

NUPE votes to keep up labour schemes THOUSANDS TO STRIKE TO DEFEND NHS PAY

FROM JOHN SPENCER IN BOURNEMOUTH

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OVER 700,000 members of the public employees union (NUPE) will take industrial action to back hospital cleaners in Barking, east London, who have been on strike for nine weeks against privatisation and pay cuts.

Union general secretary Rodney Bickerstaffe said last night he would be appealing to the TUC to support the action in line with Congress's anti-privatisation policy.

Impact

No definite form had been fixed for the action, but Bickerstaffe mentioned the possibility of strikes, occupations, not covering for people absent from work, and similar moves.

'It will certainly impact,' he said.

The effects of the Barking dispute were undermining the national Whitley Council agreements and he accused Industry Secretary Norman Fowler of acting as 'the Pontius Pilate of industrial relations' by washing his hands of the dispute.

Bickerstaffe was speaking in Bournemouth after delegates at NUPE's annual conference ignored warnings from national officer Ron Keating that there were 'very real difficulties' in taking national action.

They voted in response to a strong appeal from Gill Rogers, Barking general branch, who said: 'You will never have a better opportunity



DELEGATES at the NUPE conference in Bournemouth yesterday voted for action on the Barking hospital strike

to act against privatisation.'

The Barking cleaners are employed by Crothalls. The private firm has held the contract for many years, but when it came up for renewal the tender was cut by 41 per cent at the expense of cleaners' pay and conditions.

Renegotiating its contract with the Redbridge District Health Authority, Crothalls agreed to cut the time for cleaning the hospital from a total of 2,189 'man' hours to 1,331 hours.

They are attempting to implement this by cutting the women's wages by up to 60 per cent, their hours from 35 to 20, reducing sick pay to the statutory minimum and cutting holidays to three weeks.

The 90 domestics

walked out on March 19 and have been on strike ever since.

Rogers, a nurse, whose mother organised the union at Barking, said the contractors had brought in other labour to break the strike, 'people who are prepared to cross a picket line to steal other people's jobs.'

Ovation

'The women have been thrown about, hit and beaten by the scabs. The law have protected them and they have not protected the women.'

A busload of Barking strikers, all wearing yellow T-shirts, were given a standing ovation by delegates as they stood around the platform to listen to Rogers.

After the vote, Gill Rogers told News Line

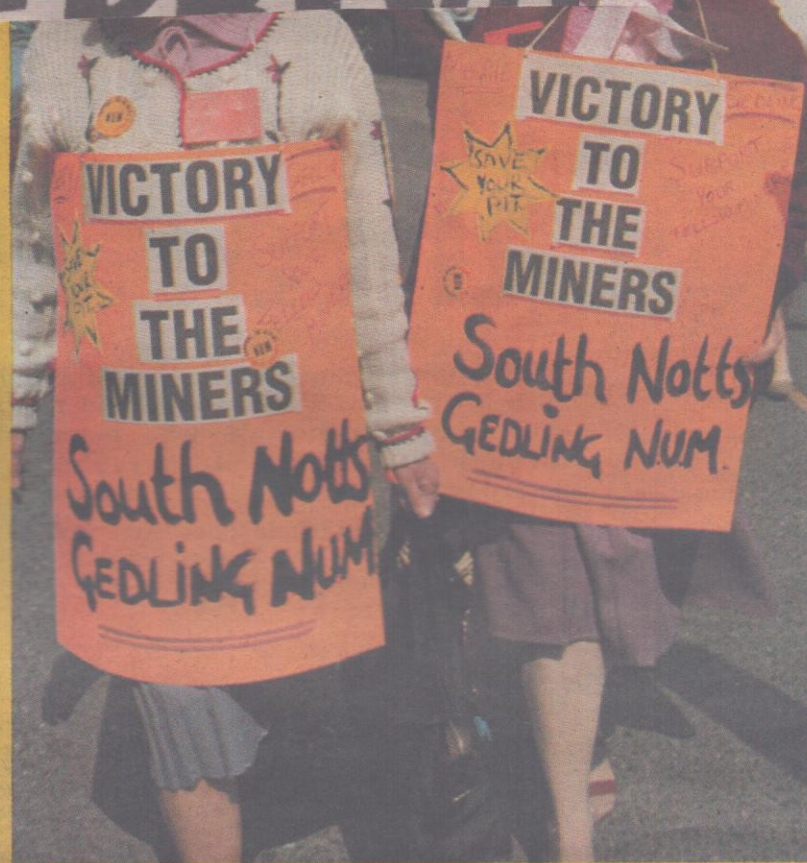
she was absolutely confident the executive would do their utmost to enact the decision. What the women wanted, she said, was 'some significant action in their support'.

She pointed out that the strikers were facing eviction from the hospital premises and the pavement in front as the result of an injunction being sought by the health authority.

NUPE shop steward Susan Smith, one of the Barking strikers, said they were hoping for a 48-hour strike, or maybe even a week.

She said the effect of the health authority injunction was to take away not only their jobs but their right to picket.

She was delighted with the conference vote and said: 'The feeling from the floor was terrific.'



MINERS WIVES MARCH TO BACK STRIKE

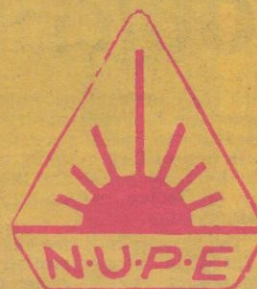
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THE Reagan government is fuelling Iraq's war against Iran by flying Saudi-based AWACS reconnaissance missions for the Iraqi regime.

Iraqi president Saddam Hussein made the admission to Kuwaiti journalists visiting Baghdad at the weekend, the 'Financial Times' said on Saturday.

Saddam was quoted as saying: 'We have benefited from the AWACS (advanced warning and control systems) in Iraq.'

The Reagan government was also trying to stop its allies supplying arms to Iran, the paper said.

Reagan supplied five of the multi-billion dollar AWACS aircraft to the Saudi Arabian regime in 1981 under an agreement that US pilots would maintain and fly the aircraft, which would remain under US control although the Saudi regime paid for them.

The Reagan and Saudi regimes signed the agreement after the Iran-Iraq war erupted at the end of 1980.

A specific purpose of the aircraft was to assist in 'the defence of the airspace of Saudi Arabia and its allies', the 'Financial Times' said.

Iraq has complete air power over Iran, only about 70 of whose fighter bombers are air worthy.

Call for statement on MP

LABOUR MP Ted Leadbiter yesterday demanded a statement by the Prime Minister on the Dr Keith Hampson affair.

Hampson, MP for Leeds North West, has resigned as parliamentary private secretary to Defence Secretary Heseltine, for 'personal reasons'.

It follows an incident on May 3, at the Gay Theatre Club in London's Soho.

He is alleged to have indecently assaulted a plainclothes police officer on duty at the club. He has not been charged with any offence.

Marcus Fox, a Tory MP and close friend of Dr Hampson, criticised calls for a security inquiry as 'quite ridiculous' and 'disgraceful'.

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7,000 join march through St Helens

'LET'S have a General Strike!' Bold NUM branch secretary Mal Gregory told 7,000 miners and supporters who marched through St Helens, Merseyside, on Saturday.

The miners and their families came from all the Lancashire pits, as well as contingents from Durham, Northumberland, North Derbyshire and Kent.

A Workers Revolutionary Party and Young Socialists delegation demanded a General Strike.

Staff from St Helen's Hospital greeted the miners and a group of NHS workers marched to the rally at Sherdley Park.

Sutton Manor NUM branch secretary Ray Jackson welcomed the Durham and Northumberland men, who have been assisting pickets in the St Helens area.

'You have done a good job for Lancashire,' he said. 'Thatcher has undone in a short time what our fathers bled and suffered for.'

'We must get rid of this government. When Murray goes we must have a new TUC to remove this government.'

Bold NUM branch secretary Mal Gregory said: 'Stand next to a miner and hope it rubs off on you. Let's have a General Strike.'

Miner's wife Beverley Potter said: 'The Tory government penalises us by taking £15 off the supplementary benefit and by depriving our families.'

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'But Thatcher didn't reckon on the miners' wives getting together. When Thatcher takes on miners' wives she has met her match.'

Merseyside Labour County Council leader Keva Coombes said: 'If the miners lose, the Labour movement will suffer from a set-back. Every section of the labour movement must support the miners.'

National Union of Seamen representative Harry Carrabine drew a big cheer when he spoke of the Liverpool, Welsh and Irish seamen on strike to back the miners.

NUM national secretary Peter Heathfield said: 'Since October we have said we would welcome negotiations. But Macgregor says it is 20 pits and 20,000 jobs — take it or leave it.'

MPs Dennis Skinner and John Evans, Euro-candidate Les Huckfield and Liverpool Labour Party chairman Tony Mulhearn also spoke.

Freddy Bilo, a miner at Agcroft colliery, said he had been out since the start of the dispute although most of the men at the pit have continued working.



North East marchers in Nottinghamshire

THE DURHAM miners marching to Mansfield just after the strike started but it never got off the ground, Gerry Lally, a faceworker at Cortonwood, for 10 years told News Line.

The marchers started out from Ellington, Northumberland, two weeks ago.

As they set off from Silverwood, near Rotherham, yesterday, 16 miners from Cortonwood and three miners from Silverwood colliery joined them on the road to Mansfield.

'We were talking about

that we should all stand together.'

'It's time we did something about jobs. Every time you switch on the TV you hear about more people being put on the dole. Now is the time to stand up and be counted.'

'I agree with the idea of a General Strike. It's time that everyone stood up and fought this government.'

'The government are trying to make this country look good on paper but Thatcher's really running the country like a bank manager.'

Bob Fitzpatrick, 18, also from Cortonwood, said: 'When I left school, I worked at a firm building garages, where there was no union and the conditions were hideous.'

'I've been at the pit five months. I'm now in a union and proud to be — and I shall fight for that union.'

Another young Silverwood miner, Robert Boyle, said he decided to join the march as soon as he heard about it on Saturday.

'I think we should stop the Nottinghamshire coalfield, picket the power stations and wharves and bring the country to a standstill,' he said.

Officials told break law

SECRET instructions have been sent to Department of Health and Social Security officials ordering them to deliberately break the law by disclosing confidential information.

The instructions are contained in a government document, the 'L' code, a DHSS manual issued to legal aid assessment officers.

It gives the officers detailed instructions on means testing for legal aid, using the personal financial details of legal aid applicants.

It also tells officers to

pass on the information they have obtained in confidence from legal aid applicants to other officials who have nothing to do with legal aid, but who may, for instance, be concerned about possible overpayments of state benefits.

This is a criminal offence. The Legal Aid Act 1974 forbids the passing of legal aid information for any purpose other than legal aid.

Section 22 of the Act is one of the few laws protecting personal data in the

UK, which preserves the normal, confidential relationship between solicitors and their clients.

The Legal Action Group (LAG), which exposed the instructions yesterday in its magazine 'Legal Action', said: 'Without this protection some people would be excluded from the legal system because they could not afford to pay for a lawyer and would be afraid to apply for legal aid through some real or imagined overpayment of benefit that might be discovered as a result of the means test.'



LIL STEVENS

A fight for the NHS

MEMBERS of the public service union NUPE were urged to use all their strength to fight privatisation in local authorities and the health service as the union's annual conference opened in Bournemouth yesterday.

NUPE president Lil Stevens told the conference: 'Over the next six months or so, in hospitals up and down the country, the profiteers will be bidding for our work.'

'There are 120,000 jobs at stake, the majority are our members and with no fair wage protection, the only way contractors will win is by bidding down wages.'

'It's not just our jobs we're fighting for, it's the whole principle of a free health service.'

She pointed out that within two months of the election last year the Tories had chopped £140 million off the health budget and slashed nearly 5,000 jobs, despite their promises during the campaign.

Stevens warned that the Rates Bill now on its way through parliament would force councils to make big cuts in services.

Bill

She referred to the new trade union bill being pushed through by the government in the wake of the NGA dispute and the trade union ban at GCHQ. 'The new Bill will interfere in the internal democracy of trade unions and try to gag our political voice,' she said.

'We didn't win the battle at GCHQ but we won the war. We showed that there is overwhelming support for the right to belong to a trade union.'

But the government was trying to break the links between the unions and the Labour Party by forcing ballots on the political levy.

Turning to the issue of pay negotiations, she stressed the union's policy to give the lowest paid the highest priority.

She was strongly applauded when she mentioned the miners' strike.

She said the miners' battle 'towers up above all others in its implications for our members and the future of trade unions in this country'.

Stevens said the union had committed more than £50,000 to back the NUM. But her only practical proposal was to urge delegates to give generously to the miners' collection.

AROUND THE CONFERENCES

NUPE votes to keep cheap labour schemes



THE annual conference of the public employees' union NUPE yesterday turned down by a three-to-one vote a call for a break with the Tory government Youth Training Scheme and the Manpower Services Commission.

Instead the conference accepted a resolution supporting existing union policy of collaboration with the YTS schemes.

Mike Page, for the executive, opening the debate, admitted that the schemes were being used as cheap labour on a totally inadequate level of allowance. But he claimed that the union had to be involved to protect the interests of young people on the YTS.

He admitted that only 250,000 of YTS places had been filled though 450,000 were originally promised and he said that 70,000 young people had left before completing the scheme.

Ernest Scrase of Brighton moved a resolution in support of continued participation in the schemes.

He said: 'We want youth training but we don't want slave labour. Slave labour is what we are getting.'

Martin Booth, of Cambridge Hospitals branch, moved a resolution calling for complete opposition to the YTS and the MSC. He said they were 'a central part of this government's attempts at dictatorship over the whole working class movement and particularly the youth'.

Dictatorship

The NGA dispute, the banning of unions at GCHQ and the miners' strike had shown the use of the courts and police to build up dictatorship.

It was no accident that the government was simultaneously building up the YTS schemes.

Booth pointed out: 'There is now a compulsory element on the schemes, up to 40 per cent of benefit being cut from youth who won't take part.'

The schemes were extended to the armed forces and in his own area trainees were working on American bases.

The schemes were being extended to children as young as 14. Booth pointed out that the MSC had banned any discussion on the schemes of matters relating to the organisation and function of society in general and outlawed propagation of political opinions and participation in marches or industrial disputes.

He said: 'The Tories are out to militarise, declass and transform whole sections of youth into a battering ram against the unions.'

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MARTIN BOOTH



DIANE BUNYAN

'Thatcher's attitude is one of complete hostility and contempt to the organised working class,' he said.

'Every weakening on principles is taken as a sign of weakness and spurs the Tories further along the path of dictatorship.'

Strong opposition to these schemes was also voiced by Diane Bunyan of Bristol Community Workers' branch, moving a resolution calling on the executive to reconsider its stance.

She said: 'Each new scheme has resulted in a worsening of conditions for workers on the schemes.'

'A lot of the work that is being done on these schemes should be done by our members.'

Claims

Answering claims that union participation gave control of the schemes she pointed out that the only control was one of veto. Even when this power had been exercised in her area the MSC had overruled the Area Manpower Board.

Glamorgan delegate Delsie Pitcock supporting the Cambridge resolution said that her branch had been asked to agree to the intake of 45 YTS trainees into the direct labour scheme at the same time as 70 direct workers were being made redundant.

Apprenticeships in the direct labour organisation had been cut from 30 to five and the union had been told none of the young trainees would be offered permanent jobs.

John Seaborne of Coventry local government branch said that the union had to co-operate with YTS because it was there. They should be fighting on the inside instead of fighting on the outside, he said.

Replying to the debate Martin Booth said the whole point of the schemes was to destroy wages and conditions.



Yorkshire miner Bill Ross welcomed to the NUPE conference platform by General Secretary Rodney Bickerstaffe

Standing ovation for Yorkshire miner

THE NUPE conference gave a tumultuous welcome yesterday to Maltby, South Yorkshire, miner Bill Ross who brought fraternal greetings from the National Union of Mineworkers.

Delegates carried unanimously a statement from their executive pledging full support to the miners and urging NUPE members to make regular contributions to the NUM strike fund.

Introducing the motion general secretary Rodney Bickerstaffe told the conference: 'For every one NUPE member that believes the rubbish they read in the "Sun" and the "Daily Telegraph" there

are thousands who know the truth — that the miners' fight is our fight.'

He urged them to go back to their members and win support on the basis that the miners' fight is the fight of every man and woman in this country.

He spoke of his own pride when he joined the picket line at Cortonwood and said: 'The working class is never going to be beaten but the miners' fight is massively important to us all.'

Ross told the delegates that 80 per cent of electricity was produced from coal. He derided the Tory claim that coal was oversubsidised and gave statistics showing Belgian coal was 20 times more subsidised than British.

Subsidies

'Let's have our share of subsidies. We deserve them to keep our coal industry open.'

Ross said: 'The police

state in this country is here whether we see it or not. We've got to get rid of that police state.' He himself was out on bail under stringent conditions that amounted to house arrest.

He concluded with a poem dedicated to Yorkshire miner Davy Jones who was killed on the picket line at Ollerton early in the strike.

At the end of his speech Ross received a rapturous standing ovation from the delegates.

Railmen reject YTS

BRITISH Rail shopmen in the National Union of Railwaymen voted at their conference in Paignton yesterday to reject the cheap labour Tory Youth Training Scheme.

The conference against closures and cutbacks also discussed policies to fight the planned Tory closures of the British Rail engineering workshops.

The YTS resolution was carried by 94-2 votes, with two Communist Party members speaking against.

It stated: 'This conference of railway shopmen considers the Youth Training Schemes are being used to undermine recognised

apprenticeships and calls on the NEC to press the BRB (British Rail Board) and British Rail Engineering Ltd (BREL) to reintroduce the recruitment of apprentices into our industry with full benefits and the protection of our pay and conditions of service agreements.'

Action

A resolution calling for strike action to prevent the closure of rail workshops in Glasgow and Swindon was referred to the NEC, which meets on Tuesday.

The resolution stated that

the question was 'not to fight on single issues but to take it to the whole of the industry' and called on the NEC to 'use the full weight of the NUR in opposition to these proposals including strike action if negotiations fail'.

The resolution carried called on the NEC to arrange a joint meeting of the NUR and the Confederation of Shipbuilding and Engineering Unions (CSEU) of the regional workshops and main workshops delegates.

The aim of the meeting should be to develop 'a realistic policy for resisting any further destruction

Graham threatens to resign



GRAHAM

CIVIL SERVICE union leader Alistair Graham says he will resign if a motion of no confidence in him is passed at his union conference on Wednesday.

Graham's right-wing stance is unpopular in the Civil and Public Services Association (CPSA), and about a third of the 1,154 motions on the conference agenda are critical of him and the executive.

The criticism stems from issues including his vote against giving full assistance to the NGA in its dispute with Eddie Shah, claims that he tried to control the union jour-

nal and charges that he has not carried out conference policy decisions.

Speaking on Channel 4's 'Union World' programme on Saturday, Graham said he believed the conference — which starts in Brighton today — would throw out the vote of no-confidence in him.

Issue

But if it did not, he would have 'no hesitation' in standing for immediate re-election as general secretary 'so that the issue of who had the support of the members was resolved'.

WORLD
SUMMARYGrenada
hunger
strike

ST GEORGE'S — Thirteen people held at Grenada's top-security jail since the US invasion last October have gone on hunger strike to protest at their continued imprisonment without charge. The protesters include former Health Minister Christopher De Riggs.

Elections

DACCA — President Hossain Mohammad Ershad of Bangladesh announced elections for a new parliament next winter before polling for the next President.

Fraud

PANAMA — The head of Panama's election tribunal said more than half the results in the presidential elections had been challenged by rival candidates claiming fraud.

Bomb

NICOSIA — A bomb blast near the Iraqi Airways office in Nicosia slightly injured four people and damaged offices and cars on Saturday.

Grenade

TEL AVIV — An Israeli officer was killed by a hand grenade hurled at an army convoy in the South Lebanese town of Nabatiyeh.

Reactor

NEW DELHI — India has developed a new kind of nuclear reactor using a locally-made form of uranium.

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EDITOR'S MURDER
SPARKS RIOTING

NEW DELHI — Troops are patrolling the Punjab town of Jullundur with orders to shoot on sight after more than 5,000 Hindus rioted in protest against the killing of a leading newspaper editor.

Press Trust of India (PTI) said an underground group of Sikh extremists had claimed responsibility for the killing of Ramesh Chandra Chopra, editor of a Punjab newspaper group and a director of PTI.

Several buses were set ablaze and shops were stoned after the protesters gathered in Jullundur after news of the death was reported.

Decree

There was no report of casualties but the Central Reserve Police Force (CRPF), enforcing Prime Minister Indira Gandhi's martial law rule by decree, were put on a general alert.

The alert essentially reflects Gandhi's fear that the spring harvest, already devastated by a serious shortage of labourers and a farmers' ban on the sale of wheat and grainstocks to government agencies in protest against the emergency, could be destroyed by another violent eruption.

Chopra was shot dead by three gunmen, who wounded three other people, including Chopra's bodyguard.

He was one of many leading public figures on the 'hit list' of the Dashmesh Regiment, a group that represents the breakaway faction of the Sikhs' main political party, the Akali Dal.

Campaign

The Dashmesh Regiment is led by Jarnail Singh Bhindranwale, who conducts his campaign for a separate state of Khalistan from the besieged Golden Temple of Amritsar.

A caller from the Dashmesh Regiment told PTI whoever dared attack Bhindranwale with his

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pen would receive a reply of bullets.

Chopra had written an editorial in a local newspaper, published on Saturday, criticising the Sikh revolt.

CRPF forces said they had found a 'massive' supply of arms on Friday, when they stopped and searched a truck said to belong to Bhindranwale.

The truck was stopped after it drove out of the Golden Temple, the CRPF said.

One member of the CRPF and the truck driver were injured when

men on the truck returned the fire from the security forces.

Twenty hand grenades, 500 cartridges, four rifles, two carbines and a revolver had been found, PTI reported.

Guns

The CRPF in Patiala said they had found three 12-bore guns, a rifle, a revolver and cartridges in the house of one of eight people arrested in connection with the murder of four people in a nearby village last month.

Leaders of the opposition right-wing Hindu Bharatiya Janata Party met President Zail Singh and requested protection for party leader A.B. Vajpayee, a former minister, who is also on the Dashmesh Regiment's 'hit list'.

A Sikh leader, Jiwan Singh Umramangal, has threatened to immolate himself on June 15 if what he called acts of desecration did not stop at the Golden Temple of Amritsar.

The official death toll as a result of the revolt this year is 200.

Talks
with
Botha

CAPE TOWN — A high level Swazi delegation has returned home after two days of talks with South African Foreign Minister P.W. Botha. The delegation said agreement had been reached on the need for closer co-operation.

Botha, who met Swazi Prime Minister Prince Bhekimphele Dlamini and other Swazi leaders, said there would be further talks between the two neighbouring countries.

'We have agreed that there is scope for increased co-operation between our two governments,' he said.

Swaziland has recently clamped down on members of the African National Congress (ANC) and Swazi police have fought gun battles with ANC fighters.

Citroen
factory
occupied

PARIS — Several hundred workers have occupied the Citroen car plant at Aulnay near Paris to demand the withdrawal of jobs cuts.

Andre Sainjon, head of the CGT's automobile section, said: 'We don't know how long the fight will go on. We will fight until the management changes its mind.'

Citroen, part of the privately-owned Peugeot SA group, has announced plans to cut 6,000 jobs throughout France. The CGT trade union represents about 70 per cent of the 4,000 employees at Aulnay.

A statement by the CSL union, representing about 30 per cent of workers at the plant, said the CGT was giving the management an excuse to close the plant.



French CGT car workers protesting against job cuts

Duarte set to receive
US support

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SAN SALVADOR — Jose Napoleon Duarte, the Christian Democrat candidate, was declared President-elect at the weekend.

The victory paves the way for an escalation of military intervention by US imperialism in El Salvador's four-year civil war that has claimed more than 42,000 lives.

Diplomats and government officials were unanimous in their response to the role of the US immediately after Duarte's victory was made official.

The death squads of the army elite and human rights issues will remain non-issues under Duarte's presidency, in accordance with US policy of stepping up the counter-revolution against the Farabundo

Marti National Liberation Front (FMLN).

Duarte announced the setting up of a special commission on human rights, which the army would control.

Problems

'They (the army) have already created a commission to look into these problems. It is they, not I, who will make the changes within the armed forces,' he said.

The Christian Democrats won only four of the country's 14 provinces but a large margin in San Salvador enabled Duarte to carry the election.

Duarte, aided by direct funding from the CIA, a fact admitted by the US Senate Intelligence Committee last week, won 53.59 per cent of the vote.

His extreme right-wing opponent, Roberto d'Aubisson of the National Republican Alliance (ARENA), received 46.40 per cent of the vote.

The FMLN's clandestine Radio Venceremos and the Popular Liberation Forces (FPL), an allied group in the capital, meanwhile, 'disowned' a hostage siege in San Salvador.

Reuters news agency reported five 'leftist Sal-

vadorean guerrillas' had been flown into political asylum in Mexico after holding 73 hostages in a supermarket.

The report said a woman identifying herself only as Morena and claiming to represent the FPL had rung the news agency on Saturday.

Surprised

She had said the five, three men and two women, had intended only commandeering supplies from the supermarket but had been surprised by police.

Body is
exhumed

TEL AVIV — An Israeli inquiry into the deaths of four Arab guerrillas after they hijacked a bus a month ago has ordered autopsies on the bodies of two of them, state radio reported yesterday.

At least one of the two Arabs was reported to have been photographed being led away after troops stormed the bus near the Egyptian border and released hostage passengers after an all-night siege.

Military censorship has prevented publication of the photograph.

Defence Minister Moshe Arens, who had originally said two of the guerrillas were killed and two captured, secretly appointed the inquiry two weeks ago.

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DEBTORS' SUMMIT ALARMS THE BANKS



The increase in US interest rates will mean increased poverty for the masses in debtor nations like Uruguay

BUENOS AIRES — Latin America's biggest debtor nations will meet here late this month to discuss a common policy towards the rise in US interest rates.

President Raul Alfonsín has called the meeting to discuss what emergency aid can be given to Bolivia, whose foreign exchanges are exhausted.

But the occasion will be turned into a policy-making summit by Latin American governments whose economies are drowning in debts, IMF austerity measures and social upheavals.

Those countries which are now on the verge of national bankruptcy include Argentina, where inflation is running at 522 per cent, Bolivia, Chile, Peru, Uruguay and the Dominican Republic.

Every one per cent increase in US interest rates adds an estimated \$3.3 billion to the interest burden of debtor nations.

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A Peronist senator told the 'Sunday Times': 'We will not have disturbances like the Dominican Republic because we will not accept that sort of deal.'

'Those riots have shown that the IMF's formulae do not take into account the social needs of the debtor nations.'

A senator from Alfonsín's Radical Party commented: 'President Alfonsín has told the IMF that he will not accept a salary freeze. And if that is what negotiation means, they may as well start impounding our ships and aircraft, because we will not look for economic solutions founded on the hunger of people.'

In a major political initiative, Alfonsín has in-

vited ex-President Isabel Peron to return from Spain on May 21 to head talks with the Peronist leaders on the economic crisis.

Continental Illinois, America's seventh-largest bank, is still under a cloud following last week's speculation about its financial health.

Exposed

The Chicago-based bank is tremendously exposed in Latin America, where it has outstanding loans worth \$2.47 billion. 'The status of many of the loans is questionable,' yesterday's 'Observer' said.

Forty-eight US banks folded last year, the biggest number since the 1930s Depression, and 26 have failed so far this year.

Squeeze put on Japan

TOKYO — In a blatant move to blackmail the Japanese government into bigger war spending, US Defence Secretary Caspar Weinberger told Japanese leaders that the Soviet Union was strong enough to fight a war in Asia and in Europe at the same time.

Weinberger was speaking during a two-hour meeting with Japanese Defence Minister Yukio Kurihara.

Addressing the Japanese Foreign Correspondents Club, Weinberger said all Western allies — NATO, Japan and South Korea — must do more to counter what he described as an 'unflagging Soviet build-up'.

Years

'I just hope there will be enough years ahead for all of us to do the things we ought to do,' he said.

Weinberger said several times in his speech there was a need for speed in building up Western military strength. 'I do not know how much time we will be given,' he said.

Weinberger insisted that he had no criticism of Japan, although US Pacific Force commander Admiral William Crowe said last month Japan was not doing enough in defence.

Asked at a press conference about North Korean President Kim Il-Sung's oft-stated remark that North Korea had no intention of invading South Korea, Weinberger replied: 'I don't think his statement is credible at all.'

Volcker rejects his White House critics

HOT SPRINGS, Virginia — Federal Reserve Board chairman Paul Volcker has replied to criticism from the Reagan administration about rising interest rates.

Reporters asked Volcker at a meeting of the Business Council whether the Fed could currently control interest rates.

Without naming names, he replied: 'Not the way people seem to think we can.'

Volcker's remarks were his first public reaction to the administration's criticisms, which began last Tuesday when White House spokesman Larry Speakes attacked rising US interest rates.

Rates

The White House fears the soaring rates, and the resulting increase in unemployment, will hurt President Reagan as he seeks re-election in November.

Volcker's major critic, Treasury Secretary Donald Regan, again criticised the Federal Reserve Board last Friday saying its tightening of credit was hurting economic recovery.

But chief presidential

economic adviser Martin Feldstein, when announcing his resignation at the end of last week, said Fed policies were on the right course.

Meanwhile, the Fed has directed US banks to downgrade certain loans to Venezuela by labelling them 'substandard'. The Central Bank called the action 'routine' and part of its regular review process.

The Interagency Group, composed of federal bank regulators, meets regularly to review foreign loans. It said that 'among other factors, interest arrears on Ven-

zuela's debt were building'.

The country has a foreign debt of around £34 billion and only last month received a 90-day extension on its debt moratorium. It is seeking to reschedule about £15 billion of debts due in 1983 and 1984.

Payments

Although oil-producing Venezuela is nearly current in public sector interest payments, late private-sector payments are estimated between \$700 million and one billion dollars.

Chile youth killed

SANTIAGO — An 18-year-old youth has died after being shot in the head during disturbances marking the first anniversary of protest against the rule of President Augusto Pinochet.

A police spokesman said seven other people received bullet wounds as youth blocked roads in poor districts of the capital with rocks, burning tyres and bonfires.

Last Friday, the milit-

ary regime gave purchase and sale details of another country home linked to Pinochet in an attempt to head off more legal action over his property deals.

The group of lawyers which last week asked the courts to investigate land deals for the President's private residence at El Melocoton, 20 miles east of Santiago, are preparing another petition about a house at Limache, 60

miles northwest of the capital.

Amid the scandal and social unrest, the regime is facing major economic strains — pressure for a new devaluation because of higher US interest rates and sinking copper prices.

A team from the IMF is visiting Santiago this week to review the economy's disastrous performance in the first quarter.

Demand to discuss debts

BY A FOREIGN CORRESPONDENT

RAMBOUILLET, France — Common Market finance ministers unanimously agreed that short-term and long-term debt issues facing developing countries should be discussed at the capitalist economic summit in London next month.

French Finance Minister Jacques Delors made

the announcement after a day of informal discussions among ministers and central bank governors from the 10-nation trading bloc.

The move follows a sharp rise in US interest rates, which has pushed

the dollar higher against major currencies.

Delors said: 'It would be banal to say that the rise is preoccupying all the community finance ministers.'

This applied to both the impact on growth pros-

pects in the community in 1984 and 1985, and on developing countries, which he described as 'truly dramatic'.

● EEC foreign ministers meet in Brussels today for a regular session expected to be dominated once again by the Common Market's deepening cash crisis.



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BL WORKERS UNDER THREAT

BL has threatened strong disciplinary measures against workers at the Cowley Assembly plant who take what it terms 'unconstitutional' action in defence of a victimised transport union member.

The company wrote to hourly-paid workers at the weekend after talks between management and unions over the suspension of the T&GWU member and a number of other disputes remained deadlocked.

A string of disputes have been provoked in the plant as the company intensifies its drive to speed-up production and slash wages.

Several weeks ago the company disciplined workers for alleged 'bad workmanship'. But the workers concerned protested bitterly that they had been left short of components.

Despite this the management announced that it intended to impose a one-night suspension on two engineering union members and a worker belonging to the transport union.

Dennis Crockford, acting senior steward for the AUEW, advised shop stewards representing his members to accept the suspensions.

But the senior transport union steward demanded that the issue go through procedure and would not agree to the disciplinary action.

There was a remarkable twist to the dispute when management then approached the transport union and requested that it urge the AUEW to take the matter through the normal procedure.

The request was rejected on the grounds that

Talks deadlock at Cowley

the responsibility for the dispute in the first place lay with the management and that it should make any approach to the engineering union.

It was at this point that the company insisted that the T&GWU member be suspended and this led to an immediate stoppage of work on the night-shift.

Failure

Talks on Friday ended in a 'failure to agree' — a result which has only served to inflame feelings in the assembly plant.

The disciplinary clamp-down is related to a whole range of disputes which have broken out in recent weeks over manning levels and the low level of bonus.

Last week workers in

the assembly plant received a £10 bonus. This meant that their average take-home pay was less than it was two years ago.

While the company has done everything to speed up production, the bonus has been held down well below the £30 maximum.

About 40 men working on the new Montego model walked out in disgust over the low bonus last Thursday and the company immediately laid off hundreds more.

Transport union district official David Buckle commented: 'Our criticism of the company is that it is so production-orientated and so unwilling to run the company with any element of consensus, that there is bound to be dissatisfaction.'

Anti-Botha march is planned

THOUSANDS of people are expected to join a demonstration through London the day the racist South African Prime Minister Pieter Botha meets Thatcher.

Over 100 representatives of different organisations met to plan the march at the weekend.

It will start at 11.45a.m. on June 2 at Hyde Park and will march to Whitehall and Downing Street.

Anti Apartheid secretary Mike Terry said there had been 'confusing signals' as to whether Thatcher will meet Botha at Chequers or at Chequers.

Protest

But, he said, if the meeting takes place at Chequers, contingency plans have been made for some form of protest to take place there at the same time.

The demonstration will be followed by a festival in the afternoon at Jubilee Gardens, in co-operation with the Greater London Council (GLC).

Artists likely to be invited include Elvis Costello and the group Special AKA, who recently brought out a single, 'Free Nelson Mandela'.

A guest speaker at the rally will be David Kitson, released on Friday by the racist regime after serving 19½ years in jail for his

involvement in the African National Congress.

Terry read out an official statement from the GLC to launch the protest.

'The visit of Prime Minister Botha to London is a slap in the face for the black community and for all Londoners who care about race relations in Britain and the world,' it said.

'The GLC will do every-

thing in its power to make it clear to Mr Botha that he is not welcome here at any time, but particularly not in the year when we in London have declared ourselves not only to combat racism at home but sever all links with his own racist regime in South Africa.

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SCOTLAND

BELLSHILL: Thursday May 17, 7.30p.m. Game Room, Bellshill YMCA, 294 Main Street.

Speakers: **Marie Devlin** (YS Regional Committee); **Alex McLarty** (WRP Central Committee); **John Dargue** (Secretary Bellshill NUM strike committee); **In personal capacity: Mick Boyd** (NUR Motherwell No.1 branch); **Joe Macgregor** (Convenor Levi's Tailor and Garment Workers' Union)

CLYDEBANK: Tuesday May 29, 7.30p.m. The Hub, Kilbowie Road.

Speakers: **John McHugh** (YS); **Alex McLarty** (WRP Central Committee).
Plus film 'Eleven Years of the News Line'

ABERDEEN: Wednesday May 30, 7.30p.m. Music Hall, Union Street.

Speakers: **Barry Hutton** (Aberdeen YS); **Alex McLarty** (WRP Central Committee); **an NUM speaker**

DUNFERMLINE: Thursday May 17, 7.30p.m. Woodmill Miners' Welfare Club, Woodmill Road.

Speakers: **Simon Pirani** (WRP Central Committee); **Bob Young** (NUM Woodmill strike committee).
Plus film: 'The General Strike 1926'

CAMBUSLANG: Wednesday May 23, 7.30p.m. Cambuslang Institute, Greenelees Road, Cambuslang.

Speakers: **Mick Thompson** (Cambuslang YS); **Chris Corrigan** (WRP Central Committee); **Maxie Campbell** (TGWU shop steward, in personal capacity)

DUNDEE: Wednesday June 6, 7.30p.m. Conference Room, Central Library, Wellgate.

Speakers: **Colin Yackimini** (YS National Committee); **Simon Pirani** (WRP Central Committee); **an NUM speaker**

NORTH EAST

SOUTH SHIELDS: Tuesday May 22, 7.30p.m. Miners Welfare, Armstrong Hall, Stanhope Road.

Speakers: **Kevin Townsend** (YS National Committee); **Mike Banda** (WRP General Secretary)

NORTH WEST

KIRKBY: Wednesday May 16, 7.30p.m. Tower Hill Community Centre, Tower Hill.
Speakers: **Dave Morris** (Skelmersdale YS); **Frank Singer** (WRP Central Committee); **In personal capacity: John Mullen** (Chairman Cairnryan Port Committee); **Frank Fitzmaurice** (AUEW Meccano); speaker from Kirkby Unemployed Centre Committee

DINGLE: Wednesday May 16, 7.30p.m. Pineapple Public House, Park Road.
Speakers: **Cathy Flaherty** (YS Regional Committee); **Tony Banda** (WRP Central Committee); **Tommy Keefe** (Secretary Toxteth Community Council, in personal capacity)

LEYLAND: Tuesday May 22, 7.30p.m. Leyland Moss Side Community Centre.
Speakers: **Jim Foley** (Leyland YS); **Tony Banda** (WRP Central Committee); **D. King** (Preston Polytechnic NUS executive, in personal capacity); **Speaker from Lancashire NUM**

SALFORD: Tuesday May 22, 7.30p.m. Broadwalk Library, Salford Precinct.

Speakers: **Brendan Gaffney** (YS National Committee); **Stuart Carter** (WRP Central Committee)

CANTRIL FARM: Thursday May 24, 8p.m. Cantril Farm Trade Union Centre, St Clements School, Boodecroft.

Speakers: **Wayne Chand** (YS National Committee); **Ray Evans** (WRP Central Committee)

RUNCORN: Thursday May 31, 7.30p.m. Auditorium, Runcorn Library, Shopping City.
Speakers: **Steve Perry** (Runcorn YS); **Dave Latchford** (WRP Central Committee); **Brian Fagan** (AUEW No.2 branch secretary, in personal capacity)

ECCLES: Monday June 4, 7.30p.m. Lecture Room, Eccles Central Library, Church Street.

Speakers: **Brendan Gaffney** (YS National Committee); **Stuart Carter** (WRP Central Committee)

YORKSHIRE

LEEDS: Thursday May 17, 7.30p.m. Arthur Greenwood School, Disraeli Terrace, Leeds 11.

Speakers: **Chris Marsden** (YS National Committee); **Dave Hyland** (WRP Central Committee); **In personal capacity: Jean Harrison** (Ledstone Luck miners' wives support group); **Rita Hall** (Sandal nursery occupation)

HALIFAX: Sunday May 20, 7.30p.m. AUEW Hall, near bus station.

Speakers: **Chris Marsden** (YS National Committee); **Cliff Slaughter** (WRP Central Committee); **In personal capacity: Betty Elie** (Thornton View hospital occupation); **Ernest Fairburn** (Emley Moor NUM)

BARNESLEY: Wednesday May 23, 7.30p.m. Civic Hall.

Speakers: **Chris Marsden** (YS National Committee); **Dave Hyland** (WRP Central Committee); **Mick Nettleship** (Chesterfield NUM, in personal capacity)

EAST MIDLANDS

LOUGHBOROUGH: Tuesday May 15, 7.30p.m. Loughborough Library, Granby Street.

Speakers: **Anton Turgoose** (Leicester YS); **Brian Prangle** (Leicester WRP)

ALFRETON: Thursday May 17, 7.30p.m. St Martins Church Hall, Mansfield Road.
Speakers: **Kevin Alcock** (YS National Committee); **Peter Jones** (WRP Central Committee); **Mick Nettleship** (NUM, in personal capacity)

LEICESTER: Tuesday May 22, 7.30p.m. Secular Hall, Humberstone Gate.
Speakers: **Claire Dixon** (YS National Committee); **Brian Prangle** (Leicester WRP); **Anton Turgoose** (Leicester YS)

NOTTINGHAM: Thursday May 24, 7.30p.m. Forest Folk Hotel, Blidworth.

Speakers: **Ian Evans** (Chesterfield YS); **Alex Mitchell** (WRP Central Committee); **Annette Holroyd** (Blidworth Community Council); **Dave Nuttall** (Markham NUM, in personal capacity)

WEST MIDLANDS

COVENTRY: Wednesday May 16, 7.30p.m. Weavers Arms, Bell Green Road.

Speakers: **Clive Andrews** (YS National Committee); **Corin Redgrave** (WRP Central Committee); **Nevin Bell** (Keresley NUM, in personal capacity)

BIRMINGHAM: Thursday May 17, 7.30p.m. Nechells Park Pub, Nechells Park Road.

Speakers: **Clive Andrews** (YS National Committee); **Alex Mitchell** (WRP Central Committee); **Margaret Newbold** (Nechells Parents Action Committee); **Nevin Bell** (Keresley NUM, in personal capacity)

EASTERN

IPSWICH: Saturday May 19, 7p.m. Caribbean Club, Woodbridge Road.

Speakers: **Melita Attard** (YS Regional Committee); **Tony Hyland** (YS National Committee).
Followed by Disco, 9p.m.

PETERBOROUGH: Tuesday May 22, 7.30p.m. Heltwater Community Centre, North Bretton.

Speakers: **Tony Hyland** (YS National Committee); **Pat Brookes** (Peterborough WRP)

NORWICH: Tuesday May 22, 7.30p.m. Angel Road First School, Angel Road.
Speakers: **Melita Attard** (YS Regional Committee); **Roberta Colling** (WRP District Committee)

CAMBRIDGE: Wednesday May 23, 7.30p.m. Good Shepherd Hall, Mansell Way, Arbury.

Speakers: **Linda Mee** (YS Regional Committee); **Chris Bailey** (Cambridge WRP)

COLCHESTER: Wednesday May 30, 7.30p.m. Flying Fox, Harwich Road.
Speakers: **Melita Attard** (YS Regional Committee); **Steve Hambling** (Ipswich WRP)

NORTHAMPTON: Wednesday May 30, 7.30p.m. Town Hall.

Speakers: **Tony Hyland** (YS National Committee); **Ray Athow** (WRP Central Committee)

SOUTH WALES

MAERDY: Thursday May 17, 7.30p.m. Maerdy Church Hall, next to Welfare Hall.

Speakers: **Roy Coombes** (YS National Committee); **Mike Banda** (WRP General Secretary); **In personal capacity: Jim Cheek** (Bristol busmen); **Harry Coombes** (Maerdy NUM)

WESTERN

SWINDON: Monday May 14, 7.30p.m. St John's Ambulance Hall, Corporation Street.

Speakers: **Hollis Byrne** (YS National Committee); **Matthew Robertson** (WRP Central Committee)

BRISTOL: Monday May 21, 7.30p.m. Standard of England, Greystoke Avenue, Southmead.

Speakers: **Hollis Byrne** (YS National Committee); **Matthew Robertson** (WRP Central Committee)

KENT

DARTFORD: Monday May 14, 7.30p.m. Tree Estate Tenants Hall, Tree Estate.

Speakers: **Richard Murphy** (YS Regional Committee); **Richard Price** (WRP Central Committee); **Speaker from Kent NUM**

ERITH: Wednesday June 13, 7.30p.m. Erith Town Hall, Erith.

Speakers: **Richard Murphy** (YS Regional Committee); **Peter Farrell** (WRP Central Committee); **Speaker from Kent NUM**

SUSSEX

BRIGHTON: Tuesday May 15, 7.30p.m. Moulescombe Community Hall, Lewes Road.

Speakers: **Julie Hyland** (YS National Secretary); **Corin Redgrave** (WRP Central Committee); **Kent NUM speaker**

HERTS & BEDS

LUTON: Thursday May 17, 7.30p.m. Room 4, High Town Recreation Centre, Old Bedford Road.

Speakers: **Gerald Bolton** (YS Regional Committee); **Paul Stickley** (Watford WRP); **Liam Flaherty** (T&GWU shop steward Vauxhalls, in personal capacity)

WATFORD: Thursday May 31, 7.30p.m. Trade Union Hall, (opp Junction station), Woodford Road.

Speakers: **Richard Bolton** (Hemel YS); **Paul Stickley** (Watford WRP); **In personal capacity: Bob Halsey** (NGA Sun printers); **Ken Evans** (Kent NUM)

LONDON

BOW: Monday May 14, 7.30p.m. Vernon Hall, Roman Road, E3. (next to Presto)

Speakers: **Julie Hyland** (YS National Secretary); **Richard Goldstein** (WRP District Committee)

DAGENHAM: Tuesday May 15, 7.30p.m. Seabrook Hall, Fiddlers Roundabout.

Speakers: **Derek Blackwood** (YS Regional Committee); **Keith Scotcher** (WRP District Committee)

ISLEWORTH: Wednesday May 16, 7.30p.m. Room 3, Public Hall, South Street.

Speakers: **Leo Phelan** (YS editorial board); **Richard Lugg** (WRP District Committee); **Lynne Roberts** (NUPE West Middlesex hospital, in personal capacity); **Speaker from Kent NUM**

WOOD GREEN: Thursday May 17, 7.30p.m. Haringay Trade Union Community Hall, Brabant Road, N22.

Speakers: **Gary Ryder** (YS National Committee); **Richard Goldstein** (WRP District Committee)

BURNT OAK: Thursday May 17, 8p.m. Burnt Oak Library, Burnt Oak Broadway.

Speakers: **Dolly Short** (YS Editor); **Peter Farrell** (WRP Central Committee)

HACKNEY: Tuesday May 22, 7.30p.m. Hackney Trades and Labour Hall, Dalston Lane, E8.

Speakers: **Marion Kane** (YS Regional Committee); **Richard Goldstein** (WRP District Committee); **Speaker from Kent NUM**

TOOTING: Thursday May 24, 7.30p.m. Lola Jones Hall, Tooting Baths, Garrett Lane, SW16.

Speakers: **Boris Gerreyne** (YS Editorial Board); **Simon Vevers** (WRP Central Committee)

PADDINGTON: Thursday May 24, 8p.m. Kensal Community Centre, Kensal Road, W10.

Speakers: **Claire Dixon** (YS National Committee); **Barran Hulme** (Kensington WRP)

MANOR PARK: Wednesday May 25, 7.30p.m. Earl of Essex, Romford Road, E12 (Manor Park Broadway).

Speakers: **Julie Hyland** (YS National Secretary); **Richard Price** (WRP Central Committee)

WOOLWICH: Wednesday May 30, 7.30p.m. Glyndon Tenants Hall, Glyndon Estate, Raglan Road, SE18.

Speakers: **Eric Morgan** (YS Regional Committee); **Alan Clarke** (WRP District Committee); **Speaker from Kent NUM**

ACTON: Tuesday June 5, 7.30p.m. Council Chamber, Acton Town Hall, High Street, W3.

Speakers: **Rob Jackson** (YS National Committee); **Geoff Pilling** (WRP Central Committee)

MILLWALL: Wednesday June 6, 7.30p.m. Glengall Grove Community Centre, 37-43 Glengall Grove, Cubitt Town.

Speakers: **Julie Hyland** (YS National Committee); **Richard Price** (WRP Central Committee)

KILBURN: Thursday June 7, 7.30p.m. Abbey Community Centre, Belsize Road, NW6.

Speakers: **Dolly Short** (YS editor); **Peter Farrell** (WRP Central Committee); **Speaker from Kent NUM**; **Clir Neil Fletcher** (Chairman ILEA education committee, in personal capacity)

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THE MINERS' STRUGGLE

David's family will carry on his fight

'KEEP UP your fight' is the message from Doreen and Mark Jones — mother and father of David Jones, who died on the picket line at Ollerton on March 14, to miners and their families joining today's march through Mansfield.

'We hope to be with them on the march because we believe in the miners' strike,' Doreen told News Line.

'We admire all those on strike and their families and children who are going without food,' she said.

'Tell them to keep up their fight because they have got more to lose now. And tell them not to take any notice of what the papers and the television are saying because they are in the right.'

'We totally agree with the fight for jobs,' added Mark, because when a pit closes down the community goes with it.

'Everyone belonging to a trade union should take their hats off to the miners. The pickets are fighting not only for their own communities but they are doing the fighting for the TUC as well.'

'We could see at GCHQ that the government are trying to take away all the powers of the unions. They want people to be submissive and lick their feet.'

'But a job should be a birthright.'

'There are over four million unemployed, so instead of shutting down pits they should be expanding the coal industry. Every miner can see that this government wants to develop pits like Selby and the Vale of Belvoir and then turn them over to private industry.'

'These are the reasons why the miners who we have met recently say they will eat grass if they have to. They are not going to go back until this

Interview: BEN RUDDER
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battle is won,' he said.

'MacGregor says he agrees with Thatcher that the strike can last six or twelve months, they are not bothered so long as they win.'

'But what are they going to win? He will be bankrupt.'

'And she stands on her sidelines like Nero, fiddling while Rome burns.' 'This strike has already cost more than it would need to keep the pits open for several years. They should be prepared to work out a viable industry without shattering people's lives.'

Critical

Both Doreen and Mark are critical of the leadership in the TUC and the Labour Party.

'I think Murray is to blame for not calling all the unions out,' said Doreen.

'And Neil Kinnock should not have sat on the fence,' said Mark, who comes from the same part of South Wales as the Labour Party leader.

'I support Scargill 100 per cent,' Mark added, 'and so should the Nottinghamshire men who are still working.'

'There is only one trouble with Scargill — he should have been here 20

years ago in the 1960s when the Labour government of Wilson was shutting the pits down.'

Both David's parents have been watching with fear the growing intensity of the police attacks on miners' pickets. Their other son Trevor is with the pickets facing police harassment and intimidation every day in the Nottinghamshire coalfield.

'I was very frightened when I saw the horses go into the pickets in Scotland. It was awful,' said Doreen.

'The miners wives in Nottinghamshire should realise that if their husbands don't come out and join our men then someone else will get killed — and I don't want to see anyone else hurt. They should realise that the next one could be one of theirs.'

The family are still bitter about the treatment they have received from the authorities and the press over David's death.

In particular, they have watched Prime Minister Thatcher send condolences to those that died in the Falklands hospital fire and the family of Yvonne Fletcher, while no message ever came to them.

'That's a political decision on her part,' said



Doreen and Mark Jones

Mark. 'She is saying that because my lad was a picket he doesn't count. My lad was only picketing to save his job yet she couldn't even send her sympathy. If the dockers and the miners can send telegrams, why can't she?'

'We don't want our son made special,' added Doreen, 'but we do want him made equal.'

Just as David's brother Trevor is continuing his fight on the picket lines, so Doreen and Mark are carrying on his struggle by helping in the collection of food and money for the families of striking miners in their home village of South Kirby and nearby.

The couple are involved with the local miners' wives and supporters who are trying to get hold of a lorry to go door-to-door collecting.

Manage

'Even if everyone could only manage an egg and some potatoes, that would still make a lot of egg and chips when you add up the whole village,' said Mark.

'We should go around and call on people who might be too embarrassed to bring just a little to the collecting points — but every little bit mounts up.'

Their involvement in the miners' fight can only increase now, Mark explained.

'Now that David's memorial is over — and we would like to thank all those who came to the service — and we have completed everything that has to be done, we are joining in the fight now.'



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General Strike unites — sectionalism divides

THE MINERS' strike cannot be won if it remains a sectional strike confined to the miners. It must get the full support of the whole trade union movement by demanding that the TUC calls a General Strike.

Arthur Scargill has revealed that the total cost of the strike so far to the Tory dictatorship is £1,400 million — 'enough to keep every pit threatened with closure open for ten years'.

This is a measure of the ruthless class-war plans of the Tories to starve the miners back to work and smash not only the National Union of Mineworkers but the entire trade union movement.

Is not the message from this all-out confrontation being spelled out loud and clear? On one side is the ruling class and all the repressive forces of the capitalist state presided over by a Tory Bonapartist dictatorship.

On the other we have the miners confined to a sectional struggle with only the members of the NUM actually on strike.

The so-called Triple Alliance of miners, transport and steel unions does not act in solidarity with the strikers but organises secret agreements with the capitalist state, in the form of the British Steel Corporation, so that steel production goes on.

How can the miners fight the capitalist state in the form of the Tory-run Coal Board and at the same time facilitate production at the Tory-run British Steel Corporation?

Last Wednesday, May 9, the Scottish TUC called a day of protest throughout Scotland in support of the miners and their struggle for jobs. A day later the STUC bureaucrats were negotiating with the capitalist state which had been ruthlessly arresting miners, charging their picket lines with horses and beating them with batons and boots outside Ravenscraig.

In other words, the day of action was followed by a day of collaboration and capitulation to the class enemy. How can the miners win under such class collaborationist leadership?

The capitalist state owns and manages all the public sector industries. The jobs of steelmen, miners and railwaymen are at the mercy of this state and capitalist class.

The miners' strike for jobs is on behalf of the whole of the working class, especially those in related industries such as railways and steel. How can steelmen save jobs by scabbing on the miners who are fighting for jobs?

The steel industry must be shut down at once, and all steelworkers come out on strike with the miners.

Those who keep the miners' struggle confined to the coalfields are practising sectionalism which, whether they like it or not, is weakening the miners in their struggle against the capitalist state and opening the door for a Thatcher-MacGregor victory.

On December 14, 1983, barely six months ago, the TUC by 29 votes to 21 refused to support the NGA in its strike against the High Court's sequestration of the union's assets. Because this was contrary to the Wembley Conference decision, an open split emerged in the TUC on the way to fight the anti-union laws.

The Murray-led right wing of the TUC has to be fought, exposed and defeated. It cannot be bypassed by a sectional approach.

As against a sectional, single-union approach, a campaign must be waged by the miners and their allies to force the TUC to call a General Strike — otherwise the NGA will have fought for nothing.

The General Strike demand unites the working class; sectionalism divides and splits it. The campaign for the General Strike means a united action by the whole of the working class against the common class enemy and its ruthless capitalist state.

BACK THE MINERS



A miner's son leads a delegation of wives from South Kirkby, Yorkshire

Powerful of miners'

THE MINERS' strike has so far cost £1,400 million — enough to keep every threatened pit open for at least 10 years — NUM president Arthur Scargill claimed at the weekend.

This underlined the determination of the Thatcher government and Coal Board chief Ian MacGregor to crush the miners, shut 70 pits and axe 100,000 jobs.

Scargill was addressing a mass rally in Barnsley after 10,000 miners' wives from all over Britain marched through the town on Saturday in a powerful demonstration of support for the fight for jobs.

He urged them to join their husbands on the picket lines and in today's demonstration through the Nottinghamshire town of Mansfield.

Banners were carried by women from Kent, South Wales, Durham, Staffordshire, Nottinghamshire, Yorkshire and Derbyshire and Lancashire, who shouted 'Thatcher Out' through the town.

Jack Taylor, Yorkshire miners' president, won loud applause when he told the wives' rally: 'The battle is really on. We are not just talking about miners' jobs and families

BY BEN RUDDER

and miners' communities — we are talking about the future for our society.

'We are doing something even bigger than fighting pit closures,' added. 'We are determined to get together ordinary working people and say this society is no longer what we need and we are going to change it.'

Taylor criticised the Labour Party who promised support as did in the nurses' dispute in 1982, only to be disappointed.

Solidarity

He said the need for solidarity with miners and their wives was greater. A miner had been killed on the picket line, and five miners had been locked up in Lincoln jail. Miners had been subjected to police harassment, phone-tapping and 50,000 miners' jobs had been scrapped since the strike.

Urging miners to seek support in the wider trade union movement, Taylor said that the fight was part of the struggle for socialism.

'Socialism will be achieved by supporting each other, sharing our troubles, sharing our benefits. Working people have



Miners' president Arthur Scargill applauding the audience at the rally

WITH A GENERAL STRIKE



march wives

er wanted much, only a house, a job, peace, and understanding. If we stick together we can have them, and if they don't give them to us — we'll take them off them.'

Doreen Humber and Annette Holroyd from the Blidworth Community Council in Nottinghamshire were welcomed with loud cheering. They said that after setting up their Community Council four weeks ago they had won the support of many unions in the county.

'They realise that if we lose this fight, then they lose this fight. And I'm very pleased to say that in the last ten days or so wives' groups have been popping up all over Nottinghamshire,' said Doreen.

She said that Thatcher never believed the miners would get the support of their wives, but now was the time for women to back their husbands in a fight which would be for the whole working class.

'Now the working class needs a victory for itself. The slumbering lion is awakening, its claws are out and it's coming out fighting and it will never be defeated.'

Lorraine Bowler, from the Barnsley women's group which organised the march, said Thatcher was gravely mistaken if she thought she was just fighting the miners. 'She is now fighting miners, the women and their families, and we are standing firm. We are united now and she's got one hell of a fight on her hands.'

Shame

Maureen Douglass, wife of Yorkshire NUM executive member Dave Douglass, said it was to the eternal shame of the Labour Party leaders that they had called for a ballot in the miners' dispute. She said Kinnoch and others were among those who had promised support for a fight and then run away from it.

Scargill again appealed for Nottinghamshire miners to join the strike and said that the coalfield should have come to a stop when David Jones was killed on the picket line at Ollerton.

The strike had already resulted in over 2,000 arrests of miners, with 500 injured, some with broken limbs, and many men confined to their villages.

He praised the 'magnificent' march and rally and assured the women that the union would win the dispute.

Scargill spoke only of financial support for the NUM from other unions, who he said had increased the amount of cash donations to the union after meetings in London last week.



Wives against pit closures make their point for the future of their families and communities



Miners' wives with their banners crowded the rally after the march in Barnsley on Saturday

'Every union should be out'

AMONG the thousands of miners' wives who joined Saturday's march through Barnsley were those of Kent miners.

Bernadette Lennon, secretary of the miners' wives group based in Ramsgate, said the time had come for a General Strike against the Tory government.

'If other trade unionists come out it will be a victory for the working class, and if not, then there is a danger we will be defeated.'

'Every trade unionist should come out. Now is the right time, it's a perfect opportunity.'

'We are here today to get the backing of the rest of the trade unions. If we get that then there will be no turning back.'

Also marching behind the Barnsley wives' banner and the Ward Green Grenadiers and Kendray Griffins majorettes on the march were Ann Lally, Liz Driver and Susan Hickley from Cortonwood, the colliery at the heart of the strike.

'We're hard in support of the strike and getting harder,' said Ann. 'The women are real fighters, and we think it's great that the Nottinghamshire women are here. They are taking a banner back to Nottinghamshire which was made by the kids, saying that they are only eating bread and

jam. The Nottinghamshire women are going to show it to the men that are still working down there.'

A delegation of striking miners' wives also travelled from the two North Wales collieries. Bersham colliery is all out, with only a minority of men working at Point of Ayr colliery, said Anne Hett. 'We have come to support our husbands and our sons and keep our pits open. The miners are winning now and we won't stop fighting until they win.'

Jill Lonston, who came with a delegation from the North Staffordshire coalfield, said women were now organising the distribution of food and money to families of striking men in her area.

'We will carry on fighting even though we are short of money,' she said.

A group of nurses from the Aberbeeg hospital, Abertillery, South Wales, also carried their COHSE health union banner on the march.

Shop steward Lorraine Thomas said: 'Although we have no direct connection with the miners, we all feel that if they lose then we all lose.'

'Thatcher is out to destroy all unions, not just the miners. They backed us when we were fighting in 1982 and we support them all the way.'

THE MINERS' STRUGGLE



Pull out all stops

BY CHRIS CORRIGAN

THE working class must either 'sacrifice for the future' or be 'willing to sell the future', NUM Scottish executive member Willie Clark told a packed rally in Musselburgh on Saturday.

He was speaking after a lively march of several hundred Lothian miners and their supporters through the coast town near Edinburgh.

Shoppers, notably groups of senior citizens, stopped to applaud the marchers and contribute to collecting tins.

Clark warned: 'The Tories are hell bent on winning. There is too much at stake for them. One of our main problems is that we don't fully realise what's at stake for us. We've got to pull out all the stops.'

He went on: 'If the trade union movement responds, we'll win a victory for the whole movement. If it doesn't respond, we'll have problems.'

'We welcome finance but we have to get more movements like last week's Scottish day of action.'

'We have people in this movement who apologise far too much and should be standing up and being loyal to their class,' Clark said.

The lesson of the 1926 General Strike was that

the miners had been isolated, he explained, but did not go on to say that that isolation had been organised by the TUC.

The threat to the Ravenscraig steelworks does not come from the miners, Clark insisted. The steel complex had not been kept open up to now by the steel corporation but by the struggle of trade unionists and 'the miners unified behind that fight'.

Fight

'If we win this fight Ravenscraig will be secure, if we lose the fight then Ravenscraig together with other industries will go down the line,' he stated.

Clark challenged Labour MPs to join miners' picket lines and see for themselves the actions of the police. 'Who said the police were neutral?' he asked.

East Lothian Labour MP John Home Robertson revealed Lord Advocate Lord Mackay had told Scottish Labour MPs that the police had arrested miners '50 miles away from what might just possibly have been a breach of the peace', under Section 17 of the Police (Scotland) Act of 1967.

Robertson claimed that

this clause was being used in a manner never intended by the Labour government when it put the Act through Parliament.

Lothian regional councillor Keith Simpson said he knew an unemployed journalist who was offered a job on a Glasgow paper and told to find a Monktonhall miner who was going to work and who would denounce Arthur Scargill.

Such a person could not be found and when the journalist was told that an interview with a man who had gone to work, thought better of it and rejoined the picket line, would not do, she turned the job in.



Lothian miners marching through Musselburgh on Saturday

800 march in Merthyr in support of the miners

OVER 800 miners and trade union supporters joined a march through Merthyr town centre called by the trades council on Saturday in support of the national strike.

A lively contingent from the Workers Revolutionary Party, Young Socialists and Merthyr Youth Training dominated the march with shouts of 'Call a General Strike!' along the route.

But speeches at a rally afterwards evaded this demand.

South Wales NUM president Emlyn Williams said the miners' strike was a political struggle

and that MacGregor's appointment was a political one.

'This strike above all strikes will bring the destruction of trade unions as we know it if we lose,' Williams said.

'We have been attacked, beaten up by the police on behalf of the establishment, and at the end of our struggle we can prove it.'

Ted Rowlands, Merthyr Labour MP, said his message to MacGregor was to 'pick up your own phone and ring in your redundancy'.

'This is a battle about the right to work,' said Rowlands, 'and we will support you until victory'.

Dafydd Ellis Thomas, Plaid Cwmru MP for Merioneth, said the miners' strike was a fight for the future of democracy.

Thomas said the police service were not some National Guard, claiming: 'It is an accountable service and is not a government police service. Our democracy has been that the police are the police of the people.'

Tony Winter of the Communist Party, said the miners had defeated

the Tory government and their allies when they defeated the call for a national ballot. He added that the miners must fight the undemocratic measures of this government.

Pledged

Merthyr mayor, Reverend Hugh Morgan, pledged that there would be no eviction for any miner while the strike was in progress.

'Everything will be done to support the miners' campaign against this vicious Tory, capitalist government. This government is destroying housing, living standards, the National Health Service and nationalised industries all built up over a number of years,' he said.

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.

Thatcher and the state are out to smash up pit communities, driving families into destitution and starving the miners back to work. Their aim is not only to destroy the miners' union, but all trade unions.

Miners are, therefore, fighting on behalf of the whole working class. They cannot be left to shoulder the burdens of the strike alone. All workers must ensure that the miners can continue the struggle under the best conditions, and that a common front is presented to the class enemy.

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.

At the very same time the Tories are attacking the miners, they are also establishing a central government dictatorship over local Labour councils, threatening cities like Liverpool with financial destruction and abolishing seven authorities covering the major industrial areas of England. Community Councils will take responsibility for the defence of local councils, jobs and services.

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.

Incarcerated

'Miners are being incarcerated and told to report to police stations by 9.00 each night.'

Williams added: 'We are expecting every Labour MP — including Neil Kinnock — to be here on Wales's day of action (June 12).'



Miners and supporters march through Merthyr town centre

News, views and activities

Tories cut GLC youth scheme

THE MANPOWER Services Commission is slashing funds from a Youth Training Scheme set up by the Greater London Council after only six months.

Denham Court is a residential scheme in an old country mansion owned by the GLC in Denham, Buckinghamshire.

This move dispels any illusions that the MSC is there to help youth get training and skills.

The staff of Denham Court point out in a leaflet: 'Six months after the scheme opened in October 1983, the MSC have withdrawn funding from the scheme, and on top of this are proposing to "re-deploy" the trainees to other schemes with no thought given to the relationship with the staff and the standard of training achieved by the staff.'

Promoting

One of the staff added: 'What about promoting ourselves as NOT THE YTS? We'd certainly get the trainees flocking in.'

The Greater London Training Board held a conference last week to discuss alternatives to the Manpower Services Commission.

It has produced magazines, leaflets and a document replying to the Tory White Paper 'Training for Jobs'.

The latest issue of its magazine 'Jobs for a Change' is very critical of the MSC. It points out:

'The biggest problem is that the MSC is spending its huge budget on the wrong things.'

Effects

'The effects of MSC's two biggest schemes — the Community Programme and the Youth Training Scheme — are artificially to reduce the unemployment figures and to lower wages.'

'Adults in the Community Programme get up to a year of work on a low wage averaging £60 per week. At the end of their

year it's often back to the dole queue.

'School leavers in the Youth Training Scheme get a year of work experience and "training" and the princely sum of £25 a week.

'This is hardly enough to keep body and soul together given the cost of living in the capital!'

'And most of the trainees don't get much of a skill out of their year on the MSC's scheme.'

The GLC currently tops up the funding on 1,600 MSC schemes, including places in the Fire Brigade.

But GLTB chairman Gareth Daniel told a press conference last week that the GLC, after only two months of YTS, placed a moratorium on any more schemes in November.

We welcome this move and call on the GLC to withdraw all connections with the MSC. The MSC has no credibility whatsoever as a 'training agency'.

Slave

It is an instrument of the capitalist state designed to turn unemployed youth into a slave labour force to be used against the organised working class in the unions.

There is no question of reforming the MSC. We say, the TUC must be forced to withdraw from the MSC and the unions fought to set up alternative, independent Youth Training.

This is the course which must be taken by the GLC. It has rightly initiated a discussion on YTS. Now it has to go all the way and call for the TUC's withdrawal from the MSC, and lead the way in setting up alternative training, independent of the state.

**YOUTH
THIS
WEEK**



Pupils from Bishop Gore comprehensive outside Swansea County Hall

Parents occupy classroom

PARENTS whose children go to Morriston comprehensive school, Swansea, took over a classroom in protest at the local authority's decision to cut free transport for more than 6,000 children.

Parents and pupils from all over the county have been waging a campaign since the beginning of March for the restoration of free school bus passes.

They had a demonstration on March 6 when 3,000 parents and their children marched on to County Hall. Marches have also taken place to and from Cefn Hengoed school in Swansea East Side and in the Upper and Lower Afan Valley.

Bus fares in the county are astronomical and some families living up to three miles from schools

face fares of up to £15 a week or their children walking up to six miles a day on dangerous roads in all weathers.

A demonstration of 150 pupils organised by the fifth form of Bishop Gore comprehensive school marched through Swansea City Centre to present a petition to councillors at the luxurious County Hall.

Teachers condemn attack on education

PAUL GARCIA and Andy Taylor are teachers who have gone back to college for more training.

They joined the teachers' pay demonstration in London during the week but both were adamant that pay is not their only concern.

They see the Tory attack on teachers' pay as part of a general attack on education.

They spoke angrily about the attack on education being caused by the

Manpower Services Commission (MSC).

Garcia explained: 'Things like the Youth Training Scheme are debasing education. I taught for a while on a YTS scheme and it is the case that they are cheap labour.'

'I taught the off-the-job element in a college for a

while. All I was doing was childminding for a week.

'I was supposed to teach computing to builders. They weren't interested and the general attitude was it didn't matter if they learnt anything anyway.'

'The government schemes are definitely cheap labour, and you

don't have to do much with the youth.'

Taylor added: 'There has been a tendency for industry to become more actively involved in education.'

'When it is being done at the expense of education it is a bad thing. They are supposed to be training kids but only 20 per

cent of them will ever get jobs.'

Garcia added: 'I think the union ought to agitate for more realistic types of education which aren't under the complete control of industry.'

'There ought to also be more adult education.'

'People should be free to go on to receive education after the official school leaving age and at any stage in their life and this should be supported by the state.'

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TODAY'S TV AND RADIO



'Third Eye: Namibia — Africa's Last Colony' is on 2 at 9.30pm. This man alleges that he had to have his arm amputated after being mutilated by South African Security Forces



Sally Thomsett, Richard O'Sullivan and Paula Wilcox in the repeat of 'Man About the House' on 4 at 8.30pm

BBC1

6.00 Ceefax AM. 6.30 Breakfast Time. 9.00 Gardeners' World. 9.25 Praise Be! 10.00 Pages from Ceefax. 10.30 Play School. 10.55 Asian Magazine. 11.25 Pages from Ceefax. 12.30 News After Noon. 12.55 Weather. 12.57 Regional News for England. 1.00 Pebble Mill at One. 1.45 Hokey Cokey. 2.00 The Great Liners. 2.30 Star Movie: Victor Mature in *Gambling House* (1950) with Terry Moore and William Bendix. 3.45 Tom and Jerry. 3.53 Regional News (except London). 3.55 Play School: It's Monday. 4.20 All New Popeye Show. 4.40 Lassie. 5.00 John Craven's Newsround. 5.10 Blue Peter.

5.40 **SIXTY MINUTES** including news, regional magazines, weather and closing headlines

6.40 **ROLF HARRIS CARTOON TIME** with regional variations

7.10 **TOMMY COOPER'S THE MAIN ATTRACTION** As a tribute to the comedy star who died last month, here is another chance to see the programme in which he performed his legendary 'Hats' routine

7.55 **POINTS OF VIEW** presented by Barry Took

8.10 **PANORAMA The Bradford Experiment** A report on new measures in Bradford schools to meet demands of Asian parents in an area where one third of babies born are Asian

9.00 **MAIN NEWS**; Weatherman

9.25 **INTERNATIONAL PROFESSIONAL BOXING** Frank Bruno v James 'Bonecrusher' Smith from Wembley Arena

10.05 **COPS AND ROBBERS Across 110th Street** (1972) Violent thriller by Barry Shear set in Harlem with Anthony Quinn as a tough New York cop investigating an armed bank robbery. With Anthony Franciosa and Yaphet Kotto

11.45 **News Headlines**; Weatherman; Closedown

BBC WALES: 6.40-7.10 Castaway.

BBC2

6.05-8.10 **OPEN UNIVERSITY**: 6.05 Producing the Goods. 6.30 Sun, Cities and Song. 6.55 Maths. 7.20 Ecology. 7.45 Any Old Copper. 9.00 Pages from Ceefax.

9.15-3.00 **DAYTIME ON TWO**: 9.15 Child Care and Parenthood. 9.38 Going to Work. 10.00 You and Me. 10.15 Music Time. 10.38 British Social History. 11.00 Zig Zag. 11.23 Capricorn Game. 11.42 Advanced Level Studies. 12.04 Mind Stretchers. 12.09 Pages from Ceefax. 2.01 Words and Pictures. 2.18 One World. 2.40 Office Studies.

3.00 Pages from Ceefax. 5.10 Nene College and the 80s. 5.35 News Summary; Weather. 5.40 Make 'Em Laugh.

6.00 **IF YOU KNEW SUSIE** (1948) Musical comedy with Eddie Cantor and Joan Davis

7.30 **ENGLISH JOURNEY To Teeside, York and Hull** Beryl Bainbridge continues her journey around England and Englishness

8.10 **THE TWO RONNIES** with guest Stephanie Lawrence

9.00 **CALL MY BLUFF** refereed by Robert Robinson

9.30 **THIRD EYE Namibia — Africa's Last Colony** Norma Chase, director of education for the Namibia Council of Churches, returned to Namibia. She speaks out against the continued brutal occupation of her country by troops of the South African regime

10.20 **MAESTRO Mary Peters**
10.55 **NEWSNIGHT**

11.40 **A COOK'S TOUR** Glynn Christian samples the traditional dishes of Egypt

12.00-12.05 **OPEN UNIVERSITY**: 12.00 Hamlet. 12.25 Analysis of Hyde Park.

CHANNEL 4

5.00 **COUNTDOWN** Words and numbers quiz

5.30 **JEOPARDY** General knowledge quiz game

6.00 **HERE'S LUCY** *Ginger Rogers Comes to Tea* Lucy upsets Ginger Rogers at a film festival

6.30 **COPING Linda — From Debt to Credit**

7.00 **CHANNEL 4 NEWS**

7.50 **COMMENT** by John Madeley, journalist and broadcaster; followed by Weather

8.00 **SCULLY** Alan Bleasdale, author of 'Boys from the Blackstuff', wrote this new series about Scully, a 16-year-old Liverpool lad with dreams of becoming a professional footballer. With guest appearances from Liverpool footballers Kenny Dalglish and Bruce Grobbelaar, and Elvis Costello who wrote the theme tune. With Andrew Schofield as Scully and Ray Kinsley as Mooney

8.30 **MAN ABOUT THE HOUSE** *Three's a Crowd* Comedy series returns to the screen. Chrissey and Jo want a third girl to share their flat

9.00 **AFRICA Caravans of Gold** Basil Davidson traces the routes of the camel caravans which brought gold from the Empire of Mali across the Sahara to Morocco and Spain the merchant bankers of medieval Europe

10.00 **GHOST DANCE** (1983) Film by Ken McMullen centring on the adventures in Paris and London of two young girls (Pascale Ogier and Leonie Mellenger). With Robbie Coltrane, Stuart Brisley and Jacques Derrida

11.45 **Close**

THAMES

6.25 Good Morning Britain. 9.25 Thames News Headlines; School Programmes. 12.00 Gammon and Spinach. 12.10 Let's Pretend. 12.30 Homework. 1.00 News at One. 1.20 Thames News. 1.30 Talking Personally. 2.00 Film: *The Arsenal Stadium Mystery* A murder investigation begins when an amateur player collapses during a match; with Leslie Banks. 3.30 Miracles Take Longer. 4.00 Gammon and Spinach. 4.15 Cartoon Time. 4.20 Dramarama. 5.15 Gambit.

5.45 **NEWS**

6.00 **THAMES NEWS**

6.25 **HELP!**

6.35 **CROSSROADS**

7.00 **WHAT'S MY LINE?** Panellists Jim Davidson, Jilly Cooper, Patrick Mower, Barbara Kelly and George Gale try to determine the occupations of various miming contestants

7.30 **CORONATION STREET**

8.00 **THE KIT CURRAN RADIO SHOW** *The Big Break* Kit ponders the temptation of leaving down-market Radio Newtown for the fame and wider audience of the BBC

8.30 **WORLD IN ACTION**

9.00 **THE SWEENEY** John Thaw and Dennis Waterman in *Faces* A five-man gang successfully hi-jack an armoured security van but fall out over their next job

10.00 **NEWS AT TEN** followed by Thames News Headlines

10.30 **DES O'CONNOR NOW!** Live chat from London's Royalty Theatre

11.30 **THE TIMELESS LAND A Declaration of War — 1806** In Sydney powerful figures in the colony fight for supremacy and their own self-interest

12.25 **Night Thoughts**; and Closedown

GRANADA

6.25 Good Morning Britain. 9.30 For Schools. 12.00 Gammon and Spinach. 12.10 Let's Pretend. 12.30 Homework. 1.00 News. 1.20 Granada Reports. 1.30 Film: *Betrayed* with Clark Gable and Victor Mature (1954). An action drama of the war-time Resistance in Holland, threatened by a mysterious traitor. 3.30 Miracles Take Longer. 4.00 Gammon and Spinach. 4.15 Cartoon Time. 4.20 Dramarama. 5.15 Silver Spoons. 5.45 News.

6.00 **SONS AND DAUGHTERS**

6.30 **GRANADA REPORTS** With up-to-the-minute reports from around the North West

7.00 **WHAT'S MY LINE?** Quiz game chaired by Eamonn Andrews where panellists try to guess the occupations of contestants from their mimes

7.30 **CORONATION STREET**

8.00 **KIT CURRAN RADIO SHOW** Independent radio disc jockey Kit feels the lure of fame and a wider audience with the BBC

8.30 **WORLD IN ACTION**

9.00 **QUINCY The Face of Fear** A woman suffering from agoraphobia witnesses a murder, but the police don't believe her because they can't find the victim

10.00 **NEWS AT TEN**

10.30 **THE SWEENEY The Placer** Jack Regan poses as a long-distance lorry driver to find the link in series of hi-jack robberies

11.30 **STAR PARADE** Musical extravaganza with star guests
12.30 **Closedown**

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2.00 Yn Eu Cynefin. 2.20-2.35 Can Y Pibydd. 3.00 Film: *The Goldwyn Follies*. 5.00 Pictiwr Bach. 5.05 Helfa Drysor. 5.35 Barriers. 6.00 The Avengers. 7.00 Newyddion Saith. 7.30 Pwy Sy'n Perthn? 8.00 Upstairs, Downstairs. 9.00 Fe Sgrifennais I Hon. 9.30 Y Byd Ar Bedwar. 10.00 A Way of Being. 10.40 Love Sidney. 11.10 Voices. 12.10 Close.

RADIO

1 6.00 Adrian John. 7.00 Mike Read. 9.00 Simon Bates. 11.30 Gary Davies (12.30 Newsbeat). 2.00 Steve Wright. 4.30 Peter Powell (5.30 Newsbeat). 7.00 David Jensen. 10.00-12.00 John Peel (S).

2 4.00 Bill Rennells (S). 5.30 Ray Moore (S) (6.15 Pause for Thought). 7.30 Terry Wogan (S) (8.31 Racing Bulletin; 8.45 Pause for Thought). 10.00 Jimmy Young (S). 12.00 Steve Jones (S) (1.02 Sport). 2.05 Judith Chalmers (S) (3.02 Sport). 3.30 Music All The Way (S) (4.02 Sport). 4.05 David Hamilton (S) (5.05, 6.02 Sport). 6.05 John Dunn (S) (6.45 Sport and Classified Results; 7.30 Cricket Scores). 8.00 Alan Dell (S). 9.00 Humphrey Lyttelton (S). 9.55 Sports Desk. 10.00 Space Force. 10.25 Star Sound. 11.00 B.A. Robertson presents Round Midnight. 1.00 Patrick Lunt (S) presents Nightride. 3.00-4.00 Folk on 2 (S).

3 6.55 Weather. 7.00 News. 7.05 Morning Concert (S) Ravel, Mozart; records (8.00 Faure, Weber; records. 9.00 News. 9.05 This Week's Composer (S) Chopin; records. 10.00 Haydn and Bliss (S). 10.45 Goldmark (S) Orchestral music. 11.30 English Songs (S) Bax, W. Denis Browne. 12.05 Nielsen and Sibelius (S) Orchestral music. 1.00 News. 1.05 BBC Lunchtime Concert (S) Schoenberg, Schubert. 2.05 Music Weekly (S). 2.55 New Records (S) Josquin Desprez, Telemann, Liszt, Apostel, Brahms. 4.55 News. 5.00 Mainly for Pleasure (S). 6.30 Music for Organ (S) Parry, Howells, Bossi, Langlais. 7.00 BBC Symphony Orchestra in Germany (S) Part 1: Mozart, Britten. 7.55 An English Tutor in Czarist Russia (S). 8.15 Concert (S) Part 2: Bartok. 9.15 The Limits of Economic Planning. 9.35 D'Anglebert (S). 10.00 Light in Distant Rooms. 10.30 Jazz Today (S). 11.15-11.18 News.

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

Week on 4. 8.43 John Ebdon. 8.57 Weather; Travel. 9.00 News. 9.05 Start the Week with Richard Baker (S). 10.00 News; Money Box. 10.30 Morning Story: *Winners and Losers*. 10.45 Daily Service. 11.00 News; Travel; A Modern Rebellion. 12.00 News; You and Yours. 12.27 Stillgoe's Around (S). 12.55 Weather; Programme News. 1.00 The World at One; News. 1.40 The Archers. 1.55 Shipping Forecast. 2.00 News; Woman's Hour. 3.00 News; Afternoon Theatre (S) *Burglars*. 4.30 Acoustics Through the Ear Trumpet. 4.40 Story Time: *Hunt the Slipper*. 5.00 PM: News magazine. 5.50 Shipping Forecast. 5.55 Weather; Programme News. 6.00 The Six O'Clock News; Financial Report. 6.30 I'm Sorry I Haven't a Clue (S). 7.00 News. 7.05 The Archers. 7.20 Science Now. 7.50 Waterlines. 8.15 The Monday Play (S) *Sweet Dreams*. 9.30 Bolshoi Tyshinsky. 9.45 Kaleidoscope. 10.15 A Book at Bedtime: *Against the Stream*. 10.30 The World Tonight (11.00 News Headlines). 11.15 The 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 For Schools. 12.00 Gammon and Spinach. 12.10 Let's Pretend. 12.30 Homework. 1.00 News; North East News; Lookaround. 1.30 Look Who's Talking. 2.00 Film: *The Small Voice*. 3.30 Miracles Take Longer. 4.00 Gammon and Spinach. 4.15 Cartoon Time. 4.20 Dramarama. 5.15 Mr Smith. 5.45 News. 6.00 Going Up. 6.30 Northern Life. 7.00 What's My Line? 7.30 Coronation Street. 8.00 The Kit Curran Radio Show. 8.30 World In Action. 9.00 Quincy. 10.00 News at Ten; North East News. 10.32 Thriller: *Melody of Hate*. 12.15 Epilogue; Closedown.

CENTRAL

6.25 Good Morning Britain. 9.30 For Schools. 12.00 Gammon and Spinach. 12.10 Let's Pretend. 12.30 Homework. 1.00 News; Central News. 1.30 Film: *Kidnapped*. 3.30 The Young Doctors. 4.00 Gammon and Spinach. 4.15 Cartoon Time. 4.20 Dramarama. 5.15 Newsround. 5.45 News. 6.00 Central News. 6.30 Mr Smith. 7.00 What's My Line? 7.30 Coronation Street. 8.00 The Kit Curran Radio Show. 8.30 World In Action. 9.00 Quincy. 10.00 News at Ten; Central News. 10.35 Venture. 11.05 Ice Hockey Night. 11.45 Contact; Closedown.

YORKSHIRE

6.25 Good Morning Britain. 9.25 Regional Weather Forecast. 9.30 For Schools. 12.00 Gammon and Spinach. 12.10 Let's Pretend. 12.30 Homework. 1.00 News; Calendar News; Weather. 1.30 Film:

Conspiracy of Hearts. 3.30 Miracles Take Longer. 4.00 Gammon and Spinach. 4.15 Foghorn Leghorn. 4.20 Dramarama. 5.15 Silver Spoons. 5.45 News. 6.00 Calendar; Weather. 6.35 At Ease. 7.00 What's My Line? 7.30 Coronation Street. 8.00 The Kit Curran Radio Show. 8.30 World In Action. 9.00 Quincy. 10.00 News at Ten. 10.30 Calendar Commentary. 11.00 Hill Street Blues. 12.00 Closedown.

TSW

6.25 Good Morning Britain. 9.30 For Schools. 12.00 Gammon and Spinach. 12.10 Let's Pretend. 12.30 Homework. 1.00 News; TSW News Headlines. 1.30 Film: *Anatomy of a Seduction*. 3.15 Cartoon Time. 3.27 Gus Honeybun's Magic Birthdays. 3.30 Miracles Take Longer. 4.00 Gammon and Spinach. 4.15 Cartoon Time. 4.20 Dramarama. 5.15 Emmerdale Farm. 5.45 News. 6.00 Today South West. 6.30 Sportsweek. 7.00 What's My Line? 7.30 Coronation Street. 8.00 The Kit Curran Radio Show. 8.30 World In Action. 9.00 The Irish RM. 10.00 News at Ten; TSW News; Weather. 10.35 Postscript. 10.40 Film: *Alfie*. 12.40 South West Weather; Shipping Forecast; Closedown.

TVS

6.25 Good Morning Britain. 9.25 Farming Brief. 9.30 For Schools. 12.00 Gammon and Spinach. 12.10 Let's Pretend. 12.30 Homework. 1.00 News; TVS News. 1.30 Film: *A Town Like Alice*. 3.30 The Young Doctors. 4.00 Gammon and Spinach. 4.15 Cartoon Time. 4.20 Dramarama. 5.15 The Cop and the Kid. 5.45 News. 6.00 Coast to Coast. 6.40 Airmail. 7.00 What's My Line? 7.30 Coronation Street. 8.00 The Kit Curran Radio Show. 8.30

World In Action. 9.00 The Sweeney. 10.00 News at Ten; TVS News. 10.30 Who's For Europe. 11.00 Hill Street Blues. 12.00 Preview. 12.30 Company; Closedown.

HTV WEST

6.25 Good Morning Britain. 9.30 For Schools. 12.00 Gammon and Spinach. 12.10 Let's Pretend. 12.30 Homework. 1.00 News; HTV News. 1.30 Film: *Jigsaw*; HTV News. 3.30 Miracles Take Longer. 4.00 Gammon and Spinach. 4.15 Foghorn Leghorn. 4.20 Dramarama. 5.15 Vintage Quiz. 5.45 News. 6.00 HTV News. 7.00 What's My Line? 7.30 Coronation Street. 8.00 The Kit Curran Radio Show. 8.30 World In Action. 9.00 Quincy. 10.00 News at Ten; HTV News. 10.30 Hill Street Blues. 11.30 25th Anniversary of the Marquee. 12.20 Weather; Closedown.

HTV CYMRU: 6.00-7.00 Wales at Six. 10.30 Body & Soul. 11.30-12.30 Hill Street Blues.

ANGLIA

6.25 Good Morning Britain. 9.30 For Schools. 12.00 Gammon and Spinach. 12.10 Let's Pretend. 12.30 Homework. 1.00 News; Anglia News. 1.30 Film: *The Fast Lady*. 3.15 Cartoon Time. 3.30 Miracles Take Longer. 4.00 Gammon and Spinach. 4.15 Cartoon Time. 4.20 Dramarama. 5.15 Joanie Loves Chachi. 5.45 News. 6.00 About Anglia. 6.30 Diff'rent Strokes. 7.00 What's My Line? 7.30 Coronation Street. 8.00 The Kit Curran Radio Show. 8.30 World In Action. 9.00 The Sweeney. 10.00 News at Ten; Anglia News; Weather. 10.30 Anglia Reports. 11.00 Hill Street Blues. 12.00 All Kinds of Country. 12.30 Epilogue; Closedown

Winning Post

ABU KADRA TO SCORE FOR STOUTE

ON PAST form, just under a third of all Michael Stoute's runners can be expected to win at PONTEFRAC and so it looks significant that the Newmarket trainer sends just Abu Kadra (4.45) there today.

The Blakeney colt ran with plenty of promise on his debut when fifth of 15 in a maiden race at Haydock last month, and the opposition in the Pontefract Maiden Mile

Championship (qualifier) does not amount to a great deal.

The most dangerous of them could be another Newmarket raider, Majestic Peace, trained by Gavin Pritchard-Gordon. The American bred was noted making good progress in a mile event at Leicester towards the end of April, although he may eventually need further than this distance.

Reg Hollinshead's excellent start to the season can

continue in the Filey Handicap with Kathred (3.45), who is attempting a hat-trick after successes at Ripon and Kempton earlier this month.

Retired

The front-running mare has recently been covered by the owner's stallion Ring Bidder and is expected to run in the Wokingham Handicap at Ascot before being retired to the paddocks.

In the meantime, she looks a good bet to add to her total of ten victories.

Y I Oyston (2.45), an impressive winner last time out, will probably start at short odds for the Snaith Two-Year-Old Stakes. Three of her four opponents are unraced and Duck Flight might be the one for forecasts. He shaped well behind Cornwall in a Warwick Maiden last month.

George Duffield, suspended for only the second time in his career at Thirsk on Saturday, should be in a happier frame of mind at HAMILTON where he can complete a hat-trick.

Quality Chorister (2.30), whose third to Track Deal here last season was probably a better effort than it seemed at the time, can start the ball rolling in the Bracketsbrae Maiden Stakes, and Duffield should follow up on Foreigner (3.00) (Newhouse Stakes) and Hazel Bush (5.00) (Kirkfieldbank Handicap).



PONTEFRAC

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.

PONTEFRAC

2.45 THE SNAITH 2-Y-O STAKES £2,000

2 (3)	31	Y I OYSTON (D) J Berry 93	T Ives
4 (4)	0	DUCK FLIGHT J Douglas-Horne 811	I Johnson
7 (2)		HIDEDEEBOO Mrs M Nesbitt 811	M Birch
8 (5)		LUCKSIN R Thompson 811	C Nutter
12 (1)		MALEANN C Spares 88	

PROBABLE SP: 3-1 on Y I Oyston, 5-1 Duck Flight, 12-1 Hideedeeboo, 14-1 Lucksin, 16-1 Mableann.

3.15 OSSETT SELLING HANDICAP £800

3 (13)	01044-0	ROSE GLOW (D) J Spearing 497	J Bleasdale
7 (1)	02100-0	GLENN'S SLIPPER J Mason 3813	S Dawson (5)
8 (10)	000-003	KING SHARA (FR) Mrs M Nesbitt 3813	R Cochrane
9 (6)	0000-00	MONSANTO LAD H Fleming 4813	A MacKay
10 (2)	30000-0	PROVANHILL GIRL T Taylor 4813	
11 (9)	0000-03	SAUNSON BOY (USA) B McMahon 4813	
14 (7)	000-000	RIBOBELLE R Thompson 3810	W R Swinburn
15 (4)	10-3300	ORVILLE'S SONG J Wilson 3810	S Perkins
16 (8)	000-00	RENNY LEE R Whitaker 389	M Rimmer
18 (5)	0000-00	ALOICIOUS D Leslie 385	S P Griffiths (7)
23 (3)	00000-0	STACEY'S FOLLY D Chapman 3712	A Proud
25 (11)	000-000	KALACHANCE A Smith 3711	
27 (12)	0000-00	VALDAMOSA T Kersey 379	

PROBABLE SP: 11-4 Aloicious, 7-2 Orville's Song, 6-1 Ribobelle, Glens Slipper and Roe Glow, 8-1 Provanhill Girl, 14-1 King Shara, 16-1 Mableann.

3.45 FILEY HANDICAP £3,000

1 (4)	4222-03	SAXHAM BRECK (D) F Durr 4910	G Baxter
2 (5)	3000-01	WILLIE GAN (D) Denys Smith 6910 (6 ex)	D Leadbitter (7)
3 (2)	0-40411	KATHRED (D) R Hollinshead 6910 (9 ex)	S Perkins
5 (3)	00-0040	SHASTA SAM R Hobson 491	O Gray
7 (1)	04200-0	LA PERRICHOLI (FR) (D) M Tompkins 4812	R Curant
8 (10)	000-104	MARY MAGUIRE (C-D) Mrs M Nesbitt 7810	S Dawson (5)
10 (9)	002-030	MORWAY BOY S Norton 487	C Ollivier (5)
11 (6)	0000-21	VALLEY MILLS T Barron 485	M Birch
15 (11)	2040-00	APRIL LUCKY (C-D) C Crossley 11710	S Webster
16 (13)	0000-00	BIG LAND Mrs N Macauley 577	
17 (12)	020-003	WELSH NOBLE (D) A Balding 677	L Charnock
20 (7)	1000-00	ARDENT WARRIOR (D) A W Jones 577	A MacKay
21 (8)	000-200	INCESTUOUS B McMahon 577	

PROBABLE SP: 3-1 Saxham Breck, 4-1 Kathred, 5-1 Valley Mills, 13-2 April Lucky, 10-1 Welsh Noble, Morway Boy and Willie Gan, 12-1 Shasta Sam, 14-1 La Perricholi, 16-1 others.

4.15 PONTEFRAC MARATHON £2,000

1 (9)	0240-10	PHILPRIDE W Elsey 4812	E Hide
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Leonard retires again

THERE was a slight swelling under his right eye, but the ever-present smile lit up his handsome, otherwise unmarked face.

It was the morning after his first, and last, comeback fight. And Sugar Ray Leonard said he was relieved that, once and for all, he had retired from the ring.

His terrified wife Juanita hadn't had to fulfil her promise of breaking his legs if he threatened to degenerate into a punchy fighter.

Leonard had again proved his singularity by going out as a winner, having stopped Kevin Howard of Philadelphia in the ninth round of their scheduled ten-round fight at the Worcester Centrum on Friday night.

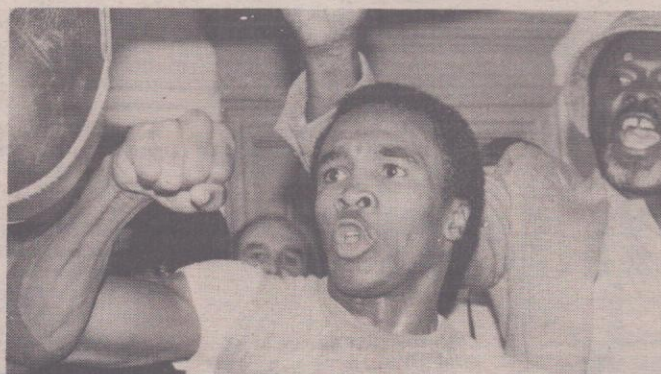
'I'm relieved it's all over,' the former welterweight and junior middleweight champion said as he prepared to leave for his Maryland home with pregnant Juanita, and

their ten-year-old son, Ray jnr.

'I had to prove something to myself. And I found that it just wasn't there anymore, mentally,' said Leonard.

Leonard stunned the boxing world by announcing, less than an hour after the fight, he was retiring 'for good' because of his unimpressive performance against the 22-year-old Howard, who knocked him down for the first time in his professional career.

'My concentration just wasn't there, and I'm convinced that it wouldn't be



SUGAR RAY LEONARD

any different if I went on,' said the 27-year-old Leonard.

He thus finished his ring career with 33 victories and the lone defeat at the hands of Roberto Duran of Panama.

'Even if I knocked him (Howard) out, I still would

have quit,' he added.

Leonard had been criticised recently for coming back after undergoing surgery for a partially detached retina on his left eye and a corrective operation to strengthen a weakened retina in his right eye.

BY OUR RACING CORRESPONDENT

2 (1)	030000-	BARRYPHILIPS DISCO R Whitaker 7810	S Perks
3 (13)		GOLDEN TY J Parkes 6810	S Webster
5 (2)		MANNA BRIDGE D Gandolfo 6810	
6 (11)		NOTABLE J Old 6810	S Keightley
7 (6)		ROYAL REPRIEVE B Morgan 6810	B Crossley
10 (3)		WAR CORRESPONDENT D Ringer 7810	P D Arcy
12 (8)	000-000	CADAGAT D Sasse 487	W R Swinburn
13 (5)	00000-0	CHEKKA G Lockerbie 487	M Birch
14 (14)	4000-00	EAST COAST GIRL J Gilbert 587	
15 (4)	0000-00	EXCAVATOR BOY Mrs M Nesbitt 487	A Kimberley
19 (7)	0-433	PHYSICAL (USA) P Cole 487	T Quinn (3)
22 (10)	0043-00	SACRED PATH J Bethell 487	G Baxter
24 (12)		MASKWOOD Mrs M Nesbitt 484	L Charnock

BLINKERS: 10

PROBABLE SP: 11-8 Physical, 5-2 Sacred Path, 3-1 Philpride, 8-1 Barryphilips Disco, 10-1 Caddagat, 16-1 others.

4.45 PONTEFRAC MDN MILE CH'SHIP (Q'FR) £2,0001m (21 runners)

1 (11)	0	ABU KADRA M Stoute 90	W R Swinburn
3 (21)	0302-03	ARBITRAGE J Spearing 90	S Webster
5 (19)		BAHEEGE (USA) A Stewart 90	M Banner
6 (4)	300000-	BICKERSTAFFE M W Easterby 90	M Hindley (7)
9 (9)	23-203	FARIDPOUR (USA) R Houghton 90	B Thomson
10 (1)	23204-	FENCHURCH COLONY M H Easterby 90	M Birch
12 (8)	0000-0	GAMESMANSHIP W Elsey 90	E Hide
14 (20)	000-	HABAT'S MELODY C Booth 90	G Oldroyd
15 (7)	00-0	KARNATAK J Spearing 90	
17 (14)	0030-00	MAJESTIC PEACE (USA) G P Gordon 90	R Cochrane
20 (18)	400000	PLOUGHMAN'S R Hollinshead 90	S Perks
21 (2)	000-0	PURPLE B Hobbs 90	G Baxter
23 (6)	34	SHAULA (BF) P Walwyn 90	A Kimberley
32 (12)	0-0	BEST LADY M Jarvis 811	J Bleasdale
35 (13)	400000-	HIGHEST TENDER K Stoute 811	A MacKay
38 (17)	224-	NONABELLA M H Easterby 811	K Hodgson
39 (16)	000-0	NORTH PINE J Etherington 811	M Wood
44 (15)	0	SMOKE CREEK G Wragg 811	B Crossley
45 (10)	0	SWISS FRANC SWEET M W Easterby 811	
46 (3)	040	THATCHOVA T Barron 811	
48 (95)		WORK GIRL P Wigham 811	

PROBABLE SP: 5-2 Abu Kadra, 4-1 Faridpour, 6-1 Best Lady, 7-1 Nonabella, 10-1 Majestic Peace and Fenchurch Colony, 12-1 Arbitrage, Purple and Shaula, 14-1 others.

5.15 GARFORTH APPRENTICE H'CAP £1,200

2 (3)	000-02	TO ONEIRO (BF) R Armstrong 91	P Struthers (7)
3 (4)	024-0	PENDONA W Musson 97	Geraldine Thorpe (4)
4 (12)	200-014	RIDALS CHOICE (D) R Hobson 95	
5 (14)	01-3	ACKA'S GEM (D) Denys Smith 95	D Leadbitter
8 (7)	00300-0	OAK POOL N Tinkler 193	D Walters (7)
10 (9)	2301-44	LADY OF LEISURE (D) I Vickers 91	R Fahey (4)
11 (6)	202-040	BAKERS DOUBLE (BF) R Hollinshead 813	P Hill (4)
12 (5)	013420-	BROON'S LADY G Lockerbie 88	J Quinn (7)
13 (10)	010-00	SHOWTIME (D) R Whitaker 87	P Doughty (4)
14 (11)	0000-00	JONDAO W Bentley 85	J Carroll (7)
15 (1)	003-004	RETURN-TO-JALNA E Alston 83	R Lappin
16 (2)	000-000	PANBEL T Fairhurst 80	C Coates (4)
17 (8)	04-2300	PAPIR MAC'HE J Wilson 713	Julie Bowker (7)
18 (13)	000-000	LAST SECRET D Chapman 713	S P Griffiths

BLINKERS: 4

PROBABLE SP: 7-2 Return-to-Jalna, 4-1 To Oneiro, 5-1 Acka's Gem, 6-1 Ridals Choice, 8-1 Showtime, 10-1 Pendona, Lady of Leisure and Bakers Double, 14-1 others.

SELECTIONS

PONTEFRAC

2.45	Y I Oyston
3.15	Saunson Boy
3.45	Kathred (n.b.)
4.15	Physical
4.45	Abu Kadra (nap)
5.15	Acka's Gem

HAMILTON

2.30	Quality Chorister
3.00	Foreigner
3.30	H R Micro
4.00	Boldera
4.30	Boy Sandford
5.00	Hazel Bush

HAMILTON

SIX-YEAR-RECORD

JOCKEYS: M Birch 27, G Duffield 21, E Hide 21, J Lowe 21, Pat Eddery 19, J Bleasdale 13, B Raymond 13, W Swinburn 11, M Wigham 11, S Cauthen 10, P Cook 10, K Hodgson 9, L Piggott.

TRAINERS: M H Easterby 20, M Stoute 18, B Hills 13, I Balding 12, R Hollinshead 11, M Prescott 11, H Cecil 10, J W Watts 10, B Hobbs 10, B McMahon 9, S Norton 9, P Walwyn 9.

DRAW: Little significance.

2.30 BROCKETSBRAE MAIDEN STAKES £600

1 (6)	2-00	AESCLAPIUS P Haslam 90	J Scally (7)
3 (9)		CHEEKY CHAP C H Bell 90	N Carlisle
4 (8)	0-04	DOUBLE DEALER (FR) R Houghton 90	D Price (7)
7 (5)	23-	QUALITY CHORISTER M Prescott 90	G Duffield
8 (2)	0-000	TIDLYEYETIVE I Vickers 90	
11 (3)	0	CRIMSON RING F Carr 811	C Dwyer
14 (7)	00-00	MISS GUENEVERE T Craig 811	
15 (1)	00000-0	QUITE ALERT A Bailey 811	N Connorton
16 (10)	4-3	SALALA (BF) B Hanbury 811	P Hamblett
17 (4)	200-300	SOUTHERN VENTURE S Norton 811	J Lowe

BLINKERS: 14, 17

PROBABLE SP: 5-4 on Double Dealer, 4-1 Quality Chorister, 6-1 Salala, 8-1 Aesculapius, 12-1 Crimson Ring, 16-1 Southern Venture, 20-1 others.

3.00 NEWHOUSE STAKES £600

1 (5)	31	AKUNA MATATA (D) J Berry 90	K Darley
5 (4)	1	FOREIGNER (D) P Haslam 811	G Duffield
8 (3)	03	LAKE HAMILTON D Hanley 811	
12 (2)	2	PATCHBURG W H Williams 811	C Dwyer
14 (1)	0	DARCY FARROW Denys Smith 88	M Fry

PROBABLE SP: 7-4 Foreigner, 5-2 Akuna Matata, 9-2 Patchburg, 6-1 Lake Hamilton, 8-1 Darcy Farrow.

3.30 ROSEBANK HANDICAP £1,500

2 (1)	40411-0	CELTIC BIRD (C-D) A Balding 497	A Weiss (5)
5 (9)	0-02003	SPOILT FOR CHOICE D Chapman 692	D Nicholls
9 (3)	210-2	BOARDMAN'S DELIGHT (D) S G Norton 389	J Lowe
10 (5)	0-00000	RUSSIAN WINTER (D) A W Jones 989	C Dwyer
11 (6)	100-000	BOOM SHANTY (D) T Craig 387	D McKay
12 (4)	00403-2	LAURA'S CHOICE T Craig 384	N Connorton
13 (10)	00000-0	H R MICRO (D) M Lambert 684	N Carlisle
14 (2)	00000-0	FRENCH TOUCH (D) A Balding 7712	M Fozzard (7)
15 (8)	00-0003	BLOCHAIRN SKOLAR (C-D) (BF) N Bycroft 6712	M Fry
16 (7)	4400-40	TRADESMAN (D) J Haldane 4710	

BLINKERS: 10, 11

PROBABLE SP: 9-4 Celtic Bird, 11-4 Boardman's Delight, 4-1 Spoilt For Choice, 6-1 Laura's Choice, 8-1 Blochairn Skolar, 12-1 Tradesman, 20-1 others.

4.00 LESMAHAGOW SELLING STAKES £600

1 (3)	3103-00	PALACE ROCKET (C) T Craig 92	N Carlisle
3 (6)	00-2100	KELLY BAY (C-D) S Norton 813	J Lowe
6 (2)	000-440	WILGOR J Berry 811	K Darley
7 (4)	0-0	ZERO C Austin 811	S Keightley
8 (1)	0-00200	ALMA REAL P Haslam 88	G Duffield
9 (5)	0-00030	BOLDERA D Chapman 88	D Nicholls

BLINKERS: 3, 8

PROBABLE SP: 15-8 Alma Real, 7-2 Kelly Bay, 9-2 Palace Rocket, 6-1 Wilgor, 8-1 Zero, 10-1 Boldera.

4.30 HAZLEBANK HANDICAP £1,500

1 (9)	00000-0	RESIDE E Carte 8910	
2 (1)	0000-00	AFRICAN PEARL J S Wilson 697	
5 (7)	0010-00	BATTALION (C-D) D Chapman 691	D Nicholls
6 (4)	0020-02	SAMANDAR (USA) P Haslam 490	G Duffield
8 (8)	3120-30	BOY SANDFORD (C-D) C H Bell 5812	N Carlisle
9 (12)	400001-	GIGONDAS (C) W Holden 5811	D McKay
11 (5)	130104-	SNIFFY S Leadbetter 589	J Lowe
12 (10)	4300-10	TRAA-DY-LIOOAR W H Williams 488	C Dwyer
13 (2)	403013-	MALADHU (C) J FitzGerald 588	
14 (6)	340000-	WAHED F Watson 987	
16 (13)	20000-0	HIGH PORT A W Jones 582	
17 (3)	00-0	OLD HUBERT A Bailey 3713	N Connorton
19 (11)	2000-00	POLEMISTIS M James 5712	M Fozzard (7)

BLINKERS: 19

PROBABLE SP: 5-2 Samandar, 7-2 Battalion, 9-2 Sniffy, 11-2 Traa-Dy-Liooar, 8-1 Maladhu, 10-1 Gigondas, 12-1 Boy Sandford, 20-1 others.

5.00 KIRKFIELDBANK HANDICAP £1,500

3	(4)	0321-11	HAZEL BUSH (C) M Prescott 497.....	G Duffield
4	(6)	014033	FRASASS D Chapman 796.....	D Nicholls
9	(5)	400-022	PORTER (C) E Carter 588.....	J Carr (7)
10	(1)	000-000	BRIGADIER HAWK C Austin 687.....	N Carlisle
14	(3)	000-21	MILTON BURN D Hanley 382 (7 ex).....	N Connorton
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SPORTS LINE WEEKEND SOCCER

IT'S LIVERPOOL AGAIN

LIVERPOOL clinched a third successive League title on Saturday — but the match proved to be a frustrating anti-climax.

Held scoreless by a relaxed — and already relegated — Notts County, they retained the title by virtue of draws by their last remaining challengers, Manchester United and Southampton.

But Liverpool have always maintained that a Championship is built over nine months and not just won in a single game.

Even so, it was a flat champagne celebration for the 10,000 Liverpool supporters in County's biggest League crowd of the season.

Their idols found a hard, bumpy pitch no help, for the passing game has been the key to Liverpool's domination of the League for a decade.

Not that this muted their after-match celebrations as the final whistle gave Liverpool a seventh Championship in nine seasons and a hat-trick of titles to emulate those won by Huddersfield (1923-1926) and Arsenal (1932-1935).

Liverpool began

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BY ROBERT JAMES

cautiously, pressed forward to gain domination by the interval, but while having most of the second half they seldom looked like snatching the ultimate glory goal.

Content

Captain Graeme Souness seemed content to play a deep role, smoothing over the problems caused to his defence by the fast-moving County winger, John Chiedozie.

Liverpool produced a workmanlike performance, but with 46-goal Ian Rush well held and Kenny

Dalglish subdued, they rarely looked like repeating their 5-0 thrashing of County at Anfield this season.

The closest they came to scoring followed a 22nd-minute break by John Wark from a Sammy Lee pass.

The Scot, however, delayed his shot and goalkeeper Mick Leonard came out bravely to block.

● **SOUNESS**, Liverpool manager Joe Fagan's 'player of the season', is worth far more to his club than the £1 million Sampdoria are reportedly pre-

Souness interests Italians

pared to pay for him. The Scottish skipper said last night that he has no knowledge of any Italian interest.

But clearly, at 31, he would have to seriously consider the lucrative lira market if Sampdoria made a positive approach.

Chose

Souness, however, is currently the man Fagan would least like to lose.

'My Liverpool man of the season had to be Graeme Souness,' said Fagan. 'We needed Ian Rush's goals and the performance from everyone else, but I chose Souness for his leadership, attitude and total commitment.'



GRAEME SOUNESS . . . Fagan's Liverpool player of the season

RELEGATION

Birmingham go down

MICK FERGUSON is waiting to discover whether he has committed himself to a First or Second Division future.

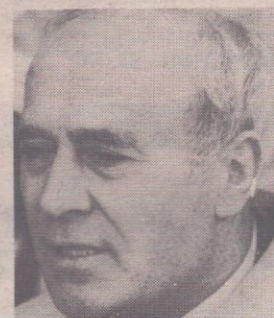
Striker Ferguson was a man of mixed emotions after a weekend goal that kept Coventry, his on-loan club, in the top flight and helped banish Birmingham — they hold his registration — into the Second.

'I don't know what will happen now,' conceded Ferguson. 'I will have to speak to both managers to find out. Obviously I was pleased that Coventry avoided relegation, but disappointed for my mates at Birmingham.'

It proved third time unlucky for Birmingham, who avoided the drop at the 11th hour in the previous two campaigns.

'I inherited a club that was in such a bad way, particularly financially,' said manager Ron Saunders. 'We have sorted things out and I hoped we would stay up.'

'Let's hope we can learn something and when we come back it's



BIRMINGHAM boss Ron Saunders

my job to ensure that the team is a lot better equipped for the First Division than ever it was in the past.'

Those sentiments will be shared by fellow casualties Notts County and Wolves, while promoted trio Chelsea, Sheffield Wednesday and Newcastle are confident they will not struggle next season.

Team

John Neal, manager of Second Division champions Chelsea, insisted: 'This team is on the verge of great things. We have excited and entertained all over the country and won the title in style.'

Kerry Dixon scored the goal at Grimsby that ensured Chelsea finishing above Sheffield Wednesday on goal difference.

Along with Newcastle, they will give the First Division a significant attendance boost.

But the north-east fans will be demanding a new hero now that Kevin Keegan has played his 500th and last League match.

'My two years here have been very worthwhile,' said Keegan after scoring in his farewell, against Brighton. 'The people here have waited long enough for promotion. They are the best and the First Division needs them.'

Hull will win promotion to the Second instead of Sheffield United if they beat Burnley by three clear goals at Turf Moor tomorrow night.

Beaten FA Cup semi-finalists Plymouth Argyle survived the drop to the Fourth thanks to a 3-1 win over Orient. The last relegation place rests between Ian Botham's Scunthorpe and Brentford.

The only other outstanding issue is whether Halifax or Wrexham apply for re-election.



BANGOR'S Mark Carter (centre) just fails to connect whilst Northwich Victoria's Ken Jones (left) and Dave Fretwell watch anxiously

Play it again lads

BANGOR CITY, who beat the taxman on their way to Wembley, could not quite find the resources to win the FA trophy on Saturday.

But only the agility of Northwich Victoria goalkeeper Dave Ryan prevented them becoming the first team to take the challenge trophy out of England.

With three minutes of

BANGOR CITY 1 NORTHWICH VIC 1

Whelan

Chester

BY OUR OWN REPORTER

extra time remaining — and with the scores level at 1-1 — he flung himself to his right to beat out a shot from Bangor captain Mark Carter.

Ryan's save ensured

the first drawn Trophy final and that means the two Alliance Premier League sides must meet again at Stoke City's Victoria Ground on Tuesday night.

Paul Whelan put the Welshmen ahead after 38 minutes, but Northwich, beaten finalists last year, pulled level 14 minutes later through Colin Chester.

In the 90 minutes of normal time there were few openings to excite the 14,200 crowd — the lowest ever for a Trophy final at Wembley.

SPORTS LINE WEEKEND SOCCER

UNITED AND SPURS GET READY FOR OVERHAULING

A new broom . . .

THERE WILL probably be sweeping changes at Old Trafford and White Hart Lane this summer.

Manager Keith Burkinshaw will certainly be leaving Tottenham, several of his players want away, too. United have already lost Ray Wilkins to the continent — and their manager, Ron Atkinson, could very well follow the England midfielder.

Barcelona, who just lost Argentine boss Cesar Menotti, are believed to be interested in the ex-trover Atkinson.

If the rumours are true, then Barcelona would be willing to pay a king's ransom to prise him away from Old Trafford.

Atkinson, however, after signing the Dane Jesper Olsen earlier this season and Scottish international Gordon Strachan last week, may very well see exciting times ahead at United.

Sorry

There is an anxious air of expectation pervading White Hart Lane these days. The fans will be sorry to see Burkinshaw go. The club, hell bent on re-establishing the form that brought them two FA Cups in recent years, are looking for a top name to replace Burkinshaw — the list of possibles grows every day.

With the second leg of their UEFA Cup final against Anderlecht looming on the horizon, Saturday's result was probably that little more satisfying

for Burkinshaw than Atkinson.

It was a robust game. Graham Roberts, Paul Miller and Tony Galvin all got 'stuck in' for Tottenham — United's Remi Moses bearing the brunt of their exuberant tackling for most of the afternoon.

Wilkins bade London farewell with a rather subdued performance. Bryan Robson, as usual, tried to motivate United from midfield, but their hearts weren't really in it.

Lead

United took the lead through Norman Whiteside shortly after half-time, but Spurs hit back quickly through Steve Archibald — one of those Spurs' men who wants to get away next month to pastures new.

TOTTENHAM 1 MAN UNITED 1
Archibald Whiteside

BY MATTHEW NUGENT



UNITED'S Mark Hughes comes under close scrutiny from Tottenham's Paul Miller (hidden) at White Hart Lane on Saturday

WHAT AM I DOING HERE? . . . This runner's headgear (below left) in yesterday's London Marathon tells it's own story. INGRID CHRISTIANSEN (below) on the way to a new course record in the women's race. The 28-year-old Norwegian is favourite to lift the Olympic gold medal in Los Angeles this summer



Lendl, McEnroe showdown

IVAN LENDL handed Jimmy Connors the most humiliating defeat of his tennis career on Saturday to reach the final of the \$500,000 tournament of champions in New York.

The third-seeded Czechoslovak became the first player to score a 6-0 6-0 victory over Connors and was due to face holder John McEnroe for the title last night.

The match was so one-sided that the top-seeded American managed only eight points in each set. It was sweet revenge for Lendl, who lost to Connors in the finals of the 1982 and 1983 US opens.

McEnroe, playing at the top of his diversified game, thrashed fellow American Jimmy Arias 6-1 6-2 in the other semi-final. It was the second seed's 31st consecutive victory.

● **FIVE-TIME** Wimbledon champion Bjorn Borg of Sweden, demolished Bill Scanlon of the US 6-2 6-2 to win the \$200,000 exhibition tennis tournament in Osaka, Japan, yesterday.

Canada's teenage star Carling Bassett upset second-seeded Bettina Bunge of West Germany 6-2 6-4, to win the women's prize.

Borg, 27, and Bassett, 16, earned \$30,000 each. The Swede, who retired from Grand Prix competition in March last year ran circles around Scanlon with his powerful serve and devastatingly accurate volleys and passes.

Bassett, who turned professional in January 1983, beat the unsteady Bunge with good passing shots, capitalising on her opponent's many unforced errors, including 10 double faults.

● **UNSEED** Juan Aguilera of Spain

emerged as the new young star of the men's tennis circuit when he came back from the brink of defeat to win the West German Open title in Hamburg yesterday.

Aguilera, 22, beat Henrik Sundstrom of Sweden 6-4, 2-6 2-6, 6-4, 6-4, in a three-and-a-half-hour thriller to become the first non-seed ever to win the tournament.

Yet the Spaniard had stared defeat in the face only an hour earlier.

After narrowly losing the first set, Sundstrom began to play superlative tennis, taking the next two sets 6-2 6-2 and moving into a 3-0 lead in the fourth.

Forlorn

Aguilera, ranked 36th in the world, looked a forlorn figure, unable to summon the brilliant touches he showed in beating Yannick Noah of France and Argentina's Guillermo Vilas earlier in the \$250,000 tournament.

But the game swung round abruptly on Sundstrom's next serve.

The dark-haired Swede, who beat his compatriot Mats Wilander on Saturday after defeating him in the Monte Carlo Open final, double-faulted and made a couple of unforced errors to give Aguilera the break.

The Spaniard, a former drummer in a pop group, seemed to believe in himself and began to risk some forehand winners. He won five games in a row, squared the match at two sets all and broke Sundstrom's service for 4-3 in the final set.

● **THIRD SEED** Manuela Maleeva of Bulgaria won the women's international tennis tournament in Lugano, Switzerland,

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GREENWICH is just behind them as this colourful procession of runners in yesterday's London Marathon head for the finish on Westminster Bridge — just 18 miles away!



CHARLIE SPEDDING

Charlie speeds to Olympics

BY MATTHEW NUGENT

CHARLIE SPEDDING from Gateshead booked his passage into Britain's Olympic Games squad with a thoroughly deserved victory in yesterday's London Marathon.

Spedding's 'low-profile' approach to yesterday's event paid off handsomely.

He stayed in Gateshead until Saturday morning before transferring to a hotel near the starting line in Greenwich in the evening.

The 31-year-old Gateshead athlete ran the race of his life in sunny, but blustery conditions, to

triumph in two hours, nine minutes 57 seconds with his northeast club-mate Kevin Forster making it a Geordie double by coming in second.

Now 25-year-old Forster, who survived several bad patches in the 26.2 miles, will have to wait until Thursday to see if he has done enough to win a place in the Los Angeles bound Olympic team.

British record holder Geoff Smith and Hugh Jones, the most consistent marathon runner this side of the Atlantic, both opted to miss yesterday's event, hoping that fast times set earlier this season will see them safely into the British team.

Spedding, who won his only previous marathon in Houston, Texas, in January, clipped a remarkable one minute 58 seconds off his previous best and moved into seventh place in the United Kingdom all-time list.

He proved completely unflappable and was prepared to talk over tactics with close friend Forster during the race.

Both refused to match the blistering early pace set by Tanzania's Juma Ikangaa, the Commonwealth silver medallist, and Zakariah Barie.

The two Tanzanians

took an early lead — which at one stage stretched to 150 yards — as they rolled off mile after mile at a suicidal pace.

Many of the British Olympic hopefuls tried to keep them in their sights, but the fast pace burnt many of them off by the six-mile mark.

Gradually, Spedding and Forster closed the gap on them. The Africans did try and burn the two Geordies off as well but at 19 miles Spedding's steady approach paid off as he made a decisive break.

He ran the last seven miles alone and finished one minute 46 seconds ahead of Forster with Cardiff's Denis Fowles making a late surge to grab third place.

Afterwards, Spedding said: 'I certainly hope I will now be picked for the Olympic Games. This was the big race and most top Britons were here. I think the people who have run well today should be selected, but obviously the selectors are facing a dilemma.'

Mike Gratton, last year's winner, was never seriously in contention and finished nearly seven minutes adrift with his Olympic dream in tatters.

There was a brilliant performance from Norway's Ingrid Christiansen, who set the second fastest time in the world in winning the women's race in two hours 24 minutes 26 seconds.

The Norwegian housewife was out on her own from six miles as early pacemaker Mary Stewart — who had hoped to stay with the Norwegian until the halfway mark — faded away.

But such was the pace that Christiansen set herself yesterday it was not until 20 miles into the race that the leading men, whose race started ten minutes after the women, caught her.