

Provocateur escorted from picket line

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POLICE AGENT NAILED DOWN

MINERS on picket duty at Thoresby colliery in north Nottinghamshire isolated a police provocateur and threw him off the picket line, News Line learned yesterday. The incident was reported as Home Secretary Leon Brittan backed the use of plainclothes police on picket lines as 'wholly legitimate'.

FROM BEN RUDDER

Brittan, a practising QC, told the Commons debate on the police role in the miners' strike: 'It is to enable the police to identify those who are engaged in or threatening violence.'

But in the Thoresby incident, the plainclothes policeman tried to provoke 200 miners into a blind charge on the colliery's gates. He failed.

NUM delegate at Maltby colliery, Frank Slater, reported that on March 22 miners became suspicious of a man on the picket line who claimed he was a workmate of Slater's brother at the nearby Welbeck colliery.

'He knew the names of everyone in the family, and he was asking probing questions all the time about the dispute,' Slater said.

The man, who was dressed in a standard police issue duffle coat, caused so much trouble that the pickets decided to escort him to his car and ask him to leave.

At the car, pickets overheard a voice on what they believe was a CB radio asking for the man by name, asking him the

number of pickets present at Thoresby and inquiring if he 'needed assistance'.

The voice used a series of words of police jargon during the attempts to get an answer.

The man could not answer the most simple questions about either the Welbeck colliery or the coal industry. 'I think he was definitely a police officer,' Slater said.

Agree

The evidence is so compelling that Nottinghamshire police have had to agree to investigate.

In addition to an ITN report of three suspected agent provocateurs at last week's picket of the Nottinghamshire NUM delegate council meeting, North Wales Chief Constable David Owen has admitted using plain clothes men at the Point of Ayr colliery near Prestatyn.

Police attacks on miners' pickets are intensifying in the run-up to tomorrow's crucial NUM executive meeting in Sheffield.

While they prepared a

siege of the city to try and keep miners away, reports came in that truncheons were drawn this week for the first time in the dispute at Crewsall colliery in Derbyshire.

Among those injured is Clay Cross NUM official John Dunn who was taken to hospital to check for possible fractures to his skull after Monday's truncheon attack.

Over 40 miners were arrested at Creswell and the majority were systematically beaten up when out of sight of their colleagues.

One miner told News Line that five police had taken him around a street corner and all participated in a beating and kicking which lasted for well over a minute.

Miners also refuted police claims that they had damaged the vehicles of local workers and thrown spiked objects to injure police horses.

These fresh police fabrications have alerted pickets to the use of police agent provocateurs and the lengths to which the Tory dictatorship will go to smash their struggle.



KENT MINERS on the march from their coalfield to Nottinghamshire yesterday arrived in Bedford and were made welcome by officials at the National Graphical Association's headquarters, including national officer Bob Tomlins (centre foreground). More pictures and story on page 7.

Commons chorus praises state's bully-boys

BY A PARLIAMENTARY CORRESPONDENT

THE Tories, the SDP and the Liberals joined hands in a chorus of praise for the police during last night's emergency debate on the miners' strike.

And the House of Commons bristled with their hate-filled speeches against the miners.

The government had a majority of 157 at the end of the debate, voting 321 to 164.

Home Secretary Leon Brittan opened with another notorious speech, giving the first official backing for the use of police agent provocateurs on the picket line.

He said the use of plainclothes police was 'simple and wholly legitimate'. He added: 'It is to enable the police to identify

those who are engaged in or threatening violence.'

Brittan lavished praise on Thatcher's uniformed bullies saying: 'The police have performed a difficult task in difficult circumstances.'

'They deserve the gratitude and admiration of this house and of the whole country.'

SDP leader David Owen, the former Labour Foreign Secretary, claimed that the police represent every single citizen in this country, and not any particular political party.

To Tory cheers he said that if anyone should be in the dock in the debate it was the NUM leaders — Mr

Arthur Scargill and Mr Mick McGahey.

Owen said he hoped it would be 'made ringingly clear to this country that this House of Commons is not prepared to make the police a scapegoat'.

To Labour catcalls he said: 'I won't vote with the Tories. I will vote for the police.'

Shadow Home Secretary Gerald Kaufman cut a miserable figure when he said: 'We believe that when men or women wish to go to their workplace, they must be free to do so.'

'We believe that if attempts are made forcibly to prevent people from going to work, they have



LEON BRITTAN

the right to the protection of the police, and the police have the right to provide that protection.'

If the police had their duty to assist men who wished to go to work, other workers had their right to seek peacefully to persuade their fellow workers not to go to work, Kaufman said.

He accused the police of treating secondary picketing as if it were automatically a criminal offence.

Chesterfield MP Tony Benn said the government had brought 'the police tactics of Northern Ireland into the heart of Britain'.

Secret evidence jury will not see

MI5 OFFICER Michael Bettaney tried on several occasions to become a spy for the Soviet government, but each time its officials in London failed to respond, an Old Bailey jury was told yesterday.

He made 'persistent attempts to communicate a great deal of top secret information to Soviet agents over a 10-month period', Attorney-General Sir Michael Havers, QC, alleged.

'In short, he offered to spy for Russia while serving as a British intelligence officer. His actions were ideological, not financial, it seemed,' Havers claimed.

Some of the material was so secret, Havers said, that not only would the jury not see it, but he had not seen it himself.

When interviewed by Special Branch in September last year,

Even I can't see it, Havers tells Bettany trial

FROM A SPECIAL CORRESPONDENT AT THE OLD BAILEY

Bettaney said that by the summer of 1982 or so, he had come to the conclusion he must do all in his power to assist the Soviet Union.

Offer

But his three attempts to offer his services as a spy to a top Soviet agent in London, and set up dead letter-boxes to pass on classified information, failed. The Soviet diplomats did not respond.

Frustrated but undeterred, Bettaney, of Coulsden, Surrey, decided he would try to get

in touch 'with the Russians elsewhere by whatever means seemed to him appropriate', alleged Havers.

The 33-year-old Oxford graduate continued to collect secret information. He memorised material with a view to writing it down and photographing it later and made notes of classified documents.

He was working for a department dealing with the investigation of espionage and the study of hostile intelligence services. Havers described it as 'very sensitive work'.

He added: 'In some cases, I have to tell you that the national interest is so great that I am not going to show you the material, or the court — indeed, I haven't even seen it myself.'

Bettaney, who went on trial before Lord Chief Justice Lane in unprecedented secrecy, denied a total of ten spying charges and pleaded 'not guilty' as each charge was read.

The offences are all said to have taken place in ten months between December 21, 1982, and September 16, 1983.

His counsel, Michael Mansfield, challenged three jurors — two men

and one woman. One of the men challenged was carrying a copy of 'The Times' and 'Financial Times'.

Before the trial went into closed session, the court was examined by three technicians for bugging equipment. They carried what looked like tape recorders with long microphone-type extensions.

While the court was in camera, wooden shutters were placed on the courtroom doors to prevent anyone seeing inside.

The trial was adjourned until today without coming out of camera.

'Plot' claim by CPSA's chief under pressure

THE right-wing leader of the Civil and Public Servants Association (CPSA), Alastair Graham, yesterday claimed 'Militant' tendency activists were plotting inside his union.

Graham was speaking after nearly 300 motions were drafted for next month's CPSA annual conference attacking him as general secretary. One motion calls for his resignation 'for bringing the union into disrepute by refusing to carry out conference decisions'.

But yesterday Graham insisted once again that he was determined not to resign.

'I am always wary of the conspiracy theory, but it is true to say that in some of the resolutions you can see the "Militant" tendency at work,' he claimed.

'For example, the resolution for the freezing of senior officers' salaries is supported almost by branches almost exclusively dominated by "Militant" tendency officials.'

Graham claimed left-wingers were deliberately mounting an attack on his personality and style of leadership 'because of the extensive publicity I have had over the last year'.

He justified the charge that he had not carried out conference policy decisions by saying he was elected by the 190,000-strong membership and had to keep faith with their thinking.

He accused poorly-attended branch meet-



ALASTAIR GRAHAM

ings of putting forward the 1,300 conference delegates.

He added: 'If conflict arises between what is good for the ordinary members and complying with conference decisions, I always put the ordinary members first — they pay the subscriptions that make trade unions viable.'

'I have to retain the confidence of ordinary members in trade unionism — that is not easy with unrealistic conference decisions.'

Falklands fire kills 9

PORT STANLEY — Eight civilians were killed yesterday when fire gutted the only hospital on the Falkland Islands.

The blaze swept through the old wooden King Edward VII hospital, burning it to the ground. Troops and airmen took three hours to put it out.

Among the dead were a mother and her two-week-old baby. Seven of those killed were islanders while the eighth was nurse Barbara Chick from Bristol.

People are being treated in the local town hall, said BBC reporter Robert Fox, who was on the spot.

The Tory government said yesterday it would hold an inquiry into how the fire started.

PLESSEY OFFER IS NOT ENOUGH

PLESSEY workers voted at a four-hour meeting yesterday to continue their five-week-old strike action.

They rejected a new pay offer, saying there was very little difference from previous rates.

GMBATU convenor Mike Boyle described the workers' mood as 'bitter and frustrated' as they saw nothing ahead except permanent unemployment.

He added: 'The employers' offer was only

A VERDICT of death by natural causes was recorded at an inquest on GCHQ communications officer George Franks yesterday. Franks, 58, found dead at his home in Upper Market Street, Hove, Sussex, last week.

worth one month's salary per worker per year. What we are looking for is a sensible package which takes into account the dilemma facing the individuals going down the road of compulsory redundancy.

'It's one which will take into account that this city is becoming an industrial desert — that there is no work left for people in this city in semi-skilled and skilled industries.'

Plessey say 650 jobs will go in early 1985 followed by another 180 by the end of that year.

Library workers strike

LIBRARIES in Westminster could shut down today because of strike action by members of the local government union NALGO over the closure of a library and disciplinary moves against at least two library workers.

Bailiffs using sledgehammers cleared out an occupation by workers at the Portland library, supported by other council workers and members of the local community.

One of the original leaders of the occupation, Ian Wingrove, was banned from the building last week after a High Court injunction was served on him by the Tory council.

He faces disciplinary

charges on Thursday of 'gross misconduct' for 'disagreeing with a legitimate council decision'.

A second library worker is also facing disciplinary action for 'general misconduct'.

Names

Some library workers have been pressured by management to hand over the names of other council workers who took part in the occupation, so that disciplinary moves can also be made against them.

Why was McCann held?

LABOUR MP Dave Nellist has demanded a full explanation for the detention of Irish journalist Eamon McCann, political editor of the 'Sunday World'.

He was held at Birmingham airport for five hours on Monday night, while on his way to the National Union of Journalists conference at Loughborough, Leicestershire.

He was detained under Article Four of the Prevention of Terrorism Act and was released just after midnight.

Nellist said the sweeping powers given to police under the Act 'allow the Special Branch to conduct a fishing expedition, detaining a large

number of people in an arbitrary fashion'.

● NUJ president Eddie Barrett told conference yesterday that police action in the miners' strike following the trade union ban at GCHQ Cheltenham had made trade unionism a criminal activity.

'Not many weeks ago, it became a sign of treason to carry a union card in this country.'

'Now, in parts of Britain at least, it has become a crime for men and women who carry union cards to travel from one part of the country to another.'

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A sharp situation faces the working class. The outcome of the NUM Executive meeting this Thursday will decide the next round of struggle against the Tories and the state.

Thatcher is determined to use a massive show of police, the courts and any other means necessary to crush the miners'

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SPEND MORE ON JOBLESS PLEA

AN ALL-PARTY committee of MPs, in a verdict on the Budget, calls for more public spending to tackle unemployment.

The Treasury and Civil Service Committee say they would like to see a joint approach by the TUC and the CBI to the government to call for increased public capital spending.

In their report the MPs

say there is a 'close degree of agreement' between them, the CBI and the TUC on the need for more public investment.

TUC general secretary Len Murray told the committee he would welcome a joint approach on the issue to the government with the CBI.

The MPs state that the evidence they took 'casts doubt on the extent of the

government's commitment to the manufacturing sector'.

They also doubted the Chancellor's optimism on the strength of service industries to make up for jobs lost through declining oil revenues.

'We believe that of necessity the declining oil revenues will need to be replaced with increased manufactured exports if

future strain on the balance of payments is to be avoided.

'No doubt, the service sector will also make some contribution, but many services are not internationally tradeable.'

The report records that the government's forecasts for growth in the economy are 'hardly ambitious'.

Leaders of IG Metall, Europe's biggest metal, engineering, and automobile union, decided to hold more talks with employers on their demand for a 35-hour week after a lengthy debate yesterday.

Talks

Union leader Hans Mayr said they would enter new talks 'without pre-conditions' although employers are continuing to reject the principle of the 35-hour week.

Bathgate blockade

WORKERS at BL's truck and engine plant at Bathgate, Lothian voted yesterday to block supplies of axles and engines to the Lancashire components factory.

The move comes amid fears that Leyland plan to close the Scottish plant, which employs 1,800.

Convenor Jim Swan said: 'We are going to stop these supplies until we get assurances that we will continue as a truck and engine plant.'

● A TRIM department

strike stopped production of Austin Metros at BL's Longbridge factory, Birmingham.

The 200 men who fit the final trimmings inside the cars walked out after they complained about manning levels and proposed changes in work practices.

● VAUXHALL Motors will be hit by a series of one-hour stoppages on Friday when workers demand a better deal from the company's pension fund.

Strike ballot postponed

FRANKFURT — A national strike ballot by 2.7 million trade unionists was postponed yesterday for the second time in as many days.

Lead petrol laws

FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT

THE Consumers' Association yesterday called on the Common Market to take steps to allow individual member states to introduce their laws on unleaded petrol.

Although it was agreed last year that lead in petrol should be reduced or even eliminated completely, an EEC directive still sets a minimum level making it illegal for any country taking unilateral action to remove lead completely.

Reasons

'Technical and economic arguments for leaded petrol no longer hold water and there are pressing environmental and health reasons for eliminating it,' says the Association.

Take-away food protest

PROTESTERS went to Downing Street yesterday to complain about the 15 per cent VAT on take-away food announced by the Tories in the Budget.

They handed a 600,000-signature petition to the Chancellor of the Exchequer's office at No 11.

The day of protest was called by representatives of hot take-away food shops, including owners of fish and chip shops, burger bars and Chinese restaurants.

Nursery nurse Anne Boes from north London wheeled 14-month-old Robert Davies into Downing Street.

'I earn about £50 a week and because I work unsocial hours I spend a lot of money on take-away food,' she said.

Paul O'Rourke, 23, unemployed, from Kilburn said he spends about £10 a week on take-aways.

He said he would have to pay another £2.25 VAT, stretching his £55.50 a week income, including his wife's wages.

'Because my wife works, I am in charge of shopping and cooking. I rely a lot on take-aways because they are as cheap as home-cooked food.'

The protest was organised by the Hot Take-away Action Group, representing 15,000 take-aways such as fish and chip shops.

Police get tough with mothers' protest

BY A NEWS LINE REPORTER

YOUNG mothers in South Wales were manhandled and verbally abused by both security guards and police as they demonstrated against cuts in the school bus service for their children yesterday.

Forty demonstrators ran the gauntlet of police when they were forcibly evicted from the new West Glamorgan County Hall, Swansea, by security guards.

A van full of police waited in support outside in scenes identical to those on the NUM picket lines at Port Talbot last week.

The protesters blocked the inside staircase when

the Director of Education, John Peale, did not appear.

His deputy, Lance Heycock, spoke to the women who were protesting against the Labour county council's decision to axe free school bus services for 6,000 children in the area in answer to the government's demands for cutbacks.

Eviction

Their discussion was overshadowed by two lines of six policemen as several women shouted their questions.

When Heycock

finished, the head of security called for their eviction and one by one the demonstrators were thrown out.

Outside, the police inspector claimed he was not against the protesters but earlier he announced to everybody that the police were there to protect the security guards from the women!

A warning of the violence to come was given earlier when one woman was pulled and punched as they entered the building.

'We tried to go through the public door,' said Mrs Morgan, from St Thomas, Swansea. 'As we

approached, I was grabbed by the arm by the head of security, who called us a "load of animals" and gave us a load of abuse.'

'I told him it was only a peaceful demonstration and we were only putting our point of view.'

'I was standing against the door,' said her friend, Mrs June Thomas. 'A woman came up to me and kept bumping me. Because I wouldn't move she gave me one thump with her arm in my back.'

'I said: "I'm sorry, this is a peaceful demonstration against bus cuts for children."

Mrs Thomas herself faces paying £7 a week in bus fares when the free service ends on April 30 and parents face paying the highest bus fares in the country.

Killed

'How many children are going to die?' said June Jones, from Blaengwynfi. 'Four have been killed in my lifetime. Now they face a one-and-a-half mile walk on the same road to Cymmer Comprehensive, with no pavement and 80mph traffic.'

'There's 51 per cent unemployment in our val-

ley, paying £7.50 per child a week is impossible. We must get the decision rescinded. There's enough carpeting here to keep school buses going for a life time,' she added, pointing to the expensive interior of the new county hall.

'Our children will have to walk two-and-a-half miles on unlit, unpaved roads,' said Val Thomas from Glynccorwg, also in the Afan valley.

'It will cost me £7.20, which is without dinner money and my husband, a miner, is on strike.'

'Forty years we've had school buses for the children.'

Teachers want new pay offer

THOUSANDS of schoolchildren will be sent home from school today when Britain's second-largest teachers' union stages a half-day strike in support of their pay claim.

The 120,000-strong National Association of Schoolmasters/Union of Women Teachers forecast last night that at least half the schools in England and Wales will be closed by its action which it claimed had the 100 per cent backing of its membership.

North Yorkshire, Leeds, Kirklees and the Wakefield areas could be particularly affected.

The dispute is over management's refusal to increase their 3 per cent offer to teachers or to allow the claim to go to arbitration.

Nigel de Gruchy, general secretary of the NAS/ NUT warned that his union will draw up plans for more extensive industrial action at its Easter conference at Llandudno, which would affect preparation for this year's GCE and CSE examinations.

Action

'Some of our members are already calling for direct action against the examinations,' he warned.

The largest teachers' union, the National Union of Teachers, plans to hold a one-day strike after Easter and will debate further action at its Easter conference in Blackpool.



DOWNING Street protest against takeaway-food taxes yesterday. Pictured from left to right: Nurse Anne Boes with 14-month-old Robert Davies, Carol Merryweather, president of London and Home Counties Fish Caterers Assoc., John Barnes, of Kentucky Fried Chicken Ltd, the Chinese Restaurants representative, schoolgirl Jane Cohen and Paul O'Rourke.

More nuclear dumping planned

PLANS for special ships which would release high-level nuclear waste into the sea are further proof the government intends to continue dumping at sea, an environment group claims.

Greenpeace director Peter Wilkinson took issue with government claims that research it

had commissioned into nuclear waste disposal was only into what might be done in 50 years time 'when it had cooled down sufficiently'.

It was too much to ask people to believe that this was being done for something that was not going to happen until 2034, he said.

Swedish-owned engineers and design consultants, Ove Arup, under instructions from the Tory Environment Minister, William Waldegrave, have produced designs for the ships which would release vitrified high-level nuclear waste into the sea using a torpedo mechanism.

The government would vitrify high-level nuclear waste. Having formed it into a torpedo-like shape, it would then be transported in BNFL ships out to sea and fired through release gates in the ship's bottom into the sea.

Hazards

In February the London Dumping Convention, the body which controls dumping of waste at sea, suspended dumping of low-level nuclear waste at sea until the potential hazards were investigated by scientists.

But Britain, along with other nuclear nations, has ignored this decision by claiming that dropping or firing propellants into the sediment on the sea bed is not dumping, but 'sea bed emplacement'.

Telecom Bill goes through

THE BRITISH Telecom Bill, which has taken up more Commons time than any other measure since the war, completed its passage through both houses of parliament early yesterday and now awaits the Royal Assent.

After MPs had sat into the early hours to complete

discussion of Lords amendments in a guillotined debate, the way was paved for the biggest piece of de-nationalisation ever carried out in Western Europe.

The government is to sell its 51 per cent stake in British Telecom and aims to float the shares on the

Stock Exchange in the autumn.

Delaying tactics by Labour MPs have led to debate being guillotined several times.

During the first committee stage last year, John Golding (Newcastle under Lyme), assistant general

secretary of the Post Office Engineering Union, set a record for the committee stage by speaking continuously for 11 hours.

For all the Labour bluster and a pledge that a future Labour government would repeal the Bill, the measure passed through the Commons unscathed.

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WORLD SUMMARY

Israeli call-up exercise

TEL AVIV — The Israeli army held a military call-up exercise for reserve soldiers yesterday. Using call-up codes like 'Sundial' and 'Colours of the Rainbow', state and army radio stations instructed reservists to report to pre-arranged meeting points.

Takeover

PARIS — The right-wing 'Le Figaro' yesterday condemned the loss-making tyre makers Dunlop-France by the Japanese group Sumitomo as a 'Trojan horse' to permit Japanese penetration of West European markets.

Relaxed

WARARE — Restrictions have been relaxed in Zimbabwe's south-western province of Matabeleland. State Security Minister Emmerson Mumangagwa said.

Crash

METZ — A French air force captain and five non-commissioned officers were killed when two Gazelle combat helicopters collided at Saint Pierre in central France.

Talks

LUXEMBOURG — Foreign Secretary Sir Geoffrey Howe met his Spanish counterpart Fernando Moran for talks on Gibraltar.

World News Line

GENERAL STRIKE STOPS BELGIUM

BRUSSELS — Socialist Party trade unionists staged a 24-hour national strike yesterday stopping Belgian industry, mail services and public transport

It was the second general strike by the 1.2 million Socialist Trade Union Federation (FGTB) in eight days.

The strike protest is in opposition to the coalition government's economic austerity programme. At the centre of the plan is the reduction of workers' real wages by two per cent annually over the next three years.

A railways spokesman said services were disrupted all over the country, with international trains to France hit by strikes at Charleroi, Liege, Namur and Antwerp.

In the capital, tram and bus services were at a standstill and there was only a skeleton service on the underground. In Antwerp pickets painted the windscreens of buses and let down their tyres to stop scabs taking them out.

The Cockerill-Sambre steel company's plants at Liege were shut down while mail deliveries were non-existent in most parts of the country. Many radio and television programmes were cancelled.

The strike went ahead after the main unions met Prime Minister Wilfried Martens on Monday, but made no progress in finding a compromise.

BY A FOREIGN CORRESPONDENT

Both houses of parliament have voted to support the austerity plan which is aimed at cutting the public sector deficit to seven per cent of gross domestic product by 1987 from more than 12 per cent now.

Martens and his coalition partners have arrogantly rejected trade union proposals for increased taxation to force big business to accept a larger share of the cuts.

Trip

He left yesterday for a week-long trip to Japan and South Korea saying that the wave of strikes did not present a 'major threat' to his two and a half year old government.

While the FGTB is committed to using its industrial militancy against the Martens government, the 1.3 million strong Socialist Christian Union is ordering its members not to strike.

The Social Christian Union says it is 'unhappy' with 'some aspects' of the government plan, but believes that talks with the coalition is the only way to win concessions.

It said concerted action by all unions to force a general election would risk producing an even bigger majority for the right-wing coalition government.

Mass rally

RIO DE JANEIRO — About half a million people demonstrated yesterday to demand direct presidential elections in opposition to the military regime that topped Brazil's elected government 20 years ago.

Rio de Janeiro's Governor Leonel Brizola, a supporter of the demand, ordered city buses to give people from the suburbs free rides into the city centre and barred all other traffic.



Belgian workers marching for jobs and against cuts

Poor countries angry at interest rate rise

WASHINGTON — Representatives from colonial and semi-colonial countries have expressed anger at the rise in US interest rates at a time when they are being forced to repay massive debts.

The sources at the 'Group of 24' within the International Monetary Fund (IMF) and World Bank said they were 'disappointed' at the increase in the US prime rate and the Federal Reserve's discount rate.

The Federal Reserve Board, the US central bank last Friday raised its principal lending rate by one-half point to nine per cent. It was the first time the central bank had

changed the rate since it was reduced to 8.5 per cent in December 1982.

The action followed an increase in the Prime Rate last week by major US banks to 12 per cent from 11.5 per cent.

Payments

'The recent US increases means that in dollar terms our interest payments have become more difficult,' said one 'Group of 24' source.

Finance ministers and central bankers are gathering for a week of meetings which will culminate on Thursday with a policy-making session of the IMF's interim committee.

Renewed fears of a global debt crisis re-emerged two weeks ago when Argentina came within hours of defaulting on interest payments to commercial banks.

The US government and a group of Latin American countries stepped in with a \$500 million financial assistance, but the US backing is predicated on a rescue package by the IMF.

The Argentina affair was followed this weekend by questions about the Peruvian debt situation which the IMF sought to defuse by issuing a statement that a proposed assistance package was still under 'active consideration'.



REAGAN

US squeeze on Guyana

HAVANA — Guyana president Forbes Burnham has accused the United States government of financially squeezing his country in a bid to force it to change his alleged 'socialist principles'.

Cuba's official newspaper 'Granma' quoted Burnham as saying

Washington had vetoed several soft loans to Guyana from international agencies.

'The new loan could cost us over the period something like \$65 million more than if we got it, as we applied for, on a soft window condition,' he told the newspaper, without giving details of the

actual credit.

Burnham, who has ruled the South American country since independence in 1966, said the United States used the International Monetary Fund and the World Bank to pressure Guyana.

'Our representative was told by one of the Americans that they're

waiting to see whether we'll get the message,' he was quoted as saying.

The Guyanese leader also accused the United States of trying to isolate his country from the rest of the region because of its political system and stance over such international issues as the Grenada invasion.

NEW DELHI — Sikh gunmen shot dead a man in the Sikh holy city of Amritsar and three people were killed in attacks on Hindu religious gatherings yesterday in an eruption of anger against the declaration of emergency in the state. The Sikh Akali Dal Party leader Harchand Singh Longowal, called on Sikhs to assemble at the Golden Temple 'to give a fitting reply' to 'communal bias' and harassment by paramilitary forces.

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NEW YORK — American computers that are banned for sale to the Soviet Union are being sold openly to South Africa.

The claim was made by Abdul Minty, head of the London-based Anti-Apartheid Movement.

He told a UN oversight committee that certain items of an American computer system could not be exported to the Soviet Union because of their military use but there were no restrictions on sales of the same items to South Africa.

'We need to know how a system that is of considerable military significance for the Soviet Union so easily becomes a non-military system for South Africa, and we hope that this committee will seek clarification from the United States,' he said.

Minty asked why the British government decided to equip its Falklands military base with a Plessey AR-3D system identical to one supplied earlier to South Africa on the ground that it did not constitute a break of the UN embargo on arms sales to South Africa.

Nigerian UN delegate Joseph Garba told the committee that the Security Council had failed to act on recommendations to make the arms ban more effective that were adopted by the oversight committee in 1980.

He said friends and allies of South Africa had frustrated the Security Council's mandatory arms embargo and the world body had done little about it.

Garba said some member states condoned violations of the arms ban by restrictive interpretations.

'We cannot but recognise that the mandatory arms embargo against South Africa has been frustrated by the friends and allies of the racist regime,' he said.

'The powers concerned — especially the major Western powers — have not shown the will to stop the criminal acts of aggression and destabilisation by South Africa, or indeed to help preserve peace in southern Africa,' Garba added.

U.S. ACCUSED OVER
STATE TERRORISM

WASHINGTON — Nicaraguan Foreign Minister Miguel D'Escoto has blasted the US government for 'state terrorism' because of the CIA's involvement in laying mines in Nicaragua's waters.

The charge follows in the wake of the biggest counter-revolutionary assault against Nicaragua by 8,000 US-sponsored mercenaries based in Honduras and Managua's decision to take the Reagan administration to the World Court in The Hague.

Speaking at a press conference on the CIA mining of Nicaraguan harbours, D'Escoto said the Reagan government's covert action was an attempt to turn the code of international behaviour back to the 'stone-age'.

BY A FOREIGN CORRESPONDENT

A senior State Department official yesterday amended an earlier government statement that it had decided to reject such specific allegations for two years, in an attempt to defuse Senate opposition and international outrage.

Court

He said the government would now 'argue the merits of the case in The Hague' if the court agreed to hear the case.

Since early last month, mine blasts have damaged 10 vessels in Nicaraguan waters. They have hit ships from the Netherlands, Japan, the Soviet Union, Panama and Liberia.

D'Escoto said the Sandinist government was 'defending the maintenance of an international legal order without which there can be no peace'.

He denied US allegations that the appeal to the World Court was for 'propaganda' purposes, saying: 'The covert war against Nicaragua constitutes an attempt to bring international behaviour back to the stone-age concept that might makes right.'

'There is no doubt it is state terrorism,' Washington had a double standard because it went to the World Court to try to obtain the release of hostages from Iran 'but finds it improper behaviour when we do it', D'Escoto said.

Nicaragua has asked the World Court to order an end to US support for forces trying to overthrow the government.

The Nicaraguan ambassador to the Netherlands said at The Hague: 'Our legal advisers say we have ample proof that mines were laid in Nicaraguan ports with US involvement.'

He told a press conference later: 'We have a very clear case that the US is guilty of serious violation of international law.'

Judges

The World Court, a United Nations body, is composed of 15 judges, appointed by the UN General Assembly and Security Council.

The Senate Foreign Relations Committee yesterday rejected a \$6.1 billion 'compromise' aid package for Central America.

The Republican majority failed in a 9-9 tied vote to move the government-backed bill because it lost

the vote of conservative North Carolina Republican Jesse Helms.

Helms is opposing the package on the grounds that it contains too much economic and too little military aid; something 'no self-respecting, independent nation should accept'.

House Speaker Thomas O'Neill, the influential veteran Democrat, predicted Congress would kill Reagan's request for \$21 million in aid to anti-Nicaraguan counter-revolutionaries as a result of CIA involvement in the mining of Nicaragua's harbours.

China silent

PEKING — The Chinese press remained shamefully silent yesterday about its military attack on Vietnam.

The invasion began last Friday and Hanoi has reported repulsing the Chinese forces with heavy losses.

The official Chinese press, which has spent the past week detailing alleged Vietnamese armed provocations against China's southern border, yesterday stayed mute about the fighting and there was no fresh statement from the government.

The last comment on

the frontier flare-up was issued by the Chinese Foreign Ministry last Saturday night when a spokeswoman described Vietnamese claims of an incursion as 'fabricated'.

Radio Hanoi said yesterday Vietnam had inflicted heavy losses on a Chinese invasion force and dislodged it from two border positions.

But it was not clear whether or not the clashes were continuing.

The Vietnamese embassy in Peking told foreign military attaches the attack was at regimental level.



French Defence Minister Charles Hernu (right) at a recent military ceremony

Drivers sacked

HONG KONG — More than 200 striking drivers and station staff of Hong Kong's underground rail system have been sacked for failing to turn up for work yesterday.

The strike, which began on Monday over a new shift system, is causing delays for commuters at peak hours.

A company spokesman said other staff were running the trains and all 25 stations were open.

The Mass Transit Railway (MTR) carries about 1.2 million passengers a day making it the

heaviest carrier per track kilometre in the world.

On Monday the MTR issued a warning that workers who failed to turn up would be dismissed. But yesterday strikers continued a sit-down protest outside the company's headquarters.

● Dockers at Japan's six major ports returned to work yesterday after a one-day strike to demand job security in the face of containerisation.

The strikes at Tokyo, Yokohama, Kobe, Osaka, Nagoya and Kammon, and shorter stoppages at

smaller ports, affected a total of 270 ships.

The National Council of Harbour Workers Unions said it plans another strike, for an indefinite period in mid-April, involving only container ships.

In the past five or six years, over 30,000 dockers have lost their jobs and each year 1,000 more face unemployment, the union said.

A spokesman for the Japan Harbour Transportation Association said it would make no concessions to meet the unions demands.

Narrow escape

TOULOUSE — French Defence Minister Charles Hernu had a narrow escape yesterday, when a man tried to drive his car into a group of people at the funeral of nine French soldiers killed in Chad.

Police shot and seriously wounded the man. Eyewitnesses said the man was the brother of one of the dead soldiers.

Police guarding the Minister and Chief of Staff General Jeannot Lacaze opened fire as the man aimed the vehicle at the group.

The nine dead soldiers were part of a 3,000-man force supporting Presi-

dent Hissene Habre's troops in Chad against the nationalist revolutionary forces of Goukouni Oueddei.

They were killed in a blast on Saturday. Six others were injured in that explosion.

A Defence Ministry statement said: 'Overwhelmed by his feelings (he) lost control, shouted at the Defence Minister, ran to get his car and aimed it right at the minister.'

'The bodyguard had to stop him and hit him in the groin.'

The car went out of control.



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TUC LASHED BY SCOTS TRADES COUNCILS

Anger over failure to back NGA

BY A NEWS LINE REPORTER

TRADES councils are joining forces with the National Graphical Association at next week's Scottish Trades Union Congress in a blistering attack on the British TUC general council.

Their target is the TUC's failure to back the NGA in its struggle which began over the Stockport Messenger.

The aim at the Congress, in Aberdeen, is to build momentum for the NGA's battle to get the TUC's retreat reversed at the TUC Congress in Brighton later this year.

Mid and East Lothian, and East Kilbride, are among trades councils which have strongly worded resolutions on the agenda at Aberdeen.

The one from Mid and East Lothian begins: 'That this Congress records its absolute disgust at the decision by the TUC general council not to give full support to the

struggle of the NGA with the Stockport Messenger Group.

'This is clearly in violation of the decisions taken at Wembley. The actions of our leadership at national level have opened the floodgates for a general attack by the employers on hard won trade union rights and conditions.'

East Kilbride voices similar sentiments, while resolutions from Falkirk and District, and Irvine and District, demand that

the TUC provide total support and solidarity whenever any affiliated organisation is under attack from Tory laws.

Edinburgh and District, and Glasgow District, call for united action in defence of any union defying the laws.

The Fire Brigades Union expresses regret over the TUC treatment of the NGA and declares the FBU's support for any future opposition by a trade union in conflict with the legislation.

ASLEF 'pledges full support to any affiliated union engaged in industrial action to preserve their rights, irrespective of the reactionary legislation that has been placed upon the movement.'

A substantial resolution from the National Union of Public Employees warns of the implications of the Cheltenham trade union ban and says: 'Congress therefore regrets the decision of the TUC general council not to give full support to the

NGA in their recent dispute with the Stockport Messenger Group, particularly given the NGA's support for low paid Health Service workers during the 1982 wages dispute.'

NUPE demands the reaffirmation of the 1982 TUC special conference at Wembley — in particular, Clause 5 which commits the TUC to back struggles against anti-union legislation.

But the most important resolution of all is the one

from the NGA itself. It, too, quotes Clause 5 from Wembley.

After welcoming statements from the TUC and STUC criticising the employer over the Stockport fight, the NGA resolution continues:

'However, Congress regrets the TUC general council decision of December 1983, to refuse to issue a statement of support for the NGA's action in mounting a 24-hour stoppage of the printing industry to defend itself

and its members, and to demonstrate their outrage against the attacks of a renegade employer, using the provisions of the 1980 and 1982 Employment Acts to impose fines of £675,000 and the sequestration of the Union's funds.'

The NGA adds: 'Congress therefore reaffirms the decisions of the 1982 Wembley conference and 1982 Kelvin Hall (Glasgow) conference and calls on the TUC to implement them in full.'

More locked up under new Act

'THE introduction of the new youth custody sentence has had an alarming effect on the sentencing of young offenders, quite contrary to what was intended', Vivien Stern, the Director of NACRO, said yesterday.

'Since its introduction last May, we have seen a marked increase in the number of young women sent to penal establishments and a disturbing trend towards more serious sentences for young men.'

BY SUE LAIRD

Stern was commenting on a briefing paper published yesterday by NACRO entitled 'The Youth Custody Sentence'. The paper describes the system of youth custody introduced by the 1982 Criminal Justice Act, which was implemented in May 1983.

The Act abolished borstal training and imprisonment for offenders

under 21 and replaced them with the new youth custody sentence which is available for offenders aged 15 to 20.

Statistics covering the first six months of the Act's operation show that:

- The number of 15 and 16-year-old girls given a custodial sentence leaped by 77 per cent compared with the same period the year before;
- There was a 17-per cent increase in the number of young women aged 17-20 entering youth custody establishments;
- While 15 per cent fewer boys aged 14-16 entered detention centres, 69 per cent more received the more serious youth custody sentences than received the equivalent sentence of borstal training the year before.

Increase

While 4 per cent fewer young men aged 17-20 entered detention centres, this was offset by an increase of 12 per cent in the number receiving youth custody sentences compared with the formerly equivalent sentences of borstal training and imprisonment.

Stern said yesterday: 'The overwhelming consensus among those working with youth offenders favours a shift away from custody to constructive non-custodial measures for teenagers.'

'Yet, since the 1982 Criminal Justice Act was implemented last May, the courts have sharply increased their use of custody for girls and have pushed boys up the ladder of custodial sentences much more quickly than before.'

'Locking up young people and calling it borstal training proved a spectacular failure in diverting young offenders from crime.'

'The new policy of locking up young people and calling it youth custody is equally futile and self-defeating.'



Flag call to MPs

GREATER London Council leader Ken Livingstone put out the flags at County Hall yesterday. He used nearly 40 naval flags to deliver a famous battle message (slightly adapted) to MPs across the Thames on the eve of the first debate on the Bill to cancel next year's GLC elections.

The Nelsonian message read... 'London expects every MP to do his or her duty'. Above County Hall will be a more permanent message in the shape of a 40ft banner calling on MPs to... 'Listen to Londoners — Don't scrap the GLC elections'.

Jolt for Tory plans

A SHARP rise in money supply growth yesterday jolted the Tories' plans to curb monetary expansion.

The main measure of money supply known as Sterling M3 — grew by an estimated 1-1/4 per cent in March, the Bank of England announced. This

compares with the Treasury's new target of 6-10 per cent annual growth.

The rise was much larger than expected in the city. Coming after Monday's 1 per cent increase in wholesale prices, they add to uncertainty about the government reaching its inflation targets.

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THE MINERS' STRUGGLE

Print union host to Kent miners

BY SIMON VEVERS

'THE MINERS must not be left to stand alone by the TUC, like we were.'

That was the message from Bob Tomlins, a national officer of the National Graphical Association, when he welcomed the Kent marchers to the print union's headquarters in Bedford yesterday.

Tomlins spoke to News Line as the footsore marchers tucked into refreshments. The NUM, like the NGA, was facing the full effect of the government's anti-union laws.

'They must be supported by the whole movement because they are in a crucial fight for their jobs and the future of their industry and are coming under concerted attack.'

The marchers reached Bedford last night after a long haul from Luton, where they received warm support and hospitality from Labour Party members and trade unionists.

Scores of passers-by at Bradbury, eager to hear about the miners' struggle to defend jobs and ready to back the young Kent marchers, stopped and took leaflets.

They set out for Northampton this morning, the next stop on their journey to the Nottinghamshire coalfield.

Tomlins said the NGA had been deserted after TUC general secretary Len Murray and the right-wing had reached their 'infamous' decision not to back the print union.

The isolation of the NGA had encouraged the Tory offensive. He warned: 'We must make sure the miners are not left in the same position.'

Backbone

'After GCHQ, the Tories were ready for the miners, who clearly represent the backbone of the working class.'

'In our dispute at Warrington we saw the government's tactics in embryonic form.'

'They made it difficult for our people to buy train tickets, they used police with no numbers and blocked exits to motorways but clearly they've developed these methods since then.'

'What's important about the miners' struggle is that it is not just workers in the coal industry who will lose if the NUM is defeated. I believe that we would see a massive chunk of civil rights in this country disappear. The use of the anti-union laws, the use of statute law, has created a situation which is quite frightening.'

Chris Bainbridge, president of Bedford Trades Council, said: 'The miners' struggle involves us all because it is part of a co-ordinated attack on the trade union movement. It comes after the NGA, the attack on local government and the banning of union membership at Cheltenham GCHQ.'

Bainbridge said the miners' fight had particular local relevance because of moves to dump nuclear waste at nearby Elstow.

'It is the government's policy to develop nuclear power and, therefore, weaken the struggle of miners but the TUC must not let them be isolated. It must give the NUM full support.'



Kent NUM marchers taking a short break on the road to Bedford yesterday

'I'm on the road for my kids, my family'

FOR Peter Stow, a miner at Snowdown colliery for the past 24 years, the march is central to the fight to save the Kent coalfield from destruction.

'They say they will close two pits but everybody knows they will close the whole lot,' he told News Line as the marchers took a welcome break on their way from Luton to Bedford.

'If I lose my job, I don't expect to get another one. But it's not just me I'm marching for: it's my kids, my family. I'm fighting for their future.'

'They've just put up the redundancy money but this £1,000 is just a carrot to split the men. It's just like the bonus scheme which they brought in a

few years back, which gives me £9 a week and lads in Nottingham up to £10 a shift.'

Peter's wife Kathleen is right behind the battle to save pit jobs and the Aylesham community. She recently took part in a demonstration organised by Kent wives through Coalville to demand the backing of Leicestershire miners in the fight against MacGregor and Thatcher.

Peter said it was vital for him to have Kathleen's backing. 'I know the same is true for the other lads.'

'This march has been quite an experience. We've had great hospitality from Labour Party members and trade unionists who've showed that they support us all the way.'

Peter was adamant that there should be no national pit-head ballot and that the strike against closures should be widened to include workers in other sections.

'Some people keep crying about a ballot but the fact is we've given our union executive power to take any action necessary to fight closures.'

Roy Acott, also of Snowdown pit, said: 'This government spend billions of pounds on defence. It's all very well to

spend money on defence but only when there is something to defend; in other words proper housing, decent social services and jobs for everyone.'

'The reason we're on this march is quite simply that the police have stopped us from going on the highway to picket pits in the Midlands.'

'But nothing will stop this march because we're determined to fight for our jobs. A job is a priceless thing which cannot be bought on any terms.'



Tony Dubbins, the National Graphical Association's general secretary-elect, greets Terry French (left), one of the Kent march leaders yesterday



Chris Brennan (left) and Sean Byrne — marched with the miners through Bedford

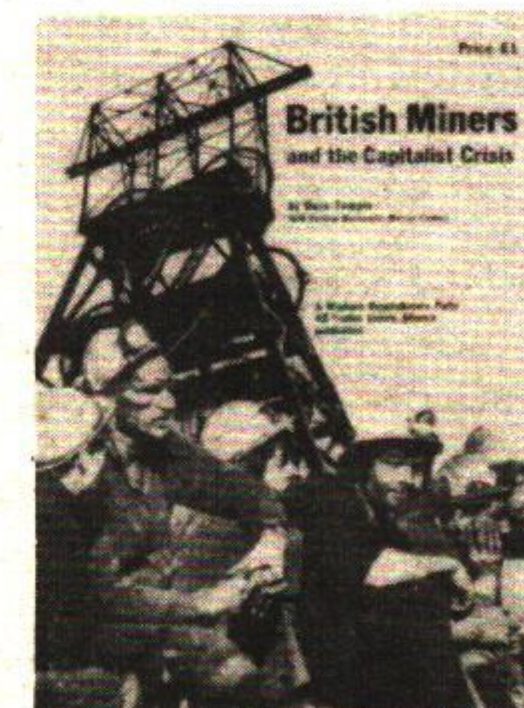
SEAN Byrne and Chris Brennan, both 17 and unemployed, joined the miners' march as it entered Bedford because 'we are right behind them in trying to kick Thatcher out'.

'They are right to go on strike because they are fighting for their jobs and decent pay. The miners don't get paid enough for the risks they run in doing their job,' Sean said.

Chris added: 'This march is excellent: the best thing to hit Bedford in a long time. I was made redundant recently and so I know what it's like to lose your job.'

'The miners must be supported by everybody because, after all, coal is the main source of energy in this country.'

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A rubber stamp for dictatorship

THE swift passage of legislation through both the Commons and the Lords designed to destroy democratic rights, confirms parliament as a rubber-stamp for the Tory Bonapartist dictatorship.

When laws to destroy local government rights and privatise British Telecom — with the loss of tens of thousands of jobs and a rich killing for the monopolies — were first introduced union and council leaders forecast a 'massive revolt' at the Palace of Westminster.

Trade unionists were fed the illusion that MPs, including Tories, would not tolerate the government riding roughshod over rights. They were even told that peers in the Lords would reject the legislation!

These reformist illusions lie shattered this morning after three decisive moves:

- The London Regional Transport Bill, which deprives the Greater London Council of overall control over London Transport and places it in the hands of a Tory-controlled quango, has sailed through the Commons virtually unopposed.

It has completed all its stages and now goes to the House of Lords for a swift endorsement before the Queen gives it the Royal Assent. It will be in force by the end of the summer.

- In the Lords on Monday night, the legislation to give the government direct control over local authority budgets with the purpose of destroying services and abolishing councillors' decision-making got a majority of 82.

Opponents of the Bill had said the vote would be 'close'. This totally ignored the nature of the reactionary upper house, home of the landed aristocracy, bishops and judges, and its role in consolidating the Tory dictatorship.

- The Bill to sell-off British Telecom has passed all its stages in both the Commons and the Lords. Yet union leaders called off an industrial campaign against it when the anti-union laws were invoked, saying that a major effort would be made in parliament to block the legislation.

What shocks the reformists is that far from acting as a 'bulwark for democracy', resisting major constitutional changes, Tory MPs and peers are eager to play their part in consolidating the changed form of rule in Britain.

Bourgeois democracy is no more — and the rule by decree instituted by Thatcher has been endorsed through and by parliament.

Parliament is not some neutral body, but is part of the capitalist state machine now being used openly in an attempt to destroy the trade unions and every single gain of the working class.

Thatcher's dictatorship, resting on the judiciary, police and military to do its political bidding, arose not in conflict with parliament but from behind the forms of bourgeois democracy.

There can be no question of demanding that rights are safeguarded by one of the instruments of the Bonapartist regime itself.

The full savagery of the capitalist state has been launched on the working class, with the objective of destroying not only the NUM but every single trade union.

What has begun in Britain is a struggle for power. There are no solutions to any of the problems facing the working class outside of recognising this objective fact.

Victory lies through the building of the Workers Revolutionary Party to mobilise the working class to meet this challenge by overthrowing the capitalist state and establishing socialism based on Community Councils in every area.

MINERS FIGHT FOR T



Pickets at Agecroft colliery near Manchester yesterday trying to speak to working miners

Action is already official Can't vote on another man's job

THERE must be no ballot on the miners' strike because no miner has the right to vote on whether another has a job, Rossington colliery NUM branch secretary Jack Riley told News Line.

'And we have already voted in Yorkshire with an overwhelming majority in favour of strike action against closures,' he added.

'The executive has already voted to make the action official in Yorkshire, South Wales, Scotland, Durham and Kent, and there is a conference policy to fight pit closures.'

Different

'That means there must be a question mark over the leadership in areas like Nottinghamshire, where they have voted for the executive decision and then turned round and said something different.'

'The men we have spoken to in Nottinghamshire have been told nothing about what is happening in their industry, either from the branch officials or from the area officials.'

'When the ballot was being taken in the area, you wouldn't have known it. There were no notices up and no recommendations given to the men.'

Riley's members are also angry about the interference of government ministers and the Tory press in the internal affairs of the NUM by their public demands for a ballot.

'None of the govern-

ment, to my knowledge, are members of the NUM national executive — nor is the editor of the 'Sun' or the other national newspapers.

'It's a cheek and an affront for them to be telling miners how they should run their union.'

'But as far as the government is concerned, they have been involved in making political decisions about the industry all along.'

'Now we have MPs and Lords — who have apparently been asleep for the last few years — getting up and telling us our strike is political.'

'But it was the government that made the decisions on pit closures, just as they decided on the closure of steel plants.'

'They are the party which legislated on picketing, and they knew also the reaction they would get from miners.'

Planned

'This attack on our union was planned long ago by people like Nicholas Ridley. He has been working out how to contain the miners and what laws to bring in before taking them on since the early 1970s.'

'Anyone who thinks that this struggle is not political is living in cloud cuckoo land.'

FROM BEN RUDDER

'As Arthur Scargill has said, this is the class struggle, and it has been that way for us for the last five years.'

'That is why the miners cannot take this battle on their own. They need the support of the working class as a whole.'

Support

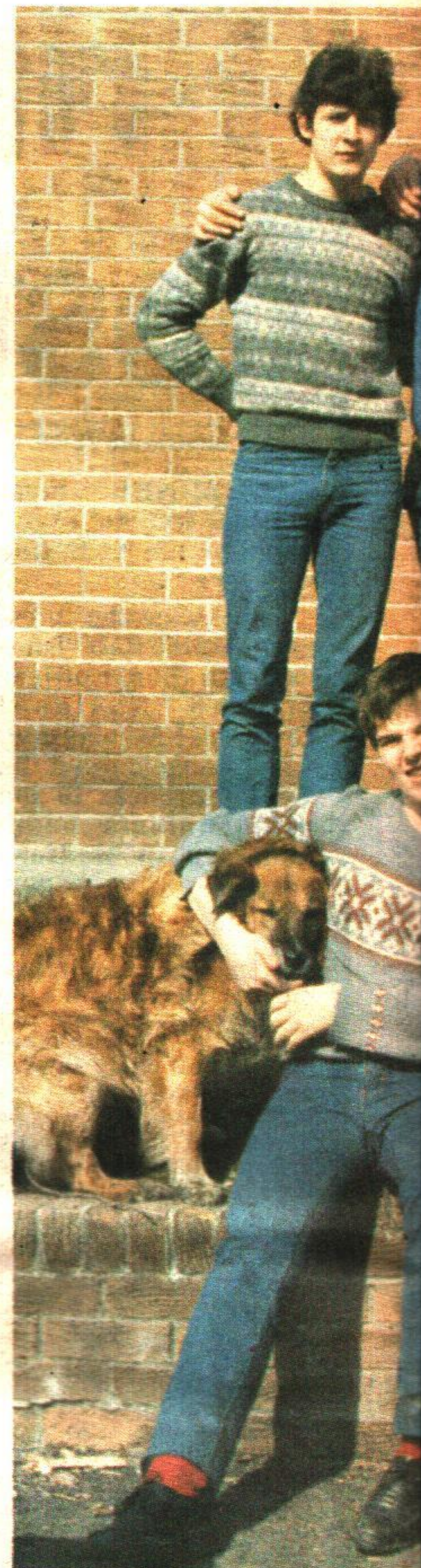
The necessity for this support was emphasised by the role of the police, said Riley.

In the last five weeks, miners had been subjected to widespread intimidation and harassment.

Miners had been stopped from exercising their right to picket colleagues in pursuit of a trade dispute, and men stopped from travelling between counties and from leaving their home district without any police explanation.

'This is what is facing the miners who go out to picket every day. The trade union movement should see what is happening to the miners because it is only a short step before it happens to them.'

'The trade union movement as a whole should put its shoulders to the struggle of the miners, and assist us in a fight for the whole working class of Britain.'



Strikers and helpers at Blair



A car driven by a scab driving at speed past the four pickets

THE WHOLE WORKING CLASS



Miners Welfare club enjoying the sunshine in West Fife outside the busy strike centre

Police get rough in Lancs

BY A NORTH WEST CORRESPONDENT

POLICE got rough for the first time yesterday at Parkside colliery in the Lancashire coalfield, complained Geoff Gregory, NUM branch official from Bold, near St Helen's.

'They prevented us from speaking to miners by adopting a new tactic of packing the NCB buses now driven by scab drivers to standing-room only.

Presence

'This made it practically impossible for pickets to approach all those going to work or for anyone to get off the bus in response to pickets' appeals. There was a heavy police presence today, eight transits and many officers.

'We are expecting a joint

demonstration with CND who are picketing at nearby Burtonwood NATO air base. We expect a massive turn-out on the weekend, anything up to 10,000.'

Geoff says: 'The Tory government is trying to crush us. God help the dockers and others if they should succeed.'

Speaking of Parkside and Agecroft (in Manchester) he went on: 'A lot of young men are fighting for their jobs while at Agecroft they are looking forward to their golden handshake.'

'It's the young people

who reject a national ballot. The very people who overturned the ballot in 1978 (on the bonus issue) now want a ballot on this issue.

'The TUC should be giving us support now, like some unions are doing already. Kinnock is too bothered about his popularity and vote-catching from the talkshop.'

Assistance

He spoke warmly of the ready assistance the lodge had received from the factories on Merseyside and the great support in communities like Kirkby which played host for large numbers of flying pickets.

No ballot, say Scottish miners

BY CHRIS CORRIGAN

'WE are against a national ballot. The Tories are determined to smash the miners and they've had four-and-a-half years to prepare.

'They did it to the steelworkers and now they want to do it to us. How can you have a ballot on the future of whole communities?'

Ronald Campbell, chairman of the National Union of Mineworkers' strike committee for Lochore and Ballingray

in East Fife, was expressing the opinion of the vast majority of Scottish miners.

Tonight, coaches will leave from all over the Scottish coalfield to lobby tomorrow's NUM national executive meeting in Sheffield to make exactly the same point.

As far as Campbell and his committee colleague Robert McShane are aware, every striker at their centre is opposed to a ballot.

Most of them are now in the ninth week of strike action: they work at the giant Frances and Seafield pits on the Fife coast where management provocations and wage-cutting forced miners to take action weeks before other pits.

'We are fighting for our industry, for our jobs, and for our families who will need jobs after us,' said McShane.

Policies

'The police are carrying out government policies on these picket lines. But they haven't reckoned with the determination of the miners.

'We'll be out for as long as it takes.'

The Lochore strike centre has had generous support from local shops and clubs, enabling a team of women volunteers to keep a well-stocked larder and provide a two-course mid-day meal for pickets.

The centre, in conjunction with others in East Fife, keeps watch on local open-cast sites and sends men on a rota basis to the Inverness docks to ensure coal supplies don't move.

● SCOTTISH TUC leaders were asked yesterday when their colleagues at TUC headquarters in London are going to give 100 per cent support to the miners.

Questions

The questions came at a meeting in the Blairhall miners welfare which followed a mass picket at Longannet power station.

● A recently-retired miners' union official has received word that his phone is being tapped. Michael Ginnelly, who worked at the Bogside mine until it was deliberately sabotaged by the NCB two months ago, was tipped off by a telecommunications worker who called at his Valleyfield home.



permitted by police to stand near the gate



Pickets break through a police cordon at Agecroft colliery, where they outnumbered the police many times over after outwitting road blocks and spotter cars

THE MINERS' STRUGGLE

Whole family joins the picket line

JEFF TEALE and his family have gone on the picket line at Ledston Luck colliery, Yorkshire, in defiance of calls for a national ballot.

'I think it would be totally wrong to hold a national ballot,' Jeff says.

'No one should have the right to vote another man out of a job, especially the men in the so-called "safe pits".'

Jeff and his wife, Stephanie, reflect the determination of the thousands of miners who have braved police violence across the country in their dedication to defend their communities' livelihoods.

They say Cortonwood colliery, where the strike began a month ago, had a life of five years until National Coal Board chairman Ian MacGregor had 'come along' and declared: 'You've got four weeks.'

Violence

Jeff and Stephanie are determined to stand firm despite the Tories' police violence, intimidation and arrests.

'We have to win this strike. If we don't, the working class has had it,' the say.

'There would be no unions, because there is no way a union can function with all these police and all these laws Thatcher has passed.'

'The Tories want to do away with unions and create a South-American type regime, where the rich are very rich and the poor live in mud huts. They want to squash all opposition into the ground.'

BY OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT

Jeff and Stephanie are bitterly disappointed in the Labour Party leadership, and the other opposition parties.

'The Labour Party is supposed to be the opposition, plus the Liberals and SDP but you can't tell the difference between all the lot of them.'

Policies

'All that happens when they have an election is that they change places but carry out the same or virtually the same policies. They just twist them around a bit.'

'What Thatcher wants to do is use the police to suppress the working man,' Jeff says.

'The first thing she did when she got in power was to give the police a big rise.'

'There is no opposition in this country — not what I call opposition. There's nobody who is going to turn around and say: "We are going to get rid of capitalism".'

'We have to build a party that is going to be a real opposition and a government that is going to look after the interests of the people.'

Bonus

The bonus system is to blame for overproduction. It forced men to 'go to the ultimate', as a result of which coal stockpiles had built up, he says.

'I'd like to remind these people who are shouting for a national ballot on the strike that we had a ballot on the bonus scheme and voted it out nationally,' Jeff says.

'Nottinghamshire, behind the backs of the rest of the NUM, accepted the bonus scheme on their own.'

'The Kent area took them to court and the law lords overturned the result of the ballot and said that Nottinghamshire could bring in bonus.'

'It was (former Prime Minister Jim) Callaghan and (former NUM general secretary Joe) Gormley who forced it on to us.'

The family have had two payments from the DHSS since the strike began.

The first was £7 and the second, £16.45. The £16 payment included £4 mortgage interest and 65p water rates, leaving £12.45 for the family, including two young children.

Starve

'Nobody is supposed to go below the poverty line but we are getting nothing near it. They are trying to starve us back to work.'

'But they won't succeed. My wife is behind the strike and we are prepared to stay on the picket line as long as it takes.'

Stephanie says: 'I've told Jeff, you can stop on strike for good if it's going to do some good.'

'I don't believe in this national ballot business because I don't see why other men should vote miners out of jobs.'

'Wives have got to show that they back their husbands and agree with what they are doing. I think we should set up a wives' group. I'd be part of it.'

'I'd be prepared to go on the picket line with my husband.'



Jeff Teale, his wife Stephanie and daughters Joanne (left) and Caroline, in a picket shelter at Ludston Luck colliery

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.

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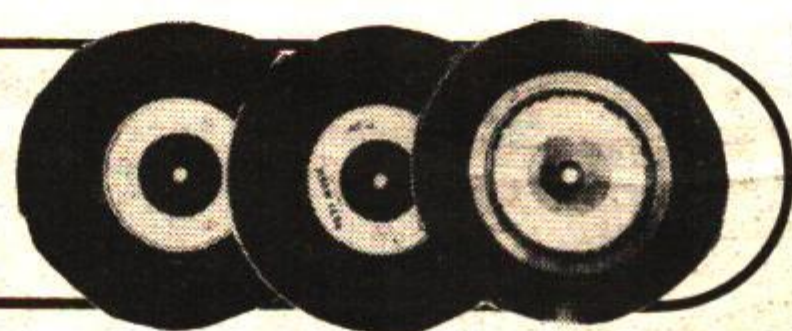
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★★★★★★★ Pick of the singles ★★★★★★★

ECHO & THE BUNNYMEN

'Silver'
ECHO AND THE
BUNNYMEN
(Korova Kow 34)

BACK from a triumphant tour of Canada and the US, Echo and the lads come up with a real gem in 'Silver' backed by the equally pleasing 'Angels And Devils'.

Things have been quiet this side of the Atlantic in recent times for the band, but now they have planned a special 'Crystal Day' in their hometown of Liverpool to tie in with the release of the single.

'Silver' was recorded in Paris and Liverpool while the B-side was laid down in San Francisco during the American tour.

Both tracks are well up to the usually high Bunny-men standards.

'Crystal Day' should be interesting. It includes: a bicycle race; a return trip on the Mersey ferry; a visit to the Anglican cathedral, with a recital by the cathedral choir; and a concert by the lads in the evening.

Only Echo and the Bunnymen could come up with something like that!

★★★★★★★



PETER SCHILLING

'Major Tom (Coming Home)'
PETER SCHILLING
(WEA International X9438)

REMEMBER '99 Red Balloons'? That was a hit all round Europe and in the US before we here in Britain caught up with it.

'Peter Schilling's 'Major Tom' could prove to be another sleeper after topping the charts throughout Europe in the past six months.

WEA have re-released it and are hoping to cash in this time.

It's a pleasant enough tune but I wonder, what will David Bowie think of it all!

★★★★★★★
'I Say A Little Prayer'
ARETHA FRANKLIN
(Atlantic AF1);
'Alone Again Or'
LOVE
(Elektra E9740)



ECHO head for the top of the charts as Liverpool head for the European Cup final

★★★★★★★

MALCOLM X

SINGLE OF THE WEEK

THIS single has had a mixed reaction in the United States where some people find it irreverent.

Keith LeBlanc (if that's his real name!) has taken various speeches by Malcolm X, a powerful black activist in the 1960s, and placed them over a basic electronic backing track. The effect is quite powerful.

Born Malcolm Little in Nebraska in 1925, he saw his father murdered and his home burnt to the

ground by the Ku Klux Klan when he was a youngster.

After spending some time in prison where he educated himself, Little became a Moslem minister on his release and changed his name to El-Hajj Malik El-Shabazz.

Later he became an

orthodox Moslem (Sunni) and travelled to Mecca. He spoke fiercely against racism in the US and was assassinated on February 21, 1965.

While LeBlanc has only taken selected excerpts from X's speeches, the record still contains some very strong comments.



MIDNIGHT STAR . . . A chart certainty

★★★★★★★

'Sneaking Out The Back Door'
MATT BIANCO
(Thru' Warners YZ3)

A FINE follow-up by Matt Bianco to their recent hit 'Get Out Of Your Lazy Bed'.

The formula is much the same, good harmonies and a fine swing-type jazz rhythm.

Vocalist Mark describes the new number as 'a touch more soulful, an indication of our wide range'.

The B-side, 'Matt's Mood', is one of their best numbers live by all accounts. It's a catchy instrumental that proves Matt Bianco are not just good on the vocals. Should do well as a follow-up and there is already quite a buzz about the single.

Buzz

A class above the usual crass black elevator-type number, 'Feel So Good' is already causing a buzz this side of the Atlantic and should chart in the next couple of weeks.

Top-20 material without a doubt.

THESE are two classic re-releases from rock music's golden age — the late 1970s.

Franklin's interpretation of the Burt Bacharach-Hal David number, first released in 1968, is simply magnificent and it hasn't dated at all.

Certainly a piece of soul music's history, the queen of soul belting out a great song.

'Alone Again Or' was recorded a year earlier at the height of the flower power boom in San Francisco. Love, one of the better bands to

come out of the era, scored in the US when this was released first time round.

Although a little dated, it's still worth having as a better example of the music created in Ashbury Heights during the peace, love and Woodstock age.

An Other Singles Chart

- 1 (1) Hello, Lionel Richie
- 2 (9) You Take Me Up, Thompson Twins
- 3 (7) People Are People, Depeche Mode
- 4 (3) It's Raining Men, Weather Girls
- 5 (2) What Do I Do? Phil Fearon & Galaxy
- 6 (5) It's A Miracle, Culture Club
- 7 (4) Your Love Is King, Sade
- 8 (10) P.Y.T. (Pretty Young Thing), Michael Jackson
- 9 (6) Cherry Oh Baby, UB40
- 10 (8) Street Dance, Break Machine
- 11 (17) Nelson Mandela, Special AKA
- 12 (15) Glad It's All Over/Damned On 45, Captain Sensible
- 13 (12) Lucky Star, Madonna
- 14 (19) Ain't Nobody, Rufus & Chaka Khan
- 15 (13) Relax, Frankie Goes To Hollywood
- 16 (—) Wood Beez (Pray Like Aretha Franklin), Scritti Politti
- 17 (—) Against All Odds, Phil Collins
- 18 (—) The Caterpillar, The Cure
- 19 (—) Some Day, The Gap Band
- 20 (20) She's Strange, Cameo

An Other Album Chart

- 1 (—) Now That's What I Call Music Vol.2, Various Artists
- 2 (3) Human's Lib, Howard Jones
- 3 (4) Into The Gap, Thompson Twins
- 4 (1) Alchemy — Dire Straits Live, Dire Straits
- 5 (2) Cafe Bleu, Style Council
- 6 (6) Smiths, Smiths
- 7 (8) Sparkle In The Rain, Simple Minds
- 8 (—) Body And Soul, Joe Jackson
- 9 (10) Streetsounds Electro Vol3, Various Artists
- 10 (5) The Drum Is Everything, Carmel

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WOMACK AND WOMACK

'Love Wars'
WOMACK &
WOMACK
(Elektra E9799)

TITLE track from their recent album — and it's a knockout. Not too sure if Elektra are going to release it on 12in but if they do you will probably get the full version of 'Love Wars' — and that's worth forking out for.

Mind you the album is well worth a spin.

Cecil and Linda Womack combined talents to write this killer. As black artists they have combined all that is good in American soul with a tinge of rock to come up with seven inches of plastic that should give them a top-ten hit here if there is any justice in the world.

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Barry Sheene is a part of (100 Great Sporting Moments' on 2 at 8.10 pm



'The Wrong Box' with Nanette Newman is on BBC1 at 6.50 pm

BBC1

6.00 Ceefax AM. 6.30 Breakfast Time. 9.00 Bellamy on Botany. 9.25 Pages from Ceefax. 10.30 Play School. 10.55 Gharbar. 11.20 Pages from Ceefax. 12.30 News After Noon. 12.55 Weather. 12.57 Regional News (London & SE): Financial Report; News Headlines. 1.00 Pebble Mill at One. 1.45 Gran. 1.50 Stop-Go! 2.00 Caught in Time. 2.20 Racing from Cheltenham (2.35, 3.10 and 3.45) races. 3.53 Regional News for England (except London). 3.55 Play School: It's Wednesday. 4.20 The Perils of Penelope Pitstop. 4.40 Rentaghost. 5.05 Newsround. 5.10 Break Point.

5.40 SIXTY MINUTES including news; regional magazines; weather; closing headlines

6.00 TOM AND JERRY

6.50 WEDNESDAY FILM: *The Wrong Box* (1966) With John Mills, Michael Caine and Nanette Newman. A crazy comedy about two brothers who are due for a big legacy — but only one of them can get it.

8.30 THE DAY OF THE TRIFFIDS The last of a six-part adaptation of John Wyndham's science fiction classic with John Duttine and Maurice Colbourne

9.00 NINE O'CLOCK NEWS; Weatherman

9.25 Q.E.D. *In at the Deep End*

9.55 SPORTSNIGHT *International Boxing*: Jimmy Cable fights 'Buster' Drayton (light-middleweight) also Noel Quarless fights Mark Lee (heavyweight); *The Greyhound TV Trophy*: Live coverage from Wimbledon; *Mary Decker — Superstar*: A special report on the American athlete

11.10 REMINGTON STEELE in *Steele Trap* With Pierce Brosnan

12.00 NEWS HEADLINES; Weatherman

BBC2

6.05-8.10 OPEN UNIVERSITY: 6.05 The God that Rules. 6.30 Roman Interior Decoration. 6.55 Modelling by Maths. 7.20 Argument on Television. 7.45 Industrial Relations.

9.00 Pages from Ceefax. 3.50 Racing from Cheltenham. 4.35 Pages from Ceefax. 5.10 Reading Development. 5.35 News Summary with subtitles; Weather.

5.40 WEDNESDAY WESTERN: *Dragon Wells Massacre* (1957) With Barry Sullivan, Dennis O'Keefe, Mona Freeman and Katy Jurado. A group of travellers are stranded in the desert and face marauding Apaches

7.05 SWALLOWS AND AMAZONS FOREVER! *The Big Six* by Arthur Ransome. Part one, with Rosemary Leach and Julian Fellows

7.30 OPEN SPACE *A Picture of Health* Three artists have been working in two of Lincoln's hospitals to brighten things up for both patients and staff

8.10 100 GREAT SPORTING MOMENTS *The British Motorcyclist Grand Prix 1979* Barry Sheene prepares to meet Kenny Roberts

8.30 TOP GEAR BBC2's motoring magazine investigates how car fires start and how one should cope with it. Plus William Woollard discusses what people know about lubrication

9.00 POT BLACK 84 *The Final* John Spencer is up against Terry Griffiths and the championship is presented by Paul McGann

10.10 LONG LIVE THE BABE With Cindy Shelley and Victoria Burton. A story by Shirley Gee. A young cleaner forms a link with a lacemaker who lived 150 years earlier

11.00 NEWSNIGHT

11.45 THE TWILIGHT ZONE *A Stop at Willoughby* with James Daly

12.10-1.05 OPEN UNIVERSITY: 12.10 Topology. 12.35 Microbes and the Microscope.

CHANNEL 4

5.00 COUNTDOWN

5.30 ENTHUSIASTS *Adrian Heffernan — Trade Union Badger* Train driver and ASLEF official Adrian Heffernan talks about his collection of trade union badges. He explains how the badges reflect the history of trade unionism

6.00 THE MUNSTERS *A Visit from the Teacher*

6.30 FLASHBACK *'We Are What We Are ...'* The last programme in the current series looks at film and TV in the 1970s

7.00 CHANNEL 4 NEWS presented by Peter Sissons

7.50 COMMENT A member of the SDP speaks in this alternative to the party political broadcast; followed by weather

8.00 BROOKSIDE

8.30 DIVERSE REPORTS With a report from Beatrix Campbell who retraces Orwell's footsteps to Wigan Pier and talks to women and men from the mining community

9.00 IN FOR TREATMENT (1979) Two men who share a room in hospital, gradually discover they are terminally ill. Based on an improvised screenplay by Het Werkteater of Amsterdam. With Helmut Woudenberg and Frank Groothof

10.50 VOICES *Art After Modernism* Film-maker and critic Laura Mulvey hosts tonight's discussion which centres on video artist Martha Rosler's view that if the new art is to survive, it must maintain its position of 'marginality'. Joining in the discussion are Martha Rosler, John Tagg, an art historian with a special interest in photography and Norman Rosenthal, exhibitions secretary of the Royal Academy of Arts

11.40 Close

THAMES

6.25 Good Morning Britain. 9.25 Thames News Headlines; followed by *Sesame Street*. 10.25 Laurel and Hardy. 10.50 Bracken. 11.40 Sport Billy. 12.00 Atarah's Music. 12.10 Sounds Like A Story. 12.30 The Sullivans. 1.00 News at One. 1.20 Thames News. 1.30 A Plus. 2.00 Take the High Road. 2.30 A Country Practice. 3.30 Sons and Daughters. 4.00 Atarah's Music. 4.15 Aubrey. 4.20 Letty. 4.50 Razzmatazz. 5.15 Emmerdale Farm. 5.45 News.

6.00 THAMES NEWS With Andrew Gardner and Tina Jenkins

6.25 HELP!

6.35 CROSSROADS

7.00 THE COUNTRY DIARY OF AN EDWARDIAN LADY

7.30 CORONATION STREET

8.00 THIS IS YOUR LIFE

8.30 FRESH FIELDS *Something in the Oven* William and Hester are naturally thrilled when they hear their beloved daughter is expecting a baby

9.00 MIKE YARWOOD — THIS IS HIM Mike Yarwood talks about himself and the secrets behind his multi-faceted mask.

10.00 NEWS AT TEN followed by *Thames News Headlines*

10.30 MIDWEEK SPORT SPECIAL Presented by Brian Moore with action from one of the top matches in tonight's European soccer competitions. Also, Brian Moore talks to javelin thrower Fatima Whitbread plus highlights from speed skating

12.00 PANIC With Julie Neesam and Peter Blake. After a couple have a row, the girl goes off in her car and picks up an old lady

12.25 NIGHT THOUGHTS followed by *Closedown*

S4C

2.20-2.35 Ffalabalam. 3.20 Kill Or Cure. 4.00 4 What It's Worth. 4.25 Countdown; Clwb S4C. 4.55 Pictiwrws Bach. 5.05 Smyrffs. 5.30 The Munsters. 6.00 Brookside. 6.30 Jeopardy. 7.00 Newyddion Saith. 7.30 Bara Brith. 8.00 Detroit. 8.30 Y Byd Ar Bedwar; News Headlines. 9.00 Film: *Memories of a Survivor* With Julie Christie. 11.05 Diverse Reports. 11.30 Jesus, The Evidence. 12.25 Closedown.

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). 7.30 David Hamilton (S) (8.31 Racing Bulletin). 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. 7.30 European Soccer Special. 9.30 Syd Lawrence in Concert (S). 9.55 Sports Desk. 10.00 The Golden Years. 10.30 Hubert Gregg says Thanks for the Memory. 11.00 Brian Matthew presents Round Midnight. 1.00 Charles Nove (S) presents Nightride. 3.00 Olympic Memories (S). 3.30-4.00 Maryetta and Vernon Midgley.

3 6.55 Weather. 7.00 News. 7.05 Your Midweek Choice (S) Patrick Hadley. Albeniz. Vaughan Williams. Strauss; records (8.00 News) Schubert. Arensky; records. 9.00

News. 9.05 This Week's Composers (S) Purcell and Britten; records. 10.00 Chopin and Schubert (S) Piano recital. 10.40 BBC Scottish Symphony Orchestra (S) Glazunov, Weber, Bliss. 11.40 Debussy (S). 12.20 London Philharmonic Orchestra (S) Mozart. Shostakovich. 1.00 News. 1.05 Off The Beaten Track (S). 1.30 Matinee Musicale (S) Reznicek. Larsson, Gordon Jacob, Finzi, York Bowen. 2.30 Violin and Piano (S) Tardini, Smetana, Collier, Robert Russell. Bennett, Ravel. 3.15 Brahms (S) orch. Schoenberg; record. 4.00 Choral Evensong (S). 4.55 News. 5.00 Mainly for Pleasure (S). 6.30 Debut (S) Rossini, Zandonai, Pizzetti. 7.00 May's Ark. 7.30 Perspectives on Mahler and Strauss (S) Webern, Schoenberg (8.00-8.20 Six Continents) Mahler. 9.55 Early Music Network 1983-84 (S) Isaac, Thomas Simpson, Robert Johnson, Byrd, Locke, Ryohei Hirose, Boismortier, Stevie Wonder arr. Paul Leenhouts. 1.40 Andre de Groote (S) Faure, Satie. 11.15-11.18 News.

4 6.00 News Briefing: Weather. 6.10 Farming Today. 6.25 Shipping Forecast. 6.30 Today, including (6.30, 7.30, 8.30 News Summary; 6.45 Prayer for the

Day; 6.55, 7.55 Weather; 7.00, 8.00 News; 7.25, 8.25 Sport; 7.45 Thought for the Day; 8.35 Yesterday in Parliament; 8.57 Weather; Travel. 9.00 News. 9.05 Midweek: Libby Purves (S). 10.00 News; Gardeners' Question Time. 10.30 Morning Story. 10.45 Daily Service (S). 11.00 News; Travel: Radio News Special Report. 11.48 Through My Window. 12.00 News; You and Yours. 12.27 Curlew in Autumn. 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) *Inside Job*. 3.47 I Got Up Out of My Seat. 4.00 News; File on 4. 4.40 Story Time. 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 My Music (S). 7.00 News. 7.05 The Archers. 7.20 How to Be... 7.45 Fat Man on a Roman Road. 8.15 Anthony Hopkins Talking About Music (S). 8.45 Why Don't You Get a Proper Job. 9.30 Kaleidoscope. 10.15 A Book at Bedtime: *I'm Not Complaining*. 10.30 The World Tonight. 11.15 Financial World Tonight. 11.30 Today in Parliament. 12.00 News. 12.10 Weather. 12.15-Close Shipping forecast.

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 Atarah's Music. 12.10 Sounds Like a Story. 12.30 The Sullivans. 1.00 News at One; North East News; Where the Jobs Are. 1.30 A Plus. 2.00 Take the High Road. 2.30 The Mysteries of Edgar Wallace. 3.30 Sons and Daughters. 4.00 Atarah's Music. 4.15 Aubrey. 4.20 Letty. 4.50 Razzmatazz. 5.15 Best of Three. 5.45 News. 6.00 North East News. 6.02 Crossroads. 6.25 Northern Life. 7.00 The Country Diary of an Edwardian Lady. 7.30 Coronation Street. 8.00 This is Your Life. 8.30 Fresh Fields. 9.00 Mike Yarwood. 10.00 News at Ten; North East News. 10.32 Midweek Sports Special. 12.00 Epilogue; Closedown.

CENTRAL

6.25 Good Morning Britain. 9.25 3-2-1 Contact. 9.55 The Road to Los Angeles. 10.40 Film: *Who Goes There?* 12.00 Atarah's Music. 12.10 Sounds Like a Story. 12.30 Judi. 1.00 News at One; Central News. 1.30 A Plus. 2.00 Miracles Take Longer. 2.30 We'll Meet Again. 3.30 Sons and Daughters. 4.00 Atarah's Music. 4.15 Aubrey. 4.20 Letty. 4.50 Razzmatazz. 5.15 Mysteries, Myths and Legends. 5.45 News. 6.00 Crossroads. 6.25 Central News. 7.00 The Country Diary of an Edwardian Lady. 7.30 Coronation Street. 8.00 This is Your Life. 8.30 Fresh Fields. 9.00 Mike Yarwood. 10.00 News at Ten; Central News Headlines. 10.30 Midweek Sports Special. 12.00 Closedown.

YORKSHIRE

6.25 Good Morning Britain. 9.25 Weather. 9.30 Sesame Street. 10.25 Birds Underwater. 10.55

European Folk Tales. 11.05 Story Hour. 11.55 Melotons. 12.00 Atarah's Music. 12.10 Sounds Like a Story. 12.30 Judi. 1.00 News at One; Calendar News; Weather. 1.30 A Plus. 2.00 Take the High Road. 2.30 A Country Practice. 3.30 Sons and Daughters. 4.00 Atarah's Music. 4.15 Aubrey. 4.20 Letty. 4.50 Razzmatazz. 5.15 Mr and Mrs. 5.45 News. 6.00 Calendar. Weather. 6.35 Crossroads. 7.00 The Country Diary of an Edwardian Lady. 7.30 Coronation Street. 8.00 This is Your Life. 8.30 Fresh Fields. 9.00 Mike Yarwood. 10.00 News at Ten. 10.30 Midweek Sports Special. 12.00 Barney Miller. 12.30 Closedown.

TSW

6.25 Good Morning Britain. 9.25 Sesame Street. 10.25 Joe 90. 10.50 Story Hour. 11.35 Wheelies and the Chopper Bunch. 12.00 Atarah's Music. 12.10 Sounds Like a Story. 12.30 Judi. 1.00 News at One; TSW News Headlines. 1.30 A Plus. 2.00 Take the High Road. 2.30 A Country Practice. 3.30 Sons and Daughters. 4.00 Atarah's Music. 4.15 Aubrey. 4.20 Letty. 4.50 Razzmatazz. 5.15 Guss Honeybun. 5.20 Crossroads. 5.45 News. 6.00 Today South West. 6.30 Just Our Luck. 7.00 The Country Diary of an Edwardian Lady. 7.30 Coronation Street. 8.00 This is Your Life. 8.30 Fresh Fields. 9.00 Mike Yarwood. 10.00 News at Ten; TSW Late News; Weather. 10.34 Midweek Sports Special. 12.00 Postscript; South West Weather; Shipping Forecast; Closedown.

TVS

6.25 Good Morning Britain. 9.25 Farming Brief. 9.28 Sesame Street. 10.25 The Flying Kiwi. 10.50 Orphans of the Wild. 11.15 Big Shamus. Little Shamus. 12.00 Atarah's Music. 12.10 Sounds Like a Story. 12.30 The Sullivans. 1.00 News; TVS News. 1.30 A Plus. 2.00 Benson. 2.30 Mr & Mrs. 3.00 Private Benjamin. 3.30 Sons and Daughters. 4.00 Atarah's Music. 4.15 Aubrey. 4.20 Letty. 4.50

Razzmatazz. 5.15 Silver Spoons. 5.45 News. 6.00 Coast to Coast. 6.35 Crossroads. 7.00 The Country Diary of an Edwardian Lady. 7.30 Coronation Street. 8.00 This is Your Life. 8.30 Fresh Fields. 9.00 Mike Yarwood. 10.00 News at Ten; TVS News. 10.30 Midweek Sports Special. 12.00 Portrait of a Legend. 12.30 Epilogue; Closedown.

HTV

6.25 Good Morning Britain. 9.25 Sesame Street. 10.25 The Sand Castle. 10.40 Poseidon Files. 11.30 The Amazing Years of Cinema. 12.00 Atarah's Music. 12.10 Sounds Like a Story. 12.30 Judi. 1.00 News at One; HTV News. 1.30 A Plus. 2.00 Take the High Road. 2.30 Return of the Saint; HTV News. 3.30 The Young Doctors. 4.00 Atarah's Music. 4.15 Aubrey. 4.20 Letty. 4.50 Razzmatazz. 5.15 Different Strokes. 5.45 News. 6.00 HTV News. 6.35 Crossroads. 7.00 The Country Diary of an Edwardian Lady. 7.30 Coronation Street. 8.00 This is Your Life. 8.30 Fresh Fields. 9.00 Mike Yarwood. 10.00 News at Ten; HTV News. 10.30 Midweek Sports Special. 12.00 Weather; Closedown.

HTV CYMRU: 6.00-6.35 Wales at Six.

ANGLIA

6.25 Good Morning Britain. 9.25 Sesame Street. 10.25 Film: *In the Doghouse*. 11.50 Wattoo Wattoo. 12.00 Atarah's Music. 12.10 Sounds Like a Story. 12.30 Judi. 1.00 News at One; Anglia News; Weather. 1.30 A Plus. 2.00 Take the High Road. 2.30 A Country Practice. 3.30 Sons and Daughters. 4.00 Atarah's Music. 4.15 Aubrey. 4.20 Letty. 4.50 Razzmatazz. 5.15 Emmerdale Farm. 5.45 News. 6.00 About Anglia. 6.35 Crossroads. 7.00 The Country Diary of an Edwardian Lady. 7.30 Coronation Street. 8.00 This is Your Life. 8.30 Fresh Fields. 9.00 Mike Yarwood. 10.00 News at Ten; Anglia Late News; Weather. 10.30 Midweek Sports Special. 12.00 Portrait of a Legend. 12.30 Epilogue; Closedown.

Olivier's success with bare minimum of runners

OLIVIER Douieb has taken the English racing scene by storm with a 100 per cent record from his three runners since moving to Newmarket from France and can continue the winning streak with **Bare Minimum** (3.30) at LINGFIELD today.

This year, Douieb has won a race in France, the 1,000 Guineas trial at Salisbury and a maiden at Warwick on Monday.

Bare Minimum had useful

form in France last season and should be better class than his rivals in the Fosters Draught Stakes.

Bill O'Gorman's speedy youngster **Provided** (2.00) will have to pull out all the stops to beat newcomer **Saloum** in the Carlsberg Stakes to complete his hat-trick, but should be up to the task.

Jack Berry has so far failed to reproduce anything like his scintillating early form of last season, but can rectify the situation slightly with a **HAMILTON** double through **Abrasive** (2.15) and **Light Dawn** (3.45).

Abrasive made an encouraging racecourse debut

at Ayr last month, when despite looking as though she needed the outing, she stayed on well to finish third to the more experienced **Tame Affair**. The outing will have done her a lot of good, and she should be able to see off her seven rivals in the **Bromista Rum Maiden Fillies' Stakes**.

Light Dawn gave Berry only his second success of the season when landing a **Beverley 'seller'** last Friday, but should have little difficulty confirming the form with **Mark Melody** in the **Zarevich Vodka Selling Stakes**.

Ken Ivory, another trainer who usually sends out some

early-season winners, got off the mark with **Dawn's Delight** on Saturday, and can now follow up with **Superb Princess** (2.45) in the **Glen-goyne Malt Whisky Quail Handicap**.

CHELTENHAM's Golden Miller Chase features the clash of **Tote Gold Cup** third **Drumlargan** (3.45) and **Sun Alliance** Chase hero **A Kinsman**, and is easily the best race of the day.

The Queen Mother's Special **Cargo** is on a four-timer and could also get into the argument, but in the belief that last month's **Gold Cup** was one of the best in recent years, **Drumlargan** earns the vote.



SELECTIONS

LINGFIELD: 2.00 **Provided**, 2.30 **Fugacious**, 3.00 **Moon Mariner**, 3.30 **Bare Minimum** (nap), 4.00 **Cor Anglais**, 4.30 **Tom Forrester**.
HAMILTON: 2.15 **Abrasive**, 2.45 **Superb Princess**, 3.15 **Qualitair Prince**, 3.45 **Light Dawn**, 4.15 **Simple Melody**, 4.45 **Physical**.
CHELTENHAM: 2.00 **Hazy Sunset**, 2.35 **Gambir**, 3.10 **Anex**, 3.45 **Drumlargan**, 4.20 **Little Bay**, 4.55 **Tudor Jester**.

Edward O'Grady's ten-year-old was the only horse to really threaten **Burrough Hill Lad** and **Brown Chamberlin** and he eventually finished in the minor place.

11 lengths behind **Burrough Hill Lad**.

He would have skated up in the **Perrier Jouet Champagne Cup** at **Liverpool** a fortnight later but for blundering badly at the last

CHELTENHAM BBC1 2.35, 3.10, 3.45 BBC2 4.20

SIX-YEAR-RECORD

JOCKEYS: J Francombe 49, W Smith 19, R Rowe 16, R Linley 15, J J O'Neill 12, S Smith Eccles 11, P Scudamore 11, C Smith 10, Mr A J Wilson 10, S Morshead 9, T Carmody 8, K Mooney 8, A Webber 8.
TRAINERS: F Winter 52, trained in Ireland 40, F Walwyn 32, J Gifford 28, M H Easterby 15, M Dickinson 15, M Tate 13, L Kennard 10, J Edwards 9, R Hawker 8, Mrs M Rimell.

2.00 PAINSWICK NOVICE HURDLE DIV I £1,500

1	04211	HAZY SUNSET (D) F T Winter 7 11 12	J Francombe
3	0001	EDOUARDE FOX (D) O O'Neill 5 11 5	J Southern
6	013330	ARTIST'S DESIGN Mrs M Rimell 5 11 0	R Linley
7	F321P3	WILD CORN (D) W E Fisher 5 11 0	E Waite
8	0000 00	ASCOT AGAIN J P Smith 8 10 12	P Tuck
9	00	ASTROSYN C James 6 10 12	C Brown
10	00	BARGILL F T Winter 5 10 12	B de Haan
16	0004	KING'S PARDON Mrs A Hewitt 7 10 12	T G Dun
17	0000	LIGHT SONG F Walwyn 5 10 12	K Mooney
24	0	SLAVE LANE N J Henderson 5 10 12	H Davies
25	00	SPERIAMO Mrs W Sykes 5 10 12	S Morshead
26	034003	STORTON C J Hitchens 5 10 12	R Hyett
27	40	SUPER GRASS S Mellor 5 10 12	M Perrett
28	002/00-0	TENDER ANGUS (USA) J T Gifford 6 10 12	R Rowe
29	P	HALATION'S FLAIR Miss P Neal 9 10 7	R Hoare

PROBABLE SP: 7-4 on Hazy Sunset, 9-2 Artist's Design, 13-2 Wild Corn, 8-1 Super Grass, 12-1 Light Song, 16-1 others.

2.35 STEEL PLATE & SECTIONS YOUNG CHSRS

2	211221	ACES WILD (C-D) F T Winter 6 11 11	J Francombe
4	11F321	GAMBIR D Nicholson 6 11 8	P Scudamore

PROBABLE SP: 7-4 on Hazy Sunset, 9-2 Artist's Design, 13-2 Wild Corn, 8-1 Super Grass, 12-1 Light Song, 16-1 others.

5	0-01F34	SHINY COPPER (D) Mrs N Smith 6 11 8	C Brown
7	311113	CNOC NA CUILLE (D) J T Gifford 7 11 4	R Rowe
10	244PF3	WHITTINGTON (USA) Mrs M Easton 6 11 4	Mr A Jones

PROBABLE SP: 5-4 Gambir, 9-4 Aces Wild, 11-2 Shiny Copper, 13-2 Cnoc Na Cuille, 33-1 Whittington.

3.10 GEOFFREY REEVE HANDICAP HURDLE £3,000

1	013001	ALASTOR O MAVROS (USA) J T Gifford 5 12 1 (5 ex)	R Rowe
4	02320F	MOUNT HARVARD N J Henderson 8 11 6	P Croucher (7)
5	300020	ROAD TO MANDALAY (D) D H Barons 7 11 4	H Davies
6	211030	ALEOS (FR) (C) J A Old 7 11 2	P Murphy
7	003111	ANEX (FR) Mrs N Smith 7 11 2	J Francombe
8	124032	MARSHALL KEY Mrs J Pitman 6 10 13	J J O'Neill
9	0P0033	GAINSAID D Nicholson 5 10 11	P Scudamore
10	011210	MISTER LORD (USA) (D) S Mellor 5 10 11	M Perrett
15	400411	VELESO (D) J S King 6 10 3	Steve Knight
16	2000P0	MINERS LODGE (C-D) W E Fisher 11 10 3	E Waite
17	01-00	TANIWA D T Thom 5 10 3	
18	0-0F030	NEAT (BF) F T Winter 6 10 0	B de Haan
19	110-FU-0	BEATIN (D) J A Old 8 10 0	S Morshead
20	1-02140	DAME SUE S Mellor 8 10 0	
22	F03040	WELSH DISPLAY (D) L G Kennard 7 10 0	B Powell (7)
23	121320	WEE WILLIAM B G Hicks 7 10 0	G Jones
27	040032	CANTABILE Lady S Brooke 5 10 0	M Nuttall (4)

BLINKERS: 10, 15
PROBABLE SP: 11-4 Anex, 7-2 Alastor O Mavros, 9-2 Marshall Key, 11-2 Veleso, 13-2 Mister Lord, 10-1 Gainsaid, 12-1 others.

3.45 GOLDEN MILLER CHASE LTD H'CAP £17,500

1	F34313	DRUMLARGAN E O'Grady (IRE) 10 11 10	Mr F Good
2	112F11	A KINSMAN (C) J E Brockbank 8 11 6	T G Dun
3	20034P	SCOT LANE (C-D) M Tate 11 11 2	C Smith
4	020111	SPECIAL CARGO F Walwyn 11 11 1 (4 ex)	W Smith
5	22002F	ASHLEY HOUSE M W Dickinson 10 11 0	
7	PP1100	SOINTULLA BOY Mrs H Houlbrooke 9 10 10	Mr T Houlbrooke
9	211103	FRED PILLINER M Scudamore 7 10 5	P Scudamore

PROBABLE SP: 11-4 Anex, 7-2 Alastor O Mavros, 9-2 Marshall Key, 11-2 Veleso, 13-2 Mister Lord, 10-1 Gainsaid, 12-1 others.

Winning Post

LINGFIELD

SIX YEAR RECORD

JOCKEYS: G Starkey 40, Pat Eddery 38, B Rouse 35, W Carson 29, P Waldron 25, L Piggott 24, P Cook 22, J Mercer 22, J Reid 15, B Taylor 13, G Baxter 13, B Raymond 13, R Fox 12.
TRAINERS: G Harwood 38, J Dunlop 37, P Cole 24, P Walwyn 20, J Sutcliffe 19, I Balding 13, C Benstead 13, B Swift 12, H Cecil 11, G Pritchard-Gordon 11, C Brittain 10, J Winter 10.
DRAW: Higher numbers on the 7 furlongs straight (and shorter) course have an advantage.

2.00 CARLSBERG STAKES £2,300

1	(3)	11	PROVIDED (D) W O'Gorman 9 2	T Ives
2	(2)	01	SUPERB TROOPER (D) R Hoad 9 2	G Sexton
3	(4)	1	ZANTAC (D) R Hannan 9 2	A McGlone (3)
6	(1)	0	INTREPID LAD M McCourt 8 11	R Wernham
7	(6)	0	MOLLY'S BOY J Holt 8 11	P Waldron
8	(8)	0	SALOOM M Hinchliffe 8 11	L Piggott
9	(7)	0	SYLVAN JOKER P Mitchell 8 11	G Starkey
10	(5)	2	OPERA COMIQUE (BF) B Swift 8 8	J Reid

PROBABLE SP: 11-8 Provided, 7-2 Saloom, 9-2 Opera Comique, 8-1 Zantac, 10-1 Sylvan Joker, 12-1 Superb Trooper, 25-1 others.

2.30 WEBSTERS YORKSHIRE BITTER SELLING H'CAP £1,000 7f (26 runners)

3	(8)	300-30-0	KRUIDTVAT A Moore 4 9 7	L Jones (7)
4	(9)	000000	ACADIE (FR) M Ryan 4 9 5	Pat Eddery
5	(23)	000000	OPEN THE BOX (USA) (C) G Balding 5 9 3	J Matthias
7	(6)	000	WALHAN P Mitchell 4 9 2	A McGlone
10	(1)	203110	MONCLARE TROPHY A Pitt 5 9 1	G Starkey
12	(25)	000400	FUGACIOUS M J Hinchliffe 6 8 13	L Piggott
13	(8)	0000 0-0	JOHN DOYLE M Pipe 4 8 13	S Cauten
14	(22)	420000	DRUM MAKER G Kindersley 4 8 12	S Keightley
15	(16)	000030	OUR BIRTHDAY C Benstead 8 8 11	B Rouse
16	(15)	000340	FREEBIE M Haynes 4 8 9	K Woolnough (7)
17	(5)	000	GREEK BANKER J Holt 3 8 9	J Reid
18	(13)	040000	STOCK HILL LAD (C) M Blanshard 3 8 8	P Waldron
19	(4)	002	SERGIADIS J Holt 3 8 8	W Osborne (7)
20	(14)	000000-0	SITEX M Bolton 6 8 7	
21	(7)	000000-0	VALIANT DANCER R Hoad 3 8 6	A Bond
22	(17)	000000-0	BOAS FESTAS Pat Mitchell 4 8 5	T Williams (7)
23	(12)	000	FLATTERY CAP Peter Taylor 4 8 5	B Raymond
24	(24)	3400 0	QUEEN'S ROYALE R Howe 9 8 5	G Sexton
27	(2)	000403	SONG TO SINGO R Carter 4 8 4	R Currant
28	(3)	000 00	CARIBLUE A Davison 7 8 4	N Howe
30	(26)	303334	MAIDA VALE S Woodman 5 8 3	Paul Eddery
31	(11)	000	ELLAN VRETYN B Stevens 4 8 3	
32	(19)	00	MISS MORP D Mills 8 8 3	R Still
33	(20)	0000	GRAND ENTRANCE N Vigors 3 8 2	P Cook
34	(21)	000	BALMENOCH C Austin 3 8 1	R Fox

35	(10)	00040-0	HALL'S PRINCE R Hoad 3 8 0	B Crossley
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BLINKERS: 4, 5, 15
PROBABLE SP: 7-2 Monclare Trophy, 9-2 Fugacious, 11-2 Our Birthday, 7-1 Sergiades, 8-1 Open The Box, 10-1 Freebie and Drum Maker, 12-1 Walhan and Kruidvat, 20-1 others.

3.00 PHOENIX BREWERY HANDICAP £3,000

1	(10)	01200	LOCHBOISDALE (USA) J King 4 9 10	L Piggott
2	(2)	03333-4	ORANGE REEF G Kindersley 4 9 8	S Keightley
3	(5)	024000	OREGON TRAIL D Arbuthnot 4 9 4	J Reid
5	(6)	03202-2	MOON MARINER (D) C Brittain 4 9 1	Pat Eddery
6	(1)	032300	FIGHTER PILOT M Pipe 4 8 10	S Cauten
7	(7)	221040	DIVINE TRUTH A Moore 5 8 1	B Rouse
9	(11)	032302	CANIO R Hodges 7 7 13	A McGlone (3)
11	(8)	0-0-0	COLLECTORS GIRL M Ryan 4 7 9	M Fozzard (7)
14	(3)	000230	ALJAZAR C Benstead 4 7 7	R Street
15	(9)	000100	NERAIDA M Haynes 4 7 7	I Jenkinson
17	(4)	00000	GOLD HUNTER R Hodges 4 7 7	J H Brown (5)

BLINKERS: 1
PROBABLE SP: 9-4 Moon Mariner, 11-4 Lochboisdale, 9-2 Canio, 6-1 Orange Reef, 8-1 Oregon Trail, 10-1 Fighter Pilot, 16-1 others.

3.30 FOSTERS DRAUGHT STAKES £5,000

1	(6)	21-	BARE MINIMUM (USA) O Douieb 9 2	S Cauten
4	(5)	2110-	RAAMI W O'Gorman 9 2	T Ives
5	(C)	024000	SYLVAN BARNUM (C) P Mitchell 9 2	G Starkey
6	(3)	3100-	TURN AND FLY (USA) G Lewis 9 2	P Waldron
7	(7)	020-	AXIOS B Hobbs 8 10	G Baxter
8	(4)	0300-	BARE ESSENCE J Dunlop 8 10	W Carson
11	(1)	0-0	SHARP AND READY A Ingham 8 10	G Ramshaw

PROBABLE SP: 11-10 on Bare Minimum, 7-2 Raami, 9-2 Bare Essence, 8-1 Turn and Fly, 10-1 Axios, 16-1 others.

4.00 USHER TRADITIONAL FILLIES STAKES £1,200 (3-Y-O) 1m 2f (15 runners)

2	(4)	000-	ARBOR LANE M Haynes 8 11	I Jenkinson
3	(12)	00000	BALLARD ROCKET R Baker 8 11	R Fox
4	(14)	00-	BANNA'S RETREAT A Stewart 8 11	M Banner
5	(7)	0-	CHANCES ARE M Tompkins 8 11	R Curant
6	(10)	42-	COR ANGLAIS (USA) I Balding 8 11	Pat Eddery
9	(15)	000-	FLORESSA (GER) R Smyth 8 11	B Raymond
10	(6)	340-	GALIGNANI (FR) P Kelleway 8 11	Gay Kelleway (5)
11	(8)	000-	GREENSTEAD LADY J Winter 8 11	B Taylor
13	(11)	0000-	LAVINIA'S PET R J Williams 8 11	R Cochrane
14	(9)	0000-	LIBRA'S HOPE J Dunlop 8 11	W Carson
15	(3)	300000	MARRONESSE R Voorspuys 8 11	S Cauten
16	(1)	0-	PORT ANITA P Mitchell 8 11	A McGlone (3)
19	(2)	0-	RUFF'S LUCK (USA) G Harwood 8 11	G Starkey
20	(5)	0-0	SOUTHERN SMILES M Usher 8 11	P Waldron
21	(13)	00040	TENTRACO LADY R Howe 8 11	A Barclay

PROBABLE SP: 11-4 Cor Anglais, 7-2 Ruff's Luck, 4-1 Galignani, 6-1 Libra's Hope, 8-1 Floressa, 10-1 Greenstead Lady, 12-1 Southern Smiles and Marronesse, 20-1 others.

4.30 HOLSTEN PILLS HANDICAP £2,000

2	(6)	004-	ATKINS B Swift 9 7	J Reid
3	(2)	000-	BOLDNINE C Brittain 9 7	Z FitzGerald (7)
4	(15)	00030	SPARKLER SPIRIT A Pitt 9 5	W R Swinburn
5	(13)	00001-0	STORMCHASER H Beasley 9 5	L Piggott
6	(1)	343300	DARE YOU R Smyth 9 5	S Whitworth (7)
7	(11)	103300	FORGE CLOSE (C) M Blanshard 9 4	J Matthias
10	(3)	0000-0	CATMAN M E Francis 8 13	Paul Eddery
11	(4)	220010	TENDER SEEKER G Lewis 8 12	P Waldron
12	(9)	041000	PEANDAY H Beasley 8 11	G Sexton
16	(7)	002000	TOM FORRESTER A Pitt 8 8	B Rouse
17	(14)	20000-0	STREET LEVEL H O'Neill 8 8	R Fox
19	(10)	000-	ALHARGAH C Benstead 8 7	P Cook
20	(8)	32400-4	GO BANANA'S K Ivory 8 6	R Cochrane
22	(5)	00040-	THE MILKMAN R Smyth 8 4	R Hills (3)
24	(12)	000004	CLARYON M Ryan 7 12	M Fozzard (7)

PROBABLE SP: 3-1 Tender Seeker, 7-2 Sparkler Spirit, 9-2 Atkins, 6-1 Tom Forrester, 8-1 Forge Close, 10-1 Go Banana's and Stormchaser, 12-1 Boldnine, 20-1 others.

RESULTS

FONTWELL

2.00 (2m 2f): **YOUNG LOVER** J Francombe (evens fav) 1; **John Brush** (11-4); **Takeafence** (10-1); **Chummy's Best** (7-1); 10 ran. 1 1/2, hd. (F Winter) T: £1.60; £1.10, £1.10, £1.60, CSF: £3.79.
2.30 (2m 6f): **SUMMERCOVE** C Warren (4-1 fav) 1; **Mariban** (14-1); **Maurice's Tip** (9-1); **Gold Floor** (33-1); 22 ran. 5, 7, (A Moore) T: £4.20; £1.50, £4.70, £2.80, £7.90, CSF: £54.74.
3.00 (3m 2f): **FOX BURY** P Warner (20-1); **Approaching** (6-1); **Ballygore** (6-1); **Knight of Love** (12-1); 12 ran. 4, 3, (Mrs C Richards) T: £55.30; £11.40, £2.50, £2.40, CSF: £119.31. NR: Major Tom and Friar Tuck. Stewards reversed placings of 2nd and 3rd.
3.30 (2m 2f): **FAITHFUL DON** B Reilly (4-1); **Bold Print** (11-8 fav) 2; **Blonde Bombshell** (33-1); **War and Peace** (33-1); 14 ran. 2, 3, (G Balding) T: £3.70; £2.20, £1.60, £6. CSF: £8.67. NR: Saucy Vulcan.
4.00 (2m 2f): **BUCK AND WING** M Perrett (15-8); **Hopeful Answer** (14-1); **Button Boy** (12-1); **Poor Son** (50-1); 10 ran. 1 1/2, 8, (D Grissell) T: £2.90; £1.50, £1.80, £1.90, CSF: £25.86.
4.30 (2m 2f): **LIGHT TRAVELLER** R Goldstein (9-2); **Quite A Night** (13-2); **Pip** (9-1); **Oula Owl** (13-8 fav); 15 ran. 2, 2 1/2, (M Masson) T: £6.90; £2.30, £1.50, £1.30, CSF: £29.84. NR: Picatcat.

HAMILTON

2.15 (1m 3f): **HAZEL BUSH** A P O'Reilly (3-1 fav) 1; **Porter** (10-1); **Wildrush** (7-1); **Glaudius Crozet** (5-1); 10 ran. 2 1/2, 4, (M Prescott) T: £2.50; £1.30, £3.40, £2.70, CSF: £29.16. NR: Concert Pitch.
2.45 (1m): **KELLY BAY** J Lowe (evens fav) 1; **Saffron Poser** (3-1); **Balmacara** (10-1); **Waldron Hill** (10-1); 9 ran. hd. 10, (S Norton) T: £1.30; £1.10, £3. CSF: £4.58. Saffron Poser 1 shd 1st and Kelly Bay 2nd, stewards reversed placings.
3.15 (6f): **PARABEMS** R Cochrane (3-1 fav) 1; **Sploit for Choice** (7-1); **Oyston Estates** (5-1); **Mel Mira** (9-1); 10 ran. 3, 3 1/2, (K Ivory) T: £2.70; £1.10, £1.80, £3.20, CSF: £23.48.
3.45 (6f): **EASY JEANS** P Hamblett (12-1); **Baby Boy** (15-8 ft fav) 2; **Mendick Adventure** (12-1); **Kiowa** (12-1); 12 ran. 6, 1/2, (B Hanbury) T: £10.60; £1.90, £1.10, £3.70, CSF: £35.63.
4.15 (5f): **GARDA'S GLORY** B Coogan (8-1); **Sandy Reef** (10-1); **Greemont** (2-1 fav); **Thurso**

SPLIT DECISION!

The Chris Hughton
Spurs file



SPLIT, YUGOSLAVIA, TUESDAY — We arrived here safely this evening after quite a long outward journey from London. Split lies on the Adriatic Sea but there will be precious little time for sunbathing or sight-seeing on this trip. It's a case of keeping our minds on the job at hand.

We have already seen some videos of Hadjuk and, believe me, they will be no pushovers. They are a fairly physical side who can play a bit, too.

They are unlike many of the Continental sides we have played in recent years.

Hadjuk have a fair sprinkling of Yugoslav in-

ternationals in their side. They play in a similar vein to many English First Division sides, relying on a power game rather than skill but, as I have already said, they

do have a few players who can play a bit as well.

Many people have already written us off for this first leg because of our injury and suspension problems.

Glenn Hoddle and Ossie Ardiles are ruled out with

It's going to be tough against Hadjuk

long-term injuries, while both Gary Stevens and Garry Brooke are serving one-match UEFA suspensions.

We do hope to have Gary Mabbutt and Steve Archibald fit and, as I have constantly said this season, I fancy us to grab at least one goal away from home in European competition.

Draw

The one good thing about our UEFA Cup semi-final draw with Hadjuk is that we have them at our place in the second leg.

If we can keep the score tight here tomorrow night, we could well have a night of celebrations at White Hart Lane in a fortnight.

It's a big night throughout Europe for British soccer, with no less than six British teams, including ourselves, involved in the semi-final stages of all the competitions.

Title

Nottingham Forest play in the other UEFA Cup semi-final, first leg, against Anderlecht at the City Ground tomorrow night, and over two legs I fancy the Belgians to go through to the final.

Anderlecht are the only side left in Europe defending a title this season.

They are a very good side and Forest will do very well to get a result against them.

Still, you can never be sure of anything with Brian Clough around and I certainly wouldn't write off Forest, yet.

The European Champions' Cup semi-finals has thrown up two intriguing ties.

You have to fancy Liverpool against Dinamo Bucharest over two legs but, remember, the Rumanians have put out some very good sides on the way to the semis.

Dundee United, the Scottish club on a shoestring, have done themselves proud by reaching the last four. Their reward: a semi-final clash with Italian giants Roma.

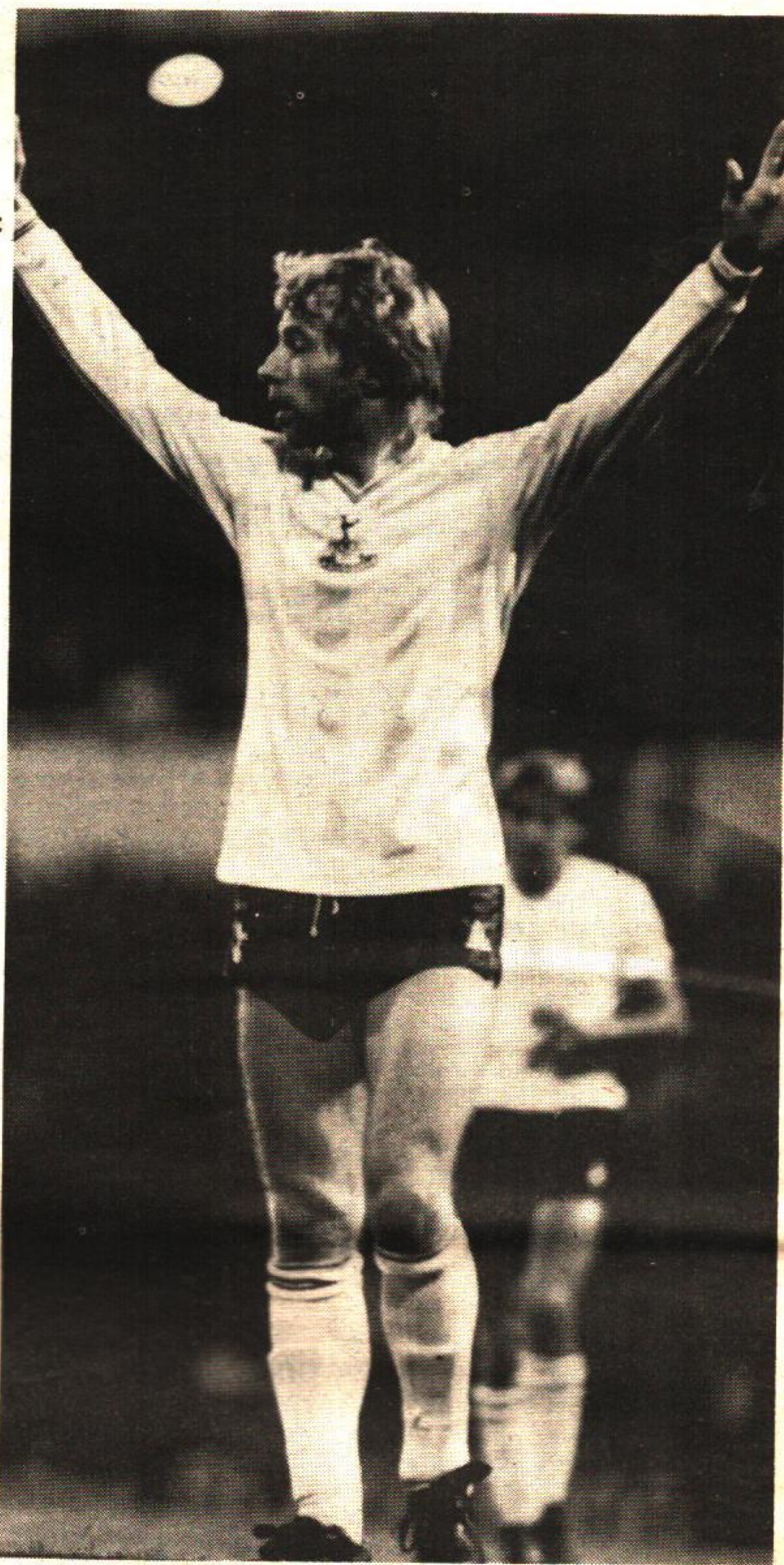
Fight

The sheer skill of the Romans should see them through against Dundee but don't write the Scots off. They will make Falcao and company fight all the way for their victory.

The biggest clash of the night, once again, is in the European Cup Winners' Cup, where Manchester United take on Juventus.

The atmosphere will be electric at Old Trafford tomorrow night. They'll be hanging out of the rafters up there.

It's going to be very



STEVE ARCHIBALD . . . I hope our top goalscorer comes through a fitness test

tight over two legs but I'll got for the Italians to snatch it over two legs.

Aberdeen, probably the best side in Britain after Liverpool, should reach their second European final in succession at the expense of Porto from Portugal.

I stand corrected, Aberdeen are also defending a trophy this season. Who will ever forget their epic clash with Real Madrid in the pouring rain in Gothenborg last season?

I'd like to see Porto win, however. My Irish teammate, Mickey Walsh, plays for them and it was his goal in the last round that saw the Portuguese through.

Finalists

Here again (for what it's worth!) is my European finalists: Liverpool, Roma, Juventus, Aberdeen, Anderlecht and Tottenham.

See you next week.



GARY MABBUTT . . . Should recover from a chest infection to play out here in Yugoslavia

CHRIS HUGHTON WAS TALKING TO MATTHEW NUGENT

HAMILTON

SIX YEAR RECORD

JOCKEYS: G Duffield 52, J Lowe 40, M Birch 26, E Hide 23, J Bleasdale 22, S Webster 20, K Darley 17, N Carlisle 13, L Charnock 13, C Dwyer 13, A Mercer 12, B Raymond 12, B Jago 11.
TRAINERS: W Williams 36, M Prescott 31, C Nelson 23, P Haslam 22, J Berry 19, C Thornton 19, S Norton 17, J W Watts 17, P Rohan 16, D Smith 16, C Crossley 13, T Craig 11.
DRAW: Higher numbers have an advantage on soft going over shortest distances.

2.15 BROMISTA RUM MAIDEN FILLIES STAKES

£1,200 (2-Y-O) 5f (8 runners)
1 (5) 0000-0 ABRASIVE J Berry 8 11 K Darley
2 (4) 0000-0 ALLEZ N Chamberlain 8 11 G Skeats
3 (8) 0000-0 APRICAL T Craig 8 11 A MacKay
4 (2) 0000-0 BEG-TO-DIFFER W H Williams 8 11 E Johnson
5 (3) 0000-0 CAROUSEL NOUGAT J S Wilson 8 11 M Fry
6 (6) 0000-0 DELIFURE D Chapman 8 11 D Nicholls
7 (5) 0200-0 DENEUVE J S Wilson 8 11 G Duffield
11 (1) 0000-0 MUSIC NYMPH A Bailey 8 11 P Robinson

PROBABLE SP: Evens Abrasive, 7-2 Deneuve, 9-2 Music Nymph, 8-1 Felfure, 10-1 Carousel Nougat, 12-1 others.

2.45 GLENGOYNE MALT WHISKY QUAICH HANDICAP

£2,500 (3-Y-O) 5f (8 runners)
2 (3) 03340-0 JESTERS PET (D) R Whitaker 9 7 S Perks
4 (8) 013-000 RIO BRANCO (D) R Stubbs 9 3 L Wilson (7)
5 (7) 00100-0 BOOM SHANTY (D) T Craig 9 3 C Dwyer
6 (6) 34000-0 BLACKPOOL BELLE (C-D) J Berry 8 12 S Horsfall (5)
7 (5) 0200-0 RIDALS CHOICE R Hobson 8 12 O Gray
9 (4) 0000-0 EARLY JAZZ D Chapman 8 7 D Nicholls
10 (2) 30300-0 SUPERB PRINCESS K Ivory 8 5 J Lowe

11 (1) 04404-2 PAPIER MACHE J Wilson 8 0 K Darley
BLINKERS: 4, 7, 10

PROBABLE SP: 5-2 Papier Mache, 7-2 Blackpool Belle, 4-1 Supert Princess, 11-2 Boom Shanty, 6-1 Rio Branco, 10-1 Jesters Pet, 14-1 others.

3.15 LANGS SUPREME SCOTCH WHISKY TROPHY

(H'CAP) £2,500 1m (14 runners)
1 (7) 004030- HAWKLEY P Haslam 4 10 G Duffield
2 (1) 20000-0 ROMOSS (C-D) R Whitaker 6 9 11 S Perks
4 (2) 000-000 CARRIAGE WAY (D) R Stubbs 10 9 1 S Bridge (7)
5 (13) 00000-0 EVEN BANKER D Sasse 5 9 0 D McKay
6 (6) 00040-0 BANOCO (C) T Craig 6 9 0 A Mackay
7 (12) 200000- FOOLISH WAYS (C-D) A Balding 5 8 11 J Balding
8 (10) 2041-00 QUALITAIR PRINCE (BF) M Ryan 5 8 8 P Robinson
9 (8) 010030- CROWN COUNSEL P Feilden 5 8 8 E Hide
10 (4) 03120-3 BOY SANDFORD (C-D) C H Bell 5 8 8 N Carlisle
13 (11) 004-00 MISHA J Wilson 4 8 6 K Darley
16 (3) 001000- CAMERONIAN LAD (C) J S Wilson 5 7 12 E Turner (7)
17 (9) 40400-0 VYNZ SUPREME W H Williams 4 7 12 E Johnson
18 (5) 00400-0 GAYGIG D Chapman 4 7 7 S P Griffiths (7)
19 (14) 00400-4 ELITIST N Chamberlain 3 7 7 M Fry

PROBABLE SP: 4-1 Qualitair Prince, 5-1 Romoss, 11-2 Elitist, 13-2 Crown Counsel, 7-1 Banoco, 8-1 Hawkley, 10-1 Boy Sandford, 12-1 Gaygig, 14-1 Vynz Supreme, 16-1 others.

3.45 ZAREVICH VODKA SELLING STAKES

(2-Y-O) 5f (6 runners)
1 (6) 1 LIGHT DAWN (D) J Berry 8 13 K Darley
4 (2) 1 PATCHBURG W H Williams 8 11 E Johnson
5 (1) 33 SWIFT RIVER C H Bell 8 11 G Duffield
7 (4) 00 ALISA PEARL G Harman 8 8 G P Kelly
9 (5) 0 ARINO R Stubbs 8 8 D Nicholls
12 (3) 24 MARK MELODY (D) D Plant 8 8 B Coogan
PROBABLE SP: 6-4 on Light Dawn, 4-1 Swift River, 7-1 Mark Melody, 10-1 Arino, 14-1 Alisa Pearl, 20-1 Patchburg.

4.15 BANANA RUM MAIDEN STAKES

£750 (3-Y-O) 1m (12 runners)
1 (2) 0000- ABE MY BOY A Balding 9 0 J Balding
2 (6) 0 BOARD THE TRAIN F Watson 9 0
4 (8) 004 DOWEGIAN C Nelson 9 0 J Mercer
7 (9) 0330-0 KUWAIT DAY G Huffer 9 0 M Rimmer (3)
8 (4) 0 MUSIC WONDER D Plant 9 0 B Coogan
9 (10) 00- PATER (USA) W Eley 9 0 C Dwyer
11 (1) 3 SIMPLE MELODY J W Watts 9 0 N Connorton
12 (11) 00-0 THE GAME'S UP P Haslam 9 0 G Duffield
14 (12) 40000-0 FLEUR-DE-CHRISE (BF) R Hobson 8 11 O Gray
15 (5) 000- RILIN N Chamberlain 8 11 G Skeats
16 (3) 03223-0 SHERVANI (USA) (BF) S Norton 8 11 J Lowe
17 (7) 00- UDAL T Cuthbert 8 11 M Wood
PROBABLE SP: 9-4 Shervani, 3-1 Kuwait Day, 9-2 Simple Melody, 6-1 Dowegian, 8-1 Fleur-de-Chrise, 10-1 The Game's Up, 14-1 others.

4.45 TOTTER HOME MAIDEN STAKES

£800 1m 5f (12 runners)
2 (9) 0000-0 CHRISTOWE BOY J Wilson 4 9 0 K Darley
5 (6) 0000-0 INDIAN C Thornton 4 9 0 J Bleasdale
6 (2) 00-0 NATIVE LAW R Hobson 4 9 0
8 (12) 024-0 NOT PAID (USA) P Feilden 4 9 0 G Duffield
9 (4) 024-0 PHILPRIDE W Eley 4 9 0 C Dwyer
10 (11) 0-4 PHYSICAL (USA) P Walwyn 4 9 0 J Mercer
11 (10) 0 PONDERONIT D Chapman 4 9 0 G P Kelly
14 (5) 000-3 UPTOWN W Storey 4 9 0 O Gray
15 (3) 0- BONDIE (AUS) R Williams 4 8 11 E Hide
16 (1) 00000-0 COTTAGE STYLE W A Stephenson 5 8 11 P Robinson
17 (8) 43200-3 LINE ABREAST S Norton 5 8 11 J Lowe
18 (7) 00000-0 TRACK SECRET E Weymes 5 8 11
BLINKERS: 2
PROBABLE SP: 15-8 Physical, 11-4 Uptown, 9-2 Philpride, 8-1 Indian, 9-1 Line Abreast, 12-1 Bondie, 16-1 others.

EUROPEAN SOCCER PREVIEW

DINAMO ARE NO PUSHOVER

THREE-TIMES European Cup winners Liverpool no longer have a pre-match edge over teams from the less-publicised soccer corners of Europe, says manager Joe Fagan as his experienced side prepare to face surprise semi-finalists Dinamo Bucharest at Anfield tonight.

'Things have changed. Almost every country has now got used to playing in Europe. Being away does not make as much difference to them,' said Fagan.

'We have not had the luxury of a three or four-goal home lead for a while. Once we had an advantage over many teams because we learned about two-leg Cup ties faster than most. It stood us in good stead.

Now it has levelled out.'

Liverpool, with Craig Johnston back in midfield for the ineligible John Wark, can expect a well-organised defence to oppose them.

Romania have qualified for the European Championship finals this summer and Fagan picked out one of their internationals, Ionel Augustin, as a Dinamo forward to watch.

Bucharest coach Nicolai Dumitru, however, hinted it will be his defen-

ders who catch the eye. 'In order to gain a good first result it is not a bad thing if we defend in England,' he said yesterday.

Beaten

The visitors have beaten Hamburg and Soviet champions Minsk on their way to the semi-finals, but lost to League rivals Craiova when Fagan had them watched recently.

'They looked a very good, well-organised

team and the champions of every country have to be respected these days,' he said.

Having fallen to East European sides in the last two years, Liverpool are aware of the potential pitfalls.

An Anfield win looks certain, though. The goal threat of Ian Rush is obvious, but Johnston could find himself a key figure at a personally testing time.

The quick-moving midfielder cannot be guaran-

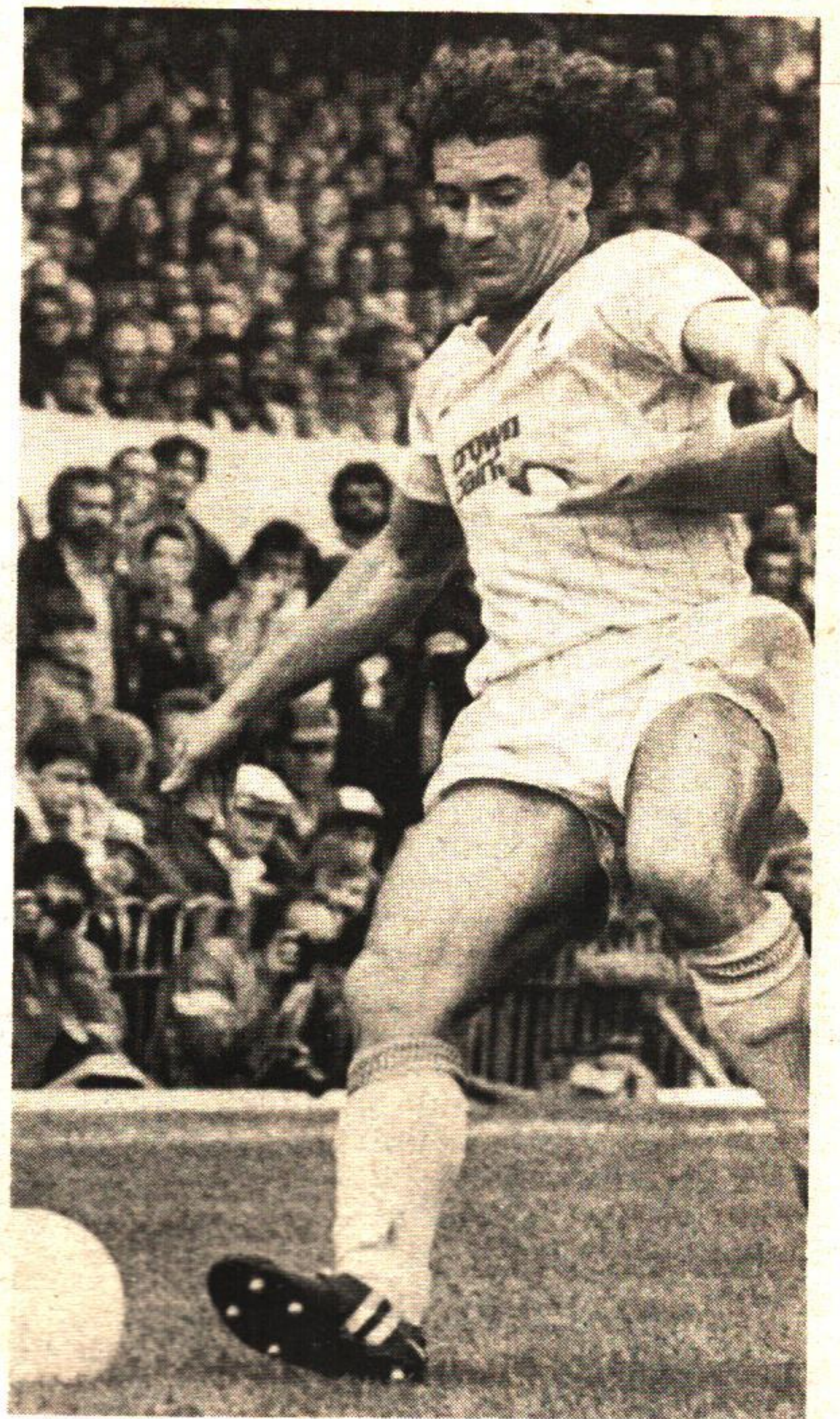
teed a first-team place now Wark has arrived, but his expected fiery response to the situation might just spark a performance to destroy the Rumanians.

Fagan, ever cautious, draws no conclusions from Liverpool's sparkling performance on Saturday, when they thrashed West Ham 6-0.

Forward

'A few weeks ago we lost to Southampton on Friday, then went to Benfica on a Wednesday and won. Win or lose, we never look back at this club — only forward.'

With that sense of forward planning rather than any feeling of overconfidence, he has already sent a spy to the other semi-final between Dundee United and Roma.



CRAIG JOHNSTON . . . Recalled by Liverpool for tonight's match

United hit injury crisis

THE HEART has been torn out of Manchester United's team as they prepare for their European Cup Winners' Cup showdown with Juventus at Old Trafford tonight.

Bryan Robson is the latest casualty with a hamstring strain which leaves him extremely doubtful for the semi-final, first leg.

Ray Wilkins is suspended and Arnold Muhren was ruled out yesterday morning, so United are likely to face the Italian giants without three of their most influential players.

Robson, hurt in training yesterday, will have intensive treatment until just before the kick-off, but United manager Ron Atkinson is far from hopeful about his chances.

Cramp

Robson himself said: 'I was playing five-a-side when I felt something go. At first I thought it was cramp because I have never had this sort of injury before.'

'I still think I have a chance of playing, I desperately want to be fit for such an important match against a side of the calibre of Juventus.'

Atkinson, who has named a squad of no fewer than 20 players, said: 'The whole thing revolves around Robson. If he is half fit we will not risk



BRYAN ROBSON . . . His injury is a great blow to United's chances of beating Juventus

him aggravating the injury and putting himself out for the rest of the season. It could be a very strange-looking midfield.'

Arthur Graham will continue to deputise for Muhren and Mike Duxbury could move into Wilkins's position, with John Gidman returning at right back for his first game since October.

If Robson is unfit, the contenders for his place include defender Paul McGrath, untried midfielder Mark Dempsey and winger Alan

Davies, who has not played since last season's FA Cup final replay.

Atkinson said: 'If we are not as creative as we would like to be, we have to replace it with something else — sweat, blood and honest endeavour.'

Credit

United are unbeaten in 37 European matches at home, with 31 wins and six draws to their credit since they first took on continental opposition more than a quarter of a century ago.

That record will be seriously threatened by powerful Juventus, who will be at full strength.

If Robson is not around to pit his wits against the skills of Frenchman Michel Platini, United will probably be grateful simply not to be behind when they go to Italy for the second leg.

● ABERDEEN will be at full strength for their Cup Winners' clash with Porto in Portugal. Gordon Strachan, a slight worry yesterday with a head cold, has been passed fit to play.

I'll take the blame - Clough

BRIAN CLOUGH is ready to shoulder the blame if injury-hit Nottingham Forest fail to overcome the holders, Anderlecht, in their UEFA Cup semi-final clash at the City Ground tonight.

Striker Garry Birtles and midfield man Frans Thijssen both miss tonight's first leg at the City Ground — and Clough claims he may have to include 16-year-old Steve Murray among the five substitutes.

Bench

'I am so short of players, I may have to name Scottish midfielder Murray on the bench. Not many teams at this stage of a European competition have to name a 16-year old,' said Clough.

'I accept though that this is my fault. I should have signed more players months ago to make them eligible to play in Europe.'

'Now we are in the semi-finals of the UEFA Cup and we are trying to hang on to third place in the League with about the smallest squad in the First Division.'

Pressure

It is another piece of pre-match psychology from Clough, deflecting pressure from his players as they prepare for their most important match so far this season.

Forest's line-up is still open to speculation, with



BRIAN CLOUGH . . . Ready to take the blame

Gary Mills and Ian Wallace vying for a place.

Mills, who won a European Cup medal in 1980 when Forest beat SV Hamburg in the final, inspired Forest to a 3-1 win over West Brom at the weekend — his first appearance for two years.

The midfielder player was in a wheelchair 12

months ago after breaking a leg in three places while with North American club Seattle Sounders.

Now Mills could be just the man to unsettle Anderlecht, boosted yesterday when six of their side were chosen for Belgium's friendly against Poland next week.

QPR take-over

Rangers' Loftus Road ground was taken over last Saturday — and the 'invaders' dished up some great pre-match entertainment. In a women's mini-soccer tournament, Howbury Grange beat Fulham Ladies 1-0 in a stirring final. The two teams are pictured below whilst our action picture shows Fulham's Fiona Curl getting in a tackle on Howbury's Terry Springett. Full story, and more pictures, tomorrow.



INJURY NIGHTMARE

THE DREAM of six British clubs reaching all three European finals this season was shattered last night as Manchester United, Tottenham and Nottingham Forest reported mounting injury problems.

United manager Ron Atkinson lost the battle to get Dutch midfielder Arnold Muhren fit yesterday morning — and there was more bad news after training when captain Bryan Robson was injured.

'I was playing five-a-side when I felt something go. At first I thought it was cramp because I never had this sort of injury before,' a despondent Robson said later.

The injury was later diagnosed as a hamstring strain and now the England captain is very doubtful to face Michel

BY MATTHEW NUGENT

Platini, the Juventus playmaker.

If, as expected, Robson does miss the game, there could be a sensational recall for winger Alan Davies who last appeared for the Old Trafford club in last season's FA Cup final replay.

Brian Clough's Nottingham Forest are so short of players for tonight's clash with UEFA Cup holders Anderlecht, they may have to name an untried 16-year-old Scottish youngster, Steve Murray, as a substitute.

Clough last night blamed himself for the club's predicament. 'I should have signed more players months ago to make them eligible to play in Europe,' he said.

'Now we are in the semi-finals of the UEFA Cup and are trying to hang on to third place in the League with about the smallest squad in the First Division.'

Garry Mills, the mid-field player who was in a wheelchair 12 months ago after breaking his leg in three places, could make his European return for Forest. He is vying for the final place in the side with Ian Wallace.

Keith Burkinshaw's ambition to bow out as manager of Tottenham with the UEFA Cup this season, was also tempered with bad news yesterday.

Spurs arrived in Yugoslavia for their semi-final with Hadjuk Split minus Glenn Hoddle, Osvaldo Ardiles (both injured), Gary Stevens and Garry Brooke (suspended).

