42p, 30p. DP: