

WRP presents £500 cheque to Kent miners

WORKERS Revolutionary Party General Secretary Michael Banda (right) on Saturday presented a cheque of £500 from the WRP and Young Socialists to representatives of the 30 Kent miners marching from their coalfield to Nottinghamshire. Also at the presentation was Alex Mitchell of the WRP Central Committee (left). The marchers were welcomed in London by 1,000 trade unionists and youth at a demonstration and rally — see full report and pictures on pages 7 and 10.



TO THE MINERS AND WORKING CLASS

STATEMENT BY THE CENTRAL COMMITTEE OF THE WORKERS REVOLUTIONARY PARTY

TORIES PLAN NEW STATE ATTACKS

AFTER four weeks of tenacious struggle and magnificent defiance of Thatcher's Bonapartist dictatorship, miners and their supporters in the trade unions and working class are rapidly approaching a most critical point in this political conflict.

Thatcher has failed to intimidate miners and railmen and seamen and truck drivers with threats of injunctions and punitive fines. She has failed to deter miners' pickets with massive police reinforcements, arrests and political interrogation and harassment from the DHSS.

Now the Bonapartist dictatorship is tensing its sinews for an escalation of state repression combined with a government, media and right-wing Labour orchestrated campaign to force a divisive national ballot on the NUM next Thursday.

The undefeated strength of the working class reflected in the rejection by a majority of the NUM executive of a national pit ballot and its decision to go ahead with area strikes has infuriated the Tories beyond measure.

Each new day added to the strike increases the determination of the miners and the whole working class to defend their basic rights with action — not

ballots — and propels new layers of workers into action against the Tory state, either on their own account — like the BBC employees — or in support of the miners directly.

The Tory Bonapartists direct their attacks against basic rights contained in the measures to cut housing and supplementary benefits, old-age pensions and payments to young people.

The arrogant refusal of chief constables to answer for their arbitrary actions to police committees and the Tory legislation to abolish elections to metropolitan councils and impose unelected bodies, are only a mild foretaste of what is to come.

The logic of the Bonapartist state is to drive relentlessly and ruthlessly to strengthen its dictatorship and smash the resistance of the working class with the use of the police, judiciary and army, and thus pave the way for fascism.

What is Bonapartism?

BONAPARTISM is a dictatorship of the strongest sections of the capitalist class decorated with parliamentarism. Fascism is a dictatorship shorn of its parliamentary decorations and characterised by an extreme form of Bonapartism.

Bonapartism cannot go back to the old form of parliamentary democracy, which in Britain signified the relative freedom of the trade unions from state control.

All the weight of Tory class laws and the actions of Thatcher at GCHQ have abolished independence and have made the state apparatus independent of any control of parliament — every action of the trade unions is now illegal.

Thatcher is able to do this not only because of a rubber-stamp majority in parliament, but also because of the supine and cowardly opposition of the parliamentary Labour opposition, whose silence on the miners' strike is a tacit endorsement of Tory policies to split the union and smash it.

This determination to consolidate Thatcher's absolutism was clearly spelled out by Attorney General Sir Michael Havers to the Law Society in Oxford yesterday (April 8). The government, he said, could not safely allow a situation to develop where the law itself was brought into disrepute by inability to enforce it. In other words, the Tory government will brook no defiance of Thatcher's dictatorship from any quarter.

If it cannot control the working class with police terror and provocation, then it must and will resort to the use of states of emergency and bring in the army.

Can this happen? We say categorically, yes!

The Lessons of northern Ireland

THIS WAS the lesson of northern Ireland in 1969. When the resistance of the nationalist masses threatened to smash the reactionary medieval Orange establishment and its Stormont 'democracy' and when the RUC and B-Specials could no longer deter the working class and unemployed youth, the Labour government of Harold Wilson and James Callaghan brought in the troops.

For the last 15 years the British army — backed up by the UDR, RUC, SAS and the Southern police and army — have been the main 'law enforcers' in Ulster. Out of this intervention came 'direct rule' from Whitehall and the virtual dictatorship of the army in northern Ireland.

Many Labourites now recognise the Bonapartist menace and denounce it. Many trade union leaders like miners' president Arthur Scargill talk of the para-military state. But moral outrage is not enough. The Bonapartist dictatorship is driven on — not by the rhetoric of Thatcher, Tebbit and Lawson — but by the insoluble world-wide slump of capitalism and the colossal indebtedness of all capitalist nations. The slump

Davy Jones family write to News Line

Dear Editor,

ON behalf of my husband, all members of my family and myself, I would like to thank all concerned with your News Line articles written with regard to the tragic death of our son, David Gareth, who died at Ollerton on March 15.

I would like to thank all who followed David. It must have been especially upsetting for the family of the late Fred Matthews who died on the picket line in 1972, to have been reminded once again of that terrible day for them.

No words can say what I feel in my heart at the kindness and sympathy we have received from so many people, also the sincerity you have shown to us in your News Line coverage of David's

funeral.

Nothing can bring our son back. But David believed in the NUM and I'm sure he would be proud to know his union was still striving to save the industry.

Finally I would like to say this: To all miners who are still working, you should hang your heads in shame. You are abusing the mining industry that our son David, and others like him, have been trying to save for you. And by reaping the benefits now that others are losing through you, you could well be the first to lose later if you don't stand by those who really care about the mining industry.

Mrs Doreen Jones
David's mother
South Kirkby
West Yorkshire

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now directly threatens the capitalist banking system and the precarious 'stability' of British capitalism.

Thatcher and Coal Board chief Ian MacGregor's measures to reduce public expenditure on the mines, cut out loss-making capacity in the coal industry and prepare for privatisation is dictated directly by the hopelessness of Britain's economic position, which is being constantly exacerbated by the problems of the debtor nations.

Banks crash

IN THE third week of the strike, the Thatcher government suffered a major blow when Argentina refused to honour her obligation to pay \$650 million of interest on her loans by March 31. A massive last-minute rescue operation, personally supervised by President Reagan, had to be organised to prevent Argentina from going over into the abyss of state bankruptcy. But nothing has been solved.

Argentina is bankrupt. Two-thirds of its export revenues and 8 per cent of its gross domestic product go to cover interest payments. Her foreign exchange reserves, valued at \$700 million, are below the required minimum. Most loans to Argentina are now considered as 'non-performing'.

Bankers in the US now face a crunch situation. At the very moment that Reagan's war policy is demanding that they provide the necessary loans to fund the huge US budget deficit, the banks are being denied their revenue and are being pressed for even more cash to save Argentina and a score of other countries from collapse.

The ratio of loans to assets in the major US banks is now 200 per cent! If the banks cannot get their interest from South America, then they must take it from the hides of US, British and French workers.

Thus in the fourth week of the strike, British miners are joined in the international picket line by French steelworkers fighting the deflationary policies of a so-called 'Socialist' government operating within the Bonapartist constitution of the Fifth Republic!

Mitterrand — driven by the world slump, collapse of the EEC and debt crisis — can no more compromise with French steel workers than Thatcher can with the NUM. The social being of the NUM is the social being of the world working class.

Every finite expression of working class resistance to capitalist state repression, to unemployment and destitution is inseparably linked to the universal and

infinite movement to socialist revolution.

The task of all revolutionaries is not merely to describe the attacks of the state — which can only lead to futile protest — but to grasp the driving force of the crisis and conflict, to analyse its essence and elaborate a policy which will successfully smash the Bonapartist state and end the anarchy of capitalism.

The Bonapartist state appears powerful only to those who cannot grasp the powerful contradictions underlying it and the historical laws embodied in these contradictions.

No illusion

THATCHER'S Bonapartism can and will be defeated. To do this, however, means an end to any illusion that the strike can be developed as an industrial struggle to force the Tories and the NCB back to the negotiating table.

There can be no return to 1981 when the Tories consciously backed off from a struggle — as they did also on Red Friday 1925 — or to 1983, when the NUM leaders retreated from a conflict on the grounds that it could not be won.

Scargill's refusal to support a struggle against the closures of Lewis Merthyr and Kinneil pits — whatever his motives — encouraged the right-wing in the NUM and the Tories to demand national ballots and use the precedent of 1983.

We equally oppose all those — both on the right and the left — who try to exclude revolutionary politics and the sale of News Line amongst miners on the grounds that this is not a 'political strike'.

What the leaders imply is that only reformist bourgeois politics must prevail and that any attempt to reveal the real revolutionary content of the miners' struggle must be gagged.

The same odious politics which were brought into the 1983 People's March by the Stalinists must be resolutely opposed in the miners' strike.

Basic rights versus ballots

EVERY action of the miners has revealed unambiguously the political nature of the strike. Nothing expresses this more vividly than the opposition to a national ballot.

This unprecedented action expresses the unconscious urge of the miners — and the working class — to replace the fiction of parliamentary democracy with the conscious organised struggle to defend basic rights which stand in total opposition to parliament and the state.

These basic rights are inseparable from the struggle to establish

workers' power and the creation of a socialist economy.

Solidarity actions and the developing of a Triple Alliance can assist this struggle but cannot ensure final victory.

The defection of Nottinghamshire NUM and the treacherous stand of the Iron and Steel Trades Confederation (ISTC) leaders can be overcome only to the extent that the whole working class is mobilised behind the miners in a struggle to replace Tory Bonapartism — not with another Labour government — but with a socialist Workers Revolutionary Government.

Such a government will disband the army, police, judiciary, abolish the monarchy, House of Lords and parliament and legislate the basic rights of workers — and defend these rights with its own militia.

The state provocations and attacks against trade unionists and Greenham Common pacifists and local government councillors cannot be answered on the level of parliamentary and trade union protest action.

The trade unions and working class today exist in defiance of parliament, not because of it.

The continuation of the miners' strike and the preservation of the unity of the miners is completely tied up with the organisation of support from the whole trade union movement and working class communities in the mining areas.

Community Councils

WE WELCOME the formation of women's support groups and the granting of free meals by Labour councils to miners' children. But the only adequate defence of the miners is the organising of Community Councils, embracing trade unions, community groups, small shopkeepers, all working-class political parties and unemployed youth and workers.

Every attack of the state compels workers to re-examine the old forms of organisation and methods of struggle and elaborate new ones. The relative advantage of the Tories is that they have a centralised capitalist state apparatus which can be directed and manoeuvred quickly and efficiently.

Trade union organisation alone is not an effective answer to this. The only answer to state repression and state-organised hunger is the creation of Community Councils which will co-ordinate and centralise the resistance to Tory attacks and defend the basic rights of workers and form the basis for a Workers' Revolutionary Government.

This task is inconceivable without the development of a powerful

Young Socialists movement, which will spearhead the defence of these councils, and the building of the Workers Revolutionary Party which, alone, can and will provide the theoretical and practical leadership to the working class war against the capitalist state.

The 25th Young Socialists Annual Congress at Blackpool on March 31-April 1 demonstrated the unshakeable unity of the youth and the adult trade unions. It demonstrated the indispensable role of the youth as the vanguard of the coming British socialist revolution.

The destiny of the youth is the destiny of the whole working class — in April and July 1981 young people courageously faced the organised forces of the capitalist state in the major cities of Britain. Now, together with the miners and other workers, the youth must take up the struggle to free the working class from the treacherous reformist, centrist and Stalinist leaderships and, together with the WRP, build a revolutionary leadership and establish a workers' state.

The greatest gain of the miners' struggle against the state has been and is the complete exposure of the impotency and treachery of the official Labour and TUC leaders — all of whom hope for a return to the mirage of parliamentary legality and compromise.

In their conniving silence and acquiescence to Thatcher's Bonapartist dictatorship they have signed their political death warrant. So be it.

We repeat with all the urgency possible that the working class — not only the miners — has entered a period fraught with the greatest dangers of new state repression and provocation.

The Tory Bonapartist state is not inactive or paralysed by the miners' strike. With calculated cunning and class hatred it prepares one pre-emptive strike after another. Having tasted blood at GCHQ, Thatcher will pounce again.

Her aim is to consolidate her dictatorship in the only way — by smashing every vestige of working-class opposition with the weapon of state terror and mass sackings. Miners — you have been warned! Her dictatorship must not and will not pass.

Reject National Strike Ballots! Extend the miners' strike into a general strike! Unite the working class with Community Councils! Smash Thatcher's Bonapartist dictatorship! Build the News Line circulation! Join the Workers Revolutionary Party and the Young Socialists!

Statement by the Central Committee of the Workers Revolutionary Party, Sunday April 8, 1984

4,000 at Bhutto rally in London

THE struggle to overthrow military rule in Pakistan will be intensified, Benazir Bhutto, daughter of murdered former Prime Minister Zulfikar Ali Bhutto, pledged yesterday.

She was speaking at a 4,000-strong rally on the fifth anniversary of her father's execution by the regime of General Zia-ul-Haq.

Bhutto, who is now chairman of the Pakistan People's Party (PPP), called on the people of Pakistan to reject Zia's electoral farce and uphold the 1973 constitution.

She said the programme for fake elections was 'a prescription for disaster' and demanded the end of martial law and the release of all political prisoners.

'The armed forces must



BENAZIR BHUTTO in London yesterday

decide whether they are going to play a reactionary or a revolutionary role. The people have already made their decision, they want power transferred from the military to the people. . .

'Their voice, their parliament has been silenced at the point of the gun and their wealth has been usurped by the military regime. This is a terrible wrong and the masses will not permit themselves to be wronged. They will fight for their just rights.'

Top law man attacks pickets

THE STATE will not tolerate those who justify breaches of the law by 'political motive' and 'self-interest', Attorney-General Sir Michael Havers warned yesterday.

In a major attack on striking miners and organised picketing, the Tory Cabinet minister said: 'I am thinking of the occasions when those with heavy responsibility to act responsibly seem to lose all sense of obligation, not only to the nation but also, too often, to those for whom they claim to act.'

'We are, I believe seeing a particularly serious example of this in the coalfields.'

Havers, whose statements now guide directly the work of the courts and the police, told a Law Society conference:

'There is absolutely no justification in present-day English society for the law to be broken for political or self-interested ends.'

'High-minded idealism must not be confused with personal ambition or a facile compliance with the mores of one's friends and workmates.'

Labour's home affairs spokesman, Gerald Kauf-

man, said yesterday he had been told Home Office staff were involved in operating the national police centre at Scotland Yard.

If this was so 'then the government does have a role and therefore they cannot just wash their hands of it'.

Speaking on BBC Radio, Kaufman attacked Home Secretary Leon Brittan for describing the exposure of police phone-tapping and provocateurs as 'disgraceful smears'.

Allegations

'I think it is very important that allegations of this kind should be properly looked into and not dismissed in this arrogant way by the Home Secretary,' he said.

Labour MP for Bolsover Dennis Skinner told a rally of more than 1,000 miners and their wives in Mansfield on Saturday:

'It is high time that the leadership of the Labour Party understood that it is their duty to get behind those 80 per cent of miners on strike, and it is high time the leadership condemned police brutality which is taking place on the picket lines.'

● The local government union NALGO has pledged support for the miners and donated £10,000 to the NUM.

£8,000 Monthly Fund March Fund — You did it! Well done!

A TREMENDOUS effort over the weekend makes us pleased to announce the successful completion of our March Fund. The total ended at £8,015.63 which was a magnificent effort. This is on top of completing our £50,000 Development Fund by March 31. We do thank you all very much.

It shows the fighting capacity of our readers and members in this situation which is a reflection of the enormous determination in the working class to fight back against Thatcher's onslaught.

But the Tories are determined to battle it out with the working class to the end.

They are driven by the necessity of economic bankruptcy facing the British capitalist class and this is their only solution.

So please don't rest back. The war is on and the only answer is a revolutionary confrontation and the working class taking power. The News Line is, therefore, more vital than ever before. So please go into action immediately and let's start the campaign to raise our April Fund. Post your donation to:

News Line April Appeal Fund,
21B Old Town,
Clapham, SW4 0JT

Five hundred on Alloa march

FROM A SCOTTISH CORRESPONDENT

'THE trade union movement is rallying to the miners, and the miners will win,' National Union of Mineworkers' Scottish area president Michael McGahey declared on Saturday.

A packed audience in Alloa town hall cheered and applauded as McGahey said that 1984 was not only the year of George Orwell but also the 150th anniversary of the birth of William Morris.

McGahey said Morris had seen the need for society to be organised in line with human needs.

Repeating his opposition to a national ballot of miners, McGahey re-

jected charges of violence against pickets.

'Go to the mining communities,' he said. 'Who is more caring of the old, the young, the sick and the disabled. Miners are not bully boys — take the bluebottles off the picket lines. They're the bully boys.'

McGahey's speech followed a lively march through Alloa by about 500 miners from Polmaise and Comrie collieries, and other trade unionists and supporters.

He praised the solidarity of the miners, claiming that it was only 'in those coalfields where the police are escorting people across the picket lines that there is a division.'

Pressmen had besieged the NUM Scottish headquarters on Friday looking for a split between miners and steelmen, he stated. 'They couldn't find it, so there was no news.'

He added that he would be going to Ravenscraig steelworks this week, along with Scottish NUM vice-president George Bolton and area general secretary Eric Clarke to ensure the solidarity of the steelmen.

'I don't guarantee that the steelworkers will be fully employed, but I do guarantee that we'll protect the coke ovens. That's all,' McGahey said.

'This is not just a battle

for the miners,' he insisted. It was a battle against 'the authoritarian state' and the emergence of 'the corporate state'. It was a struggle against de-industrialisation and for the job security of all workers.

Earlier, Fire Brigades Union national executive member Bill Craig told the rally that 'the class war in this country' must be resolved 'by the unity of working class people.'

Brian Masterson, a Clackmannan district councillor, was cheered when he pledged that his council would give enhanced housing benefits to strikers. He also declared that no action would be taken against miners falling behind with rent payments during the strike.

Quit Murray

THE Northern region of the TUC has called for the resignation of general secretary Len Murray.

Its annual general meeting at Newcastle on Saturday voted 34-27 in support of a motion which condemned Murray's role over the National Graphical Association's fight against the anti-union laws.

Present while the vote was taken was David Lea, TUC assistant general secretary.

A motion calling for wide-ranging support for the miners' struggle was passed overwhelmingly.

NUPE and other unions have started to collect food for striking miners in Durham and Northumberland.

50% EFFICIENCY AT GCHQ

MORALE at the Government Communications Headquarters is so low in the wake of the union ban that it is working at only 50 per cent efficiency, according to a civil service union leader.

John Sheldon, general secretary of the Civil Service Union, said: 'Much of the work that goes on requires the careful monitoring of communications and unless a person is happy and enthusiastic it is possible to miss much of importance.'

He added: 'Mrs Thatcher's hate of trade unions

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had successfully undermined this country's security.'

One hundred and forty workers at the spy centre have refused to sign away their union rights. Sheldon said the full effect of the ban on people's spirits is being shown by their lack of enthusiasm for their jobs.

'Morale is as low as a

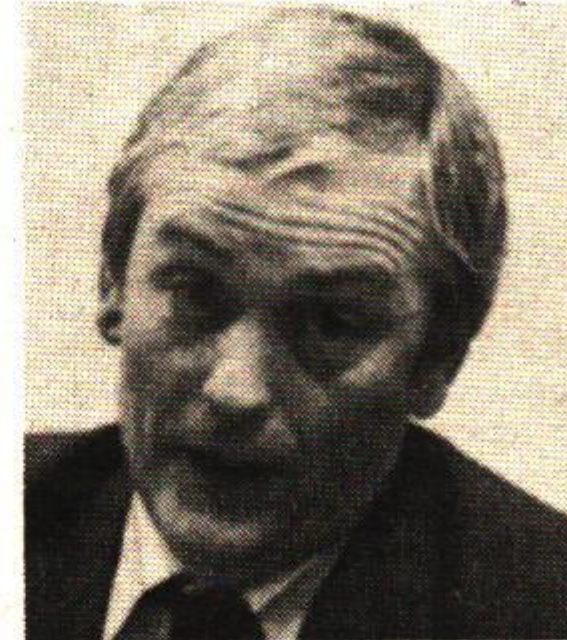
snake's belly. But this should not come as a surprise to Mrs Thatcher — on two occasions we met her prior to the ban being imposed and warned this would happen. I should say that the base is working at about 50 per cent of its possible efficiency.'

But Sheldon stressed: 'This is not a deliberately orchestrated go slow. These people feel badly treated and although the ban has been imposed, people's enthusiasm for

their work is not and will never be, quite the same as it was before this happened.'

● The former GCHQ worker who apparently committed suicide has been named as 58-year-old George Franks from Hove in Sussex.

He is said to have worked at the Empress State Building, the top-secret intelligence post in Earl's Court, West London used by British intelligence to eavesdrop on foreign embassies.



JOHN SHELDON

Meeting to support teachers

NINE swimming teachers made redundant in Salford expect to win support from a meeting of NALGO members today.

Special buses have been laid on for the re-call meeting of the NALGO Metropolitan District branch today at Pembroke Halls in Walkden.

A large turn-out is expected at the meeting, due to recommend further action to support the teachers who were declared redundant by the Labour-controlled council last month.

Concern

A resolution from the branch committee of the lecturers' union NATFHE in Salford technical college 'notes with concern' the dangerous precedents being established by Salford City Council in trying to enforce unsatisfactory conditions of service on the swimming teachers.

The further education teachers' union has called for an 'immediate withdrawal of the redundancy notices' and for the council to allow 'recognised negotiation procedures to take place'.

This and support from other teachers' unions and ancillary staff unions in the city will be endorsed by today's meeting, which starts at 11a.m.



Heather Mitchell, left, and Rose Mitchell on the picket line at Barking

Cleaners meet today

UNIONS and management meet today for talks on the cleaners' strike at Barking Hospital.

The cleaners went on strike three weeks ago against a 35 per cent cut in their earnings by their employer, Crothalls, a subsidiary of Pritchards.

The strike began after Crothalls renegotiated its contract with the Redbridge District Health Authority and agreed to

cut the time for cleaning the hospital from 2189 'man' hours to 1331 hours.

The cleaners mounted a 24 hour picket and won the support of other workers in the hospital who came out.

For the last week the management have been bringing in strike-breakers aided by a large presence of police.

'They've cut our pay,

hours, holidays and sick pay' said Chris Shelton on the picket line.

'My feelings are that I'll stand out here till doomsday. If they get away with this they'll take over all the work, kitchen, porters, the lot and at the other hospitals too'.

Another women picket said 'they've cut the hours down and cut the

wages down so how can we do the job in the time?'

'It will get filthy in the hospital and cause infection if its not properly cleaned.'

'There's about 15 men in there now trying to do our job. We've heard they're getting £130 a week plus bonus.'

'I'm hoping the District Health Authority kick them out. We don't want contractors in here, it's our hospital.'

Support

Also on the picket line were two young kitchen workers, Heather Mitchell and Rose Mitchell (not related).

They told us 'four of us have been out two weeks in support of the cleaners.'

'We could be next. They want to take over all the work in the hospital. If they come into the kitchen it will be prepacked frozen meals for the patients with no choice.'

'They're already introduced vending machines for the night staff. The wages aren't up to much. About £60 for 40 hours if the contractors take over it won't be worth going back in there.'

Future

Councillor Mrs Katie Chappels said there would be no possibility of tenants being forced to move.

Action Committee member Mrs F. Crooke said after the meeting with local councillors they were none the wiser on their future.

was just no way of getting that sort of money.

He also said that owing to the ratecapping Bill the government is telling them what they can spend.

Residents at the meeting accused Labour councillors of deliberately allowing the houses to run down, stating that hardly any maintenance work had been carried out on them in five years. Residents claimed that in 1973 they received letters from the council stating that their houses were due to be modernised.

Mr Hollis, a tenant for 50 years, ever since the houses were built, said the

BY A NORTH WEST CORRESPONDENT

At a packed meeting last week tenants heard local Labour party councillors claim that their decision to negotiate a takeover of Bleak House of up to 350 houses by Wimpey Construction was due to the cutbacks in grant from the government making it impossible to carry out maintenance work.

Estate

Councillor Tom Bradley stated that there were 746 houses in the area including the nearby Stoops estate in need of modernisation at a cost of £10 million and there

Tenants threaten barricades

TENANTS on the Bleak House Plaintree council estates in Burnley have threatened to put up barricades to block a visit on April 19 by Housing Minister Ian Gow.

Residents claim that gardens on the estate had been used as rubbish dumps and were rat-infested. Now, prior to Gow's visit, the council had started cleaning the gardens using private contractors to do the work.

The tenants action committee is meeting with the council today. They are determined to see Gow before any visit to put forward their views.

Top security for secrets trial

THE Old Bailey's famous No. 1 court was closed today in unprecedented top-security preparations for the beginning of the trial tomorrow of Michael Bettaney, 33, on 10 charges of spying under the Official Secrets Act.

The closure is part of maximum security imposed on the trial, most of it in camera, of the middle-ranking MI5 officer who allegedly selected and passed on information 'which could be useful to an enemy'.

Sarah Tisdall, 23, the Foreign Office clerk sentenced to six months jail 17 days ago, was due to appear today before Lord Chief Justice Lord Lane, Mr Justice Boreham and Mr Justice Stephen Brown to apply for leave to appeal against her sentence.

Tisdall's was sentenced at the Old Bailey for leaking documents about the arrival of Cruise missiles in Britain to the 'Guardian' newspaper.

The judges will go on immediately to hear her sub-

stantive appeal and review her sentence if her application is granted.

In the trial of Bettaney, only a part of the opening by Attorney-General Sir Michael Havers, and the verdict, will be in public on the grounds that the case concerns official secrets.

Members of the public and the press will be excluded for the rest of the trial and the courtroom locked during adjournments.

It is thought to be almost unprecedented in post-war Britain for so much of a trial to be held in camera.

Court No. 1 is rarely closed for an entire day, and then usually only for technical or circumstantial reasons.

The papers concerning the case are expected to be brought to the court tomorrow, and kept under lock and key until the trial begins.

Police visit 'Observer'

POLICE visited the 'Observer' offices on Friday, possibly to investigate the mole who last year exposed massive overspending at the Ministry of Defence, the newspaper said yesterday.

The paper said Chief Superintendent Ronald Hardy, of Scotland Yard's Serious Crime Squad, arrived unannounced to ascertain that certain journalists were on the staff.

These reporters were involved in the story which alleged waste, overspending, inefficiency and a cover-up at the MoD.

Hardy, described as 'Whitehall's mole-catcher' by the 'Observer', arrested Sarah Tisdall, sentenced to six months in prison for leaking documents to the 'Guardian'.

HOWARD MINGHAM

IT IS with regret that we announce the death of Howard Mingham at the age of 31. He had been a member of the Hackney branch of the Workers Revolutionary Party for six months. He was an active member and keen supporter of News Line, which he sold regularly. The funeral takes place tomorrow (April 10) at Manor Park Cemetery, E.12 at 2p.m. Our condolences go to his family and to his girlfriend, Sui.

ADVANCE NOTICE

Workers Revolutionary Party and Young Socialists

DEMONSTRATE!

MAY DAY

TUESDAY MAY 1

Full support for miners!

Fight anti-union laws! No cheap youth labour schemes! Defend local government! Defend social services!

Defeat Tory dictatorship measures!

Build Community Councils! Build revolutionary leadership!

Assemble: 6p.m. White City Stadium, Wood Lane

March: 7p.m. via Shepherds Bush, Holland Park, Notting Hill Gate, Queensway

Rally: 8p.m. Porchester Hall, Queensway

Speakers: **Mike Banda** (WRP General Secretary)
G. Healy (WRP Central Committee)
Julie Hyland (YS National Secretary)
other speakers to be announced

Plus film:

'The Year of Karl Marx'

WORLD SUMMARY

Canada's jobless rises

OTTOWA — Canada's jobless total has climbed above 1.5 million for the first time in a year. The latest official statistics showed the unemployment level reached 11.4 per cent in March, having held steady at about 11.1 per cent until the end of 1983.

Coalition

MANILA — A group of Philippines opposition leaders announced the creation of the Coalition for Restoration of Freedom, Justice and Democracy to replace the Marcos regime.

Pipeline

TEHRAN — Iran is to build a 155-mile gas pipeline from the Caspian sea to the north-western city of Tabriz, the Iranian news agency IRNA said.

Senator

WASHINGTON — Former US senator Frank Church of Idaho, an imperialist 'liberal' during his more than two decades in the Senate, died of cancer at the age of 59.

Plotting

MONROVIA — thirteen people were sentenced to death by a special military tribunal for plotting to overthrow Liberian leader Samuel Doe.

World News Line

UNIONS POISED TO CALL HOURS STRIKE

ESSEN — West Germany's powerful engineering unions are poised for an all-out strike to win a 35-hour week.

IG Metall, the metalworkers' union, wants a five-hour cut in the working week without loss of pay.

The union's executive meets in Frankfurt today to decide whether to ballot its 2.7 million members on a national strike in the industry, which groups such sectors as steel, engineering and cars.

Today's meeting follows the collapse of top-level talks with employers last Friday, which IG Metall had billed as a final attempt at

agreement before an inevitable strike ballot.

Hans Mayr, IG Metall's leader, told reporters that neither side had come any nearer to reconciling their differences. His union rejected an offer of a 3.3 per cent wage rise in return for dropping demands for the shorter week.

Vowed

The print union, IG Druck und Papier, has broken off negotiations on the 35-hour week in its own industry and has vowed to stage total strikes in selected workplaces.

Token strikes by printers disrupted production of the 'Sueddeutsche', 'Bild' and 'Frank-

BY A FOREIGN CORRESPONDENT

further Rundschau' newspapers on Saturday.

West Germany's Trade Union Federation (DGB), grouping about 10 million members in 17 unions, has called for sympathy strikes from unions not directly involved in the campaign.

At the centre of the dispute is union opposition to rising unemployment, which now stands at 2.4 million, or 9.6 per cent of the workforce.

The unions, backed by the opposition Social Democratic Party (SPD), maintain that a 35-hour week would create 1.4 million new jobs over the next two years.

SPD chairman and former-chancellor Willy Brandt accused the right-wing Kohl government of declaring war on the unions by siding with employers in their rejection of the 35-hour week.

'Capital and labour are confronted by a major conflict of interests and the government has nothing better to do than indulge in flag-waving on behalf of the employers,' Brandt told a 1,000-strong rally in Essen.

Rejected

Chancellor Kohl has rejected the 35-hour week as 'stupid'. Government and employers have put forward a subsidised scheme which

allows workers to retire from the age of 58 provided their jobs are taken by the unemployed.

A recent opinion poll by the weekly news magazine 'Stern' claimed 56 per cent of West Germans of working age preferred the scheme to the shorter working week.

The shorter working week dominated West Germany's last major industrial struggle in 1978 when IG Metall halted the steel industry for six weeks.

The deadlock was broken after the union agreed to keep the 40-hour week until 1983 in return for longer holidays.

Arrests at air base

VOLKEL, Netherlands — About 100 anti-nuclear activists were arrested after invading an airforce base near this southern Dutch town.

The demonstrators, who occupied a storage depot inside the base surrendered peacefully to police.

A spokesman for the demonstrators said the original plan was to invade the Moensdrecht airbase in the southwest of the Netherlands which is earmarked for the siting of US cruise missiles.

He said the target was switched to Volkel after the Dutch government said that security at Woensdrecht would be increased by about 400 soldiers and police.

Woensdrecht is not at present operational but has been chosen as the possible site for 48 cruise missiles.

The government is due to take a final decision by June on whether to deploy the nuclear missiles on Dutch soil.



Vietnamese forces defend the border areas against Chinese raids

Chinese accused of warmongering

HANOI — The Vietnam government has accused the Chinese bureaucracy of committing 'a brazen act of war.'

Radio Hanoi said Chinese troops had crossed the border into Vietnam and occupied two hills in the commune of Quoc Khanh in Lang Son province.

It said the incursion followed five days of shelling by Chinese artillery aimed at civilian and economic targets in Vietnamese border provinces.

The broadcast said the Chinese raid was 'a brazen act of war which violates Vietnamese sovereignty and territorial integrity, and which exposes the Chinese expansionist desire of aggression'.

It said the attack was another Chinese crime against the Vietnamese people aimed at boosting the morale of the 'the Pol Pot genocidal clique'.

The Chinese attack is an attempt to divert Viet-

name's armed forces at a time they are engaged in a bitter struggle against Pol Pot's counter-revolutionary mercenaries in Kampuchea.

Thai border troops have been placed on full alert opposite an area of Kampuchea where Vietnamese troops and Pol Pot units are engaged in heavy fighting. Thailand's Supreme Commander, General Arthit Kamlang-Ek, said.

Politicians face Nigeria trial

LAGOS — Nigerian politicians who fled the country after the military coup last December will be tried in absentia along with others being held in detention, head of state Major General Mohammed Buhari said.

Anyone accused of corruption under a decree setting up special tribunals would be tried 'whether they are within the country or outside', he said.

Among the politicians abroad are former Transport Minister Umaru Dikko, and ex-Commerce Minister Bello Maitama Yusuf.

Businessman Isiyaku Ibrahim, a major supporter of ousted President Shehu Shagari, is another prominent figure abroad declared wanted by the military regime.

Such people would be brought back to Nigeria 'No matter how long it

takes', Buhari said in his broadcast.

The tribunals are expected to start work later this month. Nearly 500 former politicians and businessmen are in detention and expected to face trial.

Meanwhile, Nigeria's Supreme Court has freed a businessman sentenced to 50 years in jail on charges of trying to topple the federal government two years ago.

Ruled

It ruled unanimously that the Federal High Court, which sentenced Zanna Bakar Mandara in 1982, had no jurisdiction to try him.

Mandara was charged with treasonable felony. He was alleged to have tried to persuade junior military officers to mount a coup against the government of Shehu Shagari.

GYPSY LEADER TO FIGHT INJUNCTION

MUNICH — Gypsy leader Romani Rose will continue his search for Nazi wartime files that condemned gypsies to concentration camps and sterilisation despite a court setback last week.

He is considering appealing to the Federal Court of Justice, if necessary, to overturn an injunction that may forever deny him access to the documents.

The court granted former Bavarian Interior Minister Gerold Tandler an injunction banning Rose from repeating

allegations that Tandler lied about the fate of the documents.

Rose, who heads the Central Gypsy Council, is seeking the vanished 24,000 'racial diagnosis reports' as evidence for planned court action against former Nazis.

Documents

Tandler says the reports have been destroyed but Rose maintains they were among Gypsy documents handed over after World War II by Bavarian police to

a local health official, Hermann Arnold, for research.

Arnold worked for the Nazi racial hygiene institute which prepared the reports, according to the gypsies.

Rose said he planned to take his case to the Federal Court of Justice if necessary.

A spokesman for Tandler, now floor leader of the right-wing Christian Social Union in the Bavarian Parliament, said Rose's accusations were 'a malicious campaign with no basis in fact'.

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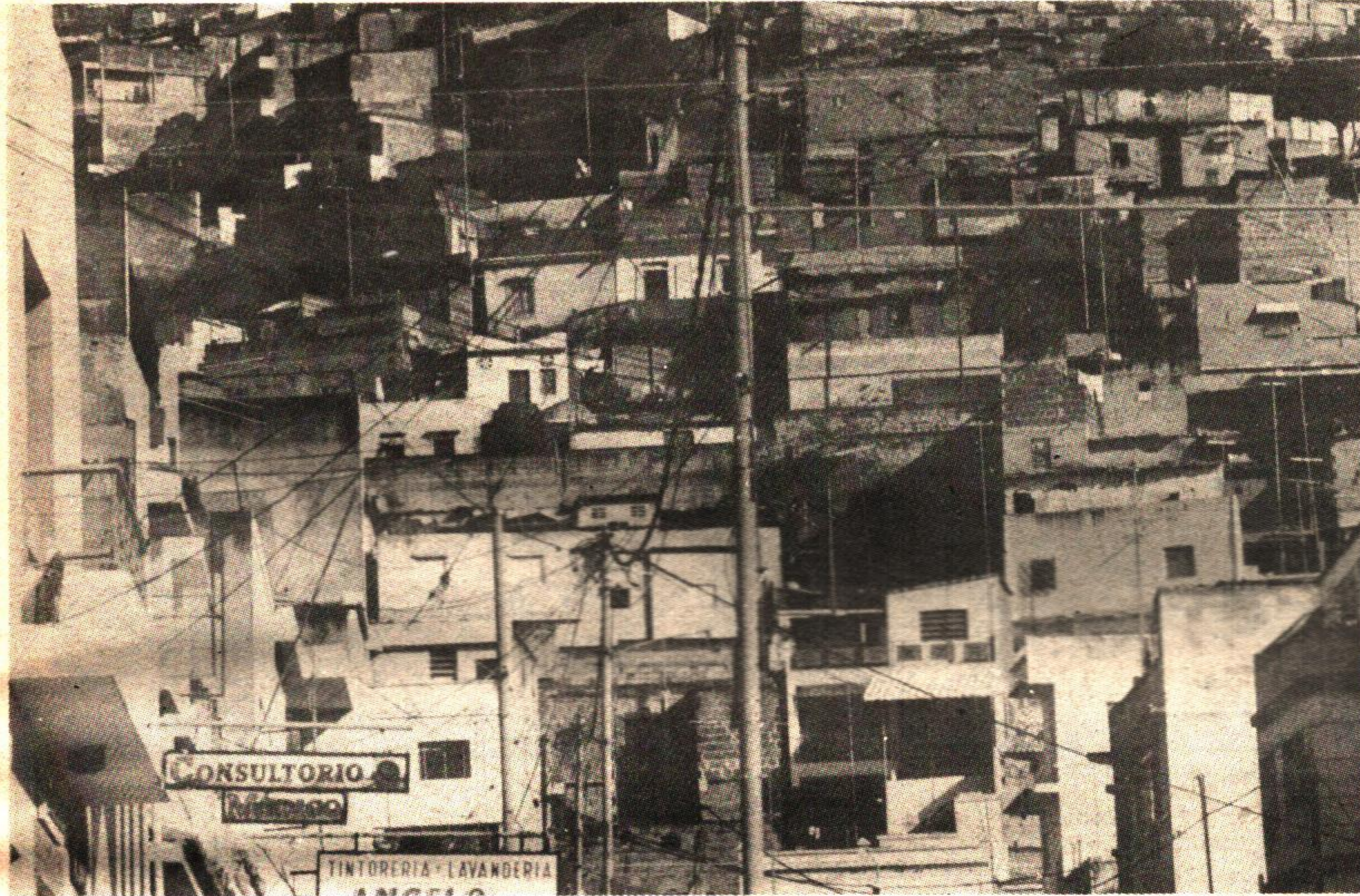
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The poor in countries like Venezuela will suffer most from the latest decision of the US bankers

WASHINGTON — The US Federal Reserve Board, America's central bank, raised its principal lending rate by one-half a point to nine per cent after the markets closed last Friday.

The increase took the rate it charges on loans to commercial banks and savings institutions back up to the level of 1982.

A day earlier the major US banks raised their prime lending rates from 11.5 per cent to 12 per cent. It was the second half-point rise in three weeks in the rates charged by the banks on loans to their best customers.

The renewed surge in US interest rates comes on the eve of next week's annual meetings of the International Monetary Fund (IMF) and the World Bank.

It effectively puts paid to the demands by the colonial and semi-colonial countries for larger and cheaper loans to

BY A FOREIGN CORRESPONDENT

bail them out of the debt crisis which is swamping their economies.

Higher and higher interest rates is the only means by which US capitalism can finance the gigantic budget deficit accumulated by the war-mongering Reagan administration.

Failure

However, this coincides with a new and dramatic development in America's external economic crisis — the failure by Argentina to meet the repayment on interest on its loans.

In the past, countries like Mexico, Brazil and Poland have defaulted on the repayment of the principal, but this was the first time that a country could not repay its interest.

In turn, this meant that the banks had to declare their loans to Argentina

'non-performing'. In other words, the banks were not earning any money on the original loans and they become net debts in the banks' accounts.

As US Treasury Secretary Donald Regan explained to reporters last week: 'If they declare that these loans are non-performing, then the banks have to take a hit to their earnings for whatever amount of interest is overdue.'

In the case of Argentina the interest repayment in default was \$650 million.

The announcement promoted this response from Morgan Stanley, a major investment broker who publishes a newsletter: 'It can be asserted with a greater degree of conviction that a systematic failure is looming.'

On the closing days and hours of March, the US banks scrambled together a covering payment to avert a 'systematic failure' i.e. a banking crash.

French troops killed in Chad

N'DJAMENA — Nine French paratroops were killed in an explosion near the central Chad outpost of Oum Chalouba.

Six died instantly and three later of their wounds. Another six paratroops were undergoing treatment for injuries after the blast.

Mined

The casualties were the largest the French have suffered since they launched 'Operation Manta' last August, dispatching 3,000 soldiers to back Hisene Habre.

Defence Minister Charles Hernu said the explosion occurred during 'a reconnaissance mission of positions north of Oum Chalouba on paths likely to have been mined'.

Cameroon curfew after failed coup

YAOUNDE — The West African state of Cameroon was under curfew yesterday, two days after an unsuccessful coup against the government of President Paul Biya.

Biya broadcast a statement to 9 million Cameroonians that the coup, mounted last Friday, had been crushed by loyalist forces.

He claimed 'complete calm' throughout the country and 'complete victory' over rebel forces organised by former President Ahmadou Ahidjo, in exile in Grasse, southern France.

The coup had been mounted by elements of the Republican Guard, a branch of the paramilitary gendarmerie responsible for the President's protection, Biya confirmed.

Broadcasts warned people to stay indoors to avoid being shot, while loyalist troops were 'mopping up the last pockets of resistance' in the capital.

Shifts

State Department officials in Washington who contacted the US embassy in the capital said rapid power shifts had occurred during the attempted coup, with control of the radio changing hands at least twice on Friday.

Diplomats said the fact that part of the Republican Guard was involved in the attempted coup confirmed reports that disaffected officers from the Moslem north of the country, reportedly loyal to Ahidjo, masterminded it.

The Paris daily 'Le Monde' said Biya had ordered the transfer of several of the Guard's northern officers to other military units.

● Severe conditions imposed by the International Monetary Fund (IMF) on its loans to African states can lead to political and social destabilisation.

Finance Minister Jacques Delors gave the warning after meeting Finance Ministers from 13 French-speaking African countries.

Such conditions could even contribute to coup d'etat in extreme circumstances, he told a news conference.

'I would not go so far as to say that it is the essential factor, but... these policies have terribly se-

vere consequences for these countries, beyond comparison with the efforts which European countries have to make for their own economic cures,' he said.

'And, of course, that can create factors which I would describe as destabilising in those countries,' he added.

The meeting of African Finance Ministers, convened here ahead of next week's IMF interim committee meeting in Washington, called for a positive decision on the new allocation of IMF Special Drawing Rights (SDRs) to be taken rapidly.

Delors said countries in Africa faced problems not only from unfavourable economic conditions but also from drought and from the risk of political and social destabilisation.

'Finally, from the strictly financial point of view, all this is happening at time when the world is seeing a stagnation, indeed a decline in real terms, of public aid and a net retreat by the international banking community in relation to developing countries,' he said.

A military coup took place in Nigeria on New Year's Eve, the army seized power in Guinea last week after the death of President Sekou Toure and there was an attempted coup in Ghana two weeks ago.

Kinnock's call to Barclays

LABOUR Party leader Neil Kinnock yesterday called on Barclay's Bank to end its links with South Africa and Namibia.

He said such action would be 'the most valuable contribution' Barclays could make to the cause of freedom in southern Africa.

Kinnock's call came in a report produced by him and 11 other well-known names, who have formed

a 'Barclays shadow board'.

The fourth annual report from the group draws attention to the links between Barclays and South Africa, and accuses the bank of seriously misleading the public over its involvement with the country's armed forces.

The report says there is 'convincing evidence that the bank's operations in

South Africa help strengthen the regime and entrench white minority rule.'

It claims Barclays helped finance arms exports from Britain to South Africa and has close links with the South African state electricity corporation Escom which 'is now completing the Koeberg nuclear plant, a project which is helping South Africa develop the "bomb".'

The 'shadow board' also says the bank seriously misled its shareholders and the public by claiming it had stopped advertising in the South African military press.

The report says the bank made record profits in South Africa last year and is expanding its activities there. It also says that it is continuing to operate in South African-occupied Namibia.



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'BOMBER' HARRIS MADE CIVILIANS HIS TARGET

SIR ARTHUR 'Bomber' Harris, who died on Friday aged 92, will be remembered chiefly for the devastating bomber raids he organised on the German cities of Hamburg and Dresden, in which hundreds of thousands of civilians were killed.

Harris made the German working-class the target of the British bomber offensive, maintaining that what he called 'area bombing' would force a German surrender.

This was absurd, as events subsequently demonstrated, but the price of Harris' murderous delusions was the loss of some 57,000 aircrew and the obliteration of some 500,000 German civilians.

Harris was an early practitioner of bomber power. Born in Cheltenham the son of an Indian Civil Servant, he emigrated to Rhodesia in his teens and thoroughly absorbed the colonialist ethos there. Afterwards he always regarded himself as a Rhodesian.

With the outbreak of World War I he returned to Europe, eventually gravitating into the Royal Flying Corps. He enjoyed it so much he took a permanent RAF commission.

Harris was a pioneer of the bombing of civilians. He used bombers to put down a revolt of Iraqi peasants against the British imperial regime. On his return to England to linked up with Lord 'Boom' Trenchard, who believed that the bomber was the ultimate weapon.

He saw action again in Palestine suppressing the

BY JOHN SPENCER

1938 uprising. He felt the politicians interfered too much. 'My advice to all young commanders,' he said, 'is whenever you see any prospect of being called out "in aid of the civil power" to get the hell out of there.'

'If you fail by being too soft you will be sacked; if you succeed by being tough you will certainly be told you were too tough and you may be for it.'

Promotion

With the outbreak of war in 1939 Harris was whisked rapidly up the promotion ladder. By 1942 he had become chief of bomber command. 'My primary authorised task was therefore clear beyond doubt: to inflict the most severe material damage on German industrial cities,' he wrote.

About the same time he declared: 'Give me 20,000 bombers and I will finish Germany in a week.'

On the night of May 30, 1942, he launched the first

of a series of thousand-bomber raids. The target was Cologne. The fires left by the massive raid could be seen burning 150 miles away.

With the aid of newly developed navigation equipment fleets of bombers could be directed by radio beams to targets over Germany. The offensive proper began in March 1943 with a raid by more than 350 planes on Essen in the Ruhr valley. In the following days most of the industrial towns in the Ruhr received similar treatment.

It was a costly enterprise: within four months Harris had lost 858 planes and their highly trained crews. His nickname among the RAF's air and ground crews was 'Butcher' Harris.

His response was to step up the violence of the attacks. In July 1943, Hamburg suffered the next phase of Harris' onslaught. More than 9,000 tons of bombs, the majority of them incendiaries, were dropped over the densely packed streets of the seaport.

The attack set off a firestorm. Winds of more than 100 miles an hour swept through the streets, spreading the inferno from one district to another. The column of flame and smoke rose five miles into the sky. The number of civilians killed in that one week in



After the bombing raid on Essen

Hamburg was two-thirds the total killed by air raids in Britain throughout the war.

Harris commented: 'If the five months of the battle of the Ruhr were months of severe trial for the enemy, the virtual annihilation of the second city of the Reich within six days was incomparably more terrible.'

Exaggerated

In fact, Harris greatly exaggerated the effectiveness of his bombing attacks. German accounts make it clear that the effects on production and morale were far

less devastating than Harris maintained.

Harris was so obsessed with air power that he opposed preparations to invade the continent, saying his own bomber forces could force German surrender.

In a letter to Churchill in November 1943, Harris wrote: 'We can wreck Berlin from end to end if the US Air Force will come in on it. It will cost us 400 to 500 aircraft. It will cost Germany the war.'

He forecast that Germany would be so devastated by April 1, 1944 that Hitler would surrender. In fact, German defences against bomber attack were improving, dooming

thousands of Harris' airmen. Like the World War I generals, he pressed on regardless of losses.

He lost 555 planes trying to subject Berlin to the same fate as Hamburg — and failed. He devastated 38 cities, but produced no decisive effect on German production.

Attack

But Harris was to achieve one final devastating attack — not on Berlin but on the historic city of Dresden, one of the few great cities of Germany hitherto little damaged.

Like Hamburg it suffered a firestorm in which more than 50,000 people many of them refugees, died in conditions of indescribable horror.

Harris quit Britain after the war, feeling that he had been slighted by being left out of the victory honours list. Most of his fellow top brass had been given peerages.

Harris went to South Africa and became managing director of the South African Marine Corporation. He returned to Britain in 1953. Unlike his German counterparts, Harris was never put on trial, but he was one of the great criminals of World War II.

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Speakers: Gary Ryder (YS National Committee); Richard Price (WRP Central Committee)

Sailmakers on strike

BY A NORTH WEST CORRESPONDENT

LIVERPOOL sailmakers are out on strike for the first time in 200 years in a pay battle.

The strikers work for Coubro & Scruttons, a ships' riggers and suppliers dating back to the 18th century.

At the Woolton branch, one of 17 all over the country, frustration over wage negotiations ended in strike action.

Three times in a row the men were offered rises linked to productivity increases. When they put in for an unconditional rise this year, they were offered £5 a week for all trades.

Rates

Richard Brown, GMBATU steward, said the sail-makers there were £30 below the average ship-repair rates in Liverpool.

'We therefore asked for a substantial increase. They offered 6½ per cent. In fact, all the time management could spare to discuss the matter was 10 seconds!'

The strike began on March 9 and three days later the men received letters threatening them with dismissal.

Twins

The action began at Woolton but on Thursday members of the Bootle branch, which twins with Woolton, decided not to cross picket lines.

And Brown said company plans to move to Wigan appeared to have been blocked by action from workers there.

'Sailmakers have never come out as a single shop, although we have supported a variety of trade union and working class causes,' said Brown. 'This is the first time we've had to come out like this in 200 years!'



Pickets at Coubro & Scrutton at Forth Street, Bootle

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THE MINERS' STRUGGLE



KENT miners and their supporters marching through south-east London to County Hall on Saturday

LONDON TRADE UNIONISTS MARCH WITH KENT MINERS

BY PENNY BLOOR

OVER 1,000 London trade unionists turned out to greet the 30 Kent miners who are on the road to Nottingham in a 200-mile march against job losses and police harassment of pickets.

The marchers, who started out in Aylesham last Wednesday, reached London on Saturday.

A wide section of trade unionists joined Saturday's march through south London to the GLC headquarters at County Hall.

The Transport and General Workers' Union, NALGO, civil servants' unions, COHSE and NUPE health unions, teachers, the NGA, SOGAT 82, the engineers' and electricians' unions, theatres, Southwark, Westminster and Greenwich trades councils turned out to welcome the mainly young marchers.

The Young Socialists and the Workers Revolutionary Party had a lively contingent, chanting: 'Miners' fight is our fight! Build Community Councils!'

Along the route of the march, miners shouted the aims of the march through a loudspeaker and collected scores of donations from passers-by.

'We are walking from Kent to Nottingham, not for ourselves, but for future generations as well,' they said. 'The miners are in the vanguard but don't kid yourselves. This is a fight we are all in. Help the miners and give your children a future.'

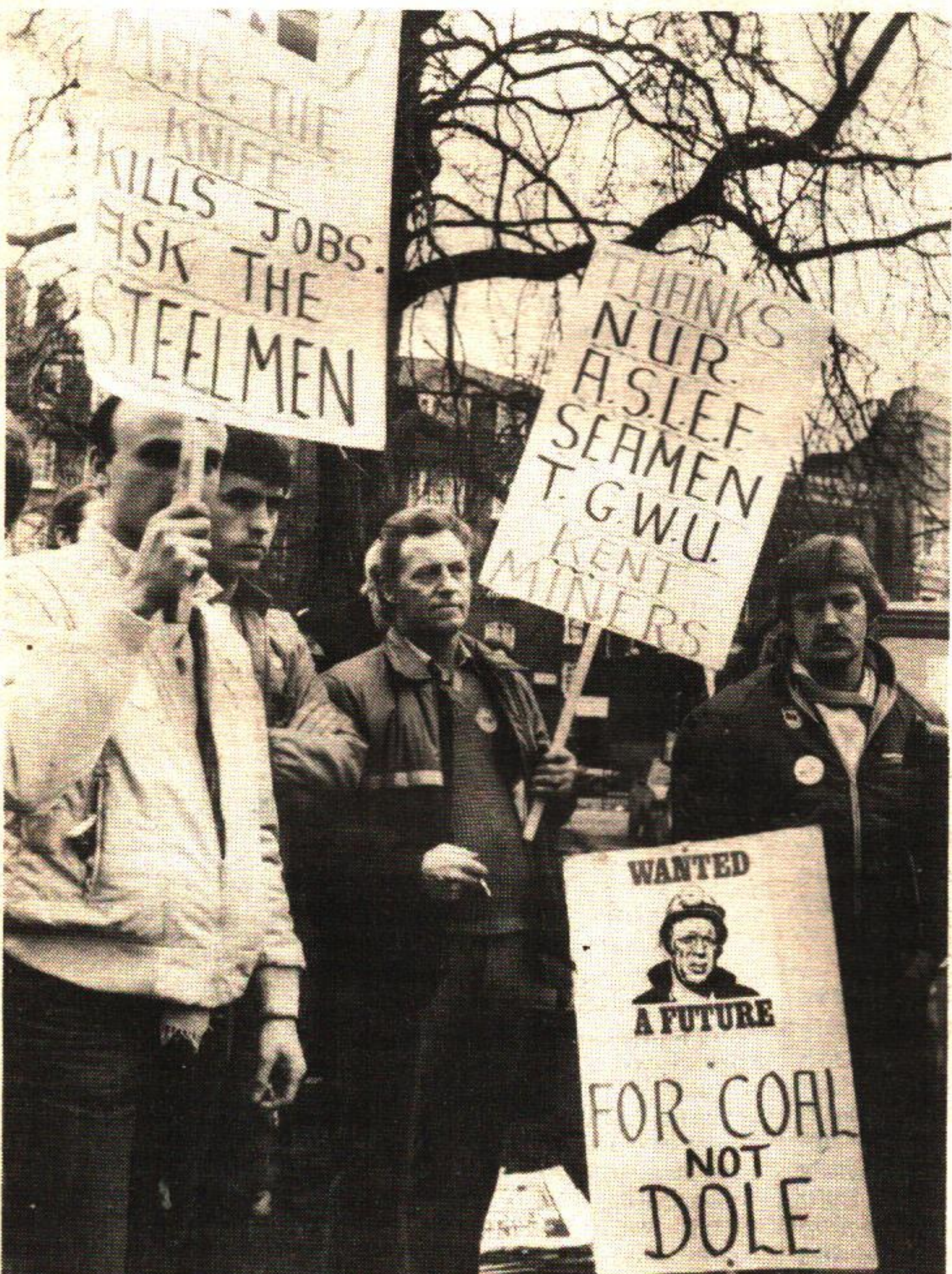
Greeting the miners at County Hall, GLC leader Ken Livingstone said: 'The struggle of the miners to defend jobs is the same struggle as the struggle to defend jobs in local government.'

'There is no doubt this government has deliberately set out to provoke this strike. It's an attempt by this government to smash one of the key trade unions.'

'We welcome you and we are proud to assist you with your struggle.'

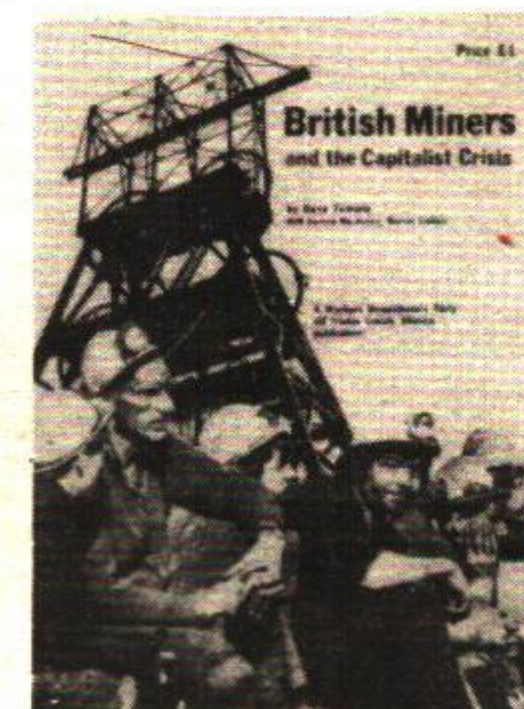
Ray Buckton, leader of the train drivers' union ASLEF, congratulated the miners for standing firm against 'the most bitter attack on the trade union movement since 150 years ago when they deported six agricultural workers for wanting to form a union'.

Buckton reminded the audience of the Tory manifesto pledge to attack trade unions. The London airport ramp workers' struggle had been followed by the attack on his own union, he said, then the health service, the NGA, GCHQ and now the miners.



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Treaty of shame

THE SOUTHERN African liberation movements are reeling under the impact of a monstrous conspiracy organised against them by the racist South African republic and the bourgeois nationalist regimes of the 'front-line' states.

On March 16, President Samora Machel of Mozambique signed a wide-ranging security treaty with the South African Prime Minister Botha at the border town of Nkomati.

It was Africa's Camp David, but without the attention of the world's mass media. The ink was scarcely dry before the Mozambican police were cracking down on members of the African National Congress (ANC) and its institutions in Maputo.

Some ANC members made a rush for the border, only to fall into the hands of the Swaziland police. It was then disclosed that Pretoria and the Swazi stooge government had signed a secret security treaty two years earlier!

The anti-ANC activities of the Frelimo government made nonsense of the claims by Machel and his ministers that they were still upholding the fight against the South African regime and still supporting the national liberation movements.

The Nkomati accord coincided with a summit meeting in Havana between Angolan President Eduardo dos Santos and President Fidel Castro. They agreed on the reciprocal withdrawal of forces — South Africa to remove its forces from Angola at the same time as Cuban troops pull out.

In other words, what was afoot was not simply a Mozambican-South African security accord, but an entire re-arrangement throughout southern Africa at the expense of the national liberation movements and the oppressed black masses of the region.

The Stalinist-dominated ANC has raised scarcely a squeal of protest. This is because the ANC is itself taking the same capitulationist road as the Frelimo government in Maputo.

The ANC is looking for ways to shed its verbal and sporadic commitment to the armed struggle. It wants to revert from being a national liberation movement into a civil rights movement inside the South African constitutional, parliamentary process.

The whole ugly strategy from Maputo to Johannesburg to Luanda has the imprint of the Soviet bureaucracy. Indeed, the Moscow bureaucrats played a key role in the secret diplomacy leading up to this monumental piece of collaboration with imperialism.

They stood aside as the South African and US-backed counter-revolutionary mercenaries invaded Mozambique. They starved the country of economic and technical aid, thereby facilitating the financial blockade imposed by imperialism and the Western banks.

In short, they helped to bring the Frelimo government to its knees. And having miseducated the Frelimo leadership in the counter-revolutionary theories of peaceful coexistence with imperialism and socialism in one country, it simply took some Stalinist arm-twisting to persuade Machel to sign a treaty with the Boer regime.

In a speech which sounded as if it had been drafted in the local Soviet embassy, Machel attempted to justify the filthy deal with Pretoria to a mass rally in his own capital. He described the Nkomati accord as 'a weapon in the struggle for peace, for equality, for mutual respect, for justice and democracy'.

The Stalinists and revisionists who crudely built the Frelimo leadership into 'Marxist-Leninists' have been absolutely silent on the events of the past three weeks. (How different is the treatment that they give to PLO chairman Yassir Arafat).

The revolutionary struggle in southern Africa has not been eliminated by this heinous diplomatic conspiracy. It merely highlights the fear of the revolutionary masses which is gripping the South African racists and the national bourgeois regimes.

It is a new stage of the struggle. The new stage is characterised by the struggle for the socialist revolution. That requires the building of Trotskyist parties in the region under the leadership of the International Committee of the Fourth International, of which the Workers Revolutionary Party is the British section.

Cortonwood: The pit th

Village at the heart of strike



Frances and Les Smith . . . they have cut prices in their grocer's shop to help miners' families

Shop cuts prices in community solidarity

EX-MINER Les Smith and his wife Frances have slashed prices at their grocer's shop as a gesture of support to the Cortonwood strikers and their families.

'I cut my prices the day after the strike began because we are all in this battle together. If they shut the pit then small shops and businesses like ours are bound to suffer,' Les told News Line.

The Cortonwood men have reciprocated by putting a banner up above

their picket line thanking businesses and the local community for backing their tenacious struggle.

Les, who worked in the pits for 14 years, said: 'I think the men have been badly let down. They thought they had at least another five years and found they had just five weeks in the end.'

'The closure has stunned people round here because everything really centres around that pit. The younger men had all

begun to buy their houses. Now where do they stand?'

The shop window is plastered with notices offering essential items at reduced prices.

'Our offers have been taken up and it's been very successful,' said Les. 'These people are our living and so we are with them all the way. We believe they are absolutely right to stand up and fight for their industry and to protect their jobs and the prospects of future generations.'

CORTONWOOD colliery would have closed last Friday if Coal Board chairman Ian MacGregor and his political masters in the Tory government had got their way.

More than 800 jobs would have been destroyed with the closure of the 111-year-old pit and the mining community, near Barnsley, Yorkshire, would have been sentenced to death.

BY SIMON VEVERS

But the Cortonwood miners, backed by the entire community, had other ideas. To a man they voted to resist the closure with immediate strike action — a move which roused 80 per cent of the British coalfield to walk-out. And they remain as determined as ever.

The proposed closure of Cortonwood had all the hallmarks of a planned provocation. It was announced without any consultation with the NUM and only weeks after local union leaders had been guaranteed another five years' production.

In fact men from the now-closed Elsecar colliery nearby were transferred to Cortonwood at the beginning of February. Three weeks later, on March 1, they discovered that they were being thrown out of work again.

Investment

Considerable investment was ploughed into the pit in recent months. The NCB spent £40,000 on refurbishing the pithead baths, up to £4.5 million on a dual fuel system, and a new powerhouse remains half-built.

Two new faces had been developed at Cortonwood, which produces high quality coking coal. One of them was only opened up after Christmas following costly development work.

'When it announced the closure of Cortonwood the NCB completely ignored procedures and agreements, just as MacGregor has done all along. It's the same take-it-or-leave-it attitude that he had at the steel industry,' strike committee member Graham Yeates told News Line.

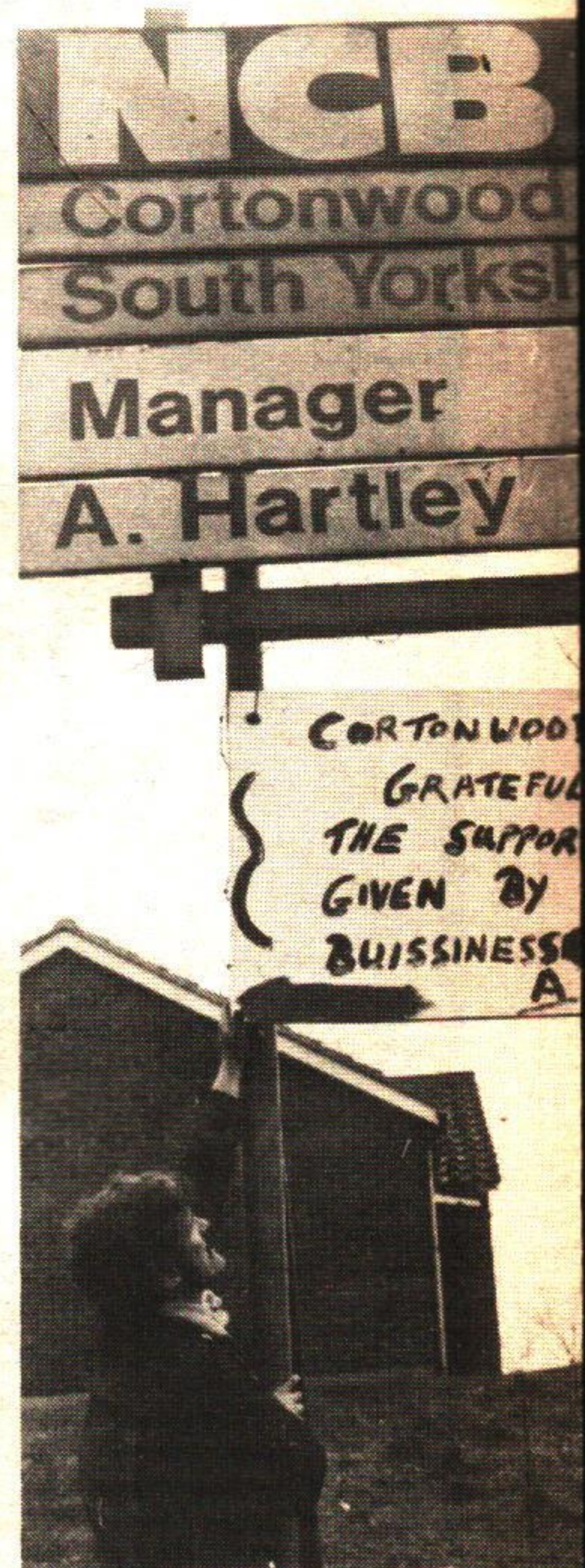
'It's another example of the Thatcher government's fascist methods to try and break the unions. They are telling the NUM that it is making it a political strike, but that's exactly what they have made it.'

Yeates, who once worked at the Creswell colliery

in Nottinghamshire, scorned demands for a national ballot.

'There are at least 80 per cent of the miners on strike — a massive majority. And so those who are now screaming for a ballot can only want one to reverse that position and end the strike.'

'We had a ballot at Cortonwood. Arthur Scargill wasn't there and nor was Jack Taylor. It was unanimous. Cortonwood roared and stood up. Even the men who are close to retirement put their hands up for a strike because they realise that they are fighting for their lads' jobs.'

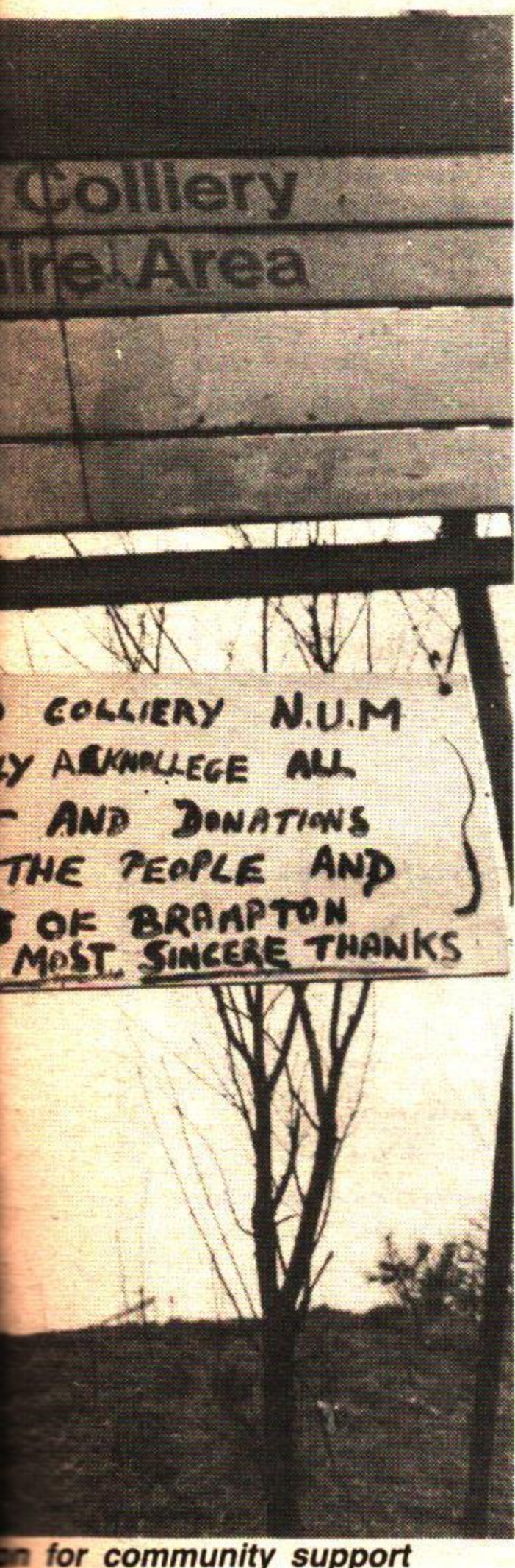


The strikers show their appreciation

at was due to die last Friday



s outside Cortonwood colliery . . . determined to resist the closure of the 111-year-old pit



for community support

Families standing firmer

MINER'S wife Janet Absetts is 100 per cent behind the strike because she has bitter memories of when her husband Granville was on the dole. She is prepared to put up with the present hardship 'for as long as it takes to win this strike because it's the difference between having a job and spending years on the dole'.

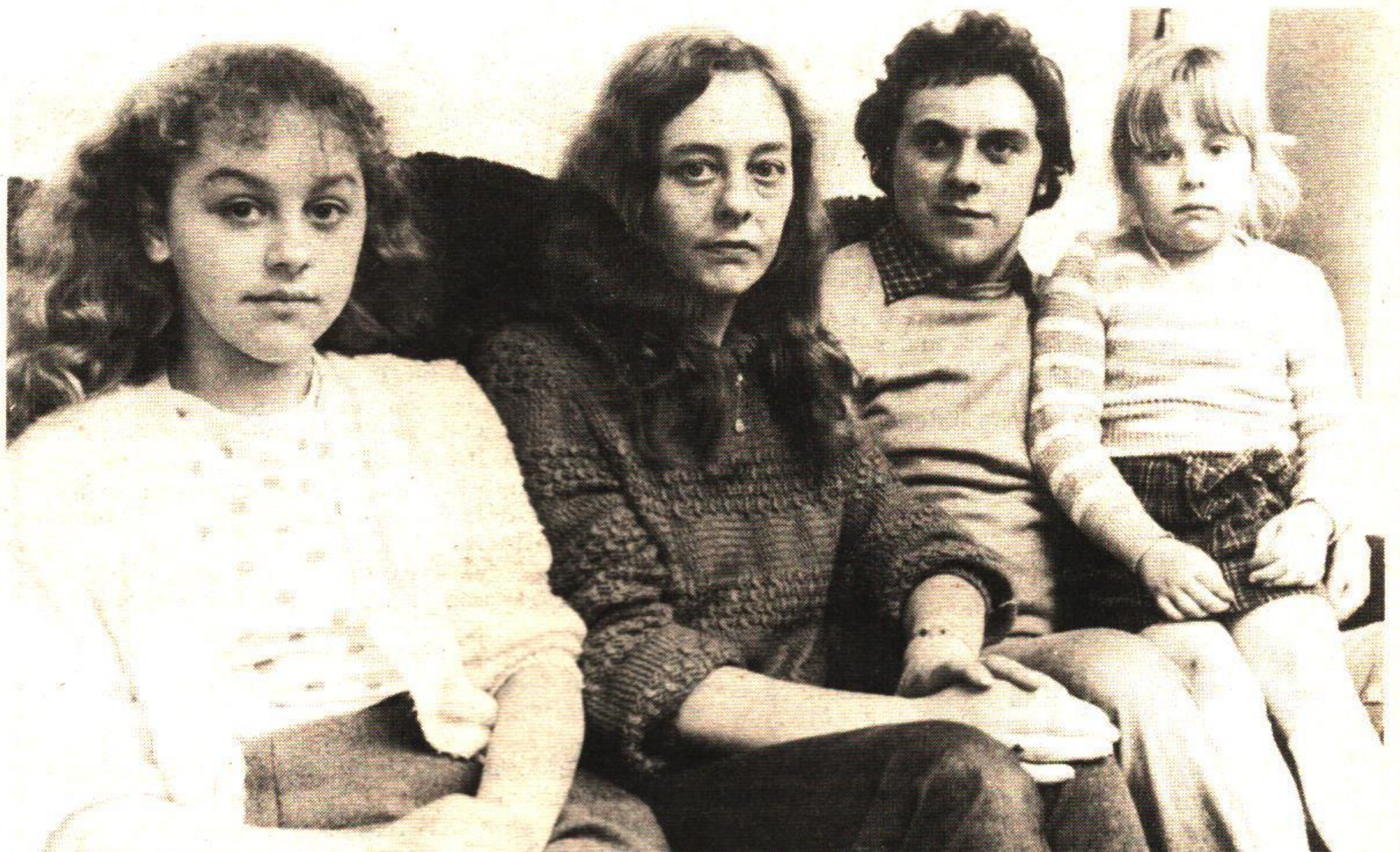
Granville has been made redundant twice before, and Janet told News Line: 'When he was on the dole our security was shattered. You have no future, no luxuries, no holidays and you can't afford to buy the kids clothes.'

'If he was put on the dole again he'd be joining 4.5 million others and he'd be at the back of the queue. And things would be far worse this time

because of this new legislation on benefits.'

Janet and Granville live with their two children Angela, 11, and Lynn, 6, in Wath-upon-Deane — a town savagely hit by the decline in the mining and rail industries.

Granville said: 'After four weeks on strike I think my feelings have hardened. There's no going back, that's what others are thinking and I



Janet and Granville Absetts with their two children Angela (left) and Lynn

can see it in my kids in the way they react to things.

'People are now starting to realise that if the miners lose, then they could be the next in line. The Conservative government doesn't like unions, regardless of who they are.'

Granville welcomed the backing from transport

unions, and added: 'They have no choice but to support us because they are going to lose jobs. It's like one horrible vicious circle — if they close the pits then railwaymen and steelworkers are going to suffer.'

Janet, whose grandfather began working in the pits when he was 12, said her father was fully behind the fight to defend

jobs, even though he is nearing retirement age and stands to lose his right to full redundancy money because he has gone on strike.

'The whole community has to come together and say: "enough is enough". It has to stop somewhere. It's not just miners but others who are losing

their jobs and have no prospects,' she said.

'I haven't heard a word spoken against the miners locally. And neighbours, who usually would not necessarily say anything to you, make a point of asking how things are going.'

'We are getting such a lot of moral support, it gives you heart to carry on and win.'



THE MINERS' STRUGGLE

LONDON TRADE UNIONISTS MARCH WITH KENT MINERS

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'This time we have to say — all of us as trade unionists — this attack on miners is now the attack upon all of us and we should stand united.'

Buckton commented on the police operations against the miners. 'What is happening is the breaking down of democracy in this country. When police can arrest miners and ask them how they voted in the last election, ask if they are communists, something is seriously wrong.'

'That's why your fight is our fight.'

Lessons

Jim Slater, the leader of the seamen's union, said the lessons of history had to be learnt, the lessons of Germany, Chile and Argentina.

'If you remember, in these countries, the first people to be arrested and jailed were trade unionists. We are not that far yet, but the first people shot and murdered were trade unionists.'

He warned: 'Take particular note of the move to arm the police with machine guns to protect the President of the United States who claps his country's trade union members in chains.'

'We are determined to make sure that does not happen here.'

Slater said the NUS was 'quite prepared to tackle tit-for-tat the sort of laws they are trying to impose on unions here' and reiterated his union's pledge to back the miners internationally.

Jack Dunn, Kent NUM, said: 'If we don't win this struggle, tens, dozens of pits will close and whole



RAY BUCKTON

communities will be destroyed, will become social deserts.'

He added: 'The time has come for mass mobilisation. We've got to get a mass mobilisation of workers to stop the Tory destruction of our hard-won rights.'

Peter Kavanagh, of the executive committee of the Transport and General Workers' Union, said if supporting the miners by preventing the movement of coal 'means we come up against Tory laws, then so be it'.

He stressed: 'Of course this is a political strike. It's a struggle against our class, the working class, and therefore it's a class strike and every section of the class should support it.'

Kavanagh recalled struggles against the Tory government in the 1970s. He reminded the audience how three building workers had been locked up in 1972 for secondary picketing, and that Des Warren had done three years in jail.

Kent miners' leader Jack Collins said that the miners' union was receiving enough support from the rest of the trade union movement to 'last a long time'.

Warned

Those in the NUM calling for a ballot had 'strange bed-fellows' in the Tory government, he pointed out.

He warned: 'The society we are moving into is now preparing to put the jackboots on. If you want proof of this, go on the picket lines.'

Other speakers at the rally included Michael Ward of the Greater London Council, Mike Perkins of the Society of Civil and Public Servants, John Mitchell of SOGAT, Kate Bennet of Southwark trades council, and Malcolm Pitt, Kent NUM president.



The Workers Revolutionary Party, Young Socialists and Youth Training had delegations on Saturday's march in support of the Kent miners marching from their coalfield to Nottinghamshire

Generous response to collection for miners

BY SUE LAIRD

miners who had marched from Aylesham, Kent to London on their way to Nottingham to win support for their struggle.

The appeal met with a warm reception on Brixton High Street and in the market.

Hundreds of people — pensioners, youth, housewives and trade unionists

— stopped to donate money and food and express their support for the miners.

The Labour Party candidate in the forthcoming Ferndale ward by-election also came to voice her support.

The trades council appealed for food for families and children of

miners and cash to give to miners' families to pay urgent bills for electricity and gas, to ensure no miner is evicted for not being able to pay rent or rates and to pay for legal representation for miners who need it.

Several affiliated branches have already made donations, including Lambeth NALGO and the Central London NUJ branch, which donated £200.

The case for Community Councils

EVERY trade unionist and worker must come to the aid of the miners in their struggle for jobs against the capitalist state, the Thatcher dictatorship and the National Coal Board.

The working class as a whole and their professional allies must share the burdens and sacrifices of the fight which the miners are waging in defence of the most basic of rights — the right to work and to organise freely in trade unions independent of the state.

Trade union branches, shop stewards' committees, trades councils and other labour movement organisations must take the initiative now in the setting up of Community Councils which will act immediately to meet the needs of the miners, who are fighting on behalf of the whole working class.

As well as the trade unions, the Community Councils must draw in representatives of every section of the working class and their middle class and professional allies involved in the anti-Tory fight — miners' wives, youth groups, voluntary organisations and local Labour councils.

There are immediate and practical tasks which flow from the defiant resistance of the miners to the provocations of the NCB, an unprecedented military-style police operation directed by the Home Office through Scotland Yard and the organised harassment by social security, gas and electricity bureaucrats.

The Workers Revolutionary Party believes that the tasks of Community Councils, which should extend beyond mining districts, will be to:

- Provide food for families and children of those on strike. No miner to be starved back to work by the Tories.
- Pay urgent bills for electricity and gas, calling on workers not to carry out cut-offs as an act of solidarity with the strike. Raise funds for new clothing and footwear for strikers.

- Ensure that no miner is evicted by local councils for not being able to pay rent or rates. Make certain that medical supplies are paid for so that miners and their families can get the treatment prescribed.
- Arrange for the care of the elderly dependent on support from miners' families, ensure nursery provision so that miners' wives can participate fully in winning support for the strike.
- Organise the provision of free legal representation for miners who need it. Provide accommodation for miners from other areas.
- Watch out for and organise against provocateurs. Organise the defence of union offices and funds from state attacks.
- Rally other workers to support and back up miners' pickets and organise marches and rallies.

LABOUR COUNCILS must be asked to:

- Provide free school meals and transport for miners' children.
- Make office accommodation in council offices available to miners, with facilities for printing and communications.
- Make sure that no evictions take place because of mounting debts. Wipe out rent and rate arrears.
- Provide free public transport for strikers and their families. Make all council facilities available free to miners. Lay on entertainments and outings for miners' families.
- Resist having to foot the bill for the cost of the Downing Street directed police operation against the miners' union.

This is the best way to answer the challenge of the capitalist state, and the Tory dictatorship. Community Councils — as Soviet-type organisations — will give the working class confidence in its own independent strength to defeat the class enemy and provide the basis for the successful struggle for power which has now been joined.

Gillingham community mobilises

MORE than 120 people packed into the community hall in Gillingham, Kent, on Saturday to raise support for the miners' strike.

The meeting was called by Kent NALGO and the Kent Trade Union Alliance, a body formed as a result of last year's six-month strike by social service workers.

Speakers included Betsheanger branch NUM chairman John Moyle.

Lambeth council leader Ted Knight, Jean Gellard of NALGO's national local government committee, NUPE area officer Nick Bradley, convenor of the Kent Education Alliance Tony Stephens, victimised NALGO shop steward John Kirkpatrick, and social services shop stewards' committee chairman Colin Harrison.

Knight said every section of the working class

was under attack and must throw its weight behind the miners.

Moyle said the miners were strong and confident of victory. He could not have hoped for better support from the rail unions, and nothing was now moving in Kent without the agreement of the NUM.

Local organisations were urged to collect food and finance for the miners and to co-ordinate industrial action.

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News, views and activities

FIGHTING FOR A FUTURE

IAN MUSGROVE, 20, has worked in the Nottinghamshire coalfield and now works at Tilmanstone in Kent.

He is one of the 30 Kent miners, most of them young, marching from Dover to Nottingham in defence of their jobs and in opposition to the police operations against the striking miners.

'The time I was working in Nottingham I was on about £50 a week bonus. Since I've been down here the conditions are totally different. We get £8 a week bonus.

This is to divide the miners. One area gets a big bonus, one gets a small bonus. I've still got relatives that work in Nottingham. I'm hoping by going up there we can shame them out.

Winning

If it wasn't for the leadership I'm sure all the men would have been out. We still think we're winning them gradually. In the first week it was 16-1 in favour of working, now it's only 2-1.

It's a very tiring march. We average about 20 miles a day, four-and-a-half miles an hour. The

Young miners on the march

generosity of the ordinary public has been great. Some drivers are coming by and chucking fags out at us, anything that can help us.

I think it was around the 1930s that Yorkshire men, four years after the big miners' strike, marched down to Kent to get a job.

And we are determined to march back to prove that we want to keep these jobs that our families, fathers and grandfathers got for us.

I've got a lot of mates that are on the dole because of the Tory policies and I see how they have ended up.

I feel that I'm lucky that I've got a job and this is why I'm fighting. It doesn't matter whether it takes six or seven months.

If we lose this, I'll be like the rest of my mates — on the dole.

Redundant

They've got no intentions of transferring anyone — they'll just make you redundant, and £4,000 is not going to last very long.

We know if Snowdown was to get redeveloped there would be 250 jobs for the young ones coming up.



Ian Musgrove (left) with two other Kent miners who are marching from Dover to Nottingham

We're only 100 yards from getting to a new seam, and now they're trying to do what they've done in Yorkshire — close it. That's why the men in Yorkshire came out. With us being a small coalfield, we've got to have the backing of the other coalfields.

We know that if Yorkshire lost, we'd lose too.

It's not just coal people that are involved, it is the whole community, wood,

the steel industry, the electronics industry. Old age pensioners would lose their coal, the council would lose £180,000 in rates for the three pits. The communities will just die altogether and it's a fantastic community.

It's a community strike, because it's not just about one issue.

We're not worried about money, money's no good if you haven't got a job. We just want a future in the coal industry.

Students lose travel grants

TORY Education Secretary Sir Keith Joseph has announced a new travel grant system which will affect thousands of students.

The new flat-rate system for English and Welsh students will replace the current system of re-implementing the actual fares paid by each individual.

About 125,000 will lose money under the new system, with 35,000 losing more than £100 a year.

The flat rate for students living at home will be £160. Travel costs overseas or away will be dealt with under the present system, with some exceptions in the changes for disabled students.

Students already on courses will get the flat rate of £100 in their grant for 1984-1985, and then will be entitled to claim travel expenses over and above £250.

NUS president Neil Ste-

wart said that in some local authorities the highest travel expenses are sometimes more than £1,000.

London students spend twice as much as other students on travelling, but outside London, too, many students are forced to travel from one town to another to get to college.

Maximum

The new rates for students grants have also been announced. Taking account of the new flat-rate travel grant, London students will get a maximum of £2,100 and outside London £1,775, with students living at home getting £1,435 maximum.

THE Easter NUS Conference is to be held at Hull University from Monday April 16 to Thursday April 19. The attack on fares will be discussed in a debate on the NUS 'New Deal for Students'.



Students demonstrate in London against the Tory attacks on students' grants and education

ILEA FOOTS THE BILL

TWENTY-FIVE refugees studying at London colleges are having their tuition fees of £60,000 paid by the Inner London Education Authority (ILEA) because the government refuses to pick up the bill.

The students are from countries which are no longer paying their fees after civil disturbances. Some students could be in danger if they returned home.

A decision by the authority's further and higher education sub-committee to protest to the Department of Education was endorsed by the full education committee.

Neil Fletcher, sub-committee chairman, said: 'The government's hypocrisy is breathtaking. While seizing every chance to attack what

it ignorantly calls ILEA's "over-spending", it cynically shuffles its financial burden on to our ratepayers whenever it suits.'

Fletcher added: 'Of course we won't let these students down. They will get the best education Britain can offer in ILEA colleges. But it's time the government faced up to its responsibilities for them.'

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Wayne Chand (YS Regional Committee)
Duncan Foggo (NUM, in personal capacity)
other speakers to be announced

TICKETS 25p



'Outside In' deals with disablement in 'The Eleventh Hour' on 4 at 11



Stacy Keach and Lindsay Bloom star in 'Mickey Spillane's Mike Hammer' on ITV at 9

BBC1

6.00 Ceefax AM. 6.30 Breakfast Time. 9.00 Gardeners' World. 9.25 Songs of Praise. 10.00 Pages from Ceefax. 10.30 Play School. 10.55 Pages from Ceefax. 12.30 News After Noon. 12.55 Weather. 12.57 Regional News (London and SE: Financial Report; News Headlines). 1.00 Pebble Mill at One. 1.45 Hokey Cokey. 2.00 Well Woman. 2.25 In Search of... Ethelred the Unready. 3.10 The Getaways. 3.40 Tom and Jerry. 3.53 Regional News (except London). 3.55 Play School: It's Monday. 4.20 The New Adventures of Mighty Mouse. 4.25 Busker. 4.40 Lassie. 5.05 Newsround. 5.10 Blue Peter. 5.40 SIXTY MINUTES including news; regional magazines; weather; closing headlines. 6.40 ROLF HARRIS CARTOON TIME. 7.10 BLUE THUNDER *Godchild*. 8.00 POINTS OF VIEW Barry Took with viewers' comments. 8.10 PANORAMA Sir Robin Day interviews Prime Minister Thatcher live from Downing Street. 9.00 NINE O'CLOCK NEWS Weatherman. 9.25 COPS AND ROBBERS: *A Man, A Woman and a Bank* (1979) Donald Sutherland and Paul Mazursky team up their talents for a sophisticated bank raid. 11.05 FILM 84 On Oscar night Iain Johnstone presents reviews of current releases and latest films in production. Oscar nominees Meryl Streep and Debra Winger talk about their roles in 'Silkwood' and 'Terms of Endearment'. 11.33 News Headlines. 11.35 TOM JONES NOW!. 12.00 Weatherman; Closedown. BBC WALES: 6.40-7.10 Focus on Rugby.

BBC2

6.05-8.10 OPEN UNIVERSITY: 6.05 Knowing the Market. 6.30 Complex Human Ecosystems. 6.55 Maths. 7.20 Ecology. 7.45 Materials Processing. 9.00 Pages from Ceefax. 5.10 LET THERE BE MUSIC Should music have a special place in every child's education? 5.35 NEWS SUMMARY with subtitles; weather. 5.40 BLACK NARCISSUS (1946) Film with Deborah Kerr, Flora Robson, Sabu, David Farrar. Nuns at a mission school in the Himalayas fall for a local Englishman who strays in their direction. 7.20 ENGLISH JOURNEY Second of eight programmes in which novelist and playwright Beryl Bainbridge makes a journey around England *To Stoke-on-Trent and Manchester*. 8.00 CALL MY BLUFF With referee Robert Robinson. 8.30 SPORTING CHANCE Well-known personalities take up a sport of their choice. Tonight, glider pilot Martin Shaw; 'Breakfast Time' weatherman Francis Wilson and 'Superstars' World Champion Brian Hooper. 9.00 THE FAINTHEARTED FEMINIST Comedy with Lynn Redgrave. 9.30 HORIZON *Professor Bonner and the Slime Moulds* Professor John Tyler Bonner of Princeton University follows the fantastic journey of the strange creatures of the soil. 10.20 POUND A ROUND The story of the boxing booths, with Ma McKeown, now aged 84, who still tours with the family boxing booth round the fairgrounds of the south. 10.50 NEWSNIGHT. 11.35 MAKING MOVES A look at the Yorkshire Dance Centre in Leeds. 12.10 Closedown.

CHANNEL 4

5.00 COUNTDOWN Words and numbers quiz. 5.30 JEOPARDY General knowledge quiz game back for a second series, with quizmaster Derek Hobson. 6.00 HERE'S LUCY *Lucy's House* Guest Harry Uncle Harry moves in while his apartment is being redecorated. 6.30 COPING *Andrea* How Olwyn and her family coped after the birth of her mentally handicapped daughter Andrea, who although aged 16, has a mental age of two. First in the second series on coping. 7.00 CHANNEL 4 NEWS. 7.50 COMMENT By Dipak Nandy, founder director of the Runnymede Trust. 8.00 HENRY COOPER'S GOLDEN BELT Inter-City Boy's Boxing Challenge *Manchester v Belfast* Tonight Henry Cooper's guest is his own brother, George (known in the ring as Jim Cooper). 9.00 THE HEART OF THE DRAGON *Trading* China's attitude to business and free enterprise and its closer contacts with the capitalist countries. 10.00 TOP CS AND TIARAS II Second part of repeat of the medley of operetta and light music, first screened last April. American opera star Julia Migenes-Johnson, tonight with Jean Bailey, Marilyn Hill-Smith, Peter Morrison and Ramon Remedios. 11.00 THE ELEVENTH HOUR *Outside In* Final film in the Stephen Dwoskin season deals directly with disablement with the film-maker himself, crippled by childhood polio, as the disabled subject. 1.10 Close.

THAMES

6.25 Good Morning Britain. 9.25 Thames News Headlines; followed by Sesame Street. 10.25 Laurel and Hardy. 10.50 Gammon and Spinach. 12.10 Let's Pretend. 12.30 Baby & Co. 1.00 News at One. 1.20 Thames News. 1.30 Talking Personally. 2.00 Monday Matinee: *Sabotage* (1936). 3.30 Miracles Take Longer. 4.00 Gammon and Spinach. 4.15 Aubrey. 4.20 The Incredible Hulk. 4.45 Danger — Marmalade at Work. 5.00 Dangermouse. 5.15 Diff'rent Strokes. 5.45 News. 6.00 THAMES NEWS with Andrew Gardner and Tina Jenkins. 6.25 HELP!. 6.35 CROSSROADS. 7.00 WHAT'S MY LINE?. 7.30 CORONATION STREET. 8.00 THE KIT CURRAN RADIO SHOW Denis Lawson with Brian Wilde, Paul Brooke and Clive Morrison in *The New Broom* Kit Curran, disc jockey, fly-boy and skilled fibber faces the ultimate challenge in his new boss at Radio Newtown. 8.30 WORLD IN ACTION. 9.00 MICKEY SPILLANE'S MIKE HAMMER Stacy Keach and Lindsay Bloom in *Sex Trap* Mike is intrigued after a girl he lost two years earlier comes back into his life for a brief moment and then disappears. 10.00 NEWS AT TEN followed by *Thames News Headlines*. 10.30 DES O'CONNOR NOW! Live from the Royalty Theatre, London. 11.30 THE TIMELESS LAND *Unsuitable Company* Wealthy Irish free settler, Stephen Mannion, takes Ellen on as his housekeeper and ultimately as his mistress. Unhappy at Mannion's treatment of his mother, Johnny runs away. 12.25 Night Thoughts and Closedown.

GRANADA

6.25 Good Morning Britain. 9.25 Atom Ant. 9.30 Sport Billy. 9.55 The Groovie Ghoulies. 10.20 Unicorn Tales. 10.40 Dick Tracy. 10.45 Hopalong Cassidy in *Sunset Trail*. 12.00 Gammon and Spinach. 12.10 Let's Pretend. 12.30 Baby & Co. 1.00 News at One. 1.20 Granada Reports. 1.30 Film: *Robinson Crusoe and the Tiger* With Hugo Stiglitz and Ahui. 3.30 Miracles Take Longer. 4.00 Gammon and Spinach. 4.15 Aubrey. 4.20 The Incredible Hulk. 4.45 Danger — Marmalade at Work. 5.00 Dangermouse. 5.15 Silver Spoons. 5.45 News. 6.00 THIS IS YOUR RIGHT. 6.05 SONS AND DAUGHTERS. 6.30 GRANADA REPORTS Latest news and reports from around the North West. 7.00 WHAT'S MY LINE? Revival panel quiz game of the fifties and sixties presented by Eamonn Andrews. 7.30 CORONATION STREET. 8.00 THE KIT CURRAN RADIO SHOW *The New Broom* Situation comedy series about Kit Curran — disc jockey, flyboy and skilled liar. 8.30 WORLD IN ACTION. 9.00 MICKEY SPILLANE'S MIKE HAMMER *Sex Trap*. 10.00 NEWS AT TEN. 10.30 THE SWEENEY *Queens Pawn* A year of painstaking police enquiries is wasted when three top villains walk out. 11.30 STAR PARADE Musical spectacular with James Last and his orchestra. 12.30 Closedown.

ROUND THE REGIONS

TYNE TEES

6.25 Good Morning Britain. 9.25 North East News. 9.30 Sesame Street. 10.25 Cities. 11.20 Vicky the Viking. 11.45 Larry the Lamb. 12.00 Gammon and Spinach. 12.10 Let's Pretend. 12.30 Baby & Co. 1.00 News: North East News. Lookaround. 1.30 Judi. 2.00 Film: *The Mouse that Roared*. 3.30 Miracles Take Longer. 4.00 Gammon and Spinach. 4.15 Aubrey. 4.20 The Incredible Hulk. 4.45 Danger — Marmalade at Work. 5.00 Dangermouse. 5.15 Mr Smith. 5.45 News: North East News. 6.02 Robin's Nest. 6.30 Northern Life. 7.00 What's My Line? 7.30 Coronation Street. 8.00 The Kit Curran Radio Show. 8.30 World in Action. 9.00 Mickey Spillane's Mike Hammer. 10.00 News at Ten: North East News. 10.32 Briefing. 11.15 Film: *The Double Kill*. 12.45 Epilogue; Closedown.

CENTRAL

6.25 Good Morning Britain. 9.25 3-2-1 Contact. 9.55 The Road to Los Angeles. 10.35 Stingray. 11.00 Great Western. 12.00 Gammon and Spinach. 12.10 Let's Pretend. 12.30 Baby & Co. 1.00 News: Central News. 1.30 Olivia Newton-John. 1.55 MGM's Big Parade of Comedy. 3.30 The Young Doctors. 4.00 Gammon and Spinach. 4.15 Aubrey. 4.20 The Incredible Hulk. 4.45 Danger — Marmalade at Work. 5.00 Dangermouse. 5.15 Newshound. 5.45 News. 6.00 Central News. 6.30 Mr Smith. 7.00 What's My Line? 7.30 Coronation Street. 8.00 The Kit Curran Radio Show. 8.30 World in Action. 9.00 Mickey Spillane's Mike Hammer. 10.00 News at Ten: Central News. 10.35 Venture. 11.05 Ice Hockey Night. 11.45 Contact; Closedown.

YORKSHIRE

6.25 Good Morning Britain. 9.25 Weather. 9.30 Sesame Street. 10.25 Cologne Cathedral. 10.50 Laurel and Hardy. 11.50 Melotons. 12.00 Gam-

mon and Spinach. 12.10 Let's Pretend. 12.30 Baby & Co. 1.00 News: Calendar News; Weather. 1.30 The Story of Wine. 2.00 Film: *The Amorous Prawn*. 3.30 Miracles Take Longer. 4.00 Gammon and Spinach. 4.15 Aubrey. 4.20 The Incredible Hulk. 4.45 Danger — Marmalade at Work. 5.00 Dangermouse. 5.15 Silver Spoons. 5.45 News. 6.00 Calendar; Weather. 6.30 It's a Vet's Life. 7.00 What's My Line? 7.30 Coronation Street. 8.00 The Kit Curran Radio Show. 8.30 World in Action. 9.00 Mickey Spillane's Mike Hammer. 10.00 News at Ten. 10.30 Calendar Commentary. 11.00 Hill Street Blues. 12.00 Closedown.

TSW

6.25 Good Morning Britain. 9.25 Sesame Street. 10.25 Joe 90. 10.50 Cities. 12.00 Gammon and Spinach. 12.10 Let's Pretend. 12.30 Baby & Co. 1.00 News: TSW News Headlines. 1.30 Film: *Breaking Up*. 3.20 Cartoon. 3.27 Gus Honeybun's Magic Birthdays. 3.30 Miracles Take Longer. 4.00 Gammon and Spinach. 4.15 Aubrey. 4.20 The Incredible Hulk. 4.45 Danger — Marmalade at Work. 5.00 Dangermouse. 5.15 Emmerdale Farm. 5.45 News. 6.00 Today Show West. 6.30 Private Benjamin. 7.00 What's My Line? 7.30 Coronation Street. 8.00 The Kit Curran Radio Show. 8.30 World in Action. 9.00 Mickey Spillane's Mike Hammer. 10.00 News at Ten: TSW News; Weather. 10.35 Postscript. 10.40 Film: *A Town Like Alice*. 12.40 South West Weather; Shipping Forecast; Closedown.

TVS

6.25 Good Morning Britain. 9.25 Farming Brief. 9.30 Sesame Street. 10.25 Film. 11.45 The Little Rascals. 12.00 Gammon and Spinach. 12.10 Let's Pretend. 12.30 Baby & Co. 1.00 News: TVS News. 1.30 Afternoon Club. 1.35 Gossip. 2.10 Ladykillers. 3.10 Newsbreak. 3.20 The Sullivans. 4.00 Gammon and Spinach. 4.15 Aubrey. 4.20 The Incredible Hulk. 4.45 Danger — Marmalade at Work. 5.00 Dangermouse. 5.15 The Beverly Hills. 5.45 News. 6.00 Coast to Coast. 6.40 Airmail.

7.00 What's My Line? 7.30 Coronation Street. 8.00 The Kit Curran Radio Show. 8.30 World in Action. 9.00 Mickey Spillane's Mike Hammer. 10.00 News at Ten; TVS News. 10.30 Putting on the South. 11.00 Hill Street Blues. 12.00 Preview. 12.30 Company; Closedown.

HTV WEST

6.25 Good Morning Britain. 9.25 Sesame Street. 10.25 This is Your Museum Speaking. 10.40 Film: *Good Morning Boys*. 12.00 Gammon and Spinach. 12.10 Let's Pretend. 12.30 Baby & Co. 1.00 News: HTV News. 1.30 Film: *Donovan's Reef*. HTV News. 3.30 Miracles Take Longer. 4.00 Gammon and Spinach. 4.15 Aubrey. 4.20 The Incredible Hulk. 4.45 Danger — Marmalade at Work. 5.00 Dangermouse. 5.15 Mr and Mrs. 5.45 News. 6.00 HTV News. 7.00 What's My Line? 7.30 Coronation Street. 8.00 The Kit Curran Radio Show. 8.30 World in Action. 9.00 Mickey Spillane's Mike Hammer. 10.00 News at Ten; HTV News. 10.30 Hill Street Blues. 11.30 25th Anniversary of the Marquee. 12.30 Weather; Closedown. HTV CYMRU: 6.00-7.00 Wales at Six.

ANGLIA

6.25 Good Morning Britain. 9.25 Sesame Street. 10.25 Cartoon Time. 10.40 Portrait of a Legend. 11.05 Chips. 11.55 Wattoo Wattoo. 12.00 Gammon and Spinach. 12.10 Let's Pretend. 12.30 Baby & Co. 1.00 News: Anglia News. 1.30 Film: *The Court Jester*. 3.15 Cartoon. 3.30 Miracles Take Longer. 4.00 Gammon and Spinach. 4.15 Aubrey. 4.20 The Incredible Hulk. 4.45 Danger — Marmalade at Work. 5.00 Dangermouse. 5.15 Joanie Loves Chachi. 5.45 News. 6.00 About Anglia. 6.30 Diff'rent Strokes. 7.00 What's My Line? 7.30 Coronation Street. 8.00 The Kit Curran Radio Show. 8.30 World in Action. 9.00 Mickey Spillane's Mike Hammer. 10.00 News at Ten; Anglia News; Weather. 10.30 Anglia Reports. 11.00 Hill Street Blues. 12.00 All Kinds of Country. 12.30 Epilogue; Closedown.

S4C

2.20-2.35 Can Y Pibydd. 2.55 Film: *The Courtneys of Curzon Street*; Clwb S4C. 4.55 Wil Cwac Cwac. 5.00 Helfa Drysor. 5.35 Barriers. 6.05 Six Million Dollar Man. 7.00 Newyddion Saith. 7.30 Tyred Drosodd I Facedonia. 8.00 Pwy Sy'n Perthyn? 8.30 Y Byd Ar Bedwar; News Headlines. 9.00 The Jewel in the Crown. 10.00 Well Being. 10.40 Rygbi. 11.10 Love, Sidney. 11.40 Voices. 12.35 Close.

RADIO

1 6.00 Adrian John. 7.00 Mike Read. 9.00 Simon Bates. 11.30 Gary Davies (12.30 Newsbeat). 2.00 Steve Wright. 4.30 Janice Long (5.30 Newsbeat). 7.00 Richard Skinner. 10.00-12.00 John Peel (S).

2 4.00 Colin Berry (S). 5.30 Ray Moore (S) (6.15 Pause for Thought). 7.30 David Hamilton (S) (8.31 Racing Bulletin; 8.45 Pause for Thought). 10.00 Jimmy Young (S). 12.00 Steve Jones (S) (1.05 Sport). 2.00 Gloria Hunniford (S) (2.02, 3.02 Sport). 3.30 Music All the Way (S). 4.00 Paul Burnett (S) (4.02, 5.05 Sport). 6.00 John Dunn (S) (6.02 Sport). 6.45 Sport and Classified results. 8.00 Alan Dell (S) with the Dance Band Days and the Big Band Era. 9.00 Humphrey Lyttelton (S) with the Best of Jazz. 9.55 Sports Desk. 10.00 Space Force. 10.25 Star Sound. 11.00 Brian Matthew presents Round Midnight. 1.00 Charles Nove (S) presents Night-ride. 3.00-4.00 Folk on 2 (S).

3 6.55 Weather. 7.00 News. 7.05 Morning Concert (S) Bach, Giovanni Ponto, Debussy. Myslivecek; records (8.00 News) Martinu, Rimsky-Korsakov, Schubert, Haydn; records. 9.00 News. 9.05 This Week's Composers (S) Purcell and Britten; records. 10.00 Piano Music for Four Hands (S) Poulenc, Bizet. 10.45 The Symphonies of Michael Tippett (S). 11.25 Wolf and Brahms (S). 11.55 BBC Welsh Symphony Orchestra (S) William Mathias. Glazunov. 1.00 News. 1.05 BBC Lunchtime Concert (S) Hugh Wood, Mendelssohn. 2.00 Music Weekly (S). 2.50 New Records (S) C.P.E. Bach, Michael Haydn, Rabaud, Schubert, Bruckner. 4.55 News. 5.00 Mainly for Pleasure (S). 6.30 Music for Organ (S) Bairstow, Howells. 7.00 Mendelssohn's Elijah (S) Part 1 (8.10-8.30 The Withering Gaze) Part 2. 9.50 In the Gold Room (S). 10.30 Jazz Today (S). 11.15-11.18 News.

4 6.00 News Briefing; Weather. 6.10 Farming Week (S). 6.25 Shipping Forecast. 6.30 Today (6.30, 7.30, 8.30 News; 6.45 Prayer for the Day; 6.55, 7.55 Weather; 7.00, 8.00 Today's News; 7.25, 8.25 Sport; 7.45 Thought for the Day). 8.35 The Week on 4. 8.43 Angus McDer-

mid in the BBC Sound Archives. 8.57 Weather; Travel. 9.00 News. 9.05 Start the Week with Richard Baker (S). 10.00 News; Money Box. 10.30 Morning Story: *The Pilgrims*. 10.45 Daily Service (S). 11.00 News; Travel; Down Your Way. 11.48 Poetry Please! (S). 12.00 News; You and Yours. 12.27 Stilgoe's Around (S). 12.55 Weather; Programme News. 1.00 The World at One; News. 1.40 The Archers. 1.55 Shipping Forecast. 2.00 News; Woman's Hour. 3.00 News; Afternoon Theatre (S) *Murder for Pleasure*. 4.30 What's In A Name? 4.40 Story Time: *Futility*. 5.00 PM: News magazine. 5.50 Shipping Forecast. 5.55 Weather; Programme News. 6.00 The Six O'Clock News; Financial Report. 6.30 I'm Sorry I Haven't A Clue (S). 7.00 News. 7.05 The Archers. 7.20 It's the Handsome Cads, Don'tcher Know! (S). 7.50 Does PCB Spell Danger? 8.15 The Monday Play (S) *Burning the Arc*. 9.00 News. 9.45 Kaleidoscope. 9.59 Weather. 10.15 A Book at Bedtime: *I'm Not Complaining*. 10.30 The World Tonight; Headlines. 11.15 Financial World Tonight. 11.30 Today in Parliament. 12.00 News. 12.10 Weather. 12.15-Close Shipping forecast.

Winning Post

Eddery set for no.10 with Chepstow pair



PAT EDDERY had a setback at Phoenix Park on Saturday when Vincent O'Brien's strongly-fancied pair Salmon Leap and Western Symphony were both beaten, but he should be back among the winners at Chepstow today.

Eddery has made a sparkling start to the season, with nine winners already. He can move into double figures, with a double on **Crown and Sceptre** (2.30) and **Singing Sailor** (4.00).

Debut

Crown and Sceptre showed enough on her Newmarket debut last year to suggest she can win a race, and will be suited by the mile and a quarter of the St Arvans Maiden Fillies Stakes (Div 1).

BY A RACING CORRESPONDENT

Singing Sailor should be at peak fitness for the Mercury Handicap after two respectable runs behind Vee Bee at Doncaster and Lak Lustre at Haydock.

He will not have things all his own way though, with Alev and Piencourt, who both showed good form early last term, likely to bustle him up.

Peter Walwyn has his horses in good fettle, and **Russet** (5.00) could be the answer to an intriguing con-

test for the second division of the St Arvans Maiden Fillies Stakes.

She made significant late headway in the Newbury race won by 1000 Guineas favourite Mahogany in September, and has the scope to improve. Paradise Island, another progressive type, looks the danger.

Career

Olivier Douieb, who made a fine start to his training career in this country with Salisbury 1000 Guineas trial winner Meis-El-Reem,

should strike again at **WARWICK**.

Lara (5.15) his representative in the second division of the Kimble Maiden Stakes, showed plenty of promise last season in two races over six furlongs, a trip that was too short for a Lyphard filly out of a French middle-distance winner.

She was beaten only a neck on her bow in a Yarmouth maiden race in September, and on her only subsequent appearance, ran a creditable fourth in a 29-runner event at Newmarket. Lara does not appear likely to progress

more than normal from two to three, and Douieb will probably be anxious to win early with her.

Guide

Spinelle (4.45), Guy Harwood's runner in the first division of the race, will provide a useful guide to the 1000 Guineas favourite Mahogany, due to reappear in the Fred Darling Stakes at Newbury last September, and it will be disappointing if Spinelle cannot enhance the form in today's comparatively modest company.

SELECTIONS

CHEPSTOW
2.03 Crown and Sceptre; 3.00 Sardar; 3.30 Averon; 4.00 Singing Sailor (nap); 4.30 Russborough; 5.00 Russet

WARWICK
2.15 Shipmate; 2.45 Final Cast; 3.15 Obadiah; 3.45 Dun Our Luck; 4.15 Bragado; 4.45 Spinelle, 5.15 Lara (n.b.).

SOUTHWELL
2.15 Show Business; 2.45 Mehragan; 3.15 Sea Splash; 3.45 The Whipstick; 4.15 Lac Royale; 4.45 Romana Mia.

CHEPSTOW

SIX YEAR RECORD

JOCKEYS: Pat Eddery 14, G Duffield 12, R Cochrane 9, P Cook 8, B Rouse 8, R Weaver 8, A Clark 7, W Carson 7, J Matthias 7, T Rogers 7, M Hills 6, J Mercer 6, P Waldron 6, J Reid 6.
TRAINERS: H Thomson-Jones 12, P Walwyn 11, J Dunlop 11, R Hannon 11, G Harwood 9, P Cole 8, M Prescott 8, I Balding 6, R Houghton 6, P Taylor 6, G Balding 5, C Hills 5, C Benstead 5, B Swift 5.
DRAW: Little significance.

2.30 ST ARVANS MAIDEN FILLIES STAKES DIV I £1,000 (3-Y-O) 1m 2f (10 runners)

1 (4)	0-	CLUEDO	R Williams 8.11	T Ives
2 (1)	0-	CROWN AND SCEPTRE	I Balding 8.11	Pat Eddery
3 (10)	0-	GWEN JOHN	J Winter 8.11	B Taylor
4 (2)	0-	HANNAH MOORE	B Hobbs 8.11	G Baxter
5 (3)	0-	ICACOS BOY	R Hannon 8.11	R Wernham
6 (8)	0-	INRANGE	A Davison 8.11	N Howe
7 (5)	0-	KALAMOTI	R Simpson 8.11	S Whitworth (7)
8 (7)	0-	PACIFICUS (USA)	P Walwyn 8.11	J Mercer
9 (6)	0-	STEPALONG	D Gandolfo 8.11	A McGlone (3)
10 (9)	0-	SWEET WHIT	N Gaselee 8.11	B Rouse

PROBABLE SP: 7-4 Crown and Sceptre, 9-4 Pacificus, 4-1 Gwen John, 6-1 Cluedo and Hannah Moore, 14-1 others.

3.00 ST BRIAVELS MAIDEN STAKES £1,200 (2-Y-O) 5f (4 runners)

2 (2)	0-	GRAND UNION	R Hannon 9.0	A McGlone (3)
4 (3)	0-	SARDAR	K Brassey 9.0	P Cook
5 (1)	3	SEVILLE	P Makin 9.0	Pat Eddery
7 (4)	0-	MY ANNIVERSARY	R Williams 8.11	T Ives

PROBABLE SP: 11-8 Seville, 2-1 Sardar, 4-1 My Anniversary and Grand Union.

3.30 ST LEONARD HANDICAP £1,500 7f (22 runners)

1 (3)	210200-	SWINGING REBEL (D)	N Vigors 6.10.0	C Wootton (7)
2 (19)	010000-	EXPEDITIOUS	R Hannon 4.9.12	A McGlone (3)
4 (12)	201000-	COXWELL EAGLE	M Pipe 4.9.9	
5 (7)	040000-	IN TOP FORM	K Brassey 5.9.4	P Robinson
6 (5)	040200-	NORFOLK REALM (D)	P Makin 6.9.3	Pat Eddery
7 (10)	03.0-	REMORESELESS (USA)	J Ciechanowski 4.9.2	G Baxter
9 (18)	002340-	DANISH EXPRESS (D)	J J Bradley 5.8.13	B Rouse
10 (21)	0224.0	MASTER CARVER	D Wintle 4.8.13	J Mercer
11 (9)	023002-	ORYX MINOR	S Mellor 4.8.12	M Wigham
12 (11)	000003-	STEAL A GLANCE	B Hills 4.8.11	K Willey (5)
13 (13)	012030-	AVIRON (D)	C Wildman 4.8.11	
14 (14)	00003D-	LEMELASOR	D H Jones 4.8.10	P Cook
15 (13)	221000-	KANO FLOWER (USA)	A Barrow 5.8.10	P Bradwell (3)
16 (17)	01400.4	ADJUSTED	R Hollinshead 5.8.9	W Ryan (5)
17 (8)	00410.4	TAGIO (D)	M Tate 4.8.8	R Fox
18 (15)	223000-	TROPICAL RED	C Wildman 4.8.8	
19 (22)	0000.20-	RENOVATE	G Huffer 7.8.5	M Rimmer (3)
20 (20)	203100-	PARVENO	B Wise 3.8.5	B Jago
21 (2)	100000-	COOL WIND	G Price 5.8.2	R Street
22 (4)	000400-	CHADS GAMBLE (C-D)	J Bethell 9.8.1	T Williams (7)
23 (6)	00430.0	RAWLINSON END (D)	D Laing 6.8.0	M Malham
27 (1)	020003-	BURLINGTON LAD (D)	J Penett 5.7.9	N Howe

BLINKERS: 10, 19, 20
PROBABLE SP: 5-1 Norfolk Realm, 6-1 Steal A Glance, 7-1 Adjusted and Tagio, 8-1 Aviron and Lemelasor, 10-1 Connell Express, Master Carver and Rawlinson End, 14-1 Swinging Rebel, 16-1 Expeditious, 20-1 others.

4.00 MERCURY HANDICAP £8,000 5f (7 runners)

2 (2)	00003.0	PIENCOURT (D)	C Austin 6.9.7	B Rouse
3 (4)	2321.43	SINGING SAILOR (D)	R Hannon 5.9.7	Pat Eddery
4 (3)	000100-	AMEGHINO (D)	M McCourt 4.9.5	R Wernham

5 (7)	003000-	BRI-EDEN (D)	J Berry 10.9.5	K Darley
6 (1)	024200-	BOLD BOB (D)	C Brittain 4.9.5	P Robinson
9 (6)	400010-	ALEV (D)	P Mitchell 5.8.12	A McGlone (3)
12 (5)	312200-	RELATIVELY SHARP (D)	P Calver 4.7.7	M Fry

BLINKERS: 9
PROBABLE SP: 5-2 Singing Sailor, 7-2 Alev, 4-1 Bri-Eden, 5-1 Piencourt and Bold Bob, 10-1 Ameghino, 12-1 Relatively Sharp.

4.30 ST BRIDES HANDICAP £1,500 (3-Y-O) 1m 4f (8 runners)

1 (5)	03300.2	MANDOWN LAD (BF)	K Brassey 9.7	J H Brown (5)
2 (4)	40202.0	QUIET COUNTRY	P Makin 9.6	R Wernham
3 (8)	010-	WISH YOU WERE HERE (USA)	I Balding 9.5	Pat Eddery
6 (3)	000.0	STONE BOAT INN	R Hollinshead 8.2	W Ryan (5)
7 (1)	00010.1	RUSSBOROUGH (D)	B Wise 8.2 (7 ex)	T Williams (7)
8 (2)	000-	CORALLIAN	C Wildman 8.1	
9 (6)	000-	MILTON BURN	D Hanley 7.11	R Fox
10 (7)	00000.0	POUSDALE-TACHYTEES	A Davison 7.11	N Howe

PROBABLE SP: 11-10 on Russborough, 3-1 Mandown Lad, 7-2 Wish You Were Here, 6-1 Quiet Country, 10-1 Stone Boat Inn, 16-1 others.

5.00 ST ARVANS MAIDEN FILLIES STAKES DIV II £1,000 (3-Y-O) 1m 2f (8 runners)

2 (2)	0-	COUNTRY LINE	R Williams 8.11	T Ives
4 (5)	0-	MAGIC QUEEN	G Harwood 8.11	A Clark
5 (1)	0-	MEDIA LUNE	P Kellway 8.11	P Cook
6 (8)	0-	MONDAY'S GIRL	G Wragg 8.11	Pat Eddery
7 (3)	0-	PARADISE ISLAND	C Christian 8.11	P Robinson
9 (7)	0-	ROSANNA OF TEDFOLD	A Davison 8.11	N Howe
10 (6)	0-	RUSSET (FR)	P Walwyn 8.11	J Mercer
11 (4)	0-	SARAH'S JOY	R Holder 8.11	M Wigham

PROBABLE SP: 9-4 Russet, 3-1 Magic Queen, 7-2 Paradise Island, 4-1 Media Lune, 8-1 Monday's Girl, 12-1 Country Line, 16-1 others.

SOUTHWELL (NH)

SIX YEAR RECORD

JOCKEYS: J J O'Neill 14, R Hyett 13, P Tuck 13, A Coogan 12, N Tinkler 12, N Clay 11, T Carmody 10, R Lamb 10, C Pimlott 9.
TRAINERS: M Dickinson 19, W A Stephenson 15, W Clay 14, J Webber 13, S Mellor 12, D Morley 11, G Richards 11, J Kardy 10, J Harris 9, S Norton 9.

2.15 SAXBY HANDICAP CHASE £1,000 2m (20 runners)

1	22/1421-	TOWER-BIRD	J Webber 12.12.7	Miss T Webber
2	114F4F-	MASTER BLASTER	G R Harman 8.12.4	
3	04-04U0	STARLIGHT LAD	R A Bethell 10.11.8	A Dickman
4	13-0000	CRANBOURNE TOWER	B E Wilkinson 8.11.6	R O'Leary
5	12120P-	BLENHHEIM PRINCE	R C Spicer 7.11.2	A Coogan
6	0PFFU0-	VILLAGE FORGE	O Brennan 7.11.2	M Brennan
7	23PF0U	SAUCY MOON	R Tate 9.11.0	C Grant
8	0-0P0FU	HERONFORD	J Townson 14.10.13	R Stronge
10	32U0P0	SAINT-MUNN	Mrs D Culham 10.10.11	R Earnshaw
11	4P4F0	EASY FELLA	R C Armytage 10.10.10	H Davies
12	0P00PF	HUDSON'S BAY (NZ)	N J Henderson 11.10.9	P Croucher (7)
13	1040U4	ENERGISE (C-D)	B Shaw 6.10.9	
15	00P-130	GREENHILL HALL	C W Thornton 8.10.7	D Wilkinson
16	4P3P00	BOWSHOT (C-D)	R A Perkins 10.10.7	A Gardner (7)
17	41Q404	SHOW BUSINESS	J Webber 7.10.6	G McCourt
18	000302	CARLINGFORD LOUGH	G Richards 8.10.5	N Doughty
19	200F0F	ALABAMA	W Clay 6.10.4	S J O'Neill
20	311U/00	ROYAL BISHOP	D McCain 10.10.4	K Doolan (7)
21	03FP00	THE GUINEA MAN	K C Bailey 7.10.3	A Webb
22	PP0P0F	BUSHY BAY	M C Chapman 10.10.3	K Burke (7)

BLINKERS: 4, 10, 11, 12, 19
PROBABLE SP: 11-4 Carlingford Lough, 7-2 Tower-Bird, 5-1 Show Business, 11-2 Hudson's Bay, 8-1 Blenheim Prince and Starlight Lad, 12-1 Bowshot, 16-1 others.

2.45 RAINWORTH SELLING HURDLE £500 2m (19 runners)

2	304400	BLACKBOOSH	J R Bosley 5.11.10	Mr M Bosley (7)
3	000002	BOMBILI	I Campbell 5.11.10	NON-RUNNER
4	0000	BROXTED BOY	J Carden 5.11.10	Mr J Caerden
5	0030.00	CORNISH MINER	C James 5.11.10	G McCourt
6	0000	FELSTED ADMIRAL	N Bycroft 5.11.10	A Stringer
7	000000	GOOD PERFORMER	J Dooler 5.11.10	D Oldham
9	40-3000	WIGBURN	R W Stubbs 5.11.10	P Tuck
10		ARGON ARC	B A McMahon 5.11.5	
12	FP00	CELTIC STORY	J R Jenkins 4.10.9	J Francome
14	P020B0	HARBOUR BAZAAR	M C Chapman 4.10.9	K Burke (7)
15	0P00	IRISH WILLIAMS	T B Hallett 4.10.9	B Wright
16	000000	SEVENTH SEASON	F Gibson 4.10.9	J A Harris

17		SPARKY	R T Jukes 4.10.9	P Carvill
18	000	SPRING COTTAGE	P S Felgate 4.10.9	P Scudamore
19	000	DEBONA	Mrs M Nesbitt 4.10.4	R Balfour (7)
20	00	MEHRAGAN	M J Lambert 4.10.4	P A Charlton
22	F3000	PADDY'S BELLE	D C Tucker 4.10.4	B Powell (7)
23	00FF	PRECILLA POINTER	J Townson 4.10.4	R Stronge
24	00P0	SALCOTE MOSS ROSE	C L Popham 4.10.4	J Suthern

BLINKERS: 3, 6, 14
PROBABLE SP: 2-1 Blackboosh, 100-30 Celtic Story, 5-1 Mehragan, 13-2 Aron Arc and Harbour Bazaar, 12-1 Wiggburn, 14-1 others.

3.15 LISSINGTON HANDICAP CHASE £1,500 3m (18 runners)

1	F11020	SKESBY (C-D)	M W Easterby 8.12.2	P Tuck
3	0F-0013	CASH IN HAND (BF)	Mrs S Collins 8.11.7	
5	1P1300	PERSONALITY PLUS (C-D)	R B Francis 8.11.4	K Mooney
7	24004.0	NOBLEST NOBLE (USA)	W G Mann 14.10.13	R Mann
8	4012PU	UNSCRUPULOUS JUDGE	W A Stephenson 7.10.13	R Lamb
9	300-380	MAJOR KNIGHT	E Wits 10.10.12	
10	13F4B.0	O'ER THE BORDER	P O'Connor 10.10.11	
15	P02000	TROJAN WALK	Miss C Mason 13.10.6	M Dwyer
17	140301	BALLYICE (C-D)	H Wharton 9.10.4	
18	003-3PP	IMMIGRATE	G Richards 11.10.2	N Doughty
21	0F1210	SEA SPLASH (C)	O Brennan 8.10.0	M Brennan
22	000PFF	FLASHY'S PAL	R Hickman 7.10.0	P Dever (4)
26	P0-3P0P	THE FENCER	W A Stephenson 12.10.0	K Jones
28	002B	ATOMIC ANSWER	G Thorner 8.10.0	P Barton
31	40F222	ROUGH WIND (BF)	C W Loggin 8.10.0	J Barlow
33	P0F443	PLAYFIELDS	P Burgoyne 10.10.0	S Jobar
34	3F040U	PEDIBUS	F C Lees 8.10.0	S Johnson
35	0F-0244	JOEDS JANET	D H Nugent 9.10.0	B Powell (7)

BLINKERS: 1
PROBABLE SP: 3-1 Ballyice, 4-1 Sea Splash and Skesby, 11-2 Personality Plus, 13-2 Cash In Hand and Rough Wind, 12-1 others.

3.45 HORSE AND JOCKEY NOVICE HUNTER CHASE £1,000 3m (18 runners)

1	P/	ABBEY SUN	K C Bailey 10.12.0	Mr M Armytage (7)
2	0-03	ANGERMAN	R H Philips 8.12.0	Mr S Brookshaw (7)
3	332-20F	ANOTHER SIMON	A B Garton 10.12.0	Mr T Garton (7)
6		BROWN PERIL	R Crawford 8.12.0	
8		COOL SECRET	W H Bulwer-Long 8.12.0	Mr W Wales (5)
9	040043-	COURTNEIGH	J M Turner 9.12.0	Mr D Turner
15	00000U	GAY HERALD	P T Brookshaw 9.12.0	Mr P Picton-Varlow (7)
17	000F0F	GUIENNE	Mrs J Barrow 8.12.0	Mr C Pilgrim (7)
23	0-F3F3	LUCKY VINTAGE	P A Pritchard 7.12.0	Mr J Pritchard
25	00P0F-P	MIRAQUEST	P J King 8.12.0	Mr R King (7)
27		MOTOR BIKE MAN	Mrs E Cockburn 8.12.0	Mr B Cockburn (7)
28	0P/U0	PROUD EXAMPLE	Miss S Pilkington 9.12.0	Miss S Pilkington (7)
29	0-	SHACKIN BRIG	Mrs C Gisborne 7.12.0	Mr T Wrigley (7)
30	PP-0232	THE WHIPSTICK	G W Hacking 8.12.0	

32	P4P-FP0	WAITE	G R Harman 14.12.0	Miss M Forsyth (7)
35		COMARCH	Mrs P Wright 6.11.9	
39	F-	STANCOMBE LASS	Miss J Dean 9.11.9	
40	0P	WOLD SONG	Miss C Mason 8.11.9	Mr D Coates (7)

BLINKERS: 17
PROBABLE SP: 9-4 The Whipstick, 3-1 Lucky Vintage, 4-1 Another Simon, 9-2 Angerman, 10-1 Courtneigh, 14-1 others.

4.15 LAXTON NOVICE HURDLE £800 2m (16 runners)

2	00010F	JUKEBOX KATIE (C-D)	A Watson 5.11.6	D Shaw (4)
3	440000	LADYCROSS	Mrs J Pitman 5.11.6	Mr M Pitman (7)
4	002421	PICOTEE (D)	J R Bosley 6.11.6	Mr M Bosley (7)
5	21	LAC ROYALE	S Christian 4.11.0	K Mooney
7		ANOTHER SPACE	Mrs S Davenport 5.10.13	P Scudamore
16		KINGSFOLD LADY	J R Jenkins 5.10.13	J Francome
17		LADY GLASSERTON	G Cunard 5.10.13	G P Kelly
21	0	MAGIC SEAL	G M Vergette 5.10.13	Mr G Vergette (7)
22	0	MORE FUN	J Webber 7.10.13	G McCourt
24	0	PRINCESS MEY	N J Henderson 6.10.13	H Davies
27		SABLE HILL	G Richards 5.1	

SPORTS LINE WEEKEND SOCCER

A SPOT OF DAY DREAMING

UNITED boss Ron Atkinson was far from pleased with this 1-0 victory over a Birmingham side who were perhaps the most negative side to visit Old Trafford this season and seemed intent on trying to earn a single point.

'In terms of performance it was our least effective home game of the season. But at least the commitment was there and we were never likely to lose,' Atkinson said afterwards.

Yet the half-time score from Anfield — where Liverpool were winning 4-0 — seemed to have an effect on the home side.

Gone was their better goal difference and the League champions were still two points in front.

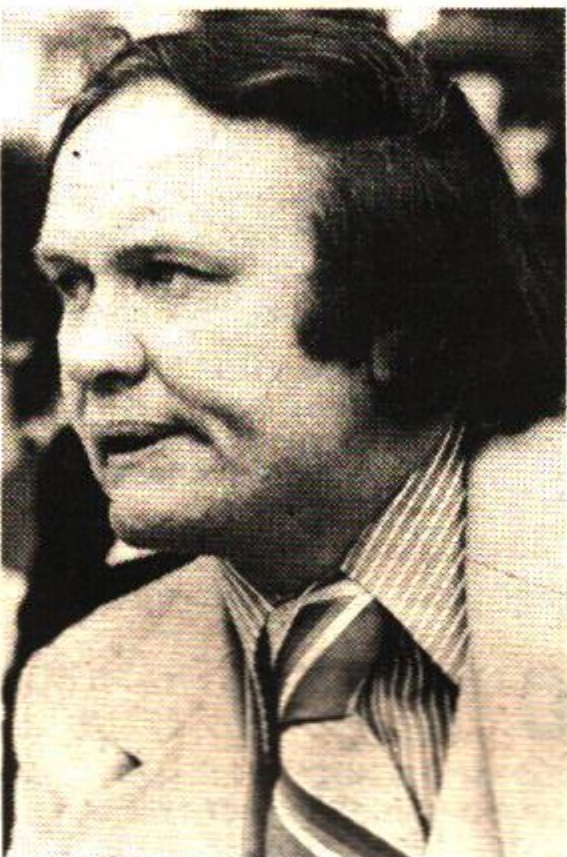
For many of those at Old Trafford, Saturday's match with a dull and unimaginative Birmingham side paled into insignificance as the United faithful whetted their appetites for Wednesday night's clash with Italian giants Juventus in the European Cup Winners' Cup.

The Italian League leaders' manager, Giovanni Trapattoni, was in attendance at Old Trafford on Saturday to try and find some chinks in United's armour for the forthcoming clash.

But, as Atkinson added in his unusually short post-match press conference: 'The one good thing is that Juventus manager Trapattoni has gone home puzzled. He must be hoping we will play like that on Wednesday.'

However, Atkinson shouldn't believe for one minute that the Juventus

United forget League challenge for Europe



RON ATKINSON... deceived Juventus? manager will have judged United on just one 90-minute spell of ineffective football.

What Trapattoni saw on Saturday was Bryan Robson score the only goal as Manchester United beat a muscular and negative Birmingham.

The United captain, apart from heading in Ray Wilkins's 26th-minute corner to decide the scrappy clash, produced enough powerful breaks forward to hint at why the Italian manager is apparently prepared to

MANCHESTER UNITED 1 BIRMINGHAM 0

Robson

BY ROBERT JAMES

pay around £2 million for him.

It wasn't a day for the finer points of Robson's game, however, in a messy match producing just one Birmingham shot and a long series of United misses giving no indication to Trapattoni of the threat his team could face on Wednesday.

He must have been relieved, however, that Wilkins will not be facing his Michel Platini and company.

The England midfielder Wilkins, ruled out by suspension, produced what little top-quality play there was to be seen, even though he blotted his copybook late in the game.

On the stroke of time Roberts brought down Stapleton in the area and Wilkins twice failed from the penalty spot.

Coton saved the first attempt after diving to his right, then, when referee Mills ordered the

kick to be retaken, Wilkins drove the ball straight at the Birmingham keeper.



BRYAN ROBSON... only scorer in trying match

Tottenham's battling draw

SUNDERLAND 1 TOTTENHAM 1

West

Falco

BY A SPORTS LINE REPORTER

TOTTENHAM pulled themselves together at Roker Park on Saturday and fought off a spirited fight-back by Sunderland to earn a point.

Morale must have been low all week after manager Keith Burkinshaw announced he would be leaving the club at the end of the season.

But Spurs were soon into their stride on Saturday and Alan Brazil was guilty of missing an easy chance as early as the fourth minute.

However, all was forgiven just three minutes later when a dreadful mistake by Barry Venison let in Tony Galvin

who crossed for Mark Falco to beat Chris Turner with a fierce low drive.

But Tottenham's lead lasted only eight minutes.

Sunderland won a corner kick on the left and Colin West headed home Leighton James' cross.

Both sides missed chances to wrap the game up after the interval, with the out-of-touch Brazil being Tottenham's main culprit.

West missed Tot-

tenham's best chance of wrapping the match up when he shot tamely at Tony Parks in the visitor's goal.

With the first leg of their UEFA Cup semi-final with Hadjuk Split just three days away in Yugoslavia, Spurs will be hoping to get Steve Archibald, their top goalscorer, back to fitness in time.

Midfielder Osvaldo Ardiles will also be in the reckoning for a recall, but



MARK FALCO... Won Spurs' point his stand-in on Saturday. Mick Hazard, had a fine game.

WARWICK

SIX-YEAR-RECORD

JOCKEYS: S Cauthen 24, Pat Eddery 22, J Reid 22, W Carson 20, P Cook 20, G Baxter 18, G Starkey 14, W Swinburn 12, P Waldron 11, E Johnson 10, G Duffield 10, R Fox 9, T Rogers 9.
TRAINERS: P Cole 20, B Hills 19, H Cecil 14, R Hannon 12, G Harwood 12, P Walwyn 12, J Dunlop 10, R Houghton 10, H Candy 9, P Haslam 9, M Stoute 9, N Vigors 9.
DRAW: High numbers have an advantage over 5 and 7 furlongs, particularly on soft going.

2.15 LOWSONFORD MAIDEN 2-Y-O STAKES £1,000

5f (13 runners)
1 (4) BOOTLE JACK J Holt 90..... J Matthias
3 (12) CORNWALL B Hills 90..... S Cauthen
4 (10) DUCK FLIGHT J Douglas-Horne 90..... I Johnson
5 (6) MASTER FRANCIS M Blanshard 90..... P Waldron
6 (3) MISTER PETARD N Tinkler 90..... L Charnock
7 (11) PRINCE RACINE D H Jones 90..... A Barclay
9 (8) 0 SILENT FLUTTER Mrs C Reavey 90..... T Rogers
10 (9) THE UPSTART K Brassey 90..... M Hills
13 (13) LINARIA C Wildman 811..... R Hills (3)
14 (7) 0 MISS GLITTERS R Hannon 811..... L Jones (7)
16 (5) RAZZLE DAZZLE BOY W R Williams 811..... S Keightley
17 (1) REMAINDER TIP D Leslie 811..... Paul Eddery
18 (2) 4 SHIPMATE D Ancil 811.....
PROBABLE SP: 11-8 Cornwall, 2-1 Shipmate, 6-1 Miss Glitters, 10-1 The Upstart, 12-1 Duck Flight, 14-1 others.

2.45 CHADESLEY CORBETT HANDICAP £1,000

5f (11 runners)
1 (4) 000340- CHAPLIN'S CLUB (D) R Thompson 4912..... W Hayes (7)
2 (11) 100300- BONNE BAISER (C-D) A Jarvis 5911..... T Jarvis (5)
4 (9) 110003- BERNARD SUNLEY (USA) (C-D) G Hunter 598..... P Waldron
5 (5) 140411- CELTIC BIRD (D) A Balding 494..... J Balding
8 (8) 00302-0 SEBAL (D) G Hunter 491..... S Cauthen
12 (7) 300000- BRENTX (C-D) N Vigors 688..... J Reid
13 (1) 000000- SPECTACULAR SKY D Leslie 686.....
17 (3) 40004-0 INDY (D) C Wildman 482..... R Hills (3)
19 (10) 0040-03 FINAL CAST (D) D Chapman 5712..... S P Griffiths (7)
20 (6) 000000- CAPTAIN'S BIDD L Lightbrown 477..... A Proud
22 (2) 04000-0 LITTLE MADAM (D) P Mitchell 477..... S Dawson (5)
BLINKERS: 8, 19
PROBABLE SP: 11-4 Final Cast, 4-1 Celtic Bird, 5-1 Bonne Baiser and Bernard Sunley, 6-1 Sebal, 10-1 Chaplin's Club, 12-1 Indy, 14-1 others.

3.15 MOLLINGTON HANDICAP £1,000

1m 4f (13 runners)
1 (6) 130402- NORFOLK SERENADE J Bethell 4912..... J Matthias
2 (9) 310320- RIKKI TAVI B Hills 499..... S Cauthen
3 (7) 02333-0 LUIGI'S GLORY R Williams 490..... R Cochrane
5 (4) 31420-2 TWO MINUTES J Spearing 5812..... J Bleasdale
6 (10) 220400- HARBOUR BRIDGE W Wightman 4812..... W R Swinburn
7 (2) 43004- BEAKER (USA) P Walwyn 4811..... M Mowley (7)
8 (3) 302044- ACK ACK REGIMENT (USA) P Cole 4811..... T Quinn (3)
9 (13) 01430- ORANELLA M Tompkins 4810..... P Curant
10 (11) 000040- FRASASS D Chapman 789..... D Nicholls
11 (8) 101032- MIDDLIN THRANG Rex Carter 689..... E Hide
12 (5) 00400-0 ARDOONY R Hollinshead 689..... S Perks
14 (12) 02224-1 OBADIAH H Westbrook 589 (7ex)..... W Carson
15 (1) 000000- ICEN W Musson 688..... Paul Eddery
PROBABLE SP: 9-4 Obadiah, 4-1 Two Minutes, 5-1 Middlin Thrang, 7-1 Rikki Tavi, 8-1 Luigi's Glory and Frassass, 12-1 Norfolk Serenade, 14-1 Ardoony, 16-1 others.

3.45 CHIPPING NORTON SELLING STAKES £800

(2-Y-O) 5f (6 runners)
2 (4) 0 GRACEIT L Lightbrown 811..... S Harris (7)
8 (6) 0 DUN OUR LUCK C Spares 88..... M Miller
9 (3) 0 FINE VOICE R Hoad 88..... A Bond
12 (5) 0 MAUNDY GIFT W Wharton 88..... W Wharton
13 (2) 0 ROSSINGNOL C Wildman 88..... R Hills (3)
14 (1) 0 SCHOON N Tinkler 88..... L Charnock
PROBABLE SP: 15-8 Rossingnol, 11-4 Schoon, 9-2 Dun Our Luck, 6-1 Maundy Gift and Fine Voice, 16-1 Graceit.

4.15 HORWOOD HANDICAP £1,000

(3-Y-O) 7f (20 runners)
2 (12) 00004-0 MANGO MAN R Smyth 97..... B Raymond
3 (3) 0010- DORSET VENTURE (C-D) B Morgan 97..... W R Swinburn
6 (2) 11000-0 SULLY'S CHOICE (USA) (D) D Chapman 93..... D Nicholls
7 (1) 300000- LAUREN BEL R Hannon 93..... L Jones (7)
8 (9) 230040- TACHEO W Wharton 92..... W Wharton
10 (16) 0040- NEVER SAY YES C Nelson 92..... I Johnson
12 (13) 300000- IN A NUTSHELL DD Thom 90..... G Duffield
13 (20) 400300- SASEROLE M Usher 90..... P Waldron
15 (7) 000340- POUR MOI D Laing 813..... J Reid
17 (19) 0000-0 BROCKTON J Smith 812..... S Webster
18 (8) 00-0400- BRAGADO R Armstrong 811..... W Carson
19 (17) 240021- ESKER HOUSE E Eldin 89..... M L Thomas
20 (11) 000000- CAMDEN LAD R Hollinshead 89..... S Perks
22 (14) 030020- GRACIOUS HOMES D H Jones 87.....
23 (15) 120000- DANCING ORANGE A Balding 87..... A Weiss (5)
24 (4) 000- STATE BUDGET W Musson 83..... R Curant

25 (8) 000000- MOONDAWN M Usher 83..... D McKay
27 (5) 000200- FOLLOW THAT CAB P Felgate 82..... M Miller
28 (10) 000- WIND FROM THE WEST N Vigors 82..... S Dawson (5)
30 (6) 000- GALLICA ROSE J Douglas-Horne 80..... Paul Eddery
BLINKERS: 6, 15

PROBABLE SP: 4-1 Bragado, 5-1 Dorset Venture, 6-1 Esker House and Dancing Orange, 8-1 Never Say Yes, 10-1 Sully's Choice, 12-1 In a Nutshell, 14-1 Saserole and Pour Moi, 16-1 others.

4.45 KIMBLE MAIDEN STAKES (DIV I) £1,000

(3-Y-O fillies) 1m (15 runners)
8 (1) COLDSTOR L Lightbrown 811..... A Proud
9 (8) DEAR LAURA (USA) G Huffer 811..... M Miller
14 (5) GOOSEBERRY A Hide 811..... P Brette (7)
17 (3) 00- IMPERIAL PRINCESS P Makin 811..... W Carson
18 (10) 0430- ISLAND MILL I Balding 811..... J Matthias
19 (6) 00- KASHIDA G Wragg 811..... J Reid
20 (12) KIMBLE LADY W Musson 811..... Paul Eddery
31 (9) 4- SPINELLE G Harwood 811..... G Starkey
32 (2) 030030- TIZZY D Arbutnot 811..... R Cochrane
34 (14) 000- TOPISOLA R Hollinshead 811..... S Perks
38 (15) 0-0 VELA ROSSA N Gaselee 811..... NON-RUNNER
39 (13) 00000- VERACITY M Usher 811..... P Waldron
40 (11) 004- VERCHININA B Hills 811..... S Cauthen
42 (7) WHAT A PRINCESS R Smyth 811..... M Hills
43 (4) 000- WHAT'S IN STORE C Nelson 811..... I Johnson
PROBABLE SP: 9-4 Spinelle, 3-1 Verchinnina, 4-1 Kashida and Island Mill, 8-1 Imperial Princess, 12-1 others.

5.15 KIMBLE MAIDEN STAKES (DIV II) £1,000

(3-Y-O fillies) 1m (15 runners)
2 (11) ACTIA E Owen-jun 811..... S Keightley
3 (6) APATIA B Hanbury 811..... B Raymond
4 (12) 00002- ARAMINTA MAVIS R Smyth 811..... M Hills
6 (7) 0322- CALALOO SIOUX D Laing 811..... J Reid
11 (5) 00000- ETERNAL DANCER G Huffer 811..... M Miller
12 (1) EXOTIC G Wragg 811..... B Crossley
13 (10) 000- GALLICA ROSE J Douglas-Horne 811..... NON-RUNNER
15 (15) 433420- GUESS AGAIN (GER) R Houghton 811..... W Carson
21 (2) 24- LARA (USA) O Douieb 811..... A Lequeux
24 (13) 0003- NADIRAH Thomson Jones 811..... A Murray
30 (3) 000000- SIOUX PRINCESS R Hoad 811..... A Bond
33 (8) 000000- TOM'S NAP HAND W R Williams 811.....
35 (4) TRIP TO HEAVEN C Wildman 811..... R Hills (3)
36 (9) 0- TROIS VALLEES M Stoute 811..... W R Swinburn
41 (14) 030000- WETHBA M Blanshard 811..... P Waldron
PROBABLE SP: 11-8 Lara, 11-4 Trois Vallees, 9-2 Nadirah, 8-1 Guess Again, 10-1 Exotic, 16-1 others.

SPORTS LINE WEEKEND SOCCER

Allen sinks Ipswich hopes

IPSWICH TOWN'S distinguished 16-year run in the First Division is fast coming to an end.

They took another step nearer to Second Division football on Saturday at Loftus Road when they were beaten by Queen's Park Rangers.

Ipswich have also seen their luck desert them, a factor that can be so crucial at this time of the season.

On Saturday Eric Gates had two opportunities to sew up at least one point — that would have taken them out of the bottom three — but the Rangers' upright and a good save from Peter Hucker denied him.

It might be an old chestnut by now, but the notorious Rangers' plastic certainly played its part on Saturday.

Ipswich, apart from possibly Gates, never came to terms with it, and it certainly seemed a more difficult task than usual to cope with the bounce.

With Rangers mastering the conditions very quickly, they were soon in control and the surprise

QPR 1 IPSWICH TOWN 0

Allen

BY MATTHEW NUGENT

omission of internationals Ian Stewart and John Gregory had little effect on their play.

After just three minutes Clive Allen shot wildly over the bar from close in when a goal seemed a better bet.

It was a scrappy game throughout when one considers that Rangers are chasing a spot in Europe next season while Ipswich are desperately trying to stay afloat in Division One.

The goal that finally split the sides arrived 11 minutes into the second half.

Simon Stainrod's long throw-in was headed on

by Steve Wicks and Allen was on hand to convert his tenth goal of the season from close range.

● IPSWICH'S seven-match run-in doesn't hold out much hope of them staying up.

They must play Manchester United and Liverpool away while they entertain the third-placed side, Nottingham Forest, at Portman Road next weekend.

They face bottom club Wolves away, fellow strugglers Sunderland at home and have a derby match against Norwich City to contend with as well. They also face Aston Villa on the last day of the season at Portman Road.



CLIVE ALLEN . . . Celebrates his winning goal and stout performance

Forest ready for Anderlecht

NOTTM FOREST 3

Walsh pen, Anderson, Bowyer

WEST BROM 1

Thompson

BY OUR OWN REPORTER

FOREST after only one win in six games, provided a much-needed tonic for their UEFA Cup semi-final against defending champions Anderlecht of Belgium at the City ground on Wednesday night.

Colin Walsh missed an eighth minute penalty, but then redeemed himself mid-way through the first-half when he beat keeper Paul Barron with his second effort from the spot after Peter Davenport had been brought down by Ken McNaught.

Viv Anderson, still celebrating his return to the England fold, added the second just before the interval when he moved upfield and headed the second from a Garry Birtles' cross.

West Brom, playing well below the form that overturned Manchester United on the previous Saturday, pulled one back shortly after half-time through Garry Thompson.

But Forest, always in control, wrapped the game up 11 minutes from time when captain Ian Bowyer shot home from close range.

Fagan's boys' five-star show

IT WAS smiles all round for Joe Fagan on Saturday.

Prior to Liverpool's clash with West Ham, Fagan became the latest Anfield boss to receive the manager of the month award — the 30th time since its inception in 1972 that an Anfield boss has received a gallon of whisky for his efforts.

Fagan certainly deserved it.

During March Liverpool had earned themselves a place in Europe next season by winning the first domestic trophy of the season, the Milk Cup. They had also

LIVERPOOL 6 WEST HAM 0

Rush 2, Dalglish, Whelan, Souness 2

BY A SPORTS LINE REPORTER

reached the semi-finals of the European Champions' Cup with a devastating display in Lisbon, taking the famous Benfica apart 4-1.

And Liverpool were also back on top of the First Division after Manchester United had led it for just a fortnight.

Then when all the backslapping and handshaking was over, Liverpool prepared for their clash

with Dinamo Bucharest of Rumania on Wednesday night by taking West Ham apart in the first 30 minutes.

Not one of their players put a foot wrong, and Kenny Dalglish delighted the crowd with a five-star performance. British football's Peter Pan scored a wonderful goal and set up four others as Liverpool romped home.

As a contest the game

was over inside half an hour as Liverpool romped into a 4-0 lead.

Ian Rush led the way with his 37th of the season after only six minutes with a brilliant diving header.

With Dalglish adding the second six minutes later to reaffirm the return of his killer touch, West Ham were already fearing the worst. They had caught the League Champions in one of their mean moods.

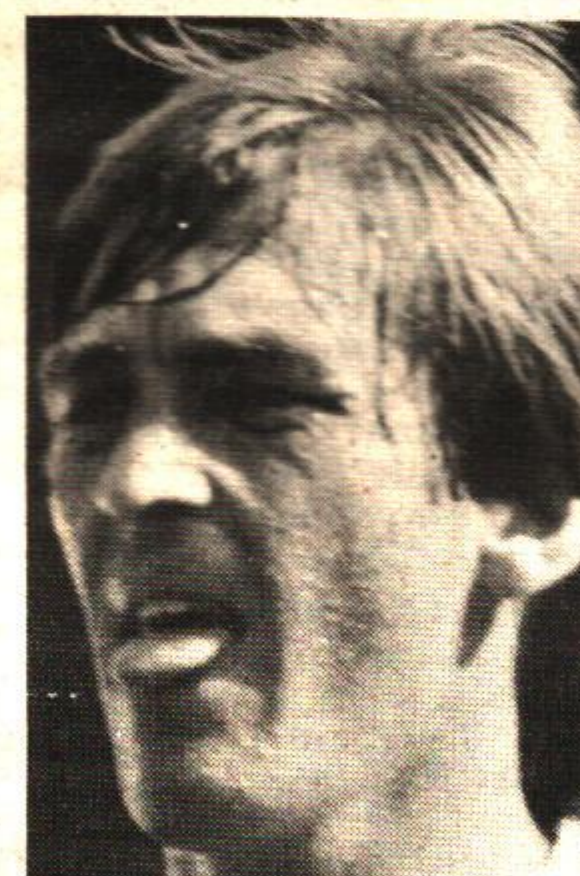
The Anfield faithfuls must have been looking toward a cricket score when Rush added his second and Liverpool's

third in the 18th minute with a thundering cross shot.

Scottish international John Wark played his part in the drubbing by providing Ronnie Whelan with the telling pass before the Irishman netted the fourth in the 29th minute.

Liverpool, sitting pretty on their comfortable lead after the break, gave a display of exhibition soccer but still retained their finishing touch to the last.

Captain Graeme Souness contributed his part to the scoreline with two lethal shots in the 62nd



KENNY DALGLISH . . . Back on scoresheet

and 70th minutes to ensure that Trevor Brookings' final memories of Anfield were of the usual kind — only more despairing.

Heath downs Luton

LUTON 0 EVERTON 3

Mountfield, Heath 2 (1 pen)

BY OUR OWN REPORTER

LUTON defender Mal Donaghy was sent off early in the second half of a trying match for both players and spectators at Kenilworth Road on Saturday.

The first half was bogged down on the now notorious Luton pitch and with tetchy tackles coming from both sides a second half sending off came as no surprise — but Everton's three goals did.

Donaghy got his dismissal after bringing down Adrian Heath five minutes into the second half.

Luton's ten men conceded the first goal when Derek Mountfield shot the Blues into the lead in the 63rd minute.

Then, Town goalkeeper Les Sealey got into a terrible tangle with fellow defender Clive Goodyear at the near post and Heath was on hand to poke home number two.

Everton added the third in the 89th minute when Peter Reid was sent sprawling over the body of Kirk Stephens in the box and Heath collected his second goal from the spot.

Charlie slams his critics

ARSENAL 3 STOKE 1

Nicholas, Mariner, Woodcock Chamberlain

BY OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT

an acrobatic clearance.

A dreary match was suddenly brought to life in the 55th minute when Graham Rix and Tony Woodcock created the opening for Nicholas to smash a spectacular left-foot shot into the net.

Paul Mariner increased Arsenal's lead five minutes later, after an excellent run and cross from Woodcock.

Mark Chamberlain pulled a goal back for Stoke in the 70th minute but five minutes from time Mariner broke away and presented Woodcock with

a simple chance.

After the match Arsenal manager Don Howe criticised Scotland counterpart Jock Stein for his comments about Nicholas.

'I cannot understand that type of thing from an international manager. I was quite surprised, but that is someone else's approach to the job,' Howe said.

'If you've got something to say to a player it should be between you and him. That type of thing is not for the public.'

A BRILLIANT goal by Charlie Nicholas put Arsenal on the way to a victory which kept alive their hopes of qualifying for Europe next season.

Nicholas, warned this week by Scotland manager Jock Stein that his international career could be in danger, came up with the perfect response.

Disaster seemed to be in the air for the Gunners early on when John Lukic, making his debut in goal after Pat Jennings failed to recover from a knock received last week at Coventry, made a mess of a corner kick by Ian Painter, but Colin Hill came to his rescue with



TONY WOODCOCK . . . Weaves a path through Stoke defence on Saturday



KERRY DAVIS Scored one and made the other in England's 2-1 win at Crewe yesterday

Kerry's goalden goal

KERRY DAVIS, playing in front of her home crowd, and goalkeeper Terry Wiseman, were the heroes as England scraped a narrow 2-1 victory over Denmark in the UEFA Cup women's international tournament at Crewe yesterday.

Davis hit England's opening goal while Wiseman was called upon to pull off a string of magnificent saves late in the game as the Danes drove forward in search of an equaliser.

England started shakily as Denmark, slight favourites to reach the final against either Sweden or Italy, dominated the opening encounters.

Indeed, Davis's opening goal which gave England an interval lead was

ENGLAND 2	DENMARK 1
Davis, Deighan	Henriksen, pen

BY OUR OWN REPORTER

completely against the run of play.

Up until her 20-yard drive, which thundered home from the edge of the penalty box, Davis had had a quiet game.

With little service coming from midfield, and unable to cope with the man-to-man marking of the Danish defence, the Crewe player had a frustrating afternoon.

Immediately after the interval the Danes deservedly drew level. The goal came from a dubious penalty decision, Lorraine Hansen being penalised for what looked like an innocuous enough tackle.

Inge Henriksen made no mistake from the spot.

The goal, however, did seem to stir England into action and they were rewarded when Davis, now finding room upfront, laid on the winner for Liz Deighan.

Then came Wiseman's brave heroics.

With the better-organised Danes searching for the goal to level matters once again, she had to make some fine saves from Henriksen and Grette Nielsen.

England now travel to Denmark for the second leg in a fortnight's time.

Germans chase Lawrenson

WEST GERMANY'S top club, Bayern Munich, are set to make a bid for Liverpool's Mark Lawrenson.

The Munich club, who will soon bank over £2.5 million following the departure of international striker Karl Heinz Rummenigge to Inter Milan, are willing to offer up to £1.5 million of that for Lawrenson.

Rated one of the most skilful players in Britain, Lawrenson has lined out all across the backline for Liverpool in the past three seasons as well as playing in midfield on several occasions.

BY MATTHEW NUGENT

Opposition

But Bayern can expect opposition from Cologne and Hamburg. Both clubs have watched the play-anywhere Irish international this season but have not made any direct approaches to Liverpool.

Both clubs, while still among the elite in the German Bundesliga, have not got the hard cash that Liverpool would require if a move did go through.

The sale of Rummenigge means that Bayern can make an immediate offer for Lawrenson, who Liverpool purchased from Brighton in August 1981 for £990,000.

Fee

That was the biggest fee the League Champions have paid for a player — and they will be looking for a fee of at least £1.25 million for Lawrenson's services.

Lawrenson's contract with Liverpool runs out in



Welcome

Lawrenson, who began his career with Preston North End before moving to Brighton, would welcome a move to the continent.

Since his arrival at Anfield he has won two League Championship medals and three Milk Cup winners' medals and if the club do win the European Champions' Cup this season then there will be no reason for him to stay on.

I can reveal this morn-



MARK LAWRENSON... Bayern Munich are set to make an offer for him

ing that Lawrenson, a very ambitious player, was hoping to move to the continent in the next couple of seasons to try his luck there.

A move to the likes of Bayern Munich would probably guarantee him financially for the rest of his life.

Lawrenson, although very happy with the Liverpool set up, has not really settled into the area. He has told me on many occasions that he prefers the south coast and hopes to settle there when his football career ends.

Denied

● LIVERPOOL captain Graeme Souness denied last night the weekend rumours that he may be leaving the club at the end of the season.

'I will be playing for Liverpool again next season and there is no truth in stories that I would possibly leave for the continent in July,' he said.

Option

Souness, who has told Joe Fagan that he will stay for the one-year option which the club have on him, said he was annoyed with stories in the Sunday newspapers linking him with clubs in Italy and West Germany.

'I feel it's very insensitive of these people to be writing such stories at this time,' he said last night. 'Things like this can upset clubs. It's just lucky for me that I play for a club like Liverpool where the management — and players — are well used to such stories.'

OVER 1,000 demonstrators marched through Cardiff on Saturday demanding that the Welsh Rugby Union (WRU) break all links with South Africa.

And yesterday another three Labour MPs joined the growing band of protest against Home Secretary Leon Brittan's decision to hand South African athlete Zola Budd a British passport.

Saturday's demonstration in Cardiff was called by the Welsh Anti-Apartheid Movement (WAAM) after the WRU's decision to invite three South African rugby players to play for the President's XV against Wales in a charity match.

The march through the city was lively and contained banners representing Welsh Anti-Apartheid, Cardiff trades council, Labour Party wards, ASTMS, the Society of Civil and Public Servants and the Merthyr Tydfil Young Socialists.

With chants of 'No support for racist sport, boycott the game' and 'Black and white unite

and fight' the demonstration met a warm response from city centre shoppers and many people joined the march along its route.

The marchers paused and handed out leaflets outside the hotel where the President's XV were staying.

When the players and officials left the hotel to walk to the stadium they refused to accept any leaflets and were booed and jeered by the crowd.

At the rally preceding the march Sid Morgan of Plaid Cymru called for full support for the Mid-Glamorgan County Council, who have refused to allow the WRU use of their sporting facilities.

Ian Isaacs of the South Wales NUM was warmly received as he brought fraternal greetings from

the South Wales miners. He spoke of the terrible conditions and low pay for black workers in South African mines.

'There are 90,000 black miners in the union,' he said. 'If more than 50 per cent join in a pit then the union will be recognised. But when they have 50 per cent, the managers ask for their names to prove it and then harass and discipline those miners to put them off.'

Isaacs said he could not see how the Welsh Rugby Union could set itself apart from the movement and feelings of the working class.

Betty Campbell, a Cardiff head teacher, said

that the fight was not just against the WRU but against racism. 'Over the years blacks in Britain have complained against their treatment by the police. Now there are miners who are experiencing the same.'

Other speakers spoke of the need to end all sporting and cultural links, the building of the economic boycott and an end to arms deals with South Africa.

Labour leader Neil Kinnock sent a message of support to the march, which said he looked forward to the day when the WRU would sever its links with 'racist South Africa'.

News Line spoke to Sharmini Naidoo, a student at Cardiff university.

'I'm from South Africa and I'm trying to fight a regime,' she said. 'It's not like here in Britain where racists spit at you etc. The school I went to in Durban was segregated for Indians only. Blacks are segregated again.'

The new Bill which gives Indians a token vote is designed to split up the communities with black Africans and Indians fighting each other.'

Yesterday Doug Hoyle, Labour MP for Warrington South, stated that he had tabled a series of Commons questions to

the Home Secretary demanding an explanation over why Budd was granted high-speed British citizenship on Friday last.

'I want to know why this girl has been permitted so blatantly to jump the queue in this way. It is wrong that there should be this sort of manipulation and favouritism shown towards her,' Hoyle said.

He added: 'I just wonder if she would have had the same treatment if her skin had been black. There is a case to answer why there has been favouritism in this case when in the normal run of events it takes months to get citizenship and if you are over 18 — as this girl will be very soon — it could take five years.'

Ron Brown, Labour MP for Leith, said: 'I have nothing against the girl, but I am sure her background, her running ability and her white skin helped her tremendously.'

'There is a question of discrimination here, with racial overtones, that she should get her application through in just about record time when I have people in my constituency who can't even get work permits, let alone citizenship.'

Martin Flannery, Labour MP for Sheffield Hillsborough, said: 'It has been done far too quickly and there are certain criteria that we want from her — principally a denunciation by Miss Budd of the brutal racist regime that exists in South Africa.'

NO TO S.A. SPORTING LINKS

Support grows to stop sporting contacts with South Africa