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THE DISCUSSION BEGINS

Workers Revolutionary Party general secretary Michael Banda writes on the draft resolution on perspectives submitted for discussion before the second annual conference

of the Party in August. Tomorrow, we begin to print interviews and discussions with people who have read the document

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CARTER'S MATE IS HUMPHREY MAN

NEW YORK — Democratic Presidential candidate Jimmy Carter has picked Senator Walter Mondale of Minnesota as running-mate for the vice-presidency.

Mondale is regarded as a liberal in Democratic circles, for his position on issues such as tax reform and welfare spending.

It is suggested Carter's choice may be aimed at offsetting suspicion of himself, as a Southern reactionary, among Democrat voters in the north.

Mondale enjoys good standing with the trade union bureaucracy.

A former Minnesota state attorney-general, he is a protégé of Senator Hubert Humphrey.

Food bill up £1 a week by winter

THE average family food bill will go up by £1 a week in the next six months according to the president of the National Farmers' Union, Sir Henry Plumb.

The slump in the value of the pound means that farmers' prices are more than a fifth lower than in other EEC countries.

The farmers' president said the NFU wanted the gap closed entirely.

The most direct impact will be on basic foods; including milk, meat, cereals, sugar, bread and biscuits.

NUR leader Sid Weighell revealed last night that nearly 100,000 railwaymen could lose their jobs if the government's planned cuts in transport go through.

AN organised Zionist mob occupied the Uganda Tourist Agency offices in Wardour Street, Soho, yesterday. They put up Israeli flags and banners saying: 'Idi Amin, where is Dora Bloch' (the Jewish woman killed by the Israeli invasion of Entebbe airport last week).

Debate diversion by Cabinet

CABINET LAYS CUTS STRATEGY

THE government sought to bring Labour and TUC dissidents into line yesterday by re-opening the Commons row with the Tories over controversial Bills.

Faced with a growing revolt against the £1,000m new cuts in public spending, the right wing have set up another Commons confrontation for next Tuesday.

On that day, House leader Michael Foot will introduce 'guillotine' motions to end all further debate on five Bills — on

BY ROYSTON BULL Political Correspondent

restricting tied cottages, eliminating pay beds, increasing comprehensive schools, extending registered dock work and nationalising the shipbuilding and aircraft industries.

A close vote on the nationalisation Bill led to the Commons uproar several weeks ago when Tory MP Michael Heseltine grabbed the mace and punches were thrown.

Collaboration over 'pairing' and other friendly coalition arrangements were temporarily ended.

The uproar was repeated yesterday with shouts of 'SS-men', 'Reichstag', 'silly twits' and 'cheat' being heard above the 30-minute bedlam.

The speaker threatened to

close proceedings.

Tory leader Margaret Thatcher said the non-pairing war would be immediately resumed to stop the 'dictatorial government' plans of 'Robespierre' Foot.

The opposition's voting challenge to Labour next Tuesday will bring all the 'left' MPs to the defence of James Callaghan's government.

Yesterday's unusually long cabinet meeting discussed in detail how to impose the cuts.

The doubling of health prescription charges, a 30-per-cent increase in school meals, higher council rents, and a slashing of road, school, house and hospital building programmes were all considered.

Soviet Union cuts off Syrian arms supplies

BEIRUT — The Soviet Union has told Syria it will stop supplies of arms until Syrian troops withdraw from Lebanon, it was reported here yesterday.

The leftist Beirut newspaper 'As Safir' said the Soviet Union had told Damascus that arms, ammunition and spare parts would be cut off until the troops were withdrawn. The report followed several meetings

between PLO chairman Yasser Arafat and the Soviet ambassador.

An embassy source would not confirm the story.

He did say the Soviet Union was working for 'reconciliation' in the area, and that it considered Syrian withdrawal from Lebanon imperative.

Syrian invasion.

Following Arafat's meeting with the Soviet ambassador a few days ago, however, Beirut radio quoted the ambassador as telling Arafat and Lebanese Socialist leader Kemal Jumblatt that 'very shortly his country would adopt an important and clear position



The left-talking energy minister Wedgwood Benn looked sick as he walked from No 10 Downing Street where the right-wing spelled out their cuts strategy at a 3 1/2-hour cabinet meeting.

What we think

Clear out the CIA

IN YESTERDAY'S News Line we exclusively published an interview with Winslow Peck, the American campaigner against the Central Intelligence Agency. He revealed how he was bundled out of Britain two weeks ago on a deportation order signed by Home Secretary Roy Jenkins.

Peck, a co-editor of the magazine 'CounterSpy', said that the ban on him was dictated by the CIA station in London headed by Cord Meyer. He alleged close links between Labour Cabinet ministers and the CIA.

He said that in recent months the CIA had increased the size of its personnel in Britain, already the largest in western Europe.

Peck's deportation and the role of the CIA in the British labour and trade union movement is censored in the capitalist Press. When the CIA links with the recruitment and funding of mercenaries for Angola came out, not one Fleet Street newspaper investigated it.

They operate their 'dirty tricks department' here with the blessing of the Labour government and the collusion of the British secret police.

For the defence of the basic democratic rights of the working class it is time that trade unionists took a hand in demanding a full trade union inquiry into the sinister activities of the CIA provocateurs.

There must be a campaign to demand the expulsion of all of them before they have a chance to unfold a Chile in Britain.

Life at the top

AFTER 18 months the Royal Commission on Standards in Public Life has established that corruption is going on.

No surprises here.

The weighty verdict was delivered by Lord Salmon and his committee of sleuths who included four peers, one knight and an ex-Labour Cabinet minister.

Salmon told a Press conference in Whitehall that corruption in public life had been happening 'for about 100 years'. He said there was no way to stamp it out. The object was to tame it.

How is this proposed to be done? The committee recommends calling in the police!

For the swindlers and crooks who are at the top of 'public life' this recommendation won't be feared. They know that the old saying about the British police is true — 'It is the finest force that money can buy'.

Fund is still behind

WE ARE into the second half of July and still not reached our first £1,000! Please, dear readers, don't let another day go by without a change for our fund. Our total is only £927.39 — leaving £3,072.61 to raise!

The huge cuts being introduced by Callaghan and Healy against the social services is a major onslaught on the living standards of the working class.

Millions of people will be affected by these attacks; the health service will disappear, unemployed, aged and one-parent families will be impoverished.

The News Line fights relentlessly for this government to be brought down. The Labour leaders openly carry out Tory policies as a desperate bid to save the pound.

We say mobilise workers everywhere and bring an end to this dying capitalist system. Build up support for our paper and fight back. Help us, therefore, raise extra amounts for the month of July. Post all donations to:

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ISRAEL 'Q-SHIPS'

COVER BLOWN

THE ISRAELI government has been secretly equipping merchant ships with guns and military equipment.

According to some reports, cargo vessels have been modified with reinforced hulls and superstructures and given extra accommodation so they can carry troops.

The existence of 'Q-ships' — civil cargo ships which are also concealed naval vessels — has been brought to light as a result of the crisis of the Israeli-American owned Maritime Fruit Carriers. Its vessels are being arrested in various ports in lieu of debts to the bankers.

One of MFC's refrigerated fruit vessels — or 'reefers' — the Mandarinecore, built in the AS Bergen yard, Norway, was held last month in the port of Honolulu, and put up for auction on June 10 on behalf of the Bank of California.

While the vessel was moored

at Pier 209 Honolulu, under the jurisdiction of the Marshall's Admiralty, some Israelis arrived, looking worried, and wanting to remove certain equipment from the ship. The Honolulu authorities refused permission and the US Marshall's department decided to take a look itself.

On board the Mandarinecore

they found some unusual 'fruit' — guns had been installed, and other military equipment, all concealed.

An official of Salen Reefer Services, the Swedish concern which up till recently chartered most of Maritime Fruit's fleet, has said the weaponry and modifications were probably

added to the Israeli ships after they had been built, some years ago, and that their military capacity had been secret until now.

Salen Reefer deny that the military equipment had any influence on their cancellation of charters, and say that they knew nothing about it. They say the charters were cancelled because the MFC ships could not be relied upon to carry out their contracts. A spokesman did remark that quite a lot of Israeli ships carry concealed armament however.



THOMAS MACGIOLLA, president of the official Sinn Fein met with a group of Labour MPs at the House of Commons yesterday.

MacGiolla, who has been twice refused

entry into Britain, was invited to the talks by Joan Maynard, Labour MP for Sheffield Brightside.

Tory MP, Mr Neville Trotter, has submitted an emergency question asking why MacGiolla was allowed into Britain.

For sale

COPENHAGEN — Danish creditors of Maritime Fruit Carriers said yesterday they planned to sell off four of the company's refrigerator ships.

A spokesman for the Danish Ship Credit Fund said there was no other way of recovering money owed on the vessels, now under arrest in Dover, Le Havre, Hamburg and Cristobal (Panama).

The usual explanation for weaponry on Israeli merchant vessels is that it is for defence against 'hijackers'. But reports on the Maritime Fruit case say the modifications to some of the vessels — possibly all seven of those which sailed under the Israeli flag — were beyond those necessary for such a purpose.

The 'Herald Tribune' on July 8 quotes a banking source familiar with MFC affairs as saying, 'I think you can consider them part of the reserve fleet'.

Wider power for Scots police condemned

GLASGOW — A report which calls for Scottish police to be given wider powers, including arrest on suspicion, has been condemned by the Scottish Council for Civil Liberties.

The Council said the report, produced by a committee set up to investigate police and trial procedures, is 'prosecution biased'. It called on Scottish Secretary, Bruce Millan, to declare whether or not he intends to accept the proposals.

The committee, headed by Lord Thomson, a Scottish judge, made 195 recommendations, among them that police should have the power to detain a suspect for up to six hours.

Other recommendations were

that police should be able to arrest potential witnesses who refuse to give their name and address and that tape recordings should be made during police interrogation.

In its verdict on the report, published yesterday, the Council says, 'We reject the view that existing laws protect the guilty.'

'No objective evidence has been produced to back this up. Innocent persons in custody are often confused and unsure of their rights and existing safeguards should be enforced, not diminished.'

The Council claims that the committee was composed

'overwhelmingly' of police, prosecutors and judges, and says there is no evidence to

substantiate many of the assumptions behind the proposals.

'SHOOT TO KILL'

DUSSELDORF — Interior Ministers of West Germany's 10 states today endorsed a recommendation to arm police forces with grenades and machine-guns as well as truncheons and pistols.

The recommendation is contained in a new law drafted by the ministers to standardise

police practice throughout the country and strengthen police forces.

The draft also permits policemen for the first time to shoot to kill in certain circumstances. This has been strongly opposed by some people who argue that German police are already too quick on the trigger.

CORRUPTION

BY ROYSTON BULL

THE Royal Commission on corruption set up after the Poulson scandal has been obliged to blame the private capitalist system, despite being warned off by Harold Wilson.

'Our terms of reference confine us to the public sector and the only private sector dealings that we have examined are those with the public sector. We do not make recommendations about the private sector as such', its report published yesterday points out.

But then it adds: 'But the ethics of society at large must have a bearing on the standards observed in the public sector. Members and officials of public bodies are but individuals living in a particular society at a particular time.'

It explains in a confused and half-hearted way how the capitalist drive for profit dominates affairs. 'The fortunes of companies and individual citizens have undoubtedly been increasingly influenced by the decisions of central government and other public institutions. Any situation, in which public authorities exercise controls or have business to offer is potentially vulnerable to corruption,' it states.

The conditions created by parliament in the field of planning law and in urban and housing development have put greater strain than has been generally realised upon our system of locally elected councils, whose members may enter public life with little preparation and may find themselves handling matters on a financial scale quite beyond their experience in private life,' it goes on.

Temptations

'The power to make decisions which lead to large capital gains or business profits has given rise to obvious temptations on both sides,' it adds.

In the cases that have come to light, councillors and officials have entered into corrupt relations with private individuals or commercial interests.

Although our terms of reference confine us to the public sector, we condemn equally both sides of any corrupt relationship,' the report continues.

arrangement under which information about corruption from different police areas is co-ordinated and assessed.

'We consider this to be a defect.

'Corruption may be a purely local matter, but the Poulson affair demonstrated that it can also be a widespread plot, spanning the boundaries of many police forces.'

The commission reject a new anti-corruption agency on the same lines as that set up in Hong Kong and elsewhere:

Ld Salmon spreads his scent on the big stench

The commissioners, led by the judge Lord Salmon and including 'Mirror' newspaper boss Hugh Cudlipp and politicians Douglas Houghton and Eric Lubbock, declare:

Risks

'We do not believe that the growth of the public sector necessarily creates greater risks of corruption.'

They steer clear of any deeper conclusions, however, and their recommendations are generally feeble.

On the great scandal which shook the establishment, sent two leading Labour Party men to jail, T. Dan Smith and Andrew Cunningham, and led to the Commission being set up by Wilson in 1974, the report merely observes:

'The Poulson affair, reinforced by other recent cases, leads us to the conclusion that most of the serious crime has centred round planning decisions and local government housing and development contracts.'

They admit: 'It is essential to find more effective ways of bringing corruption to light, since we consider that there are grave weaknesses in investigatory powers and the machinery available for receiving complaints and acting upon them.'

'We do not consider that figures can tell us much about the extent of the problem.'

Secretive

'Corrupt dealings are secretive; few, if any, crimes are harder to prove.'

'There is no objective way of making a true assessment of the amount of public sector corruption that exists now or whether the amount has changed over recent decades', they add.

But the old stand-by of proposing a register of local councillors' interests and allowing the public to peruse the minutes of committee meetings as well as the main council meeting, is as far as they go.

In other words, the Royal Commission on 'Standards of Conduct in Public Life' has achieved its purpose of burying the stink over corruption that followed the Poulson case.

Nationalised

The minor reforms in codes of practice, laws, and other regulations deliberately avoid the real issue — that until the economy is nationalised under workers' control, capitalist profit-seeking will continue to be the ruling ethic.

'There will always be corruption', Lord Salmon said at yesterday's Press conference.

He told of a lawyer friend's client who had to pay £3,000 a year in bribes to make his £10,000 a year profit.

'The lawyer advised him to make a complete disclosure to the Inland Revenue, who promptly allowed him tax deductions on the bribes,' Salmon concluded.



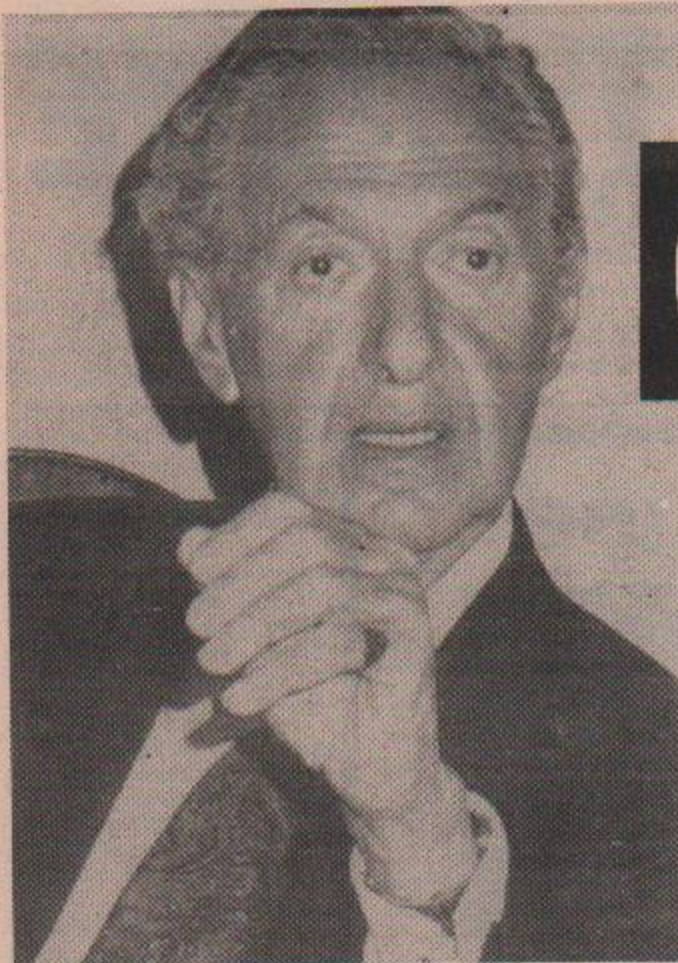
John Poulson

Poulson case was delayed

THE REPORT disclosed that a number of incidents 'could and perhaps should' have led to the earlier arrest of former architect John Poulson, who was jailed in 1974 for seven years on corruption charges.

It points out that four years before he was jailed and two years before his bankruptcy proceedings, a disturbing dossier on Poulson's relations with influential figures in northern public life was sent to the Director of Public Prosecutions.

After it was considered for nine months, it was decided that 'further investigations were unlikely to be fruitful' in the absence of access to bank accounts.



Lord Salmon

Sensitive Scotland

LABOUR'S local authority chiefs reacted sensitively yesterday to the Salmon Commission's proposals on corruption in local government.

Police in the Strathclyde region, which covers about two fifths of the population of Scotland, are believed to be currently investigating corruption charges against 20 councillors, ex-councillors and officials.

Regional council convenor the Rev Geoffrey Shaw, said the council had already drawn up its own code of conduct.

The Salmon Commission proposals would be examined to see if there was anything to add.

Shaw refuted the Commission's assertion that councils with a dominating political party were especially vulnerable.

'What matters is not the size of a party's majority, but the quality of its councillors,' he said.

Despite recent by-election defeats, Labour has an overwhelming majority on both

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the Strathclyde regional council and the Glasgow district council.

Recently five cases have been heard in the Strathclyde region connected with corruption charges.

Glasgow Bailie, Gordon Kane, was found guilty in March of fraudulent expenses claims of £2737 and jailed for six months.

Last month Strathclyde regional councillor Robert Beattie, convenor of the social work committee, got nine months on a similar charge.

Others at present on bail include ex-Glasgow Labour councillor John McInnespie (false expenses of £2534) and former Scottish National Party councillor in Cumbernauld New Town Mrs Margaret Swinton (corruption).

'This problem is most acute in areas where one political party dominates local government and other aspects of public life.'

'We ask ourselves how a potential complainant against Mr Andrew Cunningham might have been influenced by the knowledge that Mr Andrew Cunningham was, among his many other public offices, chairman of the Durham County police authority.'

The report adds: 'We understand that there is at present no systematic

Police become tainted with the same brush

MEMBERS of the Salmon Commission were 'worried' that people might think their local police were more closely linked with other local official bodies than they actually were.

'We cannot ignore the possibility that a member of the public might be inhibited from complaining to local police about the activities of a member of a police authority or, indeed, any powerful member of a local authority,' says the report.



Andrew Cunningham

'We would not wish to see any dilution of the police's general responsibility for investigating crime...'

RATES RISE TO HIT HOME BUYERS

CRASH CLAIMS BELATED VICTIM

THE Turkish airlines DC10 disaster in Paris two years ago led to the death of another person last month when 54-year-old Mrs Betty Kween killed herself, an inquest was told today.

Her husband Cecil, of Whitchurch Gardens, Edgware, Middlesex, told a Hornsey inquest that his wife had never got over the death of their son and daughter-in-law in the crash. She became very depressed.

The crash claimed 346 lives, including 200 British.

Jury sees Stonehouse paintings

THE FAMOUS No. 4 Court at the Old Bailey took on the appearance of an art gallery today for an exhibition of paintings by accused MP John Stonehouse.

The abstract paintings were shown to the jury while consultant psychologist, Lionel Hayward analysed them.

He said he had made a study of paintings by psychiatric patients over 20 years.

Visiting Stonehouse's home in October 1975 he was struck by the paintings on the wall — and learned they were by Stonehouse himself.

He said psychiatric patients painted to obtain relief.

It was common for them to begin with bright colours, yellows and greens, in an attempt to recapture some of the pleasure the outside world originally held for them.

Then they would give vent to their depression and gradually the picture was spoiled by dark or sombre colours, usually dark brown, sometimes black.

This he found in paintings by Stonehouse, and he was interested to learn they were all done before November 1974.

The jury were shown five framed canvasses of varying sizes, one was in bright green with a smudge of black in the centre and a grey circle on one side.

Another canvas — 3ft. by 4ft. — showed large areas of violent red with black splotches.

Anxiety

When this was painted, said Dr. Hayward, the artist was suffering very acute anxiety seen only in psychiatric patients.

If one of his hospital patients produced such a work he would immediately be given extra treatment.

Earlier, the doctor described Stonehouse as being a hysteroid personality.

Michael Corkery, who is leading the case for the Crown, subjected himself to one of the psychological tests undertaken by Stonehouse.



Stonehouse's daughter Jane, due to give evidence

There was laughter in court when Dr. Hayward replied that his score indicated that he was psychotic.

The doctor went on to point out that Corkery took the test knowing in advance what the rating would be, which a patient would not know.

Corkery then questioned the doctor about the distinction between a man who had become emotionally disturbed some years ago, and an extraordinary clever man who had planned a new future with a woman he loved and was discovered at the last minute.

BY NEWSLINE REPORTER

BUILDING societies are getting ready to hit home buyers with a rise in interest rates.

This is clear from the announcement by the Building Societies Association that the cash inflow for June slumped to £131m.

The figure is the lowest since 1974 and well below the levels of over £300m being received in the first four months of the year.

If this trend continues, and there is no evidence that it won't, interest rates will certainly rise before much longer.

The dramatic turn around in the societies' cash inflow has been brought about by the rise in bank interest rates.

This sparked a scramble by the big boys out of building societies into more profitable outlets.

The secretary-general of the Association, Mr Norman Griggs said, 'With interest rates in the economy so high building societies cannot expect to attract so much money as they did earlier in the year.'

And with the pound still declining there is no prospect of a decline in bank interest.

The societies now may lift their rates to record levels of 11½ to 12 per cent in a desperate bid to attract more funds.

While the societies are getting ready to slug home buyers to keep up their profits, they are far from short of cash.

Griggs reported that the societies' liquid funds have been built up to £5,369m.

This is nearly 21 per cent of their total assets.

Last year building societies took in over £9,000m from investors.

DAMAGES AWARD IN ASBESTOS CASE

A 61-year-old Londoner, who contracted the lung disease asbestosis after working with asbestos for many years during the 1930s and 1940s, was awarded £18,000 damages in the High Court today.

James Barwick, of Streimer Road, Stratford, worked at the docks on jobs which involved lagging boilers and pipes with asbestos.

Mr Justice Michael Davies gave judgement, with costs, against five companies who had employed Mr Barwick between 1932 and 1947.

They were: The Asbestos Supply and Covering Co; Kitson's Insulation Contractors Ltd; The Cape Asbestos Co. Ltd; Thames Services (Marine) Ltd., and the London Graving Dock Co Ltd.

FLEET STREET JOURNALISTS WITHHOLD DUES

FLEET STREET journalists are to withhold their union subscriptions from head office after a decision to replace their representative on the Press Council with a newsman from the provinces.

The NEC's decision, taken last month, means that for the first time in the 23-year history of the Press Council, at least one of the four NUJ members will not be from Fleet Street.

The Central London Branch General Secretary, Gordon McLean, said today that the decision was 'one of a long line of insults to Fleet Street in general and Central London in particular.'

The branch has protested that without a Fleet Street representative the Press Council 'could not speak with the necessary knowledge and authority on matters concerning the national press.'

McLean said the NEC's decision to replace Ted Simpson, an Evening Standard sub-editor, by left-winger Mike Bower from Sheffield, was 'for political reasons.'

'It is fairly obvious that there should be a Fleet Street representative since the majority of complaints dealt with by the Press Council concern Fleet Street,' he said. 'My instructions now are to withhold subscriptions until this'



Gordon McLean

ludicrous decision has been reconsidered.'

NUJ General Secretary, Ken Morgan, said he would prefer not to comment until he had heard officially of the Central London branch decision.

Earlier he was reported in the 'Journalist', the union's newspaper, to have pleaded with the NEC to maintain a Fleet Street representative on the Council 'to provide a balance of NUJ interests.'

Morgan said he was aware of concern over the issue and the facts would be reported to the NEC at the next meeting. 'But it is not the prerogative of any branch to withhold subscriptions from their members due to the union's national fund' he added. 'This is not the way to go about it.'

RADIO LOCK-OUT ENDS

TWENTY journalists and broadcasters employed by Radio Trent, Nottingham's commercial radio, were back at work today after a dispute culminating in what they claimed was a three-day lock-out by management.

Part of the dispute was over a grading agreement between unions and management which had been vetoed by the Department of the Environment. The veto remained, said the spokesman.

PAIGNTON — Environment Secretary Peter Shore will face questions today from delegates as the NUR conference over the government's rail transport policy.

Rail MPs have accused the

government of having a bias to privately-owned road transport.

They believe a reshuffle in the transport section of the department heralds policy changes in favour of private hauliers.

Yesterday the Transport and General Workers' Union accused the government of 'complete abdication of its responsibility to the community' over the proposals outlined in the transport consultative

document.

The union said the government's measures would cause hardship and destroy services operating at present without providing an alternative.

SHORE FACES PROBE ON RAIL CUTS

World NewsLine

Gaddafi condemns Syria

TRIPOLI — Libyan leader Muammar Gaddafi yesterday denied any involvement in the recent abortive coup in Sudan.

He said Libya would give only moral support to Arab peoples who opposed their governments.

In an interview with Reuters press agency, he attacked Egypt's President Anwar Sadat and Syria's President Hafez al-Assad, saying the latter had served United States interests by intervening in Lebanon.

Colonel Gaddafi said that they Syrian withdrawal from advanced positions in Lebanon which began on Wednesday was due to the mediation of Libya's Prime Minister Major Abdel-Salam Jalloud.

Speaking at the headquarters of the Libyan Revolutionary Command council of which he is chairman, Colonel Gaddafi said:

'Libya has done what the Arab League was unable to do. The Syrian forces have begun, very slowly, to withdraw.'

'The Libyan soldiers are supervising the disengagement and withdrawal.'

Asked why he thought the Syrians had gone so far into Lebanon, he replied: 'I think it was to do something to satisfy the United States of America because the forces which entered Lebanon aim to hit the progressive nationalist Lebanese movement and the Palestinian movement.'

'We reject this move to serve US interests. You should be assured that the real Rejection Front is made up of the Arab masses

because the regimes are only temporary.'

'Till now the calculations of the colonialists have been

completely erratic and mistaken in the Arab world. They still depend on regimes like Sadat's and on temporary positions and

stands like that now taken by Assad.'

But he added: 'We have not given up hope of Syria.'



Portuguese mercenaries in Angola

Split shaking Spain's Cabinet

THE nine-day old Spanish government is holding a special cabinet meeting today to consider a policy statement from Prime Minister Adolfo Suarez Gonzalez.

i Suarez is said to be calling for a General Election within ten months following his slim majority in the Cortes (parliament) on constitutional reform.

A vote to lift the late dictator Franco's 37-year-old ban on all parties other than fascists was carried by only 245 votes to 175 with 57 abstentions, an overall majority of only 13.

Discipline

The right wing did not accept that a continued ban on parties which 'under international discipline seek to set up a totalitarian regime' was specific enough against the Communist Party.

But Suarez and his supporters feel they need the Stalinists to hold back the Spanish working class.

The Prime Minister hinted in Paris this week that he would talk to 'any Spaniard, whatever his political views'.

There is a split in the crisis-ridden Spanish ruling class, with the old fascists resisting any reform and the Suarez wing hoping to win the backing of the workers' leaders to sustain capitalism.

Only one-fifth of the 565 members of the present Cortes were elected directly and Suarez may be hoping that new elections would weaken the old-guard, ultra-right and strengthen his class-collaboration policies.

Today's Cabinet meeting will discuss demands for a political amnesty — an issue which brought tens of thousands of demonstrators onto the streets last weekend and led to a city-wide General Strike in Bilbao.

There is unlikely to be a general amnesty that would cover guerrillas of

the Basque separatist organisation, ETA.

But there could be release of prisoners held for political offences such as illegal association.

There are said to be 636 political prisoners in Spanish jails for such offences, committed when all political meetings and non-fascist parties were prohibited.

Ferocity

The shaky government, however, faces danger on both fronts.

One is the fascists who want the Franco regime back in all its ferocity.

The other, more serious, danger is the working class and poor peasantry.

Becoming daily more confident of its own strength, this class force could be too much for the Stalinists to restrain.

PORTUGAL BANS SOLDIERS OF FORTUNE

LISBON — The Portuguese Interior Ministry yesterday said that the recruitment of mercenaries in Portugal was illegal.

A Ministry statement said there had been reports of certain individuals trying to recruit Portuguese citizens for military service in foreign countries and that such activity was punishable under Portuguese law.

Lisbon newspapers reported recently that former members of Portugal's colonial army had been approached by strangers in the city centre and invited to go to Rhodesia as mercenaries.

**WORKERS CAN
ANSWER THE
'BANANA SKIN'
COUP — page 6**

CANBERRA — Australia's new family law courts are now processing divorces at the rate of more than 1,000 a week, according to Attorney-General Robert Ellicott.

He says that since the courts began operating in January, they have granted about 16,400 divorces — about half the applications before them.

The speeded-up divorces follow the legislation which stated that the only ground necessary for divorce was a one-year separation.

One way ticket for Amalrik

AMSTERDAM — Dissident Soviet historian Andrei Amalrik arrived in Amsterdam yesterday from Moscow after being issued with a one-way Soviet exit visa.

Amalrik, 37, was accompanied on the Soviet Aeroflot flight by his wife Gyuzel, a 33-year-old painter.

Holland's Utrecht university has invited Amalrik to study at the university, but officials

said they did not know whether he would accept the offer.

At Moscow airport, Amalrik told a group of friends before leaving that he expected to return to the Soviet Union.

NO DROUGHT HERE

PEKING — While Europe battles against drought, north China is having its wettest summer for years. A torrential

downpour in early June ended months of drought and since then there has been frequent rain.

WORKERS REVOLUTIONARY PARTY

EDUCATION CENTRE

White Meadows, Derbyshire



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

The Workers Revolutionary Party is the only Party in the labour movement with an education centre open 50 weeks in each year for the purpose of teaching Marxist philosophy, economics and history.

WHITE MEADOWS has full time lecturers. It features unique opportunities for leisure and study in a modern lecture hall with a library providing good reading facilities.

It also offers excellent food, fine walks and trips around the neighbouring countryside, which boasts the finest scenery, big safe grounds, comfortable dormitories fully equipped with good bunk beds and showers.

It is fully centrally heated, enjoys complete fire protection from an up-to-date alarm system and has continuous hot water.

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WORKERS CAN ANSWER 'BANANA SKIN' COUP

SPINOLA'S MEN TAKE TOP POSTS

BY JACK GALE

GENERAL Antonio Ramalho Eanes was appointed Chief of Staff of the Portuguese Armed Forces yesterday, after having been sworn in as the country's President.

He was named to the post at a meeting of the 19-man Military Council of the Revolution — which he chaired — in succession to his predecessor as President, General Francisco da Costa Gomes.

In his first speech at President, Eanes said that 'austerity' was needed to solve Portugal's economic

problems.

Brigadier Vasco Rocha Vieira takes over as Chief of Staff of the Army today, the post to which Eanes was appointed last December after suppressing a so-called 'left-wing coup attempt'.

Vieira is a right-winger who assisted Eanes — then a mere Lieutenant-Colonel — to suppress the left last November.

A report of a government investigation into the 'coup attempt', published earlier this week, accused Major Otelo Saraiva de Carvalho of promoting the short-lived 'military rebellion' of

left-wing soldiers.

This means Carvalho could be court-martialled for insurrection.

It is now completely clear that last November's incident was an irresponsible adventure, which left its participants in a right-wing trap.

It is a common boast among right-wing officers that Eanes and his supporters 'dropped the banana skins on which the left skidded'.

Carvalho is the hero of groups like the PRP — the organisation supported by the International Socialism group in this country.



SPINOLA... still waiting in the wings

The rise of officers like Eanes and Vieira — supporters of the ex-president Spinola — is a serious warning to the working class.

They are intended to be used by incoming Socialist Party Prime Minister Mario Soares to discipline the working class. They could end up disciplining Soares as well.



CARVALHO... Court-martial for November adventure

Already there is talk in Portugal that the exiled rightist General Spinola could be back in the country by the end of this month.

This possibility is strengthened by the emergence from the shadows of Lieutenant-Colonel Mario Firmino Miguel, who could figure both in Soares' Cabinet

and in Eanes' personal military staff.

Miguel was Minister of Defence in the first government formed by Spinola after fascism was brought down in 1974.

Spinola later tried to have him made Prime Minister.

He was head of military operations under Spinola in Guinea-Bissau during the colonial wars, and worked hand in hand with Eanes during the November intrigues last year.

His renewed rise to eminence, together with that of Eanes and Vieira, means three leading positions in Portugal are now held by leading Spinola men.

However, there is still one thing lacking before the right can claim complete success.

They have not succeeded in crushing the workers and poor peasants of Portugal who will not lightly give up the gains they won when they overthrew nearly 50 years of fascism.

MANLEY KEEPS IT TOUGH

KINGSTON — Jamaica's state of emergency laws are to be extended for another 100 days.

The House of Representatives has voted for the extension after Security Minister Keeble Munn claimed the emergency measures had successfully cut down violence.

Munn reported that since the emergency was declared on June 19, 1,017 people had been detained and 219 were charged with various offences.

Among 87 people still detained were 24 members

ANOTHER 100 DAYS SIEGE

of the opposition Labour Party, and 16 government supporters.

In a heated debate, Roy McNeill of the Labour Party (which in Jamaica is really more of a Tory party, representing business interests) said his party favoured the state of emergency in principle.

But he doubted the People's National Party (PNP) government's integrity as so many JLP members had been detained.

He thought the extension was too long.

The three opposition members in the House

didn't vote.

The state of emergency was declared after a series of shootings of policemen, intimidation of workers and burnings of houses.

The background to the violence is the chronic unemployment and poverty on the island, and the desperate unrest among poor urban youth.

There was also evidence that right-wing opponents of the Manley government were exploiting the situation and organising some of the violence.

Labour Party leaders were preaching the need for 'law and order' in

public.

But some of them were privately arming groups of youth for terrorist activity, it is alleged.

The opposition was bringing in money and guns from America.

It has also been alleged that the American CIA, displeased with Jamaica's growing relations with Cuba, is out to 'destabilise' the Manley government.

Manley's emergency measures to strengthen the state's powers fail to deal with the cause of the situation.

But they are a double-edged weapon, which could be turned easily into means of repression of the working class.



Anti-Kerr demonstration in Melbourne

The Queen calls in

Mr Frazer

CANBERRA — Australian Tory premier Malcolm Fraser has rescheduled his visit to North America next week in order to include a special meeting with the Queen in Montreal, where she is attending the Olympics.

Fraser was to have left for Washington on July 24, to see US President Ford, but he will now leave Australia two days earlier.

The change was announced yesterday morning, after a late night phone call to Fraser from Buckingham Palace.

The meeting is to take place on board the Royal Yacht Britannia, moored in the St Lawrence River, on Friday, July 23.

No reason has been given for the meeting.

However, it is noted here that it comes after a brief meeting between the Queen and Labour Opposition leader Gough Whitlam in London.

There is also continuing hostility to the Fraser government from the Australian working class, expressed in Monday's General Strike over defence of the Medibank

health scheme.

Much of the hostility has been directed, through militant demonstrations, at Governor-General Sir Richard Kerr, who is the Queen's representative in Australia.

It was Kerr who dismissed the Labour government in the notorious 'Canberra Coup' last year.

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

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

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

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

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

Copies are available now at the Paperbacks Centre, 28 Charlotte Street, London W1. £3.

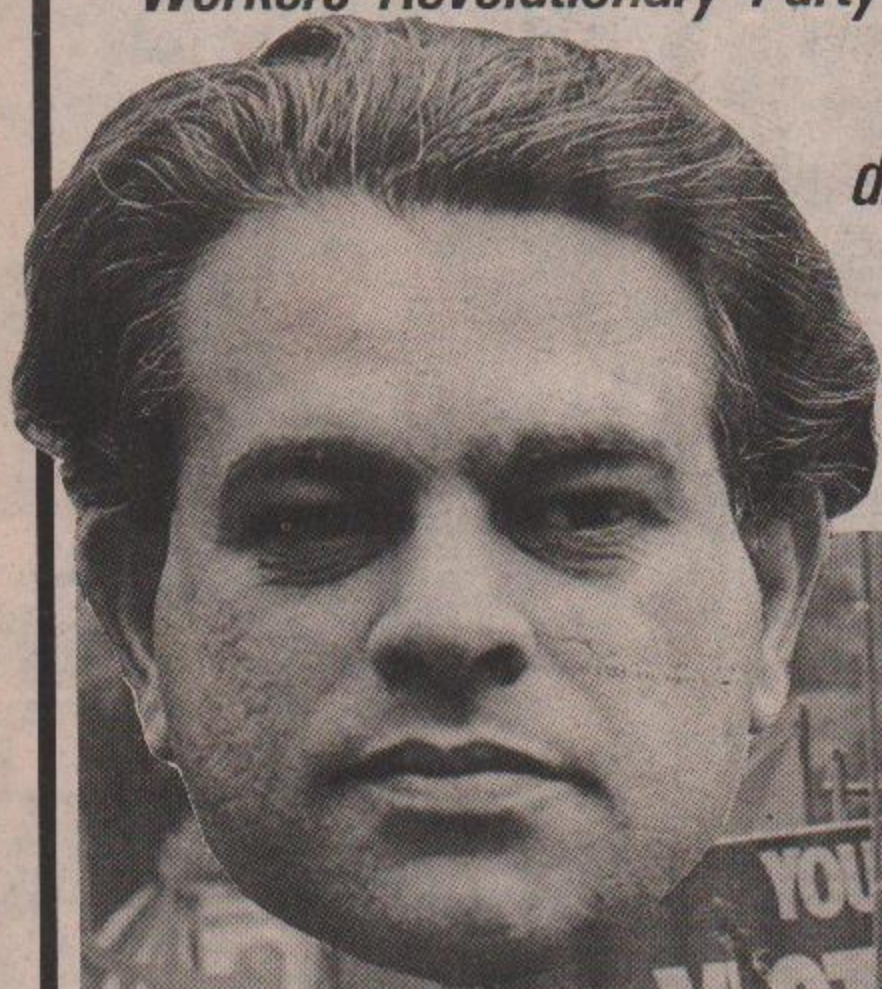
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HOW THE GPU MURDERED TROTSKY



Workers Revolutionary Party general secretary Michael Banda writes on the Draft Resolution on Perspectives submitted for discussion to WRP members and supporters and readers of the News Line before the Party's Second Annual Conference on Saturday, Sunday and Monday, August 28, 29 and 30, 1976



WORKERS REVOLUTIONARY PARTY
& YOUNG SOCIALISTS
SYRIA:
HANDS OFF THE LEBANON
VICTORY TO THE PLO
BUILD THE
INTERNATIONAL
COMMITTEE
THE 4th
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WRP and YS members demonstrate against Syrian intervention in the Lebanon

THE DISCUSSION BEGINS

WORLD events and the worsening of Britain's economic crisis are giving a fresh impetus to the two most vital conclusions of the Draft Perspectives submitted by the Central Committee of the Workers Revolutionary Party for discussion for its second conference.

The first of these is the universal aggravation of social contradictions and political conflicts which is transforming the post-war boom into irreversible slump and civil war.

The second is the urgent necessity of preparing the struggle for power in Britain by forcing the Labour government to resign.

Everywhere the ruling capitalist class is either installing military and police-Bonapartist dictatorships or making concerted preparations to undermine and overthrow the organisations of the working class in order to force the crushing burdens of the slump on the backs of

the working class and peasantry.

Nowhere is this trend more pronounced than in the Lebanon, the cockpit of imperialist intrigue and diversion.

Reversal

Here the heroic struggles of the Palestinian and Lebanese workers and peasants against the Maronite-Zionist-Syrian axis has revealed in the bloodiest possible way the determination of the Lebanese and Syrian ruling classes to smash any attempt even to reform the

social and political structure of Lebanon and strengthen the position of the Palestinian liberation forces.

The sudden change of Syrian policy toward the Palestinian Liberation Organisation is not the product of Assad's capricious temperament.

This brutal reversal of policy can be explained only by the severity of the slump which has made the Syrian bourgeoisie extremely sensitive to the slightest movement of the Arab masses.

In this context any success for any section of the Arab peoples immediately diminishes the prospect of a financial and diplomatic deal with imperialism and threatens the precarious political equilibrium in Syria, principally the domination of the Baath party.

But this is not a peculiarity of Syrian capitalism. The Lebanon only concentrates in a more bloody fashion the general features of world capitalist decline which expresses itself in a different form in Britain — at present.

Nevertheless the decisions of the Puerto Rico Conference (June 27 and 28) to save sterling by slashing public expenditure, cutting wages and destroying millions of jobs cannot delay any more the explosion of social forces in the oldest and most backward of imperialist nations. The Lebanese bell tolls for Britain too.

Firmness

The Draft Perspectives, for this reason, start with the crisis and the preparations of the party leadership to found and build the revolutionary party. Whereas the revisionists debated endlessly whether the time was ripe for such a party — they are still discussing it six years after — the Workers Revolutionary Party leadership did not hesitate, but proceeded with Bolshevik firmness and confidence to found the Party in November 1973.

This was the most decisive test of the correctness of our theoretical analysis and political

perspective. It was only through the practice of building and transforming the Socialist Labour League and the Workers Revolutionary Party that the Party has been able to grasp the essence of the political and economic crisis as the manifestation of the universal crisis of imperialism.

As the draft explains, the peculiarities of Britain's decline are a specific expression of the world-wide conflict of productive forces against the property relations of capitalism and the national state.

This contradiction expresses itself characteristically in the world-wide tendency of the falling rate of profit and the effects of the measures taken by monopoly capital to counteract this by an unprecedented increase of credit and fictitious accumulation of capital.

These measures are the chief source of the uncontrolled inflation which has ravaged currencies throughout the world and now threatens to precipitate a banking crash far worse than 1929.

As the Draft explains: A huge accumulated debt exists throughout the capitalist world which can neither be paid off or refinanced as it becomes due.

Inflation

The creation of this 'Debt Economy' was based upon the expectation of a rising rate of profit and the uninterrupted expansion of world economy stimulated by credit.

But the irreversible trend of a falling profit rate and uncontrolled inflation have increased the need to borrow, while simultaneously slashing the share of income available to pay debts.

What this means in concrete terms is graphically illustrated in the fate of Maritime Fuel Carriers, the shipping giant which has tied up a third of

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The founding conference of the WRP, November 1973

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Britain's shipbuilding capacity with over £300m worth of orders.

Yet the unique feature of this company was that it did not possess a penny worth of equity capital! Every one of the 49 ships ordered was financed entirely out of loan capital generously provided by the British government and the foreign bankers.

The massive interest charges and the short maturity periods of the loans incurred by the company meant that when the slump hit shipbuilding in 1975 MFC could not possibly survive because the chief creditors, the banks, refused to grant MFC a moratorium on their loans or any concessions on the deferment of interest payments or the extension of maturity on the loans.

This was the lesson too of the secondary banks who dealt in the property market in the same way as MFC dealt in ships.

The case for an investigation of British big business by the trade unions is overwhelming and irrefutable. The so-called unacceptable face of capitalism is not the exception but the rule.

Every aspect of the system

from the foreign exchange transactions of the Bank of England to the management of pension funds, secondary banks, brokerage houses and other less reputable enterprises are permeated with the stench of graft, fraud and unashamed venality.

Both government and big business share the same philosophy. Remember Callaghan, speaking for the Labour government, glorifies the mercenary principle in war and Angus Ogilvy, representing big business, defends the same odious principle in business.

Parasitism

So if the Labour leaders shy away from an investigation into the murky depths of big business, it is only to avoid the inescapable conclusion that this form of parasitism can and will be suppressed only with the nationalisation under workers' control of all business.

The scandal of Lorrho gives a new dimension to the parasitism of British capitalism and

reveals with some clarity its enormous weakness.

If sanctions against Smith had been enforced they would have hurt bankrupt British capitalism as much or more than the Rhodesian economy. Again in the words of the Draft:

'The strength of British capitalism in the past rested upon the possession of a vast colonial and semi-colonial Empire.

'This afforded an area for the export of capital from the City of London on a huge scale which brought in a regular stream of super-profits. These were used to obscure the long-run decline of British imperialism.

'The Empire not only provided a market for British goods, but also cheap sources of food for the British working class.

'All these supports have now disappeared. Now all the historical forces of the world capitalist economy bear down on Britain. It is these forces which are providing the basis for the transformation of all political relationships in Britain and for the enormous acceleration of the class struggle.'

British capitalism is not dead

— it is decomposing. To prevent this decomposition is the unenviable and certainly hopeless task entrusted to the Labour government by British bankers and industrialists.

Since all previous expedients to postpone the crisis no longer work, the Labour government is forced to carry out a form of economic cannibalism.

It must ruthlessly cut public expenditure in order to divert money to prop up bankrupt private industry. Yet the latter is so heavily indebted that it has neither the desire nor resources to carry out an investment programme calculated to guarantee a modicum of growth.

The least that can be said about this policy is that it has truly revolutionary implications for the working class.

Already the attack on basic democratic rights has become a full-scale offensive, which reached a high point with the police raid on the education centre of the WRP in Derbyshire. This was indubitably an attempt to intimidate the WRP and smear its leadership.

But, as the Draft document states: 'The Workers Revolutionary Party acted

immediately. The Party rallied unions representing over 3 million workers to the defence of our basic rights.'

Thanks to this support, the Party, effectively protected its right to be treated as a legitimate political party of the working class.

Attack

This attack was and is inseparable from the deprivation of the right to collective bargaining; the military-police manoeuvres begun by the Tories, and intimidation of Irish workers by the Anti-Terrorism Act.

The Draft leaves us in no doubt that these measures together with the growth of racism and the increased activities of the fascist groups are creating conditions for the growth of anti-parliamentary trends in the petty-bourgeoisie.

These anti-parliamentary feelings in turn nourish the Bonapartist ambitions of the bourgeoisie. The continuation of the rump Labour government and its prostration before foreign bankers and native monopolies alienates the

middle-class and guarantees that such trends will grow in the coming period.

'Democracy is only a political form. The petty bourgeoisie is not concerned with the shell but with the kernel. It wants to save itself from misery and ruin. If democracy proves impotent — then to the devil with democracy! Every petty bourgeois reasons or feels this way.' (Trotsky 'Whither France' New Park Publications, p.11)

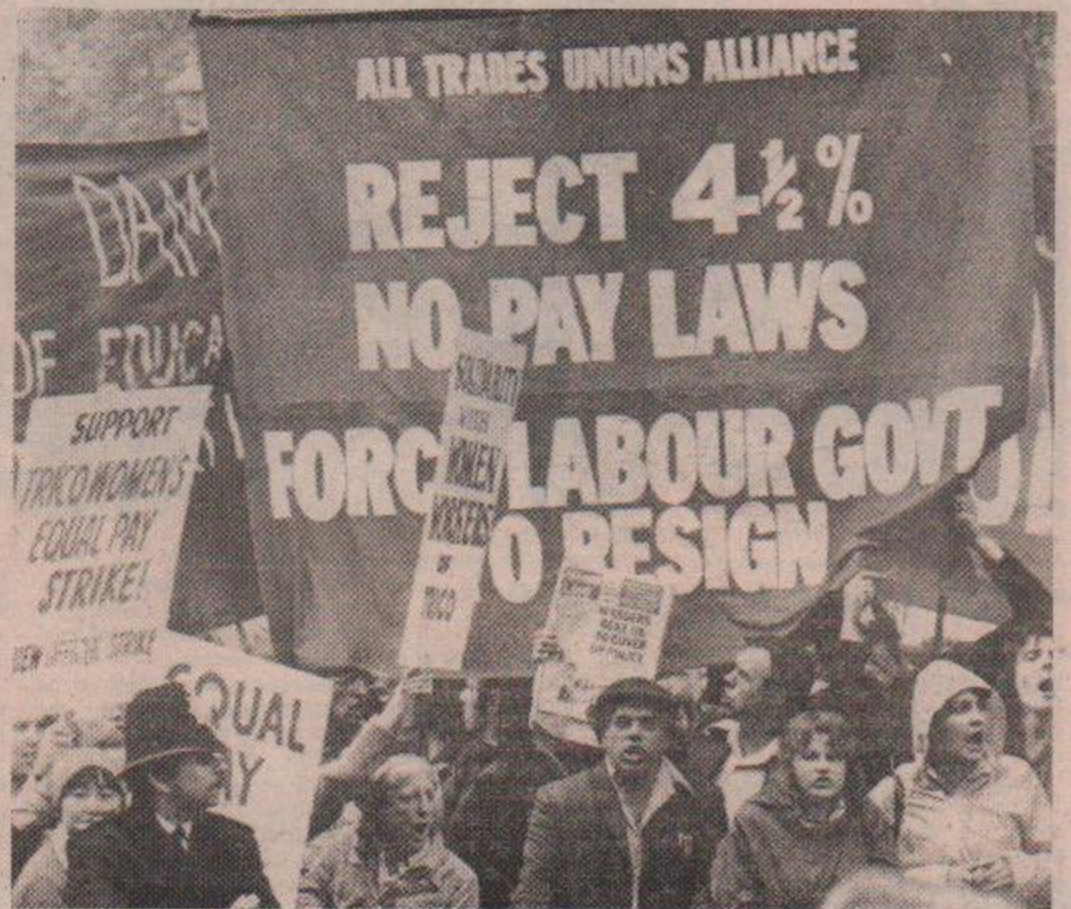
Likewise the slavish attitude of the corporatist union leaders to government wage-cutting is the greatest incitement to the fascists who blame inflation on the unions and, just as falsely, ascribe unemployment to immigrant workers.

The premise has been clearly established and the conclusion is unquestionably obvious: the working class must be freed from reformism and its enormous strength unleashed by forcing the Callaghan government to resign. Any other policy would inevitably reduce the WRP to the role of ventriloquist's dummy for Callaghan and Jones.

Can such a policy be realised



Demonstration against the police raid on the WRP education centre



Lobby of the special TUC

in practice? The Draft replies unequivocally Yes!

Our policy was derived from a long practical experience and theoretical analysis of the contradiction between the political unpreparedness of the working class, saddled with a reformist tradition and an insular, conservative outlook, and the advanced stage of imperialist decay which forces the working class to take the revolutionary road even without a prepared programme of action.

For the Workers Revolutionary Party what is decisive is the 'advanced stage of decay' of imperialism which constitutes the *Being* of the working class, for the Workers Socialist League and International Marxist Group revisionists, what is decisive is the bourgeois consciousness of the workers which they claim cannot be changed but must be adapted to.

The Labour government can and will be brought down, but only by those who implacably oppose the farce of bourgeois democracy and who place their confidence in the capacity of the working class to institute its own

forms of class rule under a revolutionary leadership.

Let us return to the Draft: 'The defence of workers' basic democratic rights and the defence of bourgeois democracy are irreconcilably opposed.'

'The first road leads to the building of an independent revolutionary leadership, the creation of workers' councils and a workers' militia... The second road... leads directly to the disarming of the workers and the establishment of fascist and military dictatorships, as in Chile and Argentina.' (p.5 col. 4)

Power

Does this mean that the WRP is oblivious to the tactical uses of parliament? On the contrary the Party will use any forum however restricted to expose the fraud of parliament but... it does not base its strategy on the swindling arithmetic of parliamentary representation.

The Party's strategy is derived from the nature of the imperialist epoch which demands the preparation of the struggle for power.

Neither the Tories nor the Labour leaders want a General

Election. Despite the mace wielding and name calling in parliament, the Tories, as Heath proved last Wednesday in the Commons, have no intention of embarrassing Labour and ruining the pound.

As the Draft makes clear the *de facto* coalition in parliament will soon be replaced by a formal one.

In the meantime the government opens the door to the militarists. The revelations of Lomrho's boss 'Tiny' Rowland about Labour's relations with South African and Rhodesian security services not only explain Callaghan's sympathy for the Angolan mercenaries, but also show the sinister lengths which the right wing will go to defend themselves from the colonial and metropolitan working class. We have certainly been warned.

The betrayal of the right to collective bargaining by the TUC and the Labour government means, contrary to the grotesque assurances of Jack Jones, that there can be no return to collective bargaining under this reactionary regime. The Draft is absolutely right when it states:

'British social democracy is

now treading in the footsteps of the openly counter-revolutionary German social-democratic leadership of 1918-1919.'

As for the trade union leaders the Draft's assessment is as accurate as it is timely: 'The union bureaucrats are the open policemen of the monopolies in cutting wages and increasing speed-up. They will inevitably collide with the struggles of millions of workers who will refuse to accept the destruction of living standards.'

One important consequence of the rightward trend of the TUC is that it has blown the political cover of every revisionist and Stalinist. This was only too evident on the June 16 TUC lobby when the Stalinists failed, predictably, to turn up and the IS were left to defend the credibility of the government.

In analysing the corporatist trends within the bureaucracy the Draft brings out the sustained record of principled struggle waged by the Socialist Labour League against this menace from the early days of the 1964 Labour government.

Economic slump, like revolution and war, mercilessly exposes the inconsistency and

cowardice of centrism. One striking example which comes to mind is Lord Brockway, one-time radical and self-styled 'Member for Africa' who now unashamedly adds his protest to the general chorus of right-wing Labour, Tory, fascist and racist opposition to the execution of white mercenaries in Angola.

Hostages

Whether under the leadership of Sydney Bidwell or Arthur Latham, the 'Tribune' centrists are impotent hostages of the Labour government and are rapidly becoming an object of pity, ridicule and contempt.

The Draft succinctly pinpoints the dilemma of the 'Tribune'ites:

'The centrists are continually haunted by the fear of unleashing a social force which they cannot control... No matter how much the 'Tribune'-ite lefts try to ingratiate themselves with Callaghan, the trend of the government is inexorably to the right and towards coalition.'

The lefts will be forced to

split from the right but on the most confused programme.

The Draft's analysis establishes clearly the rightward trend of Stalinism and its mortal hostility to world revolution. It also shows the enormous centrifugal forces which are tearing Stalinism apart. The Berlin conference of Communist Parties did not resolve any of the outstanding differences between Moscow, Rome and Paris. It only legitimised them.

In the Middle East, the openly counter-revolutionary role of Stalinism ensures the destruction of the refugee camps and the betrayal of Palestinian hopes for self-determination. As the Draft states:

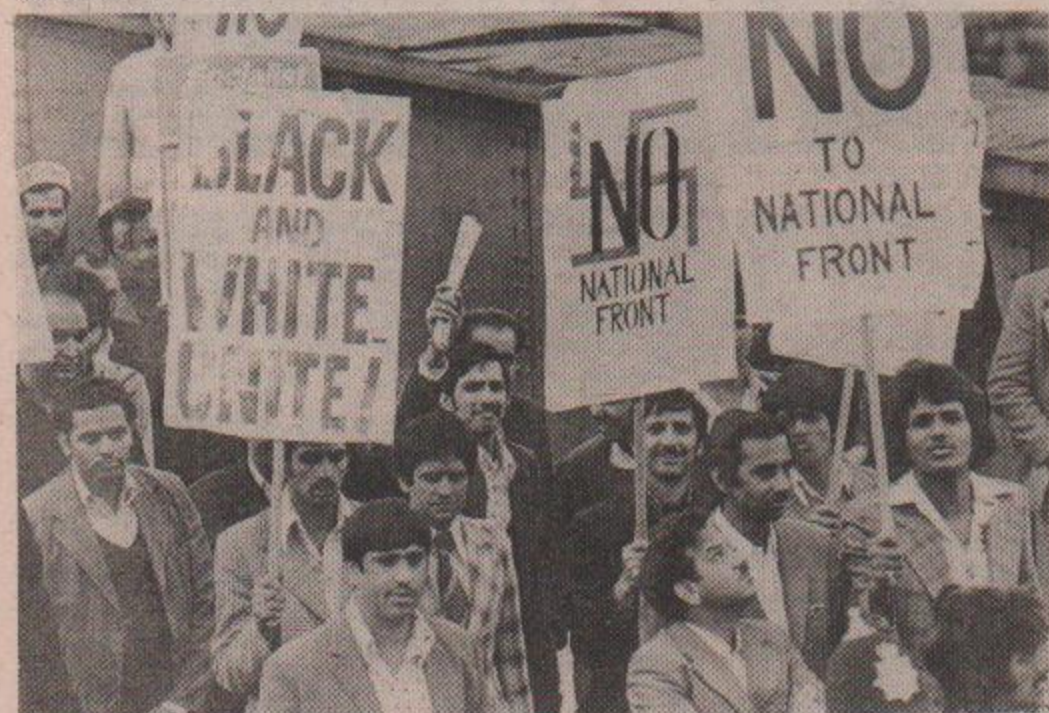
'Peaceful co-existence has become a synonym for bloody civil war and the brutal repression and massacre of working class families by Falangist fascists and the Syrian army.'

But it is in western Europe that the greatest danger lies. The social patriotic degeneration of the West European

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Tiny Rowland with the Lonrho board



Demonstration against racism



Denis Healey leaves Transport House after outlining his cuts plans to the TUC

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Communist Parties now leads them to openly embrace NATO and prepare the betrayal of the working class under the banner of the 'historic compromise'.

The policies of the Soviet and Peking bureaucracies undermine the defence of these deformed workers' states and facilitate the war preparations of the imperialists because of the political disorientation they create in the minds of millions of workers.

The Draft recognises that Stalinism cannot be reformed but must be smashed through the building of the International Committee of the Fourth International.

This is a seminal point in the Workers Revolutionary Party's perspective because it involves the historic struggle against Pabloite revisionism. The revisionist's basic premise is the possibility, nay inevitability, of the self-reform of the bureaucracy.

Prognosis

This prognosis clearly abandons the Trotskyist conception that the Soviet Union, being a degenerated workers' state, can only be regenerated by the political revolution within the USSR against the bureaucracy, and the extension of the socialist revolution into the West.

The Pabloite revisionists not only reject the revolutionary role of the Soviet working class, they also provide the theoretical framework for the liquidation of the revolutionary party and the International.

The Draft correctly warns of the danger of imperialist attack against the USSR, China and eastern Europe and rejects outright the fraud of detente.

'The struggle for peace is inseparable from the struggle to overthrow imperialism and defend unconditionally the property relations of the deformed workers' states.' (p. 8, col. 5)

As on the USSR, the Marxist analysis and perspective can only develop through an uncompromising struggle against the method and outlook of the revisionists.

Whatever differences divide the revisionist groups they all share the same philosophy — subjective idealism. This method implies a profound scepticism about man's unity and conflict with nature and questions the fact that man, through his senses and his practice, can correctly comprehend the material world and thereby change it. The result of this reactionary doctrine is not science but mysticism and the cult of the infallible 'guru', not revolutionary organisation but liquidation and prostration before the bourgeoisie.

This brings us to the most important section of the Draft which deals with the Party's practice of cognition. (p. 10). Basing itself on the fundamental premise of Marxism that Being determines consciousness and that consciousness is a reflection of Being, i.e. the economic crisis underlying the

class struggle, cannot be comprehended by superficial impressions and external comparisons.

Being can only be comprehended through the determinate knowledge of its essence.

This requires a practice of cognition involving perception, abstraction, and practice. It is this mediated knowledge which, incomplete and partial and however arduous and protracted its acquisition, is the only true knowledge. It cannot be replaced by inspired guesses and subjective pre-conceptions.

Practice

As the Draft shows, it is this practice which distinguishes the Workers Revolutionary Party from the pragmatic method of the revisionists who confuse the form of the class struggle with its material content and end up distorting the role of the bureaucracy and revising the character of the epoch.

The Draft correctly emphasizes the importance of attracting youth and students to the Party. The success of the first international youth conference in London 1975 showed the enormous potential of the new generation of youth, radicalised by the world slump and unaffected by the defeats of the past.

'This generation will not be choked in the swamp of Popular Frontism but can be trained and assimilated into the revolutionary party within the biggest crisis capitalism has yet experienced.' (p. 10, col. 3). But the Draft also points out the necessity to fight against the

radical careerism of students and against the anti-theory spontaneity worship of the International Socialists.

Similarly the struggle to build the Young Socialists — the most important task facing the Party — and its paper, is essentially a struggle against any tendency to pander to political backwardness.

'The development of the YS and student work is inextricably linked to the development of The News Line.'

It is now necessary to make the transformation from the quality of the work of our paper in that period into the quantity of a mass paper selling tens of thousands (and then hundreds of thousands) of copies a day, and utilising every avenue for circulation and finance.

In turn, this quantity will be transformed into a new quality on a higher level through greater knowledge, contacts, penetration of the working class through sales, reporting and recruitment and a deeper understanding of its development.' (p. 10, col. 6).

Recruitment is the life blood of the Party and the changes advocated in the section on the Party are extremely timely and correct. The impetus gained in 1971, 1973 and again during the police raid on the education centre must be sustained through 1976.

We must recruit from all sections of workers. This applies equally to the All Trades Unions Alliance and Young Socialists without which the struggle in the unions for a new revolutionary leadership cannot be conducted.

In the training of new cadres of Trotskyism the Workers Revolutionary Party pays special attention to the questions

of security and to the measures of the state to penetrate political organisations and create provocations and conduct electronic surveillance.

The investigation 'Security and the Fourth International' — now published in a large format book* — is a profound contribution to the task of protecting the International and its cadres from the GPU (the secret police in the Soviet Union) and its revisionist accomplices.

The refusal of the revisionists in the USA and their accomplices in Britain and Europe to hold an investigation into the charges made by the International Committee of the Fourth International is the greatest possible indictment of the criminal record of revisionism throughout the world.

Confidence

One of the finest achievements of the Workers Revolutionary Party and the International Committee of the Fourth International has been the setting up of a permanent education centre in 1975. No longer dependent on the vagaries of wind, sun and rain, the Party's education has been put on a systematic and planned all-year-through basis enabling the Party's cadre training department to follow through in a thorough fashion every difference in method and relate these differences to problems of Party development.

* How the GPU Murdered Trotsky. Price £3.

The Draft concludes on a note of invincible revolutionary confidence and optimism and completely rejects the scepticism of the petty-bourgeois revisionists.

'The necessity of the socialist revolution is a world necessity. The struggle in Britain must be fought on the platform and programme of the world party of socialist revolution.'

Outlining the huge defeats suffered by US and world imperialism, the Draft states:

'Today, imperialism is forced to undertake its barbaric plans under conditions vastly different from those prevalent in the 1930s and 1940s.'

Corresponding to this perspective, the Draft outlines a revolutionary policy for bringing down the government and laying the basis for the creation of a workers' state and a planned economy.

These demands include nationalisation of the banks, land and industry without compensation and under workers' control; full support to the national liberation movements in Africa, Asia, Latin America and the Mid-East; immediate withdrawal of British troops from Ulster; quitting the Common Market; a socialist United States of Europe; the abolition of all anti-working class legislation; restoration of the right to collective bargaining; opposing fascism by organising workers' defence squads; smashing the state pay laws; a sliding scale of wages and hours; factory occupations as the answer to redundancies, and the opening of the books as a step towards workers' control and planned economy.

HOUSING DEPARTMENT LOBBIED



BARRICADES UP!

BARRICADES have been erected in Villa Road, Brixton, as 120 squatters wait for bailiffs to arrive to implement eviction orders granted by Lambeth County Court.

Impregnable

The squatters, who are working flat out to make their council-owned homes impregnable, say they will refuse to budge. They hold meetings daily to plan their resistance.

Lambeth council wants to demolish several streets in the area, including Villa Road, to make way, it says

Lambeth squatters prepare to meet the bailiffs

for a park.

But the squatters don't trust the council to carry out their plans, which have already been condemned by local tenants and a trades council inquiry.

Lambeth council recently adopted a new policy to deal with the borough's

homeless, and the occupants of Villa Road's empty houses think that they are the test case in the council's campaign against squatting.

Last week, 25 of them barricaded themselves inside the council's housing department, demanding

that all eviction proceedings be dropped.

They left only when the Director of Housing agreed to negotiate on their demand to be rehoused.

That success, however, has not made the squatters drop their guard.

They are still preparing for the arrival of the bailiffs at any time.

Wreck

Meanwhile, the council continues to wreck flats as soon as tenants move out, to ensure that the number of squatters in the borough — now more than 1,200 — is not swelled still further.

Jobless spread thicker and evenly

BY NEWSLINE REPORTER

THE Manpower Services Commission warned yesterday that 'several major industries seem likely to reduce their manpower

requirements in the next few years'.

The gloomy prediction was contained in the Commission's annual report.

Unemployment is now more uniformly distributed throughout the country than at

the last peak in 1972, with craft and similar occupations occupying a higher proportion of the total than in the past.

Young people have been hit hardest.

At the beginning of 1976 there were 225,000 people under 20

registered for work with the Employment Service agency of the Careers Service.

These included nearly 40,000 school-leavers who have never had a job and over 30,000 who have been unemployed for more than six months.

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**SUPPORT PLO AND LEBANESE
WORKING CLASS
WITHDRAWAL OF SYRIAN TROOPS**

Wednesday July 21, 9.30 a.m.
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Charing Cross, Glasgow

We, the undersigned trade unionists, condemn the military occupation of the Lebanon by the Syrian armed forces. We condemn the conspiracy of the right-wing Maronite regime, the Syrian Baathists, the Israel Zionists and the forces of international imperialism, aided by the 'peaceful co-existence' Stalinists in Moscow, to crush the Lebanese workers and peasants and the struggle for Palestine self-determination.

We salute the heroic struggle of the Palestinian Liberation Organisation and the Lebanese workers and peasants, which is now at a critical stage. The bombing of the refugee camps, which began with the massacre of non-combatants in a Beirut suburb in April 1975 and has reached a new stage of barbarism in the assaults on the Tel al-Zaatar refugee camp in east Beirut, shows that the Falangists and their Baathist-Zionist-imperialist allies will stop at nothing to defeat the Arab revolution.

We condemn the Labour government's connivance with US imperialism. We call on the TUC, the STUC, every trade union, Labour Party branch and factory organisation to demand that all shipments of goods to Syria be stopped and all Syrian transport in the UK be blacked until the Syrian troops are withdrawn.

Flood the Syrian embassy in London and the General Union of Syrian Workers and Trade Unions in Damascus with resolutions demanding the Syrian troops withdraw.

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Clamp on free train travel

BRITISH Rail has had to stop its management and officers using free first class travel tickets on some trains because they are 'causing overcrowding'.

The board has told the National Union of Railwaymen that there is 'growing evidence' of a need for a reduction in staff first class travel from a commercial point of view.

In a letter, it said, 'any extension of first class travel to a substantial number of staff would almost certainly bring adverse public reaction.'

The letter from British Rail followed a move last summer, to get first class facilities for staff with 20 or more years service in

the supervisory and clerical grades.

The board replied, 'The number of staff already eligible for first class travel facilities was causing overcrowding to the extent that restrictions had to be imposed on some services.'

'They could not contemplate any improvement in the present

arrangements for granting first class travel facilities to staff.'

The problem has been accentuated because of fewer first class carriages being available and a greater number of staff pushing up into the management salary ranges. British Rail stopped giving first class facilities to new higher grade supervisors eight years ago.

The NUR's executive has 'noted' the board's reply but an appeal against the 'noting' is expected to take place at the union's annual conference at Paignton next week.

At the conference today the union backed demands for free travel at all times for staff and

free passes for retired members.

At present wages staff get up to seven free holiday passes — depending on length of service — a year.

Those in the London area get free travel to and from work up to 12 miles, and those outside free travel up to eight miles.

Alan Norman of Milton Keynes said it would be an important concession because many members lived outside cities now.

Many hundreds of thousands outside the railway industry received free travel to and from their place of work.

Railmen were well down the league.

DOCKERS BLOCKADE CHANNEL FERRY

PLYMOUTH — Dockers blockaded a cross-Channel ferry, 'Pen Ar Bed', here yesterday when they drove tractors onto the loading ramp.

The dockers allowed passengers to disembark but prevented freight vehicles being unloaded and stopped vehicles being driven on to the ferry for the return journey to France.

The dockers are in dispute because the move to switch the ferry to the Portsmouth-St Malo run will cut their wages as the

firm's operations from Plymouth will be reduced by half.

The crew of the 'Pen Ar Bed' have threatened to walk off if the run is changed as they mostly live in the Roscoff (Britanny) area and they say there will be no compensation for them being separated from their families.

NEW LAW ON COMPANY OFFICERS

THE GOVERNMENT plans to make it a criminal offence for officers of a company deliberately to give misleading information to auditors. Trade Under-Secretary Stanley Clinton Davis told MPs yesterday.

The move is being made in the light of recommendations made by inspectors in their report on London and County Securities, he told the Commons committee considering the Companies (No. 2) Bill.

Davis said he intended to put forward a new clause on this subject later in the committee stage of the Bill which tightens up the law on the filing of company accounts and strengthens the position of auditors.

He said the present law preventing the officers of a company deliberately giving false information to the auditor did not go far enough.

MP moves on fringe bank licenses

AN MP called today for proper facilities to be available for people who want to object to the granting of licences to secondary banks under the consumer credit act.

John Lee, Labour MP for Birmingham Handsworth, made his plea in a letter to John Fraser, Minister of State for Prices and Consumer Protection.

He said: 'In view of the enormous abuses committed by a number of secondary banks and their very bad reputation, not only with regard to the financing of pyramid-selling operations, but also with regard to secondary mortgages, I think there is a very good case for withholding the granting of licences, at any rate, to some of the offending institutions.'

Lee said he was not suggesting that the full panoply of court procedure was needed.

'But at any rate the right to make representations in a rather similar way is, I think, sometimes permitted before the parliamentary commissioner for administration (the Ombudsman).'

DOCTORS TAKE ACTION ON PAY



Dr David Wardle

BY OUR OWN
CORRESPONDENT

JUNIOR doctors will start 40-hour-only-week action in their dispute with the government over holidays and pay.

Decision

Announcing the decision to take action, Dr David Wardle, chairman of the 19,000 junior hospital doctors, said the

government had broken an agreement made last December that they would be paid supplements all year round in return for covering for their colleagues on holiday or study leave.

'All we have asked the government throughout is 'honour your agreements', he said.

Social services secretary, Mr David Ennals, has said that the payment would break the

Labour government's pay policy.

Dr Wardle accused Ennals of being 'dishonourable' by suggesting that the demand by the doctors was something new.

Circular

The Department of Health has issued a circular telling authorities only to pay juniors their basic salary while they are on holiday.

WHISKY PROFITS UP

THE Distillers Company, Britain's biggest whisky and gin giant, today reported a near-£20,000,000 profit-increase for the year to the end of March, writes a City Correspondent.

Before tax, the total soared

from £71,021,000 to £90,831,000 — largely because of higher prices for scotch and gin.

But this was not quite as much as stock market experts had been expecting, so the shares dropped 5p to 38p.

Soldier gets life for rape

A SOLDIER was sentenced to life imprisonment at the High Court in Edinburgh yesterday for the rape and murder of a girl student at a highland ski resort in April.

Robert John Hinton, 22, was

told by Lord Wheatley, 'Here again we have an example of a young life being needlessly destroyed, arising out of over-indulgence in alcohol and the feeling perhaps in that position that any young girl

should be fair game to satisfy a sexual appetite.'

Hinton, a signalman in the Royal Corps of Signals, was serving in Londonderry, Northern Ireland, when arrested.

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TV LineUp

BBC 1

7.05-7.55 Open University. 1.15 News. 1.30-1.45 Camberwick Green. 3.20 Cwn Defaid. 3.50 The Sky At Night. 4.25 Play School. 4.50 Screen Test. 5.15 Salty: A Film Series in Six Parts. 5.40 Barbapapa. 5.45 News.

6.00 YOUR REGION TONIGHT.

6.25 THE FISHING RACE.

7.10 THE INVISIBLE MAN: Go Directly To Jail.

8.00 OLYMPIC GRANDSTAND: The XXI Olympic Games.

9.25 THE ROYAL INTERNATIONAL HORSE SHOW: The John Player Trophy.

10.45 BERT D'ANGELO is a San Francisco cop who does a good job — his way: 'Men With No Past'.

11.35 PANORAMA SPECIAL: Racing for The White House.

12.05-12.07 WEATHER, NEWS.

BBC 2

6.40-7.55 Open University. 11.00-11.25 Play School. 5.00 Open University.

7.30 NEWS ON 2

7.45 FIRST NIGHT OF THE PROMS. Beethoven: Mass in D major (Missa Solemnis) relayed live from the opening concert at the Royal Albert Hall.

9.25 ORDE WINGATE. 1. 'If I Forget Thee O Jerusalem'. New series, with Barry Foster as the soldier, rebel and hero, Orde Wingate.

10.35 THE MONEY PROGRAMME: 1980. What might happen to our money, our jobs and our debts between now and 1980.

11.25 NEWSNIGHT

11.40 Closedown: Hugh Burden reads 'The Bat' by Edith Sitwell.

GRANADA

10.00 Waterwise. 10.25 Keep Britain Slim. 10.50 Technoflash. 11.15 The Osmonds. 11.35 Clapperboard. 12.00 A Handful Of Songs. 12.10 Hickory House. 12.30 The Andy Stewart Show. 1.00 First Report. 1.20 This Is Your Right. 1.30 Crown Court. 2.00 Good Afternoon: Money-go-round. 2.30 Mystery Movie: Hec Ramsay. 4.20 Robert's Robots. 4.50 All Together Now. 5.15 Betty Boop. 5.20 Crossroads. 5.50 News.

6.00 GRANDA REPORTS

6.30 THE PROTECTORS

7.00 WINNER TAKES ALL

7.30 GENERAL HOSPITAL

8.30 THE SQUIRRELS

9.00 RICH MAN, POOR MAN. The drama continues with the collapse of Rudy Jordache's business venture, thanks to his brother Tom's wild living.

10.00 NEWS AT TEN

10.30 RICH MAN, POOR MAN (continued)

11.20 SCREEN CLASSICS: The Fallen Idol. Ralph Richardson and Michele Morgan.

1.10 THANK YOU AND GOOD NIGHT.

THAMES

10.00 Water Wise. 10.25 Keep Britain Slim. 10.50 Meet Betty Boop. 11.00 Certain. 11.50 Larry The Lamb. 12.00 A Handful Of Songs. 12.10 Hickory House. 12.30 Andy Stewart. 1.00 First Report. 1.20 Lunchtime Today. 1.30 Crown Court. 2.00 Good Afternoon money-go-round. 1.20 Film 2.20 Winner Takes All. 4.15 Cartoon. 4.20 Robert's Robots. 4.50 All Together Now. 5.20 The Brady Bunch. 5.50 News from ITN.

6.00 TODAY.

6.35 CROSSROADS.

7.00 WINNER TAKES ALL.

7.30 GENERAL HOSPITAL

8.30 THE SQUIRRELS: 'Fluffy-Bun'. Who sent Rex a Valentine card? Everyone thinks they know the answer.

9.00 RICH MAN, POOR MAN. Episode 2.

10.00 NEWS AT TEN.

10.30 RICH MAN, POOR MAN contd.

11.15 POLICE ONE FIVE.

11.30 TOO OLD TO ROCK 'N' ROLL, TOO YOUNG TO DIE: Jethro Tull.

12.15 Closedown.

REGIONS

CHANNEL: 1.20 News. Weather. 1.30 Crown Court. 2.00 Good Afternoon. 2.30 Film: Keeper of the Flame. 4.20 Robert's Robots. 4.50 All Together Now. 5.20 Big Blue Marble. 5.50 News. 6.00 Report. 6.35 Crossroads. 7.00 Winner Takes All. 7.30 General Hospital. 8.30 The Squirrels. 9.00 Rich Man, Poor Man. 10.00 News. Weather. 10.30 Rich Man, Poor Man. 11.15 Studio A Startime. 12.10 News and Weather in French. Closedown.

WESTWARD: 10.05 Sesame Street. 11.05 Unguarded Moment. 11.30 Learning Something Practical. 12.00 A Handful Of Songs. 12.10 Hickory House. 12.25 Gus Honeybun's Birthdays. 1.30 Crown Court. 2.00 Good Afternoon. 2.30 Film: Keeper of the Flame. 4.20 Robert's Robots. 4.50 All Together Now. 5.20 Summer Diary. 5.50 News. 6.30 Westward Diary and Sports Desk. 6.35 Crossroads. 7.00 Winner Takes All. 7.30 General Hospital. 8.30 The Squirrels. 9.00 Rich Man, Poor Man. 10.00 News. 10.30 Rich Man, Poor Man. 11.15 Studio A Star Time. 12.10 News. Weather. 12.13 Faith For Life.

SOUTHERN: 10.30 Hammy Hamster. 10.40 Skippy. 11.05 The Unguarded Moment. 11.30 Learning Something Practical. 12.00 A Handful Of Songs. 12.10 Hickory House. 12.30 The Andy Stewart Show. 1.00 First Report. 1.20 News. Weather. 1.30 Crown Court. 2.00 Women Only. 2.30 Film: The Marriage-Go-Round. 4.20 Robert's Robots. 4.50 All Together Now. 5.20 Sinbad Junior. 5.25 Crossroads. 5.50 News. 6.00 Day By Day. 6.00 Scene South East. 7.00 Winner Takes All. 7.30 General Hospital. 8.30 The Squirrels. 9.00 Rich Man, Poor Man. 10.00 News. 10.30 Rich Man, Poor Man. 11.15 Too Old To Rock 'N' Roll. Too Young To Die: Jethro Tull. 12.05 News. 12.15 Weather.

HTV: 11.05 The Unguarded Moment. 11.30 Learning Something Practical. 12.00 A Handful Of Songs. 12.10 Hickory House. 12.30 The Andy Stewart Show. 1.00 First Report. 1.20 Report West. 1.25 Report Wales Headlines. 1.30 Crown Court. 2.00 Women Only. 2.30 Film: I'll Be Your Sweetheart. 4.20 Robert's Robots. 4.50 All Together Now. 5.20 Chuckleheads. 5.25 Crossroads. 5.50 News. 6.01 Report West. 6.15 Report Wales. 6.30 The Adventurer. 7.00 Mr And Mrs. 7.30 General Hospital. 8.30 The Squirrels. 9.00 Rich Man, Poor Man.

10.00 News. 10.30 Rich Man, Poor Man. 11.15 Boney. 12.10 Weather.

HTV CYMRU-WALES: As HTV General Except: 1.20-1.25 Penawdau Newyddion Y Dydd. 4.20-4.50 Sesiwn Cantanu. 6.01-6.15 Y Dydd.

HTV WEST: As HTV General Service Except: 1.20-1.30 Report West. Headlines. 6.15-6.30 Report West.

ANGLIA: 10.30 Betty Boop Cartoons. 10.40 Personal View. 11.05 The Unguarded Moment. 11.30 Learning Something Practical. 12.00 A Handful Of Songs. 12.10 Hickory House. 12.30 The Andy Stewart Show. 1.00 First Report. Weather. 1.25 News. 1.30 Crown Court. 2.00 Good Afternoon. 2.30 Film: The Alphabet Murders. 4.20 Robert's Robots. 4.50 All Together Now. 5.20 Probe Meets. 5.50 News. 6.00 About Anglia. 6.25 Crossroads. 7.00 Gambit. 7.30 General Hospital. 8.30 The Squirrels. 9.00 Rich Man, Poor Man. 11.15 Too Old To Rock 'N' Roll. Too Young To Die. 12.05 Christians in Action.

ATV: 10.00 Waterwise. 10.25 Keep Britain Slim. 10.50 Three Characters in Search Of Treasure. 11.45 H & B Cartoons: Speed The Plough. 12.00 A Handful Of Songs. 12.10 Hickory House. 12.30 The Andy Stewart Show. 1.00 First Report. 1.20 ATV Newsdesk. 1.30 Crown Court. 2.00 Good Afternoon. 2.30 Film: Smashing Time. 4.20 Robert's Robots. 5.50 News. 6.00 ATV Today. 6.35 Crossroads. 7.00 Winner Takes All. 7.30 General Hospital. 8.30 The Squirrels. 9.00 Rich Man, Poor Man. 10.00 News. 10.30 Rich Man, Poor Man. 11.15 The Streets Of San Francisco. 11.50 closedown.

ULSTER: 11.05 Unguarded Moment. 11.30 That's The Stuff. 12.00 A Handful Of Songs. 12.10 Hickory House. 12.30 The Andy Stewart Show. 1.00 First Report. 1.20 News. Lunchtime. 1.30 Crown Court. 2.00 Good Afternoon. 2.30 Film: The Bedford. 4.18 News. 4.20 Robert's Robots. 4.50 All Together Now. 5.20 News. 6.00 Summer Reports. 6.25 Police Six. 6.35 Crossroads. 7.00 Winner Takes All. 7.30 General Hospital. 8.30 The Squirrels. 9.00 Rich Man, Poor Man. 10.00 News. 10.30 Rich Man, Poor Man. 11.20 Too Old To Rock 'N' Roll. Too Young To Die. 12.10 Closedown.

YORKSHIRE: 10.00 Summer School. 10.25 Keep Britain Slim. 10.50 Interval. 10.55 Manfred. 11.05 Tell Me Why. 11.35 The Addams Family. 12.00 A Handful Of

Songs. 12.10 Hickory House. 12.30 The Andy Stewart Show. 1.00 First Report. 1.20 News. Weather. 1.30 Crown Court. 2.00 Good Afternoon. 2.30 Lasting Beauty. 2.45 Film: King Kong. 4.25 Robert's Robots. 4.50 All Together Now. 5.20 The Flintstones. 5.50 News. 6.00 Calendar. 6.35 Crossroads. 7.00 Winner Takes All. 7.30 General Hospital. 8.30 The Squirrels. 9.00 Rich Man, Poor Man. 10.00 News At Ten. 10.30 Rich Man, Poor Man. 11.15 The F.B.I. 12.10 closedown.

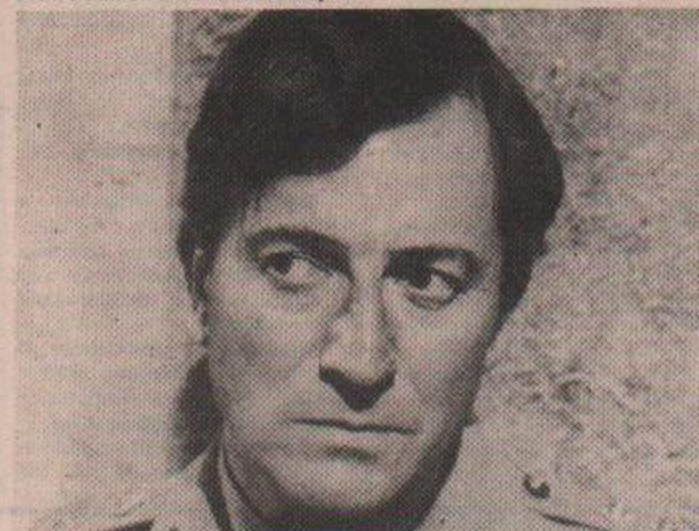
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BORDER: 11.05 The Unguarded Moment. 11.30 Learn Something Practical. 12.00 A Handful Of Songs. 12.10 Hickory House. 12.30 The Andy Stewart Show. 1.00 First Report. 1.20 News. Lunchtime. 1.30 Crown Court. 2.00 Good Afternoon. 2.30 Alice In Label Land. 2.45 Film: King Kong. 4.25 Robert's Robots. 4.50 All Together Now. 5.20 The Flintstones. 5.50 News. 6.00 Border News and Lookaround. 6.35 Crossroads. 7.00 Winner Takes All. 7.30 General Hospital. 8.30 The Squirrels. 9.00 Rich Man, Poor Man. 10.00 News. Weather. 10.30 Rich Man, Poor Man. 11.15 The Baron. 12.17 News. Weather. 12.20 closedown.

SCOTTISH: 11.05 Unguarded Moment. 11.30 That's The Stuff. 12.00 A Handful Of Songs. 12.10 Hickory House. 12.30 The Andy Stewart Show. 1.00 First Report. 1.20 Road and Weather Report. 1.30 Crown Court. 2.00 Women Only. 2.30 Film: Smashing Time. 4.20 Robert's Robots. 4.50 All Together Now. 5.20 Kiri. 5.25 Crossroads. 5.50 News. 6.00 Watch This Space. 6.30 Thingummyjig. 7.30 General Hospital. 8.30 The Squirrels. 9.00 Rich Man, Poor Man. 10.00 News. 10.30 Rich Man, Poor Man. 11.15 Late Call. 11.20 Backlot USA with Mae West. 12.20 closedown.



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TENNIS

Pain still dogs Borg

ITALY meet Sweden in the Semi-final of the European zone of the Davis Cup in Rome today with the fitness of their leading players in doubt.

The winner meets Britain in the zone final at Wimbledon next month. Both the Swedish and Italian number one players, Wimbledon champion Bjorn Borg and Adriano Panatta, winner of the French and Italian titles, are suffering from injuries.

Borg continues to experience the sharp abdominal pain that had him spraying his stomach with pain killer throughout the Wimbledon final in which he demolished Ilie Nastase in straight sets.

Panatta, who has been having a remarkable season, is suffering from a muscular inflammation on his right forearm. It flared up recently when he went down in four sets to Raul Ramirez.

Panatta and Borg have met 12 times and share the matches.

with Panatta winning three of their last four encounters.

Borg, however, is in masterly form as he showed at Wimbledon, taking the title without losing a set throughout the championships.

Late yesterday Borg pulled out after consultations with doctors.

This means that Italy and Panatta, who will play, look certain to go through and meet Britain.

The winners of the European Zone will play Australia later this year in an inter-zone final.



Bjorn Borg is ruled out of the Davis Cup with abdominal injury

CRICKET

Gillette giant-killers to meet Steele

HERTFORDSHIRE, the first minor county to reach the quarter-finals of the Gillette Cup, have been drawn away against Northamptonshire. The holders and four-times winners of the competition, Lancashire, are at home against their long-standing rivals Gloucestershire.

Sussex and Warwickshire, both twice winners, meet at Hove, while Hampshire take on Derbyshire at Southampton. The games are to be played on Wednesday, August 4.

Giant-killers Hertfordshire, who caused a major upset by beating championship leaders Essex at Hitchin, now face a side that includes England batsman David Steele, Pakistan test men Mushtaq Mohammad and Sarfraz Nawaz and Bishen Bedi, the Indian spinner.

Hertfordshire, the minor county champions, have some heroes of their own — spinners Dillip Doshi and Robin Johns, who captures four wickets each to bring about the Essex

downfall. Johns, an Oxford blue, and batsman Wayne Osman will be pleased with the draw. Both were formally on Northamptonshire's playing staff.

Hertfordshire secretary, Harry Harrison, said: 'It is probably as favourable a draw as we could hope for.'

Lancashire, unbeaten at home in the Gillette Cup since 1969, face another clash with Gloucestershire. These two have met before — in two of the most exciting semi-finals seen at Old

Trafford.

Last season Lancashire won by three wickets with three balls to spare and in 1971 by a similar margin in a match which ended in semi-darkness.

Lancashire went on to win the final on each occasion.

Sussex, first winners of the Cup in 1963 and 1964, play Warwickshire, who beat them in the 1968 final.

In the other quarter-final, Hampshire, who have only once been semi-finalists are at home to Derbyshire, who reached that stage last season.

RACING

CRACK APPRENTICE BOBBIN UP AGAIN

CRACK apprentice Richard Fox gets an outstanding chance to demonstrate his talents aboard Harry Wragg's Bobbins at Newbury today.

Fox, who has landed the plum job of stable jockey to Clive Brittain next season, finds himself in temporary limbo while less experienced boys notch winners galore.

Mystifies

The find of last season just isn't getting the rides, a fact that mystifies Wragg, himself a former champion jockey.

'He's a very good rider indeed — one of the best apprentices I've seen.'

That's real praise from a man whose championship season

punctuated an otherwise unbeaten 22-year run for the legendary Gordon Richards.

Bobbins provides an ideal ride for Fox in the £2,000 added Ridgeway Stakes (3.00).

The Bold Lad filly has improved tremendously in recent weeks and on her latest run, at Doncaster, was a four-length scorer over Venetico.

She appears ridiculously well-treated with 7 st 6 lb. and should give Fox his 18th win of the season.

In contrast, the Hackwood

Stakes (3.30) looks like being fiercely contested, but Peter Walwyn's consistent three-year-old Pascualate can do the trick.

He certainly looks the best of his contemporaries. In five starts this season he has won twice, been second twice and finished third in the Cork and Orrery Stakes.

Walwyn has a good chance too in the St Catherines Stakes (4.00), with his impressive Salisbury winner Blackadder.

There is less form to go on in the other two-year-old race, the

Ecchinswell Maiden Stakes (2.30), but the finish should chiefly concern Gerard and Sunfish.

That should stir up memories of the summer of 1971 as Gerard is by the great Brigadier Gerard and Sunfish by his arch rival Mill Reef.

Outpaced

In fact the two youngsters met on this track last month. Neither made much impression on the winner, but Sunfish was picking up ground nicely at the finish after being outpaced to half-way. He just gets the vote.

At Hamilton's evening meeting dual course and distance winner Vilgora can land his fifth win in a row and his eighth of the season.

He misses an apparently easier engagement at the track last night to wait for the Wishaw Handicap (8.20).

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21 (2)	00 LA FURZE	A Stevens 8 11	S Perks
27 (6)	00 PROPOSE	J Barclay 8 11	S Webster (5)
28 (8)	32344 REALM TREE	B Hills 8 11	E Johnson
29 (1)	04 WHY BIRD	N Angus 8 11	P Tulk

PROBABLE SP: 9-4 Realm Tree, 3-1 Star Role, 100-30 Why Bird, 6-1 Serenok, 10-1 La Furze, 12-1 others.

7.25 GLASGOW SELLING STAKES £400

(3-Y-O) 6f (5 runners)

3 (1)	210-000 PALL TAVI	A Balding 8 7	J Balding
4 (5)	020213 WORTHY STAR	D S Nesbitt 8 7	E Hide
5 (3)	03-4000 HOT BELLE	D Adam 8 4	C Moss
6 (4)	020000 CAMBERLAD (USA)	G Wallace 8 0	J Bleasdale (7)
11 (2)	004-000 SATASHA	T Craig 7 11	K Leeson

PROBABLE SP: 6-4 Worthy Star, 5-2 Hot Belle, 11-4 Pall Tavi, 8-1 Satasha, 20-1 Camberlad.

7.55 HAMILTON CHAMPAGNE STAKES HANDICAP

£1,200 1m (5 runners)

1 (4)	1-00004 LEVEL PAR	N Angus 3 10 0	Richard Hutchinson
3 (2)	0-20314 CHARTERMEDE (C-D)	W Gray 3 8 12	E Apter
5 (1)	121200 GOLD FLIGHT (C-D)	A Stevens 3 8 11	S Perks
7 (5)	4-04142 TRINGA (BF)	S Nesbitt 5 8 11	E Hide
8 (3)	0-32131 BUSMANS HOLIDAY (C)	C Bell 4 8 10	E Johnson

PROBABLE SP: 2-1 Level Par, 7-2 Tringa, 4-1 Chartermede, 9-2 Busman's Holiday, 5-1 Gold Flight.

8.20 WISHAW HANDICAP £1,000

5f (8 runners)

1 (5)	421111 VILGORA (C-D)	A Stevens 4 10 5 (10 ex)	S Perks
3 (6)	002140 MY CHOPIN (D)	T Fairhurst 5 9 4	S Webster (5)
4 (4)	0100-00 BALIGREAT	N Adam 3 9 4	C Moss
5 (3)	233022 SONGS FIRST (D) (BF)	S Nesbitt 4 8 12	E Hide
7 (8)	12400-0 FRANKILYN (D)	T Craig 3 8 11	W Kettle (7)
8 (2)	0-00004 CABARITA (USA)	B Cambridge 4 8 9	J Skilling
10 (1)	000-000 JANJAO	G Toft 3 8 0	E T Marshall
11 (7)	020130 BOWER CLUB (C-D)	A Balding 6 7 10	S Salmon

PROBABLE SP: 6-4 Vilgora, 9-4 Songs First, 7-2 My Chopin, 8-1 Bower Club, 14-1 others.

8.50 CAMBUSLANG HANDICAP £1,200

1m 4f (3 runners)

1 (3)	0-02311 BEVERLEY BOY (C-D)	W Gray 4 9 7	E Apter
4 (1)	200221 DAVETT (D)	T Craig 7 9 0 (4 ex)	K Leeson
9 (2)	000341 TAMINGO	A Stevens 3 7 10 (4 ex)	M Wigham (7)

PROBABLE SP: Evens Beverley Boy, 13-8 Davett, 7-2 Tamingo.

9.15 BOTHWELL STAKES £600

1m 3f (6 runners)

1 (5)	00 BELSTON (FR)	J Barclay 4 9 3	J Skilling
3 (3)	00 POTTERTON	B Cambridge 7 9 3	J Skilling
4 (1)	03-3013 ADMIRAL COUNT	C Bell 3 8 10	G Oldroyd
5 (4)	00-0321 KEELHAUL	B Hills 3 8 10	E Johnson
6 (6)	42-0201 RICKADOC (USA)	P Walwyn 3 8 10	P Eddery
10 (2)	000-040 KATMANDU	F Carr 3 8 3	C Dwyer

PROBABLE SP: 7-4 Keelhaul, 2-1 Rickadoo, 11-4 Admiral Count, 10-1 Katmandu, 20-1 others.

NEWBURY

DRAW ADVANTAGE: none

2.00 ALDBOURNE STAKES £1,000

(3-Y-O) 1m (20 runners)

1 (3)	000- BE MY FRIEND	E Reavey 9 0	G Starkey
2 (15)	00 BEN DONACHAN	H Price 9 0	B Taylor
3 (18)	00-000 BLONDEL	D Sasse 9 0	T Cain
4 (8)	00000-0 BRIDSTOW	G Balding 9 0	R C Bailey
5 (10)	2400-00 CHURCHILLIAN	C Bewicke 9 0	J Reid (3)
6 (19)	30-200 EGALALON	M Masson 9 0	R P Elliott
7 (4)	000-02 FINE BLUE	P Makin 9 0	F Durr
8 (1)	0-04 GUFFAW	W Wightman 9 0	B Rouse
10 (9)	00-0400 HERITON	G Peter-Hoblyn 9 0	R Fox
11 (16)	0000-04 NOBLE GUNNER	G Peter-Hoblyn 9 0	R Fox
12 (17)	3- OCTOGONARIAN	J Dunlop 9 0	Ron Hutchinson
13 (5)	3000-00 REGENT DANCER	D Hanley 9 0	R Curant
14 (11)	33 STATEROOM (BF)	J Tree 9 0	L Piggott
16 (6)	0 CITY LIGHTS	Miss Wilmot 8 11	B Jago
17 (14)	0-00 CLOCHE	B Hills 8 11	E Johnson
18 (2)	42 HUM	P Cundell 8 11	P Cook
19 (20)	32-00 INDUSTRIOUS	W Hern 8 11	J Mercer
23 (13)	00-00 NELLIE CLARK	G Balding 8 11	D Gibson (3)
26 (7)	0 RADIO SPORT	R Hannon 8 11	C Sheppard (7)
27 (12)	0 SHADY HILL (USA)	N Muriess 8 11	G Lewis

PROBABLE SP: 5-2 Stateroom, 3-1 Hum, 5-1 Cloche, 7-1 Fine Blue, 10-1 Shady Hill, Guffaw and Indusrious, 14-1 Ben Donachan and Octogonarian, 16-1 others.

2.30 ECCHINSWELL MAIDEN STAKES £1,000

(2-Y-O) 6f (10 runners)

1 (3)	0 CELESTIAL GEM	H Price 9 0	B Taylor
2 (9)	0 CREPE PAPER	P Walwyn 9 0	P Eddery
3 (2)	0 GERARD	I Brittain 9 0	W Carson
4 (2)	0 JARGAL (FR)	J Dunlop 9 0	Ron Hutchinson
5 (10)	0 JOE'S MILL	G Balding 9 0	P Waldron
8 (8)	0 SUNFISH	W Hern 9 0	J Mercer
9 (4)	0 WOBURN	C Bewicke 9 0	J Reid (3)
11 (6)	0 DOWNSTAIRS	P Cole 8 11	D Dineley (5)
12 (1)	0 MISALLIANCE	J Tree 8 11	R S Elliott
15 (5)	0 VILLAGE IDOL	G Harwood 8 11	G Starkey

PROBABLE SP: 9-4 Crepe Paper, 3-1 Gerard, 4-1 Sunfish, 7-1 Jargal, 12-1 Misalliance, Village Idol and Downstairs, 14-1 others.

3.00 RIDGEWAY STAKES HANDICAP £2,000

(3-Y-O) 1m 2f (5 runners)

2 (5)	1111-44 IPPOLYTI	P Walwyn 9 1	P Eddery
3 (2)	310 HONEYPOUT LANE	W Hern 8 7	J Mercer
7 (1)	004-032 LAUREL LARK (USA) (BF)	C Brittain 7 7	W Carson
8 (4)	00301 BOBBINS (FR)	H Wragg 7 6	R Fox
11 (3)	000-431 FRIDAY BROWN (D)	M Masson 7 2 (6 ex)	C Rodriguez

PROBABLE SP: 15-8 Honeyput Lane, 11-4 Ippolyti, 7-2 Bobbins, 11-2 Laurel Lark, 17-1 Friday Brown.

3.30 HACKWOOD STAKES £2,500

6f (12 runners)

4 (11)	113313 PANOMARK (D)	J Nelson 4 9 4	J Mercer
9 (10)	023113 JIMMY THE SINGER (D)	B Lunness 3 8 9	G Starkey
10 (2)	3-12213 PASCUALATE (D)	P Walwyn 3 8 9	P Eddery
12 (8)	21430 SPANISH AIR (BF)	N Muriess 3 8 9	L Piggott
13 (6)	320422 WOLVERLIFE (BF)	H Nugent (IRE) 3 8 9	R Parnell
14 (3)	2100-00 DELTA SONG (USA) (D)	H Price 3 8 7	B Taylor
17 (5)	1100-00 LE CHAT	B Hobbs 3 8 6	G Lewis
18 (4)	31-0111 SKIN DEEP (D)	M Connolly (IRE) 3 8 6	D Dineley (5)
19 (7)	203023 SOLAR (C) (D) (BF)	W Wightman 3 8 6	G Baxter
21 (12)	402010 SHERIC BOY (D)	R Hannon 3 8 4	F Durr
22 (1)	212-00 ALANROD (BF)	Singham 3 8 2	P Waldron
24 (9)	221- PICTURE (D)	W Hern 3 7 13	W Carson

PROBABLE SP: 11-4 Pascualate, 7-2 Wolverlife, 5-1 Spanish Air, 11-2 Skin Deep, 9-1 Delta Song, 10-1 Jimmy The Singer and Solar, 14-1 Picture, 16-1 others.

4.00 ST-CATHERINE STAKES £2,500

(2-Y-O fillies) 6f (6 runners)

6 (6)	1 BLACKADDER	P Walwyn 8 8	P Eddery
7 (1)	0 FODENSEVE	R Hannon 8 8	F Durr
9 (5)	2321 RAHESH	P Cundell 8 8	P Cook
10 (5)	2321 CHITTERLING	J Dunlop 8 4	Ron Hutchinson
12 (3)	0 MAJOR ISLE	W Wightman 8 4	G Baxter
14 (4)	0 VAGUELY	W Hern 8 4	J Mercer

PROBABLE SP: 11-8 Blackadder, 3-1 Raneasn, 4-1 Vaguely, 7-1 Chitterling, 12-1 Major Isle, 20-1 Fodenseve.

4.30 WHITE HORSE STAKES HANDICAP £1,500

2m (7 runners)

2 (4)	004132 ERIC STUART (C-D) (BF)	J Holt 4 9 6	I Jenkinson (5)
3 (2)	104231 PICCADILLY ETNA (D)	B Lunness 5 9 6 (5 ex)	P Eddery
4 (3)	30-3000 QUIET (C-D)	G Smyth 5 9 2	G Lewis
5 (1)	032110 PSALVE	D Sasse 4 9 0	T Cain
7 (7)	00001-0 CATAMARAN	W Wightman 4 8 11	G Baxter
9 (5)	1 MOSSY STONE	J Nelson 3 8 9	J Mercer
10 (6)	0-00042 NATION WIDE (BF)	H Wragg 3 8 3	R Fox

PROBABLE SP: 3-1 Nation Wide, 4-1 Eric Stuart and Psalve, 5-1 Piccadilly Etna, 7-1 Quiet, 10-1 Catamaran and Mossy Stone.

SportsLine

QUALITY NOT QUANTITY FOR THE USSR

McDaid for marathon

DANNY McDaid hopes to present his fiancée, Kathleen Gillette, with a special wedding-day gift next month — an Olympic gold medal.

McDaid, a 34-year-old Irishman from Donegal, is out to win the Olympic marathon and crown a long career in long distance running.

McDaid has run the gruelling 26 miles 385 yards event 14 times, representing his country in the 1972 Olympics and the 1971 and 1974 European Championships.

But it was not until this season that he emerged as a world class runner, clocking 2 hours 13 minutes six seconds in a runaway win in the Irish Trial in April.

'I could never understand why I was unable to run that fast before, because I have beaten men in the past who have gone on to record very good times,' McDaid said.

BIDDING to reassert its sporting superiority over the United States, the Soviet Union has proclaimed a new tactic for the Montreal Olympic Games — quality rather than quantity.

This, according to Soviet officials, has been the guiding factor in selecting a squad of some 500 athletes to go to Canada and in taking of a hard decision not to enter contestants who have little chance of success.

And although three quarters of the Soviet team will be newcomers to Olympic competition, it is to the veterans — some of three, four and five previous games — that the USSR will be looking for a steady stream of medals.

Among them are 40-year-old 20-kilometre walker Vladimir Golubnichy who has taken two golds, a silver and a bronze in his four Olympic appearances since 1960, and equestrian dressage champions 49-year-old Ivan Kizimov and Ivan Kalita, 48.

Agronomist Viktor Saneyev, champion in Mexico City in 1968 and at Munich in 1972, is confident of becoming the first man to win three Olympic gold medals in a row in the triple jump while Nikolai Avilov believes he will repeat his Munich triumph in the Decathlon.

Duplicate

In Gymnastics, Lyudmila Turishcheva and Olga Korbut together with Nikolai Andriyanov look set to duplicate their medal-winning performances of four years ago.

And there is a petite newcomer, 19-year-old Nelli Kim from Central Asian Kazakhstan who this year won the Soviet championship and, with her sparkling, buoyant style, could win hearts as Miss Korbut did in Munich.

But for the first time the Soviet Union will be scarcely represented in three running events which have brought it a wealth of triumph in the past.

Because current performers could not reach the Olympic qualifying mark in the 3,000-metre steeplechase and the 1,500 metres, there will be no Soviet men running these distance in Montreal.

Clipped

Originally the selectors decided against entering the 5,000 metres.

But 21-year-old Estonian student Enn Sellik, running in the last pre-Olympic trial, turned in the best time in the world this year — 13 minutes 17.2 seconds.

In the National Championships in June, 27-year-old Valentina Gerasimova clipped an impressive one and a half seconds off the 800 metres world record.

Then three weeks later

Wilkie bids for gold

DAVID Wilkie, the best swimmer to come out of Scotland since Bobby MacGregor, starts his bid to do what the great world-record breaking free-styler failed to do in Tokyo in 1964: become the first British swimmer since 1908 to win an Olympic gold medal.

But the 22-year-old double world breaststroke sprint champion does not want to be regarded as certain to win the title.

'I'm not a definite certainty to win.'

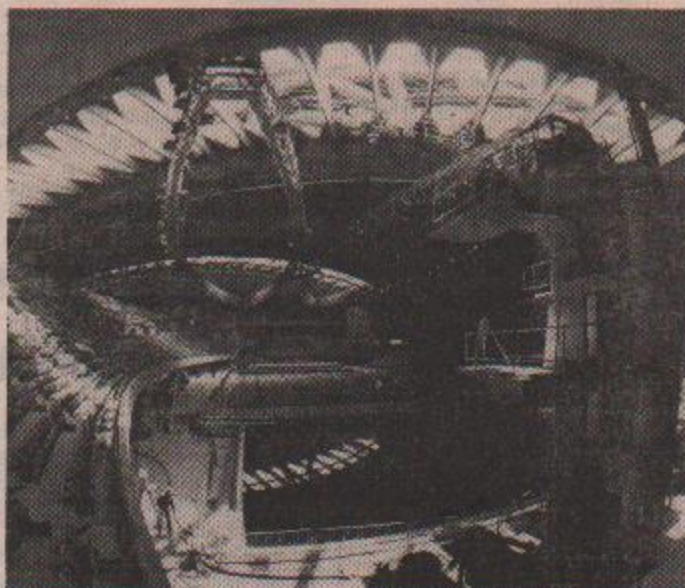
'It's just that I'm up there and could win,' he said after a session at the Olympic pool.

'It's been going very well and I'm swimming better than I usually do five days before the event.'

'Last year I was not sprinting so well till two days before,' he added.

Wilkie says he has trained very hard since last Christmas, harder than ever before in his career.

He churned out 12,000 metres a day in the four hours swimming he put in daily in the United States for his impending battles with arch-rival John Hencken.



The Olympic swimming pool — very fast says David Wilkie

Hencken holds the world records for both the 100 and 200 metres breaststroke, but Wilkie has won three of their last four meetings and is marginally the faster over 200 this year.

Wilkie, two months older than his Californian rival, thinks both will be under the world marks in

the Games, with West German Walter Kusch and one of the Russians following them in the 100.

Hencken beat the Scot to the gold medal at the Munich Olympics, and their rivalry has been a major feature of the swimming world ever since.

RECORD NOBODY WANTS

THE Montreal Olympic Games have already set several records in the area of cost but Canadian athletes may also set a mark nobody will want to beat.

They may become the first modern Olympic host country not to win a single gold medal.

The Olympics have stimulated interest in amateur sport in Canada. More money than ever

before has been invested in athletic development, but although there are several competitors with medal hopes, there is not one single performer seen sure to win a gold.

The record shows that Canada has not shone in Olympic sport.

Since the Games were revived in 1894, it has won a grand total

of 25 gold medals, and most of them in the long distant past.

In 1904, for instance, Canada won the gold medals for Lacrosse, golf, the 56-lbs weight throw and soccer.

The last gold medal Canada won was in 1968 at the Mexico City games when it won the equestrian team competition.



Valery Borzov hopes to repeat his sprint triumphs for the USSR at Munich with more gold at Montreal

Tatyana Kazankina, 24-year-old second string to Munich gold medallist Lyudmila Bragina, became the world's first woman to cover the 1,500 metres in less than four minutes. Her time was three minutes 56.0 seconds.

Also breaking the four-minute barrier was Raissa Katukova, while Miss Bragina lagged third, putting her Montreal berth in doubt.

In 1972, Munich 100 and 200 metre gold medallist Valery Borzov gained Kremlin honours, but there is doubt that he can repeat his performance.

The 26-year-old physical training teacher has stayed out of competition for most of the past year, carefully nursing a

suspect hamstring, and has yet to turn in a potential winning performance for Montreal.

In the women's field events 30-year-old Faina Melnik, who in May set a new world discus record, and Nadezhda Chizhova, also 30, in the shot putt, look certain bets to retain their Olympic titles.

In weightlifting, boxing and wrestling there seems little doubt that the men from Moscow will leave Montreal with a lion's share of the medals again.

Mining engineer Vasily Alexeyev, 34, billed as the strongest man in the world, will be bidding for his second super-heavyweight gold in the weightlifting competition.

TAIWAN—BIG TWO JOIN ROW

OLYMPIC officials were last night winning their battle to stop an American walk-out over the issue of Taiwan. They also got support, unexpectedly, from the Soviet Union against an African boycott over apartheid.

US Olympic committee president Philip Krumm has said that the Americans would go home before the Games unless the International Olympic Committee finds some way of accommodating Taiwan.

The Canadian government, a supporter of the People's Republic of China, refuses to let Taiwan's team into the country if they intend to compete in the name of the 'Republic of China'.

IOC officials have accepted these conditions, but the Taiwan delegation has turned them down. Yesterday Lord Killanin, IOC president, snubbed premier Pierre Trudeau by not showing up for the arrival of the Olympic flame.

BY OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT

Montreal in protest at New Zealand's sporting links with South Africa. A NZ rugby team is currently touring that country.

Sergei Pavlov, the USSR's top sports official, said the Games 'must go on' despite 'political squabbles'.

He indicated that his country would not withdraw from the

Olympics if the African countries decided to.

Withdrawal from the Olympic Games is not an effective way to react to apartheid. This great sports festival must take place.

Pavlov said the Soviet Union would not interfere in the 1980 Games as the Canadian government had done.

Cancelled

Krumm has hinted that the Games should be cancelled altogether rather than 'give in' to Canada's demands. If the US pulled out, he said, it could spell the end for the Olympics.

Peking stepped into the row yesterday by condemning the Soviet Union for supporting Taiwan in the IOC. A newspaper report claimed that the USSR hoped that Taiwan would be able to retain its seat on the IOC until 1980 when the Olympics will be staged in Moscow.

The Soviet Union has come down against the threat by African nations to pull out of

Tele-black-out still possible

WORLWIDE television coverage of the Olympics became doubtful yesterday as Montreal technicians made plans to spread their four-day-old strike for a wage rise.

Over 350 workers employed on the Olympics by the Canadian telecommunications company Teleglobe have been on strike since last Monday for a 23-per-cent wage increase. Management have offered them only 12 per cent.

The strike would not have

affected coverage of the Olympics, as union leaders were allowing management to do the work of the striking technicians.

Yesterday, however, 1,600 other technicians who feed signals to Teleglobe were on the point of joining the strike. If they do, the result will be a black-out to every country outside Canada.

The technicians are all members of the Canadian Overseas Telecommunications Union.

A spokesman for the



Wladyslaw Kozakiewicz of Poland will fight it out with American world record holder Dave Roberts for the title in a spectacular competition

ONE of the most exciting and spectacular events at Montreal should be the fight for the men's pole vault medals.

Dave Roberts of America set a new world mark of 5.70 metres in the US Olympic trials. He bettered the pending record of 5.67 metres set by countryman Earl Bell.

Both men will be at Montreal

— a boycott notwithstanding — hoping to regain the US supremacy broken in Munich by East Germany's Wolfgang Nordwig.

Their greatest rivals this time are two Poles — Wladyslaw Kozakiewicz and Tadeusz Slusarki.

Kozakiewicz holds the world indoor mark of 5.57 metres and recently set a new European record of 5.62 metres.

Injuries dog marathon men

TWO of Britain's three marathon contenders spent their first morning in Montreal yesterday getting treatment for ankle injuries suffered in the past fortnight.

Barry Watson, a 22-year-old Eltham schoolteacher and winner of the Olympic trial, twisted his ankle taking some pupils across the road.

Keith Angus, also a teacher, ran into trouble when a dog crossed his path and his foot twisted as it landed in a hole in the road.

But neither he nor Watson is expected to be out of action for more than three days.

Others who attended the casualty table yesterday at the British medical quarters were two national coaches, Tom McNab and Wilf Paish.

McNab wanted treatment for back trouble and Paish had ankle trouble.

After the seven-hour flight from London, most athletes were taking it easy yesterday and track sessions will begin today.

A number of the athletes, including Ian Stewart, one of the main challengers for a medal, are still undergoing altitude training in Colorado Springs.

Alan Pascoe, short of time as he tries to reach good form after all his injury problems, is in seclusion, staying outside the Olympic village.

Selectors are 'anti-throwers' -Capes

GEOFF CAPES has joined the row over the exclusion of discus thrower Bill Tancred and hammer man Barry Williams from Britain's Olympic squad.

The shot putt hope for a gold medal accused the selectors of being 'anti-throwers'.

Capes said on his arrival in Canada: 'Maybe some of us are outspoken but it is wrong not to include athletes who have

qualified for the Olympics five or six times and who have proved themselves over the years.

'They have no grounds to do that and one of these days we are going to walk out.'

'Leaving out Bill and Barry is a disgrace.'

Vital fencing feat

BILL HOSKINS can look forward to his sixth Olympic fencing challenge thanks to the expert job being done by the Games medical clinic.

Hoskyns, a 45-year-old Somerset fencer from Crewkerne, thought his Olympic chances had been shattered when he began to suffer extreme pain in both his feet four days ago.

'I was puzzled by it all. I

thought it was a bad injury but I couldn't remember having an accident,' he says.

'But the doctors have worked round the clock and after taking an X-ray and "pinching" most of my blood, they have put me right.'

Hoskyns, twice a silver medallist, was found to have a bad infection, but antibiotic treatment has put him right and he has resumed training.

ALAN WHITTLE, who was given a free transfer by Crystal Palace at the end of last season, has signed a two-year contract with the second division club

Sheffield Utd. Whittle joined Crystal Palace for £80,000 three-and-a-half years ago and was their leading striker in the 1974-1975 season.

RACING RESULTS

RED CAR

2.00 (7f): THE BROTHERS, T. Ives (5-1); Philmarie (5-1); Shifty Boy (12-1); Willyboy (7-2 fav); 12 ran. nk. 2. (W Haigh) T: 21.20; 30p, 17p, 39p.
2.35 (7f): THE BOWLER, E. Johnson (2-1 fav); Rostov (6-1); Haybale (13-2); Penny's Pet (100-30) 4. 8 ran. nk. 4. (B Hilly) T: 34p, 15p, 20p, 16p. DF: £4.02
3.05 (1m 2f): ASCOT WEATHER, J. Lowe (6-1 fav); Shady Desire (6-1); Igloo Fire (4-1); My Willie (20-1) 4. 8 ran. 4. 1/2. (J. W. Watts) T: 20p, 12p, 18p, 15p. DF: 87p. NR: Qualuz.
3.35 (1m 6f): FRANK FLINDERS, J. Seagrave (5-1); Guido Fowkes (6-5 on fav); 2. Scotari (9-2); Kingfisher Blue (6-1) 4. 5 ran. 4. nk. (H.P. Rohan) T: 84p, F: £1.72.

4.05 (6f): NEIL DIAMOND, E. Hide (5-4 fav); Quick Note (12-1); Portal Lad (4-1); 3. Son Tom (20-1) 4. 9 ran. 5. 3/4. (M Jarvis) T: 19p, 12p, 22p, 15p. DF: £1.06.
4.35 (1m): STREAKER KING, B. Taylor (5-4); Bright Decision (evens fav); 2. Satin Doll (100-1); Pili Hill Pete (100-1) 4. 5 ran. 1 1/2. 30. (H. Price) T: 21p, F: 31p.
TOTE DOUBLE: £2.30
TOTE TREBLE: £11.10

BATH

2.15 (5f): ABERDAN, J. Lynch (15-8 fav); 1. Biolycombe (14-1); 2. Elizabeths (10-1); 3. Sharp (9-4) 4. 11 ran. 2 1/2. 2. (J. Nelson) T: 38p, 22p, 22p, 16p. NR: Vanity Gay. Rule 4 10p in £.
2.45 (1m 3f): CARINFOLD, P. Eddery (11-8 fav); 1. Wimberry (9-2); 2. Charlotte's Den (16-1); 3. Locus (5-2) 4. 7

ran. 2. 4. (P. Walwyn) T: 20p, 15p, DF: 33p.

3.15 (1m): THE NADI ROYALE, B. Rouse (9-4); 1. My Hero (13-8 fav); 1. Nordic Salute (15-8); 3. Mount Street (20-1) 4. 4 ran. 3. 2. (J. Sutcliffe) T: 33p, F: £1.51.

3.45 (7f): BIG THREAT, P. Eddery (6-4 fav); 1. Tinder Box (2-1); 2. Grumpy (6-1); 3. Scholeagial (33-1) 4. 8 ran. 1 1/2. 10. (P. Walwyn) T: 36p, 12p, 13p, 14p. DF: 17p.

4.15 (5f): MUJON, D. Moss (7-4 fav); 1. Ona's Mead (3-1); 2. Nor Bars (5-2); 3. White Emperor (7-1) 4. 6 ran. 1/2. 5. (P. Cundell) T: 29p, 20p, 16p, F: 64p.

4.45 (5f): ABOMA, M. Kettle (6-4 fav); 1. Snug (14-1); 2. Aristote (7-2); 3. Christador (25-1) 4. 15 ran. 3. sh. hd. (J. Winter) T: 36p, 19p, 24p, 17p.

TOTE DOUBLE: £7.10
TOTE TREBLE: £4.20