

Pages
cut from
MP's
book

WAGES DOWN! PRICES UP!



James Callaghan

THE ANNUAL increase in basic pay rates has been almost halved, according to figures released by the government yesterday.

According to the July index of basic rates, wages are 17.5 per cent higher than they were a year ago.

The figures tell the result of the first 12 months of the Labour government's £6 pay limit.

When it was introduced one year ago, ministers said it would do two things:

- Slow down inflation
- Save jobs.

It has done neither. Inflation is due for a fresh surge and unemployment has almost doubled since last year to a post-war record figure of almost 1.5 million.

Increases

Price increases are pouring out of the Price commission almost daily: bread, milk, flour, tea, butter, soups, baby foods, cakes and buns.

There is also the expected rise in the price of household gas and electricity, plus the threat of rail fares going up another 20 per cent.

BY OUR OWN REPORTER

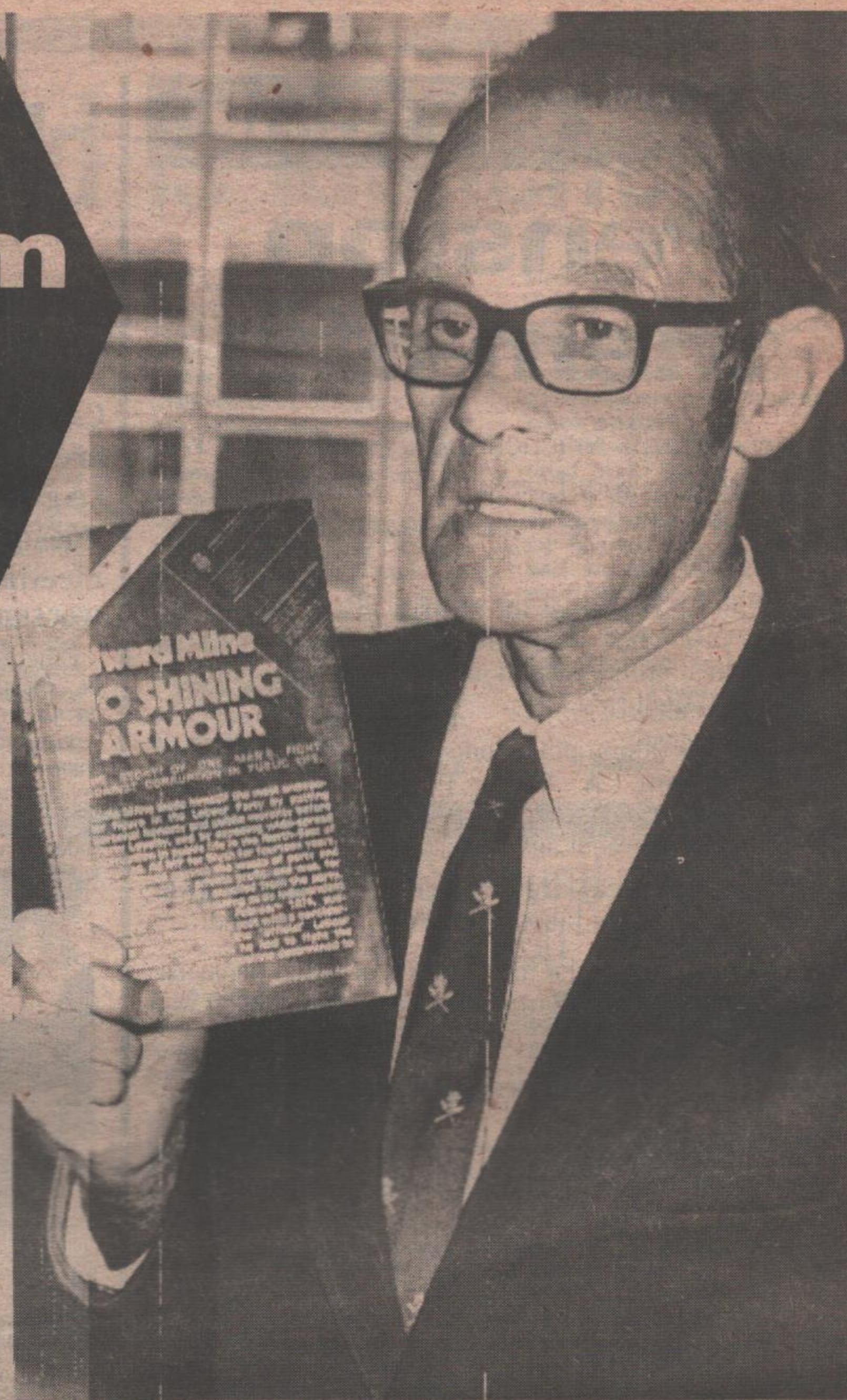
These increases are coming into effect as wage rises are cut down from the £6 limit to 4½ per cent!

Accounts

Top businessmen won't notice the pinch. They are voting themselves larger expense accounts, fabulous bonuses, car allowances, school fees for their children, free flats, holidays and pensions.

They also know that when the government relaxed the Price Code last month it put another £2,000m profits into their pockets.

No wonder the 'Daily Express' chortled recently: 'Jim is the bosses' man.'



Eddie Milne

Ministers' names are cut

BY CHRIS CORRIGAN

TWO PAGES which refer to leading Labour Party figures Edward Short and John Silkin are to be removed from a best-selling book.

Unsold copies of the hardback and paperback editions are being recalled by the publishers John Calder Ltd and two substitute pages are to be inserted.

The book 'No Shining Armour' by Eddie Milne, former Labour MP for Blyth in the North-east, deals with corruption in public life.

Short was until recently leader of the House of Commons. Silkin is Minister for Planning and Local Government.

An assurance that two references to Short and Silkin would be deleted was given yesterday to the High Court by the publishing company.

Following the private hearing before Mr Justice Cobb, John Calder said in a statement: 'No order has been made today. We have agreed to delete part of two paragraphs from Mr Milne's book for the time being.'

Calder added that a libel action concerning the references is continuing and will be contested by his firm.

The book was published on July 1 and 10,000 copies have so far been distributed. Public libraries are also being contacted to delete the passages, which total 38 lines.

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Pension them off!

When a woman reaches the age of 60 after a lifetime's labour she is entitled to a well-earned rest on a generous state pension.

That's what we regard as the priority in a socialist state — the protection of the elderly and the sick and the provision of full recreational, educational, cultural and social facilities.

But see what's taking place today under the bankruptcy of capitalism. A White Paper was published yesterday aimed at preparing the way for raising women's retirement age to 65, the same as men.

It was mathematical argument in which workers are reduced to units of labour to 'justify' this proposal.

The report says that the introduction of equal pensions will cost well over £40m for each year retirement was reduced.

'These figures,' it says, 'speak for themselves.'

In other words this government report is recommending that 60-year-old women work another five years.

It flies in the face of resolutions passed by Labour Party conferences since dad was a boy.

We can't speak too strongly about this wretched White Paper. It is an act of class intimidation against old people.

The culprits are not just the professorial authors but the minority Labour government. It is time the working class took action to pension them off!

Arafat salutes Zaatar martyrs

YASSER Arafat, Palestine Liberation Organisation chairman, has given a Press conference to address a salute to 'the steadfastness of the fighters and people of Tel al-Zaatar'.

All I can say is that the battle of Tel al-Zaatar is a victory for the revolutionary will of the Palestinian revolution and the Lebanese nationalist movement.

Arafat added: 'Militarily, I could not have asked the boys for more than 55 days of continuous battles, at a time when a cup of water was worth a cup of blood.'

Arafat concluded by saying that there are conspirators who are trying to 'balkanize' the Arab region, but these fighters can destroy all the conspiracies concocted by Kissinger and by all the agents of Kissinger.

Campaign

Meanwhile Kamal Jumblatt's Progressive Socialist Party is now launching what amounts to a general mobilization campaign in the mountainous Shouf area where the Lebanese socialist and Druze leader has his traditional seat.

Meanwhile the Palestinian movement is mobilizing all Palestinians who are willing to bear arms in defence of their revolution in its most crucial hour.

On the other side of the battle-lines in Lebanon, rightist Falangist party leader Pierre Gemayel has addressed a message to all Christian gunmen calling them to arms.

All the signs are that both sides in the Lebanese battle are preparing for a fateful and probably prolonged final round of fighting as the crisis which has grown and grown for nearly a year and a half reaches its climax.

Strain

There is certainly no shortage of signs of strain in Syria, as the regime pursues a policy which can only be seen as running counter to everything the regime itself professes.

Virtually every traveller arriving in Beirut from Damascus these days talks of several explosions every day in and around the Syrian capital, of intensified Syrian security activities and other manifestations of tension centering on the regime.

One Beirut paper commented that apart from the lack of bombardments, Damascus these days is as tense as Beirut.

The Syrian intelligence service — the 'Mukhabarat' — has penetrated effectively into every corner of daily life.

Travellers returning recently after staying in Damascus several months say that nobody dares to talk openly in the streets, cafes, cinemas, or even their own homes, for fear of being reported to the Mukhabarat.

DROUGHT—Lay offs on the way

CABINET ministers are being called together next Tuesday for a crisis meeting on Britain's worsening drought.

Emergency measures will be discussed — including harsh rationing and cuts in water supplies to industry, widespread short-time working, lay-offs and even redundancies.

If supplies to industries are reduced it would rapidly lead to widespread short-time working.

Ministers called to crisis meeting

lay-offs and even redundancies.

A number of manufacturing firms, starved of orders for their products, would welcome any opportunity of slashing wage costs.

Downing Street confirmed last night that the Department of Industry and the Department of Employment will be represented at Tuesday's meeting.

The Prime Minister has also summoned Agriculture Minister Fred Peart to Tuesday's meeting, of course.

He has also summoned John Silkin, minister of planning and local government, who has been holding talks with regional water authorities, local councils, and industrial bodies.

Because the drought will send food prices soaring, Shirley

Williams' Prices Department will be there along with the Treasury, and the ministers for Scotland, Wales and Ulster.

Peart yesterday held talks with his advisers on the crisis — and also met Richard Butler, deputy president of the National Farmers Union.

At the end of his two-day tour of the worst-hit areas on Tuesday, Peart said he had asked his staff to help farmers plan their supplies.

But any question of financial aid would have to be discussed with the Cabinet.

He described the situation as 'grave', but said people should not panic.



Workers on the picket line yesterday at Albert Booth's. Brian Tuckey is second from left.

Laid-off tool workers meet

BIRMINGHAM — A mass meeting of 850 laid-off workers from the Cincinnati Milacron machine tool factory at Tyburn will be held today.

The men will be deciding what further action to take in their dispute which originally began over the annual pay

claim.

It then escalated to involve opposition to lay-offs and suspensions.

The dispute involves AUEW and EEPFU members.

The men told News Line that their dispute involves the defence of trade union organisation in the factory.

Tougher times ahead for students

LEEDS — Dr Edwards, vice chancellor of Bradford University, said yesterday working-class students would face a tough future because of education cutbacks.

There will be a gradual

erosion of quality as the years go on, he told the Student Union's presidents' informal conference.

It will be a tougher life for students. Many are living on the margin and it could be disastrous.

Speke strike over broken agreement

SPEKE — 80 workers at Albert Booth Groups', Speke factory Merseyside were still on strike yesterday.

Drivers, Fixers and Yardsmen at the factory started to picket on Monday, in support of reprimanded ex-shop steward Jimmy Freeman.

Steward Brian Tuckey of the T&G 527 branch told News Line that it was originally planned to picket just the Monday afternoon, but when the men came to work later, management broke a signed

agreement with the union involving 'Time and a half' payment for working in temperatures over 75°F.

A union representative should be down today (Wed) to clear up the 'Time and a half' issue and we will probably return to work tomorrow.

We are treating the Freeman issue as a case of victimisation, Brian said.

Another worker added Jimmy was a shop steward who led the fight for the 'Time and a half' rate.

Brian added if management do not reinstate him we will be out indefinitely until they do.

£50,000 Development Fund is launched today

TODAY we announce the launching of a £50,000 Development Fund.

The appeal will remain open until the end of October. This is going to be a truly decisive 10 weeks of fund-raising for our party. We are seeking the resources to mount a very big development of the party's work in the regions.

We are mindful of the fact that the minority Labour government is on its last legs. There is General Election talk in the air.

The Workers Revolutionary Party must

prepare for every contingency, always advancing the struggle to build alternative revolutionary leadership in the working class.

With the Labour and TUC leaders selling out every day, there is an urgent need for our work to be pressed forward.

We have already taken irreversible and decisive steps to prepare the working class.

Our party, founded in November 1973, has a daily newspaper, an official youth section, the Young Socialists, and a trade union section, the All

Trades Unions Alliance.

We have developed our capacity to publish books, make films and stage plays.

But as the political and economic crisis deepens, so the revolutionary party must escalate its preparations.

As we launch this appeal we need only point to the fund-raising of the Tory Party. Eighteen top companies have given £87,554 in political

donations.

In a letter in 'The Times' on August 7, Tory treasurer Lord Chalmers said that 'at least 3,000 companies, large and small, contributed to our funds in the last year'.

While the Labour government leads the working class to disaster and despair, the Tories are actively preparing.

We appeal for the biggest possible response to the

£50,000 Development Fund.

The appeal goes far wider than our own members. It is directed to readers of News Line, industrial and professional workers who are becoming convinced that a revolutionary leadership must be built in Britain.

Already your donations have been coming. At the London meeting to commemorate the 36th anniversary of Trotsky's murder, £328.39 was raised.

Then we had a generous donation of £200 from Australian friends.

The London Area

Committee has shown its determination to make this fund an inspiring success. At its meeting this week, members decided unanimously to donate one week's salary.

It means that we have a total of £1,032.39 to start. That's good and we thank all our first contributors. But we have a long way to go, and we are appealing for your complete support.

Post all your donations to:

The £50,000 Development Fund,
21b Old Town,
Clapham,
London, SW4 0JT.

News Lines...

Apartheid blacked

JOHANNESBURG — Security police yesterday arrested L Mathebath, principal of the Morris Isaacson High School in Soweto. He was taken from his home in the early hours of the morning. No reason was given. Earlier this week Mathebath was questioned by police about one of his pupils, Tsietshi Mashinini, president of the recently formed Soweto Student Representative Council. Mashinini is reported to be keeping out of the way of the security police at present.

Quake toll

MANILA — The death toll in the worst earthquake ever to hit the Philippines has now risen to 4,000. Radio reports reaching here say that a further 90,000 were made homeless by the tidal wave.

Agency ban

THERE were no peace moves yesterday in the dispute by the National Graphical Association against agency copy from Press Association, Reuters and Exchange Telegraph. The ban has been started because 130 NGA members have been expelled for failing to pay their subscriptions to the London retirement fund.

A Newspaper Society spokesman said yesterday that provincial papers were now being hit 'quite considerably' by the ban. The dispute was considered by the government's Advisory, Conciliation and Arbitration Service but no solution could be found. The dispute is seriously curtailing news and sports coverage in London and provincial papers.

Danish strikes

COPENHAGEN — Mass strikes hit Denmark for the second day running yesterday, in opposition to the Social Democrat government's proposed 6 per cent pay limit. More than 15,000 demonstrated outside parliament. The pay limit proposal marks a 50 per cent cut in wage increases, which last year were set at 12 per cent.

LOST ORDER THREAT TO RAIL JOBS

ANOTHER big export order appears to have been lost by British industry.

Failure to secure the order — railway equipment for Kenya — is a jobs setback for British Rail engineering workshops.

The National Union of Railwaymen is to investigate why only about one-tenth of a £60m Kenyan order is expected to be placed in this country.

Although last-ditch attempts are being made to win a bigger share, yesterday's Financial

Times' reported that Canada, USA, West Germany, Japan, Sweden and Rumania have won the bulk of the contract.

Britain was traditionally the major supplier of railway equipment.

Now the NUR has become increasingly concerned over the 25,000 jobs at BR workshops.

Unless late attempts to secure more of the Kenyan order succeed, a number of private enterprise jobs may also be affected.

Firms involved in tendering for the Kenyan deal included Hawker

Siddeley-owned Brush Electric which makes main locomotives at Loughborough; and Barclays of Kilmarnock (shunter locomotives). British Steel wanted to supply track.

An order for 250 wagon bodies which British Rail believed it won from Nigeria is now in the balance, union sources said yesterday.

Last Monday it was revealed that the National Enterprise Board is investigating why the consortium it formed with GEC and Rio-Tinto Zinc has failed to win a £100m export contract.

Council chairman on corruption charge

GEORGE Newman, Staffordshire County Council chairman, was sent for trial on corruption charges yesterday.

Newman, 70, who pleaded not guilty to 19

charges, was recently reappointed chairman of the County Police Committee.

Newman and two other men were committed to Stafford Crown Court on £100 bail

each.

The charges relate to land development applications and alleged attempts to defraud. More than 50 witnesses are expected to be called.

500 jobs hang on subsidy

NORWICH — More than 500 workers faced with redundancy are having to wait for a Whitehall decision to see if their jobs can be saved.

An application for a £20-a-week government subsidy for each of the 506 jobs threatened has been made by Laurence Scott and Electric Motors Ltd.

The firm, the largest engineering employer in Norwich, has the support of the trade unions for the subsidy application which was sent to the Department of Employment earlier this week.

The 506 jobs threatened shop

APPLICATIONS for the government's Temporary Employment Subsidy (TES) continue to flow in from companies.

Latest figures from the Department of Employment show that on August 13, the hand-outs are already going to cost £87.6m annually.

This is an increase of almost £7m on the yearly cost estimated two weeks earlier.

TES is paid to firms threatening to sack workers.

floor and staff in the main machinery works.

Over 120 jobs were lost at the works only two months ago.

The subsidy is £20 per head per week.

Department figures show that the jobs of 127,784 workers have been the subject of applications for TES subsidies so far.

Payment has been authorised on applications involving 96,891 workers.

North West England is the region where the largest proportion of applications are coming from.

Clothing, footwear, textiles, and electrical engineering are the industries mainly affected.

The company has other works at Manchester, Blantyre and London. It manufactures electric motors, generators and

control gear and has announced a record £1.75m profit for the past financial year.

A shop steward at the Norwich works said yesterday the firm told the unions that demand for its product had fallen.

The firm had only £7,000 worth of orders for every £15,000 worth of production capacity, the unions were told.

The redundancy will be implemented if the government hand-out, amounting to more than £10,000 a week, is not forthcoming.

Although Norwich unemployment figures are slightly better than the national average, there are still ten unemployed people for every single job vacancy.

At last August Fund over first £1,000

BUT DON'T rest back. Our total stands at £1,004.97 — a long way yet from our £4,000 target.

It is not the time to allow our fund to lapse. Costs are rocketing all the time. Rises in rail fares and food increases will only add to our already high basic costs.

We appeal, therefore, to every reader to fight today for our News Line Fund. Raise extra amounts. Post all you collect immediately to:

News Line Monthly Fund,
21b Old Town,
Clapham,
London, SW4 0JT.

YOUNG SOCIALISTS

Call on all young people students and trades unionists

LOBBY

The Trades Union Congress Brighton

Thursday September 9, 1976

We demand: •Jobs for youth!

- Full training on demand
- Trade union rates of pay
- Guarantee of jobs
- Force the Labour government to resign!

Coaches leaving from all parts of the country. For details contact: Young Socialists, 21b Old Town, Clapham, London SW4 0JT

NORTH LONDON REGION

Finchley Tally Ho Corner N12 4.45 a.m. Finsbury Park, Rainbow, Isledon Road N7 5 a.m. Walthamstow Central Station E 17 4.45 a.m. Tottenham Seven Sisters Station, High Road, N 17 Dalston Junction Station, Dalston Lane, E8 5 a.m. St Pancras Station, Euston Road, NW1

EAST LONDON REGION

Poplar Baths, East India Dock Road, E17 5.15 a.m. Whitechapel Station, Whitechapel Road, E1 5.30 a.m. Dagenham The Church Elm, 5 a.m. Barking Station, 5.15 a.m. East Ham Town Hall, E6 5.30 a.m. Basildon Bowling Alley, near Station 4.45 a.m. Grays, The Oak, near Danesholms Roundabout, 5.15 a.m.

WEST LONDON REGION

Edgware Road, corner of Church Street, W2 5 a.m. Willesden Library, High Road, NW10 5.15 a.m. Shepherds Bush Metropolitan Line Station, 5.15 a.m. Fulham Golden Lane, High Street SW6 5.30 a.m. Hemel Hempstead, 4.30 a.m. Watford Junction Station 5.00 a.m. Harrow and Wealdstone Station 5.15 a.m. Hayes, The Grapes, 5.00 a.m. Southall Town Hall, 5.15 a.m. Feltham Station, 5.30 a.m.

SOUTH LONDON REGION

Wandsworth Town Hall, Fairfield Street, SW18 5 a.m. Clapham Common Station, SW4 5.15 a.m. Brixton Town Hall, SW2 5.15 a.m. Tooting Broadway Station, SW17 5.30 a.m. Peckham Civic Centre, Old Kent Road SE15 5.15 a.m. New Cross Goldsmiths College, Lewisham Way, SE14 5 a.m. Lewisham Clock Tower, SE13 5.00 a.m. Woolwich Arsenal Station, SE18 4.45 a.m.

SOUTHERN REGION

Penge, Crooked Billet, High Street, SE20 5.30 a.m. Thornton Heath Clock Tower, High Street, 5.45 a.m. West Croydon Station, 6.00 a.m. Crawley Bus Station, Hazelton Avenue, 7.00 a.m. Kingston Station, 5.00 a.m. Guildford Station, 6.00 a.m.

Guernsey tax trek on the increase

MORE wealthy people are moving to the tax haven of Guernsey in the Channel Islands, estate agents report.

There is a definite increase this year on last season's sales — all from UK buyers, say the Guernsey-based firm of Lovell and Partners.

Income tax on the island has not changed since 15 years ago when it was reduced from 26p in the £ to the current 20p.

It seems the price of the houses are not of prime importance. Living in a low tax area, rich buyers soon pay off the initial capital outlay on their houses.

Sample

A sample of the kind of expensive houses currently up for sale on Guernsey includes the following:

Le Grand Court, 17th century, is on offer at £180,000 freehold. It has six bedrooms, three bathrooms, three living rooms, large kitchen, and a suite for guests or staff.

Le Repos Au Coin, priced at £100,000, also has six bedrooms, plus a staff or guest wing.

For £150,000, wealthy employers planning to close down their factories on mainland Britain, can buy a Victorian house, four bathrooms, swimming pool, and eight acres of grazing land.

Investment starvation slices jobs

GEC, the giant electrical monopoly, is sitting on enormous cash reserves of £247m and holding it back from investment. This article, by a special correspondent, shows how more and more of GEC profits are being channelled away from investment — even though the company made after-tax profits of £102m in the last financial year.

More than 5,000 GEC jobs were destroyed in the UK in the same 12-month period and more sackings and plant closures are feared.

These workers from GEC telecommunications factories in Coventry and Scotland lobbied Industry Secretary Eric Varley in London last year for government help in staving off redundancies. The help never came.



WORKERS REVOLUTIONARY PARTY

Meetings to commemorate

36th



Trotsky speaking in Copenhagen, 1932

Anniversary of Trotsky's death

NORTH-WEST

Sunday August 22, 7p.m.
Holiday Inn
Paradise St Liverpool 1

Speakers: G HEALY (Central Cttee)
ALEX MITCHELL (Editor News Line)
PETER FROME (YS National Cttee)

NORTH-EAST

Sunday September 5, 7p.m.
Gulbenkian Theatre
Barras Bridge
Newcastle

Speakers: G HEALY (Central Cttee)
C SLAUGHTER (Central Cttee)
SIMON PIRANI (YS National Secretary)

YORKSHIRE

Sunday September 12, 7p.m.
Memorial Hall
City Hall Sheffield

Speakers: G HEALY (Central Cttee)
M BANDA (General Secretary)
PAT PRIEST (YS National Cttee)

SCOTLAND

Sunday September 19, 7p.m.
McLellan Galleries
Sauchihall St
Glasgow

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

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

Tory Party spokesmen and apologists for big business are constantly berating trade unionists for not recognising the necessity for profits.

Without profits, they argue, there will be no new investment and ultimately no jobs in industry.

This is the justification for the shift of income distribution in favour of profits which is resulting from the current policy of wage-cutting and company tax concessions.

Profits

In view of this we might expect there would now be an upsurge in new investment by industry, especially now that the CBI has agreed to encourage increased capital expenditure in support of the government's 'industrial strategy'.

But an analysis of the latest report and accounts of one of Britain's most successful industrial groups — GEC Ltd — shows that increased profits do not necessarily mean increased employment, let alone guarantee workers' jobs.

In the year to March 1976 GEC increased its profits after tax by nearly 25 per cent to £102m, while total net cash flow generated by the group rose 12 per cent to £181m.

Out of this total, only £72m was used for new investment — a fall of 8 per cent compared with the previous year.

At the same time working capital requirements rose a mere £13m, so that an enormous £84m was transferred to cash reserves, which now stand at £247m (over a quarter of the group's total worth).

But, as the 'Investor's Chronicle' (a leading City journal) has pointed out, however deplorable it may seem that GEC is sitting on all this cash, it is very hard to see which of their numerous fields of activity at present offers any suitable investment opportunity.

In particular the telecommunications, power engineering and consumer durables markets are all faced with static or contracting demand.

In terms of the logic of capitalism, therefore, it is entirely understandable that GEC should be cutting back investment.

What is at first sight harder to understand is why the chairman, Lord Nelson of Stafford, should devote most of his annual statement to complaining about the excessive burden of taxation and calling for much greater cuts in government spending.

It is precisely reduced public expenditure which is behind the lower demand for GEC's own products.

Further falls in demand are likely to lead to more cutbacks in the group's operations and more plant closures.

But a further look at the accounts suggests that such a

trend is hardly likely to worry Lord Nelson and his fellow directors. For profits will continue to pile up even if there is little or no new investment in plant and machinery.

Assets

Moreover these profits can easily be reinvested in bank deposits or other financial assets — interest on these contributed £21m to GEC's profits last year — and such investments are in any case much less risky from management's point of view and require much less care and attention than plant and machinery.

This prospect may appear less comfortable to GEC's employees upon whom, in the words of Lord Nelson, 'the company's results reflect great credit'.

For in spite of their efforts they have seen another 5,000 jobs disappear from the group's UK operations over the year (plus 3,000 overseas).

Perhaps they will take less kindly in future to pious sermons about profits like the one which appeared last year in 'Topic', the company newspaper.

This sermon concluded: 'But perhaps the last word should belong to another Rugby employee. "Losses cost jobs, but profits provide security and protection. I think profit is on our side". Perhaps there's more in participation than companies think. With sense like that, he could be a future GEC Chairman.'

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Republicans split down the middle

KANSAS CITY — There is something manic about the conduct of this Republican Convention.

One speaker said that the greatest threat to America was international communism.

Next breath he said that US foreign policy was staked on detente with the Soviet Union and China and he called forth praise for President Ford and Dr Henry Kissinger.

One of the White House aides told journalists later: 'I wish some of these guys would make up their mind. They either want a cold war or a hot war. How can you have both?'

The divisions are carried into the home front as well. Speaker after speaker attacked the rate of public spending.

John Connally, ex-Governor of Texas and ex-Treasury Secretary, called for a constitutional amendment to outlaw deficit spending.

There were huge cheers for the lantern-jawed Texan. But when other speakers called for programmes to reduce the number of unemployed and aid the poor, the cheers were just as robust.

But although the appearance of the conference was confused, there could be no doubt about the mainstream of Republicanism.

The big bourgeois and the small businessmen assembled here are heading right.

Connally again: 'We should tell everyone that the years ahead will be years of scarcity and sacrifice.'

Arizona Senator Barry Goldwater spoke of 'the dangers of socialism.'

Every other delegate mentioned the need to develop 'free enterprise' and stamp out social services and other forms of creeping socialism.

Howard Baker, the Tennessee senator, said a Jimmy Carter victory in November would mean 'more programmes, more promises, more controls, more spending, more taxes.'

He got a delirious reception from the well-heeled delegates swaying around the floor under a canopy of posters, balloons and television cameras.

As I file this despatch the delegates are assembling for the big vote. Ford is in front of the ex-Hollywood cowboy, but both are far behind Carter.

ISRAEL ADMITS LEBANON BLOCKADE

BY CHARLES PARKINS

TEL AVIV — Israel's state-owned television service has confirmed that the Zionist state is aiding the Lebanese rightwing by blockading supplies to the Palestinians and left-wing forces.

Military correspondent Nahman Shay told viewers: 'Various shipping routes lead from Arab countries, including Egypt and Libya, to Lebanon. Some of them pass through Egypt and Libya, to Lebanon. Some of them pass through Cyprus and some are direct routes to Lebanon.'

'Israel naval vessels are today standing between the supply ships and the Lebanese coast.'

'The practical implication of this act is a naval blockade that

is preventing the supply of arms to the terrorists and to the Moslems.

'Dabur-class ships and missile boats of the Israeli navy are participating in this activity.'

By 'terrorists' of course, the Zionist broadcaster means Palestinians: not the Maronite fascists who have carried out massacres and atrocities — these are the forces Israel supplies arms to.

'With the aid of their radar systems' Shay said, 'these boats discover vessels sailing in the Mediterranean.'

'They chase them and check

the people and equipment on the boats. In this way several boats have been stopped in recent weeks and military supplies aboard them were confiscated.'

Quoting reports that the Palestinians and left forces were having difficulties replenishing supplies the Israeli commentator observed:

'The sea route was the only supply source they had and that route is now blocked to them.'

In other words, Israel and the Syrian regime have joined forces to try to strangle the Palestinian and Lebanese masses.

Shay went on to tell Israeli viewers:

'Reports from foreign sources add that the naval blockade is only one component of the aid that Israel is giving the Christians in Lebanon.'

'According to these reports, Israel is today supplying arms, ammunition and military equipment to the Christians and is even training Christian fighters.'

'Israel is not reacting to these reports. At any rate, it is clear that not everything is known about Israeli involvement in what is happening in Lebanon.'

JAPAN'S MR CLEAN DIRTIES HIS HANDS



Takeo Miki

TOKYO — Japanese prime minister Takeo Miki was interrupted several times by hecklers yesterday as he appealed for 'measures to establish clean politics'.

Changed

Miki's predecessor, Kakuei Tanaka, charged with taking bribes from the Lockheed aircraft corporation, had just been freed on bail of 200 million yen the previous day.

The Lockheed affair has brought out an open split among Miki's Liberal Democrat Party — Japan's Tories.

This centres on relations between Japanese and American big business on tactics for coping with the scandal.

Ousted in 1974 after revelations about suspect property deals, Tanaka retained his friends and influence in the ruling class party.

He was hoping to make a come-back when the Lockheed affair surfaced and tripped him.

Important circles in the party and big business are ready to blame Miki for his handling of the affair... and they are out to get him.

The prime minister told his party's conference:

'Prevent the sticking together of politicians, bureaucrats and big businessmen, disband intra-party factions, revise the LDP presidential election system and promote the welfare of the people.'

More perceptive than his colleagues, Miki realises that in this period of crisis, any blatant attempt to cover-up the corruption scandal would only do further damage to his party.

Image

He has staked his position and public image on pursuing the affair, hoping that by shedding discredited individuals and letting them face the courts, his party can clean its image in time for this year's elections.

But his clean-up campaign has run into difficulty, even

hostility, from big business chiefs grown complacent and arrogant in years of easy money and boom.

They still think they could have quietly buried the Lockheed scandal as they did with other scandals.

Crisis

It has not yet dawned on them that the Japanese working class, awakened to militancy by the crisis, might find middle-class allies in questioning corruption... and the fitness of the ruling class to rule.

Deputy prime minister Takeo Fukuda and finance minister Masayoshi Ohira are among those openly campaigning to get rid of Miki.

Tanaka, meanwhile, was relieved yesterday from another, separate charge, arising from complaints that he had abused his position as finance minister during the 1960s to make money in property speculation.

Eleven farmers from Niigata, backed by the Communist Party, brought complaints last September over a deal involving a 'ghost' firm set up by Tanaka.

The company bought a stretch of dry river-bed from them in 1964 and 1965, which Tanaka claimed was worthless.

Plans

It then rose some 200 times its value when plans were made to change the river bank line and build a new bypass.

The Niigata District Prosecutors Office announced yesterday that it would not press charges.

It said no criminal swindle had been proved and added that the statute of limitations has run out for a civil action.

Argentine big business backs junta

Argentine businessmen are putting their money on military dictatorship.

Since the junta under General Videla took power in March, as the repression and murders of trade unionists and socialists has grown, share prices have soared.

As soon as the Buenos Aires stock exchange reopened on April 5, shares rose by 500 per cent in one day.

Among the most popular shares were those in Acindar, the steel company controlled by Jose Martinez de Hoz, Minister of the Economy.

He announced on May 5 that despite a 35 per cent increase in the cost of living the previous month, there would be no wage increase to compensate.

He also admitted that as part of his anti-inflation plans two million workers were likely to lose their jobs. On the same day, there were reports of thousands of arrests.

A Swiss journalist was expelled from the country, for enquiring into the appearance of dozens of corpses in industrial suburbs of Buenos Aires.

The Argentine Press was forbidden to report the right-wing death-squad activities.

With an estimated 10,000 political prisoners, hundreds of murders, refugees pleading for visas to get out of the country, both native and foreign capitalists evidently consider there is 'a favourable climate for investment'.

The volume of trading on the stock market has expanded, and the average price of shares traded has increased since the coup from the equivalent of about 2p to nearly 30p.

There is no capital gains tax, and the tax on stock transfers

is only 5 per cent. In addition, the military government announced this week the removal of most restrictions on foreign investment, and free withdrawal of capital and profits.

The 'New York Times' says that one American who invested £10,000 at the beginning of this year has made £300,000.

Within the past few weeks the daily volume of transactions on the share market has increased from £5m to £15m.

COMRADE HARRY FINCH died on Sunday, August 15, in Wallgrave Hospital, Coventry. He had been a fighter for Trotskyism for 36 years.

Harry was born on June 15, 1922, in the East End borough of Stoke Newington and was educated at the Central Foundation Boys School near City Road.

With the exception of his brother Jock and his parents, almost every member of the family joined the Trotskyist movement.

On leaving school he joined the Young Communist League like many young Jewish workers of his generation who witnessed the triumph of Hitlerite fascism in Germany and its odious reflection in the Mosleyite movement in Britain.

But by the time Harry turned to politics, Stalinism had executed two major betrayals of the working class: in Germany the sectarian policy of 'social fascism', and the rejection of the united front with Social Democracy enabled Hitler to come to power. In Spain the Popular Front derailed the Spanish revolution and brought World War II menacingly near.

Harry — under the influence of his elder brother Dave, who had left the CP over the Spanish betrayal — was persuaded to join one of the Trotskyist groups in early 1939, the Workers International League (WIL).

He became at the same time a member of the Amalgamated Engineering Union and obtained an apprenticeship at Smiths in Cricklewood. After a year's intensive activity in the WIL, both Harry and Dave developed differences with the leadership of Jock Haston and Roy Tearse.

THE FINCH brothers were expelled in 1940. Harry moved to Coventry and became a car worker. For a brief period he joined the British syndicalist followers of the American Hugo Oehler.

But the influence of the Oehler group was short-lived and Harry returned to the Trotskyist movement in 1941 when he joined one of the principal factions of Trotskyism — the Revolutionary Socialist League (RSL), which at the time was recognised as the official section of the Fourth International.

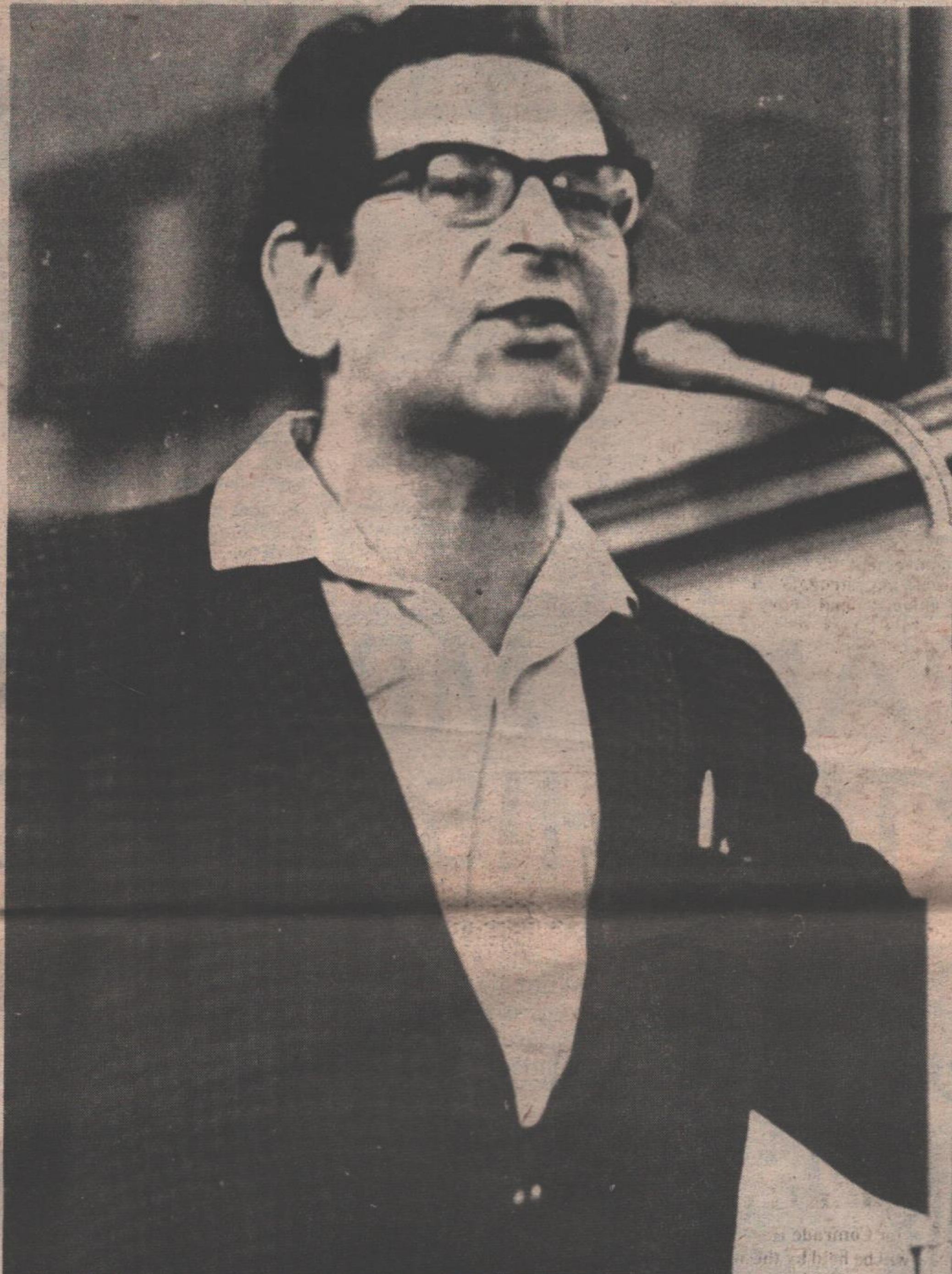
Differences over tactical issues had split the RSL three ways. Harry joined the Trotskyist Opposition within the RSL. He rejected the reformist line of the Harber leadership.

The Trotskyist movement in Britain was the only movement to oppose openly World War II as an imperialist war. Unlike the Communist Party which supported the war and the war-time coalition and fought to increase productivity and ban strikes, the Trotskyists continued to prosecute the class struggle and transform the war into a struggle for power. Their policy was that of Lenin's revolutionary defeatism.

Harry fought for this policy and opposed the trade union opportunists and Stalinist chauvinists in the engineering industry who tried to maintain class peace.

He saw the necessity for the unity of the Trotskyist forces in Britain and fought indefatigably for the fusion of the RSL and WIL, which was realised in March, 1944, with the formation of the Revolutionary Communist Party.

At the same time, a group led by Gerry Healy was fighting



Harry Finch speaking at a conference of the All Trades Unions Alliance (Industrial section of the Workers Revolutionary Party: then the Socialist Labour League) in 1969

successfully within the WIL for unification with the RSL.

In 1944, Harry was forced to quit the engineering industry when he was called up as a Bevin Boy and drafted into the mines in Cannock. Even in the mines Harry was not free from the witch-hunting of the Stalinists and Labourites who hated his anti-war activities.

After demobilisation, Harry returned briefly to engineering but in 1947 went back into the mines.

When the RCP leaders were arrested in 1944 for their anti-war activities and framed by the Labour ministers in the war-time coalition, Harry fought tenaciously in the Midlands labour movement to secure their release.

The formation of the RCP coincided with a vast new upsurge of the working class in Britain — the biggest since 1926. The failure of the Haston-Grant leadership to grasp the implications of this development caused a fresh crisis in the party.

The opposition to the empiricism and opportunism of

Haston and Grant was led by Gerry Healy, supported by the best elements in the party who wanted a resolute turn to the working class. Among them was Harry, who became a principal spokesman for the minority and was an alternate member of the RCP's Central Committee.

The crisis in the RCP came to a head on the issue of entry into the Labour Party after the landslide victory of Labour in 1945.

The International Secretariat of the Fourth International intervened in October 1947 to recognise two sections with the reluctant acquiescence of Haston — the majority led by Haston remained outside the Labour Party, while the minority entered the Labour Party.

Haston's sectarianism was quickly exposed in practice and by 1949 his group had disintegrated. Haston then wound up the RCP and entered the Labour Party — to join the right-wing.

In the reconstituted organisation within the Labour Party, Harry became a full member of its Executive Committee. Haston and Grant

were expelled for their opportunism by the Fourth International.

BY 1948, Harry had left the mines and gone back to engineering. He joined Norton Motors, the motor-cycle group in Birmingham and became an active member of the Labour Party's left-wing. He soon became convenor of the factory.

He was elected to the Labour council and the Trades Council.

When the Korean War broke out in 1950, Harry led the struggle in the Birmingham Labour Party for the defeat of the UN forces in Korea and within the Trotskyist group was in the forefront of the struggle against the state-capitalist faction which tried to commit the Trotskyist movement to a policy of opposing the victory of North Korea over the UN.

In the 1953-1954 struggle against the revisionist Pablo group — whose leader in Britain was John Lawrence — Harry showed the same impeccable loyalty to principle and tenacity

in struggle which enabled the group to defeat the state-capitalists.

His theoretical knowledge combined with an infallible class instinct enabled Harry to detect the capitulation of the Lawrence group to Stalinism and made him a sturdy and absolutely reliable ally in the struggle. To the end, he remained an implacable enemy of Pabloite revisionism.

BUT IF there is one event for which Harry will be long remembered in the Midlands labour movement, it is for his leadership in the Norton strike in 1956.

The years 1955-1956 were traumatic ones in the Midlands. It was a period of great shake-up in the engineering industry when employers, faced by the emergence of strong foreign competition and the first post-war recession, set out to sack thousands and automate industry.

In Standards, Coventry — now Triumph-Leylands — 3,000 workers were faced with the sack.

In the British Motor Corporation (Austin Longbridge), six thousand workers were made redundant without consultations.

In Norton's 26 workers were made redundant and all 400 struck. The Stalinists in the Big Six — the combine committee of the biggest car manufacturers — adopted radical resolutions, but averted a major confrontation and betrayed the struggle with demands for 'adequate compensation' and the 'guarantee of consultation'.

The executives of the unions granted the BMC strikers dispute pay, but refused to make the strike official and, after a fortnight of violent struggle on the picket lines, instructed the strikers to return to work.

The union leaders then entered into weeks of fruitless negotiations which did not save a single one of the 3,000 jobs in Standards. It was a monumental betrayal conducted by the right-wing and the Stalinists. The entire CP faction in Standards was sacked.

In Norton's, the employers, the bureaucrats and Stalinists expecting a quick settlement met, instead, with a determined and well-organised resistance led by convenor Harry.

This was all the more remarkable because Norton's was new to trade unionism and had never before in its history had a major strike. The strike which began in April, 1956, went on for over 20 weeks.

While the AEU executive retreated before the employers and the Press, Harry demonstrated his qualities as a fighter for basic democratic rights and as a disciplined party leader.

Undaunted by the witch-hunt of the local Press, the anti-Semitic epithets of the extreme right and the slanderous insinuations of the Stalinists, Harry fought to raise the political issues which lay behind the strike and resisted every attempt to adapt to picket-line militancy.

It is a measure of Harry's political leadership that, four months after the strike began and two months after all the

remaining strikers were sacked, he was able to secure unanimous support for a motion demanding the continuation of the strike until all sacked members were reinstated.

In the end the strike was defeated — but it was not vain.

The Stalinist leaders in the engineering industry were thoroughly exposed in the trade unions for their blatant sabotage of every attempt to spread the strike and enforce recognition. Though many individual members and stewards supported the strike.

In the Earls Court Motor Cycle Show that year, the Stalinist leaders of the Electrical Trades Union refused to call out the electricians in support of Norton's, although Norton's was an official dispute.

The right-wing was completely discredited for the refusal to oppose the employers and the Tory government.

Norton's thus became an indelible lesson in the post-war history of the AEU.

Most of the strikers sought jobs elsewhere, but this was not easy. Harry was blacklisted and became a professional worker for the party for a number of years. In 1958, the right wing of the Birmingham Labour Party expelled him.

IN THE meantime, Harry became a keen correspondent and seller of the 'Newsletter' — which later became the paper of the Socialist Labour League.

In the early 1960s, Harry helped to organise the Trotskyist faction in the Labour Party Young Socialists.

The Birmingham area was the centre of the right-wing in the LPYS. Harry's task was not easy, but he never gave up.

To add to his problems, Harry still found it difficult to get a job in a big factory. His reputation as a Trotskyist preceded him everywhere in Birmingham.

In 1966 Harry moved to Coventry and got a job at Dunlops.

It was high tide of the boom period. Earnings were high, jobs were plentiful, overtime was abundant and illusions of trade union wages militant were rife.

But Harry never capitulated to the moods of non-political euphoria. When the All Trades Unions Alliance was formed in 1968 he participated in its conferences and fought with customary vigour to build the Alliance in the engineering industry.

He attended all the educational camps of the Socialist Labour League and fought to educate new cadres and build the League in the area.

He was in the forefront of the campaign against the Labour government's White Paper on the attempts to introduce Measured-Day Work in the engineering industry.

IN THE latter part of the 1960s Harry's health began to decline seriously. The doctors diagnosed a heart condition.

In 1972 he was made redundant and in 1973 got a job in Herbert's, the machine tool makers.

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of the trade unions and a passionate partisan of the socialist future and the rule of the working class.

On behalf of all his friends and comrades and sharing their grief and affection, we say Goodbye Comrade Harry.

COMRADE Harry Finch, a founding member of the Workers Revolutionary Party, and a long-standing member of the Trotskyist movement, has died aged 54.

He was known throughout the Midlands, particularly for his principled political and industrial fight in the Amalgamated Union of Engineering Workers (AUEW).

The Workers Revolutionary Party wishes to express its deepest regrets to Harry's family.

A cremation will take place on Friday.

Following the service the Workers Revolutionary Party will hold a memorial meeting. See details below.

Coventry area committee of the Workers Revolutionary Party wishes to record its regrets on the death of Comrade Harry Finch. Harry will never be forgotten in the labour movement of Coventry for his untiring struggle as a trade unionist and communist for revolutionary policies. We are proud to follow in his footsteps.

Birmingham area committee of the Workers Revolutionary Party regrets the death of Comrade Harry Finch. Harry earned the respect of all class conscious workers for his many years of struggle in the trade unions and in the Labour Party for principled revolutionary politics.

He earned the undying hatred of the labour bureaucracy, who expelled him from the Labour Party, and the Stalinists, whose counter-revolutionary policies he fought tenaciously all his life. We salute Comrade Harry Finch by continuing to build the revolutionary party which he helped to found.

MEMORIAL MEETING

for Comrade Harry Finch
will be held by the Workers
Revolutionary Party at
Alderman Callow School,
Mitchell Avenue,
Canley,
Coventry

12 noon on Friday, August 20
All trade unionists and
friends are invited to attend.



Harry Finch in 1954

It was in this period that Harry fought one of his last battles as a member of the Coventry AUEW District Committee against the abrogation of the long-established Coventry Tool Room Agreement.

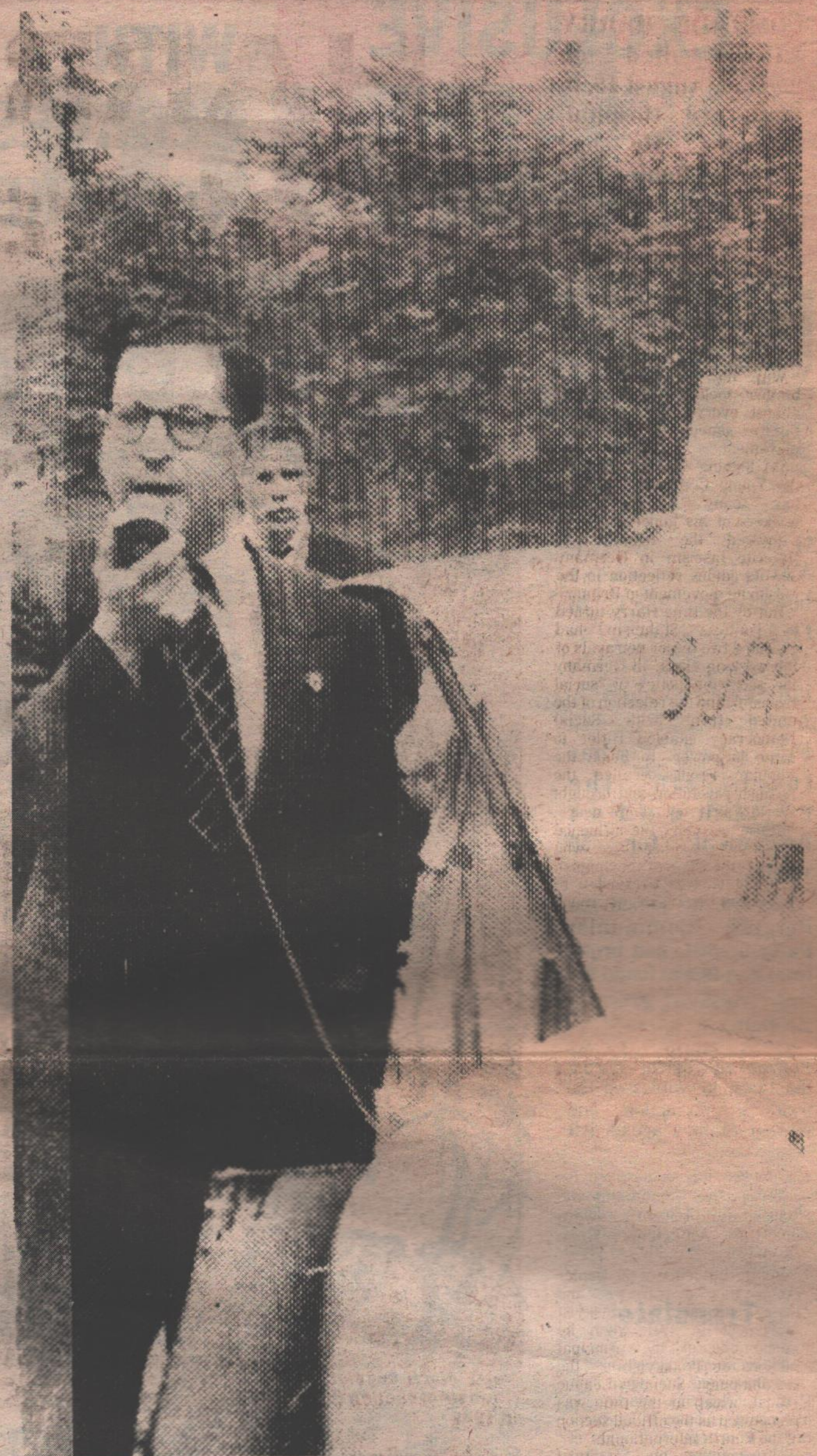
Both as a member of the Trades Council and the District Committee, Comrade Harry fought to assist the Right-to-Work march from Liverpool to London, as well as the Wigan-to-London march of the Wigan Building Workers Action Committee demanding the Shrewsbury Two be freed.

But failing health and the prospect of a collapse forced him to take a slower pace in his political activities.

In 1973, a heart operation rescued him from premature death.

Even then, the employers did not forget Harry's past and an abortive attempt was made by Herbert's management to victimise him. But the stewards rallied to Harry's side and he was reinstated.

NOW Harry Finch is dead but he will always be respectfully remembered by those who knew him as a valiant fighter for Trotskyism, a trade unionist who never succumbed to trade union militancy, an uncompromising enemy of the corporatist bureaucracy



Norton convenor and councillor Harry Finch speaking at an anti-redundancy demonstration organised by the strike committee from the factory and Aston Labour Party on July 15, 1956. This struggle is one Harry will be long remembered for

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WITH
GEORGES
VEREEKEN

Why t be exposed

GEORGES Vereeken, whose book, 'The GPU in the Trotskyist Movement', is launched tomorrow, (New Park Publications, £3) has fought in the communist movement for 56 years.

Now 80, he joined the Belgian Communist Party in 1921, and broke from it in 1928 to found the first Trotskyist group in Belgium.

As secretary of the Belgian movement during the 1930s, he witnessed the trail of disruption and murder Stalin's agents left behind them.

Vereeken has undertaken to serve on the Commission of Inquiry into Trotsky's death called by the International Committee of the Fourth International.

Translate

He explained to News Line: 'In December last year New Park Publications approached me with a proposal to translate my book on the infiltration of our movement by Stalinist agents and GPU men.'

'It meant the end of the period in which successive leaderships of the Trotskyist movement had kept us in quarantine.'

'We learnt that your organisation had begun a campaign to uncover the crimes committed by the GPU agents, in particular, the background to the assassination of Comrade Trotsky, and why the Trotskyist movement had never done anything to clarify it.'

Even today, every attempt is made to prevent investigation of these agents, who have done so much damage to the revolutionary movement.

Congratulating the International Committee on its campaign, he said:

'Now we are no longer alone in fighting for the truth to be made known and for the revolutionary movement to draw the lessons.'

The Trotskyist movement, Vereeken said, had grown up in the period of the most terrible defeats for the workers' movement in Europe.

Trotsky laid down the clearest political analysis, but



A drawing by FELIX TOPOLSKI made during last Sunday's Workers Revolutionary Party meeting commemorating 36 years since Trotsky's death — Georges Vereeken is second from the left

differences inevitably arose within the movement.

'The agents who had infiltrated our ranks were very active in the ensuing discussions,' he said.

He quoted the example of the German section, which was divided by a bitter factional dispute in 1932, while fascism grew stronger and stronger.

The international leadership supported the side led by the Well brothers, and the other faction — Landau's — was expelled.

Dramatically, on the eve of Hitler's seizure of power, the Well brothers were exposed as Stalinist agents.

Their mission was accomplished, and they now became the most highly-prized

henchmen of Stalin and Beria.

Their pseudonyms: Soble and Soblen.

Vereeken went on to recount how Zborowski, the master-agent, infiltrated the European leadership headed by Trotsky's son, Leon Sedov.

Poison

He managed to poison relations with the POUM, the leading left-wing force in the Spanish Civil War.

On the eve of the harsh repression of the Spanish revolutionary forces in May 1937, Zborowski published a letter, not intended for publication, in which Trotsky described the POUM as

'traitors' because of their political position.

On February 16, 1938, we learned of the death of Sedov, Trotsky's son. We suspected murder.

But it was only after Zborowski was arrested in 1955 that we learnt that he was responsible for the crime.

Four days after Sedov's death, Trotsky had received a letter from Zborowski and his ally Lola Dallin.

It began: 'We have learnt that Sneevliet (leader of the Dutch Trotskyists) and Vereeken are spreading rumours that Sedov was responsible for the death of Ignace Reiss.'

(Reiss was a high-ranking GPU officer who broke with Stalin and was murdered on his

way to join the Fourth International.)

'You can understand how Natalia and Trotsky felt about the two of us,' said Vereeken.

Ernest Mandel still repeats these false accusations today to try to keep us away from the revolutionary movement.

He said he had hesitated for a long time before writing the book. It was completed in 1972, but it took three years after that to find a French publisher.

The leaders of the 'United Secretariat' did everything they could to stop it seeing the light of day.

'They have failed, and now that your movement is publishing all the documents, they can no longer hide behind their sole argument: that even

the Central Committee of the Bolshevik Party was infiltrated by a police spy.

Vereeken warned: 'Zborowski was not the only one. There were hundreds of agents watching the Trotskyists.'

Arrested

'Six or seven were arrested for the murder of Reiss. One of them turned out to live in the same street as Sedov.'

'Another had the plans of Trotsky's house in Mexico in his suitcase — and this was only 1937.'

It was now clear, he said, that there had always been agents at the top of the organisation, around Sedov and Trotsky.

Georges Vereeken at a Fleet Street Press

he GPU must



ference on Monday

'Now as then,' he added, 'agents are at work within the revolutionary movement.'

'It would be an unforgivable mistake to think that the Stalinist secret police has abandoned this activity.'

'Look at how the evidence has been suppressed within the Trotskyist movement itself.'

'Every time a commission of inquiry was proposed it met with the same fate.'

'When Zborowski was accused of being an agent by Sneevliet, he rushed off to write to Trotsky about it.'

'Because Trotsky trusted Zborowski, he gave him the job of forming a commission of inquiry to bring Sneevliet to justice.'

Trotsky asked for a second

commission after the murder of Sedov. Both commissions were due to be held during the Founding Congress of the Fourth International in 1938.

'But a few days beforehand, Klement, the administrative secretary, announced that someone had stolen his briefcase containing all the documents in the metro.'

Klement himself disappeared and his body was later fished out of the Seine.

'Sedov's companion, Jeanne Martin, asked for an inquiry to see if there was any connection between this crime and the death of Sedov, but she was also unsuccessful.'

In 1940, Vereeken said, the Socialist Workers Party should have organised an inquiry into

Trotsky's death. It was never done.

'In 1943 our tendency asked the European Secretariat of the Fourth International to condemn violations of proletarian morality by members of the Belgian section. They never replied.'

Exposed

'In 1955, when Zborowski was arrested, the European journal "Fourth International" called for him to be further exposed.'

'They appealed to American organisations to "force Zborowski to reply to every question concerning his work for the GPU in the Trotskyist movement."

'But the matter was allowed to drop.'

'And Zborowski is still walking around San Francisco a free man, and it's only now that he's beginning to get worried.'

In the latest case, he said, the 'Unified Secretariat' had still not replied to the request for a parity commission to look into the accusations against Joseph Hansen and George Novack, of the SWP, indicted as accomplices of the GPU.

Vereeken contrasted this position with Trotsky's attitude to the Moscow Trials.

He quoted Trotsky's defiant statement that he would appear before any impartial tribunal and put himself in the hands of the GPU executioners if there was proof that any of Stalin's

accusations was justified.

He concluded by paying tribute to Trotsky:

'Trotsky may have been misled about me by agents of the GPU. But my respect for him increases as the years go by.'

Trotsky's clear-sightedness about social, political and scientific development was unmatched — witness his theory of permanent revolution, his prediction of atomic energy, his vision of the possibilities before mankind if nuclear war could be prevented.

'Today history is going forward rapidly. If nuclear war can be prevented, we can be certain that the Soviet people will shortly rehabilitate Trotsky.'

'It will then be impossible, as it was in 1917-1923, to speak of

Lenin without speaking of Trotsky. Mankind owes them both an enormous debt.'

There must, said Vereeken, be an International Commission of Inquiry into all the circumstances surrounding Trotsky's death. Nothing should deter us from that.

'Always remember,' he said 'that whatever difficulties we encounter, capitalism and imperialism are in still greater difficulties.'

'Their system is at an end. The fight for workers' power and socialism is now on the agenda.'

'Long live the World Revolution!'

'Let us all go forward to make the revolution in our own countries!'

Perspectives discussion

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

'We must raise our policy in the unions for the crisis'

Eric Gutteridge, secretary of the Tottenham No. 7 branch of the Amalgamated Union of Engineering Workers. He is currently standing as a candidate for the post of assistant divisional organiser, division 20.



ERIC GUTTERIDGE
Candidate for divisional organiser

'The cost of living is the thing which is most annoying workers today.

They are enormously dissatisfied that wages haven't kept up with price increases.

Inflation

The government says that inflation is being kept down, but everyone knows the real situation is quite different. Just today there was the news of a 20-per-cent increase in rail fares on the way.

In our place a lot of workers come in from outside areas on the train — they feel every single increase.

They blame the whole trade union leadership for what's going on.

When Scanlon was first voted into office he was considered a 'left' and that he would do the job. He's still a 'left' but you can now see what it means — he co-operates with the right wing all the time.

The situation today is that Scanlon works with Boyd who is well to the right inside the union.

Cuts

When have they had a difference over the pay controls, unemployment, the cuts in public spending? The answer is, they haven't.

There is no getting away from it any longer. The issues are out in the open. As the party's perspectives document makes clear — we have to build the alternative revolutionary leadership in the unions.

Jobs for Youth

This means taking the Young Socialists Jobs for Youth Now campaign into the factories and into the union branches.

This is very important. They youth are the ones who are going to be hit the hardest. They are untrained and unorganised.

In our part of London the number of youth out of work is quite staggering. You only have to go down to Tottenham dole. They are dozens of youth just hanging around because they have no jobs, no money and nowhere to go.

What is absolutely clear today is that there is only one way forward to really solve unemployment. It can't be a piecemeal thing, it must mean the nationalisation of all the basic industries.

Even if you get some youth jobs in factories under the various government schemes, they will only be used as cheap labour.

It isn't a proper answer, it is an evasion of what needs to be done.



Scanlon's 'left' pose means he co-operates with the right wingers like Boyd in the engineering union

I have known cases where youth have done a six-month course and been trained in a job and at the end they have been thrown back on the dole.

Trade unionists have an enormous responsibility to do something about this. The future of the youth is decisive, because they are the workers of tomorrow.

If we don't fight to get them jobs through fighting for socialists policies, they could end up anywhere, politically speaking.

They could become very demoralised and fall to the prey of the army recruiting sergeants, for one thing.

Labour sold out

The general view after the Labour government came back in 1974 was that things would change for the better. I had enormous arguments, some of them very bitter.

Although I supported the election of the Labour government I said that we should not have any illusions in it.

It would not carry out its election pledges, it would betray.

This is exactly what it has done. This has caused a very mixed reaction among workers. There are still some illusions left, but these are disappearing very fast. Increasingly you hear the statement at work, 'They aren't any different from the Tories'.

Vote

Others say, 'I'm not going to vote again. I've had enough.'

This is exactly what the Tories want. They want to see the working class confused and demoralised and then they can stage a snap election to sweep back into office.

The working class who put Labour in office twice in 1974

has the responsibility to put them out.

I think the party's call to the working class to force the minority Labour government out is completely and utterly correct.

The working class has to break from this Labour government. It is a corrupt and bankrupt leadership. They are holding back the working class. We are for mobilising its independent strength.

This is the way forward for the working class to take state power. In fighting for these policies we must build the revolutionary party. This is the decisive question today.

The alternative is quite clear: the Labour and TUC leaders' betrayals will go on, unemployment will get

enormously worse; and every reactionary force will be strengthened.

The perspectives document can give workers coming into political struggle the confidence of knowing that there is an alternative. It is the Workers Revolutionary Party which fights for a socialist Britain.

Members

That is why I believe the perspectives should be circulated in the factories and in union branches for discussion.

I'm certain it can be the way to finding new members both from the unions and among the youth.

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Interpol used in Polisario man-hunt

INTERPOL is helping Moroccan secret police to track down Saharan liberation fighters, according to a report from Radio Rabat.

Circulated

The broadcast reported that Interpol 'in accordance with international regulations' had circulated a list of Polisario Front members to all member states.

The Polisario Front is the national movement fighting Moroccan occupation in the western Sahara.

The broadcast speaks of an 'international warrant' issued by a judge in Agadir for various named Polisario fighters.

Notorious

The Moroccan secret police became notorious in the 1960s following the murder of opposition leader Mehdi Ben Barka in France. If the Rabat broadcast is true it means that King Hassan's regime is now able to resort to Interpol for the same sort of task.

More dissidents sent to 'mind-benders'

FIVE MORE people have been confined to psychiatric institutions in the Soviet Union for their political or religious views.

Four of the cases are included in the latest issue of the underground journal, *A Chronicle of Current Events*.

Placards

The first one is Anatoly Uvarov, who was detained near the Swedish embassy in Moscow last April during the official visit by Swedish Prime Minister Olaf Palme.

He was found to be carrying placards demanding his right to emigrate. He was sent to Moscow's Serbsky Institute of Forensic Psychiatry where in the past many dissidents have been diagnosed as mentally ill. His subsequent fate is unknown.

A law student named Popov (no first name given) has been confined to a local psychiatric hospital in Bashkiria, 1,000 kilometres east of Moscow, after being detained for writing 'anti-Soviet' poems. The *Chronicle* gave



Leonid Plyushch, seen here with his family, will make his first public appearance in Britain, in November at a conference on the 'mind-bending' treatment administered to political prisoners in the Soviet Union

no date for this report. Mikhail Zverev, an engineer and father of two children, who was diagnosed in the Serbsky Institute as suffering from 'paranoid development of the personality with

reformist delusions' after being detained for writing and distributing a number of samizdat documents (clandestinely-circulated typescripts). He was sent last December to the Chernyakhovsk special

psychiatric hospital. A fourth man, Viktor Maresin, is detained in a psychiatric hospital in Kiev after expressing 'anti-Soviet views' while under investigation for alleged counterfeiting. He

your religion out of you. On July 16, according to the appeals, Argentov was diagnosed as suffering from schizophrenia in a paranoid form.

The fifth and most recent case is that of Alexander Argentov, an Orthodox Christian who had taken part in an unofficial seminar organized in Moscow by a small number of fellow young Orthodox Christians.

started on a course of treatment with neuroleptic drugs in Moscow's Psychiatric Hospital number 14.

Appeals

Amnesty International says it is taking up all five cases and will launch a campaign of appeals to the Soviet government to free the five men.

The Stalinist bureaucracy in Moscow has harassed and incarcerated dissidents on a huge scale. The fate of one of the most prominent opponents, Vladimir Bukovsky, is still unknown. Amnesty is taking part in a London conference in November at which the mathematician Leonid Plyushch will make his first appearance in public in Britain.

Plyushch spent four years in a Soviet prison mental hospital for campaigning for democratic rights in the USSR.

Summoned

Argentov was summoned on July 14 to the military commission of Moscow's Dzerzhinsky district, apparently in connection with compulsory military service.

Authors of an appeal have stated that Argentov 'is a completely healthy person with a stable state of mind'. Yet he was sent for psychiatric examination and one of the psychiatrists reportedly told him: 'We will beat

DOUBLE-EDGED POLICY ON DEVOLUTION

BY OUR INDUSTRIAL
CORRESPONDENT

LABOUR'S devolution proposals are a sop to the Scottish and Welsh nationalist parties, the biggest building trade union UCATT have stated.

In the latest issue of the UCATT monthly journal, the union says: 'The idea of nationalism is directly contrary to the internationalism sought after by the labour movement.'

Upsurge

'We should be striving for a united socialist Britain and international solidarity with trade unionists abroad, not setting up barriers to

obstruct these aims.' Nationalism, says the article, is linked to racism and the two must be stamped out or they will split the labour movement.

The article continues: 'So how did devolution get into the Labour Party Manifesto?'

'The last time it was discussed at a Labour Party conference was in 1968 and the resolution was remitted to the National Executive. It has never been discussed since!'

'The real reason devolution has been included in the Manifesto is that many in the Labour Party have panicked in the face of the Nationalists' advance.

The proposals on devolution, are therefore, little more than a sop to the supporters of the Nationalists.

'They are offered by a Labour government afraid of massive election defeats in the Welsh and particularly Scottish constituencies.'

Profits

Having made these arguments, however, the UCATT leaders avoid any attempt to analyse why nationalist parties have grown.

The reformist UCATT leaders refuse to expose the reason as being the treacherous anti-working class policies of the Labour government.

Indeed the UCATT leadership is one of the major props of these right-wing policies and insists this government must be allowed to remain in office to carry them out.

And because they want no quarrel with Callaghan's cabinet, the UCATT journal article concludes by turning a somersault on its opposition to devolution — by calling for a referendum.

The union has tabled resolutions for the forthcoming TUC Congress and Labour Party conference demanding a referendum on devolution.

A referendum would allow the Labour Party bureaucracy to get off the hook on the whole issue of an uncompromising fight against the Scottish and Welsh nationalists.

UCATT's call for a referendum is itself a sop to the nationalists.

It is a reformist retreat from uniting and mobilising the working class on a socialist programme.



Out 13 weeks... no truck with tribunals

Trico tribunal spurned

A DECISION is expected shortly from the tribunal set up to inquire into the Trico equal pay dispute.

Only the company gave evidence to the tribunal, which sat on Tuesday this week. Unions representing the 600 workers on strike, refused to take part.

A leaflet issued by the strike committee states:

'We are not prepared in this case to use a tribunal that has allowed the Equal Pay and Sex

Discrimination Acts to become a lawyers' paradise and a cobweb of loopholes for the discriminator.'

The leaflet also accused the government-run tribunal system of being worried about the effect of women obtaining equal pay generally.

So far, 71 per cent of cases brought before tribunals on the equal pay issue have resulted in

verdicts that favoured the employers.

The strikers, who have been picketing the gates of the factory in Brentford, west London, for 13 weeks, are considering calling for an extension of the 'blacking' of Trico windscreen wipers in the motor industry.

Alternative supplies of wipers are being brought in by the car manufacturers, according to several reports.

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Making friends with Stalinism



Camacho and Peter Camejo

BY JACK GALE

TROTSKY wrote that there was 'a river of blood' between Trotskyism and Stalinism.

Much of this blood was spilled in Spain, where the Stalinist 'Popular Front' policy led directly to the victory of Franco fascism and the biggest Stalinist murder machine outside the Soviet Union was put into operation.

Trotskyists, members of the centrist POUM and anarchists, were ruthlessly killed by trained GPU specialists during the Spanish Civil War.

This was the same GPU machine which organised the murder of Trotsky himself, after considerable numbers of its agents had infiltrated the Trotskyist movement internationally, and the Socialist Workers Party of the United States in particular.

Camejo and the Stalinist leader of the Spanish Workers Commissions, Marcelino Camacho (June 25, 1976).

Separated

It featured prominently a picture of Camejo listening respectfully while Camacho expounded the Stalinist line of 'the peaceful road to socialism' in Spain.

This, the SWP man pointed out, 'was probably the majority opinion right now on the left in Spain'.

And Camejo spells it out for the benefit of 'Militant' readers (the Pabloites' 'Intercontinental Press' had already carried the same report):

'He believes in the desirability of creating a political bloc between the workers and sectors of the capitalist class.

'Camacho's view is that the bourgeoisie has more or less separated from the fascist apparatus — or at least large



A Popular Front demonstration in Spain in the 1930s — Stalin's treacherous policy led the Spanish working class into defeat and the Franco dictatorship

sectors of it have — and that it is generally fighting for democratic rights.

'What is needed, therefore, is to make a political bloc with the bourgeoisie on a bourgeois programme to get them to use their great influence to force the

fascists to give democratic rights.

'Camacho seems to place a great deal of hope in these big bourgeois figures...

Of course, Camejo explains that he 'disagrees' with Camacho's position.

None of this disturbs Camejo or the SWP leaders. Instead, they blandly announce that 'if legality were established for the Trotskyists in Spain, they would become the largest Trotskyist organisation in the world'.

In other words, despite their verbal 'disagreement' with Camacho, the SWP and their allies in practice hold the same view. If the bourgeoisie can just be pressurised into granting legality, then they automatically get 'the largest Trotskyist organisation in the world'.

The Socialist Workers Party had a similar policy for Portugal, where they supported Mario Soares and urged socialism through the bourgeois Constituent Assembly. Soares is now working hand in glove with the right-wing pro-Spinola General Eanes!

Blood

But no river of blood is too deep to be waded through by the renegades from Trotskyism who now lead the SWP.

The SWP's weekly paper 'The Militant' recently devoted over a page to a detailed account of an interview between its presidential candidate Peter

'How the GPU Murdered Trotsky'. New Park Publications, July 1976. £3.

Ideas

The Stalinists murdered Trotsky physically. They could not destroy his ideas and method. The Socialist Workers Party today has undertaken that task — though they will not succeed.

Just compare the reactionary drivelling of Camejo with Trotsky's writing on the same subject (from the Transitional Programme — founding document of the Fourth International).

'One thing can be stated with conviction: once it breaks through, the revolutionary wave in fascist countries will immediately be a grandiose sweep and under no circumstances will stop short at the experiment of resuscitating some sort of Weimar (bourgeois democratic) corpse.

'It is from this point onward that an uncompromising divergence begins between the Fourth International and the old parties. The emigré 'People's Front' is the most malignant and perfidious variety of all possible People's Fronts. It signifies the impotent longing for coalition with a non-existent liberal bourgeoisie.

Fear

Stalinism is an instrument of murder and betrayal. Its policy now in Spain is based on fear and hatred of revolution, which it will destroy if it can — not on what Camacho or anyone else 'seems to think'.

If the Spanish working class is to win its battle for socialism, Stalinism must be exposed and destroyed.

Cosy little pictures of so-called 'Trotskyists' having friendly chats with Stalinist leaders are not only insulting to the memory of the thousands of Trotskyists murdered by Stalinism, they also hold back the Spanish working class from seeing Stalinism for what it is and breaking from it.

Similarly, Camejo reports totally uncritically the activities of the 'radical priest' Luis Xirinacs, who, we are told, is imitating the activities of Martin Luther King.

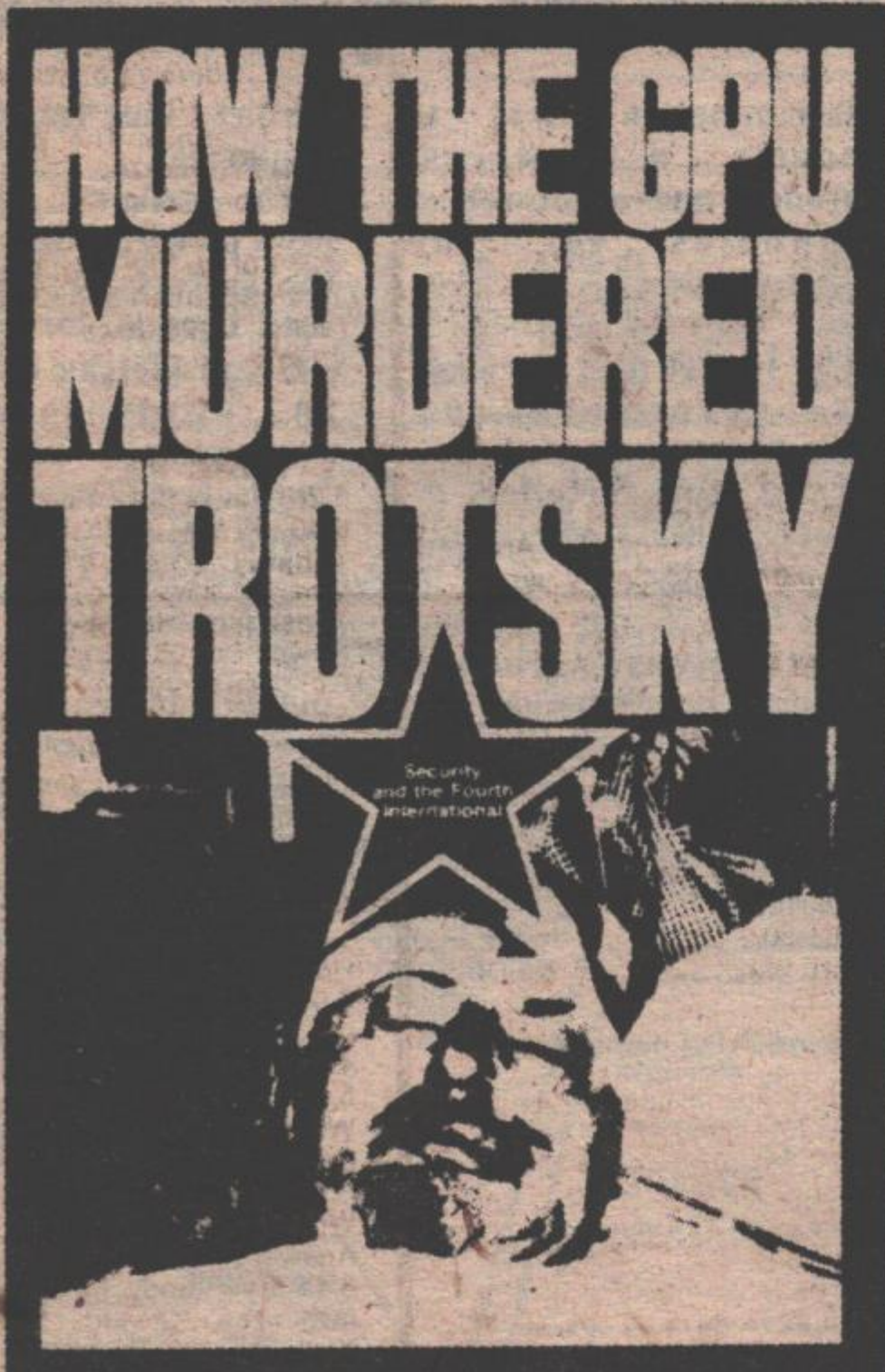
Xirinacs' plan for a 'pacifist march' is described as 'important'. It has since taken place and was immediately broken up by police using tear gas and rubber bullets. One woman was killed.

Exposure

'A merciless exposure of the theory and practice of the People's Front is therefore the first condition for a revolutionary struggle against fascism.

'This does not mean that the Fourth International rejects democratic slogans... but the formulae of democracy mean for us only incidental or episodic slogans in the independent movement of the proletariat and not a democratic noise fastened to the neck of the proletariat by the bourgeoisie's agents (Spain'!).

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6.00 TODAY

6.35 CROSSROADS

7.00 THE BIONIC WOMAN

8.00 THIS WEEK: The Republicans in Crisis. Satellite report by Johnathan Dumbleby from the Republican Convention in Kansas City.

8.30 THE RED AND THE BLUE

8.35 THE SHELL GAME with John Davidson. Max Castle is falsely accused and convicted of a crime, and is released on probation into the custody of his brother on condition that he works in his law firm for five years.

10.00 NEWS AT TEN

10.30 THREE FOR TWO

11.30 MARCUS WELBY M.D.

12.25 CLOSE. Tina Heath reads one of William Blake's 'Songs of Innocence and Experience'.

GRANADA

10.00 Summer School. 10.10 Seeing and Doing. 10.25 Exploration Man. 10.40 Flashback. 11.00 Sesame Street. 12.00 Animal Kwackers. 12.10 Hickory House. 12.30 The Republicans Decide. 1.00 First Report. 1.20 Take Kerr. 1.30 Crown Court. 2.00 The Best of Good Afternoon. 2.20 Mid-Week Racing from York (2.30, 3.10, 3.40 and 4.10). 4.25 Tarzan. 5.15 This is Your Right. 5.20 Crossroads. 5.50 News.

6.00 GRANADA NEWS HEADLINES

6.30 BEVERLY HILLBILLIES

7.00 THE BIONIC WOMAN

8.00 THIS WEEK

8.30 THURSDAY ADVENTURE FILM: 'Hondo and the Apaches'. Michael Rennie, Robert Taylor.

10.00 NEWS AT TEN

10.30 HERB ALPERT AND THE T.J.B.

11.30 SPY FORCE: 'The Volunteers'. Part 1. Erskine and Gunther lead a daring raid against Japanese Ships anchored in Singapore harbour.

12.25 THANK YOU AND GOODNIGHT. Mr Blaster Bates gives useful tips on blowing up chimneys...

BBC 2

6.40-7.55 Open University. 11.00 Playschool. 4.25 International Golf. 5.00 Open University. 7.30 NEWS ON 2

7.40 WORD OF MOUTH. The speech of Northumbria is still the speech of Shakespeare's Hotspur.

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10.45 NEWSNIGHT

11.00 INTERNATIONAL GOLF:

11.50 CLOSEDOWN. 'Horses'

BBC 1

7.05-7.55 Open University. 9.40 Dastardly and Muttley. 9.50 Jackanory. 10.05 Devlin. 10.30 Roobarb. 10.35 Country Search. 11.00 International Golf: The Double Diamond World Golf Classic. 12.20 One the Move. 12.30 Panorama Special: The Republicans Choose. 1.15 News. 1.30 Bagpuss. 2.30 International Golf. 4.25 Play School. 4.50 Here Come the Double Deckers. 5.15 Guided by the Né Né. 5.40 Magic Roundabout. 5.45 Evening News.

6.00 NATIONWIDE. The Republican Convention in Kansas City.

6.45 BELLAMY'S EUROPE.

7.15 TOP OF THE POPS

7.50 HAPPY EVER AFTER

8.20 THE RISK BUSINESS: 'In Deep Water'. The struggle to win oil from the Thistle field.

9.00 NINE O'CLOCK NEWS

9.25 SAILOR. A race against time

9.55 PLAY FOR TODAY: 'Sunset Across the Bay' by Alan Bennet.

11.05 PANORAMA SPECIAL: 'The Battle Begins'.

11.35 Weather, News.

REGIONS

CHANNEL: 1.20 News, Weather. 1.30 Crown Court. 2.00 Good Afternoon. 2.20 Racing From York. 4.25 The Beachcombers. 4.50 The Time Tunnel. 5.50 News. 6.00 News, Weather. 6.10 The Doris Day Show. 6.35 Crossroads. 7.00 The Bionic Woman. 8.00 This Week. 8.30 TV Movie: 'Dying Room Only'. 10.00 News, Weather. 10.40 Treasures In Store. 11.10 The Adventurer. 11.40 Ride To A Spanish Virgin. 12.15 Actualities. Et Projections. 12.40 Weather, closedown.

WESTWARD: 10.05 Skippy. 10.35 Another Chance. 11.30 Recreation And Interests. 12.00 Animal Kwackers. 12.10 Hickory House. 12.25 Gus Honeybun's Birthdays. 12.30 The Republican's Decide. 1.00 First Report. 1.20 News. 1.30 Crown Court. 2.00 Good Afternoon. 2.20 Racing From York. 4.25 The Beachcombers. 4.50 The Time Tunnel. 5.50 News. 6.00 Westward Diary. 6.35 Crossroads. 7.00 The Bionic Woman. 8.00 This Week. 8.30 Film: 'Dying Room Only'. 10.00 News. 10.30 Treasures In Store. 11.00 News and Weather. 11.02 The Adventurer. 11.30 Ride To A Spanish Virgin. 12.15 Faith For Life. 12.20 closedown.

SCOTTISH: 10.35 The Sweet Sugar Doughnut. 10.40 Another Chance. 11.30 Look-up. 12.00 Animal Kwackers. 12.10 Hickory House. 12.30 The Republicans Decide. 1.00 First Report. 1.20 News. 1.30 Crown Court. 2.00 Women Only. 3.00 Racing From York. 4.25 Tarzan. 5.20 Kiri. 5.25 Crossroads. 5.50 News. 6.00 Watch This Space. 6.30 Garnock Way. 7.00 The Bionic Woman. 8.00 This Week. 8.30 Cartoon. 8.35 The Shell. 10.00 News At Ten. 10.40 Police Story. 11.35 Late Call. 11.40 Between The Lines. 11.55 Summer Gardening. 12.25 closedown.

BORDER: 10.40 Another Chance. 11.30 Recreation And Interest. 12.00 Animal Kwackers. 12.10 Hickory House. 12.30 The Republicans Decide. 1.00 First Report. 1.20 News. 1.30 Crown Court. 2.00 Racing From York. 4.25 Born Free. 5.20 Breaktime. 5.50 News. 6.00 Border News And Lookaround. 6.35 Crossroads. 7.00 The Bionic Woman. 8.00 This Week. 8.30 Film 'Cyborg 2087'. 10.00 News. Weather. 10.40 Gardening Today. 11.05 Police Story. 12.05 News and Weather. 12.08 closedown.

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TYNE TEES: 10.25 Starting Point. 10.30 Another Chance. 11.30 Look Up. 12.00 Animal Kwackers. 12.10 Hickory House. 12.30 The Republicans Decide. 1.00 First Report. 1.20 News and Lookaround. 1.30 Crown Court. 2.00 Women Only. 2.20 Racing From York. 4.25 The Young Music Makers. 4.50 Beachcombers. 5.20 Follow That Dog. 5.50 News. 6.00 Today At Six. 6.35 Crossroads. 7.00 The Bionic Woman. 8.00 This Week. 8.30 Eye Witness. 10.00 News. 10.30 Police Woman. 11.30 Epilogue. 11.35 closedown.

ANGLIA: 10.35 Another Chance. 11.30 Recreation And Interests. 12.00 Animal Kwackers. 12.10 Hickory House. 12.30 The Republicans Decide. 1.00 First Report. 1.25 News. 1.30 Crown Court. 2.00 Women Only. 2.20 Racing from York. 4.25 The Romper Room. 4.50 Anita In Jumbleland. 5.20 Follow That Dog. 5.50 News. 6.00 About Anglia. 6.20 Arena. 6.35 Crossroads. 7.00 The Bionic Woman. 8.00 This Week. 8.30 Film: 'The Magician'. 10.00 News. Weather. 10.40 Orson Welles Great Mysteries. 11.10 Tandarra. 12.05 The Living Word followed by close.

YORKSHIRE: 10.00 Summer School. 11.00 Felix The cat. 11.10 Animal Kwackers. 12.10 The Republicans Decide. 1.00 First Report. 1.20 News. Weather. 1.30 Crown Court. 2.00 Good Afternoon. 2.20 Racing From York. 4.25 Thunderbirds. 5.20 Elephant Boy. 5.50 News. 6.00 Calendar. Weather. 6.35 Crossroads. 7.00 The Bionic Woman. 8.00 This Week. 8.30 She Waits. 9.55 Night Gallery. 10.00 News At Ten. 10.40 Police Story. 11.35 Oscar Peterson Presents. 12.05 closedown.

SOUTHERN: 10.30 Hammy Hamster. 10.40 Another Chance. 11.30 Recreation And Interests. 12.00 Animal Kwackers. 12.10 Hickory House. 12.30 The Republicans Decide. 1.00 First Report. 1.20 News. Weather. 1.30 Crown Court. 2.00 Women Only. 2.20 Racing From York. 4.25 Born Free. 5.20 Sinbad Junior. 5.25 Crossroads. 5.50 News. 6.00 Day By Day. 6.30 Survival. 7.00 The Bionic Woman. 8.00 This Week. 8.30 Get Christine Love. 10.00 News At Ten. 10.30 Department S. 11.30 News Extra. 11.40 Made In England. 12.10 Weather and closedown.

ATV: 10.00 My World: Stories. 10.10 Seeing And Doing. 10.25 Exploration Man. 10.40 Flashback. 11.00 Stingray. 11.25 Survival. 11.50 David Hand Cartoon. 12.00 Animal Kwackers. 12.10 Hickory House. 12.30 The Republicans Decide. 1.00 First Report. 1.20 ATV Newsdesk. 1.30 Crown Court. 2.00 Good Afternoon. 2.20 Racing From York. 4.25 The Lone Ranger. 4.50 Time Tunnel. 5.50 News. 6.00 ATV Today. 6.35 Crossroads. 7.00 The Bionic Woman. 8.00 This Week. 8.30 Film: 'Get Christie Love!'. 10.00 News. 10.30 Gardening Today. 11.00 The collaborators. 12.00 Father Paschal. 12.05 Closedown.

HTV: 10.35 Another Chance. 11.30 Recreations And Interests. 12.00 Animal Kwackers. 12.10 Hickory House. 12.30 The Republicans Decide. 1.00 First Report. 1.20 Report West. 1.25 Report Wales. 1.30 Crown Court. 2.00 women Only 2.20 Racing From York. 4.25 Woody Woodpecker. 4.55 Fantastic Voyage. 5.20 Chuckleheads. 5.25 Crossroads. 5.50 News. 6.01 Report West. 6.30 Report Wales. 6.30 Trash Or Treasure. 7.00 The Bionic Woman. 8.00 This Week. 8.30 Death Sentence. 10.00 News. 10.30 The Gamekeeper. 11.30 Randall And Hopkirk. 12.35 Weather and closedown.

HTV CYMRU-WALES: As HTV General except 1.20-1.25 Penawdau Newyddion Y Dydd. 4.25-4.55 Ble Yn Y Byd? 6.01-6.15 Y Dydd. 10.40 The Gamekeeper. 11.40 Command Performance. 12.35 Weather and closedown.

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RADIO

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BBC RADIO 1

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6.00 As Radio 2. 7.00 Simon Bates. 9.00 Tony Blackburn. 11.00 Noel Edmonds. 12.30 Newsbeat. 12.45 Paul Burnett. 2.02 David Hamilton (S). 4.30 It's D.L.T. OK! 5.45 Newsbeat. 6.02 Sam Costa (S). 11.00 John Peel (S). 12.00-12.05 As Radio 2.

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6.00 News Summary, weather. 6.02 Colin Berry (S). 7.02 Terry Wogan (S). 9.02 Pete Murray's Open House (S). (10.30 Waggoners' Walk). 11.30 Jimmy Young (S). 1.50 Sports Desk. 2.02 David Hamilton (S). 4.30 Waggoners' Walk. 4.45 Sports Desk. 4.50 Sam Costa (S). 6.45 Sports Desk. 7.02 Wit's End. 7.30 Sports Desk. 7.33 David Allan's Country Club (S). 9.02 Wally Whyton (S). 10.02 Sports Desk. 10.05 Folkweave (S). 11.02 Don Durbridge with The Late Show. 12.00-12.05 Midnight Newsroom, weather, motoring.

BBC RADIO 3

464m, stereo and VHF 90-92.5

6.55 Weather. 7.00 News. 7.05 Overture. 8.00 News. 8.05 Morning Concert. 9.00 News. 9.05 This Week's Composer: Brahms. 9.45 Bandstand. 10.15 Music from Lancaster: McCabe, Beethoven. 11.10 BBC Chorus Directors. 12.00 New Records. 1.00 News. 1.05 Tchaikovsky and Bartok. 1.55 Matinee Musicale. 2.55 Violin and Piano. 3.40 Blood Wedding: Opera in three acts by Szokolay. 5.45 Homeward Bound. 6.05 News. 6.10 Homeward Bound. 6.30 Lifelines: The Wider World. 7.30 Proms 76: Tippett, Blake. 8.30 The Great Strike of 1926: a footnote. 8.50 Proms 76: Elgar. 9.25 Lorca: The Anguish of a Poet. 10.35 Schubert and Strauss: Song recital. 11.25 News.

BBC RADIO 4

285, 330, 434m and VHF 92-95

6.20 News. 6.22 Farming Today. 6.40 Prayer for the Day. 6.45 Today. (7.00 and 8.00 News). 8.45 Whisky Galore. 9.00 News. 9.05 These You Have Loved (S). 10.00 News. 10.05 From Our Own Correspondent. 10.30 Daily Service. 10.45 Morning Story. 11.00 News. 11.05 With Great Pleasure: Edith Evans (S). 11.50 Edgar Lustgarten Remembers. 12.00 In Court. 12.02 You and Yours. 12.27 The Men From the Ministry. 1.00 The World at One. 1.30 The Archers. 1.45 Woman's Hour. 2.45 Listen With Mother. 3.00 News. 3.05 Afternoon Theatre (S). 3.50 Jack de Manio Precisely. 4.35 Story Time. 5.00 PM Reports. 5.50 Financial Report. 5.55 Weather, programme news. 6.00 News. 6.15 Dad's Army. 6.45 The Archers. 7.00 News. 7.05 The World in Focus. 7.30 Any Answers? 8.00 The Detectives. 8.45 Everybody In! Investigation into the Closed Shop. 9.30 Kaleidoscope. 9.59 Weather. 10.00 The World Tonight. 10.45 A Book at Bedtime. 11.00 The Financial World Tonight. 11.15 Four Faces of the Thames. 11.30 News. 11.51 Inshore Forecast.

SportsLine



Walker away so Bayi runs

FILBERT BAYI, the 1,500 metres world record holder, will defend his Emsley Carr mile title in London on August Bank Holiday.

The Tanzanian did not defend his Olympic title in Montreal because his country joined the African

WALKER... Staying away

boycott over New Zealand's rugby tour of South Africa.

John Walker, his Olympic successor, will not be at Crystal Palace in the same race.

The two are unlikely to meet again because the Tanzanian government has stated that the ban against

runs

competing with New Zealand athletes goes on indefinitely.

Walker plans an attempt on Bayi's world record in Oslo next month and runs in London on September 17.

Osgood 'borrows' Cup

THE FA CUP went back home to Southampton's club offices yesterday after 'disappearing' overnight.

A prank by a star player who took the trophy home for the night had officials worried.

Peter Osgood apparently 'borrowed' the cup for a photo session and could not be contacted later by the club.

But all was calm at The Dell in the morning when the coveted trophy was returned safely.

RACING

YORK ITV: 2.30, 3.10, 3.40, AND 4.10

DRAW ADVANTAGE: none

IRISH RAID ON GIMCRACK

BY NEWS LINE REPORTER

IRISH raider Nebbiolo can take the Gimcrack Stake (3.00) at York today.

This two-year-old has won his last four races for trainer Kevin Prendergast. His latest game win was over seven furlongs at Phoenix Park.

His chief rival may be the Royal Ascot Coventry Stakes winner Cawston's Clown, who is bidding for his own four-timer.

Nebbiolo's time in the Curragh Stakes should see him home ahead of Cawston's Clown, who landed the 'Coventry' after beating off six previous scorers.

All the best speedsters are together for the William Hill sprint Championships (3.40). This three-year and upwards race sees Lochnager opening as favourite.

His successes in the King's Stand Stakes at Royal Ascot and Newmarket's July Cup have earned Lochnager the backing. But Roman Warrior and Polly Peachum could challenge strongly.

The Melrose Handicap (4.10) looks to be between Rowe Residence, trained by Peter Walwyn and Belfalas who did well to come second to Mr Bigmore in the Goodwood Cup. The three-quarter mile shorter trip should suit Belfalas better.

Lester Piggott's supporters might back the ex-champion on Ground Cover in the last race, the City of York Nursery Handicap (5.10).

Apprentice David Dineley could clinch another double at Brighton on Radiant Morn in the Steine Stakes (3.00) and Step Ahead in the Eric Simms Memorial Handicap (3.30).

SIR MONTAGU crushed the opposition by eight lengths at York's £15,000 Tote-Ebor Handicap yesterday.

Starting at 11-4 favourite, Ryan Price's three-year-old romped home ahead of Alverton, at 15-2, and Shangamuzo who was third at 11-1.

Sir Montagu's fifth win from his last six starts came after Lochranza had made the early running. Then Willie Carson eased the Findon colt ahead three furlongs out and increased his lead with every stride.

Price said afterwards that Sir Montagu would not race again this year. He had earned his rest and could be even better next year.

Feudal Wyth got home by a neck in the Knavesmire Nursery Handicap after a good late run by Brian Raymond on the 14-1 shot.

The pipped Hand Canter was second ahead of La Ville de Rire.

THE BBC'S opening match of the rugby league season on Saturday will not be what viewers expect.

St Helens, the League and Cup holders, will field a virtual reserve side because their first team players are on strike over pay.

But the League has ruled that BBC must go ahead and televise the game with Wigan as scheduled.

QPR captain Gerry Francis and defender Dave Webb could be out of Saturday's match with Everton after training session injuries. Another key man, midfielder star Don Masson, is recovering from a knock and is sure to be fit in time.

Luton supporters row with club demands

LUTON TOWN'S supporters are up in arms over the club's rent demand for premises on the ground.

The club wants £17,500 a year for clubroom bars under the stands. Supporters say they will pay £100 a week, but make no more gifts to the club.

Last season the supporters' club gave

over £20,005 to help Luton Town stave off bankruptcy.

The row could lead to a split between the club and its supporters. And the next financial crisis could leave the club in a serious situation.

BRIGHTON

DRAW ADVANTAGE: 5 & 6f

2.00 WATERHALL APPRENTICE HANDICAP £1,000

1 (5) 302031 LORD DAVID (C-D) W Marshall 8 103 (5 ex) T Major
2 (2) 022110 PADDY'S LUCK C Benstead 4 85 E Fitzgerald
5 (4) 411124 CHARVILLE (D) (BF) P Cundell 5 80 D Moss
7 (1) 104430 MISTER CHICKEN C Crossley 4 77 R Marshall
8 (3) 122012 GOLDANIA (D) P Taylor 4 77 M Wighams
PROBABLE SP: 7-4 Charville, 5-2 Paddy's Luck, 7-2 Lord David, 6-1 Goldania, 8-1 Mister Chicken.

2.30 RACE HILL STAKES £1,000

10 (9) 030 ATWOOD C Brittain 9 0 J Lynch
3 (7) 002 EL CABALLERO N Vigora 9 0 J Lynch
4 (3) 04 ENGLISHMAN'S BOND Mrs Oughton 9 0 J Johnson (3)
5 (8) 02033 EXPLOITEUR P Haslam 9 0 J Johnson (3)
7 (5) 000420 FORENSIC W Marshall 9 0 J Marshall
8 (1) 00030 GO STEADY J Winter 9 0 M Kettle
9 (2) 00003 PEDLAR P Ashworth 9 0 P Waldron
12 (10) 0003 TEMPTING PRINCE B Swift 9 0 G Remshaw
13 (4) 0 WINDY SPOT D Morley 9 0 D McKay
PROBABLE SP: 9-4 Pedlar, 7-2 Atwood, 9-2 Forensic, 6-1 Exploiteur, 8-1 El Caballero and Englishman's Bond, 12-1 Go Steady, 16-1 Others.

3.00 STEINE STAKES £1,200

1 (3) 01-0000 BALIDON S Woodman 9 10 J Johnston (3)
2 (2) 043000 SWINGING TRIBE (FR) C Brittain 9 10 J Johnston (3)
3 (5) 03343 RADIANT MORN (BF) J Nelson 9 5 D Dineley (5)
4 (4) 004042 NIGHT CLUB C Dingwall 9 0 I Ennes (5)

6 (1) 000-032 BRIDSTOW G Balding 8 7 P Winter
8 (7) 0-4 MISS MIRANDA H Smyth 8 4 H Ballantine (5)
9 (6) 0-00 MORTALLY OFFENDED K Ivory 8 4 A G Hall
PROBABLE SP: 5-2 Swinging Tribe, 7-2 Bridstow, 9-2 Radiant Morn, 6-1 Balidon, 8-1 Night Club and Miss Miranda, 14-1 Mortally Offended.

3.30 ERIC SIMMS MEMORIAL HANDICAP £2,500

1 (3) 311010 CREETOWN (C-D) J Nelson 4 10 12 (12 ex) J Lynch
2 (5) 110033 PERSIAN BREEZE N Angus 4 99 R Hutchinson
4 (1) 122343 STEP AHEAD (C) (D) P Cole 5 91 D Dineley (5)
5 (2) 40-0002 STIRLING CASTLE (D) G Harwood 4 86 J Reid (3)
6 (4) 0-43010 HAPPY VICTORIOUS (D) Doug Smith 9 83 R Fox
PROBABLE SP: 6-4 Step Ahead, 11-4 Stirling Castle, 9-2 Creetown, 6-1 Happy Victorious, 7-1 Persian Breeze

4.00 TELSCOMBE HANDICAP £1,200

1 (4) 231444 LUCKY MICKMOOCH J Winter 9 7 M Kettle
2 (3) 242332 FUNNY VALENTINE (BF) J Powney 9 2 R Fox
4 (1) 0-03312 THE FOUR HUNDRED H Williams 8 11 P Waldron
5 (2) 1-02200 CRIMSON COON R Sturdy 8 6 J Reid (3)
PROBABLE SP: 6-4 The Four Hundred, 9-4 Funny Valentine, 7-2 Lucky Mickmooch, 6-1 Crimson Coon

4.30 KEMP TOWN STAKES £800

1 (2) 223234 VIRONDI B Wise 4 92 H Ballantine (5)
2 (4) 00-0-00 STAR TACK P Makin 4 8 13 E Johnson
4 (5) 00- WASHINGTON GREY H Price 3 8 12 R Fox
5 (1) 042440 CHRISDEDOR K Ivory 3 8 9 J Johnston (5)
6 (3) 0-03000 ZIOBIA C Bewicke 3 8 9 J Reid (3)
PROBABLE SP: 5-4 Virondi, 11-4 Washington Grey, 9-2 Chrisdedor, 6-1 Ziobia, 12-1 Star Tack.

2.00 GREAT YORKSHIRE HANDICAP £3,000

1 (2) 112142 ROYAL MATCH (BF) R Jarvis 5 10 M L Thomas
2 (4) 034410 FLAME TREE B Hobbs 4 91 G Baxter
5 (7) 11-3200 CA MARCHE (C) (D) (BF) J Tree 4 89 L Piggott
6 (6) 033200 BLUSTERY M Smyly 4 87 F Morby
7 (1) 120401 PAPER CHASE (D) G Peter-Hoblyn 5 87 (8 ex) P Eddery
8 (5) 010031 PLENTY SPIRIT W Gray 3 82 E Apter
9 (8) 0000-12 KINGLET (C-D) (BF) W Hern 6 82 W Carson
10 (3) 00-0401 DOMITOR (USA) (D) M H Easterby 4 77 S Salmon
PROBABLE SP: 3-1 Royal Match, 7-2 Paper Chase, 9-2 Kinglet, 6-1 Plenty Spirit, 8-1 Domitor, 10-1 Ca Marche, 12-1 Flame Tree, 20-1 Blustery.

2.30 PRINCE OF WALES'S STAKES £5,000

1 (2) 31112 HAVEROID (D) N Adam 9 4 M L Thomas
2 (7) 110214 JAMESON (D) W Wharton 8 11 P Eddery
4 (4) 112 PRIORS WALK (D) R Hannon 8 11 F Durr
7 (2) 143131 THE ANDRESTAN (D) J Sutcliffe 8 11 B Rouse
8 (1) 1 SCOPS OWL (D) P Prendergast 8 8 C Roche
9 (5) 3 STONEWALL JACK (USA) Thomson Jones 8 6 F Starkey
10 (6) 0 DANCING SONG C Brittain 8 3 W Carson
PROBABLE SP: 9-4 Priors Walk, 7-2 Haveroid, 4-1 Scops Owl, 7-1 The Andrestan, 10-1 Jameson, 12-1 Dancing Song, 14-1 Stonewall Jack.

3.00 GIMCRACK STAKES £15,000

1 (7) 132 AND BEHOLD R Akehurst 9 0 L Piggott
2 (1) 4111 CAWSTON'S CLOWN (C) (D) N Adam 9 0 M L Thomas
3 (2) 23123 FORTY WINKS D Thom 9 0 P Eddery
4 (3) 113131 KING ELECT (D) H Cecil 9 0 J Mercer
5 (4) 112033 MR NICE GUY (D) E Reavey 9 0 P Eddery
6 (6) 31111 NEBBIOLO (D) K Prendergast (IRE) 9 0 G Curran
7 (5) 21142 ROYAL DIVER (BF) R Hannon 9 0 F Durr
8 (8) 0143 WHITBY JET (D) J Calvert 9 0 J Seagrave
PROBABLE SP: 5-2 Cawston's Clown, 3-1 Nebbiolo, 4-1 And Behold, 11-2 Royal Diver, 8-2 Mr Nice Guy, 10-1 King Elect, 14-1 Forty Winks and Whitby Jet

3.40 WILLIAM HILL SPRINT CHAMPIONSHIP £20,000

1 (8) 220021 CLEAR MELODY (C-D) S Nesbitt 5 95 G Lewis
2 (7) 1-02111 LOCHNAGER (D) M W Easterby 4 96 E Hide
3 (1) 2-14241 ROMAN WARRIOR (C) (D) N Angus 5 96 P Tulk
4 (5) 3-41020 THREE LEGS (D) L Cumani 4 96 L Piggott
5 (2) 312132 POLLY PEACHUM (D) (BF) M W Easterby 5 93 B Raymond
6 (9) 244101 THRIFTY TRIO (USA) (D) D Weld (IRE) 4 93 J Roe
8 (6) 14-0230 FALIRAKI (D) M O'Toole (IRE) 3 92 P Eddery
9 (3) 13-3010 GENTILHOMBRE (D) N Adam 3 92 P Cook
10 (12) 010-0030 HITTITE GLORY (D) A Brasley (FR) 3 92 G Dettori
11 (4) 110100 MADANG (D) L Cumani 3 92 G Starkey
12 (10) 2-00001 MUSIC BOY (D) (C) B Lunness 3 92 G Starkey
PROBABLE SP: evens Lochnager, 6-1 Music Boy, 8-1 Polly Peachum, 10-1 Roman Warrior, 12-1 Faliraki and Three Legs, 16-1 Gentilhombre, 25-1 Hittite Glory, Madang and Thrifty Trio, 66-1 others

4.10 MELROSE HANDICAP £5,000

1 (2) 04-133 ROWE RESIDENCE P Walwyn 9 7 P Eddery
4 (4) 400314 GOLDEN ZACCIO T Fairhurst 8 12 C Eccleston
5 (1) 441314 ZARZAITINE G Peter-Hoblyn 8 11 L Piggott
6 (7) 0-22102 BELFALAS W Hern 8 9 J Mercer
7 (3) 341121 BOTANIST G-P Gordon 8 8 (4 ex) E Eldin
8 (5) 40-103 IONA (D) J Hindley 8 4 M L Thomas
10 (16) 0-00221 ROUGH RIVER Hbl Jones 7 12 (4 ex) M L Thomas
PROBABLE SP: 5-2 Belfalas, 7-2 Botanist, 5-1 Iona, 11-2 Rowe Residence, 8-1 Golden Zaccio, 10-1 Zarzaitine, 12-1 Rough River

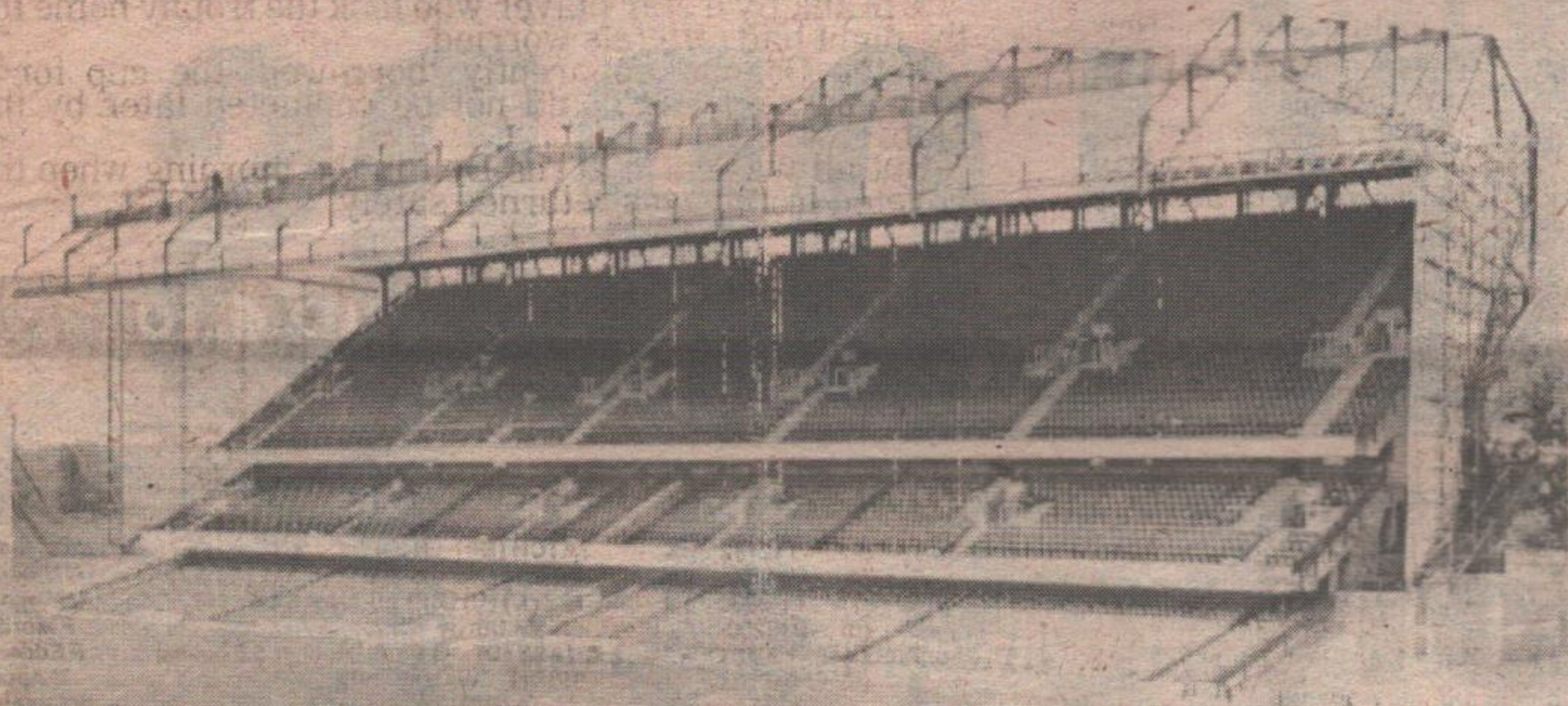
4.40 GALTRES STAKES £4,000

1 (15) 030140 LAUGHING GIRL H Wragg 9 0 L Piggott
2 (12) 0021 MOVING ISLES G-P Gordon 9 0 E Eldin
4 (6) 102-0 BEDFELLOW P Walwyn 8 9 P Eddery
5 (3) 0-12 BROKEN RECORD (D) J Winter 8 9 W Carson
6 (11) 000023 CAPRICIOUS (FR) P Prendergast (IRE) 8 9 C Roche
7 (16) 334014 COUNTESS EILEEN (D) L Browne (IRE) 8 9 T Carmody
8 (14) 212112 DEVIL'S DIKE (D) H Cecil 8 9 A Bond
9 (5) 140211 EXTRAVAGANZA P Prendergast (IRE) 8 9 G Curran
10 (17) 1-0 GALE BRIDGE (USA) H Price 8 9 B Taylor
12 (7) 31021 HONEYPOOT LANE (D) W Hern 8 9 J Mercer
13 (10) 11-4410 IPPOLITI P Walwyn 8 9 F Morby
15 (2) 421 MAROON (D) W Hern 8 9 G Starkey
16 (4) 002034 MY FAIR NIECE B Hobbs 8 9 G Lewis
17 (1) 021 OMNIA N Muiries 8 9 P Tulk
18 (9) 2-010 PERSEVERING (BF) J Bethell 8 9 B Raymond
19 (13) 120110 VANISHING ACT (USA) (D) D Weld (IRE) 8 9 J Roe
20 (8) GALENIST W Eisey 8 4 E Hide
PROBABLE SP: 100-30 Moving Isles, 4-1 Vanishing Act, 9-2 Honey-pot Lane, 6-1 My Fair Niece, 8-1 Extravaganza, 10-1 Laughing Girl and Bedford, 14-1 Gale Bridge, 20-1 others.

5.10 CITY OF YORK NURSERY H'CAP £2,000

1 (6) 0011 LUTOMER RIESLING (D) M Stoute 9 1 (7 ex) G Starkey
2 (10) 110320 PANDU T Fairhurst 9 0 M L Thomas
3 (1) 121320 GEOPHELIA (D) T Molony 8 12 M L Thomas
4 (16) 31211 NO CONVENTIONS (D) J Dunlop 8 11 P Eddery
6 (8) 23111 BEETHOVEN (D) P Walwyn 8 10 (7 ex) L Piggott
8 (13) 010033 GROUND COVER (D) J Tree 8 9 L Piggott
9 (4) 020 ROCKET LANCER T Corbett 8 5 J Mercer
12 (9) 101230 BOWSQUARE LADY (C-D) K Payne 8 3 W Carson
15 (17) 020 BELINDA MEDE (BF) W Payne 8 0 W Carson
16 (3) 24212 DOUBLE SECRET (D) M H Easterby 8 0 M Birch
17 (7) 3410 TIN MINER (D) M W Easterby 8 0 M Birch
18 (15) 02140 WESTGATE SOVEREIGN (D) E Collingwood 7 12
19 (14) 310 LOCAL (D) E Carr 7 11
21 (18) 221300 SPEED TRAP (C-D) M H Easterby 7 10 S Salmon
22 (11) 000012 ROYAL PRINCESS (D) H Wharton 7 10 W Wharton (7)
23 (5) 0033 GNOS (BF) P Wigham 7 8
24 (12) 001 SELF PORTRAIT Denys Smith 7 6 J Lowe
25 (2) 4010 WHENBY (D) M W Easterby 7 3
27 (19) 040 VENTURA BOY V Mitchell 7 0 C Rodrigues (5)
PROBABLE SP: 7-2 Beethoven, 4-1 No Conventions, 5-1 Ground Cover, 6-1 Lutomer Riesling, 8-1 Geopelia, 10-1 Pandu, 12-1 Double Secret, 14-1 Self Portrait, 16-1 others.

Chelsea's plight sign of the times



The new Chelsea stand... an investment which will hopefully pull the crowds

IT'S CRUNCH SEASON

THE PLIGHT of Chelsea, given one year to meet debts of over £2 million, is a sign of the economic times and shows starkly the fate awaiting clubs unable to bring in the crowds with attractive football.

Before the new season is over, the west London club could find several clubs alongside them in similar trouble.

Financial crises hand-in-hand with unimaginative football could spell disaster for the game in Britain in a year when the home countries face tough qualifying World Cup matches.

Attendances overall dropped over 680,000 last season, taking the Football League back three years to the lowest gates total.

Waned

In-rest in soccer has waned since the 1960s and many of the League's 92 clubs are on the brink of extinction.

Smaller clubs, especially, face bankruptcy simply because they cannot afford to take a team round the country week after week.

Football is very big business now and

companies failing to make money or meet debts have no choice but to pack in, leaving players without jobs and towns without football clubs.

Yet as the crisis washes over the clubs, the Football League shows no sign of taking any positive action.

Fixtures remain crammed into the season. Kevin Keegan played 67 games last season and conservation dominates the administrators.

A scheme to give three points for a team winning by scoring three or more goals received not one

Lack of cash and style spell disaster

BY OUR SPORTS STAFF

supporting vote at the League's annual general meeting.

Defence is dominating the football scene so much that the recent European Nations finals in Yugoslavia seemed from another age.

Attack

Four teams committed to attack produced exhilarating play.

Though it was a big prestige event, caution was thrown to the winds and football was the better for it.

But journalists had to search very hard and very long to find League managers in attendance. They obviously thought they had little to learn.

The turning point has been reached.

Either the clubs will be prepared to attack or the game will surely wither away as a spectator sport. And, after all, it is the fan who pays the way.

And the same applies, of course, to England.

Method football is deadly stuff. The path to success must be in the opposite direction.

... and the cricket inquest goes on

WANTED One fast bowler

BY PAUL FELDMAN

WANTED to play for England: A fast bowler capable of stopping opponents from building up monumental scores in Test matches.

Tony Greig, Alec Bedser and Ken Barrington have been scouring county grounds this summer in the hope of finding one.

The England captain was even moved to offer the job to anyone watching him speak on television after a certain Michael Holding has torn his way through his batting.

Game

If anyone knows of a good, young fast bowler, please let me know. I'll give him a game for Sussex anyway, Greig pleaded.

Where are the latter-day Trueman's and Statham's? In the West Indies, fast bowlers are ten a penny and young men like Wayne Daniel are suddenly plucked from obscurity to become Test stars.

In England, however, the tradition seems to have died on the back of 'pudding' pitches, as Clive Lloyd so aptly described county wickets.

You could have thought that three series against speed merchants from Australia and the West Indies might have encouraged the preparation of faster wickets. And you would be wrong.

The fact that Mike Selvey, a medium pace, swing bowler is leading the way this season for Middlesex is a fair indication of the situation.

Lloyd points out that no fast bowler can emerge under conditions where the sight of an average county wicket in England would break heart.

Pace

So crucial is this point that Clyde Walcott, manager of the successful West Indies touring side this summer, says England might never win another Test series unless they find some pace men.

Slow bowlers, however good at their craft, can no longer win matches on



WALCOTT... No victories without pace men

of two specialist spinners available and still won comfortably.

Walcott says: 'Nowadays, batsmen are too professional for slow bowlers to have it their way. No longer do they leave their crease. No longer do wicket-keepers get many stumpings.'

Guard

This is the day of the fast bowler.

England came out of the series with very little, Greig admits.

The Old Guard were retained, mistakenly, only to find the speed trio too much for them.

Bowlers who break down without warning were chosen against world-class batsmen.

Geoff Miller and Peter Willey deserve trips to India.

And they must be joined by Graham Gooch of Essex and Graham Barlow of Middlesex and a number of other young players if the Australian's visit next year is to turn out something other than a massacre.

GRIEG... TV plea their own.

And Walcott played with the spin of Ramadhin and Valentine in beating England three matches to one in 1950.

The two great spinners took 61 wickets between them.

Today, the tale is different. And it is no accident that one of the records Holding broke at The Oval formerly belonged to Valentine.

Holding, Roberts and Daniel took over 70 wickets between them in the series. Lloyd went into Tests on slow wickets without either

IT'S LANC'S FOR LORDS

BY OUR SPORTS STAFF

CUP-HOLDERS Lancashire swept through to their sixth Gillette final in seven years by brushing aside Warwickshire at Edgbaston yesterday.

They will meet Northamptonshire at Lord's next month. Northants beat Hampshire by two wickets with only one ball to spare in a thrilling finish at Southampton.

The star of Lancashire's easy six-wicket victory was Barry Wood who scored a magnificent 105, his best-ever score in the competition.



Barry Wood took three wickets, ran out Rohan Kanhai and then made 105 to complete Lancashire's victory

Lean time for goalies when Super-Mac's around

Malcolm MacDonald in his brand-new Arsenal shirt at Highbury yesterday. He expects goalkeepers to spend less time leaning on the posts and more trying to save his high-powered shots this season.

Earlier he had taken three Warwickshire wickets for 32 runs and also ran out Rohan Kanhai when the West Indian star was moving towards his half century.

Despite Wood, Warwickshire put up a reasonable 233 for Lancashire to chase. But although their openers went cheaply, the one-day cricket specialists were never in trouble.

Frank Hayes and Wood pushed the runs along at a merry rate as Warwickshire toiled. Bob Willis was back in the pavilion injured. They put on 160 runs together.

Hayes hit a splendid 93 which included nine fours and a six. Wood completed his century before Kanhai caught him off Jameson.

Lancashire have won the Gillette Cup four times already and Northamptonshire will need to be above their best to stop them this year.

The star of their surprise victory over Hampshire was undoubtedly Roy Virgin, run out when he was 82 chasing Hampshire's total of 215 for seven.

Northants nearly leave it too late

Collapse

He built the foundation for the lower order to finish the job after a major collapse which followed his dismissal.

Barry Richards never looked like making the big score expected of him, and it was England star Peter Willey who bowled Richards when he had made 19.

Hampshire never recovered from that setback, although David Turner hit a fine 86.

But Northants left it desperately late. In the 59th over, they lost Alan Hodgson, stumped by Bob Stevenson off Trevor Jesty and they were left with five runs to get in the final over with two wickets left.

Sarfraz Nawaz hit John Rice for two over Jesty's head and then nearly got an edge to the next delivery. On the third ball he took a single.

Bishen Bedi, not the world's greatest batsman, failed to force a run off a full toss.

But the Indian captain hit a four over the top off the fifth ball to win the match and take Northants through to their first ever Gillette Cup Final.



Hampshire were rocked from the start when Peter Willey bowled Barry Richards

RACING RESULTS AND CRICKET SCORES

YORK

2.00 (5f): QUIMAY, M Birch (10-1) 1; Perkasa (50-1) 2; Imari (13-2) 3; 17 ran. (M H Easterby).
2.30 (6f): FEUDAL WYCH, B Raymond (14-1) 1; Hand Center (5-1 fav) 2; La Ville de Rire (9-1) 3; 20 ran. (E Carr).
3.10 (1m 6f): SIR MONTAGU, W Carson (11-4) 1; Alverton (15-2) 2; Shangamuzo (11-1) 3; 15 ran. (H Price).
3.40 (1½m): HAWKBERRY, C Roche (4-1) 1; Norfolk Air (12-1) 2; General Ironside (7-2) 3; 7 ran. (P J Prendergast).
4.10 (6f): POLLERTON, C Roche (7-1) 1; Viscount (11-2) 2; Sobhis (5-1) 3; 20 ran. (P Prendergast).
4.45 (1m 2½f): BLASKETTE, P Cook (7-2) 1; London God (9-2) 2; Kafka (8-1) 3; 6 ran. (N Vigors).
5.15 (6f): SONNENBLICK, M Birch (11-4) 1; May Beck (11-4) 2; Manilla (12-1) 3; 12 ran. (G W Richards). NR: Major John.

BRIGHTON

2.00 (6f): APOLLO, Ian Johnson (12-1) 1; Princess Rose (9-4) 2; Eastern Romance (10-1) 3; 7 ran. (P Haslam). 2.30 (7f): MRS WIFE, G Starkey (2-1 fav) 1; Deatina (7-1) 2; Sosue Me (9-2) 3; 7 ran. (R Smyth).
3.00 (1m): STIRLING CASTLE, G Starkey (eve ns) 1; Red Ruby (11-10 on fav) 2; 2 ran. (G Harwood).
3.30 (7f): SUNSET VALUE, M N Henderson (3-1 fav) 1; Vrondi (7-2) 2; St Severin (5-1) 3; 8 ran. (A J Pitt).
4.00 (6f): ALLEZ BRITAIN, G Ramshaw (7-4) 1; Counterfeit Lady (7-4) 2; G Ingermede (9-1) 3; 7 ran. (B Swift).
4.30 (1½m): EMPRESS OF RUSSIA, A Bond (10-1 on fav) 1; Fair Nic (14-1) 2; Bally Babu (14-1) 3; 3 ran. (N Muirless).

TOUR MATCH

Worcester: Worcestershire 358 for eight dec. West Indies 22 for one.

COUNTY CHAMPIONSHIP

Hove: Sussex 295. Essex 45 for three.

Cricket Fixtures

TOUR MATCH

Worcester: Worcs v Windies 11.30-6.30
COUNTY CHAMPIONSHIP
Hove: Sussex v Essex 11.00-6.30