

PYM PLAN DISMISSED

A SENIOR Cabinet minister last night described as 'rubbish' the idea put forward by former Foreign Secretary Francis Pym that social services should be privatised and the poor given money instead.

Pym's proposal, aimed at cutting public spending, came during a speech to the Commons on Tuesday which was interpreted as a criticism of Thatcher's policies. Government ministers were at pains to point out that Pym was even further to the right than they are

DuCANN LOSES 1922 CHAIR

CRANLEY ONSLOW, MP for Woking, defeated Edward Du Cann to win the chairmanship of the backbench Tory 1922 committee last night. Onslow won on the fourth ballot by 117 votes to 94 after the other three candidates had been eliminated.

Last year Du Cann gained a two-to-one victory over Onslow, who has an intelligence background and is a former Minister of State at the Foreign Office. Du Cann had held the post for a record 12 years.

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MINERS' LEADERS TO BUILD WIDER SUPPORT FOR STRIKE

IT'S FIRMER THAN DAY ONE

FROM SIMON VEVERS IN SHEFFIELD

THE NUM executive yesterday voted unanimously to hold rallies in every town and village in the mining communities to build wider support for the strike now in its 36th week.

The 24-man executive unanimously reaffirmed its backing for the strike, again rejected calls for a ballot and decided to step up its campaign for support from the labour and trade union movement.

Speaking to reporters after the meeting, NUM president Arthur Scargill reiterated his call for industrial action by workers both directly and indirectly connected with the coal industry. Asked to comment on the attacks made on NUM pickets by Labour leader Neil Kinnock and TUC general secretary Norman Willis, Scargill said he was not prepared to get drawn 'into a slanging match between different sections of the labour and trade union movement'.

He added: 'I want to unify the movement and get the widest possible support. I hope the TUC recognises that this is a fight not just on behalf of the NUM and its membership but a fight on behalf of the entire trade union movement.'

'I hope the TUC General Council will do all in its power to assist this union to win the fight to defend pits, jobs and mining communities.'

Rigged

He hit back at the Thatcher government's 'back to work' propaganda. 'The Coal Board's back-to-work figures simply don't make sense,' he said and pointed to the glaring discrepancy in the NCB's rigged figures.

In mid-June and July the Board crowed that 60,000 men were at work. Now, with the 'back-to-work' crusade supposedly in full swing, the NCB claims a total of only 57,000 crossing picket lines.

'We have 140,000 men on strike and about 40,000 at work. Our position is not materially different than on day one,' said Scargill.

The union executive also resolved that in view of 'statements of support from a wide range of organisations, including the churches, it is agreed that the national union meet representatives of these organisations to explain the union's position'.

NUM vice president Mick McGahey said that a top-level union delegation headed by TUC general secretary Norman Willis would soon be visiting Holland to try and tighten an embargo on imported scab coal, particularly from Poland.

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MINERS' president Arthur Scargill, flanked by vice-president Mick McGahey (left) and national secretary Peter Heathfield telling the press yesterday of the union's determination to fight for support among the widest sections of the labour and trade union movement

THATCHER TAUNTS KINNOCK

PRIME Minister Thatcher yesterday reiterated her praise for scabs in the miners' strike, but refused even at the prompting of her own backbenchers, to say a good word for the strikers.

She also heaped praise on TUC general secretary Norman Willis, saying she was 'delighted that there was such a forthright condemnation of violence' from a man she described as 'a very distinguished trade unionist'.

She sneered at Labour leader Neil Kinnock that he had not had the guts to face the strikers but instead had echoed Willis's words from a safe distance.

Kinnock urged her to meet the leaders of the NUM now that the production losses due to the

WILLIS DID HIS DIRTY WORK

By JOHN SPENCER our political correspondent

strike were so much higher than the 4 million cut-back demanded by the board before the strike.

But she replied that the NACODS settlement was the only basis for a deal with the NUM.

Desertion

In reponse to Dr David Owen, who sought a guarantee that there would be no further 'concessions' to the NUM, the Prime Minister said: 'The NCB can move no further'.

Owen had earlier compared the Labour leaders who were deserting the miners with 'rats leaving a

sinking ship'. Given Owen's own record of desertion, this produced laughter and prolonged uproar with Dennis Skinner pointing at Owen and shouting: 'King Rat'.

Asked by right-wing Tory Tony Marlow to express her 'pride in the breed of men who man our pits', Thatcher could find words of praise only for the blacklegs.

She said: 'I welcome the condemnations of violence that have occurred and I regret that they are not all universal.'

When the strike was over, she said the government would have to 'build on mature, responsible

and constructive leadership' in the pits.

Sources close to Kinnock were obviously stung by Thatcher's jibe about his lack of 'guts'. The sources said afterwards that he had consistently condemned 'violence' from the very beginning, before all sorts of audiences.

Kinnock now appears to accept however, that there is no chance of the NUM accepting his demands for a national ballot, with the strike nine months old and the union executive opposed.

The Labour leader will be meeting miners' lodges in his constituency at their invitation on his return from next week's visit to Moscow to account for his recent statements on the strike.

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Sharon sues over slaughter story

NEW YORK — Israeli Minister of Industry and Commerce Ariel Sharon, the former Defence Minister, in a second day of testimony at the New York district court yesterday denied any role in the slaughter of Palestinians in Beirut following the 1982 invasion.

Sharon, 56, claims that a 'Time' magazine cover story in February 1983 falsely accused him of instigating the Christian Falan-

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gist massacre of at least 500 people at Sabra and Shatila camps in September 1982.

'Time's' lawyer Tomas Barr ridiculed the claim — Sharon terms it 'blood libel' — saying the general had read too much into a single paragraph in a four-page story on the official Israeli inquiry into the massacre.

The paragraph said 'Time' had learned that Sharon had discussed the need for revenge with the family of assassinated Lebanese Falangist President-elect Bashir Gemayel two days before the slaughter.

Under US law, Sharon must prove not only that a story is false but also that it was published with disregard for the truth or with

malice. He is suing for \$50 million.

The defence lawyer has also accused Sharon and the Israeli government of having acted either 'together or in concert' to ban two senior Israeli military officers from testifying 'to have the case tried on a canvas devoid of critical evidence'.

Barr used a slide projector to show dozens of press

clippings from around the world that described Sharon as 'Israel's Minister of Death' and other unflattering terms.

He said the 'Time' article was far less harsh than others written about him for which he did not sue.

'Time' has submitted 6,500 pages of documentation. Testimony by its employees has already run to more than 4,000 pages.

Asbestos hazards ignored

THE government has failed to act and deal with the hazards of asbestos, a conference heard yesterday.

Delegates from local councils, the asbestos industry and campaign groups attended the Greater London Council-funded conference and exhibition, 'Asbestos, A National Problem'.

There were reports on regulatory controls, asbestos in schools, asbestos housing hazards, removal, asbestos and people, compensation, tenants' campaigns and disposal.

Representatives came from anti-asbestos campaigns, borough councils, government bodies,

BY PENNY BLOOR

manufacturers and removal firms.

Evidence presented by Nancy Tait, from the Society for the Prevention of Asbestos Diseases (SPAID), said there had been a bitter fight for asbestos to be recognised as a major environmental problem, not only a hazard for those working in asbestos factories.

Reports and recommendations as early as 1968 from the Department of Health and Social Security were vetoed by government departments.

'I think we would all agree that, had these re-

commendations been acted on, we would not need to be here today.'

Her detailed report — citing many case histories — shows death statistics have been 'ridiculously inaccurate' and outlines major problems in getting industrial disablement benefits or compensation for victims and their relatives.

Initiative

She said: 'I hope the GLC initiative and today's conference will secure a planned programme to deal with the asbestos in our environment.'

Good methods of pain control were needed for victims, along with improved methods of diagnosis and treatment, sympathetic doctors and expert legal advice.

'They do not deserve: DHSS and Pneumococcal Medical Panel Red Tape, out of date methods, delays, inefficiency and obstruction. Unfortunately, these are too often their lot.'

Richard Rieser, staff side representative of the GLC-ILEA joint working party on asbestos, said there was no safe level for asbestos.

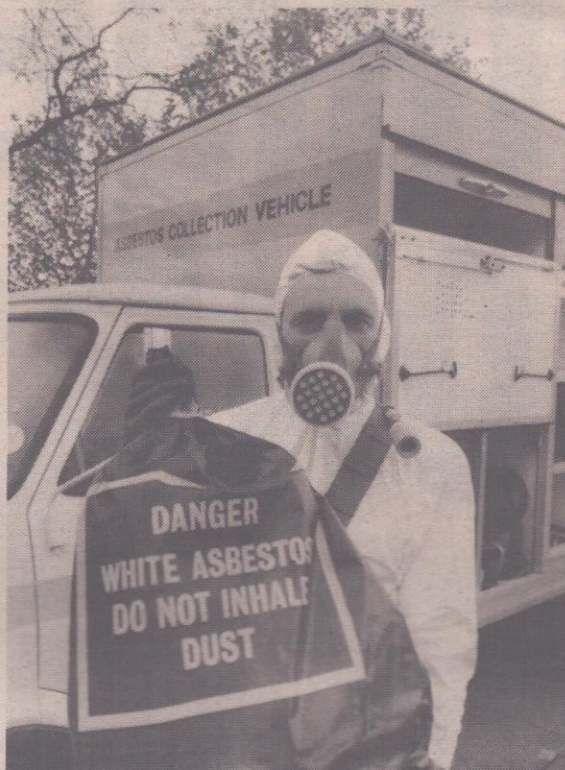
Removal

Hackney teachers, by taking strike action and refusing to work in buildings containing asbestos, had played a major part in convincing the ILEA to launch a schools removal programme.

At least two thirds of 28,000 schools in England and Wales contained a sizeable amount of asbestos.

He warned of the danger of cowboy firms being used for removal, pointing out the inadequacy of existing licensing rules.

A top figure could not be put on the cost of re-



GLC scientist, Graham Lee, with the GLC specially-equipped asbestos collection vehicle outside the Purcell Room, SE1, where yesterday's conference was held

moving asbestos in London's schools. An original estimate of £50 million was clearly too small.

'It is like opening a can of worms once you start looking,' he said. 'But you have to go forward.'

Pat Kinnesley, of the GLC-funded London Hazard Centre, said asbestos was in most homes.

He had recently visited a 23rd-floor flat to look at a grill on a heating system suspected of containing the substance.

He found that the whole flat was made of asbestos! 'They are living in an asbestos box,' he said. 'The reason is that it is a cheap lining material. The council has agreed to replace the grill but leave everything else.'

Arguments about 'risk factors' simply ignored what it felt like to live in such a place. 'Do we have to use the criterion of death?' he asked. Removal itself posed many dangers unless carried out with the strictest of control.

Problem

An Asbestos Manifesto, drawn up by the GLC and endorsed by the conference, calls for an end to asbestos production; quantification of the problem; a national 'make safe policy'; money to do the job; special immediate grants from local councils; powers of prosecution and compensation and safe permanent asbestos disposal.

SOGAT strike

FOUR women are picketing the Merseyside district office of SOGAT 82 demanding a full investigation into 'irregularities' in the running of the union's affairs.

The women, all members of SOGAT 82, went on strike last week after two of them had been arbitrarily demoted.

Three days ago while on the picket line they were sacked.

One of the sacked strikers, Mrs Denise Parr, said they were receiving tremendous support from other trade unionists in the Merseyside area as well as from the Labour Party.

Safety men pull out

BY CHRIS CORRIGAN

A CONFRONTATION was underway last night at Scotland's Castlehill colliery, where one major face has already been declared 'lost' earlier in the strike.

'We decided enough was enough and we have withdrawn safety cover from the pit,' said local NUM strike committee member Sam Cowie.

Coal board management has delivered a letter to the NUM saying the strike committee is endangering the colliery and the complex.

The main face at the pit is 'unrecoverable,'

according to the coal board, following a previous confrontation there. Castlehill is very close to Bogside Mine, another part of Longannet, which was allowed to flood last year.

Yesterday morning, eight scabs went into Castlehill, which is part of the Longannet mining complex.

'Management claimed there was nobody working down the pit,' said Cowie. 'But we knew the eight were down the pit and were being supervised by BACM members, which is a NACODS job.'

The case for the expulsion of the EETPU

COMMENT

By Paul Feldman

THE electricians' union EETPU must be expelled from the TUC for deciding to accept money from the Tory government to finance the implementation of the ballot provisions of anti-union laws.

The right-wing EETPU leaders are in flagrant breach of Congress policies, which are for non-compliance with Tory legislation aimed at smashing trade unions rights.

No union so far has taken Tory cash because to do so means the abandonment of independent trade unions.

What the Thatcher Bonapartist dictatorship demands are trade unions which are virtually company unions integrated in a corporatist manner into the capitalist state machine.

That is what is behind the Tories' attempt to destroy the National Union of Mineworkers, using the full force of the state.

Unions like the EETPU who ask for money from the capitalist state capitulate to the corporatist drive of the Thatcher regime.

Eric Hammond and the EETPU leadership bring the state right into the affairs of the union by accepting every clause of the anti-union laws, and the money for their implementation.

The corporatism of the EETPU's decision is clearly seen in Hammond's attempt to join the employers' organisation, the Confederation of British Industry.

The union was the first to appear at a CBI event and the leadership obviously feels its affinity is with the employers rather than with the trade unions organised in the TUC.

The EETPU has made a number of no-strike agreements with employers, conceding the fundamental right to withdraw labour established as the basis of trade unionism.

Guiding the union's public drive into the arms of the Tories is leading SDP member John Grant, the EETPU's communications director.

Retiring general secretary Frank Chapple urged Islington voters to back Grant against the official Labour candidate in last year's general election.

Grant believes that the trade unions are in a 'downward spiral' into 'irreversible irrelevance'. This reactionary attack on the TUC must be taken up at the next General Council.

In 1971 the TUC expelled a number of unions who registered under Heath's hated Industrial Relations Act.

The EETPU's repudiation of Congress policies must be dealt with in a similar fashion. The union must be thrown out of the TUC!

It's firmer than Day One

● FROM PAGE 1

Anticipated moves by some right-wing executive members to seek a national ballot never materialised. And Scargill rejected Labour deputy leader Roy Hattersley's demand that NUM leaders should put the NCB's 'final' ultimatum on closures to a pit-head vote.

He said: 'Our union has consulted its members more and more frequently than possibly any other trade union in Britain. We

have had a number of special conferences to decide on policy. We're acting in the interests of our members.'

Scargill said the NUM remained willing to negotiate, but only on the understanding that the NCB withdraws its pit-closure programme, keeps open five threatened collieries and abides by the Plan for Coal. ● Labour Party leader Kinnock has been invited to address a meeting of miners in his South Wales constituency following 'widespread resentment' of his public attack on pickets and the NUM leadership.

The NUM lodge of Oakdale colliery in Gwent, which is in Kinnock's Islwyn constituency, want him to attend a meeting soon.

Local NUM secretary Alan Baker said: 'There is considerable resentment at the stand he is taking in general terms on the miners' strike.'

'He should be more forthcoming and active in defence of the NUM, especially as he comes from a mining constituency. When he did not make at least one date available to appear at the miners' rallies that sparked off resentment which had been smouldering for some time.'

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BL strike leaders meet today

BY OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT

LEADERS of the Austin Rover pay strike are to meet this morning in Coventry to review the current situation in the strike.

Members of the majority union on the Joint Negotiating Committee, the Transport and General Workers Union, have received official backing from the national leadership in defiance of the High Court injunction ordering a return to work under Tory anti-union law.

Firm

Local leaders report that resolve amongst the majority of the men at the two major plants in Longbridge and Cowley remains firm.

They described reports that tracks were running at Cowley as 'absolute rubbish' and said that figures of the number of scabs going into work were being wildly exaggerated by management in an effort to break the strike.

The company also sent letters out to the striking workers yesterday urging them to accept the miserable £5 a week offer binding over two years.

The letter, issued under the names of Longbridge operations director Bill Hall, and his Cowley counterpart Jim Doinagh, said cynically: 'You have nothing to gain by staying on strike — why punish yourselves, your families and your company any further?'

Declare

Members of the second largest union, the AUEW are still out on strike despite their union's executive decision to declare the strike unofficial and recommend acceptance of the deal.

Angry AUEW members have been approaching transport union stewards to ask if they can leave the AUEW and join the T&GWU. They have told transport union members they were particularly concerned by the open renunciation of the strike by AUEW president Terry Duffy last week, even before the executive had met.

FORD UNIONS TURN DOWN LATEST OFFER

FORD union representatives last night rejected the third pay offer from the company after a day of talks in central London.

BY A NEWS LINE REPORTER

The latest offer in reply to the union's claim for a 14-per-cent wage increase for 41,000 hourly-paid workers amounted to a mere 6 per cent.

The previous offer made by the company — and rejected by the unions — was for a mere 5-per-cent pay increase, and the introduction of a small supplement into the pensions entitlement.

Yesterday's talks were believed to include discussions of the unions' demands for a new wages supplement for line workers to improve the wages. But the company said in July that it would only consider such plans if there were major redundancies.

In July, the company demanded the ending of the 'off standard' pool of labour at the Ford plants

which runs to several thousands of workers.

● STRIKING WOMEN workers from the Ford plant in Dagenham lobbied yesterday's pay talks in central London to demand regrading for the skilled sewing machine work they carry out.

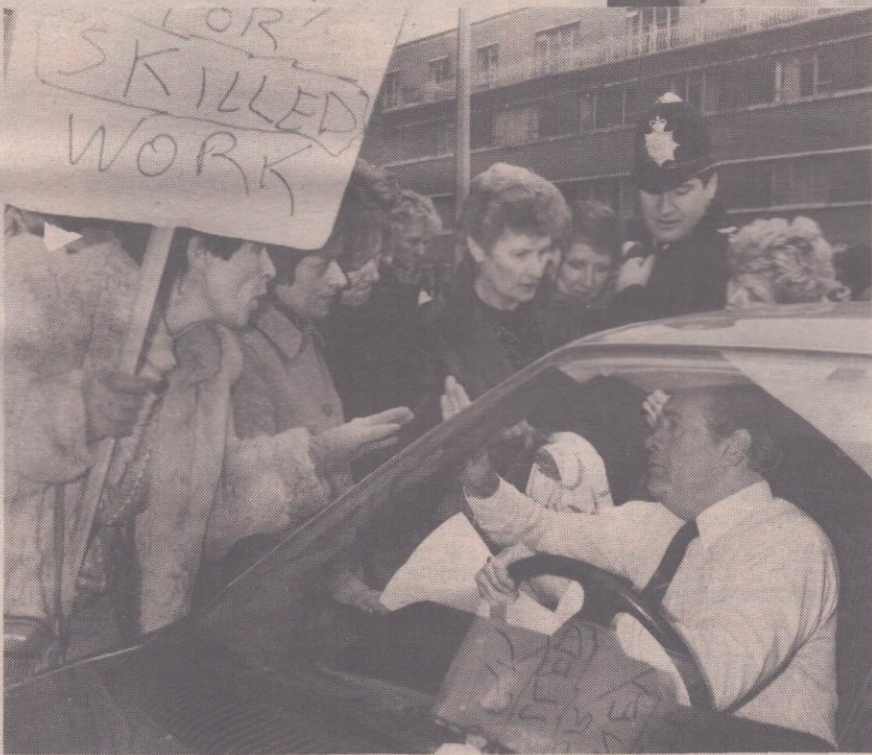
Joined

The 120 striking women at Dagenham were joined by a further 120 women from the car seat section at Ford's Halewood plant on Merseyside who walked out yesterday.

The women claim the company promised an upgrading in line with their skill over two years ago. They told union leaders yesterday they would not accept any more broken promises.



Above: Machinists from the Ford plant at Dagenham at the pay talks in Bayswater, London yesterday. Left: Ron Todd, T&G chief negotiator, lobbied as he drove into yesterday's talks



Half price for Windscale house

A FOUR-bedroomed house in a picturesque fishing village was sold yesterday for about half its value, and the former owner is taking British Nuclear Fuels to court to claim the money he says he has lost.

The house is five miles along the West Cumbrian coast from the Windscale (Sellafield) nuclear plant.

Engineer Christopher Merlin, 43, put it up for sale after plutonium dust was discovered in the vacuum cleaner and the pet cat was found to be radioactive.

A private offer of £60,000 was withdrawn a year ago after a Yorkshire TV programme linking radiation

from Windscale with cancer in children.

There were no offers until yesterday's public auction in Whitehaven when the detached house, Mountain Ash, was sold for £35,500.

Garden

Merlin said: 'It is a lovely home with half an acre of garden near an estuary and bird sanctuary. I reckon it is worth £30,000 more.'

'My wife and I were worried about the threat of cancer and we have moved with our two young boys to a farm 15 miles inland in the Dudden Valley.'

Ticking probed

A NUCLEAR expert was summoned to a rail siding in east London yesterday to investigate a 'ticking noise' from an empty nuclear waste flask being carried on a special train.

The all-clear was later given when a misplaced radiation detection device was found beneath a protective steel cover over the flask.

The ticking was the device registering normal background radiation, the Central Electricity Generating Board said.

It had been left by safety workers carrying out a routine check on the flask before it left the Windscale (Sellafield) nuclear waste reprocessing plant.

Police roadblocks illegal

— MINERS' QC CLAIMS

THE police 'intercept' policy to stop picketing miners entering Nottinghamshire is unlawful, the High Court heard yesterday.

Mike Mansfield, appearing for four Yorkshire miners arrested in June after refusing to turn back at a road block, told the Queen's Bench divisional court that the police had exceeded their powers.

Case

The miners also succeeded in forcing the Lord Chief Justice, Lord Lane, to withdraw from the case.

Mansfield had objected to Lord Lane presiding

over the court because last month he had given judgement against nine other pickets who had challenged bail conditions imposed by magistrates in Nottinghamshire.

Mansfield said that Lord Lane had decided then that mass picketing inevitably led to intimidation or violence. That finding, Mansfield argued, was clearly based on sworn statements by the police, and was bound to have a bearing on the case at hand.

'It is the same dispute, it is virtually the same

collieries, and almost the same junction of the motorway,' Mansfield said.

In reply, Lord Lane said he could find no technical reason why he should not judge the case, but was prepared to stand down so that there should be no ground for feeling the case had been misjudged.

Events

When the new court sat under Justices Skinner and Otton, Mansfield detailed the events surrounding the arrest and subsequent 13 days im-

prisonment on remand for four Kiveton Park miners, Reg Moss, Albert Bowns, Ernest Warner and Derek Smith.

They were among 40 miners arrested at Junction 27 of the M1 motorway on Good Friday. They are appealing against their conviction in June of obstruction of the police in the execution of their duty.

Mansfield said that in making the arrests, the police had acted in anticipation of breaches of the police. He said that at the time of the arrests,

the police had only the power to warn them.

'We say there has to be some conduct, whether words or actions, which the police can use as a basis to anticipate there is going to be some conduct which will be a breach of the peace. In this case there was no conduct which they could anticipate.'

Powers

'We say the police have extended their preventive powers so that they are anticipating conduct which has not even arisen,' Mansfield said.

Judgement in the case is not expected for at least a week.

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WORLD SUMMARY

UAW confronts Kawasaki

WASHINGTON — The United Auto Workers Union (UAW) has accused the Japanese motorcycle manufacturer Kawasaki of violating US and international rules protecting the right of workers to join trade unions in Nebraska.

Protesters

SANTIAGO — Six youths from leftist opposition groups left the Dutch Embassy yesterday after ending a sit-in protest against arrests under the state of siege declared in Chile last week.

Rockburst

JOHANNESBURG — Three black goldminers were killed, 12 injured at the Kloof gold mine west of the city yesterday.

Guards

WASHINGTON — Security guards at the residence of the US ambassador in Beirut opened fire on an aircraft they thought was about to attack but which turned out to be a Saudi Arabian plane, the 'Washington Post' said yesterday.

Killing

MANILA — The chairman of a commission of inquiry into the murder of Philippine opposition leader Benigno Aquino, retired judge Carson Agrava, said yesterday she would help prosecute an air force general and six others she implicated in the killing.

U.S. FACED WITH RECORD DEFICIT

WASHINGTON — White House officers yesterday said swift action was needed to avoid record US budget deficits that could 're-ignite' inflation in the financial year 1985.

Speaking on condition they were not named, they admitted a deficit forecast of \$210 billion would devastate President Reagan's so-called economic expansion.

Without policy changes — job, wage and social programme cuts — the deficit would pass the previous high of \$195 billion by about \$15 billion in both the 1985 and 1986 financial years.

Their estimate exceeded Budget Director David Stockman's warning to Reagan at a special briefing on Wednesday that the budget deficit was set to break previous records and soar to \$205 billion.

The prospective deficit had risen by \$40 billion since the previous official forecast in August and compared with a \$175-billion deficit in the 1984 financial year that ended last September, the officers said yesterday.

There was little hope that economic growth alone could trim the deficits as suggested by Reagan during his re-election campaign.

In fact, a Commerce Department report on Wednesday that retail sales fell 0.1 per cent last month showed the eco-

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nomy was continuing to sag pitifully.

After a 1.2 per cent rise in September retail sales, the economy has slowed to a 2.7 per cent annual growth rate for the period between July and September.

Commerce Department officials have warned the White House this is a drastic downturn from a growth rate of 8.6 per cent in the first half of the year.

Reagan made campaign capital out of this

mini-boom, fuelled by a burst of retail industry and service sector activity.

But the euphoria has evaporated as a result of the effects of job and wage cuts and the flood of speculators' cash that swamped the field.

The officers admitted the slump was guaranteed to drive deficit rates still higher.

They said the 1985 deficit would soar because of a campaign promise by Reagan to allow farmers

to receive advance payments from a government price support programme.

Wall Street responded immediately to the announcement of the retail sales drop and Stockman's warning.

Shares were sluggish and although the Dow Jones average showed blue chip stocks up marginally for the second day in a row, the majority of stocks, reported price declines for the sixth successive day.

Stockman had provoked jitters among the

Wall Street hucksters when he forecast last week a \$190-billion deficit next year. When he met Reagan on Wednesday, he told the president the situation had become much worse since then and that the economy was deteriorating rapidly.

The dollar recovered from early losses because traders were taking profits and because of speculation that the Federal Reserve Board (Central Bank) would move to halt easy money and force down interest rates.

Police stifle protest

TOKYO — Three hundred riot police kept anti-nuclear demonstrators away from a Tokyo wharf early yesterday during unloading of a cargo of radioactive plutonium shipped from France.

Members of anti-nuclear groups on board two small boats were kept away by Maritime Safety Agency ships and police patrol boats as 288 kilos (635 pounds) of plutonium oxide were unloaded from the 16,910-ton vessel 'Seishin Maru'.

It took four hours to unload six containers of plutonium and transfer them to trailers for transport to an experimental fast breeder reactor in Tokai, north-east of Tokyo.

Crete summit on Middle East

ATHENS — French President Mitterrand and Libyan leader Colonel Muammar Gaddafi attended a summit on the Greek island of Crete yesterday.

Greek Prime Minister Andreas Papandreou helped arrange the meeting in Elunda, near Ayios Nikolaos, in the south-east of the island and hosted it.

The talks were said to be aimed at resolving differences between the Libyan and French governments over an agreed withdrawal of troops from the war-torn Chad.

But Greek officials said a key issue for discussion would be the situation in the Middle East.

A Greek government spokesman said: 'The meeting takes place at the initiative of the Greek Prime Minister and aims at finding a peaceful solution in Chad and also improving bilateral relations between the governments of France and Libya.'

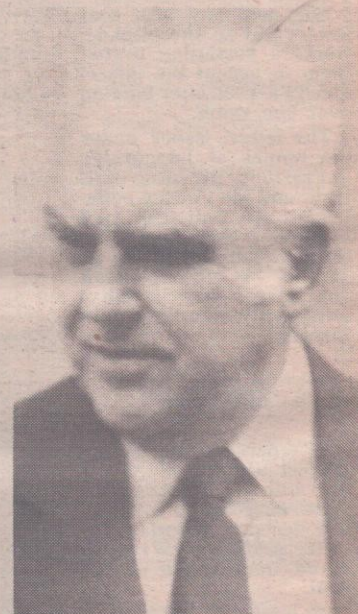
Papandreou recently returned from an official visit to Damascus where he held lengthy private talks with President Hafez Assad over the withdrawal of Israeli troops from south Lebanon and the future of the Palestine Liberation Organisation.



MITTERRAND



GADDAFI



PAPANDREOU

They are anxious to push the Middle East plan while the second Reagan administration is in its early days.

Papandreou met Mitterrand and Colonel Gaddafi for 20 minutes each before the three leaders met in session.

The meeting was scheduled to end late in the evening, when Gaddafi was due to fly back to Tripoli. Mitterrand was

expected to stay on and return to Paris today.

The meeting has angered Reagan whose aides issued a provocative statement accusing Libya of maintaining 'a substantial number' of troops in Chad.

France and Libya said on Sunday they had completed a phased withdrawal after a 15-month confrontation in the north African state.

The French Socialist Party government sent 3,000 troops into Chad last year to back the pro-imperialist regime of President Hissene Habre against liberation forces backed by Libya.

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Stalin's daughter

MOSCOW — Josef Stalin's daughter Svetlana, who returned to the Soviet Union a little more than two weeks ago, abused newsmen on a Moscow street but hinted at a press conference soon.

The newsmen were given the impression she intended explaining her reasons for returning to the Soviet Union after 17 years in the West, the last few in Cambridge, England.

Svetlana, 58, has been given a warm welcome by the Stalinist bureaucracy and is housed in Moscow's Sovetskaya Hotel, re-

served for visiting senior diplomats and the cream of the parasitic caste of Kremlin officials.

Apparently with the bureaucracy's blessing, she said: 'I'm not going to talk to you, not one word. I'm living in a society where private publicity is not done. I'm going to obey the rules; leave me alone.'

Place

'If there will be a place to talk with you it will be a special place provided, not on the street... you will be invited if it will be decided, and then we will talk.'

Warsaw censors group

WARSAW — The Stalinist authorities yesterday stepped up an offensive against a new human rights movement, charging that their activities were aimed at weakening the state.

Several of the organisation's leaders have been threatened with stiff jail terms and the revocation of political amnesties.

Members of the rights committees in Warsaw and the big provincial cities of Wroclaw and Cracow were summoned by court and prosecution officials on Wednesday and interviewed yesterday.

Spokesmen for the com-

mittees, Jozef Lipski and Anna Kowalska were told their activities were illegal.

Kowalska, like Lipski, a former member of the Workers Defence Committee (KOR), Poland's main opposition group of the 1970s, said she was warned she could face charges carrying a maximum five years' imprisonment.

The committees were set up after the abduction and murder last month of pro-Solidarity priest Jerzy Popieluszko by senior security police officers attached to the Interior Ministry.

Government spokes-

man Jerzy Urban has accused the committees of actually intending to exploit the priest's death to build a new opposition movement.

In an interview published in all major Warsaw newspapers, Zygmunt Surowiec, a senior Sejm (parliament) deputy, said the campaigners' goal of monitoring the Interior Ministry and security police was 'a perfidious game'.

Profesor Andrzej Wisniewski, who helped found the Wroclaw committee, said a prosecution official interviewed him for an hour and warned him its activities were illegal.

World News Line

FATAH PLEDGES PNC CONFERENCE

BY OUR FOREIGN CORRESPONDENT

AMMAN — Two senior Palestine Liberation Organisation officials, Salah Khalaf (Abu Iyyad) and Farouk Kaddoumi (Abu Lutf) have backed the convention of the Palestine National Council in Amman on November 22.

They told a press conference the PLO's policy was to establish relations with all Arab countries 'without interfering in their domestic affairs'.

In turn, the PLO rejected all interference in its internal affairs. They said the dialogue with the pro-Syrian factions would continue.

The 'Voice of Palestine' radio has reported that 230 members of the PNC have declared their readiness to take part in the November 22 meeting.

Factional objections to Amman as the venue for the 17th session of the PNC have been denounced as a 'Syrian ploy' by the PLO.

Attack

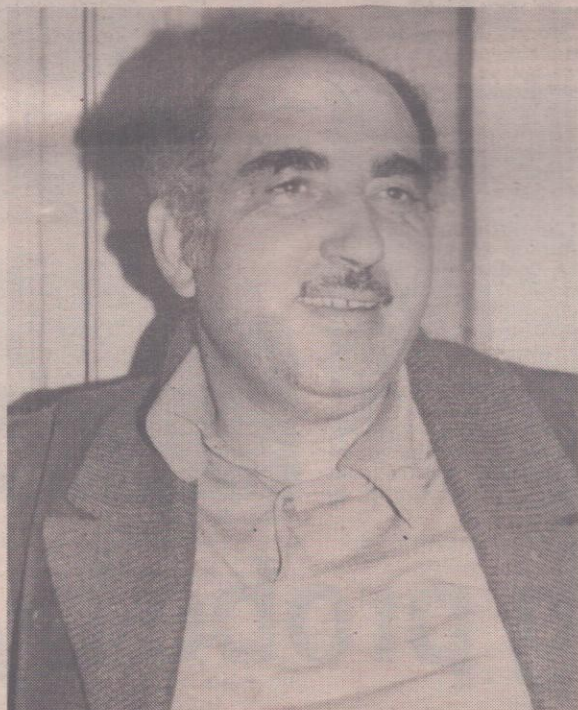
A PLO broadcast said dissent on the venue was an attack on the interests of the Palestinian people. 'The viewpoint stressing the need for a comprehensive national consensus on holding the 17th PNC is now being offset by a new view objecting to Amman, the capital of Jordan, as the venue for the PNC.'

'Between these two viewpoints, many ploys and suspect attempts are being made to obstruct the convocation of the PNC in Amman or in any other Arab capital.'

'These ploys and attempts intensified after those who are behind them realised that Fatah's historic decision to hold the PNC in Amman on November 22 was an unwavering and firm decision.'

'Those who object to Amman as the venue for the PNC session must first provide an alternative so that their objection can be viewed as stemming from their concern over unity in the Palestinian arena, unity they claim they are protecting when they ask for a change of venue.'

'The venue is not that important if the free Palestinian will remains



ABU IYYAD

the factor which determines the convocation of the PNC, which formulates the militant Palestinian national programme and which makes the decisions.

'We remind those who object to the convocation of the PNC in Amman that the essence of the fight that has been in progress since the Tripoli battles of 1983 is the fight for independent Palestinian decision-making that the Syrian conspiracy, under an Arab guise, seeks to destroy.'

'The Palestinian command made the decision to convene the PNC in order to deal a decisive blow against this evil conspiracy and to safeguard

the independent national Palestinian decision-making and maintain the national framework of the Palestinian people which have been set up thanks to the many martyrs and sacrifices over some 20 years of difficult and bitter struggle.'

Venue

'In spite of all this, we tell those who object to Amman as a venue that they have the opportunity to seek an alternative venue. We will support you if you can succeed in finding a venue. However, we believe that the objection to this venue is no more than a Syrian ploy. Can you refute this?'



ABU LUTF

The PLO broadcast added: 'This is a challenge and a legitimate challenge... No-one has the right to forget Fatah's historic decision to convene the PNC was only a response to the decision and determination of our people, represented by all the national sectors and institutions, particularly the national sectors and institutions of our people in the occupied homeland.'

Also, no-one has the right to forget that the decision not to convene the PNC and to obstruct it was not only a Syrian decision but a US decision as well. The Syrian regime is only a tool that executes this US decision,

which also enjoys the support of many Arab regimes.

Convene

'Fatah will never submit to the US will or to that of its tools. That is why the PNC will convene in Amman, the Jordanian capital, on November 22. But if those who object provide an alternative venue to Amman; announce publicly that they are ready to attend the PNC and participate in its activities, then the situation will inevitably change — but only concerning the venue of the PNC and not its date, because this decision is final and irrevocable.'

Sandinists defend the revolution

MANAGUA — Defence Minister Humberto Ortega has vowed that the Nicaraguan people will never be caught off guard by a threatened US invasion.

The mobilisation of the Nicaraguan masses was crucial to defending the gains of the Sandinist revolution of 1979 and the government would never allow the US to create 'that crime against humanity', he said.

'Although it is true that these measures raise the economic, social and material costs for our people, it is preferable to raise this cost than to lose the revolution, our homeland and the possibilities of bringing about national reconstruction,' Ortega said in a special statement to the Nicaraguan masses.

The 'New York Times' yesterday accused President Reagan of continuing with 'ominous fervour' a post-election 'war of nerves' and inventing a story about Soviet MiG fighters being delivered to Nicaragua.

A mistaken report about MiG deliveries had 'made a virtue out of sloppy American intelligence'.

It quoted an unnamed Pentagon officer as saying: 'Some of those who want us to adopt a harder line have long wished that MiGs would be delivered because they know that would tilt the policy in their direction.'

The paper commented: 'In other words, if the truth is not disturbing enough, invent an alarming fantasy.'

In Managua, the Sandinist government told Washington it was prepared to renew talks with the State Department but asserted its military alert in the northern provinces would not weaken.

The Sandinist National Liberation Front (FSLN) government said troop reinforcements had been sent to Chinandega and Leon, which their intelligence sources had told them were likely US invasion targets.

More than 10,000 students demonstrated outside the US embassy in Managua to protest against US imperialist threats against their newly re-elected government.

'President Reagan, leave Nicaragua! Down with war! Up with peace!' they chanted.

Humberto Ortega said in his special statement prepared last Tuesday: 'Dear Nicaraguan people: ... The Defence Ministry has placed our people on a state of general alert, especially all of the military structures, the militiamen and reserve battalions that comprise the Sandinist People's Army.'

'The state of alert that we have decreed has tested the high moral and political state of preparedness of our people, of the fighters of the revolution.'

... Nicaragua has a right to defend itself and Nicaragua asserts its intention to continue to seek the moral, political, diplomatic and military support that it has been requesting from the international community.'

Military tribunal resigns



ALFONSIN

BUENOS AIRES — The government of President Raul Alfonsín has shrugged off the resignation of all members of Argentina's supreme military tribunal.

Government spokesmen denied allegations that the resignations could delay trials of officers accused of kidnapping, torture and murder.

The military judges announced their resignations on Wednesday but gave no reason for their decision to quit.

Human rights groups said the move showed the failure of Alfonsín's policy of allowing the military to

conduct its own trials of the officers accused of crimes carried out during eight years of military rule.

About 9,000 people disappeared between 1976 and 1983 during a ruthless military campaign against leftists.

The human rights groups said the resignation of the tribunal's nine judges would further delay long-overdue trials of officers responsible for the crimes.

Court

But a spokesman for Alfonsín's 11-month civilian government said the resignations would clear the way for the president to pick a new court for the human rights trials.

'That's no problem,' an official close to Alfonsín told reporters when asked about the judges' resignation. 'We will just appoint a new court.'

The military judges were also trying high-ranking officers for their part in Argentina's defeat by Britain in the war over the Malvinas (Falkland) Islands in 1982.

Tamil Nadu election

MADRAS — The state government of Tamil Nadu, one of India's most populous regions, yesterday decided to hold elections ahead of schedule to coincide with national polls on December 24.

In the latest sign of frantic political activity set off by Prime Minister

Rajiv Gandhi's decision to hold elections, the state will vote seven months early.

Political analysts said the decision by the ruling All-India Anna Dravida Munnetra Kazhagam (AIADMK) was an attempt to ride back to power along with Gandhi

on the crest of a sympathy vote over the assassination of Indira Gandhi on October 31.

The AIADMK and Gandhi's Congress (I) Party have agreed not to contest seats against each other in the state and national elections.



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National campaign against government White Paper

BUSMEN ANNOUNCE FARE-FREE DAY

BY SUE LAIRD

A TRANSPORT union leader yesterday announced a plan for a National Fare-free Day as part of the campaign against proposals outlined in the government White Paper 'Buses'.

Bill Morris, National Secretary of the Passenger Services section of the Transport and General Workers Union (T&GWU) warned that the White Paper represented 'the final instalment in the systematic and sustained attack by the government to destroy the Passenger transport industry.'

'If enacted it will mean devastating cuts in the level of bus service to the community and the loss of thousands of bus workers' jobs.

'The White Paper attacks every section of the bus industry with the proposed removal of road service licensing on stage carriage services.'

It would create a deregulated charter for the 'cowboy' and 'jintey' operators, he added, who would be only too pleased to cream off the revenue from the lucrative peak hour routes, and abandon the social principle of cross-subsidy.

Plan

The plan for a fare free day — on November 26 — was part of Public Transport Week.

The T&GWU was asking its members in public transport to approach their employers to get their agreement to the plan for a fare-free day.

If the employers refused their support then their public transport

workers should consider themselves locked out and not provide any services for the day.

Morris warned that the attack on public transport was not an isolated piece of legislation. There had been a series of legislative attacks on public transport and on local councils since 1979, he said.

The government had imposed many pieces of anti-trade union law, he said. But if they broke the closed shop that would leave management free to attack working conditions and leave the way open for privatisation.

This combined attack by the government needed a combined response from the trade unions and community, he added.



BILL MORRIS

Missing log probe by MP

Heseltine faces more questions on Belgrano

BY OUR OWN
CORRESPONDENT

THE government should publish in full the report of the Board of Inquiry into the loss of the log-book from the nuclear submarine which sank the Argentine cruiser 'Belgrano', Labour MP George Foulkes said yesterday.

He said: 'The government wrapped itself in the flag over the Belgrano's sinking and has still not explained why it lied to the House over the incident.'

'Now it is contradicting itself over the disappearance of the log. We must get straight answers to straight questions.'

In a letter to Defence

Secretary Michael Heseltine, Foulkes points out a series of 'discrepancies and ambiguities' in the government's account of the log's disappearance.

The government claims the fact that the log of 'HMS Conqueror' was missing came to light in the first week in October when Foulkes asked whether it could be placed in the Commons library.

But Foulkes points out that there was no reason

for civil servants to see the log since the Prime Minister was supposedly relying on general classification rules to answer questions about it.

The fact that a Ministry of Defence official had asked to see the log 'raises serious doubts as to whether the indications of the log's disappearance were not available earlier,' says Foulkes.

In his letter to Heseltine the Labour MP asks: 'Can you confirm that the

missing document will contain details not only of the course of the "Conqueror" while it was trailing the "Belgrano", but also details of "Conqueror's" movements on May 3 which the government has refused to confirm, despite repeated requests?

'Does this not complete-

ly contradict Lord Trefgarne's statement to the House of Lords on November 7... that 'the information it contains would be of no value in the discussions that have been proceeding'?

Foulkes says it may be normal practice not to publish Board of Inquiry reports but adds: 'This is clearly not a normal case.'

'The report must be published in order to convince both the House and public opinion that neither the government nor the military has been involved in any sort of cover-up.'

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Campaign to save St. Andrews emergency service

LOCAL people and hospital workers have joined in a campaign to stop the closure of accident and emergency facilities at St Andrew's hospital, east London, planned to shut on November 22.

Over 200 packed a meeting on Monday and agreed to lobby the Newham Health Authority offices on Friday.

Gary Wells, Transport and General Workers' Union representative for the West Ham ambulancemen, told the meeting: 'People will die if the accident and emergency

closes and the District Health Authority don't care. All our management want to do is cut jobs.

'We used St Andrew's A&E 286 times last month. Newham General can't cope and our ambulances are tied up transferring patients to St Andrew's at the moment.'

'We are willing to back any action by the community and the Joint Shop Stewards Committee at St Andrew's.'

A nurse from Mile End hospital, Paul Gilbert, pointed out that the A&E at St Leonard's hospital has shut, Mile End is under threat, and Whitechapel is overrun. 'My advice is, if you're

having an accident, don't have it in the East End,' he concluded.

A nurse from the South London Hospital for Women told the meeting about the experiences of their occupation. She urged an occupation to keep St Andrew's accident department open. 'Even if the medical staff don't support it,' she said, 'the workers at the hospital have to show a lead.'

This was echoed by a speaker from the floor who said: 'We should remember that it was the labour movement that built the health service and it's only the labour movement that can defend it. We should copy the miners.'

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THE MINERS' STRUGGLE

'We thought Kinnock would be all right, but he's let us down'

FOR the last five months at the Abertillery Workmen's Institute miners' wives have been providing hot meals for any striking miner that turns up.

'It's also a place to exchange ideas, share problems and help keep up morale,' said Anita Hollings whose husband works at the Marine colliery, Cwm.

Every day of the strike that passes sees a growing determination. She continued: 'We also go out to rallies and demonstrations and we feel very proud to be part of it. The scabs are making us more determined. We want to get out there to do something about it.'

'We've fed one of the scabs till last Wednesday and he went in on Thursday morning.'

Fate

'It will go on until we achieve what we are out for. It's for the fate of the whole working class, not just our community. We always used to tell our kids to run to a policeman, but they're afraid to run to them now. We haven't heard of any policemen being killed on the picket lines.'

'We're going to stand together and do what we can. We have the right to fight and it's a just cause to fight for.'

Pearl Williams, whose husband works at Rose Heyworth, said: 'The strike is going very well. There are no cracks at all, especially not in our support group.'

'We are providing 100 meals a day, which is more now since the scabs are going in. People were apart before but now they've been brought together through the scabbing. There's no chance we'll lose, we're winning all the way.'

'The scabs have to live with what they are doing for the rest of their lives.'

Cynheidre stands firm

EFFORTS by the South Wales Coal Board to get more scabs at the Cynheidre pit failed yesterday. The number remained at a mere 44.

'The back to work campaign in this area has completely collapsed,' said Tony Ciano, lodge chairman of Cynheidre colliery.

'There has been a fortnight of talking of hundreds returning by the so-called Back to Work Committee,' said Ciano. But instead, there were still fewer than 50.

BY A NEWS LINE REPORTER

We can last a lot longer and eventually we will come out the winners.

'Thatcher might have all the money but she hasn't got the backbone for this fight. Although some support has been given from the T&GWU, it's no good going home and forgetting about it. I'm totally disgusted with Kinnock. He should stand up and be counted.'

'When he was elected we thought, he's a valley boy, he'll be all right, but he's let us down.'

'Kinnock's absence won't make any difference. I've never been to a rally where he's spoken yet, anyway, so what you don't have, you don't miss.'

'Comradeship at the national rallies binds the people together within the struggle. Thatcher is out on her own, she's a dictator. She asked for a prayer to be said for the Brighton bomb victims, but she didn't ask for any prayers for the boys killed on the picket lines.'

'We are all behind Arthur Scargill whatever he does. And in the end, we're all looking forward to a victory party.'



Miners' wives at the Abertillery Workmen's Institute. Pearl Williams (far left) said they now provide 100 meals a day.

Bold secretary angry over reports in press

MAL Gregory, secretary of Bold NUM in St. Helens, is angry over press reports that North Wales executive member Ted McKay had been intimidated by Lancashire pickets.

Secret

A report in most of the capitalist media said McKay had been forced to send his family to a secret address because of pickets from Bold who lobbied last week's strike ballot at Bersham, North Wales.

'The lads went down to the union office after the ballot in Bersham,' said Gregory.

McKay's house is next door to the office.

'They went down to



MAL GREGORY

show McKay and his brother that they can use the laws of the land but they won't stop this strike.'

Gregory also conde-

mned shipments of scab coal to Britain by the Polish government. 'It's disgraceful. The bureaucrats are doing it, not the Polish people. We would have had support from the Polish people.'

St. Helens miners are now being tried before a stipendiary magistrate for incidents during the strike.

'Last Friday we had Sutton Manor miners up in court,' Gregory said. 'The case was dismissed. But the stipendiary magistrate bound the men over to keep the peace. Then he bound the witnesses over as well.'

'One of the witnesses was the father of a lad that was charged with breach of the peace.'

'There is a 13th century Act that applies only to peasants and serfs. Offic-

ers of the law and the likes of wheelwrights can't be done under it.'

Gregory was contemptuous of NCB claims of a 'drift back to work'.

'The NCB was supposed to have six buses laid on. We have 25 men in work and still 1,025 NUM members on strike at Bold.'

Repairs

'They can't do any work — only small repairs. To transport coal out they need 300 men — and that's without faceworkers and supply men.'

'If the power workers came out, that would be it. There are five power stations closed down in the south and two nuclear power stations, where, if there are any repercussions on the other men, they will go out.'

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Tory 'violence' trick exposed

ALL SECTIONS of the Tory press yesterday threw open their columns to shower praise on TUC general secretary Norman Willis. He won his way into the affection of Thatcher's Fleet Street hirelings by attacking miners' pickets at the NUM's rally in South Wales on Tuesday night.

What the Tory press is doing is the oldest trick in the book. They create an abstraction of so-called 'violence'. Then they stick the charge of 'violence' on the miners and the trade union movement in general. And while they browbeat the miners with these slanderous accusations, real organised state violence is being done every day by the trained, professional men of violence — in Thatcher's truncheon-wielding national police force.

The reformist Labour Party and TUC leaders, ever willing to ingratiate themselves with the Tory ruling class, are always the first to fall into the 'violence' trap. That is why Willis spoke up, and also why the Tory press are so delighted about the prospect of having another Len Murray at Congress House.

'DAILY MIRROR': 'A Man of Courage: Daniel going into the lions' den had nothing on Norman Willis going to Aberavon. It needed a special kind of courage to tell 3,000 miners and their friends that they were wrong. Especially when a noose dangled menacingly before his face.'

'DAILY MAIL': 'Norman Willis, new general secretary of the TUC, went into the lions' den of a militant miners' meeting in South Wales and condemned violence. Bull-necked, head thrust forward, he said what needed to be said, where it most needed to be said. That called for courage.'

'DAILY EXPRESS': 'As an honourable man, TUC general secretary Norman Willis had no option but to tell Welsh miners that picket violence is wrong and harmful to the cause of the miners. Mr Willis is a brave man.'

'THE TIMES' labour editor Paul Routledge: 'The striking South Wales miners who humiliated Norman Willis, the TUC's new general secretary, by dangling a noose in front of him at the Aberavon rally may live to regret it.'

'THE GUARDIAN': 'Mr Willis was physically brave to go to Aberavon and say what he did. He made the necessary speech that Mr Neil Kinnock would doubtless have made had his diary not been so infernally choked.'

While yesterday's Tory press heaped praise on Willis, it took a vastly different attitude to NUM president Arthur Scargill. Here, from the same editions that praised Willis:

'DAILY EXPRESS': 'He snarls, he twitches, he bares his teeth. Arthur Scargill is like a wild animal that has been cornered, but not captured. He is still dangerous.'

'DAILY MAIL': 'Hour by hour, Labour's leaders are distancing themselves from the sense of doom clinging to Arthur Scargill. The feeling that the NUM hierarchy is facing the slow death of its authority was unmistakable at a meeting of Labour's shadow cabinet last night.'

'THE SUN': 'Labour leader Neil Kinnock yesterday declared open war on miners' leader Arthur Scargill and the party's 'hard left', while another 'Sun' article said: 'Miners' leader Arthur Scargill's "lies" have been "worthy of Dr Goebbels" — Hitler's top propagandist — Tory MP George Gardiner said last night. He added: "The vicious intimidation against working miners, their wives and children, has seen no equal since Oswald Mosley's blackshirts carried fear into Jewish homes in London's East End in the 1930s".'

The daily News Line is proud of its matchless record of defending the working class and the trade unions from the guttersnipes of the Tory press. And we invite miners, their families and their supporters in the working-class movement to attend Sunday's rally in London celebrating the 15th anniversary of the first Trotskyist daily newspaper in the world. (See details in page one advertisement)

ORGANISE A GENERAL SCARGILL REE WILLIS

MINERS' leader Arthur Scargill issued a strong rebuke to the attack on pickets by TUC general secretary Norman Willis and Labour leader Neil Kinnock when he addressed the packed rally of Midlands miners in Birmingham on Wednesday.

'I am sick and tired of listening to people in our movement talk about violence when they don't have a clue about what is taking place on our picket lines or in our villages,' Scargill said.

BY BEN RUDDER IN BIRMINGHAM



ARTHUR SCARGILL

£76 million — higher than the £54 million in Scotland which had been solidly on strike.

He said the dispute was unique in that when it began, the NUM had no demands on the table. The union was simply resisting the decision to axe jobs, pits and communities by the Coal Board and the government.

'But of course we have now one demand on the table, a demand that originated during the strike. And I hope that every man and woman in this hall tonight will show their approval of that policy decision. I say on behalf of this union, there can be no settlement until every miner who has been sacked is reinstated.'

Challenge

In an unmistakable message to Willis, Kinnock and the 'TUC barons' Scargill added:

'This leadership (of the NUM) have probably for the very first time, thrown down a challenge to the whole movement. We've nailed our colours to the mast. And I make it absolutely clear, that no matter how long it takes, this union will fight until the jobs of our people are protected, and until we've got the right to preserve the communities in which we live and survive.'

'We are no longer putting slogans on banners. We are putting slogans into action on the streets of Britain.'

Taking up a promise of solidarity by Bill Keys, general secretary of the print union SOGAT, Scargill said: 'The best display of solidarity that you have given to this union in the course of this dispute is when you stopped newspapers like the rag the "Daily Express".'

If anyone was despondent about the impact of the strike in areas which had seen scabbing, Scargill said they should take heart from secret Coal Board figures. These showed that in the Midlands, losses were put at

The only way forward was to victory, Scargill said. 'You are writing new chapters and new pages in the history of the British trade union and labour movement. You are turning back years and years of attacks upon our movement. You are providing an inspiration to other trade unionists and to other workers.'

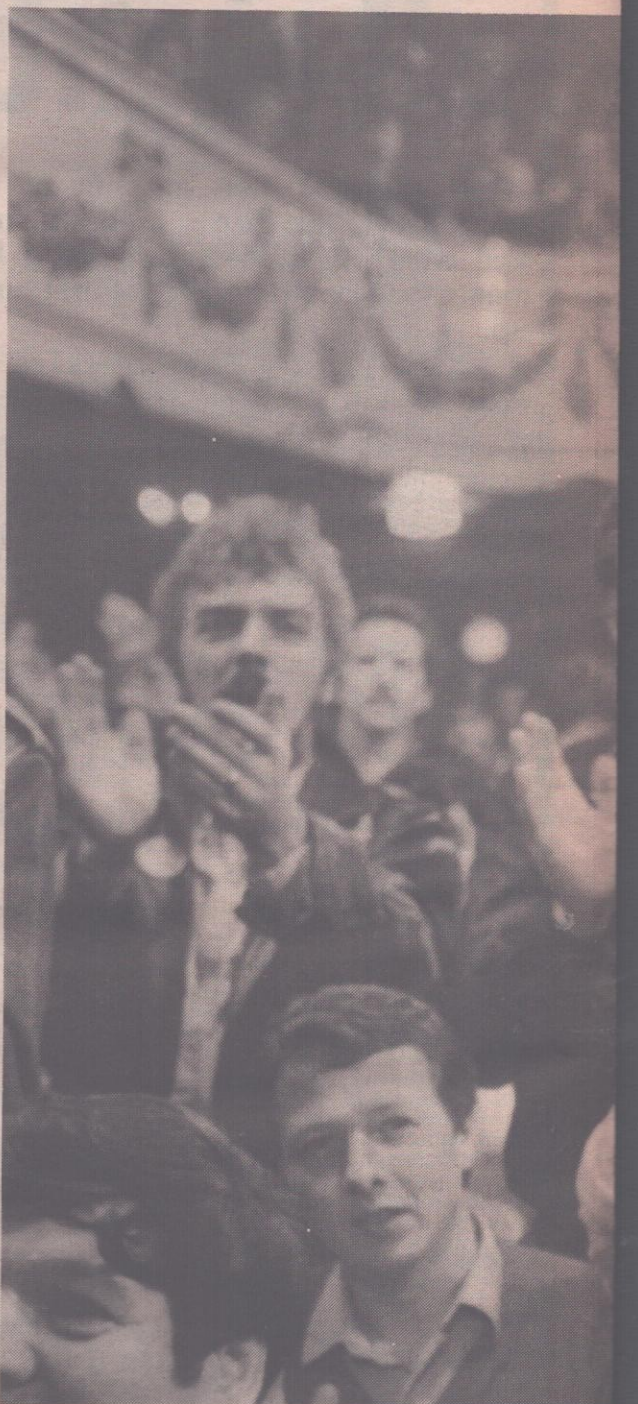
'And the message from this rally tonight, both to miners and the wider trade union and labour movement has got to be a clear, and yet simple one.'

'This union will stand by its policy until we win. We can win that much quicker if you will join us and give industrial action in support.'

Earlier, NUM general secretary Peter Heathfield declared that if another speaker, Stan Orme, Labour energy spokesman, was clubbed down by police, he would respond to come to Orme's aid.

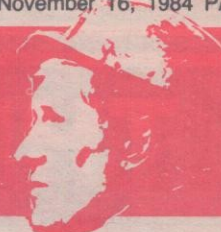
Addressing the wider trade union movement he added: 'We are entitled to say on behalf of British workers, this is the time to turn the tide of unemployment.'

'Join us in this struggle because it is yours too. We can together defeat Thatcherism.'



STRIKE TO BACK THE MINERS

BUKES



ABOVE AND LEFT: Cheers and applause for miners' leader Arthur Scargill at Wednesday's Midlands rally in the Digbeth Civic Hall, Birmingham



A VAN was used as part of a barricade set up by pickets at Grimethorpe colliery yesterday to stop scabs entering the pit, but they were taken in by side entrance

Barricades up at Grimethorpe

BARRICADES were erected outside Grimethorpe colliery in South Yorkshire yesterday after pickets were alerted that scabs were being brought in for the first time during the nine-month strike.

A wagon daubed with slogans, planks of wood and large bricks blocked the main entrance, while another barricade sealed off one end of the main street.

The handful of strikebreakers were eventually brought in at 9a.m. through another entrance, shadowed by hundreds of riot police.

The sight of the scabs enraged the pickets who marched up the road to hurl stones at NCB offices. Several windows were smashed.

There were brief clashes, too, outside Goldthorpe colliery — scene on Wednesday of ferocious running battles between riot police and villagers protesting against a lone scab.

Yesterday in the early morning mist only about 150 strikers stood opposite the main gates, and yet they were confronted

BY SIMON VEVERS
IN YORKSHIRE

immediately by police in full riot gear.

There was only jeering when the scab was brought in a mesh-covered vehicle, his head covered in a blanket. But as the police withdrew they moved back as if expecting a barrage of missiles.

Batons

Angered by the police presence, some young pickets hurled stones and then the police advanced — with batons drawn they chased the strikers down the street.

At Frickley colliery in West Yorkshire, where pickets defied hundreds of police two nights earlier, Westfield Lane became a 'no-go' area for a while when a barricade was set up.

All week the police in



Riot police surrounded pickets at Grimethorpe colliery yesterday while scabs entered the pit

Pit briefs...

THE YORKSHIRE NUM will attempt on Monday to overturn the High Court ruling that the strike in the area is unlawful. The union made its plans known to Justice Vinelott yesterday morning.

The case will be heard alongside moves by the successful originators of the

first action, Manton scabs Robert Taylor and Ken Foulstone, to have receivers take over the funds of the area union.

● A STRIKING miner trapped under tons of rock while digging for exposed coal under a cliff on the North East coast died in hospital yesterday.

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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.

Police Watch report on TV revelations

SHEFFIELD Police Watch has launched a report, 'Taking Liberties', to coincide with a TV programme of the same name outlining the scale of the state attacks on the miners' strike.

The programme, broadcast on BBC2 last Thursday night, was made by the BBC's Community Programme Unit, Open Space and Sheffield Police Watch.

Immediately afterwards, the BBC put out a special edition of 'Out of Court'. Interviewed were Charles McLachlan of the Association of Police Chief Officers, ex-Devon and Cornwall police chief constable John Alderson and Professor of Public Law at the University of London, Graham Zellick. All gave the police point of view on the strike.

Original

None of the people involved in making the original programme were invited to take part in the follow-up.

The 46-minute 'Taking Liberties' showed sequences of film taken at roadblocks, on picket lines and in local mining villages.

Civil liberties experts, lawyers, miners and their families accused the police in their interviews of violent and illegal behaviour in the strike.

The TV programme also included a sequence showing the brutal charges carried out by mounted police and riot police with shields at Orgreave — taken from behind the picket line by an amateur video worker.

Sheffield Police Watch, set up in April to monitor policing of the strike, has about 50 members, including teachers, academics, social workers and clergymen. It sends out teams of observers every morning to picket lines and roadblocks.

The results of six months of systematic observation is contained in their report, which outlines countless occasions of unprovoked violence from police on picket lines.

'And even where there is no specific act of aggression by the police against pickets, we are firmly of the view that a massive, overwhelming police presence, now



The report takes up the use of horses by police, as at Orgreave

common at pickets in Yorkshire and Derbyshire, and the visible deployment of riot equipment, dogs and police horses is unjustified and provocative.

'We are also concerned at the way police are effectively criminalising the activity of picketing by arresting countless miners (over 7,000 to date) on petty criminal charges, especially when the majority of arrests we have witnessed have been unprovoked and arbitrary and when many charges are subsequently dropped.

'Picketing is not an illegal activity under the criminal law in the UK, yet abuse of the police's power of arrest is rapidly making it so.'

The report takes up the question of roadblocks, policing at picket lines, the inaccuracy of the media, use of horses and riot equipment, unprovoked and violent arrests and police failing to display identification numbers.

It was compiled from over 200 visits to picket lines with 186 detailed reports of incidents at 49 collieries between April 8 and October 12.

The accounts mention roadblocks 157 times, being stopped at roadblocks 91 times and being faced with a choice of turning back or being arrested 16 times.

The legality of the use of roadblocks is questioned, where people are being arrested without having committed any crime.

The report concludes: 'We are especially concerned that local police authorities, as elected members of the community, have no effective control over the style of policing in local areas nor over the deployment of large

numbers of police from outside constabularies.

'We are equally disturbed by the possibility that the type of policing we have seen evolve and being permitted during this dispute could become the norm.

'Will people attending

large demonstrations, pickets or football matches be increasingly faced with the more extreme forms of policing we have witnessed?'

'Taking Liberties' is available (price £1) from 41 Chelsea Road, Sheffield, S11

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PUBLIC MEETINGS

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MANCHESTER: November 19, 7.30p.m. Hattersley Community Centre.
Speakers: Stuart Carter (WRP Central Committee); John Oldham (YS National Committee)

PRESTON: Thursday November 22, 7.30p.m. Textile Centre, Sedgewick Street, off North Road.
Speakers: Lyn Waring (YS Regional Committee); Tony Banda (WRP Central Committee); In personal capacity: Steve Brindle (BAC shop steward); Speakers from Lancs NUM

STAFFS

STOKE ON TRENT: Wednesday November 28, 7.30p.m. Tunstall Town Hall, Tunstall.
Speakers: John Oldham (YS National Committee); Mike Banda (WRP General Secretary); In personal capacity: Mick Finney (Secretary Silverdale NUM); D. Anderson (Wolstanton NUM); plus exhibition of News Line photos

EASTERN

THETFORD: Friday November 16, 7.30p.m. The Guildhall, Market Place.
Speakers: Tony Hyland (YS National Committee); Fiona Cairns (Norwich WRP)

CORBY: Monday November 26, 7.30p.m. Green Room, Festival Hall, Corby Civic Centre.
Speakers: Linda Mee (YS Regional Committee); Ray Athow (WRP Central Committee)

YORKSHIRE

HUDDERSFIELD: Thursday November 29, 7.30p.m. Friendly & Trades Club, Northumberland Street.

Speakers: Stephen Wey (YS Regional Committee); Cliff Slaughter (WRP Central Committee); Ernest Fairburn (NUM Emley Moor, in personal capacity)

WEST MIDLANDS

BIRMINGHAM: Thursday November 29, 7.30p.m. Ladywood Community Centre, Ladywood Close, Ladywood.

Speakers: Clive Andrews (YS National Committee); Simon Redgrave (WRP Central Committee)

LONDON

WOOLWICH: Wednesday November 21, 7.30p.m. William Temple Church Hall, Eynsham Drive, Abbey Wood, SE2.

Speakers: Claire Dixon (YS National Committee)

BATTERSEA: Tuesday November 27, 7.30p.m. Battersea Park Library, Battersea Park Road.

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

MILLWALL: Thursday November 29, 7.30p.m. Old Council Offices, Poplar High Street, E14.

Speakers: Julie Hyland (YS National Secretary); Ray Rising (News Line editorial board); Cllr Teresa Shanaghan (in personal capacity)

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BOOKS

Caught up in
the Chinese
Revolution

HELEN FOSTER, who arrived in Shanghai in August 1931, was in China until December 1940, a year before Pearl Harbour.

At the beginning, like the other young Americans in the foreign sector, she was thrilled and entranced by the privileges and cheap living.

We were, she writes, 'nobility with the dollar sign on our foreheads, in a strange land of cheap coolie labour.'

Brutality

However she quickly discovered the China of oppression and brutality and, for a decade, was connected with the national revolutionary movement.

She met Edgar Snow, whom she later married. He was to write 'Red Star over China', after a visit to the north west area occupied by the Red Army under the leadership of Mao Tse Tung. Snow described himself as 'some-what of a Fabian.'

Five months after she arrived, she saw battles in the Chinese area of Shanghai, as, against the wishes of Chiang Kai Shek, the Chinese soldiers resisted an invasion by the Japanese. It was being brought home to her that the only thing Chiang Kai Shek wanted was to 'press on with the war against the Reds and collect taxes.'

Taxes

Taxes were collected from some of the oppressed peasantry, seventy years in advance.

In September 1932, the Japanese armies moved into Manchuria, a country of stench, poverty and disease. 'China, she wrote in a letter 'is absolutely helpless. It is simply torn from one end to the other'.

My China Years by Helen Foster Snow — Harrap Books, £9.95

Another letter talks of students possessing copies of Karl Marx disappearing every day.

In 1935, she and Edgar Snow assisted students in Peking, hiding them from Chiang Kai Shek's torturers. A mimeographed petition circulated in all the universities.

It declared that three hundred thousand youth had been slaughtered, many buried alive. The number of those who disappeared or were imprisoned could not be estimated.

The petition attacked the Nanking government for not resisting Japan.

Broad

It was the beginning of the world-shaking revolution which engulfed the whole of China in 1949.

She says of the Communist Party policy of this time that it was for a 'broad anti-Japanese front'.

Communist Party students declared they were incorrect to confine the policy to an 'anti-fascist front'.

She describes events in Sian in December 1936 when officers in Marshal Chang Hseuh-Liang's army arrested Chiang Kai Shek. The 'Young Marshal' had opposed Chiang's orders to withdraw from Manchuria and had refused to conduct war against the Red Army.

The Marshal and his officers demanded that Chiang fight Japan, form an all-party government and free all political prisoners.

Both Helen Foster Snow and her husband were 'astonished' when, after the

arrest, they read editorials in the Soviet press 'Pravda' and 'Izvestia' denouncing the Chang Hseuh-Liang mutiny as the work of Japanese provocateurs.

Mao Tse Tung, she declares, wanted to bring Chiang to a mass trial, but the Communist party fell into line and Chiang was released. Anyone who 'opposed the release of Chiang Kai Shek or the settlement of the Sian incident,' was denounced as 'a Trotskyist' — flung at officers by the very Red Army people they were trying to help.

Paid

The 'Young Marshal' paid dearly. She reports that he was still a prisoner in Taiwan, forty years later and was not released until 1980.

However, she now thinks it was all a question of necessary 'realpolitik'.

'Bigger than China was the potential alliance between the Soviet Union, Britain and the United States on the eve of World War II.

Opinion

'The Soviet Union would not want to jeopardise this over such a small thing as a few thousand Red troops isolated way out near the Great Wall and a few yelling students on the streets of Sian and Peking.'

That was certainly the opinion of counter-revolutionary bureaucrats. The Chinese Revolution, however, only succeeded in conflict with these policies.

BILL HUNTER

A weekly review of
the latest publications

Above: 'The Dresser' starring Albert Finney (left) and Tom Courtenay produced and directed by Peter Yates.
Below: Charlie Chaplin . . . epitomised the silent screen

History of
British
cinema

The British Film Collection 1896-1984: A history of the British Cinema in pictures by Patricia Warren — Elm Tree Books, £15

IT ENDS with 'Gandhi', 'The Dresser' and 'The Shooting Party', and it begins with the 40-second films of a man boxing with a kangaroo and the Sunlight Soap washing competition, one of the earliest British commercials, produced in the 1890s.

In between, an unequalled collection of black and white photographs, each one captioned with the film's stars, studio and direction.

Warren has introduced each decade with a succinct two-page text, but it is from pages crowded with a thousand pictures that the reader comes to appreciate the golden years of silence, the volume output of the mass of inter-war suburban studios, the star-studded casts of Elstree and the classics of the Ealing comedies, the new-wave of the 1960s and the confident resurgence of British film-making in the 1980s.

A vivid look at
working lives

THERE have been a number of books purporting to show working-class life in the past, many of which idealise the hardships, and show the ordinary workers as just a suffering, silent class.

Judith Cook, author and journalist, at least avoids that trap in 'Close to the Earth: Living Social History of the British Isles', published by Routledge and Kegan Paul, £9.95.

Vividness

By getting older workers to tell their own stories, her book has a vividness and humour which lifts it out of the usual rut.

Miners, tanners, fishermen, farmers, poachers, brewers and many others, recall their lives

and while there are memories of much hard work, poverty, injuries and death, the essential resilience of the working class comes through.

'To the Miner Born' by Mary Wade — Oriel Press, £6.95 also recalls a bygone age.

Mary Wade grew up in a mining village in the north east, and writes about the period 1918 until the end of the war, the election of the Labour government and the nationalisation of the mines.

It could do with Judith Cook to edit it, take out the repetitions and give the narrative some form.

Still, it is a timely reminder of the way in which thousands of work-

ers lived and struggled, and the sort of conditions the Thatcher regime would like to force the working class back to.

It is spoilt, though, by Wade's rather subversive attitude to 'authority' — one of her very special souvenirs is apparently a personal invitation to a cocktail party given by the Royal family, and she was so gratified to be in such 'honourable company'.

Moved

But that was after she had got out of the mining village and moved on to higher things!

She went to London to attend the William Booth College and became an officer in the Salvation Army.

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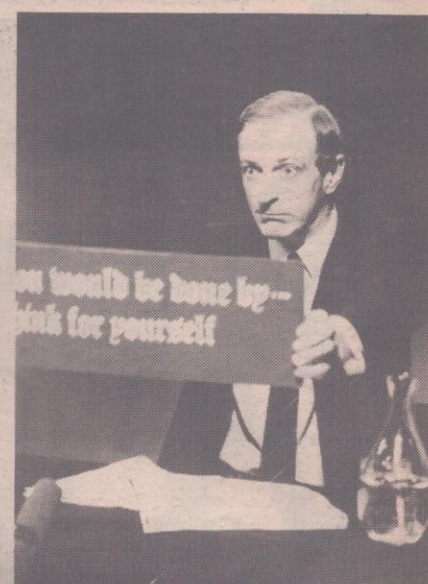
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Lee Remick stars in 'Hard Contract' on BBC1 at 9.25



The cast of 'Newhart' on 4 at 10



'Opinions' from Graham Chapman on 4 at 11.20

BBC1

6.00 Ceefax AM. 6.30 Breakfast Time. 9.00 Lyn Marshall's Everyday Yoga. 9.10 Mastermind. 9.40 Pages from Ceefax. 10.30 Play School. 10.50 Pages from Ceefax. 12.30 News After Noon. 12.55 Weather. 12.57 Regional News (London and SE: Financial Report; News Headlines). 1.00 Pebble Mill at One. 1.45 Little Misses and the Mister Men. 2.00 Racing from Ascot (2.10, 2.40, 3.10 races). 3.25 A Moment to Talk. 3.40 Tom and Jerry. 3.48 Regional News (except London). 3.50 Play School: It's Friday. 4.10 The Family-Ness. 4.15 The Sheep-Pig. 4.25 Commander McBragg. 4.30 Benji, Zax and the Alien Prince. 4.50 Hartbeat. 5.15 Crackerjack. 5.58 Weatherman.

6.00 THE SIX O'CLOCK NEWS

6.30 REGIONAL NEWS MAGAZINES

6.55 CARTOON

7.05 BLANKETY BLANK With host Les Dawson

7.40 WHAT A CARRY ON A series of compilations based on the original comedy 'Carry On' films

8.05 BERGERAC With John Nettles as the private eye in *A Perfect Recapture*

9.00 NINE O'CLOCK NEWS; Weekend weather

9.25 FRIDAY NIGHT MOVIE *Hard Contract* (1969) With James Coburn, Lee Remick and Burgess Meredith.

11.08 News Headlines

11.10 ARISTOCRATS *Germany: Prince Johan n es von Thurn and taxis* Robert Lacey looks at the life-style of Prince Johannes, largest landowner in West Germany and his wife Princess Gloria

12.00 Weatherman; Closedown

BBC WALES: 4.30 Hartbeat. 4.50-5.30 Crackerjack. 5.35-5.58 Wales Today. 6.30-7.05 The Good Life.

BBC2

9.00 Pages from Ceefax.

9.30-3.00 DAYTIME ON TWO: 9.30 Science Topics. 9.52 Look and Read. 10.15 Mathscore Two. 10.38 Exploring Science. 11.22 Geography Casebook: Britain. 11.44 Going to Work. 12.05 The Computer Programme. 12.30 Computers in Control. 12.55 Whatever Happened to Britain? 1.20 Let's Go. 1.38 Around Scotland. 2.00 Scene. 2.30 English File.

3.00 Shades of Autumn. 3.25 Racing from Ascot (3.40 race). 3.55 Film: *The Capture* (1950) With Lew Ayres, Teresa Wright.

5.25 NEWS SUMMARY with subtitles; Weather

5.30 THE FOUR GREAT SEASONS *The Great Autumn*6.00 THE INVADERS Roy Thinnies as David Vincent, an architect who accidentally discovers alien invaders in *Quantity Unknown*

6.50 CHOIR OF THE YEAR 1984

7.30 THREE IN THE WILD *Shak the Red Fox* (Part 2) A series of six films depicting the lives of three of Britain's wild creatures

8.00 CALL MY BLUFF A duel of words and wit

8.30 ITALIANS *The Venetian Dance Masters* A portrait of Italy today seen through the lives of ten different Italians9.00 M★A★S★H *Friends and Enemies* With Alan Alda and Mike Farrell

9.25 ARENA The first major television interview with artist Francis Bacon. It takes place with his friend of many years, the art critic David Sylvester on the occasion of his 75th birthday

10.30 NEWSNIGHT

11.15-12.55 THE DEFIANT ONES (1958) With Tony Curtis and Sidney Poitier. Two convicts, one black and one white, are forced to overcome their hatred for each other as they fight to escape from the law. Directed by Stanley Kramer

BBC SCOTLAND: 7.30-8.00p.m. Prosaig.

CHANNEL 4

2.30 TREASURE HUNT *Edinburgh*3.30 THE PRIME OF MISS JEAN BRODIE *Giulia* Jean Brodie's love for Italy causes her to take under her wing an Italian pupil, Giulia

4.30 COUNTDOWN

5.00 THE ADDAMS FAMILY *Art and the Addams Family*

5.30 THE TUBE Jools Holland and Paula Yates introduce more live music — studio guests include ABC and King, The Three Johns, plus Helen Terry on film and archive footage of Bauhaus

7.00 CHANNEL 4 NEWS followed by Weather

7.30 RIGHT TO REPLY Beatrix Campbell responds to criticism of her report on reproductive technology

8.00 WHAT THE PAPERS SAY Reviewed by Alexander Chancellor from 'The Sunday Times'

8.15 A WEEK IN POLITICS Presented by Peter Jay

9.00 TELL THE TRUTH

9.30 GARDENERS' CALENDAR *November* Storing vegetables, protecting alpine plants and planting ground cover10.00 NEWHART *It Happened One Afternoon* (Part 2)10.30 JUST SEX *Male and Female* A look at how views have altered on the difference between the sexes, with two discussion groups11.20 OPINIONS *Graham Chapman* The first of three late night 'Opinion' specials offers an alternative to Victorian values

11.50 THE ALTERNATIVE MISS WORLD The British premiere of Richard Gaylor's bizarre and fascinating film record of the Alternative Miss World beauty contest held in 1978

1.15 Close

THAMES

6.25 Good Morning Britain. 9.25 Thames News Headlines; followed by School Programmes. 12.00 Gideon. 12.10 Rainbow. 12.30 Never Too Early, Never Too Late. 1.00 News at One. 1.20 Thames News. 1.30 Film: *Murder She Said* (1961) Margaret Rutherford, James Robertson-Justice and Arthur Kennedy. Margaret Rutherford does a great job as Agatha Christie's Miss Marple. 3.00 That's My Dog. 3.25 Thames News Headlines. 3.30 Sons and Daughters. 4.00 Rainbow. 4.20 Rub A Dub Dub. 4.25 The Wind in the Willows. 4.50 Illusions. 5.15 Blockbusters. 5.45 News.

6.00 THE SIX O'CLOCK SHOW

7.00 AIRWOLF *Mind of the Machine*

8.00 BRUCE FORSYTH'S PLAY YOUR CARDS RIGHT

8.30 HALLELUJAH *Holy Deadlock*9.00 EH BRIAN, IT'S A WHOPPER *Now Ollie's Gone*10.00 NEWS AT TEN followed by *London News Headlines*

10.30 THE LONDON PROGRAMME The Tory government's housing policies have meant London's councils have been unable to build new estates.

11.00 STRUGGLE *Better Red than Dead*

11.30 AROUND MIDNIGHT Guests include 'The Scotsman' political correspondent Jim Naughtie and Lambeth council leader Ted Knight

12.15 LIVE FROM LONDON *Climax Blues Band*1.15 HIGHWAY PATROL *Retired Gangster*

1.45 NIGHT THOUGHTS and Closedown

1.00 Countdown. 1.30 Alice. 2.00 Ffenestri. 2.20 5 Lon Goch. 2.35-2.55 Hyn O Fyd. 3.00 Years Ahead. 3.45 Book Four. 4.15 Scotland's Story. 4.45 Hanner Awr Fwy. 5.30 The Tube. 7.00 Newyddion Saith. 7.30 Rosalind A Myrddin. 8.00 Pobol Y Cwm. 8.30 Y Byd Yn Ei Le; News Headlines. 9.15 Fairly Secret Army. 9.45 Tell the Truth. 10.15 Film: *Kiss Tomorrow Goodbye*. 12.05 Newhart. 12.35 Soap. 1.05 Close.

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RADIO

1 News on the half hour from 6.30a.m. until 9.30p.m., and 12 midnight.

6.00 Adrian John. 7.00 Mike Read. 9.00 Simon Bates. 12.00 Gary Davies (12.30 Newsbeat). 2.30 Mark Page. 4.30 Select-A-Disc with Peter Powell. 5.30 Newsbeat. 5.45 Roundtable. 7.00 Andy Peebles. 10.00-12.00 The Friday Rock Show (S).

2 News on the hour (except 9p.m.); Headlines 5.30a.m., 6.30, 7.30 and 8.30.

4.00 Colin Berry (S). 5.30 Ray Moore (S). 7.30 Terry Wogan (S) (8.31 Racing Bulletin). 10.00 Russell Harty (S). 12.00 Steve Jones (S) (1.05 Sports Desk). 2.00 Gloria Hunniford (S) (2.02, 3.02 Sports Desk). 3.30 Music All the Way (S) 4.00 David Hamilton (S) (4.02, 5.05 Sports Desk). 6.00 John Dunn (S) (6.02 Sports Desk). 6.45 Sport and classified results. 8.00 Friday Night is Music Night (S). 9.15 The Organist Entertains (S). 9.55 Sports Desk. 10.00 The Show With No Name. 10.30 Nights at the Paris Olympia. 11.00 Stuart Hall. 1.00 Hilary Osborn (S) presents Nightride. 3.00 Big Band Special (S). 3.30-4.00 String Sound (S).

3 6.55 Weather. 7.00 News. 7.05 Morning Concert (S) Vivaldi, Mozart, Schubert, Sibe-

lius, Sousa (8.00 News) Gabriel Pierné attrib. W.F. Bach; Shostakovich; records. 9.00 News. 9.05 This Week's Compers (S) Villalobos and Ginastera Villa-Lobos. 10.00 18th-Century Piano Music (S) Eberl, Georg Benda, E.T.A. Hoffmann, J.L. Dussek. 10.45 Langham Chamber Orchestra (S) Bartok arr. Willner, Respighi. 11.40 The Songs of Peter Warlock (S). 12.15 BBC Philharmonic Orchestra (S) Beethoven, Schumann (1.00-1.05 News) Rawsthorne. 1.40 Chorus and Brass (S). 2.30 Nash Ensemble: Dvorak, Simon Holt, Janacek (3.20-3.25 Interval Reading) Smetana. 4.00 Choral Evensong. 4.55 News. 5.00 Mainly for Pleasure. 6.30 Music for Guitar (S) Jana Obrovská, Barrios, Ginastera, Enrique, Nufiez. 7.00 Melvyn Tan (S) Beethoven, Schubert, Tomasek. 7.30 BBC Symphony Orchestra (S) York Holter (7.50-8.10 Scottish Season: The Living Poet) Messiaen. 9.45 Of Cadres and Kings. 10.30 Beethoven. 11.00 Music from the Age of Vermeer. 11.57-12.00 News.

4 5.55 Shipping Forecast. 6.00 News Briefing. 6.10 Prayer for the Day. 6.30 Today (6.30, 7.30, 8.30 News Summary; 6.55, 7.55 Weather; 7.00, 8.00 Today's News; 7.25, 8.25 Sport; 7.45

Thought for the Day; 8.35 Yesterday in Parliament). 8.57 Weather; Travel. 9.00 News. 9.05 Desert Island Discs (S). 9.45 Feedback. 10.00 News; International Assignment. 10.30 Morning Story: *And Man*. 10.45 Daily Service (S). 11.00 News; Travel; Analysis. 11.48 I Beg Your Pardon? 12.00 News; You and Yours. 12.27 Top of the Form. 12.55 Weather. 1.00 The World at One: News. 1.40 The Archers. 1.55 Shipping Forecast. 2.00 News; Woman's Hour. 3.00 News; Master's India (S). 4.00 News; The Impossible Europeans? 4.10 The Mind in Focus. 4.40 Story Time: *Let the People Sing*. 5.00 PM: News. 5.50 Shipping Forecast. 5.55 Weather. 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 The Week in Synod (S). 8.45 Any Questions? 9.30 Letter from America. 9.45 Kaleidoscope. 10.15 A Book at Bedtime: *Some Do Not*. 10.29 Weather. 10.30 The World Tonight. 11.00 Today in Parliament. 11.15 The Financial World Tonight. 11.30 Week Ending. 12.00-12.15 News; Weather. 12.33 Shipping Forecast. VHF: 11.00-12.00 For Schools. 1.55-3.00 For Schools. 5.50-5.55 PM (continued). 11.00-12.00 Study on Four. 12.30-1.10 Schools Night-Time Broadcasting.

ROUND THE REGIONS

TYNE TEES

6.25 Good Morning Britain. 9.25 North East News. 9.30 For Schools. 12.00 Gideon. 12.10 Rainbow. 12.30 Never Too Early, Never Too Late. 1.00 News at One: North East News; Lookaround. 1.30 Film: *The Flanagan Boy*. 3.00 That's My Dog. 3.25 North East News. 3.30 Sons and Daughters. 4.00 Rainbow. 4.20 Rub a Dub Dub. 4.25 The Wind in the Willows. 4.50 Illusions. 5.15 Blockbusters. 5.45 News. 6.00 North East News. 6.02 Three Little Words. 6.30 Northern Life. 7.00 Airwolf. 8.00 Play Your Cards Right. 8.30 Hallelujah. 9.00 Eh Brian. It's a Whopper. 10.00 News at Ten: North East News. 10.32 Film: *The Blood Beast Terror*. 12.00 The Last Outlaw. 1.00 Epilogue; Closedown.

CENTRAL

6.25 Good Morning Britain. 9.30 For Schools. 12.00 Gideon. 12.10 Rainbow. 12.30 Never Too Early, Never Too Late. 1.00 News at One: Central News. 1.30 Film: *Miranda*. 3.00 That's My Dog. 3.25 News Headlines. 3.30 Sons and Daughters. 4.00 Rainbow. 4.20 Rub a Dub Dub. 4.25 The Wind in the Willows. 4.50 Illusions. 5.15 Blockbusters. 5.45 News. 6.00 Central News. 7.00 Airwolf. 8.00 Play Your Cards Right. 8.30 Hallelujah. 9.00 Eh Brian. It's a Whopper. 10.00 News at Ten: Central News Headlines. 10.35 The Streets of San Francisco. 11.35 Film: *Speedtrap*. 1.25 Closedown.

YORKSHIRE

6.25 Good Morning Britain. 9.25 Regional Weather Forecast; For Schools. 12.00 Gideon. 12.10 Rainbow. 12.30 Never Too Early, Never Too Late. 1.00 News at One; Calendar News; Weather. 1.30 Film:

The Magnificent Magical Magnet of Santa Mesa. 2.55 A Little Skate. 3.00 That's My Dog. 3.25 News Headlines. 3.30 Sons and Daughters. 4.00 Rainbow. 4.20 Rub a Dub Dub. 4.25 The Wind in the Willows. 4.50 Illusions. 5.15 Blockbusters. 5.45 News. 6.00 Calendar; Weather. 6.30 Diffrent Strokes. 7.00 Airwolf. 8.00 Play Your Cards Right. 8.30 Hallelujah. 9.00 Eh Brian. It's a Whopper. 10.00 News at Ten. 10.30 Shelley. 11.00 The Sweeney. 12.00 Rock of the Seventies. 12.30 Closedown.

TSW

6.25 Good Morning Britain. 9.30 For Schools. 12.00 Gideon. 12.10 Rainbow. 12.30 Never Too Early, Never Too Late. 1.00 News at One: TSW News Headlines. 1.30 Film: *Guns, Smoke*. 3.00 Hart to Hart. 3.57 Gus Honeybun's Magic Birthdays. 4.00 Rainbow. 4.20 Rub a Dub Dub. 4.25 The Wind in the Willows. 4.50 Illusions. 5.15 Emmerdale Farm. 5.45 News. 6.00 Today South West. 6.30 What's Ahead. 7.00 Airwolf. 8.00 Play Your Cards Right. 8.30 Hallelujah. 9.00 Eh Brian. It's a Whopper. 10.00 News at Ten: TSW Late News; Weather. 10.35 Film: *Experiment in Terror*. 12.45 Postscript; South West Weather; Shipping Forecast; Closedown.

TVS

6.25 Good Morning Britain. 9.25 TVS Outlook. 9.30 For Schools. 12.00 Gideon. 12.10 Rainbow. 12.30 Never Too Early, Never Too Late. 1.00 News at One: TVS News. 1.30 Afternoon Club. 1.32 Jamaica Shore Investigates. 2.35 Three Little Words. 3.00 Afternoon Club: TVS News. 3.27 The Young Doctors. 4.00 Rainbow. 4.20 Rub a Dub Dub. 4.25 The Wind in the Willows. 4.50 Illusions. 5.12 TVS News Headlines; Blockbusters. 5.45 News. 6.00 Coast to Coast. 6.30 Country Ways.

7.00 Airwolf. 8.00 Play Your Cards Right. 8.30 Hallelujah. 9.00 Eh Brian. It's a Whopper. 10.00 News at Ten; TVS News. 10.30 Shelley. 11.00 Masquerade. 12.00 John Cougar — Freeze Frame. 12.30 Epilogue; Closedown.

HTV

6.25 Good Morning Britain. 9.30 For Schools. 12.00 Gideon. 12.10 Rainbow. 12.30 Never Too Early, Never Too Late. 1.00 News at One: HTV News. 1.30 Film: *Four Sided Triangle*. 3.00 The Movie Makers; HTV News. 3.30 Sons and Daughters. 4.00 Rainbow. 4.20 Rub a Dub Dub. 4.25 The Wind in the Willows. 4.50 Illusions. 5.15 Blockbusters. 5.45 News. 6.00 HTV News. 6.30 Sidestep. 7.00 Airwolf. 8.00 Play Your Cards Right. 8.30 Hallelujah. 9.00 Eh Brian. It's a Whopper. 10.00 News at Ten; HTV News. 10.30 Your Say. 10.45 The West This Week. 11.15 Film: *The Traitor*. 12.40 HTV Weather; Closedown.

HTV CYMRU: 11.22-11.37 About Wales. 6.00-7.00 Wales at Six. 10.30 A Week in the Life of... 11.00 Film: *The Traitor*. 12.30 Weather; Closedown.

ANGLIA

6.25 Good Morning Britain. 9.30 For Schools. 12.00 Gideon. 12.10 Rainbow. 12.30 Never Too Early, Never Too Late. 1.00 News at One: Anglia News; Weather. 1.30 Film: *The Ringer*. 3.00 That's My Dog. 3.25 Anglia News. 3.30 Sons and Daughters. 4.00 Rainbow. 4.20 Rub a Dub Dub. 4.25 The Wind in the Willows. 4.50 Illusions. 5.15 Blockbusters. 5.45 News. 6.00 About Anglia. 7.00 Airwolf. 8.00 Play Your Cards Right. 8.30 Hallelujah. 9.00 Eh Brian. It's a Whopper. 10.00 News at Ten: Anglia Late News; Weather. 10.30 Cross Question. 11.10 Film: *The Thing from Another World*. 12.45 Epilogue; Closedown.

Winning Post

Gaye Brief — A winning return

1983 CHAMPION Hurdler Gaye Brief (2.10), off the course since gaining a second successive victory in the race named in honour of his trainer's late husband, Fred Rimell, at Hereford last February, can make a winning comeback in the Fairweather City ASCOT Hurdle at the Berkshire circuit today.

Gaye Brief scored twice from three attempts last sea-

son, and was far from disgraced when going down by neck to the 1984 Champion, Dawn Run, at Kempton in December.

Although Gaye Brief was odds-on favourite that day, Mercy Rimmel revealed that her charge had injured a cannon bone when winning the Fighting Fifth Hurdle at Newcastle the previous month, and that he was still short of his best.

Sadly, torn back ligaments prevented Gaye Brief from defending his crown at Cheltenham in March, when Very Promising ran third to Dawn Run, and Robin Wonder failed to show his true form.

However, Gaye Brief is already proven over this trip, and on these terms is taken to make a winning season debut for the fourth con-

secutive year.

Fulke Walwyn's Hypnotic (1.00), scored an impressive victory over Ragged Robin (who hacked up at Hereford on Tuesday) at the last Ascot fixture, and should follow up in the Bingley Novice Hurdle.

ASCOT BBC1 2.10, 2.40, 3.10 BBC2 3.40

1.00 BINGLEY NOVICE HURDLE £2,500

(4-Y-O) 2m (9 runners)		
1 333-111	BANDELERO R Holder 11.10	N Coleman (4)
2 2-1	HYPNOTIC (C-D) F Walwyn 11.5	K Mooney
3 1024-22	BAD HABITS B Swift 11.0	R Campbell (4)
4 22-	LEOPARDO J Gifford 11.0	R Rowe
5 020021	LISLARY LAD Mrs M Rimell 11.0	S Morshed
6 1	MAGANYOS (HUN) N Henderson 11.0	J White
7 00-	ROYAL GAMBIT J Gifford 11.0	E Murphy (7)
8 00-	SPOT THE PATCH (USA) B McMahon 11.0	P Scudamore
9 13	TEN OF SPADES S Mellor 11.0	

PROBABLE SP: 11-8 Hypnotic, 4-1 Banderero, 5-1 Maganyos, 7-1 Lisly Lad, 10-1 Ten of Spades, 12-1 Leopard and Bad Habits, 16-1 others.

1.35 PUNCH BOWL AMATEUR RIDERS H'CAP CHASE £4,500 3m (6 runners)

2 024U2/1-	HENRY BISHOP (NZ) Mrs B Dukes 11.11.11	Mr P Dukes (7)
3 1024-22	MUSO (D)(BF) F Winter 8.11.7	Mr S Sherwood
4 031-U20	BASHFUL LAD (D) M Oliver 9.10.9	Mr J Weston
5 020021	BALLYROSS (C-D) T Forster 13.10.6	Mr T Thomson Jones
6 P044-04	OAKPRIME (D) D F Pitcher 9.10.0	Mr D Pitcher (7)
7 302-P0F	WHITTINGTON (USA) Mrs M Easton 6.10.0	Mr M Martin (7)

PROBABLE SP: 2-1 Ballyross, 5-2 Musso, 7-2 Bashful Lad, 11-2 Henry Bishop, 20-1 Oakprime, 33-1 Whittington.

2.10 FAIRWEATHER CITY ASCOT HURDLE Group 2 £15,000 2m 4f (5 runners)

1 30010-0	ALASTOR O MAVROS (USA)(C) J Gifford 5.11.2	R Rowe
2 1400-21	ROBIN WONDER (D) D Elsworth 6.11.2	C Brown
3 111-121	GAYE BRIEF Mrs M Rimell 7.10.11	R Linley
4 2/11P-4	GRATIFICATION (C) F Winter 7.10.11	J Francome
5 20332-4	VERY PROMISING D Nicholson 6.10.11	P Scudamore

PROBABLE SP: 13-8 on Gaye Brief, 9-2 Very Promising and Robin Wonder, 12-1 Gratification, 16-1 Alastor O Mavros.

2.40 HURST PARK NOVICE CHASE Grade 2 £15,000 2m (8 runners)

1 4-1211	FREIGHT FORWARDER (D) A Pitt 10.11.11	J Francome
2 0140-13	BUCK HOUSE M F Morris (IRE) 6.11.8	T Carmody
3 400-412	SULA BULA (D)(BF) M H Easterby 6.11.8	G Bradley
4 12113-1	TOWNLEY STONE J Webber 5.11.8	G McCourt
5 004-0	LIGHTNING TOM P Cundell 7.11.4	P Double
6 30011P-	SIGN AGAIN J C Fox 6.11.4	S Moore
7 4/0-	SOME SHOT R Armitage 5.11.4	A Webber
8 11180-1	BUCKBE D Elsworth 5.10.13	C Brown

BLINKERS: 3
PROBABLE SP: 3-1 Townley Stone, 7-2 Buck House, 9-2 Buckbe, 5-1 Sula Bula, 6-1 Freight Forwarder, 12-1 Sign Again, 16-1 Lightning Tom, 25-1 Some Shot.

3.10 CHARLES DAVIS HANDICAP CHASE £8,500 2m (6 runners)

2 F30-101	GOLDEN FRIEND (D) Mrs M Rimell 6.11.7	S Morshed
3 10113-U	ROMANY NIGHTSHADE (D) T Forster 8.11.5	H Davies
4 F1P2P-1	GREEN BRAMBLE (D) N Henderson 7.11.3 (4 ex)	S Smith Eccles
5 2112-03	ALDRO (D) W Clay 8.10.13	S J O'Neill
6 P40-003	TEN BEARS (D) T M Jones 8.10.0	G Charles-Jones (4)
7 00-2200	DUNDUM BAY (D) A Barrow 9.10.0	B Powell (4)

PROBABLE SP: 5-2 Green Bramble, 7-2 Golden Friend, 4-1 Romany Nightshade, 9-2 Aldro, 7-1 Ten Bears, 16-1 Dundrum Bay.

3.40 LION GATE HANDICAP HURDLE £4,000 3m (11 runners)

1 0/23P0-0	INISH GLORA (C) G Thorne 8.11.10	R Kingston
2 11323-0	SPIDER'S WELL J Gifford 8.11.7	E Murphy (7)
3 F3000-1	VIVAQUE D Elsworth 5.11.6 (4 ex)	C Brown
4 20-1221	ALFIE DICKINS R Hollinshead 6.11.4 (4 ex)	D Carcary
5 0P-2UF	SWINGLETREE (BF) F Walwyn 8.11.2	K Mooney
6 1312-0	NIALAN J Jenkins 4.11.0	J Francome
7 140000-	EUSEBIO (D) D Oughton 6.11.0	P Double
8 2124-2	MISTY DALE Mrs J Pitman 6.10.10	M Pitman (7)
9 312230-	CAMELLE N R Mitchell 6.10.8	B Powell (4)
10 01P3-14	WILY YEOMAN (BF) J Gifford 5.10.0	R Rowe
11 0000P0	LANDAS ROCKET P Ashworth 6.10.0	G Gracey

PROBABLE SP: 11-4 Vivaque, 9-2 Alfie Dickens, 5-1 Misty Dale, 6-1 Nialan and Wily Yeoman, 8-1 Inish Glora, 10-1 Camelle, 16-1 others.

4 U112-P3	HOT PRETENCE (USA) (D) C Parker 7.11.3	
5 2400B4-	PHILNORM (D) D Gandolfo 7.10.9	P Croucher
6 001-04F	MICK'S RITUAL (D) P Felgate 5.10.5	T Woolley (5)
7 140-P43	SMILING CAVALIER (D) A Madwar 8.10.5	Angus Madwar (5)
8 0U/000-	NOBLEU F Cotton 7.10.5	Georgina Herbert (5)
9 FU404U	FLECHA M Chapman 9.10.5	P Liddle (5)

PROBABLE SP: 9-4 Kevinsfort, 100-30 Hot Pretence, 11-2 Profitier, 13-2 Mick's Ritual, 8-1 Philnorm, 10-1 Smiling Cavalier, 14-1 Swift Albany, 20-1 others.

3.00 EASTGATE HANDICAP HURDLE £1,250 2m (12 runners)

2 303313-	THE MAN HIMSELF G Richards 4.11.9	N Doughty
3 3200-23	KELSEY LADY (C-D) M Lambert 6.11.9	A Charlton (7)
4 000020-	ENSIGNS KIT (D) A Brisbane 9.11.9	M Brisbane
5 0/1-0	SAN FERMIN (BF) J Fitzgerald 5.11.7	R O'Leary
6 0140-	MICK'S STAR (C-D) M W Easterby 4.11.6	A Dickman
7 111002	SUMMERLAND (D) R Thompson 4.11.4	Jayne Thompson (7)
8 2023-20	RHINESTONE COWBOY A Madwar 5.11.2	M Bastard
9 P000-22	MAYHEM J Dooler 11.11.2	B de Haan
10 020B01	HARBOR BAZAAR (D) M Chapman 4.10.11	P Liddle (7)
11 33420-P-	GENERAL WOOD J Townsend 8.10.8	NON-RUNNER
12 400000-	QUALITAIR PRINCE M Ryan 5.10.7	J McLaughlin
13 340F0-0	CHUCKBUCK (C-D) S G Smith 7.10.6	

BLINKERS: 3
PROBABLE SP: 3-1 San Fermin, 9-2 Kelsey Lady, 6-1 Mayhem and The Man Himself, 8-1 Summerland, 10-1 Ensigns Kit and Mick's Star, 14-1 others.

3.30 ASTON ARMS NOVICE CHASE £1,250 2m (6 runners)

4 101-F	CENTRE ATTRACTION (BF) G Richards 5.11.6	N Doughty
5 00P0-	IMPAGE R Robinson 6.11.6	
6 0/0P-	JUNJA THYME D Ringer 7.11.6	S McNeill
7 1412-00	KARENOMORE M H Easterby 6.11.6	A Brown
8 0000P3-	LEGAL EMPEROR J Fitzgerald 6.11.6	R O'Leary
9 1-10300	VITINGO C Holmes 5.11.6	A Webb

PROBABLE SP: 5-4 Karenomore, 15-8 Centre Attraction, 8-1 Legal Emperor, 10-1 Vitingo, 25-1 Impage and Junja Thyme.

RESULTS

WINCANTON

1.15 (2m): PEARLYMAN Barton (14-1); Alrwar (9-4 fav); Wordsworth (25-1); Gasool (8-14, 18 ran, 8, 12 (J A C Edwards) T: £12; £4.10, £1.30, £17.10, CSF: £44.82.
1.45 (2m): ROCKFELD BOY B Powell (25-1); Sundial (16-1); Royal Manx (9-13, 11 ran, 3 fshd, 12, 15 (J Jenkins) T: £24.10; £4.70, £3, £2.10, NR: The Food-broder.
2.15 (2m 5f): BEAU RANGER J Hurst (11-4 j fav); Run To Me (12-1); Bishop's Bow (12-1); Co-Member (14-14, 9 ran, 2½, 15 (J Thorne) T: £4.60; £2.50, £1.40, £2.80, CSF: £32.33.
2.45 (2m): CRYSAOR W Newton (9-2); Morning Line (14-1); Malya Mal (2-1 fav); Somersday (25-14, 13 ran, 2½, ¾ (S Christian) T: £7.80; £2, £1.80, £1.70, CSF: £62.39.
2.55 (2m 5f): BEAU RANGER J Hurst (11-4 j fav); Run To Me (12-1); Bishop's Bow (12-1); Co-Member (14-14, 9 ran, 2½, 15 (J Thorne) T: £4.60; £2.50, £1.40, £2.80, CSF: £32.33.
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3.15 (3m 1f): BURROUGH HILL LAD Tuck (4-1 on fav); Broadheath (9-2); Buck Royale (8-13, 3 ran, 4, 30 (Mrs J Pitman) T: £1.10, CSF: £1.78.
3.45 (2m): HYPNOSIS C Brown (7-4 on fav); Walnut Way (10-12); Tin Boy (7-13); Fulvio (25-14, 12 ran, 8, 2 (D Elsworth) T: £1.50; £1.10, £1.50, £2.20, CSF: £8.25.

TOWCESTER

1.00 (2m 5f): GLYDE COURT J Rancome (2-1 fav); Double Bass (10-12); Green Pride (16-13); Avante (50-14, 12 ran, 12 ran, 3 (T Winter) T: £2.80; £1.50, £5.00, £2.70, CSF: £24.30, NR: Greata A Ulise.
1.30 (2m): THE DIPLOMAT S McNeill (5-1 fav); Sir Lucky (16-12); Taffy Jones (6-12); Village Draper (10-14, 21 ran, Sh hd, 3 (D S Ringer) T: £4.60; £1.80, 4, 10, £2.50, £4.10, CSF: £93.62.

SELECTIONS

ASCOT: 1.00 Hypnotic, 1.35 Ballyross, 2.10 Gaye Brief, 2.40 Townley Stone, 3.10 Golden Friend, 3.40 Vivaque (nap).

NEWCASTLE: 12.45 Vitriolic, 1.15 Teucer, 1.45 Antiguan Moon, 2.15 Scarlet Terror, 2.45 Spring Chancellor, 3.15 Our Louise.

MARKET RASEN: 1.00 Trade Hall, 1.30 Grinders (n.b.), 2.00 Staggerers Lady, 2.30 Philnorm, 3.00 San Fermin, 3.30 Karenomore.

NEWCASTLE

12.45 PONTELAND HANDICAP HURDLE £1,000 2m 4f (11 runners)

2 112404-	REPINGTON (C-D) N Crump 6.12.1	C Hawkins
3 04101P-	PRELKO (D) J Fitzgerald 9.11.12	Mr S Mullins (7)
4 2/00310-	BORDER KNIGHT (C)(D) J Haldane 9.10.11	C Grant
5 003/2-04	KELSO CHANT R Gray 12.10.9	S Charlton
6 0310-03	JOE'S FANCY (D) P Liddle 6.10.4	G W Gray
7 1010020	HELISHAW GRANGE J Blundell 5.10.4	D Dutton
8 40U-120	RUN IN TUNE (D) D Eddy 5.10.4	C Pimlott
9 1002-03	VITRIOLIC (BF) R Fisher 5.10.0	P Tuck
10 0010-00	AUCKLAND EXPRESS Denys Smith 4.10.0	T G Davies
11 200003-	MISS APOLLO Miss Z Green 7.10.0	J Goulding
12 3U4-0P0	KANISA (D) W J Smith 6.10.0	NON-RUNNER

BLINKERS: 2, 16
PROBABLE SP: 9-4 Vitriolic, 11-4 Kelso Chant, 9-2 Border Knight, 6-1 Prelko, 8-1 Repington, 10-1 Joe's Fancy, 12-1 Helshaw Grange, 20-1 others.

1.15 BOLAM SELLING HURDLE £800 2m (11 runners)

2 000-0P4	TEUCER V Thompson 4.11.9	Mr M Thompson (7)
3 1030-	VALOROSO J Kettlewell 4.11.9	S Kettlewell (4)
4 234F0-0	NOT EASY E Carter 4.11.4	C Pimlott
5 F440	CALAMAN P Monteith 4.11.2	D Nolan
6 044-000	CARLINGFORD BAY R Gray 5.11.2	Mr G Harker (7)
7 P2-000	PALLETIT N Waggott 4.11.2	S Youlden (7)
8 0300-00	SABINA PARK R Nixon 4.11.2	Mr C Storey (7)
9 0P/0UP-3	CHANTENO W J Smith 5.10.11	S Youlden (7)
10 0300-00	IT'S HEAVEN Mrs M Nesbitt 4.10.11	D Dutton
11 00	LANDING LANE N Waggott 4.10.11	Mr N Waggott (7)
12 00P3-00	RHYMARC G Richards 4.10.11	J Hansen (4)

BLINKERS: 2, 15
PROBABLE SP: 5-2 Chanteno, 7-2 Teucer, 9-2 Valoroso, 11-2 Sabina Park, 8-1 Calaman, 10-1 Rhymerc, 12-1 Carlingford Bay, 20-1 others.

1.45 JACK BRITTON NOVICE CHASE £3,000 3m (10 runners)

2 310303	HERON'S REFLECTION W A Stephenson 6.12.1	R Lamb
3 100-U2F	ANTIGUAN MOON J Blundell 6.11.10	D Dutton
4 000P-0	CRICKET WOOD H Wharton 6.11.10	S Youlden (4)
5 00003-0	FORT NELSON W A Stephenson 6.11.10	Mr P J Dun (4)
6 02304-2	JOCKAMBLE D M Thomson 8.11.10	T G Dun
7 0U-0U3F	LARRY HILL Mrs J Goodfellow 9.11.10	P A Farrell (7)
8 030PP2-	OCEAN CRUISE I Vickers 9.11.10	C Grant
9 030PP2-	PALISTRANO T Craig 10.11.10	M Ennis
10 P00	RUN TOKEN Mrs S Bramall 6.11.10	C Pimlott
11 4P/002-U	WELLHILL W G Forster 9.11.10	Mr P Craggs

BLINKERS: 14
PROBABLE SP: 15-8 Antiguan Moon, 3-1 Heron's Reflection, 9-2 Jockamble, 6-1 Larry Hill, 8-1 Ocean Cruise, 12-1 Fort Nelson, 16-1 others.

2.15 NORTH NORTHUMBERLAND NOVICE HURDLE £1,100 (Mares only) 2m 4f (15 runners)

1 42-1	KATIE MAC (D) G Richards 6.11.5	J K Kinane
2 20-221	RIGTON SALLY H Wharton 4.11.5	S Youlden (4)
3 UF/0-4F4	AUTUMN BALLET A Scott 5.10.12	A Stringer
4 2	CALIRA Miss N Benson 5.10.12	Mr T Reed (7)
5 0000P-0	KARAMELANNA Mrs S Bramall 4.10.12	K Whyte
6 0000P-0	LA MARGARITE D Moorhead 4.10.12	C Grant
7 0000P-0	MARCH FLY A Mactaggart 4.10.12	J O'Gorman (7)
8 0000P-0	MILLISLES N Chamberlain 4.10.12	M Pepper
9 0000P-0	MOUNT ST MARY'S M Camacho 5.10.12	R Forsyth
10 0000P-0	MY ROMANY ROSE O Brennan 4.10.12	M Hill (7)
11 0000P-0	PERFECT IMAGE J Jefferson 4.10.12	S Charlton
12 0000P-0	RUN FOR PORT Mrs M Nesbitt 6.10.12	Mr G Harker (7)
13 043-022	SCARLET TERROR R Brewis 6.10.12	C Pimlott
14 0	SUNY SALOME R Choley 4.10.12	R Scholey
15 0	THE NAWTON STAR M Avison 4.10.12	G W Gray

PROBABLE SP: 11-4 Katie Mac, 7-2 Rigton Sally, 4-1 Scarlet Terror, 5-1 Calira, 10-1 Autumn Ballet, 12-1 La Margarite and Karamelanna, 20-1 others.

2.45 GOSFORTH PARK AMATEUR CUP (H'CAP CHASE) £2,000 2m 4f (5 runners)

1 32-1211	SPRING CHANCELLOR (C-D) W A Stephenson 9.12.1	Mr P J Dun (4)
2 10313-0	MAGIC TIPP (C-D) J W Blundell 11.11.13	Mr A Fowler
3 2311-33	SNOW BLESSED (C-D)(BF) Denys Smith 7.11.7	Mr C Sample (4)
4 112142-	WEWUMPAWUD J Storey 9.10.12	Mr C Storey (7)
5 424104	RAMOA'S SON N Waggott 8.10.7	Miss T Waggott (7)

PROBABLE SP: 5-4 on Spring Chancellor, 7-2 Snow Blessed, 6-1 Magic Tipp, 8-1 Wewumpawud, 10-1 Ramoa's Son.

3.15 FELTON NOVICE HURDLE £650 2m (19 runners)

2 11	OUR LOUISE A Scott 5.11.5	Mr T Reed (7)
3 00	BILLY TOBIN Miss Z Green 4.10.10	J Goulding
4 0000P-0	CARNEADES M H Easterby 4.10.10	A Stringer
5 0000P-0	CHIPCHASE B Wilkinson 4.10.10	Mr G Harker (7)
6 0000P-0	GOLDEN LEICESTER P Wigham 8.10.10	M Hindley (4)
7 0000P-0	GREEN GORSE N Crump 4.10.10	C Hawkins
8 0000P-0	HARBOR MUSIC D A Lamb 4.10.10	D Nolan
9 02220-0	ISLAY MIST T Craig 8.10.10	M Ennis
10 3232F-2	KEYCORN J Blundell 4.10.10	D Dutton
11 000000-	KINGSLEY HOUSE Mrs M Nesbitt 6.10.10	C Pimlott
12 2430-4F	PALLAS PRINCE M H Easterby 7.10.10	P Tuck
13 0P/000-0	PERFECT PARTNER W A Stephenson 5.10.10	K Jones
14 00000-0	PRICE OF PEACE J C Doyle 6.10.10	P A Farrell (7)
15 00000-0	ROYAL GLOW R Gray 5.10.10	J Allen
16 00000-0	SANDIFOOT J Haldane 5.10.10	T G Dun
17 00000-0	TARGET MAN W A Stephenson 4.10.10	R Lamb
18 00000-0	HAZEL BANK R Allan 5.10.5	S Charlton
19 042-	RIBBONS OF BLUE J W Watts 4.10.5	D Browne
20 43	TUVALU J Robinson 4.10.5	Mr R Robinson (4)

BLINKERS: 25
PROBABLE SP: 7-4 Our Louise, 3-1 Ribbons of Blue, 5-1 Keycorn, 8-1 Carneades, 10-1 Green Gorse and Pallas Prince, 12-1 Price of Peace, 20-1 others.

MARKET RASEN

Test places are at stake



IMRAN KHAN... Taking on the West Indies today

PAKISTAN all-rounder Imran Khan turns out for New South Wales against the West Indies cricketers in Sydney today — but local interest will be more concerned with the form of those seeking promotion to the Australian Test team.

Imran is spending a season in Australia hoping finally to throw off the effects of the stress fracture to a shin which have disrupted his career.

Dismally

For Australians, though, the main purpose of the four-day match starting tomorrow is to find replacements for the players who performed so dismally in the first Test in Perth which West Indies won on Monday by an innings and 112 runs.

Candidates in the NSW side to win test places include batsmen Dirk Wellham and Steve Smith, both eager to resume test careers, and spinners Bob Holland, Murray Bennett and Greg Matthews.

At least two batting places seem certain to become available for the second Test starting in Brisbane next week with Graham Yallop unfit and opener Kepler Wessels out of touch. If Wessels keeps his place it may be down the order.

A theory that the West Indies may be vulnerable to

spin has been gaining ground here even though the touring team's captain Clive Lloyd dismisses it. 'We handled it in India and they are supposed to be the experts,' he said.

NSW's spin trio will be putting the theory and Lloyd's dismissal to the test over the next four days with Holland's form of particular interest. The leg-spinner is 38, but was considered unfortunate not to tour the Caribbean earlier this year.

Matthews is a left-handed batsman and off-spinner who made 75 in this Test debut against Pakistan in Melbourne and Bennett also bats and bowls.

The weather threatened a prompt start to the match, although things have improved since a deluge almost a week ago.

Ground official Noel Neate said: 'We pumped out 1.6 million gallons of water from under the Brewongle Stand where it lay, in some places, eight metres deep.'

Water

'The water covered the ground and the wicket table and was banked up into the 11th row of seats in front of the Brewongle.'

NEW SOUTH WALES: J. Dyson, S.B. Smith, P. Clifford, D.M. Wellham, Imran Khan, G.R.J. Matthews, S.J. Rixon, M.J. Bennett, P. Marks, R.G. Holland, D. Gilbert. West Indies to be announced tomorrow.

Kiwis tough task

NEW ZEALAND, with only one win over Pakistan in 21 Tests, will be hard-pressed to add to this tally in the opening match of the latest series starting at the Gaddafi Stadium, in Lahore today.

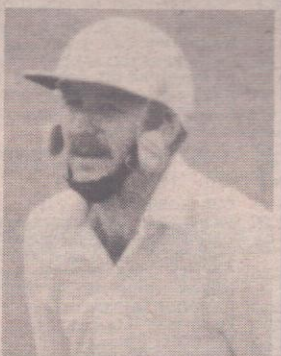
It was 15 years ago, also in Lahore, that New Zealand achieved their solitary win over the Pakistanis, who were bowled out in four hours on the first day for 114.

The prospect of New Zealand repeating this feat when the first Test opens is remote. The pitch at the Gaddafi Stadium is unlikely to reward the quicker bowlers and groundsman, Gul Mohammad, the former Test player, predicted only slow turn for the spinners.

Jeremy Coney, the New Zealand captain, expressed some surprise when he saw the pitch yesterday.

'It has certainly changed from yesterday,' he said. 'It had quite a lot of grass, and now suddenly it has none. I wonder who has cut the whole thing and completely shorn it.'

Pakistan are unable to call on the services of fast bowlers Imran Khan, who is recovering from injury, and Sarfraz Nawaz, who has retired, and a wearing, grassless pitch may prove an ideal stage for leg-spinner Abdul Qadir, already described by his captain Zaheer Abbas as his 'trump card'.



JEREMY CONEY

Pakistan's batsmen have shown impressive early-season form, with openers Mohsin Khan and Mudasar Nazar and Qasim Omar, Zaheer Abbas and Salim Malik already among the runs during India's recent visit which was cut short following the assassination of Indian Prime Minister Indira Gandhi.

New Zealand, on the other hand, have had their batting problems and manager Ian Taylor was critical of their efforts in the first one-day international in Peshawar three days ago, which they lost by 46 runs after being bowled out for 145.

Even so, Coney had no doubts about his response to winning the toss. 'The wicket will wear out and the toss will be of vital importance. If we win, we will bat first.'



GARY STEVENS... Has a chance to catch Bobby Robson's eye in the coming months

JOCK'S THREE WISHES



JOCK STEIN... Just three wishes

SCOTLAND manager Jock Stein wants the best of three worlds in 1985 — a place in the World Cup finals, a game against reigning champions Italy and a trip to the 1986 venue, Mexico.

Stein is quietly hopeful that all three objectives can be achieved after the crushing 3-1 win over Spain, which went a long way to restoring Scotland's sagging credibility abroad.

Since the Scots finished bottom of their European championship group 12 months ago, the world's leading nations have not exactly been falling over themselves to play Scotland.

But now, with Scotland sitting comfortably on top of their World Cup group with maximum points, Stein believes that 'a few doors could be wide open' by next spring.

He said: 'If we can qualify — or look likely to qualify — by March, then countries such as Mexico might want to know us.'

'We have not been on many people's popular list recently, but we might look an attractive proposition if it is known that we will be going to Mexico for the finals.'

Stein has already made tentative plans for a game with world champions Italy, some time next year, and that arrangement could be strengthened by Scotland's early qualification.

The Scots manager is searching for a friendly international, away from home, between now and his team's next World Cup game in Spain on February 27.

'We tried Portugal, but they couldn't fit us in,' said Stein. 'We would prefer a game abroad, but if not we can fix up something at home to keep the team going.'

'The people who have played in the last few games have underlined their World Cup claims so it would give us a chance to throw some of their fringe players into the fray.'

Looking back on Scotland's first win over Spain in 21 years, Stein admitted: 'That must rate as one of the best Scottish performances at Hampden — and not just in my time as manager.'

'The balance of the side is good, with a backbone of Graeme Souness, Kenny Dalglish and Willie Miller running through the team. The players didn't rush. They sized up the opposition and played the game the way it should be played.'



KENNY DALGLISH... Marvellous against Spain

Allison loses case

MALCOLM ALLISON yesterday lost his case for unfair dismissal against Second Division Middlesbrough.

The 57-year-old manager, sacked by Middlesbrough in March, 'at the end of the day became the author of his own misfortune,' said tribunal chairman Basil Lauriston.

He had caused the rift between himself and the board 'and that rift eventually swallowed him,' he said.

'We are quite satisfied that no matter what warnings or consultations had taken place, it would not have changed the result one iota,' said Lauriston at the end of the four-day hearing in Middlesbrough.

'He was 100 per cent to blame for the dismissal.'

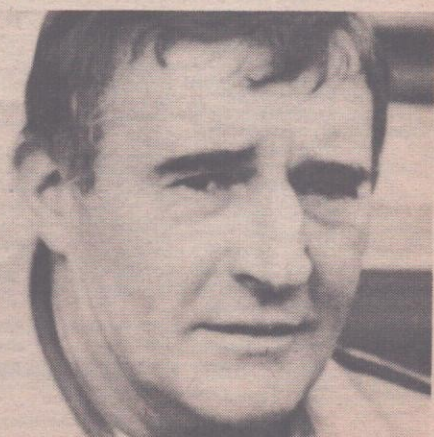
Allison had claimed that he was unfairly dismissed after refusing to sell players as part

of the club's survival plan during financial troubles.

He claimed that he had been promised by club chiefs that he would not have to sell players, and was sacked when he refused to do so.

Later Allison said he was considering going into business, but refused to give details.

'I need to earn a living, but I still will be involved with football in some way,' he added.



MALCOLM ALLISON

World Cup

EVERTON

EVERTON midfielder Paul Bracewell has three months to convince Bobby Robson he can fill England's problem slot and join the march to Mexico.

Bracewell, over-age captain and one of the successes of the under-21 side which accompanied the senior squad to Turkey, might just be the man to give the team the width on the right which the manager is demanding.

Southampton's Steve Williams, despite a 20-minute pre-match briefing on Wednesday, failed to operate as 'an old fashioned right half' and too often was drawn to the left, or crowded Ray Wilkins in the centre. Williams is at his best when controlling the whole midfield scene. In the England team that role belongs to Wilkins, by right of preference.

Robson's agitation was clearly seen in Istanbul as Williams too often chased the ball into already crowded areas.

Bracewell plays a central role for Ever-

ton, because of Peter Reid's right side preference, but admits to being a natural right-sided performer himself. It was there he played for Stoke. With Everton deeply involved in the Milk Cup and the League title race, he will have ample opportunity to impress before England meet Northern Ireland next February.

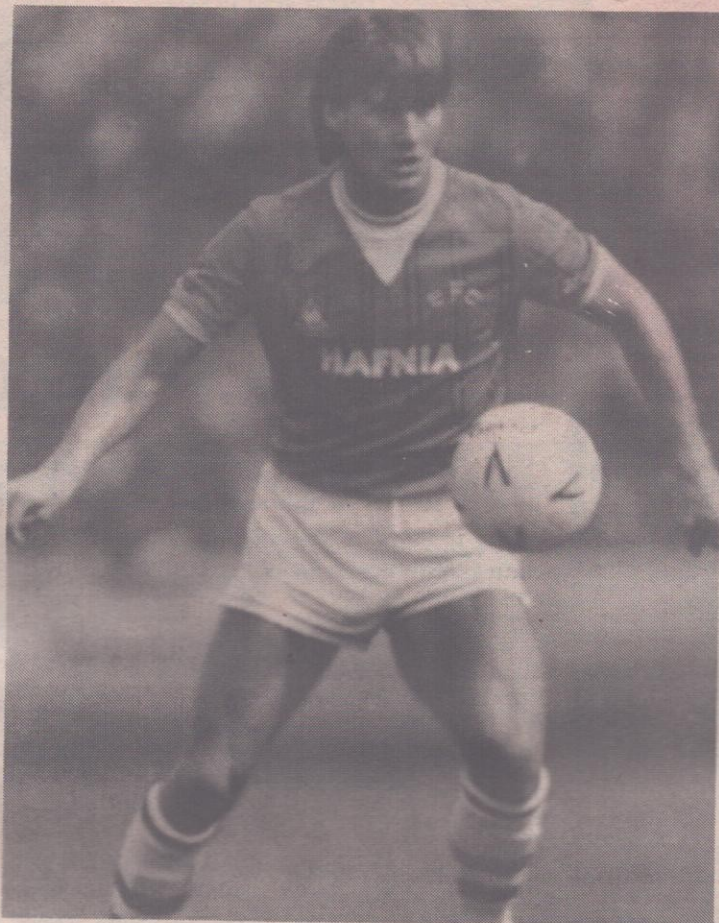
Club mate Trevor Steven is another candidate for an opening on the right, though he operates more as a withdrawn winger. Gary Stevens of Spurs must also be considered. His key role on the road to the World Cup finals, however, will probably be as a play-anywhere substitute.

The three months break is unfortunate at a time when England are riding high, but the interval should enable Mark Hateley to recover from his knee injury.

Every League game adds to the experience of two of the younger successes on Wednesday, Mark Wright and John Barnes, and both will hopefully mature into key players for England.

Review

ON DUO GIVEN HOPE



PAUL BRACEWELL . . . Impressive debut for England's 'B' team on Tuesday last

Watson takes lead

TOM WATSON of the United States, five times winner of the British Open, rose effortlessly to meet the challenge of the demanding Royal Melbourne golf course yesterday when he returned a five-under-par 67 to lead by three shots after the first round of the Australian Open.

Watson's compatriot, Payne Stewart and Australians David Graham, Peter Senior, Ian Baker-Finch, Ossie Moore and Roger Mackay made up a six-man chasing group on 70.

Watson, 35, showed indifferent form in practice yesterday and said: 'I didn't feel particularly confident today at the way I was swinging at the ball.'

'But I hit some good shots and fortunately the bad shots didn't really hurt me too much. A 67 on this golf course is more than I could have expected.'

Watson was full of praise for the course. 'I wish we had more of these courses around the world. This is a rarity, it is both challenging and fun.'

He even went as far as to rate it ahead of the famous Augusta course where the US Masters is played and which he thought had been made too long now.

Watson made a devastating start with birdies at the first three holes, but then dropped shots at the fourth where he said he misjudged



TOM WATSON

his approach by as much as two clubs and at the fifth where he pushed a seven iron into a greenside bunker and took two shots to get out.

He started home with a birdie three from six feet (two metres) before dropping a shot at the 12th when he again used the wrong club and sent his second shot sailing over the green.

But in a powerful finish he pulled relentlessly clear of his rivals with four birdies between the 13th and 17th to complete the second nine in 33.

Graham, who won this title in 1977, was happy with his two-under par 70. He described the course as 'still very passive. It has not yet reared its head'.

He added: 'This is by far the fairest I've ever seen this golf course. It is at its best when you can shoot at the flag with a little confidence.'

Graham said he hit only one bad shot — his second at the par-four 15th, which he bogeyed.

The flamboyant Payne Stewart, who wore bright green plus fours, described his round as 'good, solid golf'. He said he had been able to hit most of the greens although his iron play was not as crisp as it could have been.

Hughes backs Wales



MARK HUGHES . . . Backing Wales

MARK HUGHES yesterday backed Wales for a place in the World Cup finals.

Manchester United striker Hughes scored the goal against Iceland that, on Wednesday night, gave Wales their first points of the qualifying competition.

Wales now face a potentially explosive encounter in Scotland next March — a game they dare not lose.

The Scots have taken maximum points from their two home games so far — against Iceland and Spain — but that does not frighten Hughes.

'We feel we can get something from Hampden Park,' said Hughes, whose 63rd minute shot tied up a narrow 2-1 win.

'Anything is possible in this competition. We didn't think we would be beaten in Iceland — but we were.'

'We had a bad start with two away defeats, but now we are back in it.'

Hughes had to share the hero tag with Fulham defender, Jeff Hopkins, who finished up playing in a match that he originally intended watching from the stand.

Hopkins arrived at Ninian Park an hour before the kick-off and went to the

Welsh dressing-room when he discovered that his tickets were not on the gate.

'When I looked in, they asked me whether I had my boots with me,' said Hopkins, who had been omitted from the original squad.

Hopkins was wanted on the bench because Southampton's Alan Curtis had withdrawn two hours before the kick-off with a stomach upset.

And as it turned out Hopkins played an important part in the Welsh performance from the 32nd minute when central defender, Jeremy Charles, was carried off with damaged ankle ligaments.

At that point it looked as though Wales were in for another frustrating night.

Hughes recalled: 'I had one shot cleared off the line and another touched over and I was beginning to think it was going to be one of those nights. . .'

Micky Thomas broke the deadlock after 36 minutes — Wales first goal of the competition — but they were made to work when Petrusson equalised after 55 minutes.

Then Hughes rescued Wales with an eight-yard shot. 'We didn't play particularly well, but it was the result that was important,' said Hughes.

Armstrong breaks record

GERRY ARMSTRONG, the underrated striker who never lets Northern Ireland down in moments of crisis, kept them wobbling along the World Cup road to Mexico against Finland on Wednesday night.

Armstrong's long wait to equal the pre-war Irish scoring record ended when he blasted home a 51st-minute penalty.

It completed a traumatic comeback for the Irish and the 2-1 win put them second behind England on goal difference.

Billy Bingham's group two strategy is still on course — but only just. His hopes of keeping to that plan with at least a draw against England at Windsor Park next February were jeopardised when Norman Whiteside was booked in the second half.

Now the striker faces a one-match suspension hav-



BILLY BINGHAM

ing also been cautioned for celebrating his goal against Romaini too enthusiastically in September. The Irish are appealing against the first caution — officially

given for leaving the pitch without the referee's permission.

Bingham looked ahead to the November 30 hearing of FIFA's executive committee and said: 'The booking upset me at the time and I only hope the appeal will succeed because Norman is one player I wouldn't want to be without against England. We will just have to keep our fingers crossed.'

Foul

The bustling 19-year-old did not get on to the score sheet but it was a foul on him that gave Armstrong the spot kick chance for his 12th goal that pulled him level with early century heroes Joe Bambrick and Billie Gillespie.

The match was well poised, Leicester's John O'Neill cancelling out

Mika Liponen's shock 21st-minute goal just before the break.

Armstrong said: 'Norman was supposed to take the penalties, but I felt I had more experience because all the pressure was on. The record was the last thing on my mind — it was vital to get in front after the way they kicked up in the teeth with their early goal.'

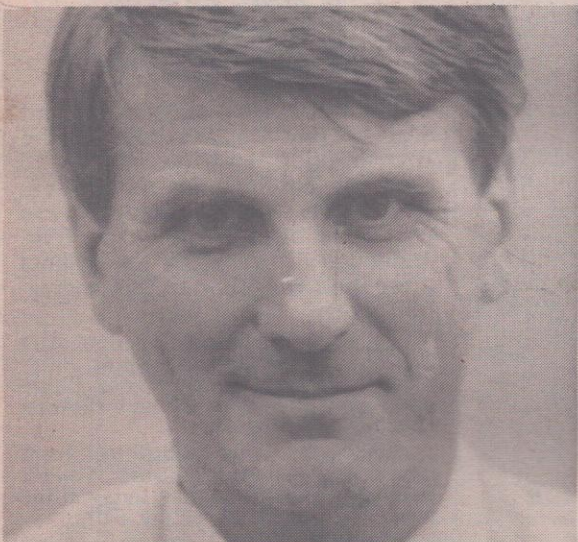
'They proved again that they were no mugs. If anything they were better last night than when they beat us in Finland in the summer. They could be the two most vital points of our World Cup campaign because it would have been all over if we had lost.'

For the record Armstrong's dozen goals took 55 games compared to the 25 over 28 years by Gillespie and Bambrick's 12 in just 11 games.

But Armstrong added: 'The two points mean more to me than the record, but it was a nice reward after seven years with the side. I don't think it will stand too long — Norman Whiteside's on five goals already and he is still a teenager.'



GERRY ARMSTRONG . . . Another Irish record



TONY BROWN . . . Happy with his team's performance — but unhappy with rumours

Brown denies Patel complaint

ENGLAND manager Tony Brown was satisfied with the on-the-field activities and upset at those off as the first match of the Indian tour ended drawn in Jaipur yesterday.

The sight of key all-rounder Richard Ellison and Vic Marks batting without a care in the world and Chris Cowdrey bowling again after his groin troubles augurs well for the first Test at Bombay on November 28.

But rumblings that the England tour party could be involved in a 'chucking' controversy threatened to sour the tour behind the scenes.

The rumours started with a local paper report written from an overheard conversation that Brown had reported the President's XI off spinner, Ashok Patel, for an illegal bowling action.

The paper, The Rajastan 'Patrika' also said that opener Tim Robinson had been the English batsman who instigated the complaint.

Brown, however, said emphatically that no complaint had been made and if one was made to the Indian Cricket Board it would be kept confidential.

But he did admit discussing with Bishen Bedi, the former Indian spinner, how England should go about making a complaint should it become necessary on tour.

Brown was happier discussing Cricket as England rattled up 444 for eight declared in response to the president XI's 198.

By batting through to mid-afternoon England effectively killed the game stone dead, as the home side, 246 in arrears, were able to last out until the close in relative comfort at 117 for three.

But the exercise was not totally without value as Ellison and Marks played themselves into form with an enterprising

sixth wicket stand of 115 in only 105 minutes.

Marks was the more fluent, hammering 11 fours in his 66 and showing the form that brought him a thousand runs for the first time last summer.

Ellison, 19 overnight, played safely through to the close of the innings, finishing with 83 his side's

SCORECARD

OVERNIGHT: President's VI 198 for five dec (Malhotra 102 n.o.) England 275 for four (Robinson 81, Gower 78 n.o.)

ENGLAND 1st innings cont: Gower c Shastri b Kulkarni 82 Ellison n.o. 83 Marks c Azharuddin b Mudkavi 66

Edmonds c Kulkarni b Patel . . . 6 French b Mudkavi 19 Allott n.o. 5 EXTRAS 30

TOTAL (8 wks) 444

FALL: 5-279, 6-394, 7-404, 8-436

BOWLING: Kulkarni 22-2-78-2; Randhir Singh 18-2-72-0; Bhatt 31-4-97-2; Patel 30-3-112-1; Mudkavi 18-2-65-3

PRESIDENT'S XI 2nd innings Shastri c Edmonds b Cowdrey 30

More c French b Cowans . . . 12 Azharuddin n.o. 52 Gursharan Singh st French b Edmonds 0 Mudkavi n.o. 21 EXTRAS 2

TOTAL (3 wks) 117

FALL: 1-24, 2-69, 3-70

BOWLING: Allott 9-1-29-0; Cowans 6-1-35-1; Cowdrey 4-1-6-1; Edmonds 11-5-15-1; Marks 9-1-30-0

top score and the second highest of his career.

Afterwards Brown said: 'It's been a worthwhile exercise from all points of view — the batsmen have had a good work out on an excellent batting wicket at the start of the tour.

'And that made our bowlers realise just how hard they will have to work for their wickets out here this winter.'

QUICK FIRE

Colin forecasts fast finish

COLIN Jones forecasts a quick fight when he meets Don Curry of Fort Worth, Texas, for the world welterweight title at the NEC Birmingham, on January 19.

Jones, who has already been the distance twice with Milton McCrory in world title fights, said yesterday: 'Curry is very similar to me in style. I won't have to go looking for him and he won't have to come looking for me.'

Chins

'It could be a case of which of us gets the big one in. On the other hand, we both have good chins and could still be there at the end of 15 rounds.'

Curry, 22, holds the WBA version of the title and is unbeaten in 20 professional fights, with 15 wins inside the distance. Jones has a slightly better knock-out record — 23

BY A BOXING CORRESPONDENT

in a 26-fight career which he intends to end in 1985 whatever the result of the January fight.

'If I beat Curry, and I know that will be a very tough task, I may stay around a little longer because the door would be open to a third fight with McCrory.'

'As we would both be world champions there would be a chance of getting him over here,' Jones said.

It was disclosed yesterday that Jones had to provide evidence of his medical fitness before the American television company, ABC, who are putting up lot of the money, would go ahead with the fight.

Jones's manager, Eddie Thomas, blamed rumours spread in America that his man had suffered a detached retina, or alternatively was blind

in one eye. The British Boxing Board of Control also provided a statement of Jones's fitness.

The fight will be staged over 15 rounds, the WBA distance, despite the fact that the British Board of Control no longer sanction anything over twelve.

As members of the WBA they are in a difficult position, but this contest will not be under their jurisdiction.

Meetings

Jones earned nearly £1 million from his two meetings with McCrory in 1983, but most of the January money will go to the defending champion, who has had to be persuaded to bring his title to Britain.

The total purse will be in the region of £1 million of which the Welshman cannot expect more than 20 per cent.



COLIN JONES . . . A quick end to his fight with Don Curry

Sundstrom heads Swedish assault

BY A TENNIS CORRESPONDENT

HENRIK SUNDSTROM lined up a quarter-final clash with fellow-Swede Anders Jarryd, when he beat Libor Pimek of Czechoslovakia 6-4 6-7 8-6 in the European Champions' tennis tournament in Antwerp on Thursday night.

It took fifth-seeded Sundstrom three hours to overcome Pimek after the Czechoslovak had drawn level by winning the second set tie-breaker.

Pimek also began the final set well, breaking Sundstrom's serve to lead 2-1. But the Swede fought back to clinch the deciding set in the 14th game.

Sundstrom and Jarryd join two other Swedes, second seed Mats Wilander and seventh seed Joakim Nystrom, in the last eight.

Fourth seed Jarryd secured his place with an easy 6-2 6-2 triumph over West German Michael Westphal in just over an hour. Wilander and Nystrom play first today.

Third seed Andres

Gomez of Ecuador was surprisingly ousted by unseeded Wojtek Fibak of Poland while eighth seed Tomas Smid of Czechoslovakia beat Juan Aguilera of Spain in the other second-round matches.

Gomez was well-below form in a disappointing clash, going down 6-2 6-2 in 56 minutes to Fibak, who now faces Jose Higuera of Spain.

Smid pulled off a 6-2 6-4 win, surviving a spirited second set fight by Aguilera. The turning point came in the seventh game when Smid broke serve for 4-3.

Smid has the prospect of a quarter-final clash against the winner of today's match between compatriot and world No.2 Ivan Lendl and Guillermo Vilas of Argentina.

● LIZ SMYLYE, who put off her honeymoon to play in the Brisbane Women's Tennis Classic, continued

to make an unexpected impact on the tournament when she defeated fellow-Australian Wendy Turnbull, the second seed, 6-3 7-6 in the third round yesterday.

Smylie, formerly Liz Sayers, was married to her coach Peter Smylie in Sydney last weekend. Her latest victory put her through to a quarter-final match with Eva Pfaff of West Germany.

Pfaff won her third-round match 4-6 7-6 6-1 against Corinne Vanier of France who faces a fine after being warned twice for racket abuse.

Warned

Top-seeded American Pam Shriver was also warned after being coached from the court-side in her 6-3 4-6 6-4 win over Dianne Balesstrat of Australia.

Turnbull put a brave face on her defeat. 'I am not upset. My aim is to peak for the Australian Open in Melbourne,' she said. 'I would have liked to have done well, but hopefully I can still peak at the right time.'

In other matches, fourth-seeded Barbara Potter beat Elise Burgin 7-6 6-4 in an all-American contest, West German Bettina Bunge fought off South African Ros Fairbank, 6-2 6-7 6-3, Sweden's Catarina Lindqvist beat American Ann Henricksson 6-3 5-7 6-3 and Helena Sukova of Czechoslovakia went through 6-3 6-3 against Anne White of the United States.



ANDRES GOMEZ . . . Surprise defeat in Antwerp

Derwall on the brink

FORMER West German soccer manager Jupp Derwall yesterday refused to confirm a report he had resigned as adviser to the Turkish national team after the 8-0 World Cup defeat by England on Wednesday.

Asked whether the report in the Turkish daily 'Gunes' was correct, Derwall said:

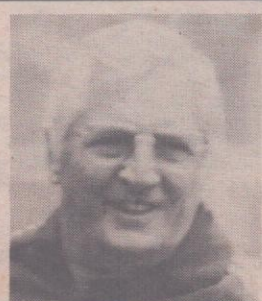
'I can't say anything at the moment,' and added that he would be discussing his position with Turkish soccer officials.

Issues

When asked what issues had to be resolved, Derwall remained silent and drew a

question mark in the air.

Derwall, who resigned from the West German job after the team's disappointing showing in the European Championship in France last June, manages Istanbul club Galatasaray but has also been advising national team coach Canan Tarhan.



JUPP DERWALL