

NINE HOURS OF PIT TALKS

SECRET talks between miners' leaders and the Coal Board broke up last night after more than nine hours.

A joint statement described the discussions as 'constructive' and said the two sides hoped to meet again. No date for a further meeting was fixed.

The talks were held in a west London hotel, and were attended by both

NUM president Arthur Scargill and NCB chairman Ian MacGregor.

It was disclosed earlier in the day that Prime Minister Thatcher held secret talks with MacGregor at Downing Street earlier in the week.

Government press spokesmen in Westminster refused to say exactly when the talks were held, but it is clear that MacGregor met

BY OUR OWN REPORTER

Thatcher for briefing before yesterday's meeting with the NUM.

Thatcher's aides claimed that her discussions with MacGregor did not constitute government intervention in the 17-week miners' strike.

Tory Energy Secretary Peter Walker was also at

the meeting at No 10. Indications were that the discussions took place either on Tuesday or Wednesday.

In the Commons yesterday Thatcher declared that the closed shop in the mining industry is to be abolished.

She said that miners who lose their union membership for strike-breaking will not be prevented from working by the Coal Board.



MacGREGOR



HARD-CORE JOBLESS UP . . . Yesterday's figures showed the underlying figure of adult unemployed is rising continually

UNEMPLOYMENT AND ECONOMIC CRISIS

Youth at back of jobs queue



YOUTH HARD HIT . . . The number of school-leavers without jobs has jumped to 123,573, according to government figures

BY PAUL FELDMAN

OVER 125,000 young people left school and went straight on to the dole last month, victims of Thatcher's violent war on the working class and its basic rights.

The overall jobless total rose sharply, even though under Tory rules the school-leavers cannot claim benefit until September.

Adding school-leavers to the numbers of claimants gives a jobless total of 3,153,296 for June compared with 3,084,457 in May.

The overall figures published yesterday include thousands of youth who left school last Christmas and went straight on to the dole. Another 83,000

school-leavers and a further 50,000 adults are expected to become unemployed this month.

The destruction by the Thatcher Bonapartist dictatorship of the right to a future for thousands of youth is confirmed in a secret memorandum prepared by the Manpower Services Commission.

Corporatist

The MSC — the corporatist body which organises the government's cheap-labour schemes — admits that for the first time a majority of London school-leavers will not get work.

Over 28,000 will still be jobless by Christmas, nearly 5,000 more than last year, according to a confidential survey. Details of the survey were published yesterday by Youthaid, the in-

dependent youth employment charity. (see page 2).

Not included in yesterday's unemployment figures are more than 640,000 people on various schemes, including 280,000 on the notorious Youth Training Scheme. Many youth have rejected YTS, even to the point of having their benefits cut as a result.

The MSC survey admitted that many careers officers see 'considerable resistance to the Youth Training Scheme by parents and school-leavers'. Last year only 45 per cent of places were filled in London — the lowest proportion in Britain.

The June figures, from the Department of Employment, show that the underlying trend of joblessness is still upwards despite a fall of 54,734 in the number of claimants last month.

The seasonally adjusted adult total, the best guide, rose by

8,300 in June to a new record level of 3,036,200, or 12.6 per cent of the workforce.

In the first six months of this year this seasonally adjusted figure has increased on average by 15,000 a month, a sharp worsening compared with the previous six months which averaged only an increase of 1,000 a month.

Seasonal

Unemployment usually rises for seasonal reasons in August and September.

John Henry, deputy general secretary of the Scottish TUC, accused the government of manipulating the unemployment figures. He claimed the 2,500 reduction was 'totally negated' by more than 3,500 people joining YTS. The real figures indicate an increase of more than 2,000 jobless in Scotland.

Sterling pounded to \$1.31

STERLING took a pounding in the money markets for the third consecutive day yesterday, plunging to an all-time low of 1.3180 against the US dollar. It lost 1.7 cents in feverish trading and weakened considerably against the major West European currencies.

Sterling's trade-weighted value against these currencies, with a 1975 base of 100, fell to 78.5 — the lowest in 15 months.

Wild speculation in the dollar was fuelled by President Reagan's rejection the previous day of suggestions that his government should intervene to control soaring interest rates.

Market

On Tory government instructions, the Bank of England did not intervene in the market. The plunge in sterling is creating enormous pressure for a further increase in British interest rates — a possibility which the Bank of England rejected only a week ago.

The Bank of Japan, in contrast, entered the market for the third day running and sold \$100 million but failed to stem the yen's slide.

Gold fell from a starting price of \$366 in the morning to \$362.30 an ounce on the London bullion market, a two-year low, before improving to \$364.50.

The money market fever directly fuels civil war preparations by the ruling class against the

BY OUR ECONOMICS CORRESPONDENT

working class in Britain and internationally.

The crisis of the world capitalist system is being driven forward by the unprecedented scale of world debt, estimated to be worth \$800 billion, and the resistance of the working class and oppressed masses in Western Europe, Latin America, Asia and Africa.

In Peru, President Fernando Belaunde Terry is considering the declaration of martial law and the suspension of civil rights; an indefinite General Strike has begun in Bolivia; the Chilean regime said it could not meet its bank repayments for five years; and rumours have swept Argentina of a military coup plot.

Scandal

● A multi-million-dollar scandal involving illegal trading in Euro-bonds rocked the international securities market yesterday. It left some investors wondering whether their colossal holdings in Euro-bonds would be honoured or whether they had been left holding a load of worthless paper.

HEALTH ACTION ROUND-UP

BY

NHS future at risk, says TUC

THERE is a growing gap between health needs and the level of public spending on the National Health Service, the TUC said yesterday.

And the future of the NHS is at risk, it warned, launching a report, 'The Growing Gap', to coincide with NHS Day, the 36th anniversary of the formation of the NHS.

'There is increasing evidence to suggest that this gap has already resulted in the closure and withdrawal of services and longer waiting lists in some areas,' says the report.

'The TUC is concerned that this will become the general rule throughout the NHS as the service is forced to comply with increasingly unrealistic cash limits.'

Health union NUPE general secretary Rodney Bickerstaffe told a press conference called

by the TUC health services committee: 'This government is so under pressure in its failed economic policy that they will turn to any area of public expenditure and cap it, cut it or abolish it.'

The next target was likely to be family practitioner services.

Mike Thorpe, Trent region NALGO, said in his own region 300 acute beds would be lost because of cuts. The TUC document was vital for educating the public, he said.

Doctor Deepak Ray said: 'The greater the need in areas, the less supplies you find people are getting.' The cuts were making it impossible to practise medicine properly.

Electricians' union representative on the committee, Robin Cornell, warned that dilapidation of hospital buildings and leaving them in a state of disrepair was a prelude to asset stripping and priva-

tisation.

The health of the nation is seriously at risk unless the government reverses its policies, the report says.

By 1987 NHS hospitals will be £549 million short of the amount needed to maintain existing service levels if present government policies are continued.

By refusing to meet its obligation to the health service in full the government is putting the future of the service at risk.

Privatisation of support services adversely affects standards of patient care. Trained and experienced teams of health workers are broken up and often replaced by casual and temporary workers on poverty wages, it says.

Protests were held all over Britain yesterday.

Nurses handed in three-quarters of a birthday cake to Thatcher at 10 Downing Street.



Nurses with NUPE general secretary Rodney Bickerstaffe outside Downing Street yesterday — they took three-quarters of a birthday cake to Thatcher in protest at Tory cuts in the National Health Service

Martial law in Kashmir capital

SRINAGAR — Indian army troops in Jammu and Kashmir were placed on alert along the Pakistan border yesterday as strong anti-government upheavals broke out in four Indian-administered Himalayan territories.

Paramilitary and army forces patrolled the two territories and declared Srinagar, the Kashmir capital, a no-go area as rebellion continued in the wake of the Gandhi-sponsored ousting of Chief Minister Farouq Abdullah.

Three people were killed and 30 injured in a bomb blast in Assam and extra military measures were ordered.

Four paramilitary soldiers and a senior officer were killed in an ambush

in the north-eastern Himalayan state of Tripura, bordering Bangladesh and Burma, where eight paramilitary soldiers were killed and seven wounded a week ago.

Shot

Troops shot dead a man in Punjab's Gurdaspur district, bordering Pakistan, on Wednesday and arrested 45 suspects in what the government and the army described as 'mopping-up operations'.

The Press Trust of India described the Punjabi shot dead by the occupying armed forces and those arrested as 'Sikh extremists', parroting a racist government hate campaign against Sikhs.

MSC secret report exposed

JOB prospects for London school-leavers will be much worse this year than last according to a confidential memorandum by the Manpower Services Commission.

Details of the survey were published yesterday by Youthaid, the independent youth employment charity.

Youthaid said that despite these high figures, thousands of youth will still refuse to go on the cheap-labour Youth Training Scheme (YTS) run by the MSC.

The survey, prepared by the careers service for the MSC, shows:

- In four boroughs more than two out of three school-leavers will not find work. In 11 boroughs

the proportion of school leavers unlikely to find work will increase by more than half. In three of them it will double or more.

Jobless

- Overall 53 per cent of this year's school-leavers will still be jobless by Christmas, up from 42 per cent last year. Over 28,000 will be jobless altogether, even though 3,000 fewer will be looking for work.

- The highest proportions of jobless school-leavers are found mainly

in poorer boroughs. But there are expected to be big increases in the numbers of school-leavers still jobless at Christmas in rich boroughs and poor boroughs alike.

- Some careers officers blame the cheap-labour Youth Training Scheme for reducing job opportunities for this year's school-leavers by delaying entry to the job market for last year's school leavers by one year.

- In seven poorer boroughs, over half of all 16 and 17-year-olds will leave school, despite poor

job prospects. Less than one in three will leave in three richer boroughs. Overall 44 per cent will leave school or further education, many for the dole queue.

Youthaid points out that although a lot of these youth will try YTS, at least 8,000 to 9,000 will not stay on it.

Route

Youthaid director Paul Lewis said: 'The Youth Training Scheme is no answer for London's young unemployed. Neither they nor their parents like it. They want jobs.'

'If the government doesn't provide them, it is closing the route into adult life for 28,000 London school-leavers.'

Sealink talks held at ACAS

OFFICIALS from the National Union of Seamen and representatives from the Sealink ferry service are to hold discussions at the government's conciliation service ACAS in an attempt to settle a dispute which has halted all Sealink ferries from Holyhead for over a week.

It started in early May when one of the passenger boats, the 'St Columba', was searched by customs and excise officers who found a quantity of dutiable goods locked in a cabin used by some of the ship's crew.

The crew were questioned, but no charges were brought.

Later, police officers searched a shore ticket collector and discovered that he had a key to the cabin concerned.

He subsequently made a statement alleging that one of the ship's stewards had given him the key so he could collect the goods.

When the steward was questioned, he adamantly denied the allegations. Both police and customs officers made extensive inquiries and later informed the steward that there was no evidence against him and, as far as he was concerned, the matter was closed.

Relieved, the steward went off for three weeks' annual holiday.

When he returned on June 24 he was told to report to the captain before signing on again. To his surprise, the captain told him that he was being dismissed for smuggling.

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July Fund starts at once

WE need an immediate start for our July Fund. The clashes between pickets and the police in Llanwern show the sharpening of the struggle between the miners and the state.

As hospitals begin to be occupied and the battle rages over local government, all these struggles must unite with the miners in a common fight against the Tories.

The situation is head-

ing towards a major confrontation and a General Strike.

News Line, alone, gives a firm lead in the situation. Please give it your fullest support. Join us immediately in a major campaign to raise our July Fund. Post your donations today to:

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Blacks still worse off — says survey

JOB prospects and housing conditions for black people have shown almost no improvement over the past decade, according to the most comprehensive survey of its kind carried out in Britain.

Despite the Race Relations Acts, racial inequality and discrimination persist, the Policy Studies Institute Survey, published today, shows.

People of Asian and West Indian origin are more likely to be unemployed and black men in work generally earn about £20 a week less than white men.

Overall, the quality of housing for black people is much worse than for others.

The 400-page survey, funded mainly by the Home Office, shows that black families have been much harder hit by the recession.

Unemployment among black people has risen much faster than among whites and those blacks in work tend to have jobs with lower pay and status than white workers.

The comparative position of black people is worst in the private sector generally and in manufacturing industry in particular.

Asians have tended to start their own businesses. Of Asian men who were employees in Britain in 1974, about one in ten became self-employed in 1982.

Idrish appeal dismissed

SOCIAL worker Muhammad Idrish, who came to Britain from Bangladesh as a student eight years ago, failed yesterday in an appeal court bid to establish a right to remain in this country.

Three appeal judges, headed by Sir John Donaldson, Master of the Rolls, unanimously dismissed an appeal by Idrish, a Dr Barnardo's social worker in West Bromwich, against a decision of the Home Secretary refusing further extension of leave to stay.

Idrish, 34, of Handsworth in Birmingham, whose case was backed by the National Association of Local Government Officers, was refused leave to appeal to the

House of Lords.

As the judges were leaving court, supporters of Idrish shouted 'No justice for black people!'

Fight

Later a NALGO spokesman said: 'There is a possibility of further action of some kind being taken, such as a local day of action. This was discussed by our annual conference. We have backed Idrish throughout his fight to remain in Britain.'

In giving his judgement, Donaldson said the question at issue was concerned solely with interpretation of immigration laws.

Mobilise behind health workers

SOUTH London health workers took a double-decker bus campaign on to high streets covering the West Lambeth district to warn about the scale of cuts planned in the area — one of the most deprived in London.

The bus started at St Thomas's Hospital yesterday and toured Streatham, Brixton, Balham and Clapham. It also called in at the occupied South London Hospital for Women.

Hospital workers from Tooting Bec and South Western said that they would be prepared to occupy their own hospitals if necessary to keep them open.

The West Lambeth health authority is responsible for managing three hospitals, St Thomas's, the South Western and Tooting Bec.

It has been instructed to impose cuts of £11 million and has drawn up a document, 'Strategic Choices', listing four options.

Cuts

The first means cuts in all three hospitals adding up to £3 million and the second would mean closing the South Western and half of Tooting Bec, cutting £6 million.

The third would mean closing Tooting Bec with the loss of 1,000 jobs, cutting £9 million, and the fourth closing Tooting Bec and the South Western and cutting St Thomas's, with the loss of over 1,500 jobs and cutting £10 million.

None of these options would reach the government target.

Labour members of the authority are campaigning for 'Option 5', 'the rejection of the current financial targets', and 'inviting the public to join the health authority in a campaign to increase its financial allocations in

order to protect the current NHS provision'.

Bob Hill, area officer for NUPE, said the authority's intention to put patients out into 'community care' would give a bad name to the concept 'because it's motivated by the need to save cash'.

Richard Frank, NUPE branch secretary at South Western Hospital, told News Line: 'If South Western is closed, the aged and the mentally ill will suffer. If need be we will occupy to keep it open.'

'Already there are so many patients on the waiting list that we don't have beds for them.'

'With so-called "community care" a lot of people will die at home without anybody knowing.'

Exercise

Eddie Watson, NUPE branch secretary at Tooting Bec, said: 'A similar exercise was first introduced by Ronald Reagan when he was governor of California, and also in New York, when patients were pushed out of the hospitals into the community. It proved disastrous.'

'Patients will not get the care they need and many would not be able to cope outside, even if the care was available.'

'The emphasis should

be on working with the community to demand more money to be put into the service.'

Watson stressed: 'We are prepared to take any action necessary to not only ensure Tooting Bec stays open but any hospital in the group, if it means occupation, whatever it means.'

Ray Harrison, COHSE branch secretary at St Thomas's, said: 'It's up to the public to support us. Their fight is our fight.'

Losses

'It's not only the health service, but miners are suffering as well, with job losses. We will be in the same bracket as them if we don't fight.'

'No hospital is safe in the health service while Thatcher rules.'

Jim Gaughan, T&GWU branch secretary at St Thomas's, said: 'Today it's the pits, tomorrow it's the health service, and unless we start bringing it to people's attention, there's going to be no health service.'

Ronald Akester, NUPE district secretary and shop steward for St Thomas's drivers, said: 'It's the public that are going to suffer. They are trying to cut this hospital with more patients coming in. It can't be done.'



Workers from three South London hospitals on a health bus touring the West Lambeth district to publicise the scale of planned cuts in the already deprived region

Extension plan is condemned

COUNCIL leaders yesterday condemned the government's plan to cancel elections and extend the life of authorities threatened with abolition.

Last week the Lords overturned a Tory proposal to abandon next May's elections to the GLC and metropolitan counties and replace the authorities with nominated bodies.

Decision

Yesterday the Cabinet confirmed that the Lords' decision would not be challenged.

Instead, the Tories want to extend the term of office of the present councils until they are due to be abolished in May 1986.

GLC leader Ken Living-

stone denounced the government's plan as 'a shabby attempt to trade democracy for political expediency'.

He added: 'Instead of doing the honourable thing, by letting those elections go ahead, they are trying desperately to buy off their opponents.'

'I am sure the House of Lords will not be fooled. Londoners want them to stick to their historic decisions of last week and insist the elections take place.'

'To allow the present administration at County Hall up to two extra years in office without any mandate from the people is as undemocratic as the original plan to replace elected members of one party with unelected nominees of another.'

Four Labour members, including Livingstone,

still plan to resign their seats in September and fight by-elections on the question of abolition.

John Gunnell, leader of West Yorkshire metropolitan county council, said that the government would take any step 'to avoid a ballot box verdict on their totally discredited plans to abolish the metropolitan counties'.

Actions

A statement issued on behalf of all six metropolitan counties added: 'Once again the government has not allowed its actions to be clouded by principle.'

In the Commons, Environment Secretary Jenkin faced repeated opposition calls for his resignation.

Labour's Geoffrey Robinson (Coventry NW)



PATRICK JENKIN

said it was quite clear that Jenkin had 'lost his nerve' and he urged Prime Minister Thatcher: 'Why don't you put the wretched man out of his misery and sack him.'

Norwood MP John Fraser caused laughter by calling on Jenkin 'to confirm or deny that your own term of office has been extended'.

Dairies conference planned

A NATIONAL conference will be held later this month to plan resistance to sackings in dairies throughout the country.

Drivers of milk tankers are also being asked to ban rest day working as the first step in their campaign to save jobs.

The unions, representing more than 20,000 workers, have already rejected proposals for more than 400 redundancies

announced on Monday by Dairy Crest, the commercial arm of the Milk Marketing Board, said to be caused by Common Market cuts in milk production.

This would account for well over 10 per cent of Dairy Crest's butter-making workforce.

The unions fear that up to 2,000 more jobs will have to go because of the EEC cuts.

The Common Market has ordered Britain's dairy farmers to cut production by up to 1 million tonnes this year, which will mean that up to 20 per cent less milk is available at the creameries for manufacture into butter and cheese.

The board has told transport union officials that 40 drivers' jobs will also go.

MOST PARTS of England and Wales will remain dry with sunny periods but north west England and North Wales will become rather cloudy later with perhaps a little rain. Scotland and northern Ireland will be generally cloudy with outbreaks of rain and drizzle in the west spreading eastwards to all parts. It will become drier and brighter later in western Scotland. It will be warm or very warm in England and Wales, but cooler on some coasts with sea breezes. Scotland and northern Ireland will have near normal temperatures.

Outlook for Saturday and Sunday: Many districts dry with sunny periods but rather cloudy

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WORLD
SUMMARYCall to
increase
oil price

TEHRAN — Prime Minister Mir-Hossein Mousavi said Iran would insist on an oil price rise at next week's OPEC meeting in Vienna. 'Our position remains the same. We do not believe in the \$29 a barrel price', he said after a Cabinet meeting.

Alliance

MOSCOW — The Soviet news agency Tass said US Secretary of State George Shultz was hoping to consolidate a militaristic anti-Soviet alliance in the far East with his trip to the region later this month.

Censorship

COLOMBO — The Sri Lankan government said press censorship imposed last month under emergency regulations was being relaxed because of an improvement in the security situation.

Visit

PARIS — French External Relations Minister Claude Cheysson will visit Israel and Syria next week after accompanying President Francois Mitterrand on trips to Jordan and Egypt.

Diamonds

LUANDA — The prosecutor has demanded the death penalty against five Angolans among 124 people on trial on diamond trafficking and illegal currency trading charges.

World News Line

CHILE AND PHILIPPINES
JOIN DEBTORS' QUEUE

BY A FOREIGN CORRESPONDENT

WASHINGTON — Two more debt-strapped countries, Chile and the Philippines, have joined the lengthening queue of countries to tell the Western banks that they cannot meet debt repayments.

The fascist dictatorship in Chile and President

Marcos's regime in Manila have asked for more time to pay.

Like Argentina, they are edging towards the situation of saying: 'Can't pay, won't pay.'

This is alarming news for the world bankers. And their anxiety jumped yesterday when President Reagan said he intended to do nothing about soaring interest rates.

Reagan blamed 'pessimism' for the rising US prime rate, which has gone up to 13 per cent after four increases this year.

He said: 'There's no excuse for interest rates staying where they are and I believe the only reason for them staying

there is pessimism.'

Reagan rejected suggestions that he exert pressure on the Federal Reserve Board (central bank) to cut the soaring interest rates.

'It isn't the Federal Reserve at this time. As a matter of fact, Paul Volcker uttered this same

thing about this being psychology that I have just uttered,' he said.

Every one percentage point rise in interest rates adds a further \$4 billion to the debt burden of the former colonial and semi-colonial countries.

The strain has become too much for Washington's most obnoxious ally in Latin America, the military regime of General Augusto Pinochet.

On Tuesday, the Chilean regime, the fifth most indebted Latin American country, told the commercial banks it could not repay capital on its \$18.6 billion debt for five years.

Finance Minister Luis Escobar told the Chilean (West) German Chamber of Commerce the regime would need more bank loans to meet interest payments and this meant asking for yet another rescheduling.

Loan

The junta recently received the first part of a \$780 million commercial loan but would, ideally, like to spend no more than 25 per cent of its export income on debt repayments, he said.

Escobar said an IMF agreement prohibited the junta from raising extra import duties, impeding plans to stem runaway erosion of export earnings.

The proposed 25 per cent level represents about half the \$2.2 billion the junta has to spend on repayments next year.

The Philippines, with

\$26 billion in foreign debt, yesterday applied to the International Monetary Fund (IMF) for a third 90-day moratorium this year on debt repayments.

President Ferdinand Marcos and Prime Minister Cesar Virata, also Finance Minister, are demanding a \$650 million 'stand-by' credit package and a new \$1.6 billion loan.

Moratorium

Philippine bankers in Manila said creditor banks had no choice but to approve the Marcos regime's third application for a 90-day moratorium.

They said the latest appeal had been expected because of delays in reaching an agreement on \$650 million 'stand-by' credit from the IMF.

A spokesman for Virata said the regime would put its demands to an IMF team expected to arrive in Manila this weekend.

● In Paris, the Organisation for Economic Co-operation and Development (OECD) said borrowing on international capital markets was 45 per cent lower last month than in June 1983.

The Stalinist bureaucracies of Eastern Europe more than doubled their May total of \$325 million by raising more than \$700 million last month, it said.

Borrowings by non-oil producing countries totalled about \$1.3 billion last month, including a \$780 million 'credit facility' for Chile.



Fillipino students protest against the Marcos regime in the Philippines

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Atomic
test
inquiry

CANBERRA — The Australian government yesterday appointed a Commission of Inquiry to investigate British atomic tests carried out on its territory in the 1950s and 1960s.

The three-member commission, to be headed by a judge, will study the health effects and environmental aftermath of the testing programme in South Australia.

Prime Minister Thatcher had been told of the inquiry and her cooperation had been sought. Resources and Energy Minister senator Peter Walsh said.

The commission will travel to Britain to gather evidence if necessary. It will study those closely involved in the tests, including Australian servicemen and civilians employed at the test site and aborigines.

Bolivian general strike
begins

LA PAZ — The Workers Confederation (COB), which covers virtually all unionised labour in Bolivia, began an indefinite General Strike yesterday.

The unions decided to call the strike in anger at the government's failure to fulfil a May 30 accord to abolish slump policies dictated by the International Monetary Fund (IMF).

COB secretary-general Oscar Sanjines said the walkout, which began as scheduled at midnight,

would halt all organised labour activity, except hospital emergency rooms, electricity, water plants and newspapers.

The government has branded the General Strike an 'insurgent action' and Information Minister Mario Rueda perceptively said the strike had 'political overtones'.

Rueda added the government remained ready

to talk with the COB but labour sources said that as far as they were concerned, negotiations with the government had ended.

The strike was due to start on Monday but it was called off following the kidnap of President Hernan Siles Zuazo last weekend. He was held for 10 hours in an abortive coup attempt.

In May COB members

and peasants across the country rose up and began an uninterrupted series of demonstrations and marches when Siles Zuazo imposed IMF measures that included a 60-per cent devaluation and exorbitant food price increases.

In an accord reached with the COB on May 30, the government suspended all repayments to the Western commercial banks.

It also called for stabilised food prices in order to protect workers' wages from inflation, running at annual rate of 1,041 per cent.

Betrayed

The unions now feel that the government has betrayed the May 30 accord and that all-out strike action is the only way to make its demands felt.

Bolivia is Latin America's poorest country and has suffered 180 military coups in its 159-year history.

Bolivia has a \$4.4 billion foreign debt but the burden of \$7.5 million in repayments every month exceed its total earnings.

Euro-Stalinist pledge

ROME — Newly-elected Italian Communist Party general secretary Alessandro Natta said the party was fully independent of Moscow and he had no intention of making pilgrimages to Eastern Europe.

At his first news conference since becoming party leader, Natta said Italy was right to belong to NATO but the government should insist the military alliance 'worked for peace and detente'.

Natta said it was only a matter of time before the five-party coalition government of

Prime Minister Bettino Craxi collapsed as a result of internal contradictions.

'As far as our autonomy (from Moscow) is concerned, I say we have no farther to go,' Natta, 66, said. 'The international autonomy of the party is complete'.

The new general secretary, elected by the party's central committee and central control commission on June 26, left no doubt he would continue the Euro-Stalinist line of his predecessor, the late Enrico Berlinguer.

World News Line

Women in Zia protest

WOMEN opponents of the Zia ul Haq military regime in Pakistan joined protests outside the country's five consular offices in Britain yesterday to mark the seventh anniversary of the military coup.

It was the first time that the Pakistan People's Party women have joined men on the demonstrations in large numbers. The protests were held outside the offices in London, Manchester, Glasgow, Bradford and Birmingham.

Outside the London offices of the Zia regime, the demonstrators called 'Zia out', and demanded a return to elections.

Nusrat Bukhari, chairman of the women's wing of the PPP in Britain, told News Line: 'The situation is very serious for people in Pakistan. We cannot contact our friends and families and when we write letters there is no reply. We know that many of them are in prison or have disappeared.'

'Today is a black day for us, but we are sure that the Zia regime is very, very weak, and that the Movement for the Restoration of Democracy is gaining ground against him, especially in Sind province.'

Farkhanba Bokhari, a PPP organiser said the protesters were demanding a return to elections under the 1973 constitution which had been scrapped when the military seized power in 1977.



Back to work orders issued

TEL AVIV — Israeli diplomats at home and abroad returned to their jobs yesterday after Prime Minister Yitzhak Shamir, who is also Foreign Minister, issued back-to-work orders.

Electricity workers, whose walk-out this week caused nationwide power cuts, also returned to work. But labour unrest, which has intensified in the run-up to the July 23 general elections, continued to disrupt other public services.

The government has accused the Histadrut labour federation of 'politicising' the labour unrest.

Some 60,000 engineers and academicians were on strike for the third successive day, pressing for wage increases to compensate for Israel's 400 per cent inflation. Employees at the Haifa and Ashdod oil refineries also went on strike.

Parity

Foreign Minister personnel closed the Jerusalem office and Israel's embassies and consulates abroad last month to support demands for wage parity with employees of the Mossad, the Israeli intelligence agency.

More than 350 of the Foreign Ministry's 800 employees, including 150 diplomats abroad, were ordered back to work, according to Samuel Moyal, secretary of the ministry's staff committee.

He said the diplomats' average monthly salary of about \$500 was about 80 to 100 per cent lower than wages paid to Mossad workers. 'We are doing the same job and not getting adequate compensation,' Moyal told Reuters.

TOP BANK SINKS INTO SEA OF DEBTS

NEW YORK — The stricken Continental Illinois bank has put its leasing subsidiary up for sale in another desperate move to raise cash.

The directors of the US's eighth largest bank have already been forced to liquidate \$5 billion worth of assets since May just to stay afloat.

Depositors have withdrawn an estimated \$10 billion from Continental Illinois since its cash problems became apparent.

The leasing company, based in Chicago, employs about 160 people and has assets of \$600 million.

Operation

In May the US government sponsored a \$7.5 billion rescue operation, but this has only led investors to believe that the bank has no future.

Earlier this week the 'Wall Street Journal' quoted a Federal Reserve Board (central bank) spokesman as saying: 'If it (the run on deposits) drags on, the bank could wither.'

The US taxpayer has become the guarantor of

BY OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT

Continental's daily borrowing of between \$6 and \$8 billion in overnight funds to service its operations at premiums ranging from 0.25 per cent to 1 per cent on the cash.

The bank had total assets of \$47 billion at the peak of its profitability less than two years ago but these assets had fallen to \$41.5 billion at the beginning of the year.

By the end of the quarter ending June 30 the assets had fallen again to \$37 billion, which amounts to a slump in assets of 11 per cent in six months and 22 per cent from its high point two years ago.

In March, the bank acknowledged \$2.3 billion of

its loans had become 'non-performing'. It admits the 'non-performing' loans will rise past the March level in the second quarter.

Costly

The Federal Reserve began casting around last week for more banks to join the consortium of 28 banks that helped mount the rescue because financing the rapidly deteriorating bank is becoming an increasingly costly affair.

The problem facing the three government guarantors is that Continental is not really a bank in the common understanding of the term.

It is what is known as a holding company with several finance subsidiaries that include a leasing company, a venture capital (speculative financing) company, a real estate company and its London merchant bank.

Asset-stripping, therefore, cannot take place at Continental as it could on an ordinary trading or savings bank. The majority of 'assets' in this case

are bad debts no-one wants.

As the 'Financial Times' put it on Thursday: 'Somebody would therefore have to provide the banks with assets. The most transparent solution would be for the US Treasury to issue Treasury bills to the banks in return for the bad loans.'

'The Treasury — in other words, the taxpayer — would then have to

bear the burden of non-payment or incomplete payment of interest from the LDCs (less developed countries); and the taxpayer would also have to bear any loss on the principal if the LDCs did not repay when the loans expired.'

It means the banks are shifting the responsibility on to the US government of paying for the burgeoning international debt crisis.

Economic plan for Portugal

BY OUR FOREIGN CORRESPONDENT

LISBON — The Socialist Party coalition of Prime Minister Mario Soares yesterday published a 250-page economic plan that means three years of slump policies.

The plan coincides with a \$400 million loan agreement to be signed on July 31 with a consortium of 23 banks backed by Japan, the United States, Britain, West Germany, Switzerland, Canada, France and Belgium.

The loan is a \$100 million increase on earlier plans and was approved on the basis that Soares will cut wages and public spending and impose a general increase in commodity costs.

Crocker sells assets

NEW YORK — The Crocker National Corporation, which has been forced to declare some of its \$2.3 billion Latin American loans 'non-performing', is trying to raise \$700 million by selling property in San Francisco and Los Angeles.

Crocker, a subsidiary of the British Midlands Bank Group, has lost \$178 million in the last two quarters, and is now seriously overvalued on paper following the default on loan repayments from Argentina.

With one third of its primary capital invested in Argentina, Crocker is the second most exposed US bank to defaults by the country.

Fears of a third quarter loss have prompted US bank regulators to keep close watch on the bank, which, because of its large loans to Latin America as a

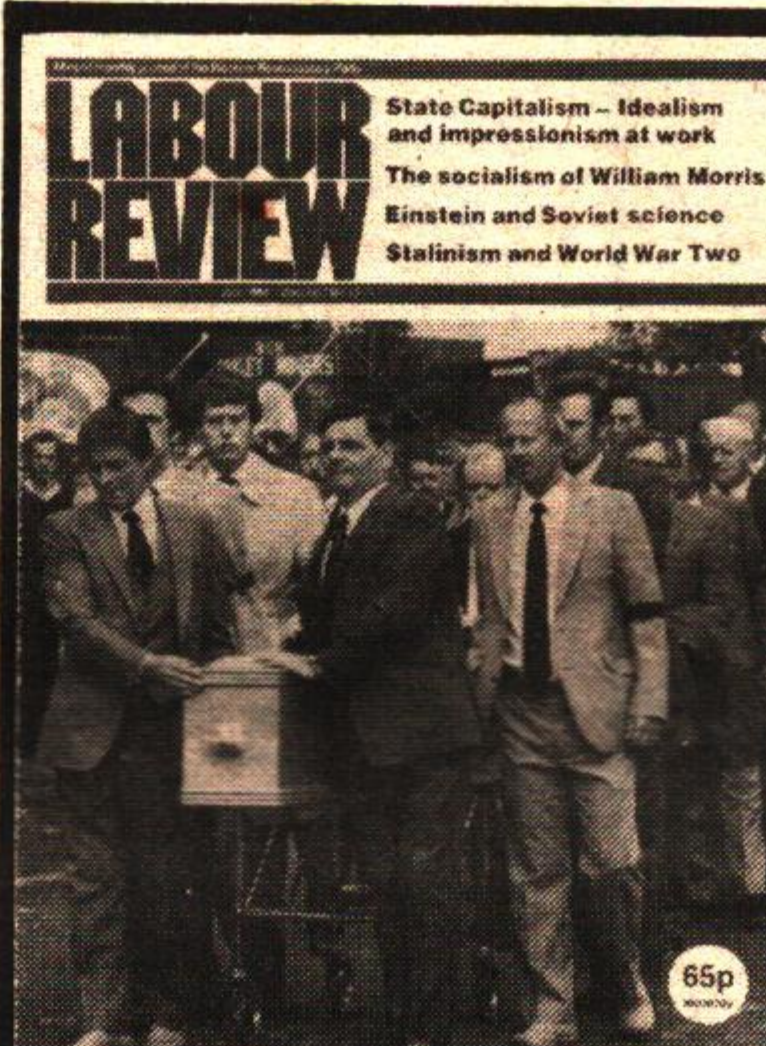
whole, may face a series of new defaults in the near future.

The San Francisco property Crocker intends to sell is a 38-storey office block with a glass-covered shopping precinct. It will be asking for \$425 million.

In addition, the bank wants to sell its share of the Crocker Tower building in Los Angeles to raise a further \$250 million.

A spokesman for the Midland Bank in Britain said the Crocker losses were certain to have further repercussions for the parent company — which suffered a 15 pence run on shares last week.

Midland has about £3 billion invested in Latin America, and in addition to the Crocker losses will be forced to declare some of its independent loans 'non-performing'.



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THE board of merchant bankers Hill Samuel faced one or two embarrassing questions concerning the bank's South African connections from some of their shareholders at the annual meeting yesterday.

The members even faced a protest as they filed into the Plaisters' Hall, near St Paul's Cathedral.

Inside the hall, where the chandeliers weigh nearly a ton, one shareholder asked about the extent of the financing by the bank of South Africa's nuclear industry. A number of other questions concerning South Africa and Namibia followed.

Amongst the directors seated at the top table was none other than Sir Michael Edwardes (left), former chairman of British Leyland, who serves on the emoluments and audit committees, and is also the chairman of Hill Samuel Group (S.A.) Ltd.

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MPs quibble over Trident cash

BY A NEWS LINE REPORTER

THE TRIDENT submarine nuclear weapon programme came under attack from MPs yesterday — not because it will increase the already massive spending on armaments — but because the cash instalments to the US are not earning interest.

Nearly £4,000 million is due to be advanced to the United States over the next ten years before Trident enters service.

Interest

But under the existing agreement with the US government, money in the American bank account at any one time does not earn any interest.

About half the total costs of the Trident programme are being spent in the US on the weapons

system — the four submarines which will carry it will be built in Britain — and the Ministry of Defence forwards the cash quarterly for work going on in America.

In its report on the programme yesterday, the Commons public accounts committee says the average balance in the American account at any one time will be substantial.

It says it was told that unused balances on the Polaris and Trident programme during the years 1982/1983 could have earned £3 million in interest and the agreement with the US government allowed it.

The MPs say: 'We expect MoD urgently to pursue changes in the application of the present funding arrangements for expenditure in the USA,

which will provide for the payment of interest on unused balances.'

Defence Secretary Michael Heseltine's latest estimate for the cost of the programme is £8,729 million — a figure which has already come under fire from the Commons Defence Committee, which believes it is more likely to cost £9,400 million because of inflation and changing exchange rates between the dollar and the pound.

Report

The Public Accounts Committee estimated at the time it was drawing up its report that at the then exchange rate of \$1.39 the programme would cost an additional £350 million.

The pound has since slumped to \$1.30.

The committee's report says that the Defence Secretary's figure 'may in practice be vulnerable to significant variation, given the likely impact of inflation, movements in exchange rates and the very considerable uncertainties and risks present at this early stage in the programme'.

It adds: 'We regard it as essential that progress and costs should be closely monitored, and any changes reported promptly to parliament.'

Soldiers on drug charges

EIGHT soldiers face court martial on drugs charges next week after a major inquiry by army investigators.

The soldiers, serving with the 14/20 Kings Hussars in Germany, will face a court in barracks near Hanover next Wednesday.

Trooper David Hobson and L Cpl Brian Kirby are charged with possessing LSD and cannabis, and trooper Steven Buchanan is accused of having LSD.

L Cpls Anthony Parkinson and Steven Kershaw, with troopers Duncan Everett, Colin Bickerton and Thomas Headon, are accused of possessing cannabis.

Death

The inquiry by the army's special investigation branch began after examination of the death of rifleman Alex Jackson of the 3rd Battalion Royal Green Jackets, based in Celle, Germany, but the charges are in no way linked to his death.

At one time it was thought his death may have been linked to drugs, but an inquest last month heard there were no traces of drugs in his body.

An open verdict was recorded and the coroner said death was most likely due to natural causes.

Doctor stole from blood bank

LEADING consultant Dr Mark Patterson was found guilty yesterday at the Old Bailey of conspiracy to steal blood from the National Heart Hospital.

But two leading army doctors, Lt Col Ernest Parry, commanding officer of the army blood supply depot in Aldershot and his second-in-command, Lt Col Michael Thomas, were cleared of conspiracy and all three were found not guilty of corruption.

Two other men, John Harris and Colin Campbell, were found guilty of conspiracy.

Campbell was in nearby St Bartholomew's hospital yesterday where he is recovering after falling as he left the dock on Wednesday.

Patterson, Harris and Campbell, along with Leslie Dobson, who changed his plea to guilty of conspiracy during the trial, will be sentenced later.

Trial

The ten-week trial heard that between 1977 and 1981, blood supplied by the blood transfusion service and mainly by the army was systematically stolen from the National Heart Hospital, where Patterson was a consultant haematologist.

At his direction, staff extracted plasma from the blood, which was sold to a Danish foundation, Nordisk, for £158,000.

'As the blood was stolen, it was all profit,' said Roy Amlot, prosecuting.

The Crown alleged that Patterson bribed the two army doctors to ensure a continuing flow of blood. Between them they received more than £18,000 at the rate of £200 a month, which paid for holidays, car repairs and flying lessons.

The Danes finally stopped buying the plasma after repeated complaints about contamination.

YOUNG SOCIALISTS PUBLIC MEETINGS

• Miners must not fight alone! • Force TUC to call a General Strike! • Build Community Councils! • Build revolutionary leadership!

NORTH WALES

PRESTATYN: Friday July 13, 7.30p.m. Royal Victoria Hotel.
Speakers: Kathy Flaherty (YS Regional Committee); Tony Banda (WRP Central Committee); In personal capacity: Larry Cavanagh (Merseyside port shop stewards); Ray Williams (Liverpool NGA); Alwyn ap-Iwan (District secretary NUPE)

NORTH WEST

BLACKLEY: Tuesday July 17, 8p.m. Harpurhey Neighbourhood Centre, Carisbrook Street, Harpurhey.
Speakers: John Oldham (YS Regional Committee); Stuart Carter (WRP Central Committee); In personal capacity: John Forster (NUPE); Mark Onley (Shop steward Phillips Rubber)

EASTERN

FELIXSTOWE: Monday July 9, 7.30p.m. Walton Community Hall, Walton High Road.
Speakers: Melita Attard (YS Regional Committee); Steve Hambling (WRP District Committee); Speakers from Felixstowe Port Committee and Notts NUM

THETFORD: Friday July 20, 7.30p.m. The Guildhall.
Speakers: Tony Hyland (YS National Committee); Pat Carlane (Thetford WRP); Chris Bailey (Cambridge WRP)

KENT

RAMSGATE: Thursday July 19, 7.30p.m. Oddfellows Hall.

Speakers: Dolly Short (Young Socialist Editor); Richard Price (WRP Central Committee); In personal capacity: Graham Young (Thanet strike co-ordinating committee); Lynne Francis (Ramsgate Wives Support Group)

SUSSEX

CRAWLEY: Wednesday July 18, 7.30p.m. Hyde Drive Community Centre, Ifield West.

Speakers: Graham Fenwick (YS Regional Committee); Joe Kierney (Crawley WRP)

LONDON

BRIXTON: Monday July 9, 8p.m. Room 121, Town Hall, Acre Lane, SW2.

Speakers: Richard Murphy (YS National Committee); Alex Mitchell (WRP Central Committee)

ANGELL: Wednesday July 25, 8p.m. Minet Library, Knatchbull Road, SW9.

Speakers: Frances Goldstein (YS Regional Committee); Simon Vevors (WRP Central Committee)

A LETTER FROM DES WARREN FIGHT SHOULD SHOULDER WITH



I WAS extremely sorry to have missed the magnificent All Trades Unions Alliance conference last Saturday, but hope that, through the columns of the News Line, I can send a message to the brothers and sisters who were present.

I would like to congratulate the miners on their tremendous struggle in defence of our class. I urge the rest of the trade union and labour movement to come off the sidelines and take their place shoulder to shoulder with the miners who have borne the brunt of state violence alone for too long.



their children were killed by plastic or stray bullets, or if their wives or daughters were taken by force from their homes to be interrogated by methods which include torture, resulting in broken bones and long-term abuse, mental and physical injury and, in many cases, sexual abuse.

Pattern

The methods of law enforcement are rapidly following the pattern of northern Ireland where the type of abuses the miners are now experiencing are far more severe and have become part of day-to-day life.

Northern Ireland has been used for testing and perfecting methods of suppression and state violence to deal with the very kind of situation we see developing as the miners refuse to submit. Two miners are dead and hundreds have been injured with over 3,000 arrested.

Riot

The case of the arrested miners, who face charges ranging from riot to resisting arrest, is a major issue in itself. Even if the dispute were to be resolved, are the miners prepared to carry on digging coal while some of their mates continue to suffer at the hand of the state in prisons and their families are harassed by government departments?

The media is largely under the control of the state, and yet they have not been able to hide the violence and abuse of rights, both statutory and human, by the police and courts.

Defend

Is any member of the labour movement prepared to condemn the miners as men of violence, for daring to defend themselves against baton charges by police, some in riot gear and some on horseback?

I make no apologies for raising the question of northern Ireland because the state has a storehouse of terror methods yet to inflict upon us, with which the people of northern Ireland are familiar.

I ask the miners how they would feel if some of

clapped out capitalist system, and the working class.

This point has to be taken on board. Don't make the same mistake as with the Shewsbury pickets.



Miners in the audience at last Saturday's All Trade Unions Alliance conference in Sheffield applauding a speaker.

The Tories are not just out to smash the miners. They are out to smash the working class. Trade unionists must not be fooled by some of their leaders who are trying to do deals with the Tories.

The steel union leaders are concerned about the short and long-term interests of the steel industry. It is a pity they didn't take the same position when they allowed MacGregor to destroy

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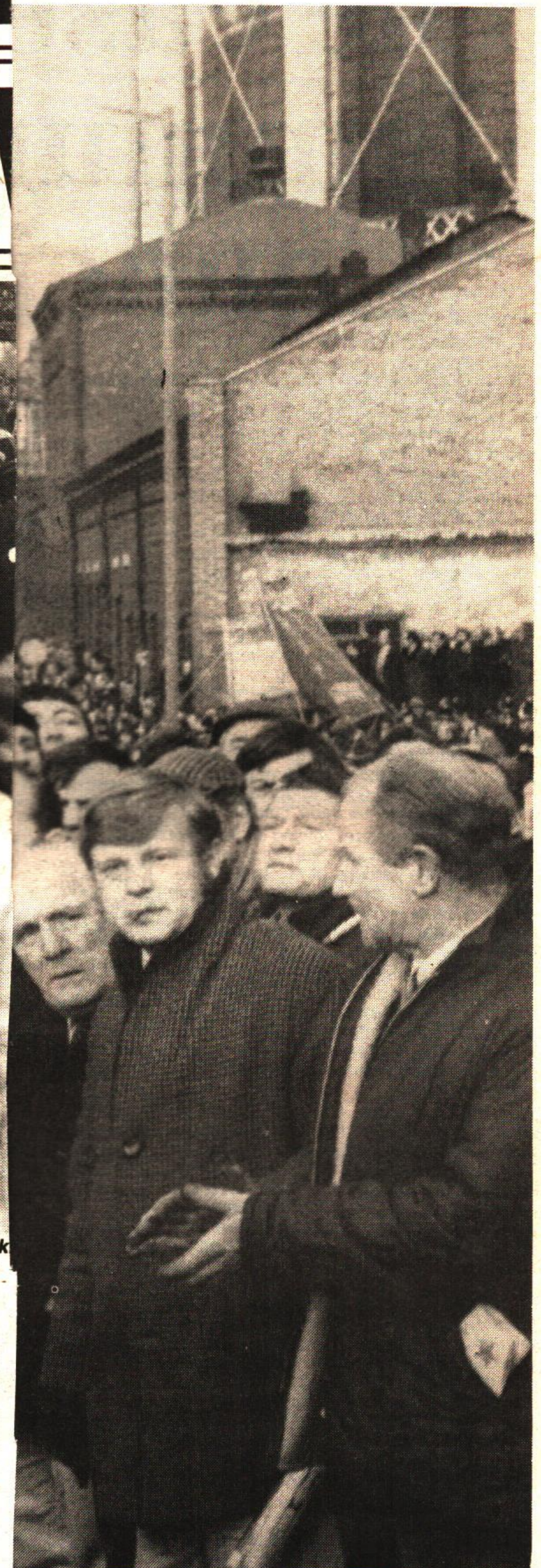
Sacrifice

I put it to the steelworkers — with two miners in their graves having made the ultimate sacrifice for their class — anyone who takes sides with their killers will never be forgiven or forgotten.

I urge the steelworkers to reject the Tory arguments of their leaders and take their rightful place in the struggle alongside the miners.

Above all, I urge both miners and steelworkers to join the All Trades Unions Alliance and the Workers Revolutionary Party and build a revolutionary leadership in the unions, to prepare for the General Strike and the establishment of a Workers Revolutionary Government.

Des Warren



ound the striking miners to halt a Birmingham coke depot instruction there

Briefly . . .

■MERSEYSIDE dockers are preparing to join a one-day strike next Friday in support of the miners, called by the regional TUC. Shop stewards representing the 2,300 men are expecting virtually unanimous support for a recommendation which will be put to a mass meeting on Monday.

■TWENTY-THREE miners were arrested on picket lines in North Derbyshire and Nottinghamshire yesterday. Sixteen miners were arrested at Harworth colliery at lunchtime. Earlier, five were taken at Bolsover, and

one each at Linby and Annesley collieries in Nottinghamshire.

■There were several hundred pickets at Shirebrook, Warsop and Markham collieries. Police said they turned back an estimated 5,500 pickets from the two counties.

■A SECOND face at the Bentley colliery near Doncaster has been sealed off because of underground heating, the Coal Board said last night. One of the three working coal-faces was closed during the overtime ban.

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BENEFITS BLACKM STRIKERS' FAMILIES

MINERS, women's support groups and welfare rights organisations are holding a conference in Sheffield today to discuss ways of assisting the families of strikers in combatting Tory attempts to starve them into submission.

The conference, at the headquarters of the engineering union, will examine the way the Thatcher government has deliberately tightened DHSS regulations to impose a crippling financial burden on strikers.

FROM SIMON VEVERS

One of the conference organisers, Phil Reid, who is welfare rights adviser to Sheffield city council, told News Line that the new instructions on the issuing of supplementary benefit are 'specifically designed to discourage strike action'.

Hardships

The result has been increasing hardships for mining communities. And Reid knows of one case of a miner's wife who collapsed from malnutrition on her way to seek help at the DHSS after waiting weeks for her benefit claim to be dealt with.

Following strict orders from the government, DHSS officials are delaying claims and interpreting social security rules 'in a ludicrous way' to punish strikers and their families.

Measures to penalise strikers were included in the 1980 Tory anti-union legislation. But the latest instructions from the DHSS were only sent out in the last two months — during the miner's strike.

System

Reid is in no doubt about the significance of that. 'The government is doing everything it can to starve the miners back to work.'

'And the system is so directly geared to punish strikers and force them back because they are denied normal supplementary benefit,' he said.

For the last 17 weeks, a miner married with two children will have received only £11.75 a week in supplementary benefit — a staggering £40 less

than the amount awarded to an unemployed couple in similar circumstances.

'Supplementary benefit is set at ridiculously low levels anyway and people on it are generally said to be below the poverty line.'

'So miners and their families are £40 below that level,' said Reid.

The new instructions were sent out by the chief adjudication officer who is charged with interpreting laws laid down by parliament.

Reid said his attack on the benefit system 'in no way implies a vendetta by ordinary DHSS staff against strikers. They are simply working under orders from the government and are in many cases liaising with support groups locally to help miners.'

Acute

The plight of single miners is particularly acute. They get nothing from social security and are forced to rely heavily on their families and the work done by women support groups in providing regular meals.

But even the much-needed food parcels handed out to the families of strikers have become targets for the vultures in the Tory Cabinet.

Social Security Minister Rhodes Boyson recently stated that anyone receiving a 'gift' of food worth more than £4 would have their benefits slashed.

And Reid said the financial penalties have been supplemented by the harsh attitude of building societies, gas and electricity boards and many hire purchase companies.

'Televisions and furniture have been taken

back. The problem is that there was really no margin on payments at the beginning of the strike because of the overtime ban.'

'Now the situation of course is much worse,' he said.

'But many local firms have been sympathetic because they realise the destruction of mining communities will mean disaster for them too.'



THE WIDESPREAD work being done by wives' support groups and being directly attacked by the Tories — anyone proved to be

POLICE CASH CASE IN COURT

THE South Yorkshire County Council will be dragged into the High Court this morning for refusing to pay for the nationally-controlled police operation against miners in their area.

The Attorney-General Sir Michael Havers was yesterday granted permission to bring the case against the Labour-controlled authority. Lord Justice Watkins ordered the hearing after he was told of a 'grave risk' of public disorder at the Orgreave coking plant next week.

The council's police committee were not present at yesterday's hearing, though chairman George Moores said earlier: 'I am pleased it is going this way.'

'I am looking forward to the result of the case because it is a constitutional matter which needs to be answered, and that place is the courts.'

In an unprecedented challenge to a local authority, the Attorney-General is

asking the High Court for orders to force the police committee to make sufficient funds available for the police operation at Orgreave — and, implicitly, for any future police demand.

For the Attorney-General, counsel Simon Brown said the decision to withhold funds to the police was being challenged because it was 'grounded on a political stance'.

Brown said the police committee had no right to withhold funds for reasons based on its own understanding of policing needs. The local chief constable, Peter Wright, had sole operational responsibility for policing in his area, and it was the 'essential vice' of the council decision that it had interfered with the operational policing responsibility.

The committee has told Wright that he must consult it before spending any more money. And on Tuesday the authority rejected a recommendation from him

that it spend £17,752 on housing and feeding police in preparation for resumed coke movements from Orgreave.

Brown added that under the Police Act, the duty of a police authority was to 'secure the maintenance of an adequate and efficient police force'.

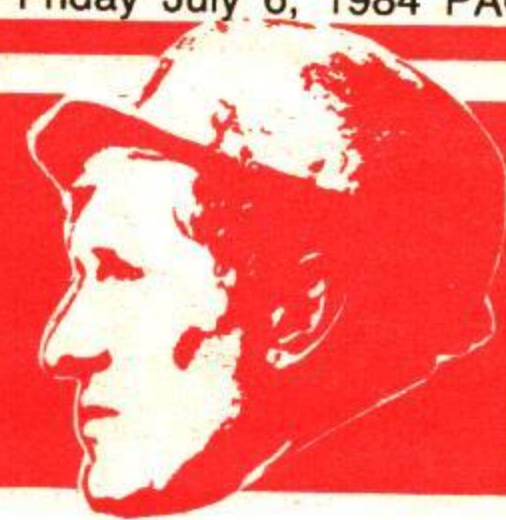
'There is a clear responsibility to fund expenditure which the chief constable thinks is necessary for proper policing,' he said.

The full hearing will start this morning.

● DERBYSHIRE County Council leader David Bookbinder said yesterday that his authority would not pay any more policing bills following a rejection of a request to the Home Office for more cash.

Bookbinder said Home Secretary Leon Brittan had made no concessions at a meeting yesterday morning, and unless the council refuses to pay any more, it will be forced to close schools, trim social services and libraries.

LIKE TO BACK THE MINERS



WAIL ON



Ultimately, the insurance pay-outs are the Names, the members of the syndicates on whose behalf the underwriter signs. But the members only deposit a quarter of the figure for which they are liable; their assets are in general

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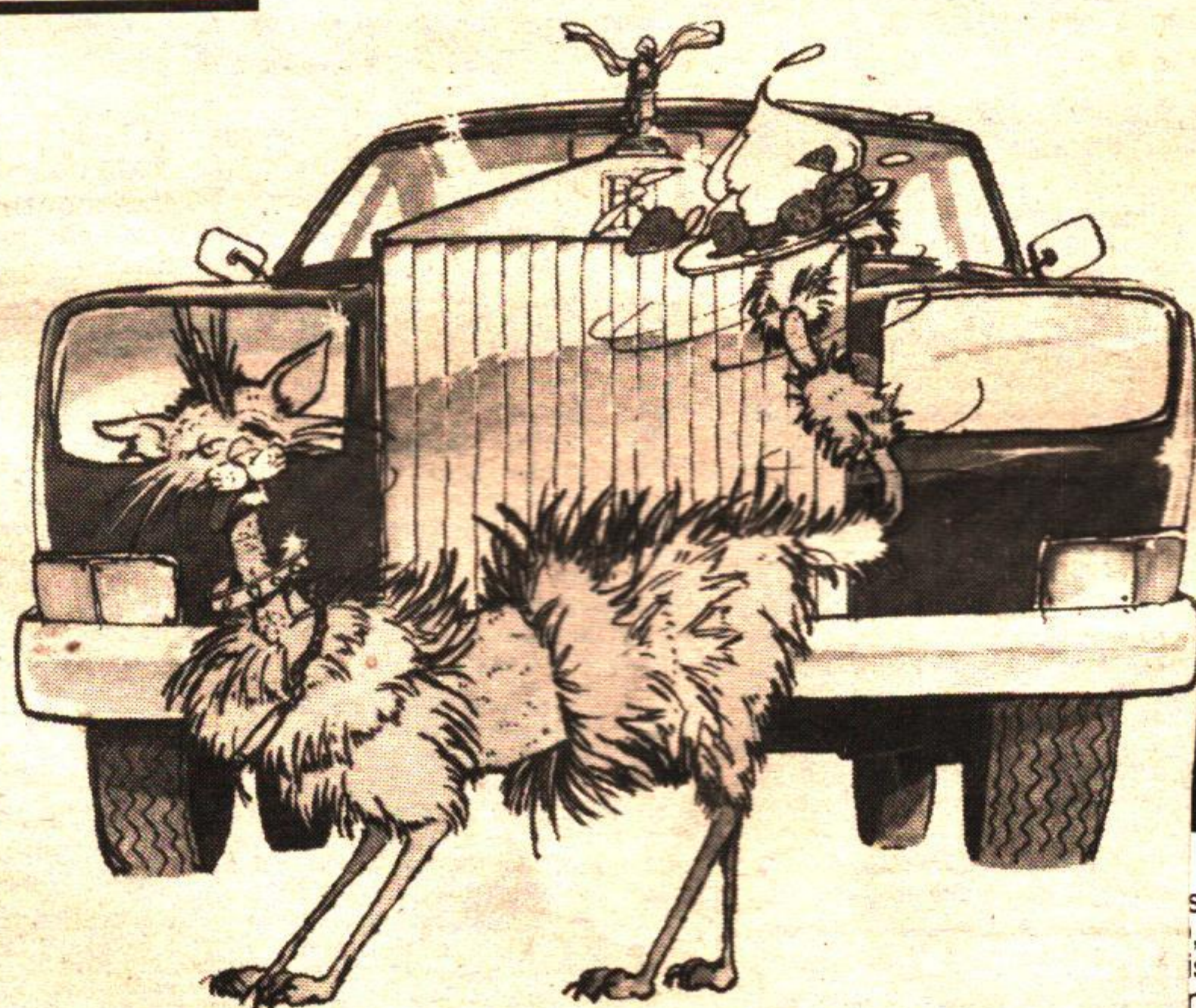
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will lead a mass demonstration of the Saltley coke depot in 1,000-strong mass picket by its during the 1972 strike. nstration, march co-ordinator stration at Saltley in 1972 ists between the miners and

have shown that solidarity still t for the miners in the current of food and money. The all affiliated unions and local ted, we expect support from union movement.

Briefly...

■MERSEYSIDE dockers are preparing to join a one-day strike next Friday in support of the miners, called by the regional TUC. Shop stewards representing the 2,300 men are expecting virtually unanimous support for a recommendation which will be put to a mass meeting on Monday.

■TWENTY-THREE miners were arrested on picket lines in North Derbyshire and Nottinghamshire yesterday. Sixteen miners were arrested at Harworth colliery at lunchtime. Earlier, five were taken at Bolsover, and

one each at Linby and Annesley collieries in Nottinghamshire.

■There were several hundred pickets at Shirebrook, Warsop and Markham collieries. Police said they turned back an estimated 5,500 pickets from the two counties.

■A SECOND face at the Bentley colliery near Doncaster has been sealed off because of underground heating, the Coal Board said last night. One of the three working coal-faces was closed during the overtime ban.

THE MINERS' STRUGGLE



The case for Community Councils

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

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

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

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.



Food collected for the miners and their families being unloaded in Kent. Now the police are trying to prevent collection of food and finance for the miners

FROM SIMON VEVERS

than the amount awarded to an unemployed couple in similar circumstances.

'Supplementary benefit is set at ridiculously low levels anyway and people on it are generally said to be below the poverty line.'

'So miners and their families are £40 below that level,' said Reid.

The new instructions were sent out by the chief adjudication officer who is charged with interpreting laws laid down by parliament.

Reid said his attack on the benefit system 'in no way implies a vendetta by ordinary DHSS staff against strikers. They are simply working under orders from the government and are in many cases liaising with support groups locally to help miners.'

Acute

The plight of single miners is particularly acute. They get nothing from social security and are forced to rely heavily on their families and the work done by women support groups in providing regular meals.

But even the much-needed food parcels handed out to the families of strikers have become targets for the vultures in the Tory Cabinet.

Social Security Minister Rhodes Boyson recently stated that anyone receiving a 'gift' of food worth more than £4 would have their benefits slashed.

And Reid said the financial penalties have been supplemented by the harsh attitude of building societies, gas and electricity boards and many hire purchase companies.

'Televisions and furniture have been taken

back. The problem is that there was really no margin on payments at the beginning of the strike because of the overtime ban.'

'Now the situation of course is much worse,' he said.

'But many local firms have been sympathetic because they realise the destruction of mining communities will mean disaster for them too.'



THE WIDESPREAD work being done by wives' support groups being directly attacked by the Tories — anyone p

POLICE CASH CASE IN COURT

THE South Yorkshire County Council will be dragged into the High Court this morning for refusing to pay for the nationally-controlled police operation against miners in their area.

The Attorney-General Sir Michael Havers was yesterday granted permission to bring the case against the Labour-controlled authority. Lord Justice Watkins ordered the hearing after he was told of a 'grave risk' of public disorder at the Orgreave coking plant next week.

The council's police committee were not present at yesterday's hearing, though chairman George Moores said earlier: 'I am pleased it is going this way.'

'I am looking forward to the result of the case because it is a constitutional matter which needs to be answered, and that place is the courts.'

In an unprecedented challenge to a local authority, the Attorney-General is

asking the High Court for orders to force the police committee to make sufficient funds available for the police operation at Orgreave — and, implicitly, for any future police demand.

For the Attorney-General, counsel Simon Brown said the decision to withhold funds to the police was being challenged because it was 'grounded on a political stance'.

Brown said the police committee had no right to withhold funds for reasons based on its own understanding of policing needs. The local chief constable, Peter Wright, had sole operational responsibility for policing in his area, and it was the 'essential vice' of the council decision that it had interfered with the operational policing responsibility.

The committee has told Wright that he must consult it before spending any more money. And on Tuesday the authority rejected a recommendation from him

that it spend £17,752 on housing and feeding police in preparation for resuming coke movements from Orgreave.

Brown added that under the Police Act, the duty of a police authority was to 'secure the maintenance of adequate and efficient police force'.

'There is a clear responsibility to fund expenditure which the chief constable thinks is necessary for proper policing,' he said.

The full hearing will start this morning.

● DERBYSHIRE County Council leader David Boddin said yesterday that his authority would not pay any more policing bills following a rejection of a request to the Home Office for more cash.

Bookbinder said Home Secretary Leon Brittan had made no concessions at meeting yesterday morning, and unless the council refused to pay any more, it will be forced to close schools, trim social services and libraries.

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A weekly
featureGamblers make
the betting rules

THE DAY after the 'Titanic' was known to have been lost totally, an underwriter at Lloyd's of London had to sign a reinsurance deal which, for a hefty premium, meant paying out thousands.

He had agreed the deal on the stairs after the first report that the ship was in trouble, but now the full facts were known, the arrangement, even though unsigned, was clearly binding.

These are the old Lloyd's values, when business is transacted 'in utmost good faith' as the motto has it. And these are the values which Godfrey Hodgson's portrait of this most anachronistic institution of an out-dated economic system clearly defends.

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Underwriters still sit in 'boxes' in the Room; brokers still bring them slips setting out proposed insurances to sign.

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by Godfrey Hodgson. Allen Lane.
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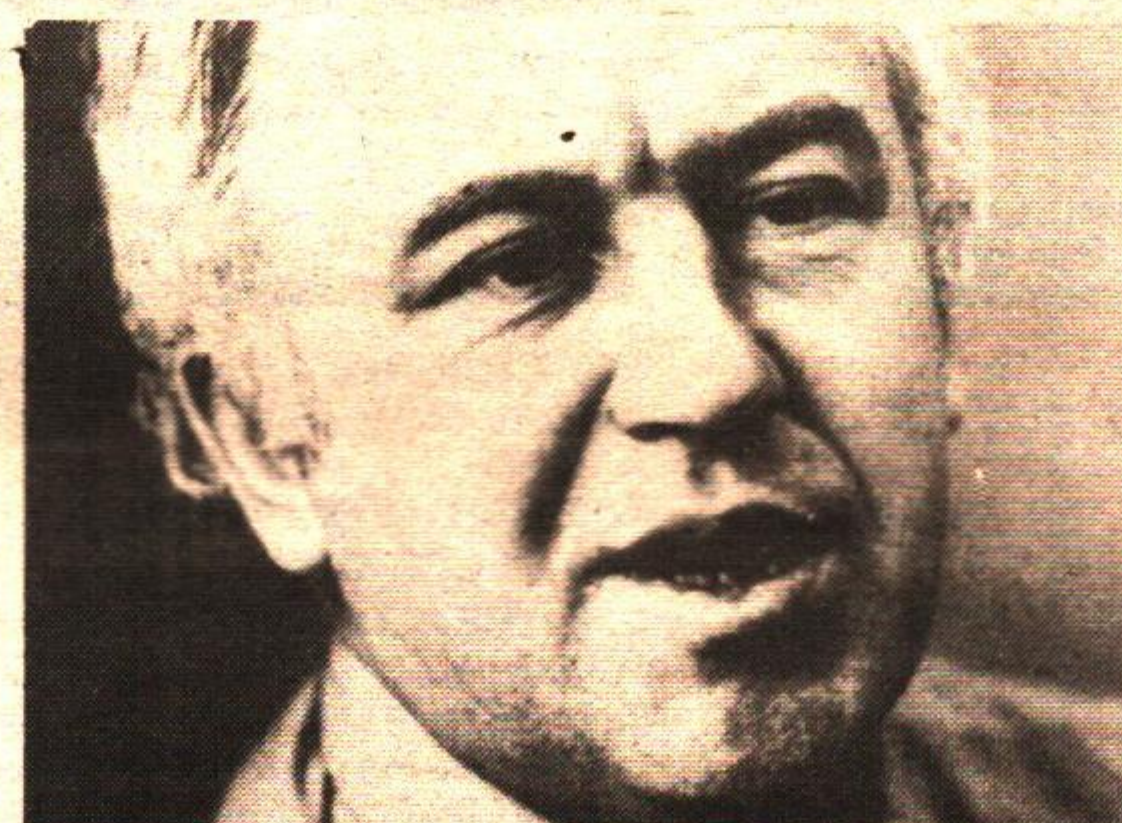
And at Lloyd's, they cannot really lose. If, over the three-year auditing period, a loss is sustained, the member can offset this against tax paid. As Hodgson explains: 'Losses are never good in themselves. But if losses meant more premium, and therefore more investment income, and the government was paying for them, they could be viewed with equanimity.'

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GODFREY HODGSON

cluding the 1980 case of the 'Salem', which as the 'Lema', unloaded a cargo of oil in South Africa, which, it was then claimed, had gone down with the tanker itself.

But sometimes, as in the case of 301 Fiat cars supposedly fire-damaged at sea and written off (though in fact sold at the quayside to the local Fiat dealer at Savona in Italy in 1974), the preference is to bury the fraud under the carpet.

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Parasitism

Although exploring the cases that hit the headlines, Hodgson has hardly scratched the surface of the peculiar form of parasitism that is Lloyd's though his reporting is detailed, careful and often highly amusing.

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loser

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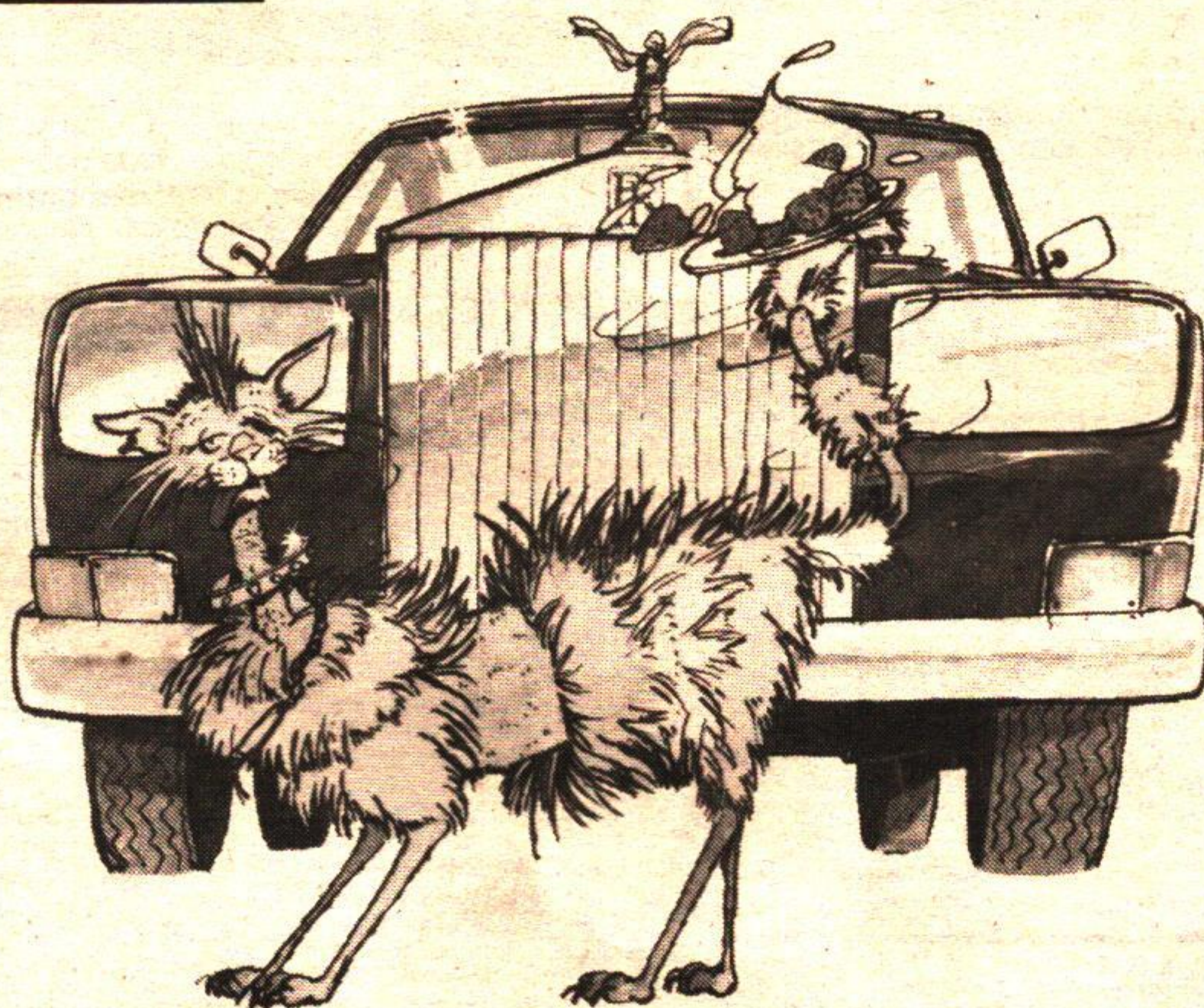
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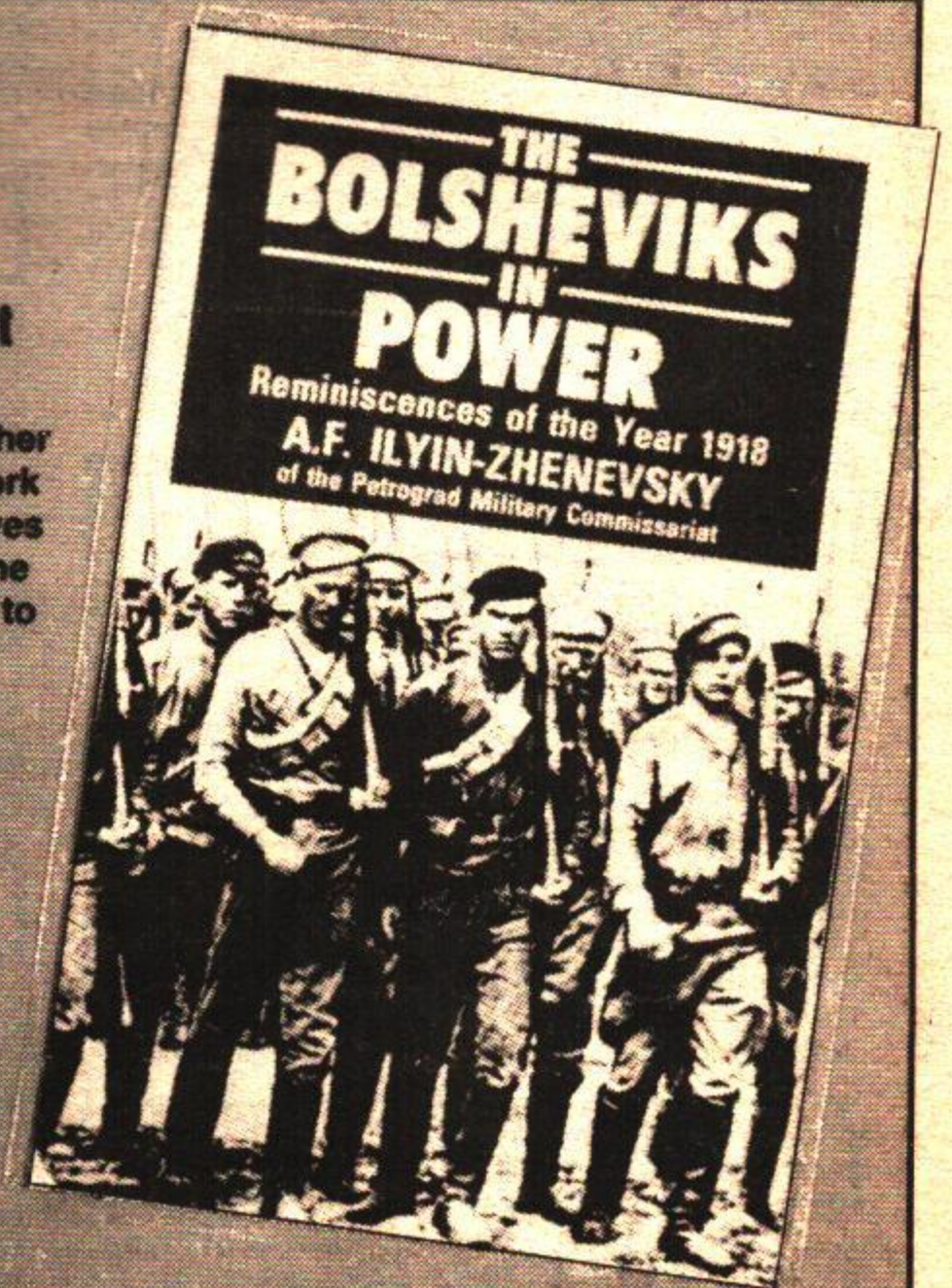
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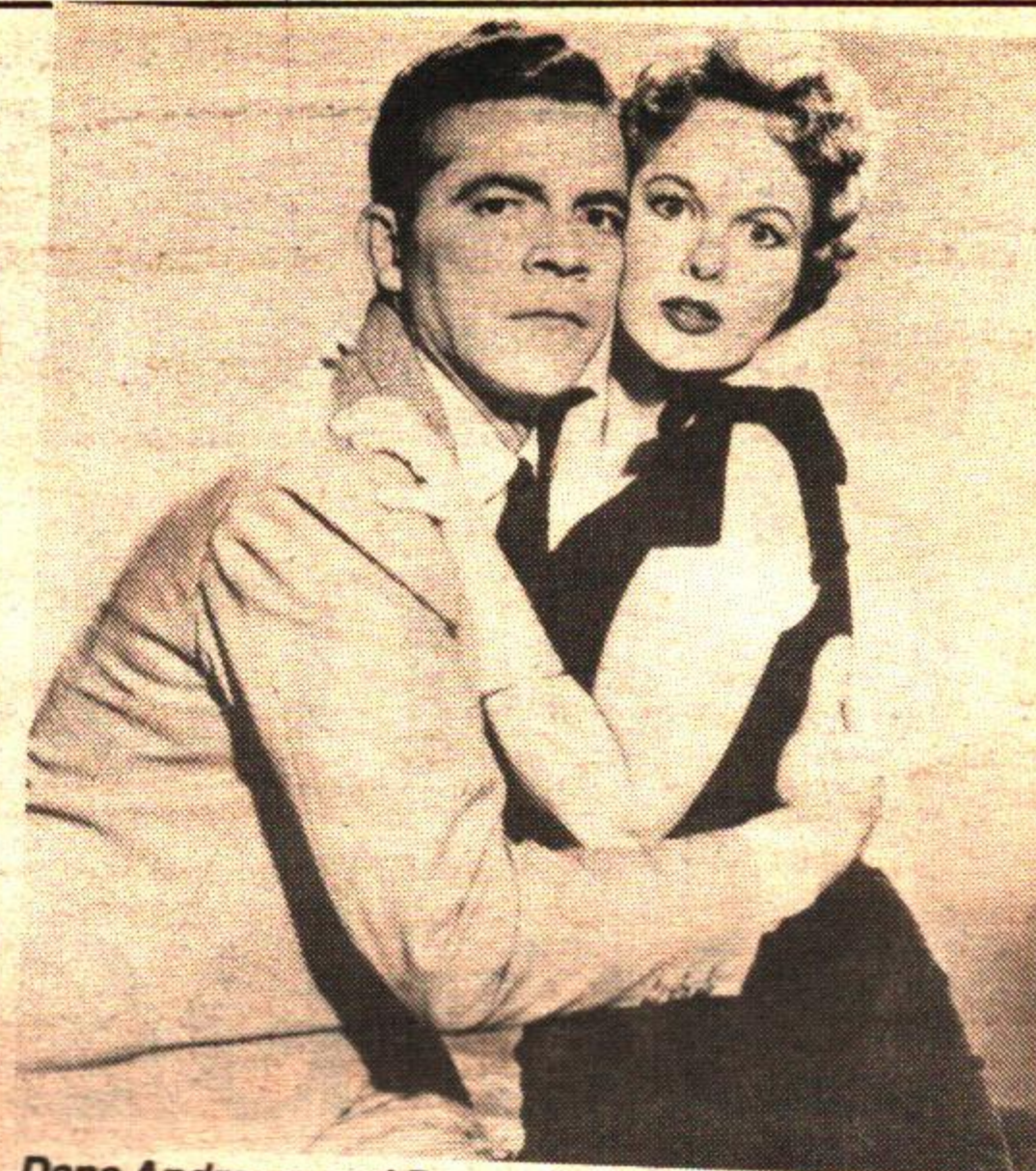
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Frankie Howerd and Zsa Zsa Gabor go 'Up The Front' on BBC1 at 11.50pm



Dana Andrews and Peggy Cummins in 'Night of the Demon' on 4 at 11.20pm

BBC1

6.00 Ceefax AM. 6.30 Breakfast Time. 9.00 Summer Harty. 9.30 Pages from Ceefax. 10.30 Play School. 10.55 Pages from Ceefax. 1.00 News After Noon. 1.25 Weather. 1.27 Regional News (London and SE: Financial Report; News Headlines). 1.30 The Plumps. 1.45 Wimbledon 84: The Lawn Tennis Championships. 4.18 Regional News. 4.20 Play School: It's Friday. 4.45 Wacky Races. 4.55 Newsround Extra. 5.05 Children of Fire Mountain. 5.30 Bananaman. 5.40 SIXTY MINUTES. 6.40 TOM AND JERRY in *Switchen' Kitten and Mick Chick*. 6.55 DOCTOR WHO *The King's Demons* With Peter Davison. 7.20 FAME Signs Christopher's dancing days are numbered when he hurts himself showing off his skills. 8.10 INTERNATIONAL ATHLETICS The Rank Xerox 10 Series Games from Gateshead: *England v Spain v Sweden*. 9.00 NINE O'CLOCK NEWS; Weather. 9.25 STARKSY AND HUTCH *Deadly Imposter* Starsky and Hutch are looking forward to a rare off-duty weekend with an old friend, but things don't work out as planned. 10.15 WIMBLEDON 84 AND ATHLETICS *Match of the Day* Highlights of today's men's semi-finals; plus further news of this evening's athletic international in Gateshead. 11.15 THE CLIMBER A six-part comedy series written by Alex Shearer, with Robin Nedwell. 11.45 News Headlines; Weather. 11.50 THE LATE FILM *Up The Front* (1972) With Frankie Howerd, Bill Fraser, Hermione Baddeley and Zsa Zsa Gabor. Private Lark faces great dangers on the Western Front, not least from Mata Hari's advances. 1.20 Closedown. BBC WALES: 11.15-11.50 Llangollen 84. 1.20 Weather for Wales; Close.

ROUND THE REGIONS

TYNE TEES

6.25 Good Morning Britain. 9.25 North East News. 9.30 Sesame Street. 10.25 Film: *A King's Story*. 12.00 Chorlton and the Wheelies. 12.10 Rainbow. 12.30 The English Garden. 1.00 News at One; North East News; Lookaround. 1.30 About Britain. 2.00 Film: *The Stranger Came Home*. 3.30 Portrait of a Legend. 4.00 Rainbow. 4.20 The Moomins. 4.25 Kanalligator. 4.50 Freetime. 5.15 Different Strokes. 5.45 News. 6.00 North East News. 6.02 Vintage Quiz. 6.30 Northern Life. 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; North East News. 10.32 Film: *I Don't Want to Be Born*. 12.00 Benson. 12.30 Epilogue; Closedown.

CENTRAL

6.25 Good Morning Britain. 9.25 Once Upon a Time. 9.50 India. 10.50 Through the Eyes of a Child. 11.15 Bring 'Em Back Alive. 12.00 Chorlton and the Wheelies. 12.10 Rainbow. 12.30 The English Garden. 1.00 News at One; Central News. 1.30 Film: *The Gentleman Bandit*. 3.15 Hear, Here. 3.30 Sons and Daughters. 4.00 Rainbow. 4.20 The Moomins. 4.25 Kanalligator. 4.50 Freetime. 5.15 Different Strokes. 5.45 News. 6.00 Central News. 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; Central News Headlines. 10.35 Hill Street Blues. 11.35 Film: *And Now the Screaming Starts*. 1.20 Closedown.

YORKSHIRE

6.25 Good Morning Britain. 9.25 Regional Weather; Sesame Street. 10.25 Little House on the Prairie. 11.10 The Groovie Ghoules. 12.00 Chorl-

BBC2

6.05-8.10 OPEN UNIVERSITY: 6.05 Maths Methods. 6.30 Housing in Birmingham. 6.55 Images. 7.20 Organic Chemistry. 7.45 Drinking Behaviour in Animals. 9.00 Pages from Ceefax. 11.22-2.21 DAYTIME ON TWO: 11.22 Going to Work. 11.42 Pages from Ceefax. 2.01 Scene. 2.21 Pages from Ceefax. 4.15 Wimbledon 84: Featuring the semi-finals of the Men's Singles from the Lawn Tennis Championships at the All England Club. 7.40 NEWS SUMMARY with subtitles; Weather. 7.45 AMERICA A 13-part personal history of the United States, written and narrated by Alistair Cooke. 11. *The Promise Fulfilled and the Promise broken*. Cooke looks at changes in America and the effect of the depression. 8.35 GARDENER'S WORLD from the Midlands, with Geoff Hamilton and Clay Jones. 9.00 RHODA *I'll Be Loving You Sometimes* American comedy with Valerie Harper. When Joe suggests a cooling-off period, Rhoda arranges a date with Mr Grime. 9.25 WOMEN OF OUR CENTURY Six programmes about remarkable women all born around 1900, in an age when it was difficult for them to fulfil their talents. 2. *Naomi Mitchison*, Author of over 80 books, as well as poems and plays, has faced controversy, from the 1930s when she expressed many views which were 'ahead of her time'. 10.05 MY MUSIC Popular music quiz by Steve Race. 10.30 NEWSNIGHT. 11.15 THE TWILIGHT ZONE *King Nine Will Not Return* with Bob Cummings. Captain Embry's plane crash-lands in the desert, but what has happened to his crew? 11.45 Closedown.

ton and the Wheelies. 12.10 Rainbow. 12.30 The English Garden. 1.00 News at One; Calendar News; Weather. 1.30 About Britain. 2.00 Film: *The Third Visitor*. 3.30 Sons and Daughters. 4.00 Rainbow. 4.20 The Moomins. 4.25 Kanalligator. 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. 9.25 Sesame Street. 10.25 Film: *Turnabout*. 11.45 Winning. 12.00 Chorlton and the Wheelies. 12.10 Rainbow. 12.30 The English Garden. 1.00 News at One; TSW News Headlines. 1.30 About Britain. 2.00 Film: *Death Cruise*. 3.30 Sons and Daughters. 3.57 Gus Honeybun's Magic Birthdays. 4.00 Rainbow. 4.20 The Moomins. 4.25 Kanalligator. 4.50 Freetime. 5.15 Silver Spoons. 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: *Soylent Green*. 12.45 Postscript; South West Weather; Shipping Forecast; Closedown.

TVS

6.25 Good Morning Britain. 9.25 Farming Brief. 9.28 Sesame Street. 10.25 Film: *The Admirable Crichton*. 12.00 Chorlton and the Wheelies. 12.10 Rainbow. 12.30 The English Garden. 1.00 News at One; TVS News. 1.30 About Britain. 2.00 Return of the Saint. 3.00 Look Who's Talking. 3.30 Sons and Daughters. 4.00 Rainbow. 4.20 The Moomins. 4.25 Kanalligator. 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

CHANNEL 4

2.30 CHANNEL 4 RACING from Sandown (2.35, 3.05, 3.40 and 4.10 Races). 4.30 CARTOON CARNIVAL. 5.00 BLOCKBUSTERS. 5.30 THE ADDAMS FAMILY *Progress in the Addams Family*. 6.00 HIGH BAND *Kate Bush — Live at Hammersmith* An hour-long video featuring Kate Bush recorded live at Hammersmith Odeon during her 1979 tour. 7.00 CHANNEL 4 NEWS followed by Weather. 7.30 THE GAMES IN QUESTION *The Olympic Ideal* The Flashback team look at the issues that have influenced the Olympic Games in a special series. 8.00 A WEEK IN POLITICS. 8.40 WHAT THE PAPERS SAY With Peter Kellner of the 'New Statesman'. 9.00 BABBLE Battle of words with celebrities Lynda Bellingham, Gyles Brandreth, Liza Goddard, David Hamilton, Nigel Rees and Willie Rushton. 9.30 GARDENERS' CALENDAR ROADSHOW First of an eight-part series from the International Garden Festival in Liverpool. 10.00 LOVE, SYDNEY *Laurie's First Date, A.D.* Sydney becomes worried that his domestic arrangements will have to change when Laurie hints that her boyfriend is about to propose marriage. 10.35 FEELING BETTER? *Stroke/Head Injury* Dr Judy Greenwood's series on how people recover from serious medical conditions tonight looks at head injuries and strokes. 11.20 NIGHT OF THE DEMON Classic horror movie with Dana Andrews as an American psychologist who comes to Britain and becomes involved in a sinister cult. 1.05 Close.

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 Film: *Die Moral Der Ruth Halbfass*. 12.40 Company; Closedown.

HTV

6.25 Good Morning Britain. 9.25 Sesame Street. 10.25 Snakes, Scorpions and Spiders. 10.40 Father Murphy. 11.30 Hot Air. 12.00 Chorlton and the Wheelies. 12.10 Rainbow. 12.30 The English Garden. 1.00 News at One; HTV News. 1.30 About Britain. 2.00 Film: *Nurse on Wheels*; HTV News. 3.30 The Young Doctors. 4.00 Rainbow. 4.20 The Moomins. 4.25 Kanalligator. 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 Your Say. 10.45 The West This Week. 11.15 Film: *Witchfinder-General*. 12.45 Weather; Closedown.

HTV CYMRU: 6.00-7.00 Wales at Six. 10.30-11.15 Elinor.

ANGLIA

6.25 Good Morning Britain. 9.25 Sesame Street. 10.25 Cartoon. 10.40 Portrait of a Legend. 11.05 Chips. 12.00 Chorlton and the Wheelies. 12.10 Rainbow. 12.30 The English Garden. 1.00 News at One; Anglia News; Weather. 1.30 About Britain. 2.00 Film: *On the Beat*. 4.00 Rainbow. 4.20 The Moomins. 4.25 Kanalligator. 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: *Fantastic Planet*. 12.30 Epilogue; Closedown.

THAMES

6.25 Good Morning Britain. 9.25 Thames News Headlines; followed by Sesame Street. 10.25 Final Appointment. 11.40 Spiders — Backyard Science. 12.00 Chorlton and the Wheelies. 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 Film: *The Trygon Factor*. 4.00 Rainbow. 4.20 The Moomins. 4.25 Kanalligator. 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 Presented by Jimmy Tarbuck. 7.30 SIMON AND SIMON *The Skeleton Who Came Out of the Closet* Rick and AJ are hired to transport a mental patient to San Francisco. 8.30 PULL THE OTHER ONE *Grandma Steals the Show* When the Mundys win a holiday in a hotel they pay for Grandma to go too. 9.00 SHINE ON HARVEY MOON *Goodnight Vienna* Harvey's job makes it easier to help Yossela get into England, but once he gets to know him Harvey wishes he hadn't. 10.00 NEWS AT TEN followed by *London News Headlines*. 10.30 THE LONDON PROGRAMME Tonight's programme looks at the spread of amusement arcades into local high streets all over the region which has led to many teenagers becoming addicted gamblers. 11.00 BENSON *Getting Even* With Robert Guillaume. 11.30 SOUTH OF WATFORD Presented by Ben Elton. 12.00 I SPY *So Long Patrick Henry* With Robert Culp and Bill Cosby. NIGHT THOUGHTS and Closedown.

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2.00 Yn Eu Cynefin. 2.15 Stori Sbrl. 2.30 Racing from Sandown (2.35, 3.05, 3.40, 4.10 Races). 4.15 The Countdown Final. 4.55 Lan Lloft. 5.10 Fflach Heulyn; Dino Bach. 5.30 The Addams Family. 6.00 Jeopardy. 6.30 Siarabang. 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 Eisteddfod Llangollen '84. 10.15 Film: *Reflections*. 11.50 Soap. 12.20 Close.

RADIO

1 6.00 Mark Page. 8.00 (8.00 News) Elgar, Falla, Nielsen; records. 9.00 News. 9.05 This Week's Composers (S) W.F. and J.C. Bach; records. 10.00 French Piano Music (S) Ravel, Poulenc, Roussel. 10.35 Northern Sinfonia (S) Matthew Locke, Georg Mathias Monn, Handel. 11.40 Purcell, Henze and Britten (S). 12.10 BBC Symphony Orchestra in Switzerland (S) Elgar, Mahler (1.00 News). 1.05-1.20 Six Continents) Tchaikovsky. 2.10 Borodin and Shostakovich (S). 3.30 Haydn (S). 4.00 Choral Vespers (S). 4.55 News. 5.00 Mainly for Pleasure (S). 6.30 Music for Guitar (S) Carlos Barbosa-Lima. 7.05 An Alpine Symphony (S) by Strauss. 8.00 Early Music Centre Festival 1983 (S) anon. Peter Aberlard (8.35-8.55 Poetry Now) anon. Kevin. 9.30 Schubert (S). 10.15 Tchaikovsky: A Fateful Gift (S). 11.15-11.18 News.

2 4.00 Colin Berry (S). 5.30 Ray Moore (S). 7.30 Terry Wogan (S) (8.31 Racing Bulletin). 10.00 Jiminy Young (S). 12.00 Steve Jones (S) (1.05 Sports Desk). 2.00 Wimbledon 84. 7.00 John Dunn (S). 7.30 Cricket Scores. 8.00 Friday Night is Music Night (S). 9.15 The Organist Entertains. 9.55 Sports Desk. 10.00 The Random Jottings of Hinge and Bracket. 10.30 Sequence Time. 11.00 Jeremy Beadle's Nightcap. 1.00 Hilary Osborn (S) presents Nightride. 3.00-4.00 Night Owls (S).

3 VHF: 2.00 Gloria Hunniford (S). 3.30 Music All the Way (S). 4.00 Paul Burnett (S). 6.00-8.00 John Dunn (S).

4 6.55 Weather. 7.00 News. 7.05 Morning Concert (S) Verdi, Handel, Dag Wiren, Mozart. 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 Desert Island Discs (S). 9.45 Ad Hoc Adventures. 10.00 News; International Assignment. 10.30 Morning Story: Extras. 10.45 Daily Service. 11.00 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; Jane. 4.00 News; Between Two Worlds. 4.10 A Waste of Opportunity. 4.40 Story Time: *The Year of the Lion*. 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: *Riceman Steps*. 10.29 Weather. 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.

Winning Post

Hide seeks going-away present

EDWARD HIDE, who starts a four-day suspension tomorrow, can sign off on his short 'holiday' by winning the Jardine Handicap at SANDOWN today on Celestial Dancer (4.00).

Hide picked up his suspension for careless riding on Vintage Toll at Newcastle last week.

Most of his rides are in the north, and his presence at the Esher track is a tip in itself.

Celestial Dancer is making

his first appearance in handicap company since August 1982. He beat Soba by a short head in the Northumberland Sprint Trophy at Newcastle, shortly after finishing third to David Chapman's Flying Filly in the Stewards Cup.

Since then, trainer Tony Hide has run the five-year-old in higher company, and Celestial Dancer has gone well in pattern events, notably when fourth behind Sayf El Arab, Soba and On

Stage in the King's Stand Stakes last season.

This year, Celestial Dancer finished seventh in the Temple Stakes, then easily beat Bold Bob over five furlongs at Beverley.

But his latest run, when second to Committed in the Cork and Orrery Stakes at Ascot a fortnight ago, makes him something of a handicap 'certainty', although Spark Chief and Hilton Brown are sure to make it a hot gallop, he cannot be opposed.

Geoff Lewis seems to have found another excellent chance for My Tony (3.05) in the Royal Hong Kong Jockey Club Trophy Handicap.

The four-year-old is having a tremendous season, and should have no difficulty reversing last week's Kempton form with Bedtime, who now re-opposes on 11lb worse terms.

The Inchcape Stakes may go to the Robert Armstrong newcomer Brown Bear Boy (2.00), the mount of Lester Piggott.

SANDOWN CHANNEL 4 2.35 3.05 3.40 4.10

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 Hern 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.

2.00 INCHCAPE STAKES £4,000 (2-Y-O) 5f (6 runners)

1 (5)	01	BASSENTHWAITE (D) J Tree 92	Pat Eddery
2 (1)	1	CARRIBEAN SONG F Durr 92	P Robinson
4 (6)		BROWN BEAR BOY (USA) R Armstrong 811	L Piggott
5 (2)		EECEE TREE J Sutcliffe 811	B Thomson
6 (4)		ISCARIOT (USA) G Hunter 811	G Starkey
10 (3)	4434	SECRETARY'S OFFICE P Mitchell 811	W Carson

PROBABLE SP: 11-8 Bassenthwaite, 100-30 Brown Bear Boy, 5-1 Carribean Song, 8-1 Isariot, 9-1 Secretary's Office, 10-1 Eecee Tree.

2.35 WAYFOONG MAIDEN FILLIES' STAKES £4,000 (2-Y-O) 7f (10 runners)

2 (5)	04	BETTINA PARK E Eldin 811	A MacKay
3 (1)		BOLD GIFT G Lewis 811	P Waldron
4 (3)		BRONTE (USA) B Hills 811	S Cauthen
6 (8)		CONSOLATION W Hern 811	W Carson
10 (2)		ENGLISH SPRING (USA) I Balding 811	Pat Eddery
12 (10)		ITSAMAZING (USA) G Harwood 811	G Starkey
13 (7)		KUWAITIAH D Laing 811	P Cook
14 (4)		LIFFEY ROSE R Hannan 811	A McGlone
19 (6)		SIFDAR GIRL Mrs J Reavey 811	M L Thomas
21 (9)		ULTERIOR MOTIVE J Dunlop 811	B Rouse

PROBABLE SP: 11-4 Consolidation, 100-30 Itsamazing, 5-1 Ulterior Motive, 6-1 Bronte, 7-1 Bettina Park, 8-1 English Spring, 10-1 Bold Gift, 16-1 others.

3.05 ROYAL HONG KONG JOCKEY CLUB TROPHY H'CAP £10,500 1m 2f (7 runners)

1 (5)	11141-1	BEDTIME (D) W Hern 4 10 2 (5 ex)	W Carson
5 (1)	010-200	BIG PAL (C-D) G Harwood 9 8 5	W Woods (5)
6 (3)	130-03	CHICAGO BID (USA) R Armstrong 3 8 5	S Cauthen
10 (4)	123212	MY TONY (C-D) G Lewis 4 8 2	M L Thomas
11 (7)	00-0041	BARE ESSENCE J Dunlop 3 8 0	B Thomson
13 (6)	1-23431	ADIYAMANN (D) R Houghton 3 7 10	P Robinson

BEVERLEY

SIX-YEAR RECORD

JOCKEYS: M Birch 39, E Hide 26, J Bleasdale 21, J Lowe 21, G Duffield 21, T Ives 18, P Cook 16, J Seagrave 13, M Wigham 12, E Johnson 12, S Perks 11, W Carson 10, W Swinburn 10. TRAINERS: M H Easterby 27, M Stoute 19, M W Easterby 17, R Hollinshead 17, C Thornton 14, E Weymes 12, J Dunlop 11, J Hardy 11, W O'Gorman 11, J Etherington 11, H Cecil 10, G Prichard-Gordon 10. DRAW: The higher numbers appear to have an advantage over 5 furlongs, although last season this didn't work out consistently.

6.45 RED AND YELLOW CANOPY H'CAP SELLING STAKES £1,000 (3-Y-O) 1m 2f (10 runners)

3 (5)	030121	BOLDERA D Chapman 9 9 (9 ex)	D Nicholls
4 (3)	0400-00	BRIGG MELODY A Smith 9 7	S Perks
7 (8)	2-02000	WINNING STYLE M H Easterby 9 6	M Birch
8 (6)	0-000	JOAN ADDISON M Tompkins 9 5	R Curant
9 (1)	021420	GAINVILLE LAD R Whitaker 9 5	J H Brown (5)
12 (9)	0000-00	LACEFIELD D Arbuthnot 9 0	M Hills
13 (7)	000-000	GENZYME GENE D Dale 8 12	A Bond
14 (2)	000-000	LOCHOW C Gray 8 10	S Webster
16 (10)	00-0323	TRENGALE M Camacho 8 10	N Connorton
19 (4)	000-000	VALDAMOSA T Kersey 8 5	A Proud

BLINKERS: 14, 16. PROBABLE SP: 9-4 Boldera, 3-1 Trengale, 4-1 Gainville Lad, 11-2 Laceyfield, 7-1 Winning Style, 10-1 Joan Addison, 14-1 others.

7.10 SHOP WINDOW FILLIES STAKES £1,250 (2-Y-O) 6f (8 runners)

1 (3)	0421	DIMANT BLANCHE (USA)(D) P Walwyn 9 1	J Mercer
2 (5)		KENTON'S GIRL (D) J Fitzgerald 9 1	W R Swinburn
4 (8)		BELLE MARINA M H Easterby 8 8	M Birch
5 (4)		BE LYRICAL G P Gordon 8 8	G Duffield
10 (1)		HYMNODY C Gray 8 8	S Webster
13 (6)		LA BLEU J Fitzgerald 8 8	B Coogan
20 (2)		SIBA W O'Gorman 8 8	T Ives
22 (7)		SKERNE BEGUM M Camacho 8 8	N Connorton

BLINKERS: 20. PROBABLE SP: 5-2 Kenton's Girl, 7-2 Siba and Dimant Blanche, 4-1 Be Lyrical, 8-1 Belle Marina, 12-1 Skerne Begum, 16-1 others.

7.35 GRANDWAYS HANDICAP STAKES £6,000 (3-Y-O) 1m (9 runners)

7 (5)	4-100	LONGCROSS M Stoute 9 7	W R Swinburn
8 (9)	322-120	REUVAL (D) B Hobbs 9 6	G Duffield
11 (3)	00-1141	BALAASH (USA)(C-D) J Hindley 9 4 (7 ex)	M Hills
12 (8)	03200-4	RICCA GIRL J Etherington 9 3	M Wood
14 (6)	040022	ALL FAIR R Whitaker 9 2	K Darley
18 (4)	00-2411	RIEVAUX RAVER (D) W Wharton 8 11 (7 ex)	W Ryan (3)
23 (1)	0010-00	AIRLING (C) M H Easterby 8 5	M Birch
24 (2)	301404	MUSIC WONDER (D) D Plant 8 5	B Coogan
25 (7)	000-000	ROCABAY BLUE M Camacho 7 10	J Lowe

PROBABLE SP: 11-4 Balash, 7-2 All Fair, 4-1 Longcross, 9-2 Rievax Raver, 6-1 Music Wonder, 8-1 Reuval, 10-1 others.

14 (2) 034321 SIKORSKY (USA) J Sutcliffe 4 7 10 T Williams (5)

BLINKERS: 13. PROBABLE SP: 100-30 Bare Essence, 4-1 Sikorsky, 5-1 My Tony and Bedtime, 7-1 Chicago Bid, 9-1 Adiyamann, 10-1 Big Pal.

3.40 GRE HANDICAP STAKES £7,000 (3-Y-O) 1m (8 runners)

1 (7)	211213-	ATTEMPT (C)(D) G Harwood 9 7	G Starkey
2 (1)	000020	KINGS ISLAND C Brittain 9 3	L Piggott
7 (6)	3042-0	PLAITS R Armstrong 8 7	S Cauthen
11 (4)	10-0002	COURTING SEASON (D) J Sutcliffe 8 1	B Thomson
13 (5)	30-0000	MAFOO'S IMAGE D Laing 8 0	P Cook
16 (8)	42-1230	HAFAEF (D) Thomson Jones 7 9	R Hills
19 (3)	000311	VICEROY LAD (D) R Hannan 7 8 (5 ex)	W Carson
22 (2)	10	ABSENT LOVER (D) P Mitchell 7 7	A McGlone

BLINKERS: 13, 19. PROBABLE SP: 2-1 Viceroi Lad, 9-4 Courting Season, 4-1 Attempt, 6-1 Hafeaf, 13-2 Plaits, 8-1 Kings Island, 10-1 Absent Lover, 12-1 Mafoo's Image.

4.10 JARDINE HANDICAP £7,000 5f (10 runners)

2 (9)	100401	SPARK CHIEF (USA)(D) F Durr 5 9 10 (7 ex)	G Starkey
3 (2)	003-012	CELESTIAL DANCER (D) A Hide 5 9 7	E Hide
4 (6)	343000	SINGING SAILOR (D) R Hannan 5 9 5	L Piggott
6 (4)	12-0010	ALPINE STRINGS (D) R Armstrong 3 9 2	S Cauthen
8 (10)	0-24001	HILTON BROWN (D) P Cundell 3 9 1 (7 ex)	S Whitworth (5)
10 (7)	1214-00	JEEMA (D) Thomson Jones 3 8 12	T Rogers
11 (3)	0-31000	ALEV (C-D) P Mitchell 5 8 10	A McGlone
13 (8)	3-04002	DERRY RIVER (D) D Laing 3 8 10	Pat Eddery
15 (5)	11-0340	SOUND OF THE SEA (C-D) W Wightman 3 8 5	B Rouse
16 (1)	0-00000	DUNANT (C-D) C Brittain 3 8 2	R Fox

BLINKERS: 11, 13. PROBABLE SP: 5-2 Celestial Dancer, 7-2 Spark Chief, 5-1 Singing Sailor, 6-1 Alpine Strings, 7-1 Hilton Brown, 9-1 Alev, 10-1 Derry River, 16-1 others.

4.40 YEAR OF THE RAT MAIDEN STAKES £3,500 (3-Y-O) 1m 6f (8 runners)

1 (1)	000-4	BEAT THE RETREAT C Horgan 9 0	P Cook
4 (8)	40-0000	BRIANS BOY W Guest 9 0	E Guest (5)
7 (4)	0000-	EASTERN LEGEND P Mitchell 9 0	A McGlone
11 (5)	03-4020	JAMESMEAD A Bailey 9 0	P Bloomfield (3)
13 (7)	00-220	MUSICAL BOX (BF) W Hern 9 0	W Carson
16 (3)	032	RHUSTED B Hills 9 0	S Cauthen
18 (6)	00-0	CELERITAS C Nelson 8 11	I Johnson
19 (2)	0-04	CORAL HEIGHTS C Brittain 8 11	P Robinson

BLINKERS: 4. PROBABLE SP: 11-8 Musical Box, 5-2 Rhusted, 5-1 Jamesmead, 8-1 Beat The Retreat, 10-1 Coral Heights, 12-1 Brians Boy, 16-1 others.

8.05 PRICELOW MAIDEN STAKES £1,000 (3-Y-O) 1m 4f (15 runners)

1 (14)	02-004	AGAINST THE GRAIN G P Gordon 9 0	G Duffield
5 (3)	00-0022	BRONSKI S Norton 9 0	J Lowe
8 (7)	00	DECRETO D Morley 9 0	M Birch
9 (12)	0	FAIRFAX KING KM Naughton 9 0	
11 (5)	0	HI HIGH L Cumani 9 0	R Guest
13 (2)	0-00	NON NOBIS P Cole 9 0	T Quinn
14 (11)	0-003	ROSSY FOR SPORT A Smith 9 0	S Webster
15 (13)	00-40	SHENSTONE (FR) B Hills 9 0	M Hills
17 (11)	0-	TERN M H Easterby 9 0	K Hodgson
20 (15)	00320	TYPO (USA) R Houghton 9 0	Paul Eddery
21 (8)	40	ACHAFALAYA (USA) M Stoute 8 11	W R Swinburn
28 (10)	2330-42	DASHING LIGHT D Morley 8 11	C Nutter
34 (6)	0-	RITZY GIRL W Wharton 8 11	W Wharton
35 (4)	00	R NANCY H Wharton 8 11	S Keightley
36 (9)	0-0	RUSSET (FR) P Walwyn 8 11	J Mercer

BLINKERS: 5, 20. PROBABLE SP: 2-1 Typo, 7-2 Dashing Light, 11-2 Achafalaya and Bronski, 6-1 Against The Grain, 10-1 Hi High and Russet, 14-1 others.

8.35 TROLLEY DASH STAKES £1,500 (2-Y-O) 7f (15 runners)

2 (6)	041	PAMPERED SON C A Bell 8 11	J Lowe
8 (9)		FLOATING LIGHT J Berry 8 6	S Horsfall (5)
9 (4)	00000	MANHATTAN BOY (BF) C Tinkler 8 6	M Birch
12 (14)	02	QUALITAIR BOY K Stone 8 6	C Dwyer
13 (2)	04	RECORD GIFT B Hanbury 8 6	P Hamblett
14 (11)		RELKO RULER D Plant 8 6	B Coogan
15 (5)		RIVER GAME (USA) B Hanbury 8 6	B Raymond
17 (12)	0	SIGNORE ODONE C Gray 8 6	W R Swinburn
19 (3)		TIMMINION K Stone 8 6	D Nicholls
21 (13)	040	VIDEO ROCKET R Hollinshead 8 6	S Perks
22 (10)	00	WET PAINT J Parkes 8 6	S Webster
24 (1)	00	CRAFTY POTTER W Bentley 8 3	A Bond
25 (7)	000	MA GIGI Hbt Jones 8 3	T Ives
27 (15)	0	SKERNE SPARK M Camacho 8 3	N Connorton
28 (8)	0000	TINGLE BELL M W Easterby 8 3	K Hodgson

PROBABLE SP: 9-4 Pampered Son, 11-4 Qualitair Boy, 4-1 Record Gift, 11-2 River Game, 10-1 Tingle Bell and Video Rocket, 14-1 others.

9.05 GRANDWAYS H'CAP CHECKOUT STAKES £1,500 1m 2f (11 runners)

1 (4)	301021	RAPID LAD (C-D) J Spearing 6 10 0	D Nicholls
2 (10)	112000	EASTFORM (C) D Chapman 4 10 0	S P Griffiths (7)
4 (3)	040-042	DHOFAR (D) G P Gordon 4 9 2	G Duffield
8 (2)	012201	SAN FERMIN (D) J Fitzgerald 5 8 4	B Coogan
9 (6)	0-30002	CASTELLITA R Houghton 3 8 3	Paul Eddery
11 (11)	000003	WAHED (C)(D) F Watson 9 7 9	M Fry
12 (9)	0-01000	LADY LOCKET (C) M Lambert 3 7 7	N Carlisle
15 (8)	000000	INDIAN CALL Hbt Jones 5 7 7	J Lowe
16 (7)	4-00003	WALK ALONG W Haigh 5 7 7	A Nesbitt
17 (1)	423-000	SALLAMETTI (USA) W Bentley 6 7 7	L Charnock
18 (5)	000001	BELLE VUE (D) R Hollinshead 11 7 9 (6 ex)	W Ryan (3)

BLINKERS: 15. PROBABLE SP: 5-2 Rapid Lad, 100-30 Castellita, 4-1 Eastform, 11-2 Dhofar, 13-2 San Fermin, 8-1 Belle Vue, 10-1 others.

SELECTIONS

SANDOWN: 2.00 Brown Bear Boy, 2.35 Consolation, 3.05 My Tony (n.b.), 3.40 Viceroi Lad, 4.10 Celestial Dancer (nap), 4.40 Musical Box
HAYDOCK: 2.15 Stock Hill Lass, 2.45 King Charlemagne, 3.15 Joy Ride, 3.50 Basta, 4.20 Edge of Town, 4.50 Lobbit
BEVERLEY: 6.45 Boldera, 7.10 Siba, 7.35 All Fair, 8.05 Typo, 8.35 Pampered Son, 9.05 Eastform

HAYDOCK

SIX-YEAR RECORD

JOCKEYS: W Carson 51, M Birch 26, B Raymond 23, J Lowe 20, T Ives 19, J Reid 17, Pat Eddery 16, P Cook 15, E Hide 15, S Cauthen 14, J Bleasdale 14, K Darley 13, G Duffield 12. TRAINERS: W Hern 25, R Hollinshead 22, R Houghton 19, M H Easterby 18, B Hills 16, M Jarvis 15, M Stoute 14, J Dunlop 13, W O'Gorman 12, H Cecil 11, P Cole 11. DRAW: Little significance.

2.15 SUMMER SELLING STAKES £1,500 (2-Y-O) 6f (8 runners)

2 (3)	00421	PAULS DELIGHT (D) N Tinkler 9 1	L Charnock
4 (7)	00000	ANAXLOON R Hollinshead 8 11	S Perks
5 (8)	002	CAN U AFFORD IT D H Jones 8 11	J Reid
7 (1)		CONTINENTAL HOUSE M H Easterby 8 11	M Birch
9 (5)		DRUMBARRA P Wigham 8 11	M Wigham
16 (6)	0	ILLUNEY GIRL M Lambert 8 8	D Oldham
19 (4)	00003	NAVANA D Ancil 8 8	Paul Eddery
22 (2)	3	STOCK HILL LASS M Blanshard 8 8	R Cochrane

PROBABLE SP: 7-4 Pauls Delight, 5-2 Stock Hill Lass, 5-1 Can U Afford It, 7-1 Navana, 9-1 Continental House, 12-1 Anaxloon, 16-1 others.

2.45 HOUGHTON GREEN HANDICAP STAKES £3,500 5f (7 runners)

2 (6)	0-00000	AMEGHINO (D) M McCourt 4 9 10	R Wernham
3 (4)	03-4203	ARDOX LAD (D) M Blanshard 4 9 9	N Adams (7)
5 (1)	200030	PHILSTAR (D) W Elsey 3 8 11	T Ives
6 (2)	010000	DURANDAL (C-D) D Wilson 7 8 9	W Ryan (3)
7 (5)	003014	KAREN'S STAR (D) D Chapman 7 8 9 (7 ex)	S P Griffiths (7)
8 (7)	40000-4	DREAM AGAIN (D) G Calvert 4 8 6	L Charnock
12 (3)	043121	KING CHARLEMAGNE (D) Mrs G Reveley 5 8 2 (7 ex)	A Shouls (7)

BLINKERS: 5. PROBABLE SP: 2-1 King Charlemagne, 7-2 Adrox Lad, 9-2 Ameghino, 6-1 Karen's Star, 8-1 Philstar, 10-1 Durandal, 14-1 Dream Again.

3.15 DARESBURY HANDICAP STAKES £3,500 1m 4f (3 runners)

1 (3)	011-220	JOY RIDE (C-D) B Hobbs 4 9 10	B Raymond
4 (2)	0-00200	SKI RUN (C-D) P Wigham 9 9 4	M Wigham
6 (1)	000-000	CHARLOTTE'S DUNCE M H Easterby 4 9 2	M Birch

PROBABLE SP: 3-1 on Joy Ride, 9-2 Charlotte's Dunce, 11-2 Ski Run.

3.50 PADDOCK HANDICAP STAKES £3,000 2m (8 runners)

2 (4)	00-0010	PATERNOSTER ROW D H Jones 5 9 8	J Reid
3 (3)	321-300	POWERSAVER LAD M Jarvis 4 9 5	B Raymond
5 (2)	10-0000	HI LOVE B Hills 4 8 12	M Hills
6 (5)	000000	VAL CLIMBER (USA) R Stubbs 6 8 11	D Nicholls
8 (8)	01-0043	BASTA (BF) R Hollinshead 5 8 7	W Ryan (3)
9 (1)	1100-00	CALVALIER SERVATE (C) P Wigham 6 8 7	M Wigham
11 (7)	0-2D341	HARLYN BAY (C-D) S Norton 3 8 1	J Lowe

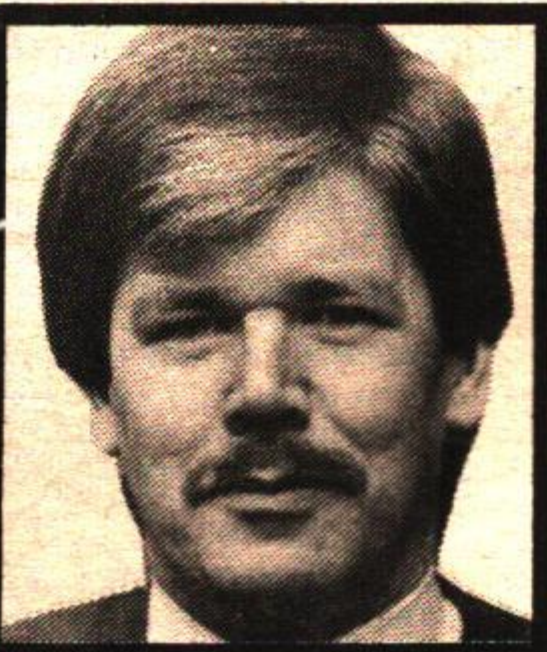
MEN'S SEMI-FINALS PREVIEW

WIMBLEDON SHOWDOWN

WIMBLEDON FORTNIGHT



**Matthew
Nugent
reports
from
Wimbledon**



Mac tips Connors for Sunday's final

JOHN MCENROE believes he will meet Jimmy Connors in Sunday's singles final at Wimbledon — but deep down, when the semi-finals are played today, he will be hoping that Ivan Lendl is there on the far end of court on final's day.

'A lot of you guys have written off Jimmy, but he's slipped through to the semi-finals without too much aggravation,'

Mac observed on Wednesday evening.

'If he's ever going to beat Lendl again then this is his best shot at it. He's playing well, is extremely determined, and wants another shot at the top spot in tennis. Jimmy should be able to master him on grass.'

Realistically, Lendl should beat Connors this afternoon — and that would set up one of the deadliest tennis showdowns in the past few years.

Exactly four weeks ago this Sunday, McEnroe took to the centre court at the Stade Roland Garros in Paris for a confrontation with Lendl in the French Open final.

The American started favourite, and justified his top seeding by rushing into a two-set lead.

But Lendl came back at him and Mac seemed to suffocate in the red dust flying around the blood-red clay court.

Lendl ended his run of defeats in Grand Slam finals and McEnroe wanted the ground to open up and bury him.

'I still feel that Paris this year is the bitterest moment of my career so far,' he said this week. 'I just choked in the fourth set. The surface and the blazing sun took so much out of me.'

'Cash has done well in the past fortnight. He's a good, aggressive player. He will be no pushover,' Mac said of his opponent.

'But if I continue to play the way I have — and concentrate on MY game and not his, then I feel I'm capable of going to the final on Sunday.'

While he still backs Connors to reach the final, Mac added: 'It will be a tough match. Lendl would appear to have gotten over his phobia on grass, but I still go for Jimmy.'

'Connors is a great fighter. If you back him into a corner he'll just snarl like a wounded cat and come straight back at



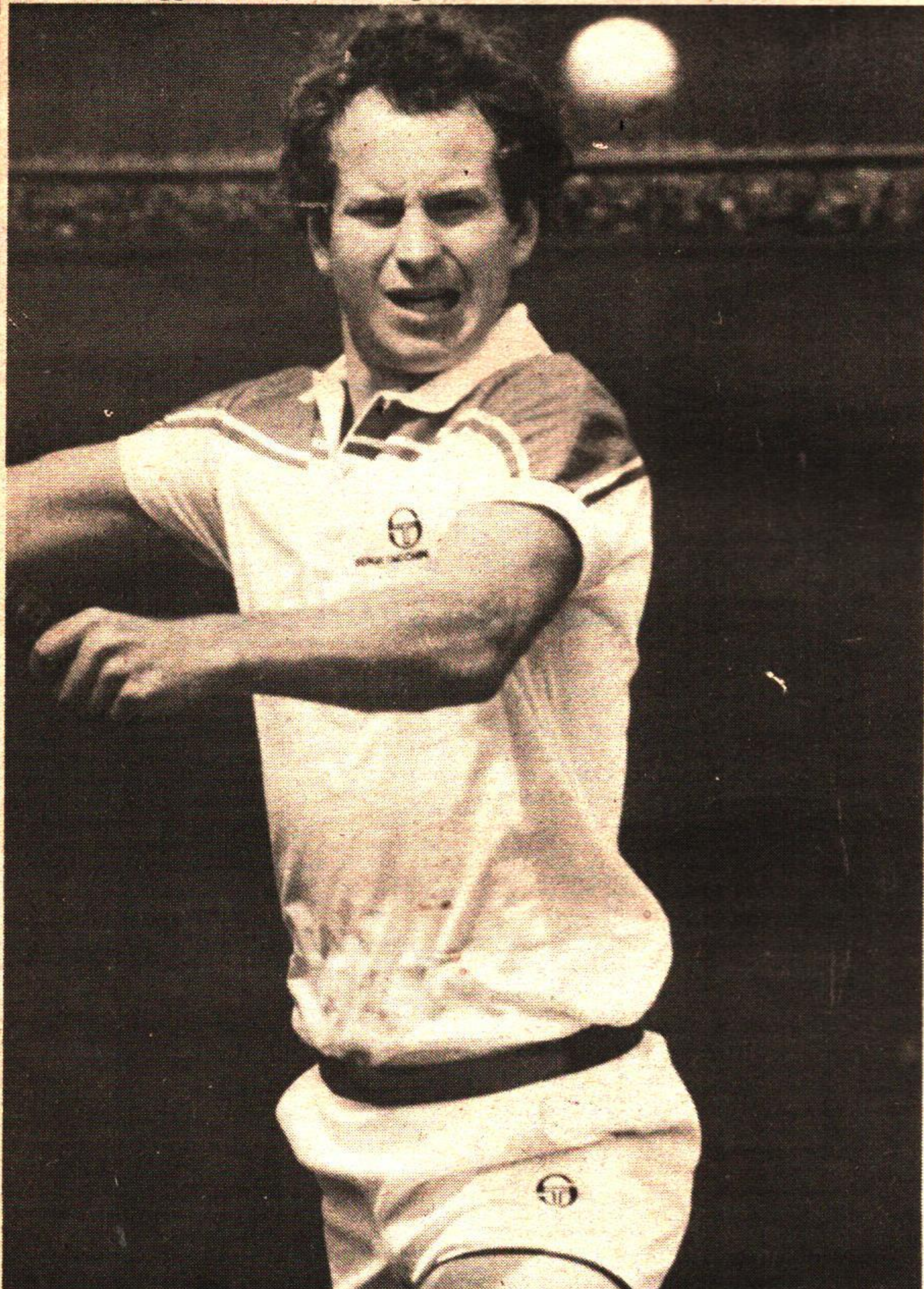
IVAN LENDL . . . Should overcome Connors on form, but on grass it's a different ball game

you. That's when he is at his most dangerous.'

Whoever McEnroe meets in the final — and it would take a miracle or two for Cash to replace

him there — it's bound to be quite a match.

The kind of confrontation to waken up the lazy Wimbledon village just down the road.



JOHN MCENROE . . . Eager to put the record straight against Ivan Lendl if they both get through to Sunday's final



'But that's not an excuse for what happened. I let the match slip away from ME. It was lost because I lost concentration and let Lendl back into the match. That, more than anything else, hurts a whole lot — even now.'

Now Mac stands just a centre court appearance away from a possible revenge match — but that is a description he doesn't like to be put on his possible clash with Lendl.

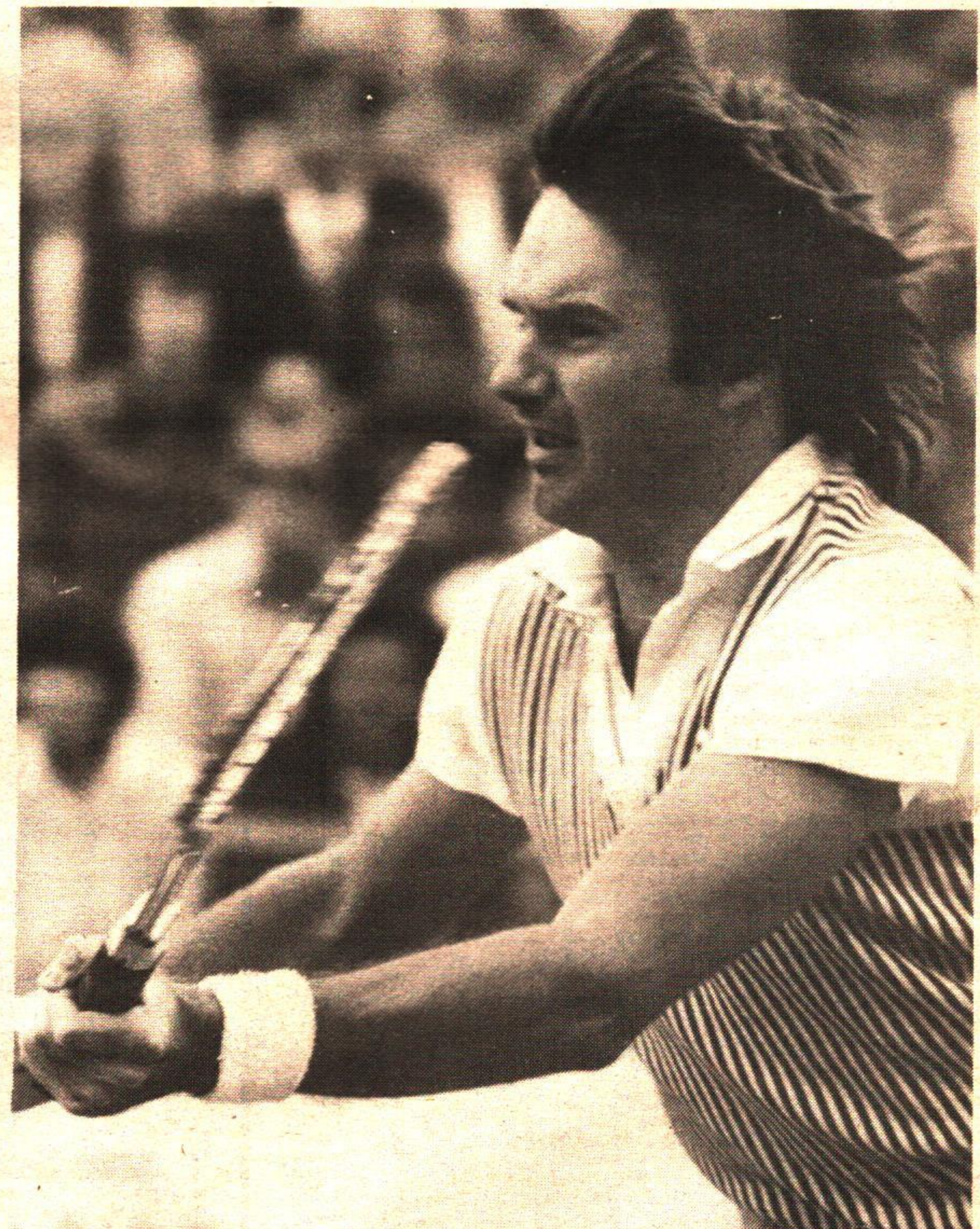
'There is no revenge attached to it at all,' he stressed. 'All I want to do is go out there and put the record straight — I'm the No.1 player in the world right now.'

'The only enemy I have had on court this year has been myself. If I lose then the person to start looking at for the answers is me — not a psychiatrist, psychologist or the player who has beaten me.'



'I feel that my tennis this year is possibly the best I have ever played so consistently. I feel that I'm reaching the stage where I will peak. The next 18 months or so should see me attain that level.'

Right now, however, the young Australian Pat Cash has to be dispatched this afternoon before McEnroe begins to prepare for his fifth Wimbledon singles final.



JIMMY CONNORS . . . You can't write off Jimmy yet, says McEnroe

Sports Line

Judy can't disguise hopes

BY AN ATHLETICS CORRESPONDENT

JUDY Simpson (formerly Livermore) has taken a year off from her studies at Birmingham Polytechnic to concentrate on the Los Angeles Olympics.

The 23-year-old sociology student from Nuneaton believes the time has been well spent as she prepares for the heptathlon event — the toughest women's athletic programme in the games.

'I'm fitter and stronger than ever before. I have had a quiet start to the season but I didn't expect to produce anything spectacular at this stage because I want to reach a peak in Los Angeles,' said Mrs Simpson.

Less than a year ago she was led crying from the Helsinki World Championships after failing to register a legal throw in the javelin — only one of the seven disciplines in her event.

She showed tremendous strength of character by returning to the stadium arena to complete in the individual 100-metres hurdles and reached the semi-finals.

'I was really upset when I failed in the javelin. It was a real kick in the teeth after all the hard work I'd put in, but I just put it down to bad luck.'

'But I didn't have time to dwell on it because I

had to go out and run in the hurdles, which proved a good thing,' she added.

After the Championship Judy again showed commendable resilience by breaking the Commonwealth record while in Bulgaria with 6,353 points and said: 'At least I salvaged something from the season.'

'I'm confident I can improve on that points total, but haven't set myself any particular targets.'



Prior to the withdrawal of the eastern European countries, Judy felt she would have to perform exceptionally well to finish in the top six.

Now with the East Germans, who dominate the heptathlon, the Soviets and Bulgarians all out she knows a medal is within her grasp.

She has spent three months in north America this last winter for the first time in her career and trained at the University of Arizona in Tucson.

There she stepped up the work in her weaker events — the 200 metres, javelin and shot putt.

'If I had stayed in Britain it would have been impossible for me to put in the work I needed on those events so the trip was a great help,' she said.

Now, in Los Angeles, Judy has to beat West German Sabine Braun, new United States record holder Jackie Joyner and Commonwealth champion Glynis Nunn.

'Obviously Joyner must be the favourite after recording 6,520 in their trials but it is still a case of putting it all together over two days.'

'I know I should win a medal, but it is a question

of which one. I'm not sure if I'm ready to take the gold but I'm due for a few personal bests and if that happens I may surprise myself,' she added.



The roar of a large crowd always lifts the long-legged all rounder, who admits: 'I detest training but I know I have to stick at it so that I can really enjoy competition because that is the fun part.'

Judy is Britain's outstanding heptathlete and booked her Olympic place with an easy win in the UK Championships in May.

Whatever happens, Judy, with her startling beaded hair and good looks, is sure to cause a stir in the Coliseum Stadium on August 3-4.



JUDY SIMPSON (left), pictured in battle with Britain's specialist 100 metres hurdles selection Shirley Strong, is looking for a medal in Los Angeles

BRABHAM LOOK FOR NELSON'S TOUCH

A MONTH ago Nelson Piquet's chances of retaining his world Formula 1 driver's title looked remote. He had failed to score a point in the first six Grand Prix of the season.

But since then the charismatic Brazilian's fortunes have changed dramatically and on Sunday in the bustling city of Dallas he will be seeking his third successive circuit victory.

His year took off with a win in the Canadian GP and he kept the momentum going by swopping his badly damaged Brabham for his back-up car after a pile-up in the

first moments of the Detroit GP to double his opening nine points.

Piquet, however, still faces a sizeable task in his bid to overhaul world championship leader Alain Prost.

Wins

The little Frenchman's McLaren earned him three wins and a second place in his first six races and a total of 34.5 points leaves him some way clear of his team-mate Niki Lauda of Austria, who has 24 points.

In third place is Elio de Angelis of Italy. He has raced consistently well in his Renault-engined Lotus, managing to take

the chequered flag in seven of the eight races so far this term.

A major factor in Sunday's race will be how the Brabham and McLaren teams, which have both adopted proven turbo engines, will cope with the untried Dallas circuit and the furnace-like conditions in the Texan city that sits plumb in the middle of the north American sunbelt.

The deal to bring Formula 1 racing to Dallas has been worked out only in the past 18 months, and construction crews worked feverishly for almost 11 weeks to complete the 2.5-mile circuit built amongst the 1920s art-deco-styled State Fair

Park buildings.

The cars will start off along a fast straight, slowing down through a series of bends and a hairpin. Then comes a fast section with a couple of chicanes, followed by a curve into a long, fast straight featuring another chicane.

The cars will sweep around a left-hand curve that precedes a second hairpin, before swinging around a right-hand bend to the finish line.

Quick

Preliminary test runs suggest that the course is quick and smooth and that cars will race the track somewhere in the average region of 100 mph.

Although the first part of the season has been dominated by the McLarens and Brabhams, several other teams have emerged as strong contenders for the manufacturers' title.

The Ferrari camp has

collected points in only five races, but one of those was a first-place finish by Michele Alboreto of Italy in the Belgian GP.

Rene Arnoux of France, the other Ferrari hopeful, who was placed second in the Italian GP, is currently in fifth place in the championship standings with 16.5 points.

Britain's Derek Warwick is in sixth place with 13 points, even though his Renault has completed only three races.

Keke Rosberg of Finland stands seventh with 11 points, but it has been a disappointing season for the former world champion. His new Honda-turbo-powered Williams continues to defy the mechanics and remains inconsistent.

Since finishing runner-up in the opening race of the season, the Brazilian GP Rosberg has since dropped out with mechanical trouble in four races.

British opt for battle say Australians

AUSTRALIAN Rugby League coach Frank Stanton believes the British selectors have chosen a team aimed at physical provocation for tomorrow's third and final Test at the Sydney cricket ground.

Stanton feels Britain's inclusion of three powerful forwards in the pack indicates they are hoping to draw his team into open physical clashes.

Britain announced their final line-up for the Test yesterday and included props David Hobbs and Brian Case and lock Mick Adams.

Case replaces the injured Lee Crooks while front-row forward Keith Rayne has been relegated to the reserve bench. Veteran Adams replaces Mick Worrall, who underwent minor knee surgery on Wednesday.

Stanton said of the selection: 'Those three players have all committed misdemeanours in the past so I expect they're there to draw us into retaliation.'

'But we won't be in it. We'll go into this Test with the same approach we carried into the others — to play football.'

Hobbs was the second-half replacement sent off in the first Test for elbowing an opponent.

He was suspended for two matches and fined. The incident left Australian hooker Greg Conescu unconscious and minus a tooth.

Allegations about elbows and over vigorous play in the second Test have heightened speculation that Australia will seek revenge tomorrow, now the series has been decided with Australia leading the rubber 2-0.

But the British camp has continually played down suggestions that the third Test will be a bloodbath — and Stanton agrees.

Australian rugby league president Ken Arthurson met both teams' management on Wednesday night.

The Britain team for the Test against Australia tomorrow: Mick Burke, Des Drummond, Garry Schofield, Keith Mumby, Ellery Hanley, Tony Myler, Neil Holding, Mick Adams, Andy Goodway, Chris Burton, David Hobbs, Brian Noble, Brian Case. Reserves: Mike Smith and Keith Rayne.

New rule re-spotted!

YESTERDAY'S reported change in soccer's indirect free-kick rule by FIFA, relates only to the goal area and not the whole penalty area.

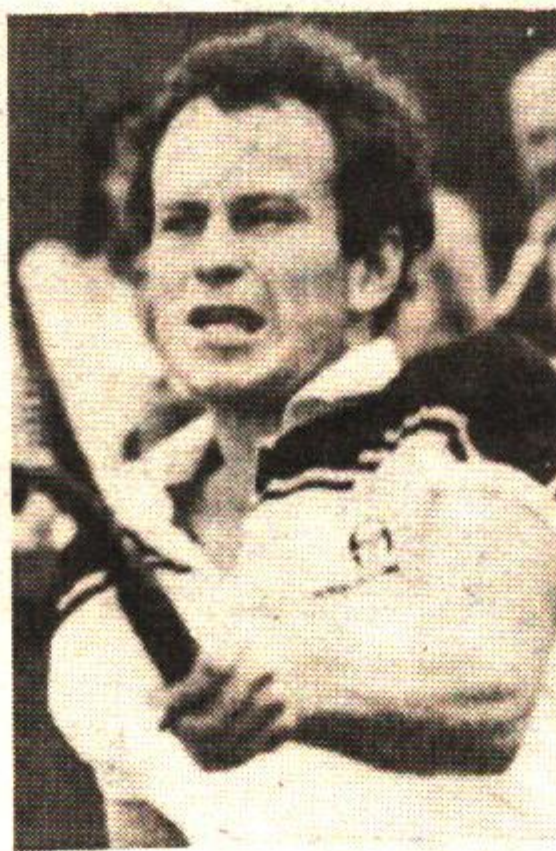
Indirect free-kicks awarded to attacking teams inside the goal area will no longer be taken from the place where the offence is com-

mitted, but moved back to the six-yard line.

The rule will be introduced as from July 25, so as to avoid overcrowding in the goal area.

Wimbledon showdown

Read John McEnroe's views on page 14



WIMBLEDON FORTNIGHT

'OLD FIRM' FINAL

Martina and Chris set up their fourth Wimbledon Final clash

MARTINA NAVRATILOVA and Chris Evert-Lloyd, the top two women's players for the past decade, trounced their respective opponents in the singles semi-finals here at Wimbledon yesterday.

Navratilova, the defending champion and No.1 seed, defeated American Kathy Jordan, seeded fifth, 6-3, 6-4, while Evert-Lloyd, the No.2 seed, clobbered the surprisingly sluggish Czech Hana Mandlikova, seeded three, 6-1, 6-2.

While Jordan offered at least token resistance against the power and skill of Navratilova, Mandlikova never once reached the heights that had seen her crush all opposition in straight sets on the way to the semi-finals.

However, no matter how badly Mandlikova did perform yesterday, it has to be said that Evert-Lloyd has never looked sharper and more eager for victory — and afterwards she told the press that comments made by Mandlikova had 'stoked her up'.

'Hana has been going around talking about a match on Saturday with Martina — and she hadn't even played me in the semi-finals. That got my back up a bit and I just went out there today determined to beat her,' Evert-Lloyd said.

Determination was just one of the factors that saw the 1981 champion home yesterday.

She chased every ball down and had her opponent so disillusioned that the match lasted only 44 minutes — the shortest singles contest played at Wimbledon so far in these Championships.

Mandlikova won the first game on serve, but then didn't win another until the fourth in the second set.

Evert-Lloyd broke her opponent for the first time in the third game. Mandlikova was finding the length on her service, but Evert-Lloyd was returning so well and going for winners that the 22-year-old Czech never had a chance.

Mandlikova looked listless at times. Maybe the memory of her 1981 final



CHRIS EVERT-LLOYD

drubbing at the hands of yesterday's opponent was just too much for her.

However, that day Mandlikova had the excuse of being a fresh-faced teenager, new to the nerves that can befall

SHORTLY after yesterday's semi-finals Hana Mandlikova was fined \$500 by the Women's Tennis Association for refusing to give a press conference, which breaks one of their rules.

The player also came in for severe criticism from Martina Navratilova, who said: 'Hana has no respect for anyone and it is time she started showing some.'

Navratilova also claimed there was no liking for Mandlikova by the other players.

'When she first came on the circuit she asked me for advice. I tried to help her but somewhere along the line she has got bitter and does not seem to like anyone,' Navratilova added.

a player in a big match on Wimbledon's centre court.

The final game of the first set epitomised Evert-Lloyd's aggressiveness yesterday.

With Mandlikova serving to stay in the first set, her opponent hit a wonderful backhand winner that hugged the line all the way down the court once it had beaten



Matthew Nugent reports from Wimbledon

the despairing reach of the Czech.

The nightmare continued for Mandlikova in the second set.

Evert-Lloyd broke her in the second game first with a magnificently accurate lob that fell just inside the baseline and then a wonderful cross court drop shot that Mandlikova didn't even bother to attempt to return.

And befitting her impressive performance, Evert-Lloyd broke Mandlikova again in the final game to win the set — and match — in just 23 minutes, just two longer than it took her to capture the first.

Navratilova took a little longer to defeat Jordan, a fighter no matter how

prepared to take her on at the net.

This led to some curiously funny rallies with both players standing less than a few yards apart and the ball being volleyed at high speed across the net.

Jordan did win a glorious point in one such skirmish, but overall she was a little too hesitant at times in coming into the net — and that's plain suicidal against Navratilova.

The defending champion pounced on her opponent's indecision and sprayed lobs, drop shots and volleyed winners all over the court as she unfurled her full repertoire — a timely notice for Evert-Lloyd.

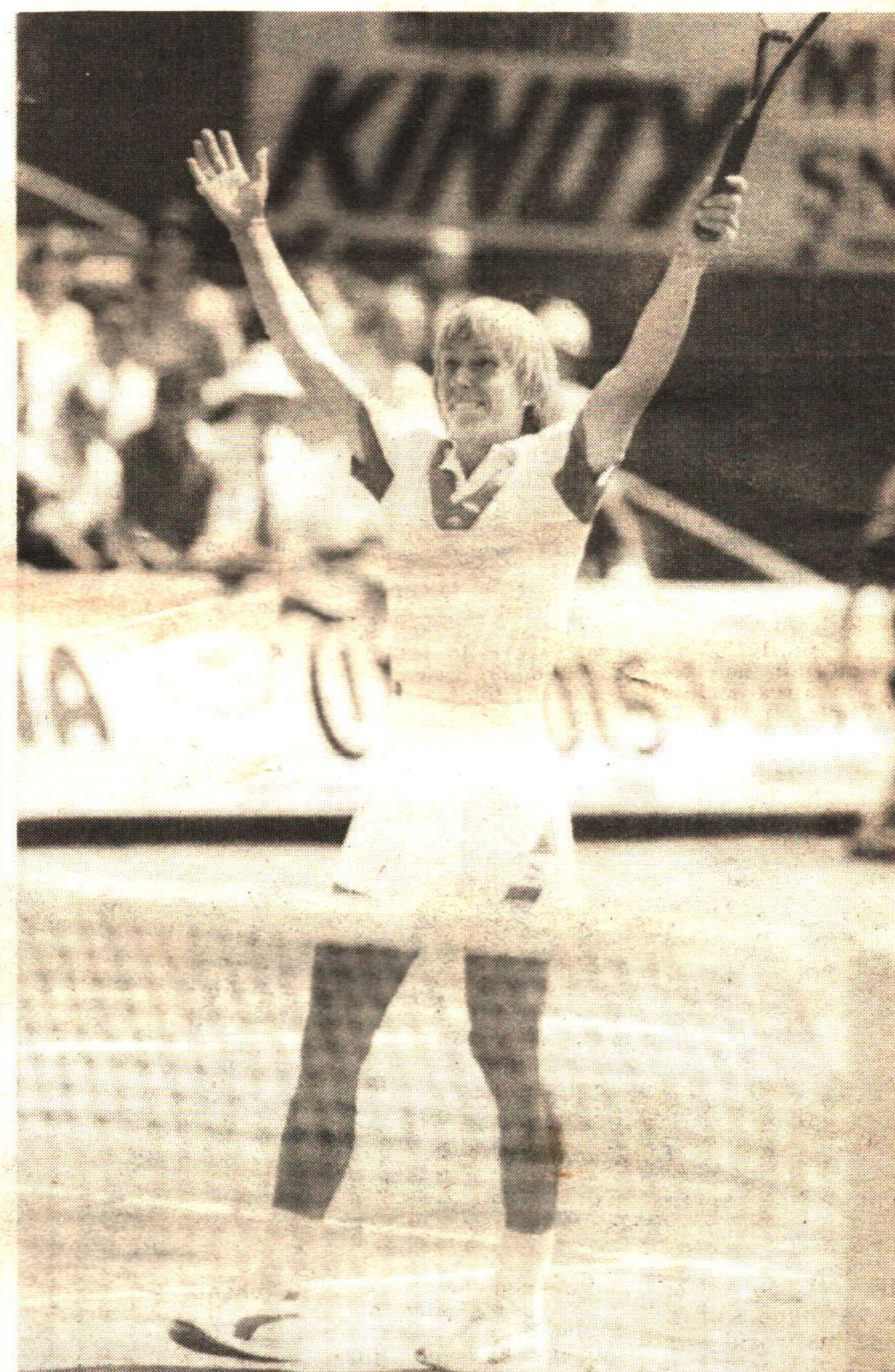
Before yesterday's semi-finals, many at Wimbledon thought that a final involving the reigning champion and Mandlikova would grace any Grand Slam tournament.

But on yesterday's showing, Evert-Lloyd is far from a spent force. She has promised to attack Navratilova tomorrow. 'I can't let Martina dominate the net,' she said.

It should be a very interesting final now that Evert-Lloyd has got her appetite back.

GEORGINA CLARK, the line judge whom Ivan Lendl called 'blind and deaf' during his match with Tomas Smid, will umpire the women's singles final tomorrow.

It is the first time that a woman has been nominated to umpire any Wimbledon final and it must be considered something of a surprise choice following the controversy over the Lendl match.



MARTINA NAVRATILOVA . . . Just too good for Kathy Jordan

WIMBLEDON RESULTS

WOMEN'S SINGLES

Holders:
Martina Navratilova (USA)
(Seeds in bold)
SEMI-FINALS: C Evert Lloyd (USA) bt H Mandlikova (Czech) 6-1, 6-2; M Navratilova (USA) bt K Jordan (USA) 6-3, 6-4.

MEN'S DOUBLES

Holders:
Peter Fleming and John McEnroe (USA)
(Seeds in bold)
QUARTER-FINALS: P Cash and P McNamee (Aust) bt M R Edmondson (Aust) and S E Stewart (USA) 6-3, 3-6, 4-6, 7-5, 13-11.
SEMI-FINALS: P Fleming and J P McEnroe (USA) bt A A Mayer and F Taygan

(USA) 7-6, 7-6, 6-4; P Cash and P McNamee (Aust) bt P Doohan and M T Fancutt (Aust) 6-1, 3-6, 6-3, 6-7, 7-6.

MIXED DOUBLES

Holders:
John Lloyd (GB) and Wendy Turnbull (Aust)
(Seeds in bold)
SECOND ROUND: A Giammalva and S A Walsh (USA) bt P Rennert (USA) and C Tanvier (Fra) 7-5, 7-5; S E Stewart (USA) and E M Sayers (Aust) bt C Motta and C C Monteiro (Bra) 6-3, 3-6, 6-0.
THIRD ROUND: K Curren (SA) and A Temesvari (Hun) bt M C Strobe (USA) and R D Fairbank (SA) 6-1, 7-6; A Giammalva and S A Walsh (USA) bt R L Stockton and A E Smith (USA) 6-2, 6-1.