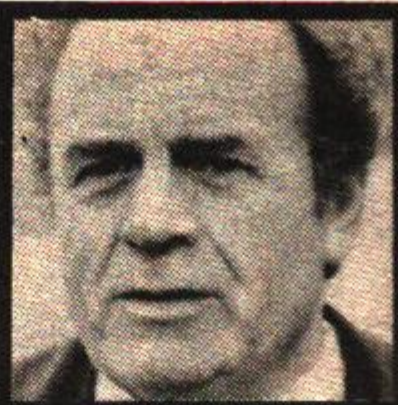


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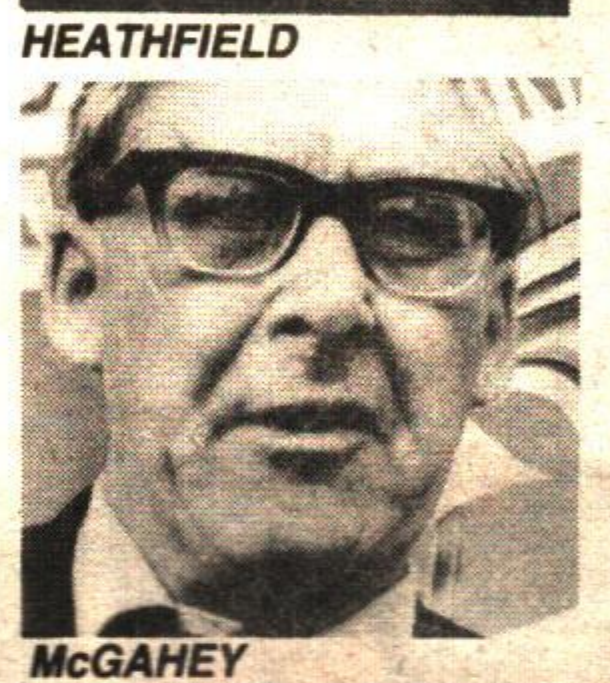


INSIDE TODAY

RON TODD, a contender in the election for T&GWU general secretary, speaks to News Line about the role of the transport unions in the miners' strike — See page 6

Miners' executive firmer than ever after talks breakdown

NUM LEADERS REJECT TORY BLACKMAIL



SCARGILL

HEATHFIELD

McGAHEY

BY BEN RUDDER

MINERS' leaders were confident yesterday that they could rally the rest of the trade union movement behind the 14-week strike against closures following Wednesday's breakdown of talks with the Coal Board.

Meanwhile, Tory attempts to blackmail and intimidate the miners intensified. In the Commons, Prime Minister Thatcher, backing NCB chairman Ian MacGregor to the hilt, threatened even more closures and praised the board's 'marvellous' redundancy terms.

Following an executive meeting in Sheffield, NUM leaders accused MacGregor of misleading the union into believing the Coal Board was serious about withdrawing its closure plan.

And they rejected with

contempt his advice that they now call a ballot of members. He also hinted the NCB might call their own ballot.

Miners' president Arthur Scargill said the union was pleased with the response from the transport alliance, and added:

'We have also appealed to other unions to increase the amount of support, physical, moral and financial, that they have been giving us'.

He said the union was not yet formally approaching the TUC. 'If we decide we need to approach the TUC — and we've obviously been in contact with all leaders in

the labour movement — then that's what we should do.

'But at this stage we are convinced that the trade union movement can and will respond to our appeal.'

Confidence

He said there was a tremendous amount of confidence on the executive, adding: 'We only hope that the rest of the labour movement will gather in increasing strength to our side.'

'If that happens, this dispute can be over much sooner than the December figure put on it by Mr MacGregor and Mr

Cowan (NCB deputy chairman) at yesterday's meeting.'

Scargill condemned MacGregor's proposal for a management-run ballot and said miners should have nothing to do with such interference in union affairs.

He said the executive had been 'appalled' at the behaviour of the Coal Board during the secret talks.

'In two of the meetings with the National Coal Board an impression was given that the Board were willing to withdraw their pit closure plan.'

Wednesday's meeting 'completely transformed' this position, he said.

'It was apparent to the NUM that Mr MacGregor had had his marching orders from the government and from Mrs Thatcher and that accounted for the complete change of attitude.'

The Board were 'completely intransigent' and 'belligerent', and union negotiators said it appeared this was in order to provoke the union's side into walking out.

The Coal Board had already prepared a press conference in anticipation of a breakdown of talks, which made it seem that the whole use of the talks was deliberately misleading.

Duplicity

Mick McGahey, NUM vice-president, and Peter Heathfield, the union's general secretary, accused the NCB of duplicity.

McGahey said: 'If MacGregor was serious about negotiations, and about the secrecy of the negotiations, then why did he go to the London "Times"?''

Heathfield said staff at the Coal Board were already addressing envelopes to striking miners before Wednesday's talks got under way.

This proved the Coal Board went to the meeting with the intention of a breakdown.

He said he thought the union was in a situation 'where the Board had moved their ground considerably' following the meeting in Edinburgh last week.

He said the Board had returned to its 'authoritarian' position, and the NUM was 'not in that ball game.'

Post Office walk-out over shut-down

COUNTER staff at 370 post offices in London came out on strike yesterday for three hours against the threatened closure of 30 main post offices.

The action was made official by the Union of Communication Workers.

About 240 jobs are at stake if the planned closures go ahead. On Wednesday the first post office, in Knightsbridge, was shut down. The others have not yet been named.

OUR PICTURE shows pickets outside the King Edwards Street office.



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TEACHERS READY FOR BIGGEST STRIKE WAVE

THE TWO largest teacher unions are to stage their biggest wave of strike action so far next week in support of their pay claim.

A total of 26,500 teachers will be involved in selective strike action affecting more than half-a-million children in England.

The 235,000-strong National Union of Teachers is to stage the fourth of its series of three-day strikes between Tuesday and Thursday.

More than 7,500 teachers will come out in 23 Tory authority areas

and 400 schools and 200,000 children will be affected.

And the union said yesterday it had 15,000 teachers standing by to strike during the following week if pay talks on Friday June 22 failed.

Management on Wednesday rejected an attempt by the NUT to bring the pay talks forward from June 22 to June 18.

The second-largest union, the 125,000-strong National Association of Schoolmasters/Union of Women Teachers, is to increase its half-day

strikes from 11 to 15 regions.

Fred Smithies, the union's general secretary, said yesterday: 'In view of the argy-bargy surrounding the dates for a recall of Burnham, it is obvious that arbitration is far from certain, therefore the pressure needs to be stepped up in the days immediately before the meeting on June 22.'

The union will also stage half-day strikes of all its members involving 12,000 teachers in five authority areas which were left out of its national half-day strike on April 11

because of school holidays.

The NAS/UWT said yesterday that throughout next week 19,000 teachers would be on strike at some time and at least 350,000 children would have their education disrupted.

Action

The 23 Tory authorities the NUT has picked for its action are all members of the Tory-controlled Association of County Councils education committee which is meeting on Thursday, the day before the meeting of the Burnham pay negotiating committee.

They are Hampshire, Hereford and Worcester, Dorset, Surrey, Cambridgeshire, Hertfordshire, Cornwall, North Yorkshire, East Sussex, Suffolk, Warwickshire, Wiltshire, Northamptonshire, Lincolnshire, Devon, Berkshire, Norfolk, Essex, Gloucestershire, Buckinghamshire, Somerset, West Sussex and Croydon.

In addition to the half-day strikes the NAS/UWT is already staging in 11 English authorities, it is adding four more from Monday.

They are Hereford and Worcester, Kent, Wiltshire and Barnet. The union is to stage half-day

strikes of all its members in Kent (June 18), Dorset (June 18), Inner London Education Authority (June 19), Bromley (June 20) and Devon (June 21).

The two unions said yesterday they were stepping up their action before next Friday's pay talks because they were suspicious of the mainly-Tory authorities' attitude to the dispute going to arbitration, which is the teachers' key demand.

On Monday a meeting of the management side in Brunham decided to recall the committee with a view to discussing acceptable terms for the dispute to go to arbitration.

No sell-out says Scots sit-in

WORKERS occupying a closure-threatened Dundee factory spent their third night inside the plant last night.

'Everyone is even more determined than when we moved in at 10 p.m. on Tuesday,' Jim Clark, one of the sit-in workers at Landis & Gyr, told News Line yesterday.

Duplicate keys were made after they heard of plans to close the plant and transfer production to London. Three men and 27 women are taking part in the action.

'Whether it is a miner or an engineering worker, it is all jobs. This is what we are fighting for. There can be no compromise here.'

'Most of the workers here are in the 25 to 45 age group and haven't a hope in hell of getting another job in Dundee. A number of the women already have husbands who are on the dole. This factory must stay open.'

Posters put up outside the factory, which assembles electricity meters and thermostats, say 'Official sit-in' and 'No sell-out.'

The workers accuse the company of betraying their employees by switching production to another part of the country. Anger has been intensified by the fact that although workers have been told there are no orders, a sales office is to stay in Dundee.

Mostly AUEW members, the occupation is calling for support from the whole trade union movement on Tayside.

Trident costs soar

THE BILL for the Trident submarine nuclear missile could amount to £9.4 billion, not the £8.7 billion claimed by Defence Secretary Michael Heseltine, a Commons select committee revealed yesterday.

The defence committee said the March 1984 estimate of £8,729 million was based on 1983-1984 prices, and an exchange rate of £1.53 to the pound.

But the real cost at current rates of exchange could be £700 million more. The committee said its estimate was more realistic than Heseltine's.

What is more, the bill could go even higher if sterling continues to fall against the dollar and inflation rises faster than the government has estimated.

The revised estimate of the cost of Trident is contained in the committee's comments on Heseltine's defence White Paper. The MPs say:

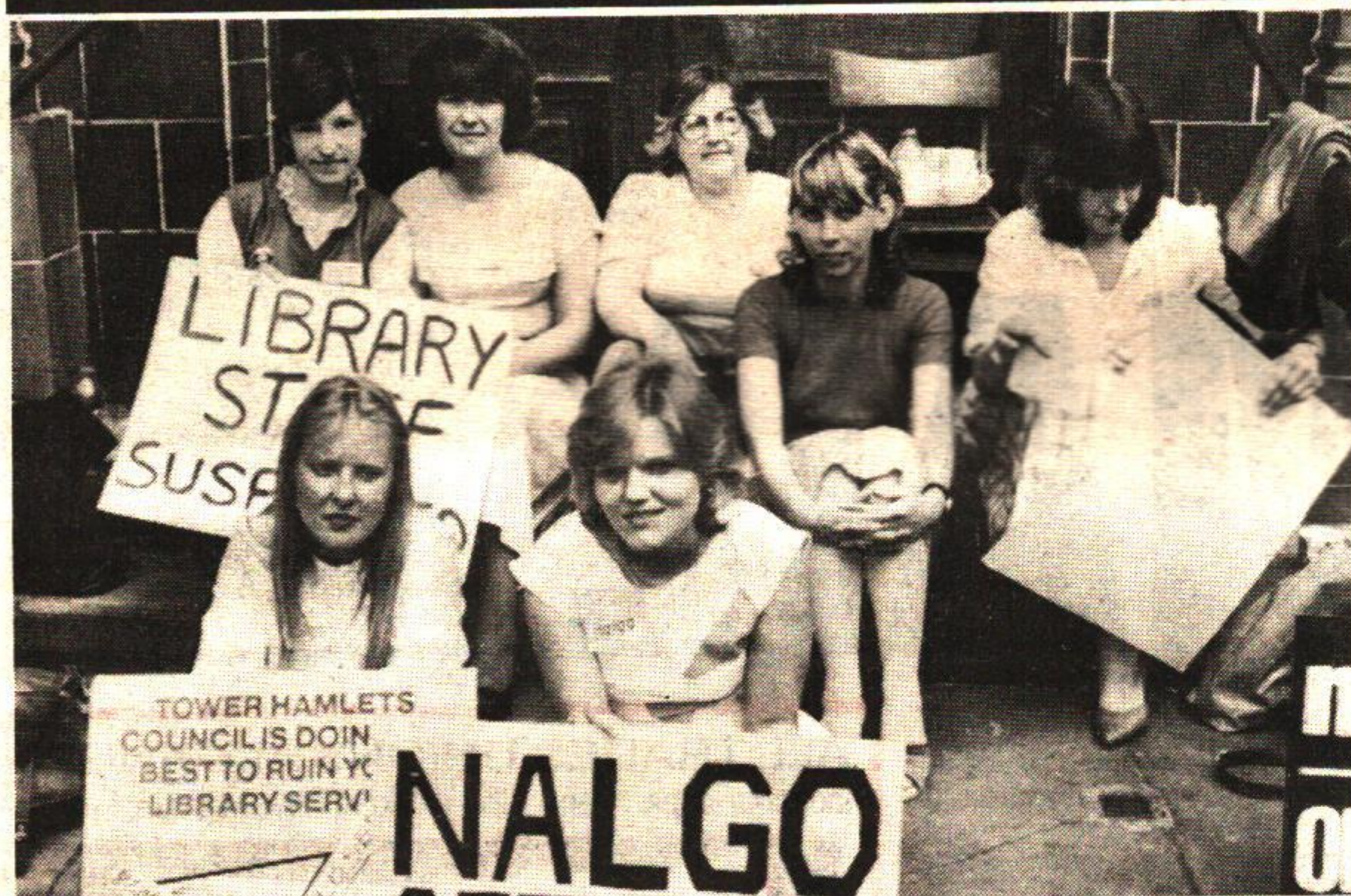
'Trident must be viewed as a massive public sector foreign exchange expenditure programme, which will be spread over so many years that it is impossible to make any useful provision for movements of ex-

change rates in the later years of the project.'

The committee was sceptical about Heseltine's plans to turn more servicemen into frontline troops.

The Defence Secretary says he wants to move more troops, ships and aircraft from 'tail to teeth' in an effort to keep down spiralling costs.

The 1984 White Paper said the government intended to put eight more ships into the fleet from the support squadron, move 4,000 more men into the front line and increase by 15 per cent the number of aircraft at the 'teeth' end.



MEMBERS of the local government union NALGO are on strike in Tower Hamlets, east London, over plans to close down two libraries. Picket lines were out all over the borough yesterday after a mass meeting on Wednesday voted to support 50 NALGO library staff suspended by the council. They had been suspended for

refusing to collect fines on late books in a protest against plans to close two libraries in the borough — the Poplar and Roman Road branches. Over 1,000 members of the union in social services, housing, sports centres, finance, planning and administration, have joined the strike.

Inmos sell-off

THE TORY government is planning to sell off Inmos, which makes advanced computer chips, in order to balance its books.

Privatisation of Inmos, set up to ensure a British capitalist stake in new technology, will raise more than £100 million.

The Labour frontbench fears that the firm will be yet another knockdown bargain for the City speculators.

The Cabinet has decided on the move as part of a package of privatisation measures which will be announced over the next few weeks.

Chancellor Nigel Lawson needs the money from Inmos and other companies to keep down the public sector borrowing requirement.

This is rising, partly as a result of the coal strike

Shot men unarmed

TWO MEN shot by detectives in a police ambush of a sub-Post Office in north London yesterday were unarmed.

The men apparently broke into the Post Office in Seven Sisters Road, Tottenham, overnight and were awaiting the arrival of a woman employee.

Tribute to a dedicated member of the WRP

RELATIVES, comrades and friends were at the funeral in East London yesterday of Bill Donovan, who died from cancer on June 3.

Bill, 62, died whilst staying at the Workers Revolutionary Party's College of Marxist Education in Derbyshire, after learning of his terminal illness several weeks ago.

Scores of friends and political associates visited his small first-floor flat yesterday to register their appreciation of a dedicated member of the Workers Revolutionary Party.

At the funeral, attended by many of Bill's branch members from Millwall and neighbouring East End branches, two members of his branch read an oration.

Martin Westwood, the member who brought Bill into the WRP, told of Bill's life, which began in 1921 amid grinding poverty in Poplar.

He was the son of a ship-repair worker on the nearby Thames and the sights of unemployment and constant police harassment left an indelible impression on the young Donovan.

Although he never joined a political party, Bill read avidly and was later to supplement his knowledge of



WRP member Martin Westwood giving the oration at East London crematorium in Plaistow yesterday

the basic writings of Marx, Engels and Lenin with the political analysis made by Trotsky.

He had been brought into contact with Trotskyism after travelling to Canada in the 1960s, Westwood said.

Bill returned to Britain in the early 1970s and later joined the WRP.

An unassuming man, he was reluctant to speak at meetings because of a speech impediment. But he

made up for that with his determination to sell every last copy of News Line as he canvassed around nearby council estates.

Peter Chappell spent the last hours with Bill in Ashbourne hospital, Derbyshire. He wanted to stay there, near the College, where he had been a student on earlier occasions when in better health, Chappell related.

Many times comrades

would call in on Bill's flat, and as often as not he would be found re-working over philosophical problems of Marxism which he had encountered. He never found the work easy, but he never stopped asking questions either.

In all Bill had been a member of the WRP for over six years. He had never once missed a branch meeting and had taken part in almost every demonstration in that period.

£8,000 Monthly Fund

June Fund — a very slow response

ONLY £241.10 in — a lot yet to raise to reach our £8,000 target. Go into action immediately and let's see your donations come flooding in.

This month we are determined to raise our monthly fund early and not leave it to a last minute struggle right at the end.

Every penny is certainly needed now to take the struggle forward in the working class. The breakdown of talks in the miners dispute confirms that the Tories are determined to destroy the mining industry and crush the miners' union at the same time.

This is part of Thatcher's plan to

rationalise industry and their need to defeat the organised strength of the trade union movement in order to carry it out.

It is a fight against the whole of the working class and that is why it is vital now to extend the miners strike to other sections.

Only the News Line speaks out loud and clear and shows the way forward. Please, therefore, join us in an all-out effort to boost our June fund and keep our paper in the forefront of the struggle. Post your donation today to:

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NALGO IN CONFERENCE IN BRIGHTON

PRIVATISATION RULES CHANGE

FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT

THE LOCAL government union NALGO yesterday voted to open membership to private sector workers as a 'second line of defence against privatisation'.

Delegates at the union's Brighton conference, however, expressed concern that the rule change would weaken the union's fight against privatisation.

Walter MacLellan, Glasgow, warned: 'We would be doing a disservice to members by passing this and making our life would be almost the same under the private sector. There would be cut-backs in wages and staff.'

Moving the change on behalf of the NEC, Alan Jinkinson said:

'We do need another line of defence, but we are not making a bad fist of the job of opposing privatisation.'

Speaking in support, Dave Simmonds, Wandsworth, said the gardening service was privatised after a fight was lost on refuse collection.

'It would be foolhardy not to follow our members into the private sector.'

Opposing the resolution, Gerry Merrall, East Midlands Gas, called for an all-out fight against privatisation alongside the miners.



NALGO members voting in conference at Brighton this week

Struggles

'We are about to go through titanic struggles that will decide whether we have a society built on public property or the quest for profit.'

Speakers claimed NEC was evading a fight by accepting a rule change. But the motion was agreed.

The motion on campaigning against privatisation and private contractors was won, despite an NEC amendment to dilute it.

The NEC wanted the union to agree to 'cautiously enter into tendering procedures'.

But this was overwhelmingly defeated by delegates and the main composite was passed against the executive's wishes.

An attempt to make NALGO representatives on the TUC subject to removal by the executive if they failed to carry out union policy was defeated after the in-

tervention of Communist Party members.

CP member Bill Gill, an NEC member and one of the current representatives on the General Council, said he wanted to be free to make mistakes and 'get his backside kicked later'.

Throughout the week an often-isolated executive has used leading Stalinists in the union to try and hold the tide against a growing mood of militancy in the union.

There have also been complaints that participation in the debates has been deliberately restricted.

In another rule change debate, Frank Feecham, Dundee district, moved a resolution deleting the word 'lawful' from the union's rule 'to do all such other lawful things'.

The resolution, which appears each year at conference, and was for the first time supported by the NEC, was narrowly lost on a card vote requiring a two-thirds majority.

Union condemns TV witch-hunt

DELEGATES at NALGO's annual conference in Brighton yesterday expressed outrage at a TV programme's attack on the union screened on Wednesday night.

Channel 4's 'Diverse Reports' produced by Anna Coote was a thinly-disguised call for an end to trade union immunities from prosecution.

It sought to trivialise the role of trade unions, claiming they did not reflect the opinions of their members.

Reporter Peter Clark described NALGO as 'arrogant, lawless and obsolete'.

In an interview with Harry Cowd, the Tory leader of Merton district council, NALGO's policy of opposition to privatisation was singled out for attack.

Cowd stated that local government workers' unions interfered with democratically-elected local government.

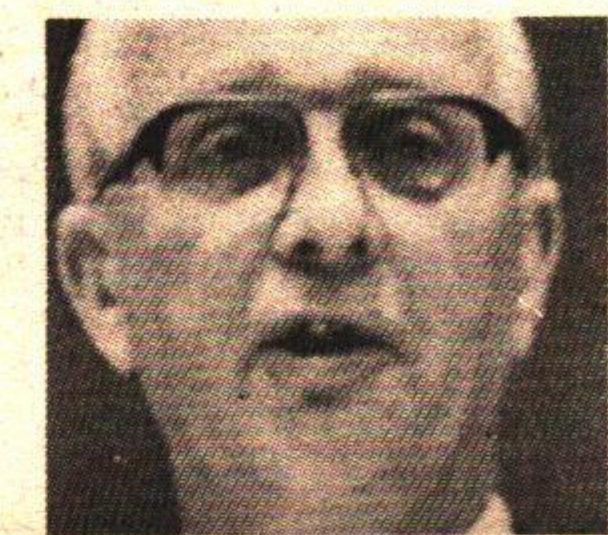
The programme stated the right to picket was the right to intimidate.

Brenda Utting, member of the NEC of NALGO, attacked NALGO's affiliation to international movements such as Trade Union Friends of Palestine and

the El Salvador Solidarity Campaign.

By supporting such movements Utting, a member of Conservative Trade Unionists, maintained that NALGO was breaching union policy by giving funds for political use.

The programme-makers maintained that Utting had received a letter signed by



Arthur Steer, NALGO president

a majority of NALGO members (more than 400,000!) opposing NALGO's contribution of £10,000 to the miners' hardship fund.

Delegates at the conference queued all day yesterday to see a video of the programme. There were immediate calls for a reply and Utting's expulsion.

The president of NALGO Arthur Steer, in a speech to conference after the lunch break, condemned the

programme on the behalf of NEC.

It was, he said, 'completely and absolutely scurrilous'. Conference then passed unanimously the following emergency motion:

'Conference notes the Channel 4 programme "Diverse Reports" broadcast on the evening of Wednesday, 13 June. Conference deplores the totally deceptive nature of the programme which trivialised and ridiculed the role and nature of our union.'

'Conference instructs the NEC to: 1. demand a right of reply; 2. investigate fully the making of the programme and take any further action which may be necessary.'

Calling for the conference to show its feelings to the representatives of the press present, Graham Burgess, from the platform, challenged the media to print the union's reply.

Conference rose in applause to calls from the floor for Utting's expulsion.

NEC member Bill Gill was dispatched to London accompanied by NALGO's legal officer to seek the right to reply from Granada Television. It is understood one will be screened tonight.

Police raid hospital files



A group of pensioners from Tower Hamlets, East London, joined a lobby of the District Health Authority yesterday to protest at a plan to close a local psychiatric hospital. The district management team have drawn up what they claim to be 'the most viable alternative' to meet a further demand for cuts — the closure of St. Clements Hospital in Mile End.

POLICE had examined confidential medical records while investigating allegations that hospital consultants involved in private practice had defrauded the National Health Service (NHS), doctors said yesterday.

Representatives of senior hospital medical staff meeting at the British Medical Association (BMA) offices, London, said the police had exceeded their powers by looking at the confidential files without a court order.

They carried an emergency resolution saying they were 'appalled' at a report that thousands of patients' notes had been read by the police at Prince Charles Hospital without the patients' permission.

They called on their committee to investigate.

The doctors are also demanding a meeting with the chief medical officer at the Department of Health to protest against the unauthorised intrusion into the con-

fidential records.

A nationwide audit was ordered earlier this year by Tory Social Services Secretary Norman Fowler, after assertions that consultants could be using NHS facilities to treat their private patients without paying for use of the facilities.

The investigations are also under way at Prince Charles Hospital, Merthyr Tydfil, Mid Glamorgan, and at several other hospitals.

John Chawner, chairman of the Welsh Consultants Committee (WCC), told the meeting he had heard that the notes of 60,000 patients had been read by police in Merthyr Tydfil.

'I have also had reports that the police have gone to patients' homes and asked them for details of clinical treatment, including one person who had cancer who was asked by police whether she really did have cancer or whether the surgeon had made it up.'

BL 'RACE' STRIKE ENDS

FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT

THE 300 BL workers at the Longbridge plant, Birmingham, who struck to win the re-instatement of a victimised West Indian worker voted to return to work yesterday following a recommendation from shop stewards.

Transport union convenor Jack Adams, a leading Communist Party member, told reporters after the meeting that the case of sacked Zedekiah Mills would now be pursued through the union's legal department.

But Mills, who had work-

ed at Longbridge for 13 years, was clearly bitter. As he left the meeting he said: 'I don't want to say nothing about it. It's a damn disgrace to British Leyland and it's a damn disgrace to all coloured people in this country.'

Mills was sacked after an incident in which he alleges a foreman racially abused him. The foreman denied this, but was disciplined after admitting that he swore at Mills.

The sacking immediately provoked a stoppage by the company's 300 fork lift drivers who made a principled stand to demand Mills's re-instatement.

The stoppage cost the company an estimated £80 million and led to BL laying off 18,500 other workers and halting production of five models.

Adams claimed Mills had taken the decision to end the strike 'with dignity'. And he added that Mills had

'thanked every single member for the efforts they had made on his behalf.'

'All through the strike he had said he was in the hands of the other members and would accept whatever decision they took. But I get the feeling that he no longer thinks the world is fair.'

Adams said yesterday's decision came after the union members had considered Mills's position and the fact that the company had said it would not re-employ him.

JUDGEMENT was reserved in the Appeal Court yesterday in the appeal by the National Graphical Association print union from a decision of Mr Justice Wood on March 1, awarding £73,653 summary damages to Warrington newspaper owner Eddie Shah over picketing activities at his 'Messenger' newspaper group premises. No indication was given as to the date of judgement. An action, estimated to last three weeks, by the 'Messenger' group against the NGA is due to start in Manchester on July 9, when 'exemplary and aggravated' damages will be sought.

SCOTLAND'S 27,000 farm workers are to be offered a pay rise of 5 per cent — £4 a week — from September 3. It was proposed yesterday by the Scottish Agricultural Wages Board, which comprises six employers' representatives, six union representatives and five independent members appointed by Scottish Secretary George Younger. The union had sought a 'substantial' but unspecified increase. The board meets again on July 23 to consider any objections. For a general worker the rise will mean a weekly wage of £83.20, a shepherd £100.50, stock workers £99.80, and tractor and horse workers £93.10.

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Youth Training Centre
Wesley Hall
Pont Morlais
DOORS OPEN 12 NOON

WORLD SUMMARY

Supporters of SWAPO released

WINDHOEK, Namibia — A court ordered the release of 37 senior officials and supporters of the South West Africa Peoples Organisation (SWAPO) who were arrested last Saturday while celebrating the release of other colleagues.

Arrival

BUCHAREST — North Korean President Kim Il-Sun has arrived in Bulgaria, the seventh leg of his tour, which has taken him to the Soviet Union, East Germany, Czechoslovakia, Hungary and Yugoslavia.

Resigned

BOSTON — John Williams, best known as a Hollywood composer, resigned as conductor of the Boston Pops, citing 'artistic and creative differences with the orchestra'.

Mission

CAPE CANAVERAL, Florida — Australian-born oceanographer Paul Scully-Power, 40, has been added to the crew of a space shuttle.

Pardoned

KHARTOUM — President Jaafar Numeiri has ordered the release of an Italian mechanic who was jailed for dealing in alcohol, the Sudan news agency said.

Stormed

RIO DE JANEIRO — About 60 labourers stormed a town jail and beat to death a married couple suspected of murdering a popular local resident.

World News Line

EMPLOYERS ORDER FRESH LOCK-OUTS

BONN — Employers in West Germany's engineering and automobile industry yesterday urged the powerful IG Metall union to accept immediate arbitration over its escalating strike battle for a shorter working week.

The proposal came just hours after a fourth round of talks collapsed in the Stuttgart region and employers there ordered more retaliatory lock-outs from next Monday.

The union, which had spoken of unbridgeable differences over the shorter week, condemned the move as brutal and forecast that workers would take to the streets in protest.

The IG Metall executive was meeting yesterday to discuss their next moves in the conflict, which is now in its fifth week.

Extension

About 90,000 workers are already locked out at firms employing more than 2,000 and the employers said the extension would add up to 30,000 more. The union said the new lock-outs would raise the total to 200,000 around Stuttgart alone.

Workers in other areas are now demanding the immediate extension of the strike. IG Metall delegates meeting in Bochum last week sent a resolution to the national executive demanding that the

BY OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT

struggle be stepped up immediately.

More than 4,000 Opel workers in Bochum marched last Friday to the unemployment office to deliver their forms demanding social security payments.

They receive no money from social security, although they have a legal right to it.

In an angry mood and shouting loudly, they invaded the building. Trade union officials only just managed to prevent them from storming the offices.

After the demonstration some workers demanded an occupation at the giant Opel factory in Bochum.

One worker who has been working at Opel 22 years said: 'The DGB (TUC) must now call a general strike, otherwise I am pessimistic of what will come out of our struggle. Our leadership is trying to move towards capitulation. But this time we won't let them.'

● Frankfurt — Young teachers have issued a call from their national conference for united action by unemployed and employed teachers against rapidly rising joblessness in their profession.

Appealed

The teachers, members of the Gewerkschaft Erziehung und Wissenschaft (GEW) union, appealed for a 'joint battle against job destruction by the Finance Ministry, and for a shorter working week.'

'Unemployment and overworking are two sides of the same coin,' said the statement.

The youth section of the GEW (AJLE), would soon have to change its name to the 'Committee for the Unemployed', said its chairman Dietrich Brauer.

The AJLE completely supported the trade union demand for a shorter working week, he added.

● Teachers' union chief, Dieter Wunder challenged a statement by Chancellor Helmut Kohl saying that schools should not become 'centres for political power struggles'.

Wunder said everyday political issues should not be kept out of schools, otherwise teachers would appear ridiculous to their pupils.

Teachers were not political eunuchs, he said, and it was their responsibility to insist on 'the right of every citizen to a job, the equality of men and women, the fight against racialism'.



Police in Essen removing pickets outside the Springer print shop

Botha delighted with reception

CAPE TOWN — Prime Minister P.W. Botha was given a huge ceremonial welcome when he arrived back yesterday from his eight-nation tour of Western Europe.

He was met by the entire cabinet and given a 19-gun salute. Four Mirage jets escorted his Jumbo jet on the last 200 miles of the flight home.

The South African press gave him an ecstatic welcome saying that the racist regime had achieved a major breakthrough politically, economically and diplomatically.

Meanwhile, it has been reliably reported in Rome that President Samora Machel of Mozambique asked West European leaders to welcome Botha.

He sent secret letters to West European leaders saying that the success of Botha's visit would be important for both South Africa and Mozambique.

This explains the warmth of the reception which Botha received in Rome this week. Prime

Minister Bettino Craxi spoke about 'the encouraging developments' in southern Africa, referring specifically to Pretoria's 'peace initiatives' with its neighbours.

At a specially-arranged international economic seminar Botha urged 60 of the world's leading businessmen to invest 'in southern Africa'.

Later he left for a 30-minute audience with the Pope who presented the racist butcher with a silver medal.

● A South African delegation led by an official of the Department of Commerce and Industry has returned after talks in Maputo on economic relations.

Decision

The Reagan administration has lifted its seven-year ban on economic aid assistance to Mozambique. US Secretary of State George Shultz's decision was conveyed by the American ambassador in Maputo this week.

Maputo radio said the decision was directly linked to the recent visit

to Mozambique by a team from the US Agency for International Development led by Glenn Patterson.

Meanwhile the Mozambican government has hinted that the country will be reopened to South African tourists before the end of this year.

It followed talks in Pretoria between the South African Tourist Board and a delegation from Mozambique.

Mock execution

MADRID — Two Spanish army officers were suspended after a squad of soldiers subjected the mayor of a small north-eastern town to a mock execution, the Defence Ministry said.

A statement said captain Carlos Aleman Artigues and Lieutenant Jaime Iniguez Andrade would be relieved of their commands pending an inquiry into the incident at Avena last week.

Witnesses said soldiers commanded by a lieutenant entered Avena while on manoeuvres, arrested the

Prague backs split

PRAGUE — Ignacio Gallego, general secretary of the Communist Party of the Peoples of Spain, has been given a high-ranking official welcome in Czechoslovakia.

Gallego and his delegation were met by Vasil Bilak, a member of the ruling Stalinist presidium.

According to official Prague radio reports Bilak 'expressed recognition for the party's work to unite all Spanish communists on the principles of Marxism-Leninism and proletarian internationalism.'

Interest

'Both sides have confirmed their interest in developing mutual cooperation,' the radio said.

The Communist Party of the Peoples of Spain is the pro-Moscow breakaway group set up last December after the Euro-Stalinists won complete control at the congress of the Spanish Communist Party.

Bureau to fight terror

TRIPOLI — Libya is to establish a fulltime office to combat international terrorism, according to a statement from the General People's Committee.

It will form part of the country's Foreign Liaison Bureau, the equivalent of the Foreign Ministry.

An official statement said: 'Its aim will be to study all forms of terrorist activity and prepare reports and political and legal analyses on that activity and means of combatting it.'

'The office will also discuss the possibility of co-operating, establishing links and exchanging information with friendly countries in order to fight terrorism.'

'The office will also have the task of keeping note of international organisations, seminars, conferences and meetings in order to state the position of the Jamahir-iyah,' it added.

Forgiven

Avena's Mayor Jose Galindo told reporters: 'I think the lieutenant overstepped the mark a bit and afterwards probably regretted what he'd done, so I've forgiven him.'

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GANDHI RESORTS TO CHAUVINIST HYSTERIA

NEW DELHI — The Indira Gandhi regime is whipping up a hysteria of national chauvinism, accusing Pakistan of training 'terrorists' and of finding sophisticated 'Chinese assault rifles' at Punjab's Golden Temple of Amritsar.

The accusations came as the secret service, the Research and Analysis Wing (RAW) issued a memorandum to Prime Minister Gandhi, telling her the intelligence network in the north had broken down.

Mrs Gandhi is expected to use the RAW memorandum to invoke her dictatorial powers to give sections of the armed and intelligence forces extraordinary powers of repression.

After months of government allegations of provocation by a 'foreign hand', Home Secretary M M K Wali in New Delhi on Wednesday accused the Pakistani regime of training 'extremists' in camps in Pakistan and in Sikh temples in India and the disputed territories of Jammu and Kashmir.

'The extremist movement, which aimed at an independent Sikh state of Khalistan (Land of the Pure), was fully supported by neighbouring and foreign powers,' Wali said.

All-India home service radio said security forces had recovered powerful wireless transmitters for 'communications with the outside world'.

Weapons

It quoted a government press release saying sophisticated 'Chinese assault rifles' were among the weapons discovered in the artificial lake at the temple.

The statement is part of a big-lie technique of government propaganda designed to justify the blitz of the temple with anti-tank, mortar and artillery fire.

The Press Council of India (PCI) on Tuesday censured seven newspaper editors for defying a press ban on the revolt in Punjab, still out of bounds to all domestic and international journalists.

A three-day meeting of the PCI, under the chairmanship of Justice A M Glover on Tuesday imposed the censure on 'Ethioli' of Tamil Nadu, 'Puja Ki Daan' of Meerut, 'Hindustan Times', 'Chikmagalur Patrika' of Kar-

nataka and 'Amrits Prabhat' of Uttar Pradesh and one other newspaper.

Government and army measures aimed at keeping a lid on the scale of a rebellion by Sikh soldiers have failed and an order was issued yesterday that British and Canadian passport holders should apply for visas before departing for India.

Those already in India were ordered to apply for special permits to be allowed to stay in the country.

Rebellion

An army unit in Amritsar relayed news to New Delhi on Wednesday that more than 2,000 Sikh soldiers were involved in widespread rebellion across the northern states.

They said the soldiers had been involved in revolts at six regimental centres, enraged by the atrocity at the Golden Temple of Amritsar, where more than 1,000, including innocent pilgrims, women and children, were mown down by artillery fire.

The government has maintained that only 90 soldiers and 712 Sikh 'terrorists' died in the storming of the temple.

Sources in Amritsar said at least 1,000 civilians had been massacred in batches of about 50, and 220 soldiers killed.

Doctors carrying out rushed post-mortems on the victims told of piles of bodies at makeshift centres and of how troops shot dead those found still alive among the dead.

More than 6,500 people have been rounded up in a statewide swoop since Monday, including 240 on Tuesday.

Mrs Gandhi is touring the country, whipping up communal hatred against Sikhs by suggesting they

had rejected all 'reasonable' offers from her regime.

She said in the Ladakh region of Jammu and Kashmir, on Wednesday 'most of the religious demands of the Akalis (members of the Akali Dal, the main Sikh political party representing a number of factions) had been accepted'.

In fact, the regime has refused to negotiate any of the Punjabis' demands for rights over territorial river waters, prices of grains and other farm produce and a demand that Article 25 of the constitution be amended to recognise Sikhism as a religion in its own right.

Mrs Gandhi has insulted the predominantly Sikh population of Punjab by broadcasting pre-taped Sikh hymns over Punjabi regional radio and claiming they came from the Harimander Saheb (the main shrine at the Golden Temple) after the bloodbath of June 5.



DEMONSTRATORS outside the Sri Lanka High Commission in London yesterday, protesting against US/Israeli collaboration in attacks on Tamils and the opening of an Israeli Mission in Sri Lanka. More

than 30 Tamil Moslems were killed at a recent hartal (protest) when the Sinhalese army along with Israeli units went berserk in the Tamil-speaking Moslem town of Kattankudy. The protest was organised by

the Tamil-Moslem United Front against the stationing of Israeli intelligence (Mossad) and terror units in Sri Lanka. Yesterday's protest was organised by the People's Liberation Organisation of Tamil Eelam.

Alfonsin stands firm against IMF

MADRID — President Raul Alfonsin of Argentina yesterday said he would stand firm in opposition to International Monetary Fund (IMF) austerity measures.

He also ruled out a unilateral cessation of hostilities over Argentina's legitimate claim to sovereignty over the Malvinas (Falkland Islands).

The IMF is demanding savage cuts in living standards as a condition for rescheduling \$43.6 billion of foreign debt.

'To insist on these issues would be tantamount to leading our people towards frustration, hunger, pockets of misery and, ultimately, to the impossibility of fulfilling our obligations,' the Radical Party leader said during a state visit to Spain.

He has taken the unprecedented step of sending a Letter of Intent to the IMF, outlining an economic programme without prior agreement with fund officials.

'We believe that the possibility of negotiating with the fund is not closed. What is closed is the possibility of Argentina changing its mind,' Alfonsin said.

Argentina's Letter of Intent said the international bankers had collaborated with the now-defunct military regime. It prompted at least one banker to call it 'a

letter of confrontation'.

Another banker said it was the first time the IMF had had to deal with a major debtor country in which the elected government had the backing of a strong labour movement.

'It was obviously easier to deal with the military government,' he lamented.

Alfonsin welcomed the Spanish government's decision to re-open export credit lines worth \$105 million.

Unless a new accord with the IMF is signed today, a US Treasury guarantee to lend \$300 million to help Argentina pay off loans from other Latin American countries will expire.

Buenos Aires must also repay between \$400 million and \$450 million in overdue interest to Western commercial banks by June 30.

If the deadline is not met, the major US, British and West European banks will have to regard their loans to Argentina as 'non-performing' and charge

them as debts in their own accounts.

This is the moment the world banking fraternity is dreading. Some of them will not be able to sustain such losses and there are fears that bank shares will nosedive leading to a crisis in confidence in the whole capitalist banking system.

Lebanon crisis grows

BEIRUT — Former Prime Minister Saeb Salam, one of Lebanon's many political has-beens, yesterday called on Moslem militias to stop using their weapons and to leave west Beirut.

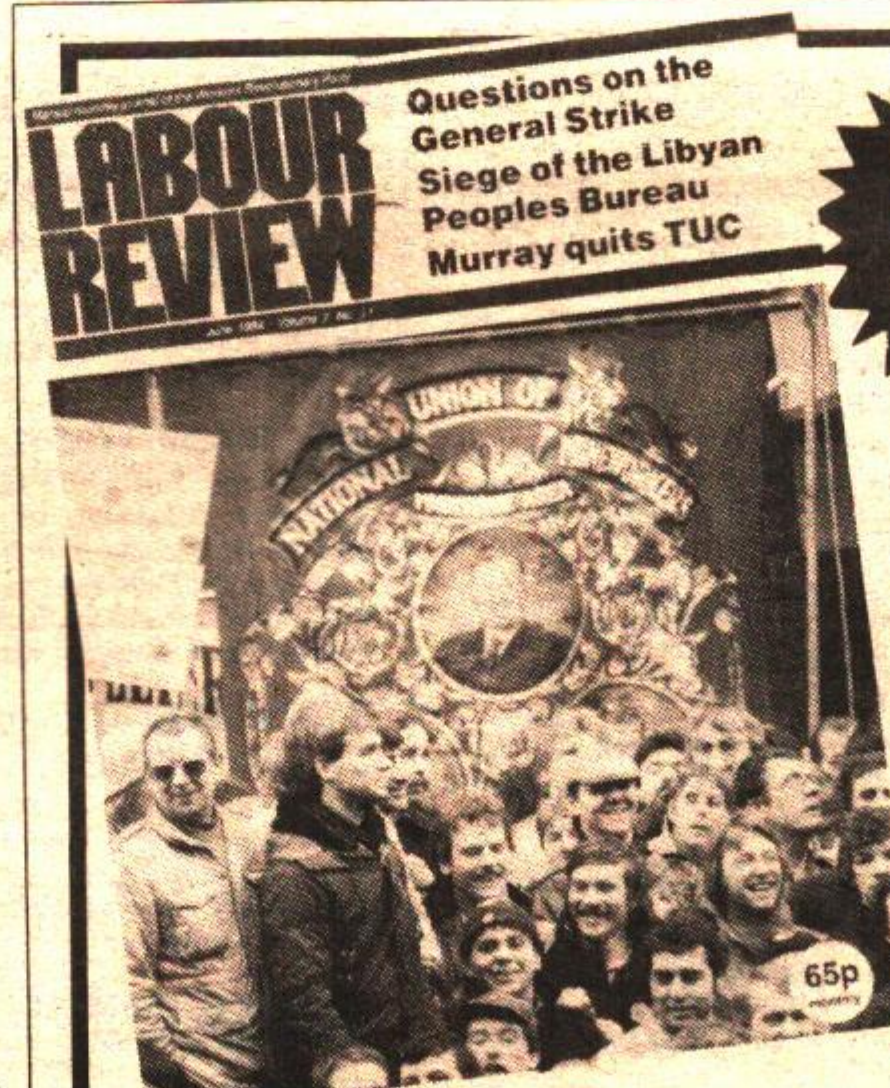
People there were ready to go on strike for 'no matter how long it lasts' until they left, the right-wing Sunni Moslem politician said.

It is the first time that a Moslem leader has made such a call since the last round of shelling between

east and west Beirut. The gravest incident occurred last Monday which resulted in 105 dead and 250 wounded.

Syrian vice president Abdel-Halim Khaddam is expected in Beirut to discuss the deteriorating situation.

● Israeli troops and their fascist allies ordered the closure of Sidon's vegetable markets yesterday in reprisal for a military attack on an Israeli convoy on Wednesday.



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Anniversary of Soweto uprising

THE STUDENT uprising in the black township of Soweto against the racist apartheid regime of South Africa began eight years ago tomorrow.

The bloody suppression of the uprising against enforced study of Afrikaans lives on in the memories of the liberation movements throughout the world.

The Black Consciousness Movement of Azania

(BCMA) will commemorate the anniversary of the day hundreds of students were mown down at St Matthews Meeting Place, Brixton, at 2.30 p.m., as it has done for the past seven years.

Among the speakers will be Drake Tshenkeng, a former detainee of Soweto, John Fernandes, a defender of black academic rights in Britain and Dr B. Benjamin, of the Sudanese Peoples Liberation Movement.

BCMA said in a statement: 'The commemora-

tion occurs at a momentous moment in the liberation calendar.

'P. W. Botha, Prime Minister of white, racist South Africa, visited England under (Prime Minister) Thatcher's own brand of racism.

'It is obvious that the two racists abrogated themselves to discuss the political situation in South Africa.

'It also showed Thatcher's racism and insensitivity to black feeling in the UK.

'The timing of Botha's visit happens to be June. This year itself is the GLC's own Anti-Racist Campaign Year.

'It (the visit) again shows that there is growing support for South African racists by Thatcher.

'She refused to ban the rugby union tour of South Africa, despite all the opposition to it. She has allowed Zola Budd to fly two flags, while Asian and African women are being deported by the day from the UK.'

BCMA said the black liberation movement in South Africa was facing a new crackdown: the Azanian People Organisation was being hounded, its offices raided, documents seized by the lorryload on the eve of the Soweto anniversary.



Picket at South Africa House

THE Namibia Support Committee (NSC) and the Anti-Apartheid Movement picketed South Africa House, Trafalgar Square, between 12.30 and 1p.m. yesterday.

The picket was to demand the immediate release of

members of the South-West Africa People Organisation (SWAPO) arrested in Windhoek last Saturday.

Thirty-seven SWAPO leaders were arrested at a barbecue in a military-style swoop and charged under Section 2

of the Prohibition and Notification of Meetings Act of 1981.

They have been released pending a court appearance on July 13.

The Act carries a maximum

of ten years in jail or a fine of 10,000 rand.

The NSC said: 'The arrest took place following a military-style operation where more than 100 heavily-armed police in camouflage surrounded the barbecue and closed in as if attacking an armed gang.'

'This action and the fact that after being held under the draconian conditions of AG 9 (they were) then charged for holding a barbecue indicates that South Africa's illegal administration in Namibia is indulging in nothing but heavy-handed harassment of SWAPO and its supporters.'

Hypocrisy

'It also exposes Pretoria's hypocrisy in claiming that it is willing to allow Namibia to proceed to genuine independence.'

'We demand that these spurious charges against our colleagues are dropped forthwith.'

Race row head on the carpet

RACE ROW headmaster Ray Honeyford was yesterday ordered by education officials to appear at a disciplinary hearing.

They are angry about articles he wrote in the right-wing journal, 'Salisbury Review', and in a newspaper in his home town, Bradford.

Alleged

Honeyford alleged that educational standards had declined in schools with large numbers of black pupils and that social workers were 'professional providers of excuses who dispense alibis to the lazy'.

He is head of Drummond Middle School, Manningham, Bradford, where 86 per cent of pupils are Asian.

Some pupils staged a strike last Monday in protest at his newspaper articles.

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NORTH WEST

ST HELENS: Tuesday June 19, 8p.m. Bold Miners Welfare, Fleet Lane.

Speakers: Kathy Flaherty (YS Regional Committee); Tony Banda (WRP Central Committee); Mal Gregory (Secretary Bold NUM); Larry Cavanagh (Merseyside Docks shop stewards); In personal capacity: Ray Williams (Secretary Liverpool NGA); John Mullen (NUS)

WINSFORD: Wednesday June 20, 7.30p.m. Mount Pleasant Community Centre.

Speakers: Wayne Chand (YS National Committee); Jim Collins (Winsford WRP)

WIGAN: Thursday June 21, 7.30p.m. Market Tavern.

Speakers: Kathy Flaherty (YS Regional Committee); Ray Evans (Wigan WRP); Steve Whittaker (Bold NUM, in personal capacity)

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YORKSHIRE

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WEST MIDLANDS

BIRMINGHAM: Thursday June 21, 7.30p.m. Red Fort Social Club, Smethwick High Street.

Speakers: Clive Andrews (YS National Committee); Corin Redgrave (WRP Central Committee); Speaker from W. Midlands NUM, in personal capacity

WESTERN

READING: Sunday June 24, 7.30p.m. Southcote Hall, Southcote Lane.

Speakers: Brendan O'Sullivan (Bracknell YS); Tom White (WRP Central Committee); Dave Good (Bracknell WRP)

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MOUNTAIN ASH: Wednesday June 27, 7.30p.m. Penrhweiber Workingmen's Institute, Penrhweiber.

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

KENT

DEAL: Tuesday June 19, 7.30p.m. Landmark Community Centre.

Speakers: Julie Hyland (YS National Secretary); Richard Price (WRP Central Committee); In personal capacity: Lynn Francis (Ramsgate Wives support Group); Dai West (Snowdown NUM)

AYLESHAM: Wednesday July 4, 7.30p.m. Aylesham Miners Welfare Hall.

Speakers: Julie Hyland (YS National Secretary); Maxine Hall (Aylesham YS); Alex Mitchell (WRP Central Committee); In personal capacity: Jack Collins (Kent NUM); Caroline Sweeney (Elvington Womens Support Group)

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Speakers: Claire Dixon (YS National Committee); Joe Kierney (Crawley WRP)

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Speakers: Julie Hyland (YS National Secretary); Peter Farrell (WRP Central Committee)

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LONDON

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Speakers: Julie Hyland (YS National Secretary); Martin Westwood (WRP London District Committee); In personal capacity: Danny Gribbon (COHSE shop steward, St Clements hospital); Tommy Finn (UCATT)

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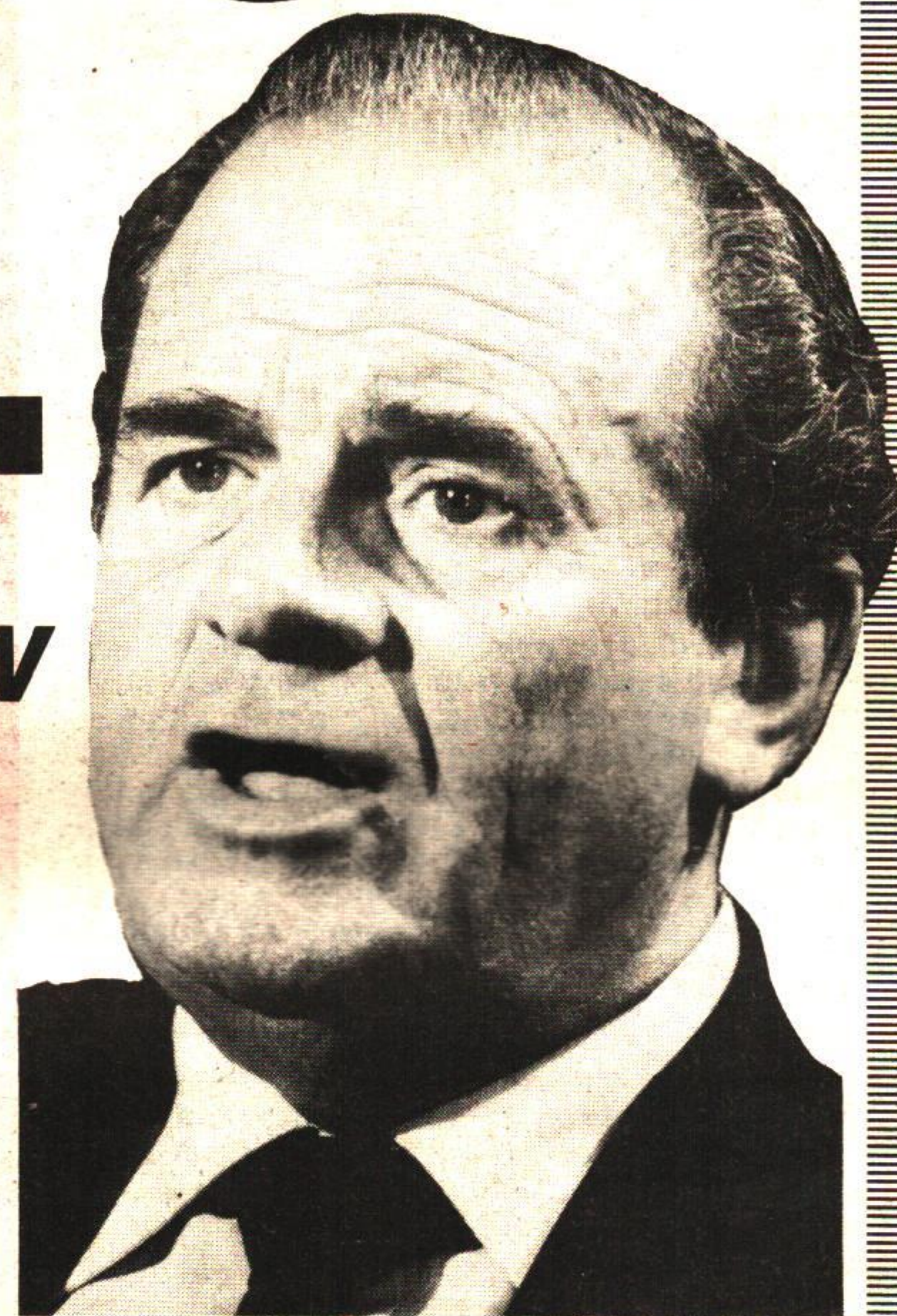
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EDMONTON: Thursday June 28, 7.30p.m. Angel Community Centre, Raynham Road.

Speakers: Gary Ryder (YS National Committee); Richard Goldstein (WRP Area Committee, Gestetters convenor in personal capacity)

A FIGHT FOR SURVIVAL



INTERVIEW
BY BEN RUDDER
WITH
RON TODD

'The unions must not bow to laws designed to break the trade unions'

THE miners' strike is a fight for the survival of the whole trade union movement, Ron Todd, candidate for the post of general secretary of the

T&GWU transport union, told News Line.

Todd, who is also chairman of the co-ordinating committee of transport unions sup-

porting the miners, said union members must be prepared to make sacrifices to defend the miners.

This was the meaning of the transport unions'

latest decision to blockade oil supplies.

'In the past, when we made declarations from the co-ordinating committee it has been on the question of coal across the country.

'The decision last week was to recommend to stop, if we can, the movement of oil, coke and coal to power stations and to steel works.

'We recognise that we are going to be faced with many problems with members in the areas. But what we have got to do is get it over to our members that this dispute is not isolated to the National Union of Mineworkers alone.

Clear

'Because if the mine-workers are beaten, then the consequences on the steel industry, and the manufacturing industries, will be like a pebble in a pool. So we believe that all the trade union movement have got to rally behind the mineworkers' dispute. And that means sacrifice.'

Although this action is outlawed by the Tory

anti-union legislation, says Todd, the union must not bow to laws designed to break the trade unions.

'Our union has taken a clear line. We do not accept the anti-union legislation which has been pursued by this government.

'For us it is business as usual, and we will have to take whatever consequences are forthcoming. But one thing is categorically clear. We are not going to knuckle down to legislation that is designed to render us impotent.

'More and more of our people are seeing the real forces which are being aimed against trade unions. After the miners' demonstration in London I spoke to many people who were amazed at the activities of the police, and the way the police were attempting to stop the rally.'

Commenting on the Cabinet letters published last week by the 'Daily Mirror', Todd said unions negotiating with the government during the miners' dispute should not allow themselves to become isolated from the miners.

'I believe that when we are dealing with nationalised industries, where clearly there can be a government intervention, then the unions must be careful that they are not lulled into a position where the government are deliberately dragging them along, or making some offer to them which divorces them from the miners' dispute.'

Comment

Asked how he viewed the comment by SOGAT '82 print union general secretary Bill Keys that the miners' strike could lead to a General Strike, Todd said:

'Well, I can't speak for the official policy of the T&GWU on that. But we have reaffirmed our total support for the miners. And the executive council will have to take on board any development, such as the

possible use of troops by the government or a call for a General Strike.

'But one thing is clear, sooner or later, people are going to be dragged into a situation where the government will be seen to be using their political strength to smash the National Union of Mineworkers.

'And if they are successful then every other union in this country will be in danger.

'I believe very strongly that the total trade union movement's failure to stand shoulder to shoulder with the NGA print union was a direct encouragement to this government to move in on GCHQ.

'This dispute is a fight for the survival of the trade union movement as we know it. We either stand as one as say we will not see the NUM go that way, or we stand by and watch every union picked off one by one.'



Arthur Scargill and Ron Todd greeted by an NGA official at the Warrington picket last December

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World imperialism is organised terrorism

IT WAS entirely fit and proper that the world capitalist leaders should issue from their economic summit in London last week a special communique on terrorism. After all, they are the greatest exponents of it.

The final sentence of their statement said: 'They (the heads of state) resolved to promote action through competent international organisations and among the international community as a whole to prevent and punish terrorist acts.'

The key words are 'prevent' and 'punish'. They mean that the world imperialist leaders have adopted the policy of taking action against those whom they believe to be planning acts of terrorism or responsible for them. This is the long-standing policy of Zionist imperialism. A Jewish businessman is killed in West Germany, the Israelis assassinate a group of Palestinians in Lebanon. No one ever knows whether the Palestinians were responsible for the original act; in some proven cases it has been carried out by the Zionists themselves.

In other cases, the Zionists simply send their warplanes to bomb another country claiming that it is an act of 'self-defence' against Arab terrorism. This is how they justified the bombing of the Iraqi nuclear reactor near Baghdad in 1981.

Now the seven most powerful imperialist states in the world have adopted this sinister policy of counter-revolutionary warfare. The SAS rules, OK?

The Thatcher Bonapartist dictatorship has been putting this murderous policy into practice long before it was agreed at this year's summit. The Tory regime is exporting terror and civil war techniques to all those willing to pay the price:

- British military advisers helped organise the massacre of 1,000 Sikhs at the Golden Temple in Amritsar. They took part in the training war games at a specially-built replica of the temple complex at a secret site north of New Delhi.
- Three weeks ago it was revealed that the British army was training West German military units in crowd control and the suppression of trade union demonstrations using riot equipment — and light artillery! When striking metal workers protested, the government said that the exercises had been arranged in case the leadership lost control of the strike and it began a national stoppage.
- A spokesman for the right-wing Jayawardene regime in Sri Lanka admitted last weekend that 'ex-members' of the Special Air Services (SAS) were in Colombo to train an elite para-military force to put down the Tamil liberation groups.
- It is also reliably reported that British killer squads are operating in southern Africa with Dr Jonas Savimbi's counter-revolutionary UNITA organisation against the government of Angola, and that SAS 'advisers' are operating inside Zimbabwe to destabilise the Mugabe government.
- Last month the Libyan authorities captured a group of saboteurs trying to cross from Tunisia into the Jamahiriya to carry out bombings and assassinations. They admitted being armed, trained and financed by the US and British governments.

This is the true face of imperialism. It is the true face of Thatcher's Bonapartist dictatorship. It is a regime born of crisis, based on the reactionary Tory ruling class and dedicated to violent counter-revolution against the British working class as well as the national liberation movements of the world.

Many miners have said that it is now like living in a police state. This is correct so far as it goes. But behind the police stand the armed forces ready to move rapidly into action against the whole working class.

The miners cannot bear the full brunt of this violent state attack. This is the most compelling reason for expanding the strike throughout the whole TUC by organising the General Strike.

CALL A GENERAL STR

Only General Strike can bring victory

BY BEN RUDDER

THE consequences of a defeat for the miners are so great that the question of a General Strike must be raised in earnest throughout the trade union movement, say Kiveton Park miners.

Speaking to News Line, Tommy Law, NUM committee member at the Yorkshire pit, said the Tories aim to smash the union in order to hand over productive collieries to private industry.

'We don't want to go back to work to be slaves. We have already been shunted all over the country for the last 25 years and we have had enough.'

'I can't see us winning without a General Strike though. And if that brings down the government then it won't be a bad thing.'

Law does not believe the TUC will call such action unless a campaign is started throughout the trade union movement.

could be achieved,' he said. 'We have had great support from ASLEF railmen, but there is something wrong if the T&GWU transport union can't stop the scab lorries.'

Bownes said the experiences of miners at the hands of the police should have been enough to prick the conscience of other workers already.

The extent of police harassment of the miners was raised by Harry Hamilton and Trevor Wilson as a major factor in the hardening of the determination to stay on strike.

But Tommy Ward said the brutal treatment, and the unjustified arrests carried out by police were not enough on its own to bring other workers out on strike.

'You have got to remember where the leadership in the other unions is standing,' he said.

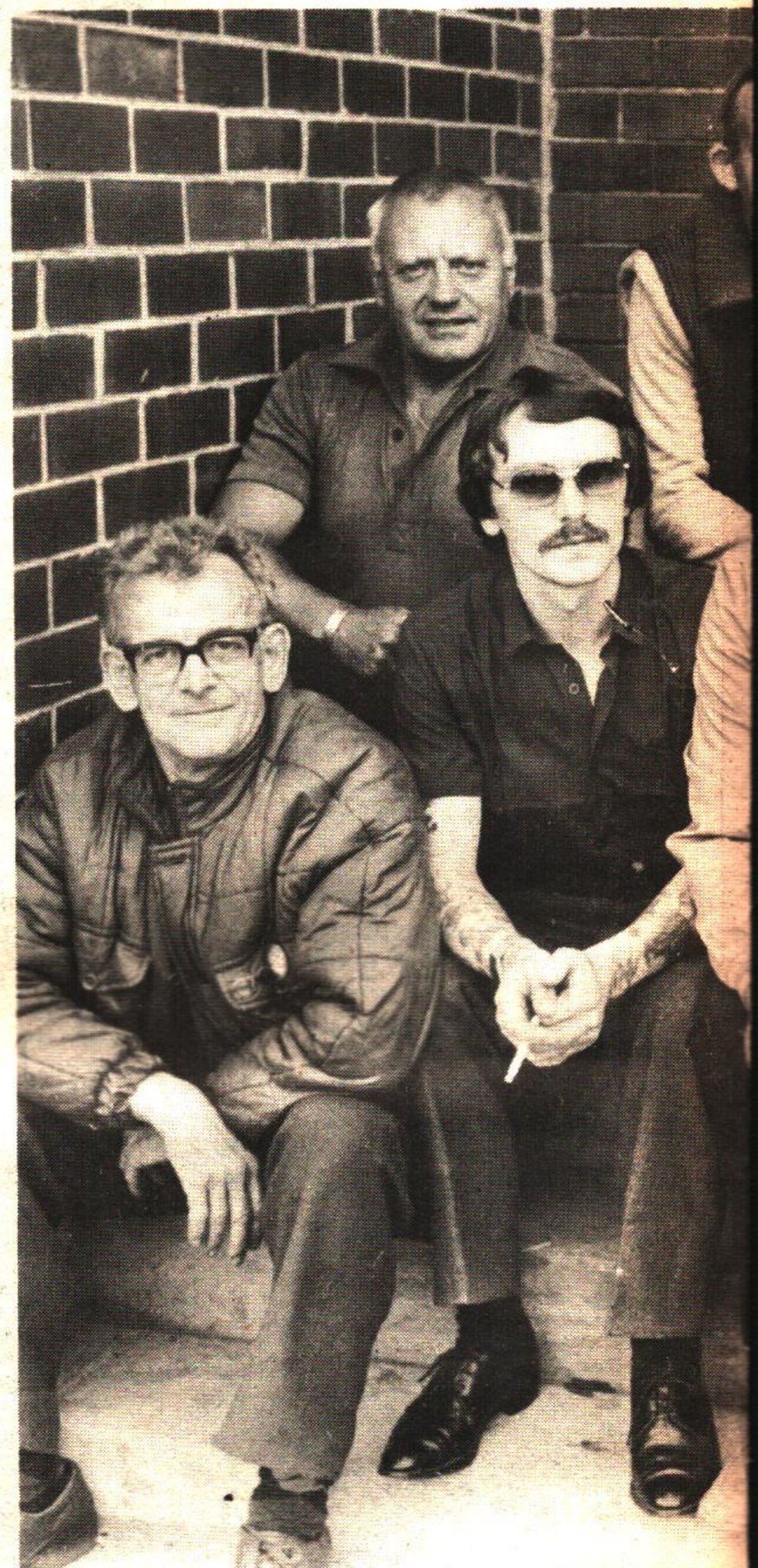
'We can't expect people like Len Murray to take up a demand for the General Strike. He hasn't come to meet any of our needs after more than 13 weeks.'

'We will only get a General Strike by raising it in branches, passing resolutions and going to conferences to get it discussed with other sections of workers.'

Chance

'It's no good complaining that it hasn't happened yet if we are not making sure it gets debated. If we just sit back then we don't stand a chance.'

'We have got to tell the other unions we are calling on them now. We have to tell them that if they let Thatcher butcher our industry she will butcher every industry. We have to tell them it's time we all stood up together to stop her.'



YOUNG and older miners from Kiveton Park colliery belt

Media

'One thing you can be certain of is that the media are not going to give any of the facts that other workers need to answer a General Strike call.'

'We are going to have to educate them about the real facts to make them aware,' he said.

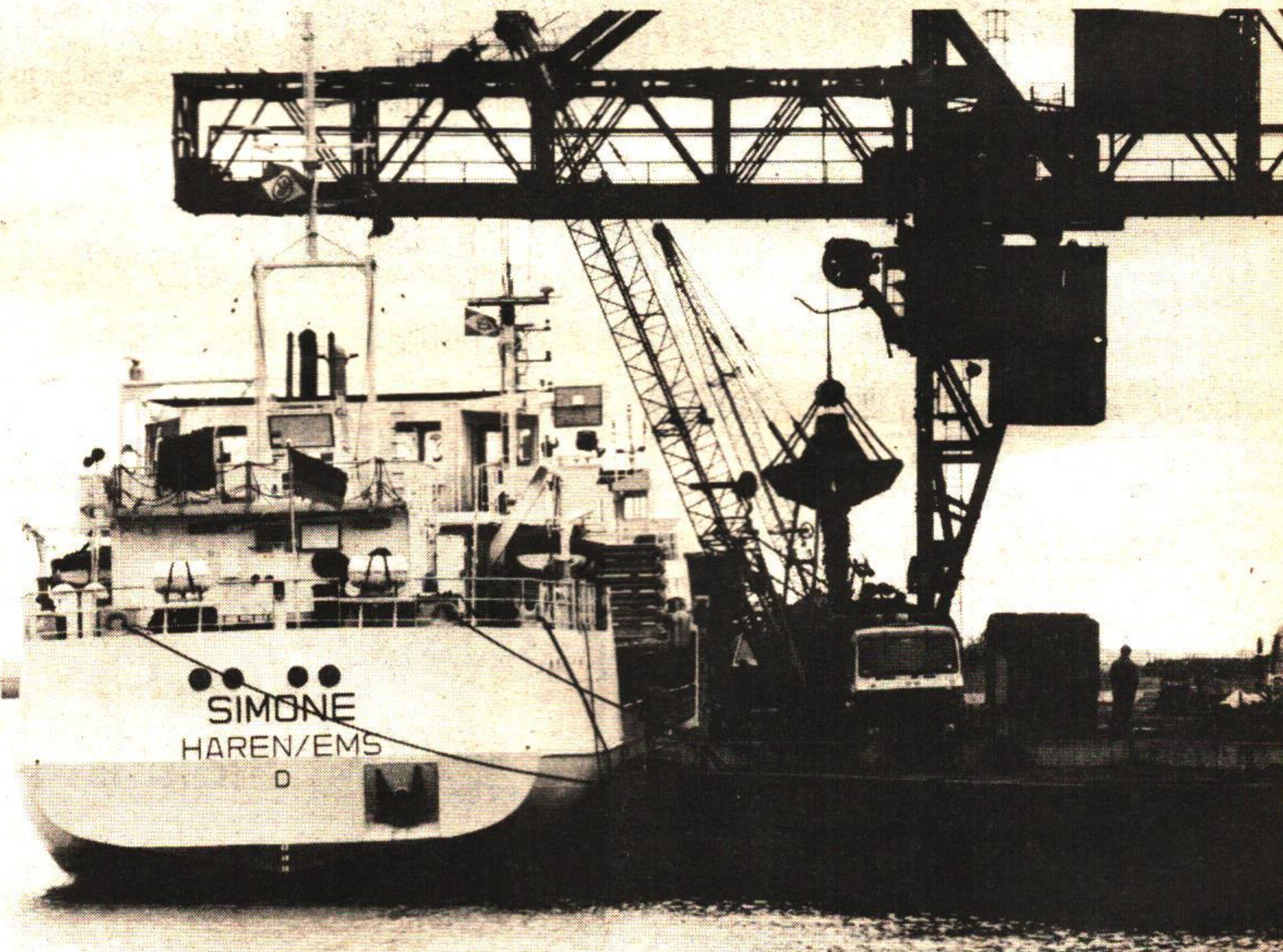
Bryn Landrygan said the responsibility for raising the demand for a General Strike lay with members of other unions as well as the miners.

'It shouldn't need us to call for a General Strike. Any trade unionist can see that what is happening to us today is going to happen to them tomorrow. They should be coming out in support of us now.'

'They should also know that there are a lot of lads who feel like me — and I am not going back defeated. I'm not going to be a dogs body for anybody.'

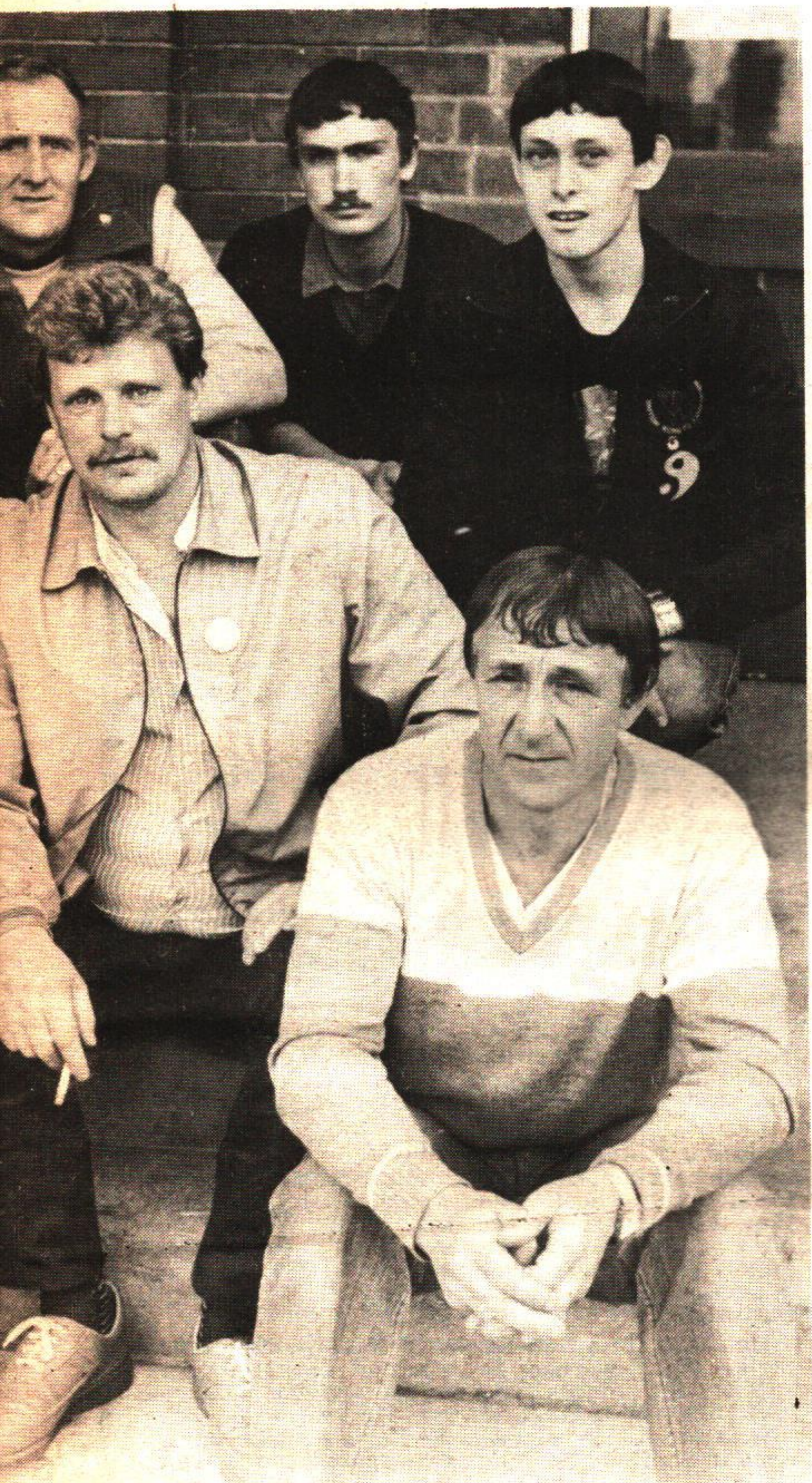
'I'm fighting for what I believe in, and I don't want any compromise. We are asking for the right to a job, that's not much to ask.'

Branch delegate Albert Bownes supports the call for a General Strike, but is anxious about the response it will receive. 'It would be perfect if it



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Wives of miners on strike at Harworth in Nottinghamshire are insistent that their husbands defy pressure to return to work

Polish coal production up

SAW — Poland's miners produced 14.3 million tonnes of coal in the first four months of 1984, maintaining high levels in their exporting industry, the official PAP news agency said today.

The figure was almost one million tonnes above equivalent 1983 levels and kept Poland on target for fulfilling its 1984 production plan of slightly more than 190 million tonnes, the agency said.

The heavy production has enabled Poland to raise coal exports this year to compensate for a weak performance by engineering industries, which are suffering from lack of money to buy machinery parts from the west.

According to Foreign Trade Ministry figures, Poland exported 14.3 million tonnes of coal in the first four months of 1984, compared with 35.2 million in the same period of 1983.

The director of the state coal marketing company, Jozef Stachon, told the newspaper 'Trybuna Robotnicza' today.

Exporters have to operate in buyers' markets and face tough price competition and a continuing coal glut which depresses both export volume and prices. They seem to be doing quite well with the British market.

PICTURE shows a German ship unloading Polish coal at Felixborough in Lincolnshire.

Wives determined Notts men will stay out

HARWORTH wives of striking miners remain determined that 120 Notts men on strike at the colliery should continue their fight.

Although they are in a minority, said wives' action group chairman Christine Brown, the strikers should carry on.

'I work as a cleaner at the colliery and I'm on strike because I believe we should fight against pit closures, and I don't believe we have the right to vote on another man's job.'

'The men here on strike, who are 120 out of 1,000 have formed their own strike committee. And the women's support are getting food parcels to everyone on strike.'

'We have been refused the use of halls to feed the children and men by the parish, the welfare and two church committees.'

'The only time we have had a canteen is for the week the children were off school and we used the school hall to cook food.'

The women's group travelled to London on June 7 to join the lobby of parliament. They witnessed several arrests.

Valerie Brown said: 'I saw, right in front of me, a miner with a split head being picked up by police, he dusted him down and

asked him if he was all right. It was being filmed by television.'

'But what they didn't show on television was the seven or eight policemen who pounced all over him before kicking and hitting him. They showed him being picked up, but they did not show how he got a cut head.'

June McCaughlin, said that the men who continued working at Har-

worth were like ostriches with their heads stuck in the sand. The pit was due to be shut in 1986, and there would be no hope for the pit if there was a flood or fire in the Deep Soft seam.

Jackie Topping said the rest of the trade union movement should support the miners with a General Strike, and the other women agreed.

NORTH-EAST DAY OF ACTION

THOUSANDS of shipyard workers on Tyneside will walk out on strike today during a day of action in support of the miners organised by the Northern region of the TUC.

They will be joining a mass demonstration through the centre of Newcastle which will be fol-

lowed by a rally to be addressed by Scottish miners' general secretary Eric Clarke.

A large turn-out of hospital workers and local government workers is expected on the demonstra-

tion following a call for a one-day strike by the public employees union NUPE.

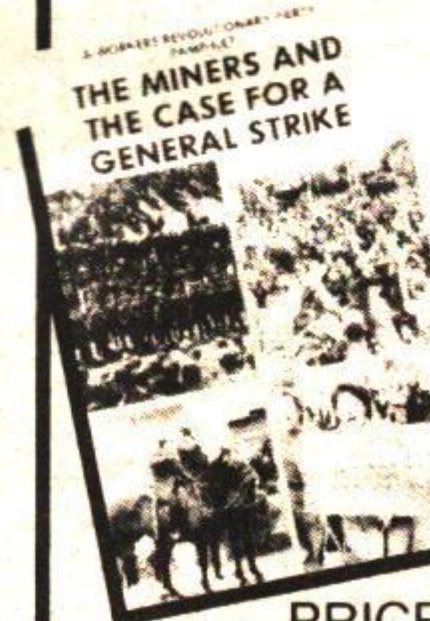
Railwaymen, transport workers and firemen are among the other sections who will take action to back the NUM.

A demonstration is also being held in Middlesbrough.

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THE MINERS' STRUGGLE



Birmingham trade unionists organise support

TRADE unionists discussed support for the miners' strike at a 'workplace' conference called by the West Midlands regional council of the TUC in Digbeth Civic Hall, Birmingham.

Barry Shuttleworth, chairman of TUC West Midlands regional council and regional secretary of NUPE, said the meeting on Wednesday night had been called to understand the miners' strike.

It needed to discuss how to get organisational activists together to make support in the form of money and collections of food more effective and practical, he said.

Peter Heathfield, general secretary of the NUM, said the problems of the miners stemmed from the inactivity of the trade union movement over five years against Thatcherism.

Bob Arnott, executive committee member of the regional TUC, said the strike would not be won exclusively by picketing but by building mass solidarity.

He announced a mass demonstration in support of the miners on June 23 in Birmingham, starting in Snow Hill and finishing in Cannon Hill Park.

The conference then broke up into four workshops to plan how to best co-ordinate collections and distributions of food and money in the West Midlands.

NATFHE Edgbaston branch member Dave Davis said in the Birmingham workshop: 'If the miners are left on their own they are vulnerable to the whole forces of the state. What is required is a counter offensive, an all-out General Strike to defeat this Tory government.'

John Coxon, treasurer of Birch Coppice pit hardship fund in Tamworth, said: 'I think it's about time the TUC did intervene. They should have been organising like this 13 weeks ago.'



GLASSON DOCK in north Lancashire is being used to import scab coal because dockers and transport workers in the Merseyside area have blacked supplies

Call at conference for General Strike

BY OUR OWN REPORTER

from our own area. I was known as the least militant branch secretary but it took five weeks to convince Richardson to support us.

'We appealed to the TUC but they haven't even had the decency to reply. Murray ought to take the rest of the show-er with him that's not prepared to stand up for our jobs.'

Mat Bainbridge, chairman of the north west

panel of the National Union of Seamen, said oil tankers would be stopped from supplying power stations.

'Not one coal ship has moved from the beginning. The Liverpool seamen will stand with the miners until a satisfactory solution is reached.'

Henry Bradley, chairman of the T&GWU road haulage section said they would be warning the Garston docks management that they would close the docks unless they stopped allocating land for tipping coal.

Ray Williams, secretary of Liverpool NGA, called for solidarity from the whole working class.

From the floor Hugh Sandison, National Union of Teachers rep, Croxeth Community school, said that the support for the NUT action showed the anger of teachers over education cuts and declining wages.

He called for a General Strike of all workers to support the miners, and invited those present to attend the ATUA conference in Sheffield on June 30.

Bobby Owens, president of Region No.6 T&GWU, called for all industrial workers to come out and support the miners.

Chairman Jimmy Nolan, closing the meeting, said: 'We are pursuing a national dock strike. The TUC should be calling for a General Strike.'

A Merseyside demonstration is being organised, and the next conference will be on Tuesday June 25 at 7.00p.m. at Transport House, Islington, Liverpool.

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.

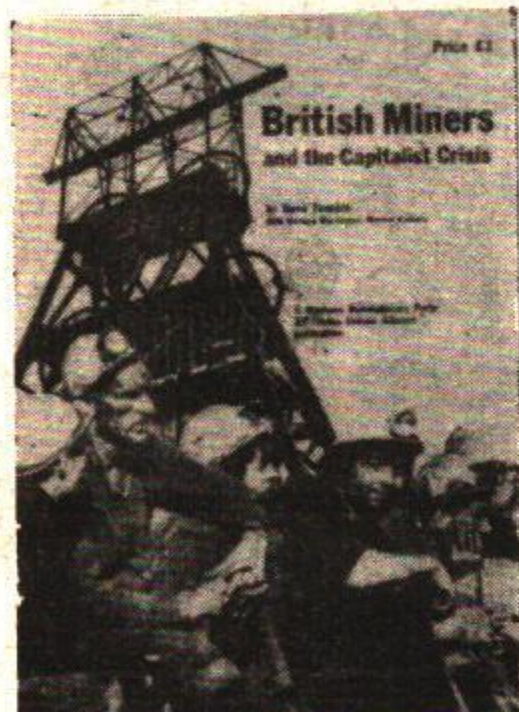
● Make sure that no evictions take place because of mounting debts. Wipe out rent and rate arrears.

● 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.

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News for Babylon —
The Chatto Book of
West Indian-British
Poetry Edited by James
Berry — Chatto
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'NEWS for Babylon' is a timely anthology of Caribbean poets who live, or have lived, in Britain.

It brings together 40 poets to demonstrate a wide spectrum of expression and orientation: from the lyrical modelled on British traditions, to the dynamic and political poetry performed and written mostly in patois.

In general, anthologies act as an introduction to the subject and as a collected record of achievement. 'News for Babylon', despite weaknesses,

does both far more adequately than 'Breaklight', published in 1971, and 'Bluefoot Traveller' published in 1976 which only included 11 poets.

In this anthology the editor, James Berry one of the leading black poets, was anxious to establish the achievement of Caribbean poetry, to display its development and variety, and that was necessary. But he did not give

enough space for those poets who were either born in Britain or arrived here very young.

For it is this generation of poets who are the most direct and political, striving at the same time to develop their art, learning from various sources, succeeding in expressing most vividly the determination of black youth, the fight against racialism and the state.

The volume has rather concentrated on the older generation of Caribbean poets and some of their poetry has not withstood the test of time well.

But, to compensate as it were, the very popular 'dub' poet Linton Kwesi Johnson is included along with the well-known Benjamin Zephaniah, Grace Nichols, John Agard and others.

On The Beach At
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ADRIAN MITCHELL'S poems, with their beat rhythms and almost 'primitive' naivety are written to be read aloud.

They are irreverent and often very funny, like the four-line 'Action and Reaction Blues':

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a bow-string
the further the arrow
goes whooshin
Further back Maggie
drags us
the further the revolution.'

Then suddenly the humour has gone. The poem dedicated to Astrid Proll, the Baader Meinhof member who was threatened with deportation back to Germany where she had already been held for months under conditions of sensory deprivation has a claustrophobic description of her cell:

'In the white of the silent box
In the silence of the white box
In the constant silence
In the constant white
In the white of the white box'

Your head starts exploding
Your skull is about to split
Your spine is drilling into
your brain
You are pissing your
brains away.'

Mitchell expresses the pain and oppression of capitalism, his indignation at its cruelties and hypocrisy.

Collected Poems by C.
P. Cavafy — The
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C.P. Cavafy (1863-1933) now recognised as probably the best of the modern Greek

poets, lived in Alexandria, Egypt.

Cavafy's father was one of the top cotton merchants, part of a significant community of Greeks, Italians and Jews, who came into conflict with the interests of British capital as British forces occupied Egypt.

The Cavafys' firm was unable to withstand the antagonism of the British firms and was closed down.

Though groomed to follow his father's profession, C.P. Cavafy was then forced to become a civil servant.

His bitterness against the British and his homosexuality made him a very 'private' person, although he led a socially active life and also established a profound friendship with the writer E.M. Forster, who introduced his poetry to Britain.

Cavafy takes as themes the lives of important political and military leaders of the ancient world, and draws parallels with his own society and turbulent times.

Cavafy divided his poetry into three main areas: erotic, historical and philosophical. Most of his poems are set in the Hellenistic period (300B.C. to 100 A.D.) which he took as an age parallel to his own and characterised by social decay.

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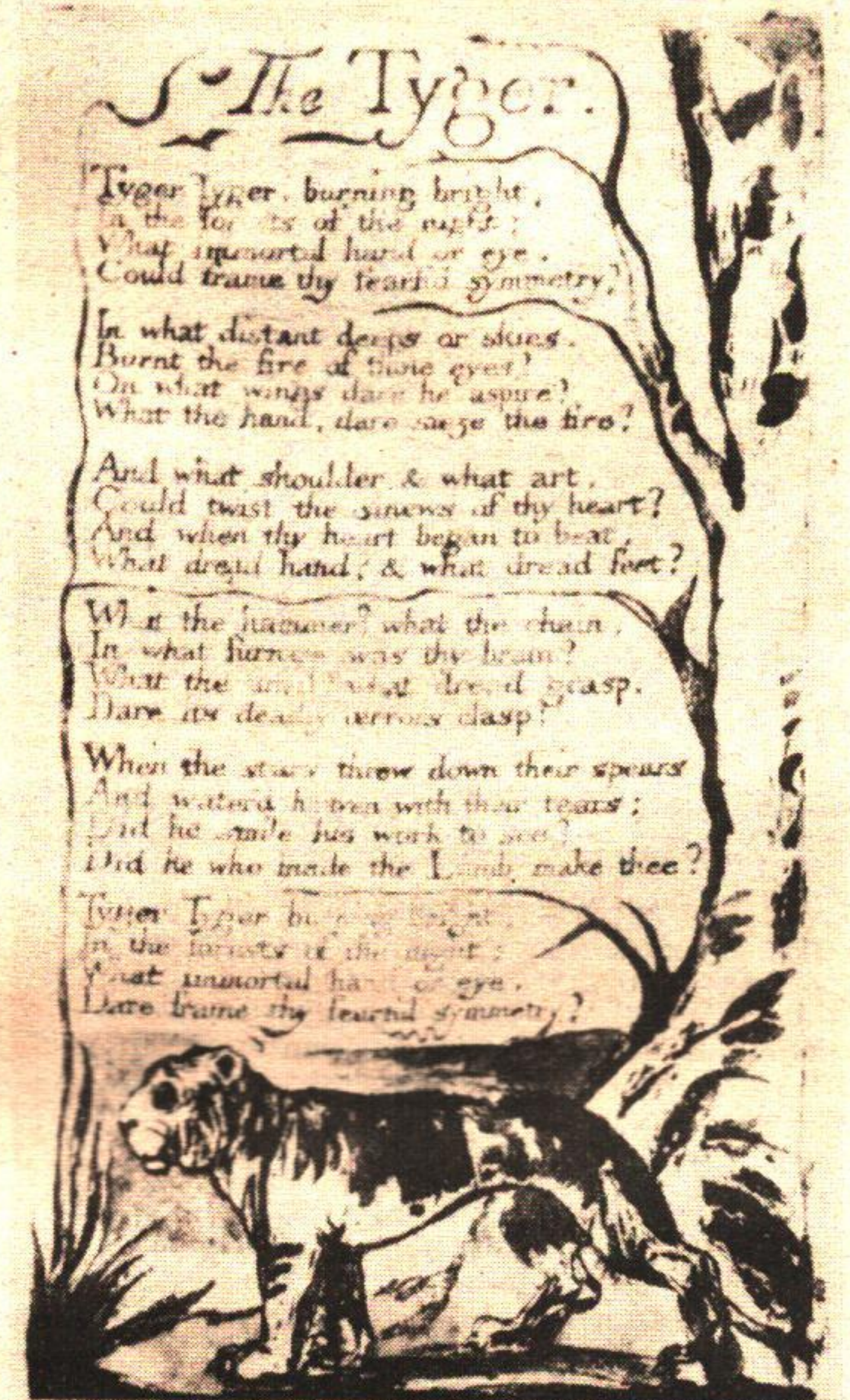
REMARKABLE value at less than £5, 'Six Centuries of Verse' is a superbly illustrated history of poetry published to accompany the Channel Four television series of the same name.

Anthony Thwaite presents a chronological selection of poems — and in some cases extracts from longer ones, such as Milton's 'Paradise Lost' which Thwaite calls 'Milton's Masterpiece, the one undoubted epic poem in English'.

He has surrounded the poems with connecting text, describing context and poets from Chaucer to Larkin, in Britain and the United States.

The unconventional or startling is excluded along with the ephemeral, and Thwaite tends to emphasise the poets who supported the status quo, noticeably in his preference for the royalist poets of the seventeenth century and in the twentieth century.

But with illustrations of poets and their themes to enliven the text, it must surely become a standard introductory anthology.



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8.10 **MY MUSIC** Quiz show

8.35 **GARDENER'S WORLD** from Lower Lydbrook, Glos

9.00 **EMPIRE** The last of a six-part comedy serial that takes the lid off the executive suite of a multinational corporation

9.25 **ALL OUR WORKING LIVES The Shock Wave** Tonight's programme looks at the development of technology and how it has changed working life in Britain

10.25 **NEWSNIGHT**

11.10 **CRICKET: FIRST TEST** Highlights from Edgbaston on the second day of the Cornhill Insurance Test Series with England v West Indies

11.45 **Closedown**

CHANNEL 4

2.30 **CHANNEL 4 RACING:** From Sandown (3.00, 3.30, 4.00) and York (2.45, 3.15, 3.45, 4.15) races

4.30 **CARTOON CARNIVAL**

5.00 **WKRP IN CINCINNATI Love Exciting and New** Programme director Andy Travis is after a new transmitter, but he could be in for something else besides

5.30 **THE ADDAMS FAMILY Crisis in the Addams Family**

6.00 **HIGH BAND UB40 Live** An hour-long video of the popular Birmingham reggae band, including their hits '1 in 10', 'Red Red Wine', and their latest hit single 'Cherry Oh Baby'

7.00 **CHANNEL 4 NEWS** followed by Weather

7.30 **RIGHT TO REPLY** Chaired by Gus MacDonald

8.00 **A WEEK IN POLITICS**

8.40 **WHAT THE PAPERS SAY** With free-lance journalist Alexander Chancellor

9.00 **BABBLE** Celebrities join in this panel game of words

9.30 **IT TAKES A WORRIED MAN Scenes from Country Life** Roath has been ordered to take a rest. So where better than the peace of the countryside at his boss's cottage — with Liz as nursemaid? But somehow all is not quite right

10.00 **CHEERS I'll Be Seeing You** (Part 2) Diane's portrait is completed. She tries to present Sam with the painting of her 'tortured spirit' and the ensuing confrontation is pretty explosive

10.30 **SEX MATTERS For Better For Worse**

11.15 **AFTER OFFICE HOURS** (1935) With Constance Bennett and Clark Gable in this fast-moving mystery-comedy written by Herman J. Mankiewicz in which a wealthy socialite-turned-reporter joins a newspaper's managing editor in solving a homicide

12.35 **Close**

THAMES

6.25 Good Morning Britain. 9.25 Thames News Headlines; followed by School Programmes. 11.55 Wattoo-Wattoo. 12.00 Alfie Atkins. 12.10 Rainbow. 12.30 The English Garden. 1.00 News at One. 1.20 Thames News. 1.30 About Britain. 2.00 Look Who's Talking. 2.30 Return of the Saint. 3.30 Sons and Daughters. 4.00 Rainbow. 4.20 Dangermouse. 4.25 The Fantastic Adventures of Mr Rossi. 4.50 Freetime. 5.15 The Young Doctors. 5.45 News.

6.00 **THE 6 O'CLOCK SHOW** Presented by Michael Aspel

7.00 **WINNER TAKES ALL**

7.30 **SIMON AND SIMON** The Last Time I Saw Michael AJ and Rick suspect larceny when they are hired by a wealthy widow

8.30 **PULL THE OTHER ONE Grandma Goes West** With Michael Elphick, Susan Tracy and Lila Kaye

9.00 **SHINE ON HARVEY MOON Sisters and Brothers**

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

10.30 **THE LONDON PROGRAMME** Mentally ill people, who once would have been cared for by nursing staff in hospitals, are now living in their hundreds in bed and breakfast hotels, bedsitters and dossers' hostels. Tonight's programme looks into 'community care' for the mentally ill and whether it is working

11.00 **BENSON Once In A Blue Moon** Chaos at the governor's mansion when Benson's security arrangements are foiled

11.30 **SOUTH OF WATFORD** Presented by Ben Elton. A look at the band from Camden Town — Madness

12.00 **HIGHWAY PATROL Desert Town** followed by **Night Thoughts** and **Closedown**

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2.00 Yn Eu Cynefin. 2.20 Stori Sbri. 2.35 Hyn O Fyd. 2.55 Racing from Sandown (3.00, 3.30, 4.00 Races) and York (3.15, 3.45, 4.15 races). 4.25 Countdown. 4.55 Lan Lofft. 5.05 Fflach Heulyn; Dino Bach. 5.30 The Addams Family. 6.00 High Band. 7.00 Newyddion Saith. 7.30 Llun Ar Y Sgrin. 8.00 Pushing the Limits. 8.30 Cheers; News Headlines. 9.00 Glas Y Dorian. 9.30 Y Byd Yn Ei Le. 10.15 Film: *The Outcasts*. 11.35 Soap. 12.05 Close.

RADIO

1 6.00 Mark Page. 7.00 Mike Read. 9.00 Simon Bates. 11.30 Gary Davies (12.30 Newsbeat). 2.00 Bruno Brookes. 4.30 Select-A-Disc with Janice Long. 5.30 Newsbeat. 5.45 Roundtable. 7.00 Andy Peebles. 9.00 The Friday Rock Show (S).

2 4.00 Colin Berry (S). 5.30 Ray Moore (S). 7.30 Terry Wogan (S) (8.31 Racing Bulletin). 10.00 Jimmy Young (S). 12.00 Steve Jones (S) (1.05, 2.02 Sports Desk). 2.05 Gloria Hunniford (S) (3.02, 4.02 Sports Desk). 4.05 David Hamilton (S) (5.05, 6.02 Sports Desk). 6.05 John Dunn (S) (6.45 Sport and Classified Results). 7.30 Cricket Scores; Friday Night is Music Night (S) (8.20-8.40 Interval). 9.30 The Organist Entertains. 9.55 Sports Desk. 10.00 The Random Jottings of Hinge and Bracket. 10.30 Take Your Partners. 11.00 Jeremy Beadle's Nightcap. 1.00 Jean Challis (S) presents Nightride. 3.00-4.00 Night Owls (S).

3 6.55 Weather. 7.00 News. 7.05 Morning Concert (S) Grieg, Crusell, Bruch (8.00 News) Copland, Albeniz, Barber, Chavez; records. 9.00 News. 9.05 This Week's Composer (S) Monteverdi; records. 10.00 Wolfgang Manz (S) Bach, Brahms, Debussy, Liszt. 10.55 Langham Chamber Orchestra (S) Respighi, Lutoslawski, Ibert. 11.40 Wolf and Castelnau-Tedesco (S). 12.10 BBC Scottish Symphony Orchestra (S) Humperdinck, Beethoven (1.00 News); 1.05-1.20 Six Continents Roger Quilter, Borodin. 2.00 Equale Brass (S). 2.45 Bartok and Ravel (S). 3.20 Duply (S). 4.00 Choral Evensong (S). 4.55 News. 5.00 Mainly for Pleasure (S). 6.30 Music for two Guitars (S) Soler arr. Evangelos and Liza, Rodrigo. 7.00 British Oboe Music (S). 7.30 Llandaff Festival 1984 (S) Alun Hoddinott, Bruch (8.15-8.35 Dear Max, Dear Tom) Holst. 9.30 The Snake Eater (S). 10.05 Renaissance Wind Music (S). 10.15 Tchaikovsky: A Fateful Gift (S). 11.15-11.18 News.

4 6.00 News Briefing; Weather. 6.10 Farming Today. 6.25 Shipping Forecast. 6.30 Today (6.30, 7.30, 8.30 News Summary; 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 Yesterday in Parliament; 8.50 Your Letters). 8.57 Weather; Travel. 9.00 News. 9.05 My Kind of Music (S). 9.45 Feedback. 10.00 News; International Assignment. 10.30 Morning Story: *Man Management*. 10.45 Daily Service. 11.00 News; Travel; Analysis. 11.48 Natural Selection. 12.00 News; You and Yours. 12.27 My Music (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; The Moon and Sixpence (S). 4.00 News; Time for Verse (S). 4.10 Plato to NATO. 4.40 Story Time: *Laughing Gas*. 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 Going Places. 7.00 News. 7.05 The Archers. 7.20 Pick of the Week (S). 8.20 Profile. 8.45 Any Questions? 9.30 Letter from America. 9.45 Kaleidoscope. 10.15 A Book at Bedtime: *Far Away and Long Ago*. 10.30 The World Tonight. 11.00 Today in Parliament. 11.15 The Financial World Tonight. 11.30 Week Ending. 12.00 News. 12.10 Weather. 12.15-Close Shipping Forecast.

Calendar News; Weather. 1.30 About Britain. 2.00 Film: *To Dorothy a Son*. 3.30 Sons and Daughters. 4.00 Rainbow. 4.20 Cartoon Time. 4.25 The Fantastic Adventures of Mr Rossi. 4.50 Freetime. 5.15 Gambit. 5.45 News. 6.00 Calendar; Weather. 7.00 Winner Takes All. 7.30 Simon and Simon. 8.30 Pull the Other One. 9.00 Shine on Harvey Moon. 10.00 News at Ten. 10.30 The Sweeney. 11.30 The Timeless Land. 12.30 Closedown.

TSW

6.25 Good Morning Britain. 9.30 For Schools. 12.00 Alfie Atkins. 12.10 Rainbow. 12.30 The English Garden. 1.00 News at One; TSW News Headlines. 1.30 About Britain. 2.00 Film: *Genevieve*. 3.30 Sons and Daughters. 3.57 Gus Honeybun's Magic Birthdays. 4.00 Rainbow. 4.20 Cartoon Time. 4.25 The Fantastic Adventures of Mr Rossi. 4.50 Freetime. 5.15 Emmerdale Farm. 5.45 News. 6.00 Today South West. 6.30 What's Ahead. 7.00 Winner Takes All. 7.30 Simon and Simon. 8.30 Pull the Other One. 9.00 Shine on Harvey Moon. 10.00 News at Ten; TSW Late News; Weather. 10.35 Benson. 11.05 Film: *Spectre*. 12.45 Postscript; South West Weather; Shipping Forecast; Closedown.

TVS

6.25 Good Morning Britain. 9.25 Farming Brief. 9.30 For Schools. 12.00 Alfie Atkins. 12.10 Rainbow. 12.30 The English Garden. 1.00 News at One; TVS News. 1.30 About Britain. 2.00 Falcon Crest. 3.00 Judi. 3.30 Sons and Daughters. 4.00 Rainbow. 4.20 Cartoon Time. 4.25 The Fantastic Adventures of Mr Rossi. 4.50 Freetime. 5.15 Take the High Road. 5.45 News. 6.00 Coast to Coast. 6.30 University Challenge. 7.00 Winner Takes All. 7.30 Simon and Simon. 8.30 Pull the Other One.

9.00 Shine on Harvey Moon. 10.00 News at Ten; TVS News. 10.30 The Boat Show. 11.00 The Irish R.M. 12.00 Marie Gordon Price in Concert. 12.30 Epilogue; Closedown.

HTV

6.25 Good Morning Britain. 9.30 For Schools. 12.00 Alfie Atkins. 12.10 Rainbow. 12.30 The English Garden. 1.00 News at One; HTV News. 1.30 About Britain. 2.00 Film: *The Small Voice*. 3.30 The Young Doctors. 4.00 Rainbow. 4.20 Cartoon Time. 4.25 The Fantastic Adventures of Mr Rossi. 4.50 Freetime. 5.15 Whose Baby? 5.45 News. 6.00 HTV News. 6.30 In the Garden. 7.00 Winner Takes All. 7.30 Simon and Simon. 8.30 Pull the Other One. 9.00 Shine on Harvey Moon. 10.00 News at Ten; HTV News. 10.30 The West This Week. 11.00 Film: *Melvin Purvis 'G' Man*. 12.25 Weather; Closedown.

HTV CYMRU: 6.00-7.00 Wales at Six. 10.30 Elinor. 11.15 Film: *Melvin Purvis — 'G' Man*. 12.40 Weather; Closedown.

ANGLIA

6.25 Good Morning Britain. 9.30 For Schools. 12.00 Alfie Atkins. 12.10 Rainbow. 12.30 The English Garden. 1.00 News at One; Anglia News; Weather. 1.30 About Britain. 2.00 Film: *To Dorothy a Son*. 3.30 Sons and Daughters. 4.00 Rainbow. 4.20 Cartoon Time. 4.25 The Fantastic Adventures of Mr Rossi. 4.50 Freetime. 5.15 University Challenge. 5.45 News. 6.00 About Anglia. 7.00 Gambit. 7.30 Simon and Simon. 8.30 Pull the Other One. 9.00 Shine on Harvey Moon. 10.00 News at Ten; Anglia Late News; Weather. 10.30 Cross Question. 11.05 Film: *Innocent Bystanders*. 1.05 Epilogue; Closedown.

Hi Easter to make a sunny start

CONDITIONS should be ideal for Hi Easter (5.05) to open his seasonal account in the Hwfa Williams Handicap at SANDOWN today.

Henry Candy's four-year-old loves to hear his hooves rattle, and with the going on the Esher track expected to be on the firm side of good, he will be hard to beat over this mile and six furlong trip.

A winner three times last year, at Beverley, Thirsk and Newmarket, Hi Easter, after two runs this season, ought to be approaching peak fitness.

Field

Clearly in need of the run when down the field in the 'Great Met' at Epsom, Hi Easter has subsequently run well at Goodwood, finishing fifth behind Canio on ground that was probably too soft for him.

Today's race looks a much easier proposition, and Hi Easter is a confident selection to land this £3,500 added prize.

With Mick Ryan's New-

market string in such tremendous form, it would be foolish to oppose Miss Loving (2.30) in the June Maiden Fillies' Stakes, although there is a big tip for the Michael-Stoute-trained newcomer, Sharika, in this five furlong event.

Miss Loving showed a lot of promise on her debut at Windsor, finishing one and a half lengths second to Adelphai, who has boosted that form by winning again since.

Sandown's most valuable race, the £5,000 added Foltene Hair Fitness Alington Stakes, could go to the speedy Boy Trumpeter (4.00), who is overdue a change of luck.

Never in the hunt when finishing ninth to dead-heaters Petorius and Reesh over this course and distance last time, Bruce Hobbs' four-year-old will be more at home on today's faster ground, and

although he has a tough task with 9 stone 8lb, a return to his true form could see him score at a good price.

News that Lester Piggott is being reunited with his old boss Vincent O'Brien at Ascot next week will have delighted the ex-champion's supporters, and he should continue his fine start to the season by landing a double at YORK with Indian Flower (2.45) and Wiki Wiki Wheels (3.45).

Impressed

Indian Flower, trained by Ron Boss, impressed when second to Opera Comique at Epsom last week, and will be very hard to beat in the Stephen Eastern Stakes.

Fast ground lover Wiki Wiki Wheels has a very hard task carrying 9 stone 10lbs in the San Juan De

Capistrano Handicap, but with Piggott aboard, Charlie Nelson's four-year-old could return to form.

A winner three times over seven furlongs last season, Wiki Wiki Wheels finished third of 13 to Mummy's Pleasure in the Autobar Victoria Cup at Ascot, and fourth to Portogon in a £6,800 race at Ayr last month. A slight improvement on that form should see him home today.

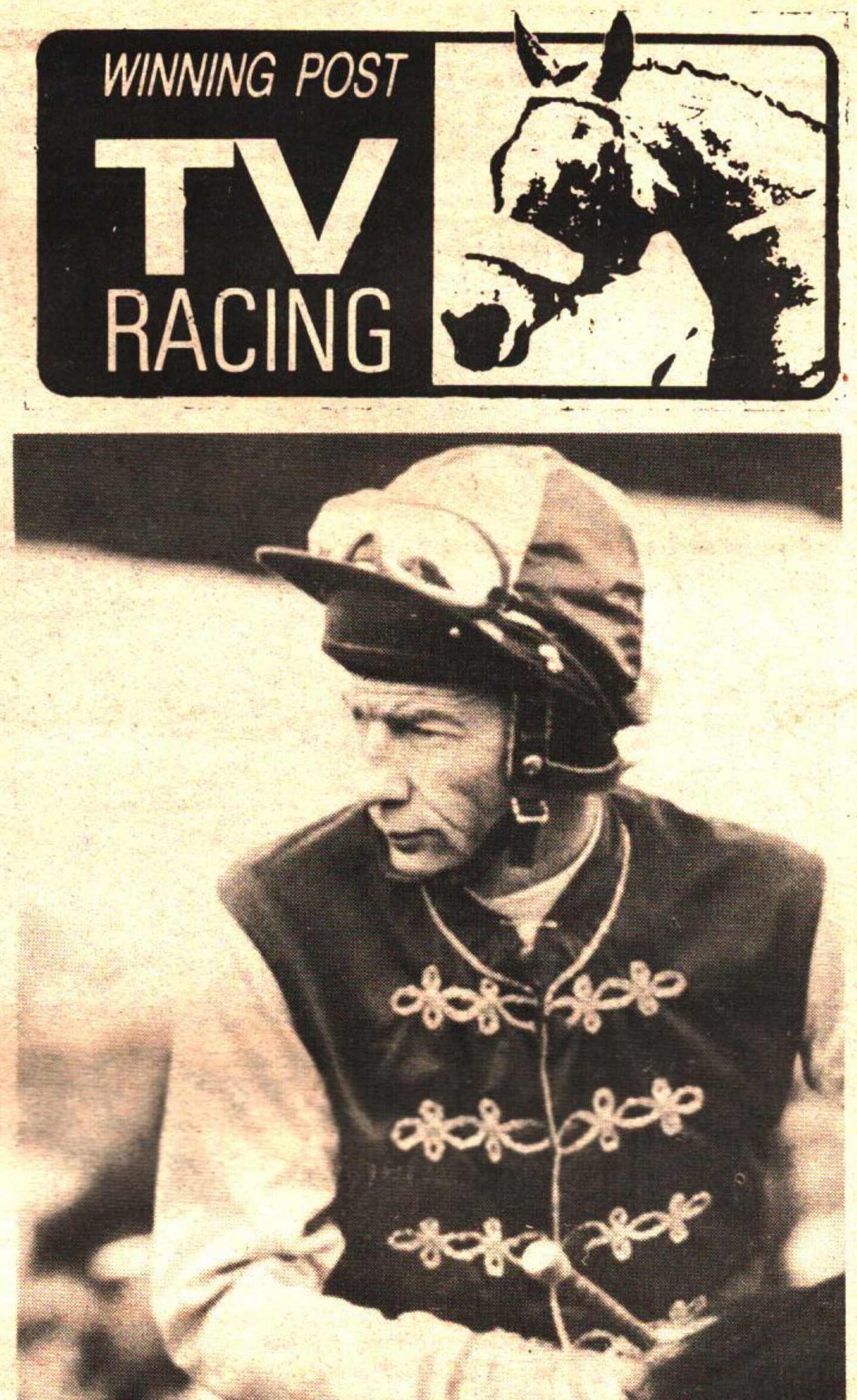
SELECTIONS

YORK

- 2.15 Tobermory Boy
2.45 Indian Flower
3.15 True Heritage
3.45 Wiki Wiki Wheels (n.b.)
4.15 Pennine Walk
4.45 Dahaam

SANDOWN

- 2.30 Miss Loving
3.00 Open Up
3.30 My Tony
4.00 Boy Trumpeter
4.30 Kinski
5.05 Hi Easter (nap)



LESTER PIGGOTT rides Wiki Wiki Wheels at York in the 3.45

YORK CHANNEL 4 2.45, 3.15, 3.45, 4.15

SIX-YEAR RECORD

JOCKEYS: L Piggott 73, W Carson 57, Pat Eddery 38, J Mercer 36, E Hide 32, S Cauthen 32, G Starkey 24, W Swinburn 17, G Baxter 17, M Birch 16, E Johnson 16, P Waldron 15, TRAINERS: W Hearn 38, H Cecil 31, B Hills 27, M Stoute 26, J Dunlop 23, M H Easterby 22, B Hobbs 19, C Brittain 17, R Armstrong 15, J Tree 14, J W Watts 12. DRAW: High numbers have an advantage over 7 furlongs particularly when going is soft.

2.15 EL CAPISTRANO VILLAS APPRENTICE H'CAP £3,000 5f (9 runners)

- 1 (2) 101002 TOBERMORY BOY (C-D) R Whitaker 7 100..... R Lea (11)
3 (8) 00-1200 BATONI (D) M H Easterby 5 90..... S Donkin (3)
4 (3) 00-2000 FLEET BAY (C-D) K Brassey 4 8 13..... J Bray (11)
5 (9) 014202 PERGODA (D)(BF) I Vickers 6 8 13..... M Hindley
6 (5) 3000-12 MINISKY (BF) N Bycroft 3 8 8..... M Richardson (8)
8 (6) 02-0300 SEBAL (D) G Hunter 4 8 6..... S Whitworth
9 (7) 30-0000 FAIRGREEN (D) D Chapman 6 7 13..... SP Griffiths (3)
10 (1) 300000 CENTRAL CARPETS (D) R Stubbs 5 7 13..... J H Brown
11 (4) 21-0043 KING CHARLEMAGNE (D)(BF) Mrs G Reveley 5 7 8 A Schoutts (5)
BLINKERS: 5, 8, 9

PROBABLE SP: 9-4 Tobermory Boy, 7-2 Minisky, 4-1 Pergoda, 6-1 Fleet Bay, 8-1 Batoni, 10-1 Sebal, 14-1 Central Carpets, 16-1 others.

2.45 STEPHEN EASTEN STAKES £4,000 (2-Y-O fillies) 5f (7 runners)

- 1 (6) 1 ORCHID DANCER (USA)(D) S Norton 9 1..... J Lowe
2 (7) 1 PAPPLEWICK LADY (D) J Berry 9 1..... K Darley

SANDOWN CHANNEL 4 3.00, 3.30, 4.00

SIX-YEAR RECORD

JOCKEYS: W Carson 66, L Piggott 64, Pat Eddery 40, G Starkey 34, J Mercer 28, B Rouse 20, W Swinburn 16, S Cauthen 15, B Taylor 12, B Raymond 9, P Waldron 9, TRAINERS: G Harwood 25, H Cecil 24, W Hearn 23, M Stoute 20, R Armstrong 19, C Brittain 19, J Dunlop 16, P Walwyn 15, J Winter 14, B Hills 13, H Candy 12, J Hindley 10, DRAW: High numbers have an advantage in 5 furlong sprints when stalls are placed on far side and when going is soft.

2.30 JUNE MAIDEN FILLIES STAKES £3,000 (2-Y-O) 5f (7 runners)

- 1 (2) 0 LA SIGNORINA SILCA D Elsworth 8 11..... B Rouse
2 (7) 2 MISS LOVING M Ryan 8 11..... P Robinson
3 (4) 0 RONANS PEARL R Hannon 8 11..... R Wernham
7 (5) 0 BAHRAIN STAR C Horgan 8 8..... A McGlone
12 (3) 0 MANABEL J Winter 8 8..... Pat Eddery
14 (1) 0 MY MYRA R Smyth 8 8..... J Mercer
17 (6) 0 SHARIKA M Stoute 8 8..... W R Swinburn

PROBABLE SP: 11-7 Miss Loving, 2-1 Sharika, 4-1 My Myra, 6-1 Manabel, 14-1 Bahrain Star, 16-1 others.

3.00 POLYCELL-W. CARSON APPT'CE CH'GE Round 8 H'CAP £3,000 (3-Y-O) 1m (7 runners)

- 1 (1) 04321-0 DOUBLE QUICK TIME (D) R Smyth 9 7..... I McLelland
2 (3) 314-303 MALISTRANO S Mellor 8 13..... David Eddery
3 (7) 03230-3 OPEN UP H Candy 8 12..... N Clarke
4 (5) 000-000 BOLDNINE C Brittain 8 11.....
5 (6) 400-1 BALAASH (USA) (D) J Hindley 8 9 (5 ex)..... A Roper
6 (2) 0000- MIJAS GOLD P Cole 8 3..... D Ramage
7 (4) 00040-0 SATCH J Dunlop 7 13..... R Hulse

BLINKERS: 2

3.30 LAURENT-PERRIER ROSE CHAMPAGNE H'CAP £3,500 1m 2f (12 runners)

- 1 (4) 003020- VEN MATRERO (USA) (D) M Francis 4 9 10..... Paul Eddery
3 (6) 1-03100 BARRA HEAD (D)(BF) J Dunlop 4 9 6..... B Rouse
5 (11) 03-0010 GARDEN ROUTE (D)(BF) J Durr 4 9 2..... G Duffield
6 (12) 001232 MY TONY (D) G Lewis 4 9 1..... M L Thomas
7 (1) 0-04001 SOCKS UP (D) R Houghton 7 9 0..... D Price (5)
9 (5) 0421-30 FOLLY HILL (C-D)(BF) J Bethell 4 8 13..... J Matthias

- 3 (4) 0441 PRINCESS WENDY (D) M W Easterby 9 1..... P Cook
5 (3) 2 INDIAN FLOWER R Boss 8 8..... L Piggott
6 (2) 0 MARAVILLA R Peacock 8 8..... W Carson
7 (1) QUORN ROCKET W Guest 8 8..... A Bond
9 (5) SAFKA (USA) R Houghton 8 8..... S Cauthen

PROBABLE SP: Evens Indian Flower, 6-1 Princess Wendy, 8-1 Orchid Dancer, 10-1 Papplewick Lady, 16-1 Quorn Rocket, 25-1 Maravilla.

3.15 EL CAPISTRANO VILLAS HANDICAP £5,000 1m 4f (8 runners)

- 1 (8) 032041 REGAL STEEL (C/D) R Hollinshead 6 9 10..... W Ryan (3)
2 (6) 0-20200 LOBKOWIEZ C Brittain 5 9 7..... J Reid
4 (5) 00120-0 AYLESFIELD (D) G Wragg 4 9 1..... L Piggott
5 (2) 020011 HARRY HASTINGS (USA)(D) J S Wilson 5 8 9 (4 ex)..... C Dwyer
6 (1) 4-11322 RIVERS EDGE (D)(BF) Denys Smith 6 8 5..... M Fry
7 (4) 01-0413 MASKED BALL (D)(BF) P Calver 4 8 5 (4 ex)..... M Beecroft
8 (3) 00-1231 MEIKLEOUR (D) J Fitzgerald 5 8 4 (4 ex)..... S Cauthen
9 (5) 1310-21 TRUE HERITAGE (D) A Hide 5 8 4..... W Carson

PROBABLE SP: 7-4 True Heritage, 4-1 Harry Hastings, 6-1 Meikleour, 7-1 Lobkowiez, 8-1 Aylesfield, 10-1 Regal Steel, 14-1 Rivers Edge, 16-1 Masked Ball.

3.45 SAN JUAN DE CAPISTRANO H'CAP £4,000 7f (8 runners)

- 1 (7) 1011-34 WIKI WIKI WHEELS (C-D)(BF) C Nelson 4 9 10..... L Piggott
4 (8) 10-0043 EL MANSOUR (D) N Gaselle 5 8 12..... W Carson
5 (5) 310-000 MELTHEMI (USA) M H Easterby 4 8 12..... K Hodgson
6 (2) 40-0023 HOOLIGAN P Rohan 4 8 10..... J Reid
7 (6) 20-0230 JAMESTON R Armstrong 4 8 8..... S Cauthen
8 (3) 0411-0 LOCH PEARL M H Easterby 4 8 3..... M Birch
9 (4) 403010 SWINGING REBEL (D) N Vigors 6 8 1..... P Cook

- 10 (7) 00-0241 STAR OF IRELAND (D) A Jarvis 4 8 11 (5 ex)..... Pat Eddery
13 (10) 200-014 WORLWINGFOOT (D) M Ryan 4 8 6..... P Robinson
15 (8) 100-040 CUMREW (D) N Vigors 4 7 13..... T Quinn
16 (3) 000-000 BEELEIGH (C) Miss S Morris 6 7 12..... N Howe
18 (9) 300-000 TEPELENI L Cottrell 4 7 7..... R Street
19 (2) 0114-00 CALISOLON (C) Pat Mitchell 10 7 7.....

BLINKERS: 3, 15, 18

PROBABLE SP: 4-1 Folly Hill, 5-1 My Tony, 11-2 Star of Ireland, 6-1 Worlwingfoot, 7-1 Barra Head, 10-1 Socks Up, 12-1 Tepellini, 14-1 Cumrew, 16-1 others.

4.00 FOLTENE HAIR FITNESS ALINGTON STAKES £5,000 5f (6 runners)

- 1 (6) 020-000 BOY TRUMPETER (D) B Hobbs 4 9 8..... G Baxter
3 (2) 1100-2 AL MAMOON (USA) Thomson Jones 3 8 13..... A Murray
4 (1) 30-2010 SUSAN STEEL (D) J Hindley 3 8 13..... B Taylor
7 (4) 1300- FOLLOW ME FOLLOW (D) J Winter 3 8 7..... W R Swinburn
9 (5) 310-00 STATS ANNA (D) G Hunter 3 8 7..... B Thomson
10 (3) 03-0400 DERRY RIVER D Laing 3 8 5..... Pat Eddery

BLINKERS: 10

PROBABLE SP: 11-8 Al Mamoon, 3-1 Susa Steel, 9-2 Stats Anna, 6-1 Boy Trumpeter, 12-1 Derry River, 14-1 Follow Me Follow.

4.35 MORE LANE MAIDEN STAKES £3,000 (3-Y-O) 1m 2f (14 runners)

- 5 (13) 00-0 CINQUIEME ROUE (USA) G P Gordon 9 0..... G Duffield

NEWBURY

- 2.00 (1m): SWIFT PALM P Mose (7-1); Biddable (10-1); Blowing Bubbles (11-2); The Game's Up (4-1 fav); 13 ran. 2 1/2. 6. (P Cundell) T: £6; £1.50, £1.90, £1.70. CSF: £72.23.
2.30 (6f): SERGEANT GERARD T Quinn (12-1); Lidhame (9-4 fav); Al-Yabir (25-1); Intrepid Lad (10-1). 19 ran. 1 1/2. 3. (P Cole) T: £14; £3.50, £1.70, £7.70. CSF: £40.26.
3.00 (1m 4f): FREE PRESS S Cauthen (7-2 it fav); Sikorsky (9-2); Forward (7-2 it fav); Moon Jester (7-1). 7 ran. 1/2. 2. (I Balding) T: £3.90; £2.30, £1.80. CSF: £17.45.
3.30 (6f): CHEPSTOW VALE W Carson (13-8); Cameroun (11-8 fav); Thevetia

- (9-2); Gwiffina (12-1). 4 ran. 3/4. 5. (W Hearn) T: £2.20. CSF: £3.90.
4.00 (1m 3f): SWEET SOPRANO M Hills (4-1); Barnbrook Again (14-1); Laurie's Panther (5-2 fav); First Cry (11-2). 9 ran. 3. 1. (P Walwyn) T: £3.90; £1.20, £2, £1.30. CSF: £49.89.
4.30 (1m 5f): SHERNAZAR W R Swinburn (5-4 fav); Rhustad (3-1); Ash Fair (12-1); Beat The Retreat (33-1). 20 ran. 1/2. 4. (M Stoute) T: £2.10; £1.20, £1.90, £4.20.

- 11 (1) 100010 TOP O'TH'LANE (C-D) N Bycroft 7 7 13..... R Fox
BLINKERS: 1, 9

PROBABLE SP: 13-8 Wiki Wiki Wheels, 3-1 El Mansour, 4-1 Swinging Rebel, 7-1 Hooligan, 10-1 Top O'Th' Lane, 12-1 Jameston, 14-1 others.

4.15 EL CAPISTRANO PLAYA STAKES £4,000 (2-Y-O) 6f (6 runners)

- 1 (1) 311203 COINCIDENTAL M Lambert 9 7..... S Perks
2 (3) 311 PENNINE WALK (D) J Tree 9 7..... W Carson
5 (5) 1222 CORNWALL B Hills 9 3..... S Cauthen
7 (6) 41 MRS CHRIS M Naughton 9 0..... L Piggott
12 (2) 422223 MEADOW STAR S Norton 8 11..... J Lowe
14 (4) 43 QUALITAIR FLYER K Stone 8 11..... C Dwyer

BLINKERS: 5

PROBABLE SP: 5-4 Pennine Walk, 9-4 Cornwall, 4-1 Mrs Chris, 8-1 Coincidental, 12-1 Meadow Star, 16-1 Qualitair Flyer.

4.45 FESTIVAL OF YORK MAIDEN STAKES £3,000 (3-Y-O) 2m (8 runners)

- 1 (6) 00-0004 ACTION TIME P Makin 9 0..... S Cauthen
3 (1) 03 BASKET WEAVE (FR) A Jarvis 9 0..... J Lowe
6 (5) 000-004 BOHEMOND Denys Smith 9 0..... M Fry
7 (7) 422223 BORODINO (BF) T Fairhurst 9 0..... L Piggott
9 (8) 0-00 DAHAAM R Houghton 9 0..... J Reid
11 (2) 0 DOUBBLE TURN A Jarvis 9 0..... P Cook
12 (3) 0-00 OUT OF THE GLOOM R Hollinshead 9 0..... S Perks
15 (4) 200 AVICEDA J Toller 8 11..... W Carson

PROBABLE SP: 5-4 Pennine Walk, 9-4 Cornwall, 4-1 Mrs Chris, 8-1 Coincidental, 12-1 Meadow Star, 16-1 Qualitair Flyer.

- 8 (8) 00-0342 EWELL PLACE (BF) A Ingham 9 0..... NON-RUNNER
10 (9) 03-000 HEIGHT OF SUMMER R Houghton 9 0..... B Thomson
13 (11) 0-2 KINSKI (USA) J Tree 9 0..... Pat Eddery
14 (5) 02 NABIL C Horgan 9 0..... A McGlone
23 (1) 403-00 WOODWAY J Dunlop 9 0..... B Rouse
24 (14) 03 YABIS (USA) G Hunter 9 0..... P Waldron
26 (10) 2 ALLEGEDLY BLUE (USA) M Stoute 8 11..... W R Swinburn
27 (7) 0 ALMOND BLOSSOM R Houghton 8 11..... Paul Eddery
29 (12) 1- BONNE ILE B Hobbs 8 11..... G Baxter
33 (4) 0 DIPSICATO A Moore 8 11..... A Clark
36 (6) 40-00 OUTWARD'S GAL R J Williams 8 11..... T Ives
39 (2) 0 TROYTOPS G Wragg 8 11..... B Crossley

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PROBABLE SP: 5-2 Allegedly Blue, 4-1 Kinski, 5-1 Yabis, 7-1 Nabil, 8-1 Bonne Ile, 10-1 Woodway and Miramac, 14-1 Height of Summer and Troytops, 16-1 others.

5.05 HWFA WILLIAMS HANDICAP £3,500 1m 6f (4 runners)

- 1 (3) 101-030 NEORION (D) C Brittain 4 9 10..... P Robinson
3 (2) 0100-00 HI EASTER H Candy 4 8 7..... R Curant
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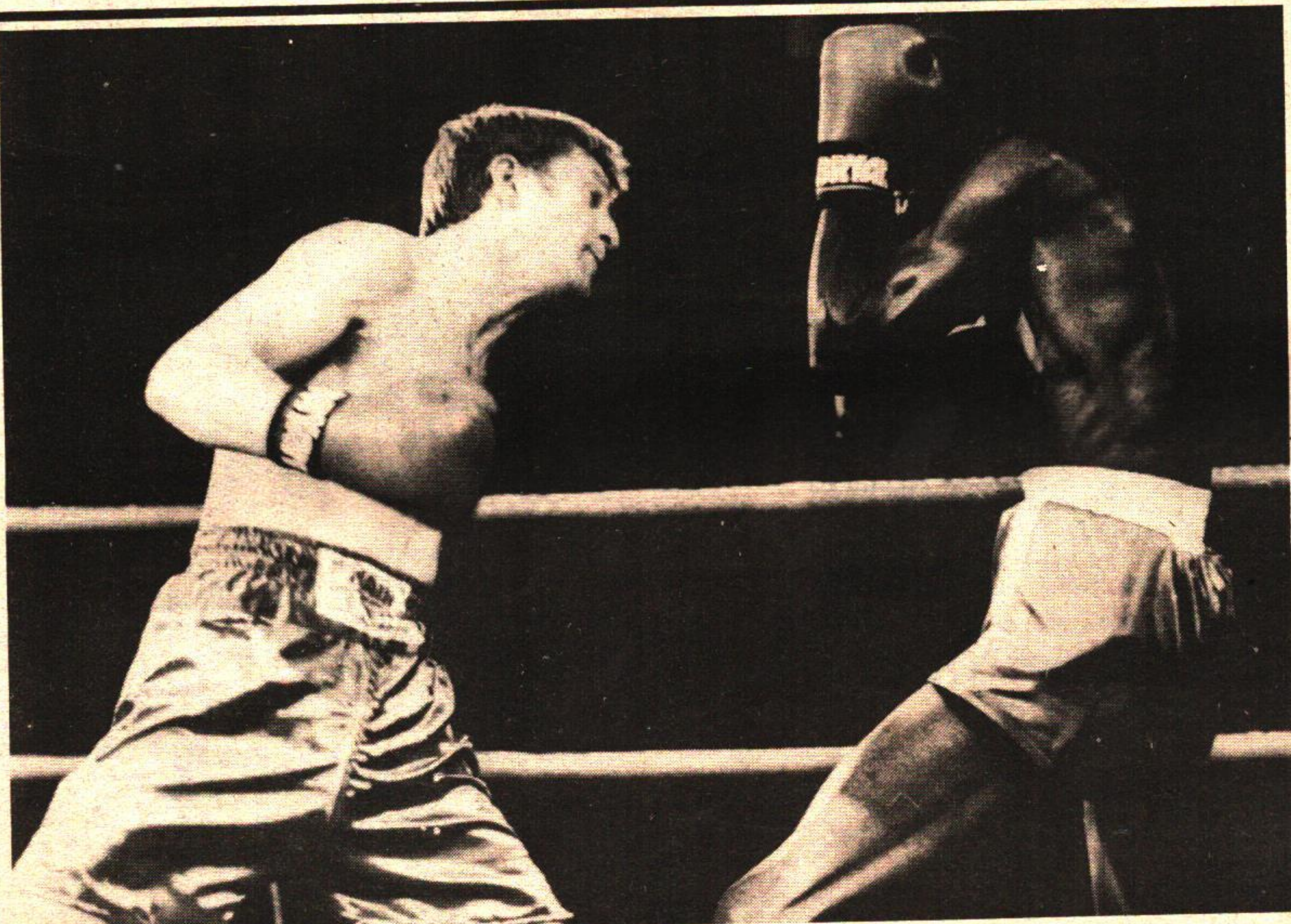
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- 2.15 (5f): BLAKEDALE S Webster (4-1); Path Over the Moor (9-1); John Fresh (10-1); Boldcott Tiger (5-1). 4 ran. 4. 2. (E Weymes) T: £5.20; £1.80, £1.60, £2.40. CSF: £45.01.
2.45 (1m): ELARIM C Coates (5-1); Rapid Lad (7-4 fav); Gay Meadow (13-2); Blondoni (14-1). 8 ran. 1/2. 1 1/2. (T Fairhurst) T: £6.60; £1.90, £1.50, £1.10. CSF: £14.19.
3.15 (5f): PROVIDEO T Ives (7-4); Mavahra (11-8 fav); Persian Pleasure (5-2). 3 ran. 2. hd. (W O Gorman) T: £1.80. CSF: £4.02.
3.45 (1m 4f): MILLSIDE Paul Eddery (6-4 on fav); Snowy River (25-1); The Sun God (8-1); Current Raiser (3-1). 4 ran.

- 2, 12. (H Cecil) T: £1.40; £1.20, £3.90. CSF: £13.56.
4.15 (2m): ALFIE DICKINS W Ryan (6-1); Bellamuse (7-1); Dark Proposal (8-1); Higham Grey (15-2). 4 ran. 2 1/2. hd. (R Hollinshead) T: £8.30; £2.20, £2.50, £3.20. CSF: £49.62.
4.45 (5f): LUCKY DUTCH M Hindley (10-1); China Gold (4-1 fav); Karen's Star (8-1); Ferriby Hall (10-1). 4 ran. Hd. 1/2. (M W Easterby) T: £6.80; £1.90, £1.30, £2, £2.30. CSF: £54.77.

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COLIN JONES found the going tough against Billy Parks in Aberavon

Jones ponders retirement plans

WHATEVER the outcome of his proposed world welterweight title fight this autumn, Colin Jones, at 26, will be an ex-boxer by this time next year.

After his spectacular tenth-round win over lanky American Billy Parks at the Afan Lido, Aberavon, on Wednesday night, Jones set next March as the deadline for his fight career.

He will not box again, except for a world championship. If he wins it, he will defend just once. If he loses that will be the end.

Although he would dearly love revenge against Milton McCrory,

especially on Welsh soil, after the draw and defeat in Nevada for the vacant World Boxing Council welterweight crown last summer, it is more likely that he'll go in for the World Boxing Association's welterweight version against Don Curry.

Title

Curry is due to defend his title against Nino La Rocca, of Italy, in Monte Carlo on July 14 — watched by Jones, his manager Eddie Thomas and aspiring promoter Frank Warren.

Curry's management say that if he's successful next month he'd be prepared to come to Britain to fight Jones.

Warren said yesterday: 'We are very close to agreement (with Curry). They are asking a bit more than we are prepared to pay, but that is subject to negotiation.'

'We want the fight for Wales, but the real problem is where to put it on. Perhaps in the open air, but that would not be feasible after the beginning of September.'

Meanwhile, Jones has his routine post-fight

medical examination after which he will take a long rest, having been severely tested by the 6ft 2in Parks this week.

It took every punch in Jones's considerable armoury to subdue the New Orleans-based Parks.

But it was a sometimes perilous exercise as Jones battled to stay on course for that third shot at McCrory (or Curry).

It was an indication of what the six-inch advantage Parks threw back at him and the American's absolute resolution not to be over-run that it was Jones who finished the night with more battle scars.

Jones, the No.1 contender, certainly knew he

had been in a fight after nine and a half rounds of unrelenting action.

Gorseinon-born Jones got his man in the end — and it couldn't have been nearer the end — with just 81 seconds of the tenth and final round remaining.

Hardest

Jones admitted later that the Parks match had been the hardest fight of his career and that even McCrory, hadn't presented the kind of problems Parks had when he fought for the title last year.

Parks was finally rescued from taking further punishment by the re-

feree after two quick-fire haymakers crashed him into insensibility. He protested the decision, but from the front row seats his eyes looked to be wildly glazed and unresponsive and only spectator-bullies and fools disregard those signs.

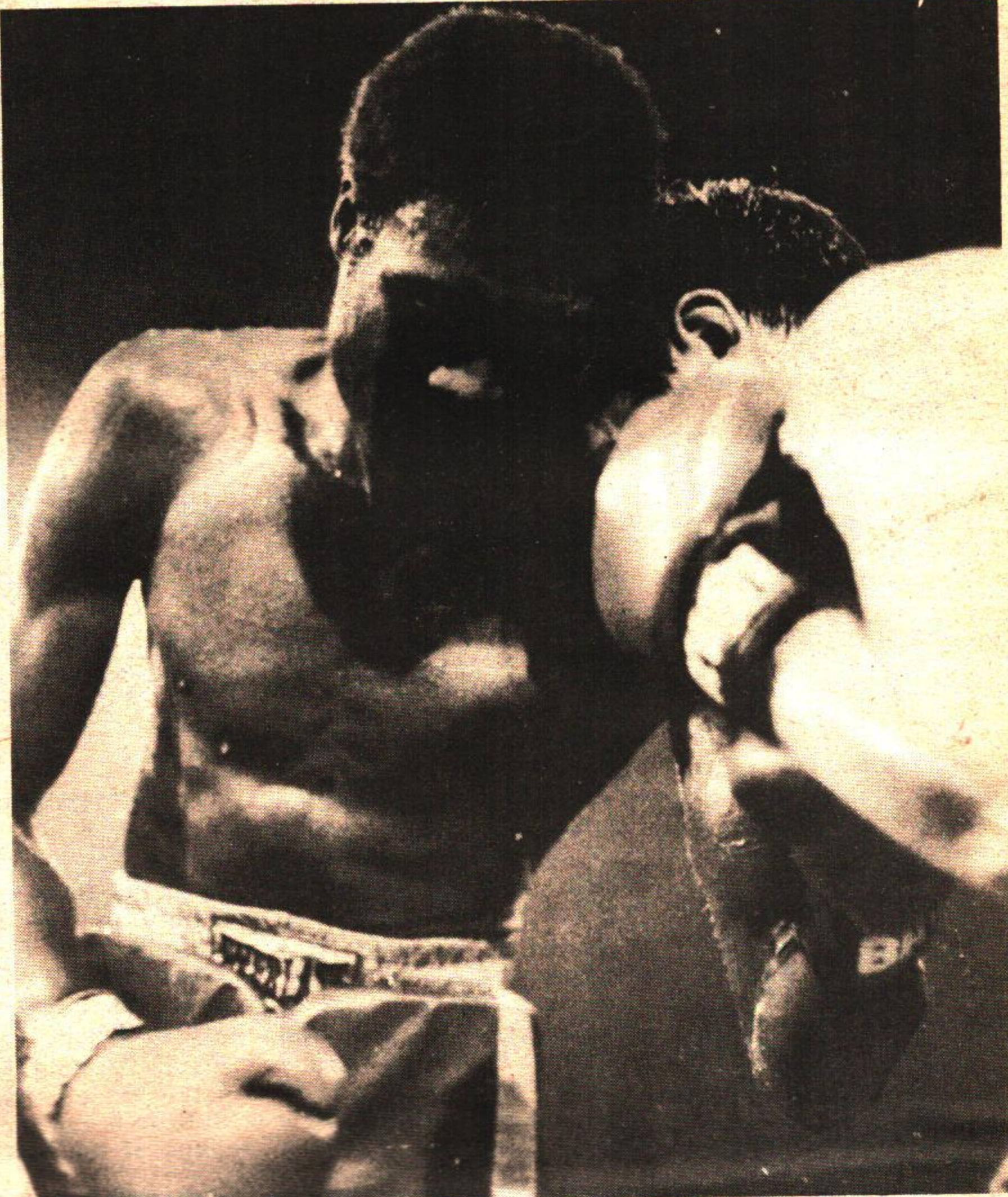
Jones finished with a very sore right hand which he'd hurt early on. This was unknown to anyone outside of Jones and cornerman Thomas. But his eye injury was widely apparent to everyone from round four onwards.

The initial cut was so bad that Thomas considered pulling him out, but after a brilliant repair job, the flow of blood was stemmed and it didn't cause Jones any practical problems.

Perhaps the fervently partisan crowd — augmented by the generosity of Eddie Thomas who had given hundreds of free tickets to local striking miners — were unaware that Wednesday's fight could be the last time they'll ever see Colin fighting in Wales.

Asked his feelings about possible world title fights, Jones was thinking solely about his self-imposed decision to retire by his 27th birthday.

'In any case, I shall be out of this game by next March. It is hard to motivate myself for an ordinary fight at this stage and I shall not attempt it again. It will be a world championship or nothing,' he said.



'Parks was tougher than Milton McCrory' said Jones

THE 'RIP-OFF' GAMES

WHILE athletes at the Los Angeles Olympic Games are striving for gold medals inside the sporting arena, local businesses will be competing with equal dedication in another race outside.

The race is for the dollars brought by the 600,000 visitors expected for the Games, and the only rules in that race are those of supply and demand.

Los Angeles is not a cheap city in normal times, and the fear is that during the Games from July 28 to August 12, high demand will send prices soaring and make bargains scarcer than Olympic medals.

The Los Angeles Olympics are being called the 'Spartan Games' because they are being run so

cheaply, costing a mere \$500 million compared with the billions spent at Montreal in 1976 and the vast amount allocated to the 1980 Moscow games.

But for the budget-conscious visitor, the term 'rip-off Games' may seem more appropriate.

Hotels

Once in Los Angeles, the visitor is going to find that accommodation is costly. Many hotels are charging double their usual rates — one in the city's Chinatown that normally costs \$53 a night is demanding \$230 during the Games.

Sports fans arriving without Olympic tickets can still get them — at a price.

Scalpers advertising in local newspapers are asking \$600 and upwards

BY JONATHAN SHARP of Reuters, in Los Angeles

for Olympic tickets to such prime sessions as the opening ceremonies.

Cars can still be rented at normal rates, but parking is another matter.

Owners of car parks close to the Coliseum Stadium, where the track and field events will be held and where virtually no public parking will be available, are going to charge up to \$100 per day per car.

Even the local telephone company has got into the gouging act.

News organisations who want telephones installed at the competition sites are being charged up to \$1,000 for a line and a telephone at many of the venues.

At one distant site the

cost could be as much as \$2,427 for each telephone. The fee does not include the cost of any calls.

Olympic and city officials, well aware that sky-high prices could scare people away, have launched a campaign to persuade hotels, restaurants and other visitor services not to take advantage of tourists during the Games.

They have also compiled a list of several hundred companies that have given voluntary pledges to keep their prices stable.

But ultimately, it is market forces that will determine the prices that people will pay — and there are some signs that these forces could work in the customer's favour.

Contrary to everybody's worst fears, it is still possible to get a hotel room in Los Angeles during the Olympics.

The Los Angeles Visitors and Convention Bureau reported earlier this month that more than 7,400 rooms were available in the city and neighbouring areas of southern California.

Demand for Olympic tickets has slackened in recent weeks. Ticket agencies say they get more queries from ticket-holders hoping to sell their tickets than they do from people trying to buy them.

Scalpers are worried that the bonanza they expected by selling tickets on the black market may fade away.

Several factors, all of which may prove to be temporary, seem to be at work.

Firstly, many people who would have liked to have seen the Olympics live were worried that Los Angeles was going to be too expensive and crowded and made no effort to buy tickets or find a hotel.

Boycott

Secondly, the Soviet-led boycott, which has removed some of the world's best athletes from the competition, has reduced public interest.

As a result, some prices are drifting lower.

Perle Pregler, who rents out property in a resort south of Los Angeles said that one luxury apartment she was

expecting to rent for \$2,000 for the month covering the Games has fetched only \$1,500.

Some of her other apartments have not been rented at all. 'Usually we are totally booked by this time. After all the hype about the Olympics, it has been really disappointing,' she said.

But demand for both accommodation and tickets is expected to pick up before the Games start, and prices could be back at prohibitive levels.

The local attitude was summed up by Mike Mor-tazavi, general secretary of the Olympian Motel.

'Every other country where the Olympics were held, they did the same thing.'

'I don't see why it's a big deal when Los Angeles is trying to make a little money. We need it here,' he said.

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MORE SHOCKS FOR SEEDS AT QUEEN'S

IT was another day of shocks at the £137,000 Stella Artois Grass Court Championships at Queen's Club yesterday.

Three more seeds tumbled — leaving just three left — and they are all in the top half of the draw.

The biggest shock of the day was the exit of the No.5 seed, South African Kevin Curren, at the hands of the qualifier from New Zealand, Russell Simpson.

Other seeds to make their exit yesterday were Australia's Pat Cash (13) and America's Brian Teacher (15).

Beaten

Cash went out in three sets to Danie Visser, 7-6, 5-7, 6-4 while Teacher was beaten by the tournament's surprise package, Leif Shiras, 4-6, 6-4, 9-7.

The top half of the draw is shaping up the way the tournament organisers had predicted.

The No.1 seed, John McEnroe, defeated his compatriot Steve Meister

FROM MATTHEW NUGENT AT QUEEN'S

in straight sets, 6-4, 6-3, while Jimmy Connors, who McEnroe is due to meet in Saturday's semi-final, was pushed all the way by another American, Steve Denton.

In the end, Connors, the No.3 seed, won through 6-4, 3-6, 9-7.

The bottom end of the draw, now without seeded players like Yannick Noah and Ivan Lendl, pits Simpson against the American Rod Harmon in the quarter-finals while the Frenchman Guy Forget meets Shiras.

Harman defeated the Nigerian Nduka Odizor 6-2, 7-6, while Forget prevailed against the Indian Ramesh Krishnan, 3-6, 6-4, 6-2.

Surprise exit for Curran

McEnroe appeared much more comfortable on centre court yesterday as he accounted for his compatriot Meister in just 67 minutes.

Agony

Afterwards, during his press conference, the No.1 seed said that the agony of losing at the French Open final in Paris last Sunday still occupied his thoughts somewhat, but added: 'Time heals all wounds.'

The strapping from his left leg had been removed yesterday. For the first three days it had been there as an extra precaution after he had pulled a

muscle in the Paris finals.

'I thought I would play without it today, I feel a little better now,' McEnroe said.

He's looking forward to a break after his commitments at Queen's. Two or three days' complete rest is his aim. 'I won't hit a ball, I'll just have some treatment if I need it, and rest up,' he added.

After that he will begin to prepare for Wimbledon where he is presently singles and doubles champion.

Leif Shiras, the amiable American who caused the biggest shock of the tournament so far when he defeated No.2 seed Ivan Lendl on Tuesday, was at it again yesterday.

Ranked

Shiras, ranked 105 on the international computer at present, advanced to the quarter finals following his victory over the No.15 seed Teacher.

Now the bottom end of the draw is completely open with no seed remaining, and Shiras believes he can go all the way to the final now.

'I can compete with all those left in this end of the draw,' Shiras said. 'I've less to lose than most of them. I'm riding a big wave right now, I just hope it doesn't run out too soon.'

Shiras, beaten in the qualifying rounds here last year, revealed the secret behind his fitness yesterday.

Stairs

'My girlfriend lives on the 22nd floor of an apartment building in Toronto,' he said. 'I usually run up about 15 flights of stairs before I'm whacked. I don't know why I do it, but then I say to myself: "Two months down the road this will probably pay off".'

Connors found himself in a real battle with his fellow American, Denton, yesterday.

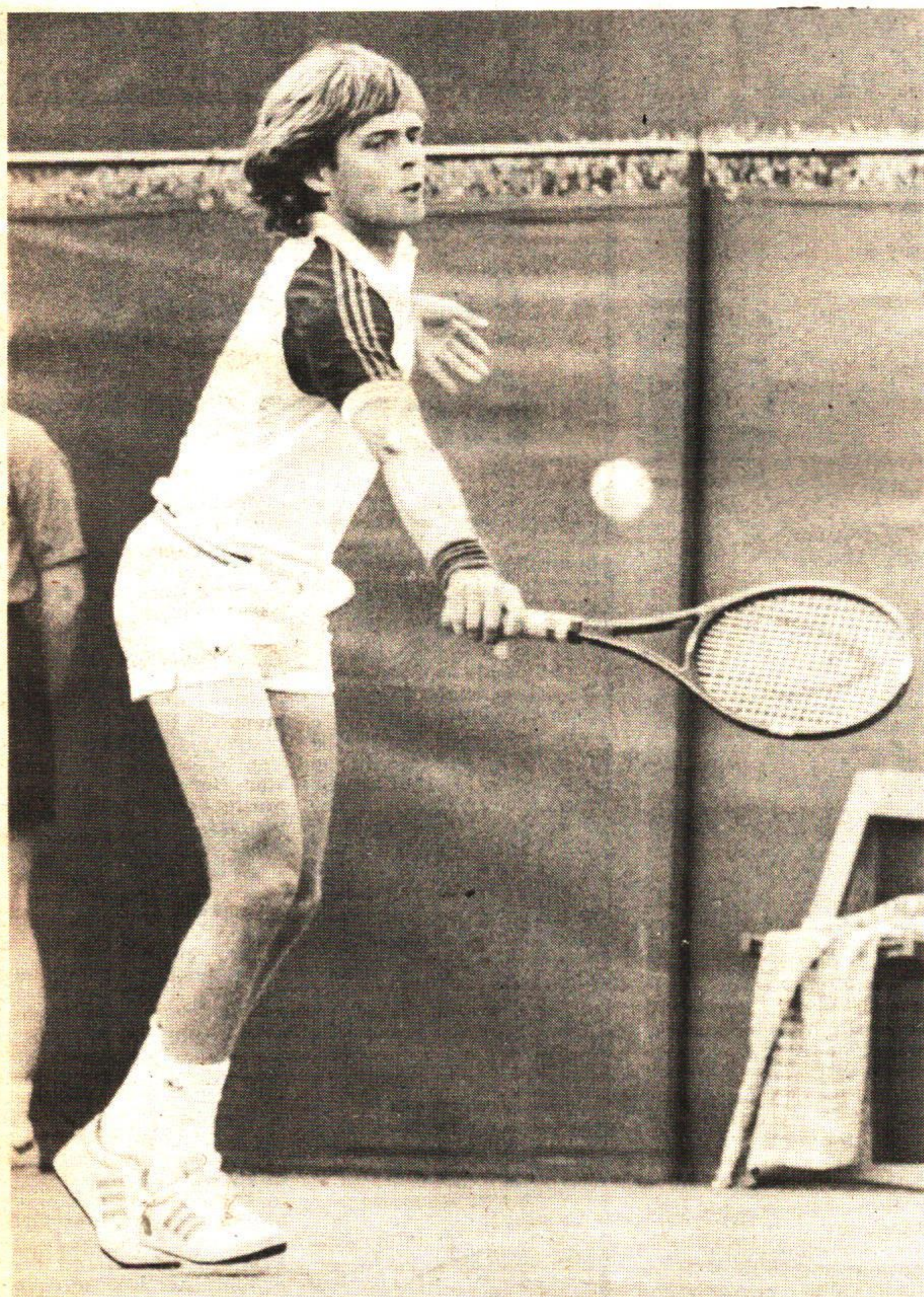
Honours were even in the first two sets and then followed a titanic battle in the third with Denton serving well and covering the net magnificently.

Connors, however, prevailed in the end.

'Steve came up with the big ones today. He doesn't give up at all,' an obviously relieved Connors was to say later. 'It was good for me to stay in there to win that match.'



JIMMY CONNORS . . . Wondering where Steve Denton found all those aces yesterday



LEIF SHIRAS . . . Came through his third match at Queen's yesterday

Down to earth in Montevideo

BY OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT

ENGLAND'S footballers were brought down to earth in Montevideo, Uruguay, on Wednesday night when the South American champions beat them 2-0.

Bobby Robson's men went into the match full of confidence, having recorded a shock 2-0 victory over Brazil last Sunday.

Uruguay dominated the match, mounting determined attacks and repeatedly forcing the visitors back into their own half.

Tactics

England had to resort to rough tactics to contain the home side's rough marking. They also missed several good scoring chances early on provided by Mark Chamberlain and John Barnes.

After nine minutes, English striker Mark Hateley

knocked down Acosta inside the penalty area. The referee quickly pointed to the spot and Acosta drove home with a well-aimed shot.

Uruguay played a solid game in the second-half, with midfielder Carrasco and wingers Acosta and Aguilera making their mark.

Aguilera began the build-up for the second goal with a neat pass to Montelongo, who sent the ball on to striker Cabrera. He put it away to put the Uruguayans 2-0 up after 68 minutes.

The home side then went on the defensive after the second goal.

England attacked several times but failed to break through against a well-organised defence.

As England became a little frustrated by their lack of penetration, Uruguay played a waiting game, grabbing every opportunity to sneak forward in dangerous counter-attacks.

Faces

After the match manager Robson refused to blame some of the new faces in his team for the mistakes leading to both of the goals.

'Mark (Hateley) says very strongly that he was stepping away from their fellow when he went down,' Robson said.

'As for the second goal, Watson just allowed himself to be dragged away from the centre forward at the wrong moment. That is inexperience. But he will learn and do well.'

Jobless athletes suffer

SOME jobless British athletes have been forced to withdraw from Olympic trials because they cannot afford to lose unemployment and supplementary benefits while abroad for the games, a Labour MP said yesterday.

Michael Meacher, opposition spokesman on health and social security, has tabled Commons

questions calling for a similar concession to be granted to the athletes as that allowed to D-Day veterans travelling to France for the anniversary celebrations last week and still claiming benefit.

Meacher has also written to the British Olympic Committee saying that British athletes are at an unfair disadvantage com-

pared with those of other nations.

'Young athletes seeking to represent the UK and win medals and recognition for their country are in danger of losing out because of a totally inflexible application of the rules relating to benefit payments,' he said.

Meacher added: 'Unless the rules are changed some of our potential win-



MEACHER

ners in Los Angeles are going to be losers without ever having left Britain.'

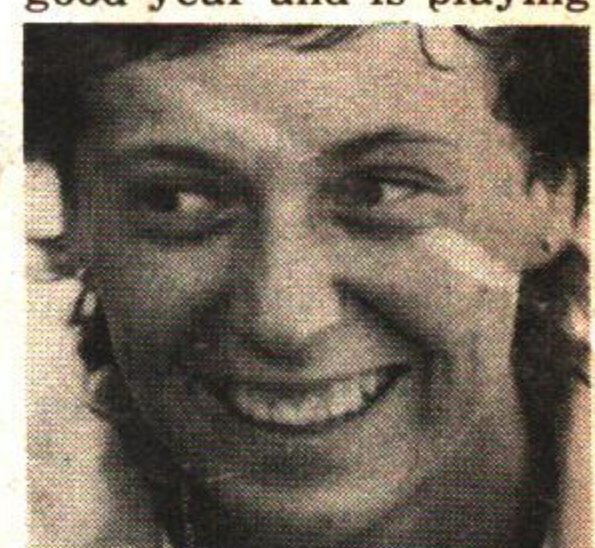
Durie confident for Wimbledon

JO DURIE, Britain's leading woman tennis player, believes that she is capable of winning Wimbledon this year.

The championships begin in 10 days and Durie goes into them with the pressure of being Britain's biggest hope despite Martina Navratilova starting the hottest favourite for the crown on record.

But the 23-year-old Bristol girl, speaking at a sports writers lunch yesterday, said: 'On a given day I know I could beat Martina.'

'She has had such a good year and is playing



JO DURIE

so well that most of the other girls are afraid of her. But I'm not.

'It's logical that Martina is a raging hot favourite on her record. But she does not like players who attack her and she can be pressured into making mistakes.'

'Of course if I am to beat her I know I must serve and volley really well. But the most important factor is that you must think you can beat her.'

'Now I'm looking forward to Wimbledon grass and I'm not worried about the prospect of so many people in Britain expecting so much from me' she said.

A BAPTISM OF FIRE

West Indies pace proves too much for Gower's men

ENGLAND's bruised and battered cricketers knew last night what they will have to face for the rest of the summer.

A couple of late blows struck by Bob Willis did little to remove the feeling that David Gower's men are in for a torrid time.

On an Edgbaston pitch regarded as one of the more gentle tracks on the circuit, the West Indies pacemen tore into England's batting on the first day of the first Test.

Having won the toss and elected to bat on a wicket without pace, Gower's team were shot out for 191 and had opener Andy Lloyd taken to hospital, where he will spend at least a week.

The 27-year-old Warwickshire left-hander, wearing a protective helmet, was struck on the temple.

He had made only ten when he ducked into a fierce short delivery from Malcolm Marshall.

Lloyd was forced to retire hurt and at first was treated for bruising and a small cut.

But the blow had left him with impaired vision and Birmingham doctors want to detain him for observation.

Later in the innings, wicketkeeper Paul Downton was also struck on the helmet with a short delivery.

Umpire Dickie Bird then asked Marshall to 'space out the bouncers a bit'.

BY A CRICKET CORRESPONDENT

The entire West Indies team last night offered to visit Lloyd in hospital. Manager Jackie Hendriks arrived to offer sympathy.

Joel Garner had put the tourists firmly in control with four fiery wickets for 53 as England reeled on a wicket containing some movement and variable bounce.

In his first two overs, Garner forced Graeme Fowler to edge a catch to wicketkeeper Jeff Dujon and then bowled Derek Randall.

Catches

Lunch had not even arrived before Gower and Alan Lamb surrendered to slip catches and at 49 for four, England had comprehensively lost their first Test battle of the summer against the West Indies pacemen.

It might have been worse as Ian Botham, before he had scored, was dropped by the normally reliable Roger Harper at third slip.

From this early crisis England then staged a mini-recovery as Geoff Miller played well for 22 in a partnership of 40 with



'BIG BIRD' Joel Garner gave England the treatment at Edgbaston yesterday

Botham before edging Garner behind.

Derek Pringle followed in similar fashion before England's total was substantially increased by a stand of 65 in only 12 overs between Botham and Downton.

It was one of those days for Botham when his reckless ambition and luck combined in England's favour.

At 22 he was bowled by a Garner no-ball and on 60

skied a drive just wide of Gordon Greenidge in the covers.

But he failed to make the most of it. At 168 the West Indies introduced the spin of Harper and Botham waited only three balls before trying to blast him out of the ground. He miscued and gave a catch to mid-off.

Then Willis, who had earlier announced he would retire at the end of the season, struck two

blows to rekindle England's interest.

In the space of three balls he trapped both openers Desmond Haynes and Greenidge leg before with only 35 runs on the board.

But ominously for England, by the close Viv Richards looked set on 14 not out in a total of 53 for two. The runs were enough to take Richards past the 5,000 mark for Test cricket.

SCORECARD

ENGLAND 1st innings
Fowler c Dujon b Garner0
Lloyd retired hurt 10
Randall b Garner0
Gower c Harper b Holding ... 10
Lamb c Lloyd b Baptiste 15
Botham c Garner b Harper ... 64
Miller c Dujon b Garner 22
Pringle c Dujon b Holding4
Downton lbw b Garner 33
Cook c Lloyd b Marshall2
Willis n.o. 10
EXTRAS 21

TOTAL 191

FALL: 1-1, 2-5, 3-45, 4-49, 5-89, 6-103, 7-168, 8-173, 9-191
BOWLING: Marshall 14-4-37-1; Garner 14-3-25-4; Holding 16-4-44-2; Baptiste 11-3-28-1; Harper 4-1-8-1

WEST INDIES 1st innings
Greenidge lbw b Willis 19
Haynes lbw b Willis8
Gomes n.o.4
Richards n.o. 14
EXTRAS8

TOTAL (2 wks) 53

FALL: 1-34, 2-35
BOWLING to date: Willis 7-0-30-2; Botham 7-4-11-0; Pringle 3-1-4-0

Bad start for West Germany

WEST Germany made a hesitant start to their defence of the European Championship when they were held to a disappointing goalless draw by Portugal in Strasbourg last night.

The result was just what Portuguese coach Fernando Cabrita wanted.

He admitted before the game his side would be playing for a draw in the hope of securing a semi-final place in their remaining Group 2 games against Rumania and Spain.

West Germany, European Champions in 1972 and 1980 and runners-up in 1976, appeared a pale shadow of those great teams of the past and manager Jupp Derwall obviously has a lot to do if he is to turn his squad into championship-winning material.

During the World Cup in Spain two years ago, Pele called the West Germans '10 robots plus Karl Heinz Rummenigge'.

Sadly, the former European footballer of the year also appeared to be powered by micro-chip yesterday and Inter Milan's expensive new signing was an anonymous

figure in the over-populated midfield.

He became more recognisable, though, when he swapped roles with striker Klaus Allofs in the 67th minute.

But generally there was nothing unpredictable or inventive from the West Germans and they are obviously missing the skill and vision of injured Barcelona star Bernd Schuster, the master-mind behind their triumph in Italy four years ago.

Menace

They certainly had no one to match the artistry and wizardry of Benfica winger Chalan. Playing in a withdrawn midfield role, he was a constant menace on the left with his cheeky runs and perfectly weighted passes.

Chalan created the best chance of an instantly forgettable first-half when he combined with Jordao to set up an opening for Jaime Pacheco, who forced Toni Schumacher into an excellent diving save with a firmly-struck shot from 22 metres.