

Jobless lodging cash

is cut

CALLOUS plans to clamp down on the unemployed's lodging expenses were announced by the Tories yesterday with the disgraceful allegation that cash was being used for living in 'luxury hotels' or holidaying at the seaside.

Social Secretary Norman Fowler announced new limits on lodging expenses which can be claimed on supplementary benefit.

In a Commons statement he said MPs would soon be

asked to approve a temporary freeze on such payments, which last year rose from an annual £205 million to £380 million.

The government will also impose national limits for the amount it will pay to keep young people in residential or boarding homes.

Young people will be pre-

vented from setting up 'unnecessarily' in board and lodgings and there will be a limit on the eligibility of 16 and 17 year olds to claim lodging payment in their own right.

Labour health spokesman Michael Meacher complained that Fowler was reducing lodging expenses while doing nothing to reduce the number forced into hotels and boarding houses through the cuts in housing grants

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NUM WILL TALK BUT NOT ON PIT CLOSURES

THE Thatcher government and the Coal Board yesterday poured cold water on TUC plans of a resumption of talks over the 39-week miners' strike.

The Coal Board confirmed that they would not go back into negotiations unless the miners' union made a public retraction of their demand for a withdrawal of the pit closure programme.

But NUM president Arthur Scargill made it clear yesterday that the union would not accept pit closures as a precondition for talks.

A Coal Board spokesman said last night: 'Unless there is some indication from the NUM that they are going to abandon their inflexible position, and be prepared to move towards us as we've moved towards them, there doesn't seem to be any point in reopening negotiations.'

And speaking to French television, Thatcher said: 'We are fighting to get an efficient coal industry with coal at a reasonable price. That means that we have to cut out a lot of high-cost pits.'

'I fight strikes', she told French TV viewers.

After the meeting of the NUM executive in Sheffield, Scargill reiterated the union's conference policy demanding a withdrawal of the pit closure programme, and added:

Confident

'This union remains absolutely confident that this dispute will be won and that we'll stop the pit closure programme announced on March 6.'

He was speaking as NUM vice-president Mick McGahey was telling a Scottish TUC conference of secret plans to close seven of the area's 11 pits and halve the workforce by 1986-1987 (See page 7).

Scargill said the Coal Board's attempts to blackmail men back into the pits over recent weeks had been 'an abysmal failure', adding that the NUM executive welcomed any TUC moves to get negotiations reconvened.

The union issued figures showing that over 140,000 miners are on strike, 20,000 more than the Coal Board will admit. But even the Coal Board themselves

BY BEN RUDDER

were forced to acknowledge in their own figures, widely believed to be grossly exaggerated, that the numbers of returning scabs had fallen to 1,826 this week, compared to 5,952 last week.

Referring to the last session of talks at ACAS headquarters in London, Scargill said: 'So far as we are concerned we would hope the NCB would have a change of mind and come back to the negotiating table.'

'If they do not, then not only our members but the public as well will realise who the culprits are.'

The TUC plan is believed to involve the resumption of talks around a joint redrafting of the 'Plan for Coal' document by the union and the Coal Board.

The miners have agreed in principle to this proposal, but on the basis that the Coal Board withdraw the pit closure plan before such negotiations begin.

But the Coal Board have refused to consider any withdrawal of the pit closure programme, and are now demanding unconditional surrender by the NUM with the full backing of Thatcher's Bonapartist dictatorship.

Meanwhile, in Luxembourg, a judge refused to allow more than £250,000 of £4.6 million of NUM funds to remain frozen by lawyers acting for the British High Court (See page 7).

The judge said he would hold the amount of the fine demanded by the High Court, and £50,000 to cover any additional legal costs, but that for the remainder, a British High Court order had no jurisdiction in Luxembourg.



SCARGILL



NO CUTS SAY UNDER FIVES

HUNDREDS of children took over their local town hall in Hackney, north London, yesterday in a protest against Tory threats to services for the under-fives. The youngsters' occupation — with the permission of the Labour council — was organised by local people opposed to plans to slash Hackney's spending under the 'rate-capping' legislation.

Councillors say they will refuse to implement the cuts, which would result in the closure of nurseries, playgroups and child-minding facilities, amongst other vital services. Hackney is said to be the poorest inner-city area in Britain.

REAGAN SLASHES CASH

WASHINGTON — Entire social security and service programmes will be cut to meet demands made by President Reagan's policy-makers.

The advisers yesterday gave Congressmen a three-year timetable to slash \$240 billion from public spending.

At the same time, the Commerce Department revealed that its key index

indicating economic direction six to nine months ahead had dropped 0.7 per cent last month. The index has fallen three times in the past five months.

The proposed spending cuts of \$45 billion in the 1986 financial year, \$85 billion in 1987 and \$110 billion in 1988 represent 7 per cent of total government spending over those three years.

ARAFAT PLEDGES TO FIGHT FOR PALESTINE HOMELAND

AMMAN — Palestine Liberation Organisation chairman Yassir Arafat yesterday vowed to carry on the fight for a Palestinian homeland.

'I pledge and vow to my people that we shall keep along the path, carrying our guns, and despite all plots and difficulties, until we return to Palestine, to Jerusalem,' he told the closing session of the Palestine National Council.

'We do not fight for the sake of fighting,' he said, 'but international law says those who face occupation should confront occupation and resist with all means available.'

The 17th PNC has surmounted the politically sensitive issues of rela-

tions with the governments of Jordan and Egypt and reaffirmed Arafat as PLO chairman.

The final document of the eight-day meeting called on the PLO to 'strengthen ties and co-ordinate efforts for joint action to regain Palestinian and Arab occupied land'.

Proposed

The resolution made no direct mention of Resolution 242, stating instead that all resolutions of the United Nations should be included — a polite way of rebuffing King Hussein's proposal that 242 be taken as the starting point for a joint initiative.

The position adopted is similar to that taken by the Fez summit, which did not mention the Reagan plan.

FROM JOHN SPENCER IN AMMAN

Equally important, the PNC decided formally to end condemnation of Egypt over the Camp David agreement — giving retrospective approval to Arafat's visit to Cairo following the Tripoli siege.

Egypt is urged to base its relations with the PLO on the basic national rights of the Palestinians, their right to statehood, self-determination and the PLO's position as the sole legitimate representative.

But the armed struggle has again been emphasised in the conference resolutions, indicating that the PLO will not retreat from its basic struggle to regain Palestine using military and political means.

The new executive

committee to carry out these policies includes three members of the Fatah movement: Yassir Arafat, Farouk Kaddumi and Mahmoud Abbas. There is one member from the pro-Iraqi Arab Liberation Front, Adurrahim Ahmed.

Jamal Sourani, an independent member of the council, was also elected. All these are members of the previous council elected at the Algiers PNC.

The new members are: Mohammed Abdul Abbas from the pro-Iraqi Arab Liberation Front, Javid Hussein of the National Front, and independents Elias Khoury, Fahd Kawasme, Mohammed Milhem, and Abdul Razak Yahya.

Milhem and Kawasme,

both former West Bank mayors, are well-known for their resistance activities under Israeli occupation.

Three seats have been left vacant on the executive. It is hoped they will eventually be filled by members of the Popular Front for the Liberation of Palestine, the Democratic Front for the Liberation of Palestine and Saiqa in the event of reconciliation with Syria.

Suspended

Ahmed Jibril and six other members of the PFLP (General Command) were suspended from membership after a heated debate on Wednesday night.

They should be put on trial and condemned to death as traitors, Abu

Iyyad told the conference.

The issue in dispute turned on the interpretation of the PNC's constitution, which gives its members parliamentary immunity. The issue was raised from the floor of the conference by a dissident former member of Jibril's group, a young man called Abu Jabra.

He urged that Jibril be thrown out without further ado to enable his trial to go ahead. But Deputy Speaker Abul Adieb and other PLO lawyers argued that this would be unconstitutional and they were backed by Abu Iyyad, Arafat and Khaled al Hassan.

Arafat said that unless the PLO upheld its own laws it would become indistinguishable from the dictatorial regimes in the region.

Deportation case cover-up

THE immigration service tried to cover up a wrongful attempt to deport an Asian immigrant, it was claimed yesterday.

Labour MP for Bradford West Max Madden said that the Home Secretary should make a statement about the case of Yasmin Mundiya from Bradford.

An Ombudsman's report stated that an attempt to deport her husband Aboobaker Mundiya on the grounds that he was not living with her was wrong.

The immigration service had claimed that his indefinite leave to stay in Britain was obtained by deception and he should be removed as an illegal entrant.

Madden said: 'Having made a mistake in attempting to remove him from Britain, an attempt was made to cover up the mistake by claiming that Mrs Mundiya's marriage was one of convenience. This was done despite the damage to her reputation in the community.'

Hemel Kodak plant to close

KODAK yesterday announced that their Hemel Hempstead colour processing plant is to close, making 160 redundant by next April.

Several options were open to the firm, including keeping parts of the Hertfordshire laboratories open. But they finally decided it would be cheaper to take 35mm Kodachrome film work to Sevan in

France and Super-8 movie films to Stuttgart in West Germany.

'The workforce were stunned by the news,' ACTT steward Michael Holden told News Line yesterday.

'We didn't really expect a complete closure so soon. We are hopeful that we will be able to get some jobs at Harrow or in the warehouses.'

Jobs fight at Rowntree

UNION representatives at Rowntree Mackintosh's Edinburgh factory meet today to draw up plans to fight its closure.

The company gave further details yesterday of a reorganisation plan which will cost 750 jobs.

Charlotte Haddow, district officer of the General Municipal, Boilermakers and Allied Trades Un-

ion, said: 'We are not prepared to sacrifice jobs in Edinburgh bearing in mind there are no additional jobs being created through this programme.'

The unions will be asking members in York not to accept the transfer of production of sweets from Scotland.

Jobless still rising

OFFICIAL jobs figures show a continuing rise in unemployment patterns, the Department of Employment admitted yesterday.

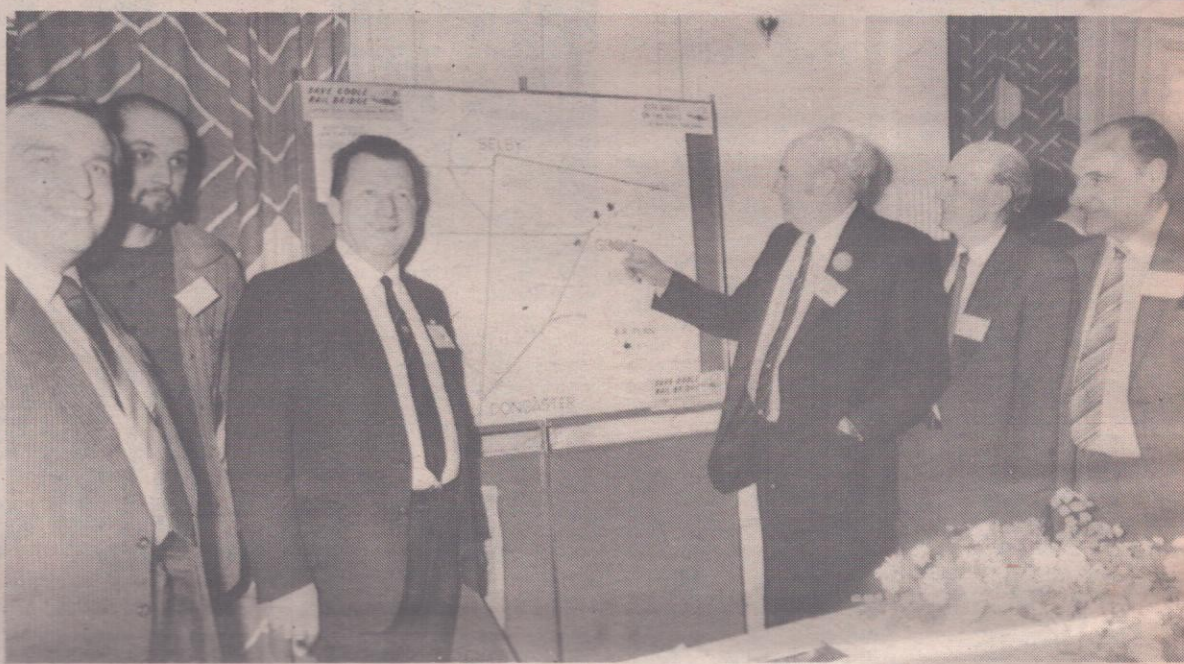
The official seasonally adjusted figures, which still exclude nearly one million who are looking for jobs, rose by 3,500. And the real total is given at 3,222,586.

The total number of unemployed is expected to show a sharp increase in January, when many workers are laid off from seasonal jobs out-of-doors. Adult unemployment usually increases by 100,000 in January, government officials said yesterday.

The monthly statistics released yesterday also show a fall in the number of job vacancies advertised. They fell by 2,900 to a mere 167,600.

In addition to the government figures, there are 490,000 people on government cheap labour schemes. Older workers have been taken off the register, as have those with disabilities.

Even so, the official unemployment rate in Britain is 13.4 per cent, compared to the West European average of 10.6 per cent.



Ray Buckton (left) and NUR general secretary Jimmy Knapp at the campaign launch yesterday.

Rail unions fares campaign

RAILMEN yesterday launched a campaign for cheaper fares and greater investment, aimed at improving job security and safeguarding the industry.

The campaign, launched by the Rail Union Federation, challenges the strategy of cuts and reduction in services planned by British Rail, proposing instead a flourishing rail network, attracting customers through a low fares policy.

As part of the campaign the rail unions have commissioned a special video film, which emphasises the poverty of the government's thinking as compared to the policies of other EEC countries where the necessary modernisation and investment have been carried out.

Ray Buckton, ASLEF general secretary, said BR fares were, on average,

twice as high as other European countries.

'A fares cut would pay for itself by attracting more people to the rail system and cutting road congestion, accidents and pollution,' he said.

Rail investment should also be 25 per cent higher than the £350-£400 million earmarked to be spent over the next few years, he said.

This would mean more

trains, better connection, more stations and electrification of a large part of the network.

'By the mid 1990s, we could have a fast electrified railway to Aberdeen, Swansea, Plymouth, Nottingham and Derby.'

The campaign would be followed up by smaller launches in the regions, leading to the formation of local action groups.

£8,000 Monthly Fund November Fund — needs a mammoth effort today!

WE HAVE almost run out of time. One more day to reach our £8,000 target! Please don't hesitate. Rush in every amount you can as we have only £2,509.33 in so far. We know it needs a major effort. Let's go into action at once and raise it all.

The treacherous TUC leaders are openly siding with Thatcher to isolate the miners and do everything possible to drive them back to work. The more they cringe and cower before the Tories, the more they will invoke the wrath of the working class.

This is not the time to back down. The strength of the working class must be mobilised behind the miners in a General Strike that will bring the Tories to their knees.

The only way to carry this out is to build the revolutionary leadership today.

So put all your support behind the News Line. Raise extra amounts to help complete our monthly Fund in one last major effort. Rush these to:
The News Line November Appeal Fund
21B Old Town, Clapham SW4 0JT.

Thatcher condemns students

TORY leaders made clear their hostility to students fighting the grant cuts, despite opposition to the proposals expressed by some Tory backbenchers.

Thatcher yesterday defended the planned £39 million cut in grants and condemned Wednesday's protest in London by 30,000 students as 'disgraceful'.

She gave her arrogant answer in the Commons to 130 Tory MPs who have signed a Commons motion condemning the plan as 'misconceived'.

In Sweden and Japan students were on loans and in other countries they were on part grant and part loan, Thatcher said.

She claimed 'no students anywhere in the world are treated more generously than students in this country'.

Wednesday's demonstration had been 'disgraceful in stopping the traffic, ambulances and fire engines and undermines any sympathy some people may have had for the students'.

Tory Education Secret-

ary Sir Keith Joseph also defended the government's cuts.

On Wednesday night he said most of the £39 million being cut from grants would be used to boost scientific research.

There was no such thing as a 'free degree', Joseph told Bristol parents of private-school children.

TWO students arrested on Wednesday's grants demonstration yesterday denied obstruction during a sit-down protest on Waterloo Bridge and carrying four-pronged spikes

to damage property.

Timothy Martin, from Bristol Polytechnic, and Michael Shepherd, from Warwick University, were bailed until January 14 at Horseferry Road court.

● NORTH London polytechnic students' union has donated £1,000 to the miners' strike in defiance of 'ultra vires' laws affecting student union finance.

● TWENTY students were arrested in Glasgow yesterday during more demonstrations.

MSC to axe 1,000

AT least 1,000 Manpower Services Commission jobs will go when the MSC closes 29 of its 87 Skillcentres.

Many of the agency's 300 manual workers — labourers and timekeepers — will be made forcibly redundant.

Julian Dodds, national officer of the Society of Civil and Public Servants, said: 'It is a savage blow to the unemployed.'

'MILITANT' DEAL IS EXPOSED

LIVERPOOL's treasurer has warned of the dire consequences for the council of the compromise budget made in July.

The deal with Environment Secretary Patrick Jenkin was hailed as a 'massive victory' by the 'Militant' group which dominates the council politically.

But the chickens have now come home to roost.

City treasurer Mike Reddington has revealed the nature of the deal — a series of 'one-off' reductions in the budget together with a minimal amount of money from the Tories.

In a report for councillors, the treasurer writes: 'It was clear at the time of the budget, and indeed had been accepted by the Secretary of State, that a number of the actions then taken served only to postpone the impact of the inherent problems.'

Or they 'depended for their realisation upon the outcome of the continuing discussions with central government and subsequent decisions favourable to the city'.

BY PAUL FELDMAN

He goes on to show how the budget was reduced by what is known as 'creative accounting' — removing items from one year's accounts to the next.

Reddington says that the planned budget figure was cut by £16.3 million, including 'one-off' reductions in net expenditure amounting to £10.5 million.

Another £13.6 million to be spent on maintenance and repairs was taken out of the current budget and placed into the long-term capital account.

The final budget adopted in July came to £227.9 million — just £12 million above government target.

It enabled the council to receive nearly £112 million in grant from the Tories, whereas the original budget proposals of £270 million would have resulted in negligible grant being paid.

But you can only take items out once; they have to be paid for the next year.

And Reddington explains that to do this will mean the council spending nearly £260 million in 1985/1986, or 16 per cent more than this year's total.

Spending

But the story does not end there. The maintenance and repairs spending which was transferred from the current budget needs government approval before it can continue to be financed through long-term loans.

The Tory government this week said that no such commitments were given during the talks in London, despite the claims of Labour councillors.

Reddington says that if no concessions are made by Jenkin, the budget demand for next year will grow to £278.4 million, with a £96.1 million deficit on the operation of the current year.

'At this level of expenditure in 1985/86, all entitlement to rate support grant would be wiped out by the penalty provisions, and the increase in the rate for city services would be something over 220 per cent.'

Anthony Scrivener QC, for Westminster, told Mr Justice Glidewell that so far it was intended that eight staff members would be seconded to DFL.

ILEA and the GLC opposed the moves, and the hearing was adjourned until today.

Earlier, the judge had reserved judgement in another action by Westminster seeking to quash plans by ILEA to spend £750,000 on an advertising campaign against rate-capping.

Tories take GLC to court

THE Tory offensive against the GLC took to the courts yesterday, as lawyers argued that a trade union campaign was illegally funded.

The Democracy For London campaign was set up by trade unionists at County Hall to fight abolition.

Tory-controlled Westminster City Council asked the High Court to quash decisions by the GLC and the Inner London Education Authority to send staff to work for the campaign on full pay.



Islington council leader Margaret Hodge with Ted Knight, leader of Lambeth Council (chairing) and David Blunkett, leader of Sheffield council, at yesterday's press conference

Council leaders accuse Jenkin

BY PENNY BLOOR

MORE than 30 council leaders yesterday sent a letter to Tory Environment Secretary Patrick Jenkin accusing him of 'precipitating a constitutional crisis'.

Government rate-capping policy will lead 'literally to decimate services in 16 Labour controlled authorities', the councillors warn.

Yesterday's latest campaign was launched just as the government is about to make their Rate Support Grant announcement in mid December.

The councillors demand:

- the government drops their rate-cap measures which will force cuts of at least 11.9 per cent in the 18 authorities to be 'rate-capped';

- abandon the system of targets and penalties for councils accused of 'over-spending';
- restore rate support grant to the level when the Tory government took office in 1979.

It would cost £3 billion to increase grants to the level of 1979.

Council leaders at a press conference yesterday stressed that government policy was pushing up household rates, not council spending on services.

David Blunkett, leader of Sheffield council explained: 'The government are responsible for rate increases and have been responsible for the destruction of services.'

'It's time to say enough is enough. We are not

going to take responsibility for large rate increases.

'We are not going to be responsible for huge cuts in jobs and services.'

Islington council leader Margaret Hodge said if the Labour councillors' demands were met, rate-payers in her borough would get £6.31 a week back in their pockets.

West Yorkshire leader, John Gunnell, said the government had stolen £124 million from his area over four years. If that money was returned no rate increase would be required next year and services could be expanded.

The chairman of the Association of Metropolitan authorities Jack Leyton called on all local authorities to 'wake up'.

Racism and unions report

TRADE unions have been paying lip service to equality of opportunity for black workers but have not done enough in practice, a report commissioned by the Greater London Council says.

'Racism Within the Trade Unions' was produced by the Anti Racist Trade Union Working Group, concerned with anti-racist activities within London's trade union movement.

The report is based on a survey which attempts through questionnaires, interviews and examination of policies and practices to assess the role of trade unions both as providers of services and as employers.

Out of 50 unions, 20 returned questionnaires on details of their policy.

Chairman of the group Jim Thakoorin yesterday called on unions to implement policies of positive discrimination in relation to recruitment, training, promotion, personnel and industrial relations practices.

State

Martin Walker, adviser to the police sub-committee, told News Line yesterday that the difficulties they had had obtaining any information from the police highlighted the development of the state within the state.

The report adds: 'They did much to obscure issues and manipulate evidence.'

In seeking planning permission the police claimed 'special urgency' which obliged the council to respond within 14 days.

Subsequently they admitted they had no justification for this. The police described their planned use of the site as a 'training and holding centre'.

This and two other such centres in London would be used in the event of 'serious disorder' for a 'massive pinching operation', according to the police.

It shows that large percentages of the Metropolitan Police are being trained at the centre.

The report 'Riot Training in Greenwich' was commissioned to investigate a Department of Environment planning inquiry held into the proposed development of the site by the police.

Oppose

The Greenwich police sub-committee support unit point out in the report that they found 'the police were anxious to oppose attempts to gain information about both policy and operational procedures'.

Greenwich site used for riot training

BY SUE LAIRD

THE Metropolitan Police are using a site in Greenwich for riot training among mock streets and houses using plastic bullets, water cannon, smoke grenades, dogs, horses and petrol bombs.

Some of the instructors at the premises at 90 River Way in Greenwich have been trained by top-ranking officers seconded from the military.

The para-military training has also spilled over on to the public pathway alongside the site where police units are trained for 'tours of duty' in the mining areas.

The report presenting evidence of these activities was discussed last night by Greenwich police sub-committee.

YOUNG SOCIALISTS

Grand Christmas Bazaars

LONDON Saturday December 15 Doors open 12 noon Morpeth School, Morpeth Road off Roman Road, E3 Dance at 7.30p.m. Vernon Hall, Roman Road, (near Prestos)	
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WORLD SUMMARY

Loyalist replaces Percy

WASHINGTON — Senator Richard Lugar, a Reagan loyalist who has never played a major role in United States foreign policy, said yesterday he would be the next chairman of the Senate Foreign Relations Committee. He will replace Senator Charles Percy who failed in his bid for a fourth term in the November 6 election.

Speidel

BONN — Hans Speidel, 87, the former West German general who led the Bundeswehr's integration into NATO, has died at his home near Bonn, a spokesman for the Defence Ministry said.

Kim

WASHINGTON — South Korean dissident leader Kim Dae Jung may visit Europe to meet political leaders and Pope John Paul before making his planned trip home early next year.

Slap

ZURICH — A Swiss parliamentarian, Bernard Varone, has taken legal action against a bodyguard of the fascist French National Front leader Jean-Marie Le Pen who slapped his face and knocked him down.

Tombs

NICE — Vandals have desecrated nearly 70 graves in a Jewish cemetery in the southern French town.

World News Line

GRUESOME DETAILS OF RULE BY JUNTA

BUENOS AIRES — A 500-page book describing kidnap, torture and death or disappearance that befell thousands of opponents of Argentina's former military government was released for sale yesterday.

The book, 'Never Again', is the result of a nine-month investigation by the Commission on Missing Persons set up under the civilian government of President Raul Alfonsin into the fate of the 'desaparecidos'; missing people.

It is based on testimony by thousands of victims of violent repression carried out by the armed forces, who took power in a 1976 military coup and ruled until 1983.

A 600-page annexe lists 340 clandestine detention camps, 8,960 people whose fate is unknown and the cases of 2,510 people who were seen at some point in detention camps.

Human rights sources said typesetters had fainted on setting into print a chapter in which victims described being tortured with cattle prods, razor blades, red hot nails, stretch racks and a variety of other instruments.

Miguel D'Agostino, one torture victim, told the commission: 'If on leaving my captivity I had been asked did they torture you much, I would have answered: "Yes, three months straight without stopping."

'If I am asked that question today I can tell you that soon I will complete seven years of torture,' he said, referring to the time elapsed since his release.

The book was due to go

BY A FOREIGN CORRESPONDENT

on sale at bookstores and kiosks yesterday at about \$5 a copy and a first edition of 20,000 copies has been printed.

Ernesto Sabato, president of the now-defunct commission, said in a message read at a news conference to launch the book that with its publication 'one only chapter of the work of uncovering the truth is closed'.

Fight

The book was 'only one part, a very important part, of our fight for democracy, for truth and for justice'.

'Homicide, rape, torture, extortion, looting and other serious crimes went unpunished when they were carried out within the framework of the political and ideological persecution carried out in those years,' the book says in its introduction.

The book noted that before relinquishing power the armed forces dug up mass graves, burned documents and dismantled clandestine detention centres to hide the results of their work.

The commission said it was unable to find any evidence that the armed forces had brought to justice anybody involved in the torture of prisoners, summary executions or disappearances.

Copies

Under-Secretary for Human Rights Eduardo Rabossi presented copies of the book to diplomats and human rights activists at a news conference attended by about 1,000 people.

Human rights activists broke into shouts of rage when Rabossi called on a representative in Buenos Aires of Chile's military regime to receive a copy of the book.

They said they were upset that a Chilean official had been given a copy of the report but not a member of the Mothers of Plaza de Mayo, a human rights group who have demanded information on their missing children since 1977.

The Mothers of Plaza de Mayo defied the military regime to regularly hold rallies of hundreds of relatives in the plaza where the presidential palace is located.



The mother's of Argentina in an earlier march in the Plaza de Mayo to demand the release of their missing relatives.

Seychelles party invites a Grenada-type invasion

THE right-wing Seychelles Democratic Party is calling on the Reagan administration to stage a Grenada-type invasion of the Indian Ocean islands.

The counter-revolutionary call is made in a circular to Seychelles people living in Britain by SDP general secretary David G. Joubert who lives in Middlesex.

The SDP is opposed to the government of Albert

Rene which came to power seven years ago with the overthrow of James Mancham's right-wing regime.

have a duty to help the Seychelles achieve democratic rule because the Seychelles is the unfortunate victim of geopolitical considerations.

'What is good for Grenada — freedom — is also good for the Seychelles.'

Joubert told News Line he had sent circulars to about 300 Seychellois in Britain's 2,000-strong community. He said that he obtained their names and addresses from dances and other social functions held in this country.

Boosts

The circular boosts Mancham and accuses Rene of being 'a tyrant of the first order, an oppressor of our people'.

It adds: 'The SDP believes that the United States of America and all freedom-loving nations

Shipyard arrests

MADRID — Fifty workers were hurt and 50 arrested in clashes with police during a general strike that paralysed much of the port of Vigo, north-western Spain yesterday.

The one-day stoppage in the Galicia region was called in protest against government plans to close two shipyards and cut nearly half of shipbuilding industry's 40,000 jobs.

Officials said 125,000 protesters had poured into the streets of cities and towns in the region and extra police were deployed in anticipation of further incidents in the cities of Lugo, La Coruna, Santiago de Compostela and Vigo.

The regional general strike, the third of its kind this year, follows seven weeks of clashes between police and shipyard workers in Bilbao.

Bolivian unionists defy Siles Zuazo

LA PAZ — Bolivian unions resumed an indefinite general strike yesterday in protest against a harsh government austerity package.

A Workers' Confederation spokesman said factories and mines were at a standstill but communications, power, water, medical services and international flights were allowed to operate normally. Shops were closed and transport curtailed in La Paz.

Austerity

The confederation suspended a nine-day-long general strike last week when the government announced austerity measures including price rises of up to 200 per cent

on food and 1,100 per cent on fuel.

It decided to reimpose the strike to demand price controls, improved food subsidies and an index-linked minimum wage. Inflation is running at over 1,080 per cent a year.

Information Minister Mario Rueda called the strike 'suicidal' and said workers 'have not learnt the lessons of history'.

The confederation spokesman said the unions were aware a military coup was possible but hunger made workers desperate.

He said the confederation would oppose any attempt to overthrow the government of President Hernan Siles Zuazo.

Rights shelved in Peru

LIMA — Peru's government has declared a month-long national state of emergency after major unions called a 24-hour general strike yesterday in protest against austerity measures and human rights abuses.

Five bombs exploded and at least eight youths were arrested as the general strike went ahead in defiance of the suspension of constitutional rights by decree from President Ferdinand Belaunde Terry.

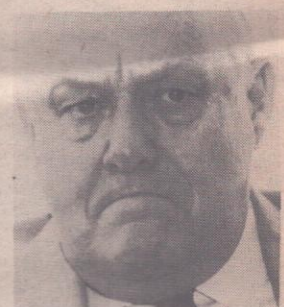
Bombs ripped through two banks and an English-language school for the privileged in Lima but caused no injury. Explosions also damaged government buildings in Huancaayo, a city in the Andes mountains.

Riot police riding a fleet of armoured vehicles patrolled the capital but strike organisers said the stoppage would close the country's ports, schools, mines and most factories and farms.

Police were put on maximum alert to prevent the repetition of defiant rallies as happened during the country's five previous general strikes in the four years since Belaunde Terry came to office.

Union leader Alejandra Nunez said the state of emergency would not deter the strikers.

'Faced with the success of the strike, the government declared the emergency as a desperate move. It will only encourage protest,' he said.



MULDOON

PARTY SACKS MULDOON

WELLINGTON — Sir Robert Muldoon, New Zealand's prime minister for nine years until swept from power in a general election last July, was ousted yesterday as leader of the National Party, party officials said.

'Piggy' Muldoon, 63, whose abrasive style was blamed by his party for a landslide Labour Party win, was defeated in a ballot by his parliamentary colleagues.

He will be succeeded by Jim McLay, a 39-year-old former lawyer and Muldoon protégé, who was appointed deputy leader early this year, before the snap election on July 14.

Former Labour minister Jim Bolger, 49, was elected McLay's deputy. Muldoon will become a backbencher.

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DRASTIC BUDGET CUTS PROPOSED

PRESIDENT Reagan was asked yesterday to slash \$40 billion in domestic and defence spending to cut a federal budget deficit that threatens to balloon out past a forecast \$210 billion next year.

The plan from the Office of Management and the Budget is guaranteed to trigger off runaway unemployment in the New Year, at a time when US economy analysts openly admit the

FROM MARTY McLAUGHLIN IN WASHINGTON

so-called Reagan recovery is over.

It will touch off a row between Defence Secretary Caspar Weinberger and Reagan's economy advisers, especially OMB director David Stockman.

Defence

Weinberger has Reagan's backing to submit a national defence budget of about \$337.3 billion of authorised spend-

ing for financial year 1986.

It includes authorisations for Reagan's 'Star Wars' strategy to militarise outer space but does not completely cover the US's vast programme of counter-insurgency in Central and Latin America, Africa and Asia.

OMB officials presented the \$40-billion cuts bill to Reagan yesterday on the understanding that he had placed out of bounds proposals to cut the Defence budget.

White House spokesman Larry Speakes said Reagan would reach some decisions on how to cut the \$210-billion deficit for the next financial year within the 'next several days'.

Backers

The budget group that submitted the programme yesterday includes Treasury Secretary Donald Regan and White House Chief of Staff James Baker, two of Reagan's staunchest

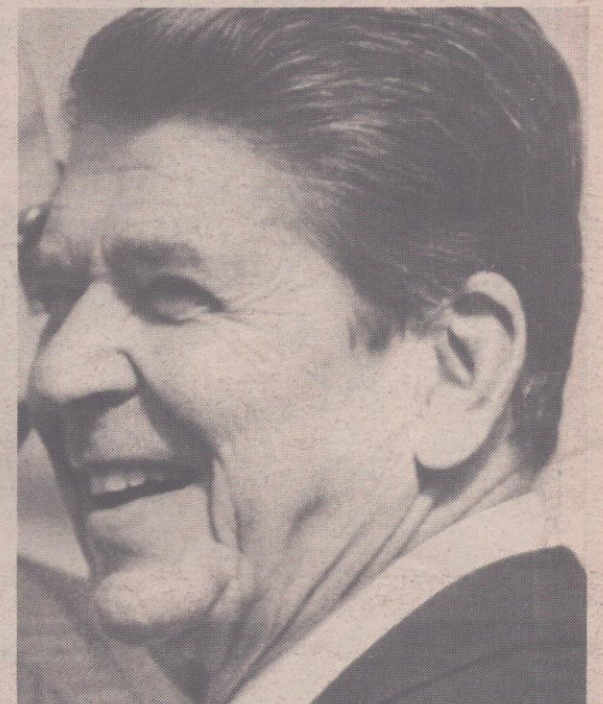
backers, and Stockman.

Reagan had returned to Washington from a day of consultations on the economy in Boca Rota, Florida, where he was told that three weeks after the elections, the second Reagan administration faces the full brunt of the deepening economic slump.

The only consensus was that savage cuts will have to be made in the social security and service programmes.

Reagan has this week come under increasing pressure from manufacturing industry howling about a flood of cheaper imports and Wall Street speculators demanding a restoration of profits.

In a carefully-timed statement earlier this week, the Securities Industry Association (SIA), the industry trade group, announced it expected Congress to introduce a modified flat-tax system.



REAGAN

the brokerage industry.

The FDIC move is tantamount to licenced financial parasitism: full-scale speculation on the currency, futures and trust markets.

Under this pressure, Reagan has made some menacing moves against the EEC and the General Agreement on Tariffs and Trade (GATT) before he went to Boca Raton.

He has slapped a unilateral curb of 5.9 per

cent on the EEC's share of the US steel market and GATT had been told America funds would be withheld unless the world trade regulating body removed trade regulations disadvantageous to Washington.

The crude departure from usual diplomatic niceties is a result of the desperate search for funds to feed a battered and parasitic economy based on fictitious capital balances.

Issue

According to SIA chairman-designate Robert Shapiro: 'The (deficit) issue needs to be resolved in a comprehensive way.'

Under present rules, introduced by Reagan nearly four years ago, investors in US securities face a maximum 20 per cent tax rate on their capital gains.

This compares with the top income tax rate of 50 per cent but Shapiro wants Reagan to either drastically reduce the differential at the top end or abolish it altogether.

The Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation, the insurer of America's banks, this week approved the entry of any state-chartered bank into

'Spy' was an FBI informer

LOS ANGELES — A Russian woman alleged to have prised US secrets out of the FBI was not a spy but an informant for the organisation and had love affairs with two of its agents, her lawyers told a court yesterday.

The woman, 34-year-old Svetlana Ogorodnikova, her husband, Nikolay Ogorodnikov, 51, also Russian, and one of the agents, Richard Miller, 47, have pleaded not guilty to spy charges.

Miller, the father of eight children, is accused of handing over secret government documents to Ogorodnikova. Her husband is alleged to have offered Miller \$65,000 in gold and cash for secrets.

In a document filed in a federal court on Wednesday, lawyers for the woman said evidence at the trial would show she was never a Soviet spy and was, in fact, an informer for the Federal Bureau of Investigation.



The proposed new spending cuts would drive up the US jobless figures

Reagan jails a pastor

WASHINGTON — A Pittsburgh pastor has been jailed for 90 days on speaking out for unemployed steelworkers.

Pastor Douglas Roth was jailed for 90 days on November 13 in Clairton, Pennsylvania, an area hard-hit by steel closures.

Roth had spoken out also against the anti-union policies of the Dravo Corporation and the Lutheran synod who, he said, were backed by the giant US Steel corporation and the Mellon Bank.

The pastor was jailed on charges of defying a court order that he step down as pastor of Trinity Lutheran and be replaced by a new minister appointed by Bishop Kenneth May.

May overrode protests from Roth's congregation in ordering his removal, on

the grounds that the pastor was publicly supporting the struggle of unemployed workers' organisations in the Mon Valley.

One of May's grounds for ordering Roth's replacement was that he had involved himself in a strike at Passavant, a clinic owned by the Lutheran synod.

Campaign

The pastor's wife, Nadine Roth, has joined a popular campaign for his release while the congregation has barred his successor from taking services.

Earlier this month, she took the pulpit at Clairton Trinity Lutheran Church in the Mon Valley on her husband's behalf, to deliver a 'sermon from prison'.

Roth said in his recorded

message: 'Once again, we are faced with whether we will just talk or will we back our words with action. Bishop May was just fine as long as we just talked about the poor and the unemployed.'

'The institutional evil didn't mind it as long as it was just words. It's only when we act out our faith that the fallen culture reacts and moves to silence the pathetic challenge to evil.'

Others who spoke in person were Darell Becker of Shipbuilders Local 61, on strike at Dravo, Betty Fischer, shop steward for the striking Passavant Health Centre workers, Teamster Local 538, and Mike Bonn, president of the United Steelworkers Association Local 2227 at Irwin Works.

After the taped sermon

Nadine Roth rebuked the capitalist press who asked her what were her feelings on delivering the 'sermon'. 'These questions I consider inappropriate,' she said. 'My feelings are not important. One hundred thousand unemployed: that is what is important.'

Sermon

John Vandola, a steelworker of 38 years, said after the sermon: 'I believe in what the guy is doing. If you don't stand up for your rights, you'll lose them.'

'I'm glad I went. I thought it was rather emotional when they had the taped sermon and when Mike Bonn joined. I believe you could compare this to when Martin Luther King was arrested.'

CIA charges Czech

NEW YORK — A Czechoslovakian-born former CIA employee has been charged with passing US secrets and names of intelligence agents to his homeland in a court hearing his lawyer denounced as 'a strange proceeding'.

Karl Koecher, 50, wearing the same clothes he was arrested in on Tuesday, did not enter a plea at his committal.

His lawyer, Joseph Cal-

luori, said Koecher, alleged to have been trained since his youth to become a Czech 'mole' inside the US Central Intelligence Agency (CIA), will plead innocent at another court hearing today.

US intelligence authorities are claiming that Koecher, who was arrested with his wife Hanna, is the first foreign agent planted inside the CIA.

He was a translator in

the CIA's Washington headquarters from 1973 to 1975 and for the next two years was a 'contract employee' for the CIA, operating from New York City.

He also set up a diamond brokerage and jewellery business and bought a flat in an elegant Fifth Avenue building.

Calluori dismissed the government's assertion that Koecher signed a full confession of his spying activities when he was

confronted by two Federal Bureau of Investigation (FBI) agents last Friday, saying: 'Don't believe everything you read.'

Rudolph Giuliani, US attorney for Manhattan, told reporters that Koecher passed to his Czech employers virtually every classified document he saw at the CIA. Among them was a four-page document that Giuliani said was stamped top secret.



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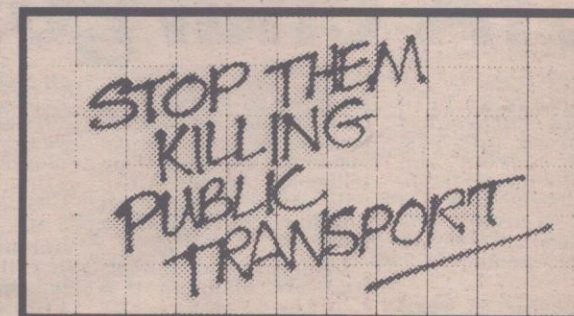
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THE MINERS' STRUGGLE



Union funds released

Action against NUM adjourned

A LUXEMBOURG judge yesterday unblocked £4.38 million in funds deposited by the National Union of Mineworkers in a Luxembourg bank.

The Luxembourg district tribunal refused to prolong a temporary freeze order granted on November 14 to accountants Price Waterhouse, appointed by the High Court in London as se-

questrators of the NUM assets.

A sum of £4.63 million had been deposited in the bank, Nobis-Finanz International, in the names of NUM officials Trevor Cave and Stephen Hudson.

Fine

On Monday lawyers acting for the union asked for the release of the frozen funds, apart from

BY CHRIS CORRIGAN

£200,000 to cover the fine imposed for contempt by the High Court in October and a sum to cover possible costs.

Price Waterhouse counter-claimed, asking for the funds to be blocked until court judgement documents arrived from London.

These would be used to prove that the miners union was no longer a trustee for its own funds, hav-

ing been replaced by the High Court with Price Waterhouse.

In the judgement the court said foreign court rulings were not enforceable in Luxembourg.

Decision

Therefore, it could not take account of the High Court's decision.

As to a further delay while waiting for the documents from London, the court said the ques-

tion of control of the funds scheduled for December 10 was not relevant to the question decided yesterday.

The court decided to release all funds bar £250,000 agreed by the union covering the High Court fine and possible costs.

The decision means the NUM, through its nominees, is free to move the £4.38 million out of the bank and the country if it wishes.

PRELIMINARY moves in two High Court actions against the NUM were adjourned by a judge yesterday to give time for fresh evidence to be filed.

Sixteen Nottinghamshire scabs led by Colin Clarke, are seeking court orders appointing a Receiver to run the national union and making 25 members of the national executive personally liable for the £200,000 contempt fine imposed on the NUM in September.

Their counsel, David Oliver, told Mr Justice

Vinelott that it had been agreed that the cases would be adjourned to give more time for evidence to be filed by the union side.

The receivership action was adjourned until next Thursday, December 6, and the other action was postponed until Friday, December 14.

Oliver said the 16 wanted the receivership move to be heard before an application by the NUM to unfreeze its assets held in Dublin, due to be heard by the Irish High Court on December 11.

'It is vitally important that the motion be heard before December 11,' he said. 'If we secure the appointment of a Receiver, it would be our intention that the Receiver would take part in the Dublin proceedings and assist the sequestrators.'

Liable

Oliver said that in the action to make the executive members personally liable for the fine, the Notts 16 would be seeking an interim injunction forbidding the executive from repeating their contempt of court.

NUM general secretary Peter Heathfield was in court yesterday. As he left, he refused to comment on Wednesday's warning by Mr Justice Nicholls that 'the day of reckoning' was approaching for the NUM.

'All I am interested in today is defending my integrity and my honour and my loyalty to the union,' he said.



HUGH WYPER



JAMES AIRLIE

Scottish TUC plea to Tories

BY CHRIS CORRIGAN

GLASGOW — Scottish TUC leaders ignored miners' calls for action yesterday. Instead, a deputation is to be sent to Downing Street.

The move for an STUC delegation to prostrate itself before Thatcher was initiated by two senior Communist Party members, Hugh Wyper and Jimmy Airlie.

And Wyper, Transport and General Workers' regional secretary, also said the Scottish CBI must be invited to take part.

About 300 delegates attended yesterday's special STUC conference in Partick Burgh Hall. A very large proportion of non-NUM delegates present were full-time officials.

Speech

Wyper began his speech by saying there should be no talk of compromise over the miners' struggle. 'We've got to stand and fight,' he stated.

But then Wyper — who is coming in for increasing criticism for lack of action against T&GWU drivers transporting scab coal — went on to say:

'I am proposing that this STUC conference and other organisations here today join together in a deputation to this government to demand on behalf of the Scottish people that negotiations open up with the miners immediately.'

He emphasised he was making the proposal on behalf of the T&GWU, and added: 'I hope that other organisations, including local authorities, churches and the CBI in Scotland take part.'



Polmaise striking miners marching through Whitburn

Airlie, AUEW engineering union executive member, was called to speak next by conference chairman James Milne — another Stalinist.

The argument behind the Plan for Coal had to be developed, said Airlie. 'We can make it irresistible even to a government like Thatcher's. I would support the proposition outlined by Hugh Wyper.'

The deputation idea was still not creating much en-

thusiasm in the hall, however, so Airlie added that if all else failed then 'masses of working people must get on the streets, if necessary, with the miners.'

Sammy Barr, Boilermakers' Union, was yet another Stalinist wheeled out to try to give the deputation plan a 'left' face.

Only two speakers diverted. A Galashiels Labour councillor, Drew Brodie, called for trade un-

ionists to join mass pickets at pit gates.

John McCormack, Polmaise NUM delegate, said: 'If only we could get a second front we could take Thatcher on and take her to the cleaners. We must call on the steelworkers — particularly at Ravenscraig works — to strike against plans to shut the plant. Steelworkers on strike will get full NUM support.'

Earlier, from the platform, NUM Scottish presi-

dent Mick McGahey had won great applause when saying: 'The dribble is drying up. In Scotland, over 85 per cent of miners are still on strike.'

He went on: 'I hope you consider forms of action. It is action we require.'

McGahey, also a Communist Party member, had to leave for London soon after and had gone when Wyper outlined the T&GWU proposal. No vote was taken on it at the end of the meeting.

Secret move to shut Scots pits

SCOTLAND'S 12 remaining pits could rapidly be cut to just five, or even four, according to secret coal board documents disclosed yesterday.

Extracts from the documents marked 'NCB Scottish Area 1985-88 Budget Draft 4 — Secret' were circulated by a Scottish TUC official yesterday.

NUM members who studied the extracts said it meant the coal board intended doing away with 50 per cent of its Scottish workforce in the next few years.

The area's present 12 pits with a workforce of 14,000 would be reduced to only 6,200 in the scenario depicted.

An STUC statement accompanying the extracts commented: 'The pit closures envisaged in these secret documents cover every part of the Scottish coalfield — Ayrshire, Lothians, Fife and Clackmannan.'

The documents are split into two versions, Copy 5 and Copy 6. 'In both cases,' says the STUC, 'the only development work indicated in new mines is at Castlehill in Fife.'

NUM area vice-president George Bolton, asked later, which pits were on the hit-list, replied: 'I don't want to start naming pits because that could cause all sorts of heartache.'

The closure programme, comments the STUC, threatens not only the 14,000-plus jobs in Scottish mining, but another 7,000 jobs in directly-related industries.

Bert Wheeler, NCB area director, was unable to deny the authenticity of the leaked documents. He claimed to reporters, however, that they were only part of a series of options prepared for the future of the coalfield.

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The legal face of Stalinism

YESTERDAY'S Tory press could not — and did not — conceal its delight at the latest High Court moves to seize the funds of the National Union of Mineworkers. This is how they saw it:

'DAILY TELEGRAPH': 'Day of reckoning for miners — Judge warns union over hidden funds'.

'FINANCIAL TIMES': 'Judge warns NUM on day of reckoning'.

'THE TIMES': 'Union's day of reckoning will come, says judge'.

The arrogant gloating of the Tory press and its headline writers is scarcely a surprise to the miners or the rest of the working class. But what of the front-page story in the Stalinist daily paper:

'MORNING STAR': 'Day of reckoning must come — judge'.

There is more. The first sentence of the 'Morning Star' article said: 'The National Union of Mineworkers was "only postponing the day of reckoning" by keeping nearly £8 million of its assets overseas in a bid to avoid seizure, High Court judge Mr Justice Nicholls said yesterday.'

The 'Morning Star' headline and the treatment of the High Court attack on the NUM is indistinguishable from the Tory press. Is that an accident? The answer is 'No!'

Mr Justice Nicholls' threats to the miners can be presented from only two standpoints — from the point of view of the Tory Bonapartist state (bourgeois ideology) or from the struggle of the miners to defend their jobs, their union and the basic democratic rights of the whole working class (Marxist ideology).

By publishing uncritically the verdict of the High Court and by using a headline which clearly sides with the judiciary in threatening the NUM, the Stalinists reveal their true class position in the miners' strike.

It flows from the Communist Party's commitment to the craven, counter-revolutionary policy of the 'peaceful, parliamentary road to socialism'. They accept the capitalist state. They worship its institutions. In the working class movement they are widely known as the 'law and order' party, believing in 'community policing' and working with the police on council estates.

The clearest expression of this acquiescence to the Tory Bonapartist state is this week's move into the High Court in the Austin Rover contempt case by TASS general secretary Ken Gill, a member of the TUC General Council.

Gill, chairman of the People's Press Printing Society management committee, violated TUC policy of non-cooperation with the Tory anti-union laws, broke ranks with the Transport and General Workers Union and went to court to argue why TASS should not be fined for contempt.

By going to plead for special exemption, Gill joined two leading right-wingers who had beaten him to the High Court by less than two weeks — electricians' leader Eric Hammond and Amalgamated Union of Engineering Workers president Terry Duffy. Their servile approaches to the court are tantamount to accepting the legitimacy of the Tory anti-union laws and the right of the capitalist state to run the trade unions.

The Thatcher government will be delighted with this 'realism' by three TUC General Council members from the left and right. They will read it as acceptance of the anti-union laws and encourage even more ruthless attacks on the trade union movement.

The same reactionary policy which took Gill before Mr Justice Hodgson on Monday also guided the 'Morning Star' in its decision to highlight the class war views of Mr Justice Nicholls on Thursday. In the process the miners' strike took a double blow.

The political lesson for the working class is that Stalinism has been thoroughly corrupted by reformism and class collaboration. It ceased to have anything to do with communism a very long time ago.

The revolutionary socialist party in Britain today which continues the struggle for Marxism in the working class is the Workers Revolutionary Party. We urge all our readers who are not yet members to join at once.

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Pickets at Merthyr Vale colliery

Arrests in South Wales

ELEVEN miners were arrested at Merthyr Vale colliery yesterday morning after blocking the route into work for two scabs.

And another 40 miners were arrested at a service station on the M4 motorway near Bridgend after police reacted to reports that stones had been thrown at a scab lorry convoy running between Port Talbot and Llanwern.

The miners gathered some distance from the pit gates in order to stop the scabs from approaching. The arrests were made as the police moved in to clear the road.

No more scabs went in to work at South Wales pits during the day.

● SOUTH WALES miners yesterday called for letters of support from the rest of the trade union movement to be sent to a miner in prison in Swansea this week.

Last Friday Roger Nicholas, a 36-year-old miner from St John's colliery, Maesteg, was found guilty of assaulting a policeman on a picket line outside Port Talbot steel works in July.

The immediate six-week sentence came as a shock to the miners as their solicitor had recommended pleading guilty to avoid any harsh sentences.

Charges

Eric Davies, South Wales NUM executive member in Swansea, told News Line: 'In minor charges we have moved from a situation with a man being automatically bound over for £25 to one where men in similar circumstances are now being sent to prison.'

'This kind of sentence can only be given with the Home Secretary directing the magistrates,' Davies added.

All letters are asked to be sent to: T.R. Nicholas, P13017, Swansea prison.



Pickets at Barrow colliery as scabs arrive

POLISH TRIES SCA

BY ALEX MITCHELL

A TOP Polish official has attempted to justify the Warsaw government's increased sale of coal to the Thatcher government in Britain.

Jozef Stachon, chief of the state coal-exporting agency Weglokok, claimed that Poland had to fulfil contracts signed with the Tory government prior to the start of the miners' strike.

'Poland's obligations on coal deliveries to Britain in 1984 were agreed before the strike began and are regulated by contracts under which it is the customer who decided how much of the contracted coal he takes in,' Stachon told the official PAP news agency.

Stachon said Poland's coal exports to Britain had dropped in 1980 and 1981 due to its severe economic crisis. 'Since 1982 Poland

has started to gradually restore its position in the British market ... and worked hard to regain its standing as a reliable deliverer.

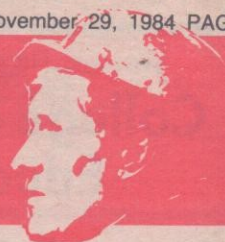
For 'reliable deliverer' read strike-breaker!

Sales

Stachon claimed that Poland's coal sales to Britain in the first eight months of 1984 comprised only 17.7 per cent, or about 830,000 tonnes, of total British imports of almost 4.7 million tonnes.

He pointed out that the United States government had taken almost 39 per

STRIKE TO BACK THE MINERS



BUREAUCRAT TO DEFEND AB COAL

cent of the British import market in the first eight months of 1984 and said Australian and West German exports to Britain had also risen considerably this year.

'It is not Poland ... which increases the supplies, but other countries which are seeking to capitalise on the favourable demand,' he added.

This is blatant lying by the Polish bureaucracy. What cannot be denied is that Polish coal supplies to Britain have more than doubled this year.

The latest figures available show that the Thatcher government bought 887,600 tonnes of Polish coal in the first nine

months of this year, some 74.4 per cent more than the 509,000 tonnes it imported from Poland in the whole of 1983.

Contract

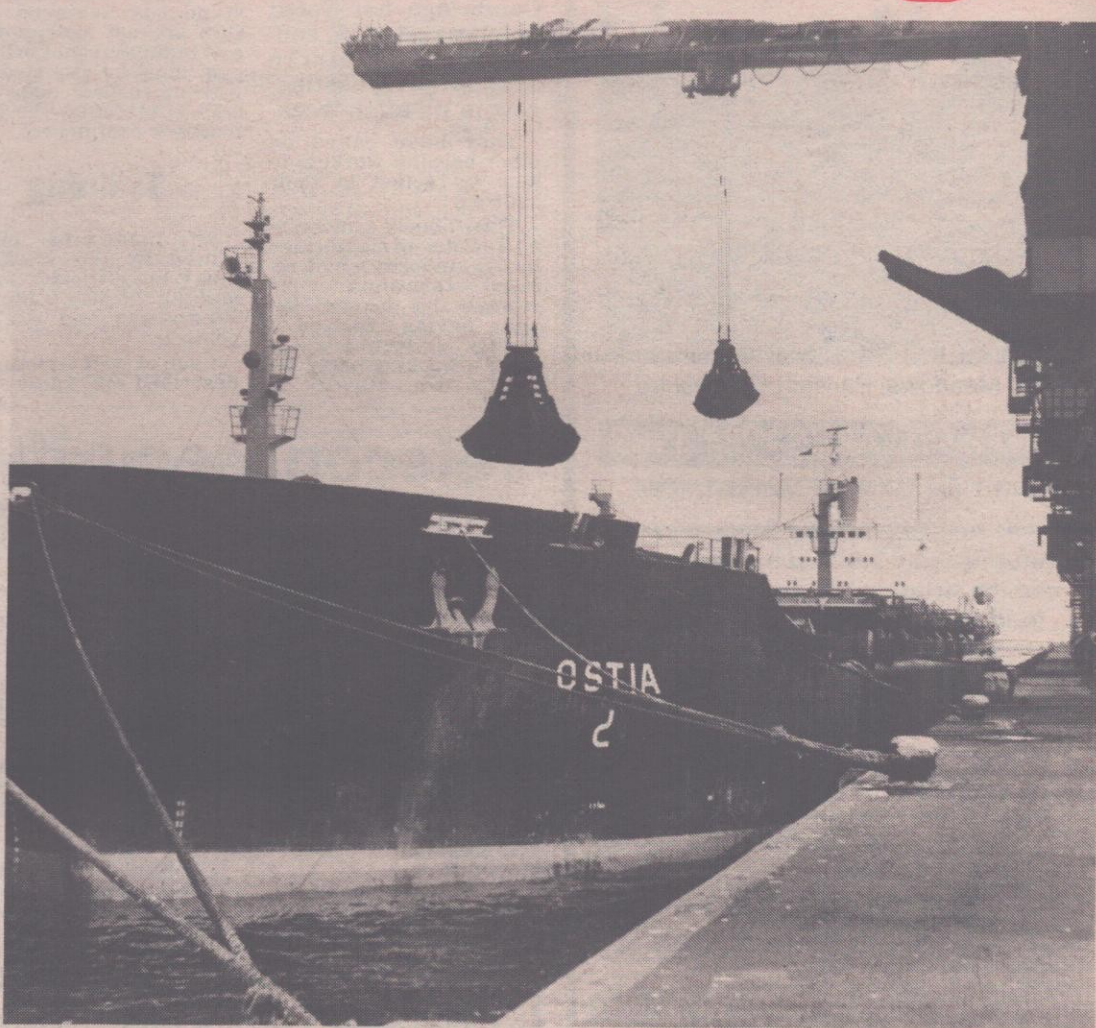
Stachon and the Polish regime are claiming to have an odd kind of contract with the Tories: it is 'the customer who decides how much of the contracted coal he takes in'. Taken at face value this seems to be an open-ended arrangement to supply ALL Thatcher's coal needs to fight the NUM and starve its members into submission.

At the same time, the Polish regime rejects criticism of its strike-breaking by claiming that it is merely 'fulfilling contractual obligations'.

In other words, its commercial and political links with the Tory government are more important than solidarity with the British miners and the working class.

This is the Stalinist policy of 'socialism in one country' — the struggle of the international working class is completely subordinated to the immediate, narrow and parasitic needs of the bureaucracies in the Soviet Union and Eastern Europe.

On this same basis, Soviet Prime Minister Nikolai Tikhonov is guest of the Turkish military junta next month, while thousands of socialists, communists and revolutionaries are locked up in martial law prisons being tortured.



The 'Ostia' unloads Polish coal bound for Ravenscraig at Hunterston dock

KILNHURST MINERS ARE ALL OUT SOLID

THE Tory-NCB bribery campaign has had no impact at all on miners at Kilnhurst Colliery.

All 450 men are solidly backing the strike, preventing the Coal Board from claiming that scabs have been brought into every pit in the South Yorkshire area.

Two scabs did go into work at the pit near Rotherham last week, but immediately rejoined the strike following an appeal from local branch officials.

As the Kilnhurst and Dearne Valley pits remained scab-free, the NCB yesterday claimed that another 19 men in Yorkshire had deserted the strike.

What of course the NCB and the local Tory press play down is the fact that at some pits, notably Grimethorpe and North Gawber, strike-breakers have this week abandoned attempts to get through picket lines.

'The reason we've been so solid is probably that as the village is so small, everybody knows everybody else. This is a close community and we've tried to make sure that people are alright and are able to cope with problems,' NUM branch

BY SIMON VEVERS

treasurer George Hamshaw told News Line.

'We're not running back to work for money that's already owed to us by the Board. They thought it would take off and that with one or two going back, hundreds would follow. And it has just not happened at all.'

'We're not that daft that we think the Board is giving us anything. We're out on strike to defend our jobs. I demand the right to work here until I retire and so do these lads,' said Hamshaw, pointing to the young pickets standing round the brazier.

Halved

Since he started working at Kilnhurst 13 years ago, the number of miners employed there has nearly been halved. Those that remain have no choice but to fight.

'The Coal Board wouldn't think twice about shutting us down and if they did there would be nowhere for us to go. Cadeby, Wath, Manvers are all round here and could close.'

'They can't put us all in one pit, there just wouldn't be enough jobs to go round. So I reckon

most of us would end up on the dole.'

Hamshaw has nothing but contempt for union leaders who have failed to honour pledges to back the miners and who are now capitulating in the most cowardly way to the Tories' anti-union laws.

'It's pointless being in a trade union if when it comes to the crunch you're going to listen just because a judge tells you that what you're doing is wrong,' he said.

'We've fought and our forefathers before us fought to build the union. It has given us everything we've got in terms of wages and conditions and that's why we must fight to keep it.'

'This dispute is critical as far as the whole trade union movement is concerned. Lose this and we might as well all chuck our union cards in the river.'

'This union has shown the way. It has stood and fought but what about the others? Many of them have turned their backs on all the decisions to fight the government's legislation.'

'Anyone who follows that path should be ashamed to call themselves trade unionists', he added.



Kilnhurst pickets yesterday

'The TUC stands for getting all unions together. Yet here we are still out on our own after nine months. If it had

been left to the TUC, we'd have been back at work on the same footing as when we came out. 'Like Kinnoch, the TUC, instead of supporting us, has jumped on the propaganda band wagon of violence, when the police have provoked it.'

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The history and significance of trade unionism in Britain: the trade union and labour bureaucracies as opportunist products and agencies of imperialism: the corporatist nature of the trade union bureaucracy; the distinction between bourgeois democratic rights and the democratic rights of the working class; the independence of the trade unions from the capitalist state as a revolutionary question; the reformist bureaucracies and the miners' strike.

Reading: Engels 'The British Labour Movement'; Lenin 'Imperialism, the Highest State of Capitalism'; Lenin 'The Proletarian Revolution and the Renegade Kautsky'; Trotsky 'Writings on Britain' Volume 2, 'Marxism and the Trade Unions'; Mike Banda 'Open Letter to Trade Unionists'. Political letters of the WRP Political Committee.

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The significance of the Russian Revolution October 1917; the isolation and economic backwardness of Russia as the objective source of the Stalinist bureaucratic degeneration of the Soviet state; the Stalinist bureaucracy not a new ruling class; unconditional defence of the nationalised property relations of the USSR; significance of Trotsky's struggle against Stalinism; the national reformist nature of 'socialism in one country'; the lessons of the Stalinist betrayals of the 1930s; Third Periodism and Popular Frontism; the counter-revolutionary role of Stalinism today; the crisis within British Stalinism.

Reading: Trotsky 'Revolution Betrayed', 'The Class Nature of the Soviet State', 'Germany 1931-1932', 'Whither France?'; Alex Mitchell 'Behind the Crisis in British Stalinism'; Robert Shaw — 'Fighter for Trotskyism' by Mickie Shaw.

4. Revolution versus Reform: The Building of the Workers Revolutionary Party and the Young Socialists

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Reading: Lenin 'Left Wing Communism, An Infantile Disorder'; Trotsky 'Transitional Programme'; Programme for a Workers Revolutionary Government; Letter of the WRP Political Committee No. 7.

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DOMESTICS FIGHT ON

A MASS meeting of domestics at Addenbrooke's hospital, Cambridge has voted unanimously to continue their strike against privatisation, now in its ninth week.

They have called on other hospital workers to step up action in their support.

This follows a meeting on Tuesday of Cambridge health authority which refused to take any action to resolve the dispute, despite having received a highly critical report from a working party set up by the authority to

monitor the contract and deal with the dispute.

The working party report states: 'The cleaning standards achieved by OCS are not acceptable' and maintains that criticism 'must be attended to without further delay if OCS is to retain the authority's confidence'.

Training

The main areas highlighted by the working party for criticism were staffing levels, training, supervision and quality control.

Lack of staff training is described as 'quite un-

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acceptable' and the working party describes quality control as 'a major area of deficiency'.

The working party went on to say: 'The Panel is clear from their two meetings with the unions that the latter's attitude is due as much to the loss of job satisfaction and concern for the service of patients as to the terms and conditions of employment offered by OCS'.

Maureen Dei-Rossi, a domestic who has been on strike from the start said: 'Let the authority members try going in there and doing our work. I'm

disgusted with them. We've got to get other people out with us now. We're fighting for their jobs as well.

'What do the health authority want? — picks and shovels to clear the dirt up with.'

Picket

Earlier News Line spoke to Pam Lucas, a domestic who had walked out of her new job after a morning's work to rejoin her colleagues on the picket line.

Pam said: 'I was under a lot of financial pressure after eight weeks out on

strike, and with having a husband out of work.

'So I thought I was doing the right thing by getting a job cleaning with the Medical Research Council, on the hospital site.

'However, after a morning's work I realised where my true loyalties lay. My mind was on my colleagues out on the picket line wondering, worrying how they were getting on.

'So I went out and re-joined them. My mind is at rest now and I will stick it out now until we win for the health service.'

Telecom security system breached

BRITISH TELECOM'S computer security system has been breached, for the second time this month.

On the first occasion somebody tapped into Prince Philip's personal computer mail and read its contents.

It is claimed that a 'mole' at BT's Prestel Headquarters was responsible.

The computer information company Timefame says the breach took

place within 12 hours of BT issuing new identification codes to close the previous breach.

The system requires an 18 digit code-number tapped in the correct sequence.

The odds on guessing the code or experimenting with numbers to find it would be huge.

Timefame director Roy Norman said: 'It must have been somebody who knew the code.'



TWO hundred busmen marched through Norwich on Wednesday during a two hour strike protest against Tory plans to privatise

services. The action brought the whole of the city centre to a standstill.

WORKERS REVOLUTIONARY PARTY

PUBLIC MEETINGS

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Plus showing of the film
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SCOTLAND

TANNOCHSIDE: Thursday December 6, 7.30p.m. Tannochside Miners Welfare Club, 416 Old Edinburgh Road, Viewpark.

Speakers: Barry Huyton (YS Regional Committee); Terry Brotherton (Edinburgh WRP)

COATBRIDGE: Wednesday December 12, 7.30p.m. Dundyan Community Centre, Dundyan Road.

Speakers: Barry Huyton (YS National Committee); Simon Pirani (WRP Central Committee)

FALLIN: Thursday December 13, 7.30p.m. Fallin Miners Welfare.

Speakers: Marie Devlin (YS Regional Committee); Simon Pirani (WRP Central Committee); Joe Keegan (GMBATU, John Browns, in personal capacity)

GLASGOW: Wednesday December 19, 7.30p.m. Glasgow Youth Training Centre, Tobago Street, off London Road.

Speakers: Marie Devlin (YS Regional Committee); Simon Pirani (WRP Central Committee)

NORTH EAST

NEWCASTLE: Wednesday December 12, 7.30p.m. Bridge Hotel, Castle Square, Newcastle 1.

Speakers: Kevin Townsend (YS National Committee); Bob Bell (Newcastle WRP); Dave Temple (Durham WRP and Merton Mechanics WRP, in personal capacity)

WEST MIDLANDS

COVENTRY: Sunday December 16, 3p.m. Lecture Room, Sidney Stringer School, Vine Street.

Speakers: Nigel Gilder (Stoke YS); Corin Redgrave (WRP Central Committee); In personal capacity: Brian King (AUEW convenor WMPTE); Speaker from West Midlands NUM

NORTH WEST

LIVERPOOL: Thursday December 13, 7.30p.m. Liverpool Youth Training Centre, 100 Gloucester Place, off Kensington Street.

Speakers: Cathy Flaherty (YS Regional Committee); Tony Banda (WRP Central Committee)

CREWE: Wednesday December 19, 8p.m. Room 04, Oakley Centre.

Speakers: Cathy Flaherty (YS Regional Committee); Tony Banda (WRP Central Committee); D. Anderson (Wolstanton NUM, in personal capacity)

SUSSEX

BRIGHTON: Thursday December 13, 7.30p.m. Whitehawk Youth Centre, Whitehawk Road.

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

HERTS

WELWYN: Monday December 10, 7.30p.m. Woodhall Community Centre, Mill Green Road.

Speakers: Gary Young (Stevenage YS); Paul Stickley (Watford WRP)

LONDON

HACKNEY: Tuesday December 18, 7.30p.m. Hackney Town Hall, Reading Lane.

Speakers: Graham Campbell (Hackney YS); Richard Goldstein (London district committee WRP)

WILLESDEN: Wednesday December 19, 8p.m. The Rising Sun, 25 Harlesden Road.

Speakers: Gerry Murphy (Willesden YS); Richard Price (WRP Central Committee)

BRIXTON: Thursday December 20, 8p.m. Room 119, Town Hall, Acre Lane, SW2.

Speakers: Gary Hughes (Brixton YS); Ben Rudder (WRP Central Committee); Ida Turner (Brixton WRP); Speaker from South Wales NUM

BBC programme cuts

THE BBC will have to make cuts in programmes, says its annual report out yesterday. The cuts will be forced on them by rising broadcasting costs. Cuts will have to be made in some of the most expensive areas, such as drama. The report covers the period April 1983 to May 1984.

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Yarrow strike meeting

A MASS meeting of strikers at Yarrow's ship-building yard on the Clyde is to be held today as the 'washing-up' dispute enters its seventh day.

A demand by shop stewards at the yard for the reinstatement of an electrician, dismissed last week for allegedly leaving his job early, is believed to have been rejected by Yarrow's management.

Stewards have called a mass meeting at Glasgow's Apollo Theatre to outline the progress of the dispute, which involves about 4,000 men.

The row flared over a three-minute cut imposed by management in the workforce's 'washing-up' times.

Hormones

CONSUMERS need protection against possible health risks from the use of hormones in meat animals, but a total ban is not the answer, the Consumers' Association said yesterday.

'Greater emphasis must be placed on controlling the use of hormones on the farm, including record-keeping by farmers and vets. Random on-the-spot checks are not sufficient,' said a spokesman.

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BOOKS

A weekly review of the
latest publications

Frank Cousins — loyal rebel

THIS book, first published in 1979, has now been published as a paperback in a revised edition.

Frank Cousins became general secretary of the Transport and General Workers Union in 1956, after the death of Arthur Deakin and then, a few months later, of his successor.

The Communist Party, whose members at that time were debarred from holding official positions in the union, hailed him as the new 'shining light' in the trade union world.

Arthur Deakin, together with Tomlinson of the General and Municipal Workers and Lawther of the National Union of Mineworkers, had been a ruthless leader of the labour and trade union bureaucracy.

The Awkward Warrior: Frank Cousins, his life and times', Geoffrey Goodman, £6.95, Spokesman

The 1950s saw a crisis of both reformist and Stalinist bureaucracies nurtured by pre-war defeats as they were faced with the post-war combativeness of the working class.

Cousins was a product of that period.

Morale

'When Frank Cousins took over the Transport and General Workers Union it was already in an explosive state,' says Goodman. Morale was low, he writes, and talks of the gulf between full-time officials and the rank and file.

One could say there was more than a 'gulf' in dock-

land. The hatred and mistrust of the union's officials were all-pervading. Not long before Cousins became general secretary, 10,000 dockers on Merseyside, in Manchester and Hull, had broken out of the Transport and General and enthusiastically joined the 'blue union' — the Amalgamated Stevedores and Dockers. The union and its officials would never be the same again.

Goodman declares that the arrival of Cousins marked the 'emergence of an altogether more radical force throughout the trade union movement'.

The radical force was in the working class and Cousins adjusted to that.

Although responsive to the tide threatening to entirely sweep away the old bureaucracy, he did not base himself on it. His loyalty was to the bureaucracy itself and his position there, and through this, to capitalist society.

Official

As far back as 1944, when he was an official in the road transport industry, he revealed that he was setting his sights on the general secretaryship. And we find in Goodman's description of his 'dilemmas' in times of struggle that his central consideration was his union position.

For example, as late as 1966, when he resigned from the Labour Cabinet, 'it was not Cousins's disagreement over incomes policy which finally deter-

mined his resignation in July '66. It was his deep seated fear that if he did not return to his post as Transport and General Workers Union general secretary he would no longer be able to straddle the two worlds.'

Cousins was a great straddler of two worlds. Comments Goodman on Cousins's speech at the 1956 TUC on wage restraint: 'To some ears on the far left it sounded like a bugle call to battle though they learned later that it wasn't meant to be quite that'.

By 'far Left' here is meant the Communist Party, who never ceased at this time to cover up for Cousins even though he made no attempt to remove the ban on them. He encouraged support from this quarter but kept the whip in readiness.

In January 1962, by 21 votes to eight the General

Council of the TUC joined the National Economic Development Council. Frank Cousins voted against, but Goodman makes the significant comment that he did so, 'though he knew it was a foregone conclusion'. His policy was 'ambivalent about the whole project'.

His militancy in words: capitulation in deeds was evident in the Labour Party struggles.

Months

He entered a Labour Cabinet in 1964 and remained there, although, as he told Goodman: 'It was in these first few months, that we really ought to have stood up to the financiers.' The crisis measures demanded by the financiers included 'incomes policy', and American support for sterling was given at the

price of support for the American government's intervention in Vietnam.

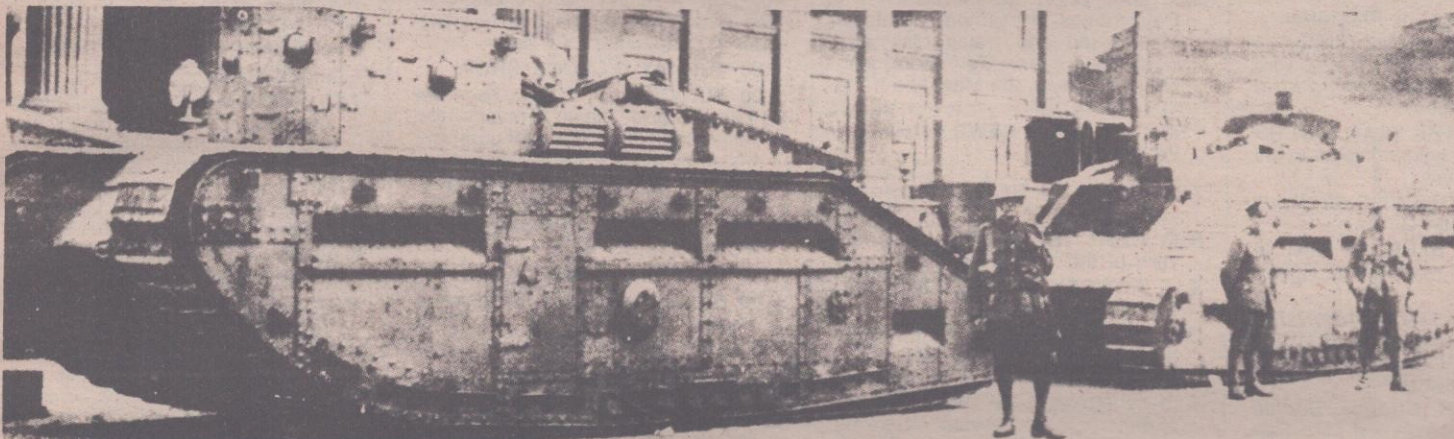
Cousins continued to sit in the Cabinet while his union opposed the government's wages policy.

At the end of his book, Goodman sums up.

In short, although Frank Cousins, like Nye Bevan, had no affection or political regard for much of the right-wing in the Labour Party he saw no obvious or clear way of overcoming the obstacle they presented without inflicting even greater damage on the Labour Movement. He was prepared to live with a coalition of opposites — always provided he could retain sufficient authority to fight powerfully within it.

A better title for this book would be: 'The Loyal Rebel'.

BILL HUNTER



Liverpool police strike, 1919: tanks outside St George's Hall. From 'Britain in our Century'

Britain in our Century by Arthur Marwick — Thames and Hudson, £12.95.

PROFESSOR Marwick describes the 20th century, as 'this most exciting century' and his very comprehensive survey with nearly 150 photographs and illustrations, and numerous quotations clearly describes a country in a period of tremendous changes. If you are looking for a profound analysis of how Britain changed from the foremost trading nation at the beginning of the century to Europe's 'weakest link' today, you will not find it here. But for a lively, controversial and always interesting survey, well-illustrated, of the events of the last 85 years, this is the book to look out for.

A case book of state brutality

Computer confessions

The Network Revolution: confessions of a computer scientist by Jacques Vallee — Penguin, £2.95

Computer Bits and pieces: a compendium of curiosities by Geoff Simons — Penguin, £3.95

VALLEE begins his book with the case of a young Frenchman gunned down by police because their records showed the car he was driving had been stolen, though that was three years before and he had in fact now bought it perfectly legally.

He ends the book with the prospect of a network of computer users conferring on how to handle a flood emergency.

In between, he tells us, by

looking at his own 25 years work, how computers were developed to the point where both such applications are possible. His style is fluent and anecdotal, but like many a technologist, he blames the existence of police computers for changes in policing, rather than seeing why the police need the tools of repression.

The section on computers and the state forces in Geoff Simons' apparently more lighthearted collection of computer news at least points the finger away from the hardware — showing how American computer firms sell machines to aid repressive regimes in South America, South Africa, and elsewhere.

Simons' 'Computer Bits and Pieces' is a book to dip into, with each paragraph reporting different capabilities or uses, from simulating a conversation in the socialist rhetoric of Tony Benn to measuring pollution.

SEVENTEEN days after starting a hunger strike in Walton Jail, Liverpool, in 1979, George Wilkinson died.

His family were told he was refusing food until two hours before his death. Wilkinson had wanted to serve his sentence near his home, and had been consistently subdued with psychotropic drugs.

Jimmy Kelly sustained over thirty injuries, including a broken jaw, when police arrested him for drunkenness in Liverpool in June 1979. After being carried semi-conscious but handcuffed in a police van, he died of a heart attack on the charge room floor.

Cases

These are two of the cases in 'Cause for Concern' which spotlight the working of the law and the police. In both cases, the inquests raised as many questions as they answered. Coroners'

Causes for Concern edited by Phil Scraton and Paul Gordon — Pelican, £3.95

officers are seconded from the police, and they pick the juries. Families have no legal aid to help them ask the right questions.

Duties

Wilkinson's treatment by prison medical staff shows how they fulfill their conflicting duties of care for the prisoners and 'order and control', often by prescribing large and long-term doses of tranquillising drugs.

Cases are presented in the book not to show individual injustice or aberrations, but the systematic brutality of the state and its forces.

Chapters deal with the parole system, police and

press treatment of rape victims, and the racist immigration laws, introduced by an account of Anwar Ditta's enforced six-year separation from her children.

'Operation fire', a coordinated dawn swoop on Welsh nationalists in March 1980, raises questions about arrest, interrogation, search warrants, and above all, the political raid — because while the pretext was arson attacks on second homes, the questioning and material removed from homes showed the purpose to have been a massive intelligence gathering exercise.

Clear

The political implications for class-war confrontation are clear. As they are too in the chapter on supergrasses, those whose memories, while in custody, like good wine, mature with age, as names are drawn into a web of evidence which needs no other substantiation.

Secret war

SOE — The Special Operations Executive 1940-46 by M.R.D. Foot — BBC Publications £8.50

THIS IS the story of the gung-ho predecessors of the Special Air Services (SAS). They fought the unconventional war, the secret war, the war behind enemy lines.

Foot is an academic and a historian who belonged to this fraternity during World War II. The book, he says, has been 40 years in contemplation and two years in writing.

It was produced to coincide with the BBC Television series on SOE produced by Dominic Flessati. These were brilliantly compiled films, a tribute to the conscientious research and the documentary flair of their makers.

Foot's book provides the grainy background to the gripping stories retold on film. He gives an excellent account of SOE's history,

the struggles in Whitehall, recruitment, training and modus operandi.

The final section of the book — about 70 pages — is devoted to actual wartime operations.

Foot is not a florid writer nor a great story-teller. His ability is to present methodically and readably what happened. Don't look for morals or analysis.

Rules

As an 'official historian' of the secret world (his previous works include 'SOE in France', 'MI9', 'Resistance' and 'Six Faces of Courage') Foot abides by the rules of the trade and keeps certain things covered in fog. The full story is still locked away in the state's secret vaults and has yet to be told.

Nevertheless, given the amount of publishers' pulp on the bookshelves this year, Foot's 'SOE' is highly recommended as absorbing holiday reading.

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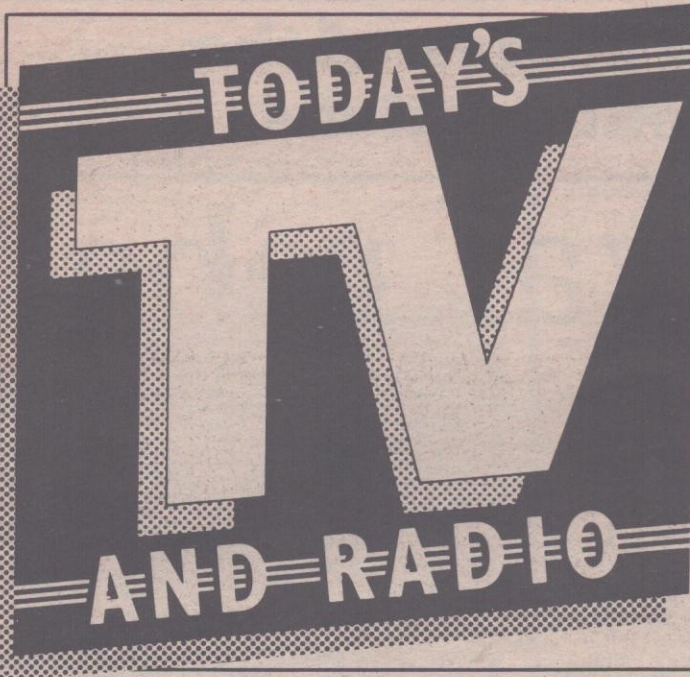
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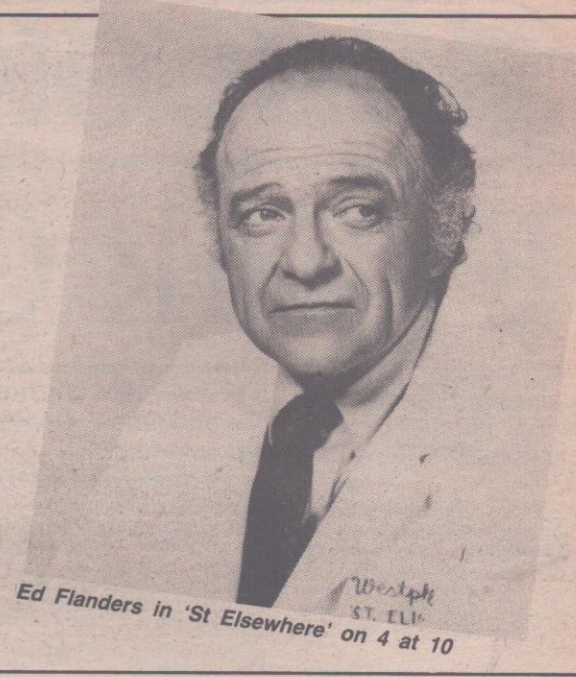
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Ed Flanders in 'St Elsewhere' on 4 at 10

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 Championship Snooker. 3.48 Regional News (except London). 3.50 Play School: It's Friday. 4.10 The Family-Ness. 4.15 A Little Princess. 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 BLANKETY BLANK Les Dawson supervises this comedy quiz where celebrity guests attempt to match contestants' 'blanks'

7.30 CHAMPIONSHIP SNOOKER David Vine introduces coverage from the semi-finals at the Guild Hall, Preston

8.05 BERGERAC *The Moonlight Girls* Jim Bergerac investigates when a young girl is found dead on a beach, apparently the victim of a riding accident

9.00 NINE O'CLOCK NEWS; Weekend weather

9.25 CHAMPIONSHIP SNOOKER David Vine reports on the action in the closing stages of the semi-final session from Preston's Guild Hall

12.30 Weatherman; Closedown

BBC WALES: 4.30 Hartbeat. 4.50 Crackerjack. 5.30 Interval. 5.35-5.58 Wales Today. 6.30-6.55 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 One. 10.38 Exploring Science. 11.00 History 11-13. 11.22 Geography Casebook. 11.44 Going to Work. 12.05 The Computer Programme. 12.30 Computers in Control. 12.55 Page from Ceefax. 1.20 Let's Go. 1.38 Around Scotland. 2.00 Scene. 2.30 English File.

3.00 The Tribal Eye. 3.50 Championship Snooker.

5.25 NEWS SUMMARY with subtitles; Weather

5.30 FRED Victory — And After

6.00 THE INVADERS Roy Thinnas as David Vincent, an architect who accidentally discovers alien invaders in *The Ivy Curtain*

6.50 CHOIR OF THE YEAR 1984 Six more amateur choirs compete in the third quarter-finals

7.30 THREE IN THE WILD *Mordicus the Buzzard* part 2

8.00 CALL MY BLUFF A duel of words and wit refereed by Robert Robinson

8.30 ITALIANS *The Enterprising Heiress* Continuing a portrait of Italy today as seen through the lives of ten different Italians

9.00 M★A★S★H *Strange Bedfellows* With Alan Alda and Mike Farrell

9.25 ARENA *Teacher Don't Teach Me Nonsense* Nigerian musician Fela Anikulapo-Kuti, the leading exponent of Afro-beat — a unique blend of African rhythms and jazz melodies

10.25 NEWSNIGHT

11.10 MIDNIGHT MOVIE *The Bachelor Party* (1957) Paddy Chayefsky's screenplay records the four participants of an office workers' shindig as they progress from one New York bar to the next, becoming more subdued and self-doubting as the drinks add up. With Don Murray E.G. Marshall and Jack Warden

12.45 Closedown

CHANNEL 4

2.30 TREASURE HUNT *East Anglia*
3.30 THE PRIME OF MISS JEAN BRODIE *Dorothy and Juliet* Anna Pavlova visits Edinburgh and Jean Brodie looks for budding dancing talent amongst her girls

4.30 COUNTDOWN

5.00 THE ADDAMS FAMILY *Morticia's Romance* (part 2)

5.30 MAC TUBE Special St Andrew's Day edition presented by Jools MacHolland and Paula MacYates with studio guests Tom MacRobinson, Al Jarreau, the MacKane Kang and Jessie Ray

7.00 CHANNEL 4 NEWS followed by Weather

7.30 RIGHT TO REPLY chaired by Gus MacDonald

8.00 WHAT THE PAPERS SAY Review of the week's papers

8.15 A WEEK IN POLITICS Presented by Peter Jay

9.00 TELL THE TRUTH Celebrity guests question three challengers to find out which one is telling the truth

9.30 IN SEARCH OF PARADISE *All Nature . . . A Garden* A look at examples of 18th century English gardens landscaped by William Kent and Capability Brown

10.00 NEWHART *The Stratford Wives*

10.30 JUST SEX *What is Normal?*

11.10 OPINIONS *Jonathon Green*

11.40 THE GRASSHOPPER (1969) Jacqueline Bisset plays a young small-town hopeful who sets out for the big city with hopes of breaking into a showbiz career. She becomes a Las Vegas showgirl, only to become a has-been at the age of 22. With Jim Brown, Joseph Cotten and Corbett Monica

1.25 Close

THAMES

6.25 Good Morning Britain. 9.25 Thames News Headlines; followed by School Programmes. 12.00 Teetime and Claudia. 12.10 Rainbow. 12.30 Never Too Early, Never Too Late. 1.00 News at One. 1.20 Thames News. 1.30 Film: *Assignment Redhead* Spy drama with Richard Denning. 3.00 Take the High Road. 3.25 Thames News Headlines. 3.30 Sons and Daughters. 4.00 Rainbow. 4.20 Wil Cwac Cwac. 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 SURVIVAL SPECIAL *Together They Stand* Simon Trevor's film records the high degree of organisation within Africa's small mongoose communities — they even have babysitters, sentries and lookouts

8.00 BRUCE FORSYTH'S PLAY YOUR CARDS RIGHT

8.30 HALLELUJAH *Snake Pit* (part 2)

9.00 EH BRIAN, IT'S A WHOPPER *Ladies' Day*

10.00 NEWS AT TEN followed by *London News Headlines*

10.30 THE LONDON PROGRAMME Presenter John Taylor looks at the rewards and drawbacks of finding oil in some unlikely locations. The Department of Energy has issued 52 exploration licences, covering much of Kent, Surrey, Sussex and Hampshire

11.00 STRUGGLE *Art For the Workers' Sake* Steve and his caucus are worried by an outbreak of graffiti in the borough

11.30 AROUND MIDNIGHT

12.15 LIVE FROM LONDON *Freur*

1.15 HIGHWAY PATROL *Escort*

1.45 Night Thoughts and Closedown

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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 Snnwcr. 10.45 Film: *The List of Adrian Messenger*. 12.25 Newhart. 12.55 Soap. 1.25 Close.

RADIO

1 News on the half hour from 6.30 a.m. until 9.30 p.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 9 p.m.); Headlines 5.30 a.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 Random Jottings of Hinge and Bracket. 10.30 Nights at the Paris Olympia. 11.00 Stuart Hall. 1.00 Peter Dickson (S) presents Night-ride. 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) Berlioz, Chopin, Bruch (8.00 News). Prokofiev, Stravinsky, Rachmaninov. 9.00 News. 9.05 This Week's Composer (S) Lassus. 10.00 Dussek and Beethoven (S) Piano recital. 10.50 Langham Chamber Orchestra (S) Rossini, Holst, Elgar. 11.45 The Songs of Peter Warlock (S). 12.15 Midday Concert (S) Handel, Wagner (1.00 News) Brahms. 1.50 Delius, Britten and Elgar (S) Violin and piano recital. 2.50 Howard Hanson (S) Symphony No.3. 3.25 Scottish Season: J.B. McEwen (S) Chamber music. 4.00 Choral Evensong (S). 4.55 News. 5.00 Mainly for Pleasure (S). 6.30 Music for Guitar (S) Bach arr. Verdery, Anthony Newman. 7.00 Broomhouse Reach (S). 7.30 Mozart and Bruckner (S) Mozart (7.55-8.15 The Unsung Carroll) Bruckner. 9.30 Scottish Season: Piping for St Andrew's Day (S). 9.45 Of Cadres and Kings. 10.30 Scottish Season: 'Musick Fyne' (S) Robert Carver. 11.57-12.00 News.

5.55 Shipping Forecast. 6.00 News Briefing. 6.10 Farming Today. 6.25 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: *The Conscript*. 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; My Kind of Folk. 4.10 The Mind in Focus. 4.40 Story Time: *Pierre de Jean*. 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 Stop Press. 8.45 Any Questions? 9.30 Letter from America. 9.45 Kaleidoscope. 10.15 A Book at Bedtime: *Mr Facey Romford's Hounds*. 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, 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 Teetime and Claudia. 12.10 Rainbow. 12.30 Never Too Early, Never Too Late. 1.00 News at One; North East News; Lookaround. 1.30 Film: *Escort for Hire*. 2.50 Cartoon. 3.00 That's My Dog. 3.25 North East News. 3.30 Sons and Daughters. 4.00 Rainbow. 4.20 Wil Cwac Cwac. 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 Survival Special. 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: *Creatures of the World Forgot*. 12.10 Darts Masters. 12.40 Epilogue; Closedown.

CENTRAL

6.25 Good Morning Britain. 9.30 For Schools. 12.00 Teetime and Claudia. 12.10 Rainbow. 12.30 Never Too Early, Never Too Late. 1.00 News at One; Central News. 1.30 Film: *The Third Visitor*. 3.00 That's My Dog. 3.25 News Headlines. 3.30 Sons and Daughters. 4.00 Rainbow. 4.20 Wil Cwac Cwac. 4.25 The Wind in the Willows. 4.50 Illusions. 5.15 Blockbusters. 5.45 News. 6.00 Central News. 7.00 Survival Special. 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: *The Car*. 1.25 Closedown.

YORKSHIRE

6.25 Good Morning Britain. 9.25 Regional Weather Forecast; For Schools. 12.00 Teetime and Claudia. 12.10 Rainbow. 12.30 Never Too Early,

Never Too Late. 1.00 News at One; Calendar News; Weather. 1.30 Film: *The Kind Strangers*. 2.55 Ice. 3.00 That's My Dog. 3.25 News Headlines. 3.30 Sons and Daughters. 4.00 Rainbow. 4.20 Wil Cwac Cwac. 4.25 The Wind in the Willows. 4.50 Illusions. 5.15 Blockbusters. 5.45 News. 6.00 Calendar; Weather. 6.30 Diff'rent Strokes. 7.00 Survival Special. 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 Teetime and Claudia. 12.10 Rainbow. 12.30 Never Too Early, Never Too Late. 1.00 News at One; TSW News Headlines. 1.30 Film: *Green Grow the Rushes*. 3.00 Hart to Hart. 3.57 Gus Honeybun's Magic Birthdays. 4.00 Rainbow. 4.20 Wil Cwac Cwac. 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 Survival Special. 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: *Every Home Should Have One*. 12.15 Postscript; South West Weather; Shipping Forecast; Closedown.

TVS

6.25 Good Morning Britain. 9.25 TVS Outlook. 9.30 For Schools. 12.00 Teetime and Claudia. 12.10 Rainbow. 12.30 Never Too Early, Never Too Late. 1.00 News at One; TVS News. 1.30 Afternoon Club. 1.32 Jimmie Shore Investigates. 2.35 Three Little Words. 3.00 Afternoon Club; TVS News. 3.27 The Young Doctors. 4.00 Rainbow. 4.20 Wil Cwac Cwac. 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 Survival Special. 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 Iron Maiden — Freeze Frame. 12.30 Epilogue; Closedown.

HTV

6.25 Good Morning Britain. 9.30 For Schools. 12.00 Teetime and Claudia. 12.10 Rainbow. 12.30 Never Too Early, Never Too Late. 1.00 News at One; HTV News. 1.30 Film: *That Woman Opposite*. 3.00 The Movie Makers; HTV News. 3.30 Sons and Daughters. 4.00 Rainbow. 4.20 Wil Cwac Cwac. 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 Survival Special. 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: *Play Dirty*. 12.40 HTV Weather; Closedown.

HTV CYMRU: 6.00-7.00 Wales at Six. 10.30 Showbizz. 11.00 Film: *Play Dirty*. 12.30 Weather; Closedown.

ANGLIA

6.25 Good Morning Britain. 9.30 For Schools. 12.00 Teetime and Claudia. 12.10 Rainbow. 12.30 Never Too Early, Never Too Late. 1.00 News at One; Anglia News; Weather. 1.30 Film: *Union Station*. 3.00 That's My Dog. 3.25 Anglia News. 3.30 Sons and Daughters. 4.00 Rainbow. 4.20 Wil Cwac Cwac. 4.25 The Wind in the Willows. 4.50 Illusions. 5.15 Blockbusters. 5.45 News. 6.00 About Anglia. 7.00 Survival Special. 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: *Baffled*. 12.50 Epilogue; Closedown.

Winning Post

Rhoecus to win at Sandown

THE progressive Rhoecus (3.00) can land the day's most valuable race, the Winter Novices' Hurdle, at SANDOWN today.

After an encouraging debut at Worcester, Rhoecus was a comfortable three-length winner from Charlotte's Dunce over two miles at Haydock last week.

Although he has the best part of another three-quarters of a mile to cover here he was a middle distance winner on the flat in France and should be suited by the trip.

Rhoecus, trained by Monica Dickinson, carries the colours of Peter Wetzel, who also owns top-class two-year-old Primo Dominie.

Brown Trix (1.00), fitter for his seasonal debut at Newbury, should take advantage of the 4lb he receives from previous winners Druma-

SELECTIONS

SANDOWN: 1.00 Brown Trix, 1.30 Hypnotic, 2.00 Beau Ranger, 2.30 Master Tercel, 3.00 Rhoecus (nap), 3.30 Drummond Street
SEDFIELD: 12.45 Kindred, 1.15 Rejuvenator (n.b.), 1.45 Black Combe, 2.15 Primrose Wood, 2.45 Our Louise, 3.15 Vitriolic
LEICESTER: 12.30 Strathearn, 1.00 Deep Coach, 1.30 Glenfox, 2.00 Killegar Kim, 2.30 Macs or Mine, 3.00 Sweetcal

downey and Lunedale in the Crowthgap Novices' Chase.

Hypnotic (1.30), one of the most exciting hurdling prospects seen this season, is impossible to oppose in the Malden Timber Novices' Hurdle (Qualifier) while **Beau Ranger** (2.00) should be too nippy for the aging Drumgona in a match for the Crowthgap Handicap Chase.

Neale Doughty and Gordon Richards have an excellent chance of landing a **SEDFIELD** double with **Rejuvenator** (1.15) and **Primrose Wood** (2.15).

Rejuvenator, beaten only

once in three outings by Thelmas Secret at Hexham, is weighted to reverse that form in the Tote Handicap Chase.

Primrose Wood (2.15) should win the Tattersalls Mares Only Novice Chase Qualifier. Even with 11 stone 11lb, she has the class to beat Joyful Star and Scarlet Terror.

Others worth support on this tricky card are **Kindred** (12.45) (Grey Horse Selling Handicap Hurdle) and **Our Louise** (2.45) (Harpington Novice Hurdle).

Highly-regarded juvenile

Strathearn (12.30) should get punters off to a good start at LEICESTER.

After a promising second to Sharp And Ready at Market Rasen in October, Jimmy Fitzgerald's colt improved to beat hurdling newcomer Worling-Pearl comfortably by four lengths at Haydock last week.

He was backed from 9-4 to 6-4 on that occasion and it is unlikely the best of him has been seen.

Grand National hopeful **Glenfox** (1.30), who made all to beat Co Member 30 lengths in a conditional jockeys race at Newbury last Friday, escapes a penalty in the Silver Bell Handicap Chase and should have little difficulty in following up.

The Waltham Handicap Hurdle is not an ideal 'getting out' race, with 22 closely handicapped horses set to go to post, but **Sweetcal** (3.00) should run well

SANDOWN

1.00 CROWNGAP NOVICE CHASE £4,000 3m (7 runners)

1	P1P-P1	DRUMADOWNEY T A Forster 6 11 2	H Davies
2	131-01F	LUNEDALE (C) F Walwyn 6 11 2	K Mooney
3	040FF-0	BROOKLANDS (NZ) D H Barons 7 10 12	G Newman
4	1314-3	BROWN TRIX (BF) F T Winter 6 10 12	J Francome
6	03004-4	FLYING JACKDAW H O'Neill 8 10 12	M Hammond
11	0011P-F	SIGN AGAIN J C Fox 7 10 12	S Moore
14	11B0-10	BUCKBE D R Elsworth 5 10 7	C Brown

BLINKERS: 1
 PROBABLE SP: 7-4 Brown Trix, 3-1 Buckbe, 4-1 Lunedale, 7-1 Drumadowney and Sign Again, 16-1 Flying Jackdaw, 25-1 Brooklands.

1.30 MALDEN TIMBER NOVICE HURDLE (Q'FIER) £1,500 2m (21 runners)

1	2-11	HYPNOTIC (D) F Walwyn 4 11 10	K Mooney
4	3430F-	ASHLONE S Mellor 5 11 0	G Charles-Jones (4)
7		CASTILORE LAD J E Long 4 11 0	C Mann
8	P	DARTEL Miss A Sinclair 4 11 0	M Bastard
9		DEEP ECHO N J Henderson 4 11 0	J White
10		DUNVEGAN CASTLE G R Prest 5 11 10	R Dunwoody
11		EMERALD WATSON F T Winter 4 11 0	J Francome
12	2	FRAUD SQUAD R J Hodges 5 11 0	S Earle (7)
13		GRAHAMES PADDY T M Jones 4 11 0	M Hammond
14		INDIAN COUNTRY Miss D Baker 4 11 0	
17	2/222F-	LUCKY RASCAL J T Gifford 5 11 0	M Palmer (7)
18	F/4P-0	MAITREDEE R S Gow 5 11 0	P Scudamore
20	0	MARLEY HEIGHTS M J Bolton 4 11 0	R Goldstein
21		NEMO KYBO R Champion 4 11 0	G McCourt
26		RUM J T Gifford 4 11 0	R Rowe
29		SWIFT RETORT G B Balding 4 11 0	S Reilly
33	2	TRIBAL DRUM I M Dudgeon 5 11 0	R Linley
34		ACER DIAMOND J Bridger 4 10 9	Mr L Fogarty
35	4P0P0-P	BIC ROLLER J J Bridger 5 10 9	A Jones (7)
37	00-P	LEVANT ROW D R Elsworth 5 10 9	C Brown
39	P	TINAHUE ANGEL J C Fox 5 10 9	S Moore

PROBABLE SP: 5-4 on Hypnotic, 6-1 Emerald Watson, 7-1 Tribal Drum, 8-1 Rum, 12-1 Lucky Rascal and Fraud Squad, 14-1 Ashlone, 20-1 others.

2.00 CROWNGAP HANDICAP CHASE £4,000 2m 4f (2 runners)

10	3F0-111	BEAU RANGER J Thorne 6 11 8	J Hurst (7)
11	404-F00	DRUMGORA T A Forster 12 11 7	H Davies

PROBABLE SP: 7-2 on Beau Ranger, 5-2 Drumgona.

2.30 POND HANDICAP CHASE £4,000 3m (5 runners)

2	3U1-0F2	GREENWOOD LAD J T Gifford 7 11 77	R Rowe
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LEICESTER

12.30 BEGINNERS NOVICE HURDLE DIV I £800 (3-Y-O) 2m (20 runners)

1	21	STRATHEARN (D) J G FitzGerald 11 3	R O'Leary
2		ANY BUSINESS W J Musson 10 10	C Smith
4	0022	ATKINS B Swift 10 10	R Campbell (4)
6	0	CROWFOOT'S COUTURE B A McMahon 10 10	S J O'Neill
7		DAVID GEORGE P D Cullin 10 10	A Gormann
8	0	DIENAU'S TROVE H Collingridge 10 10	J Barlow
9	000	FERDALE LAD J R Bosley 10 10	A Webb
10		FLODABAY G Thorne 10 10	R Kingdon
11		FLYING TENDERFOOT P G Bailey 10 10	R Stronge
12		HYPERION PRINCE W Wharton 10 10	M Brennan
15		LOVE WALKED IN W Holden 10 10	S McNeill
16		LUCKY LOCHE J L Needham 10 10	J Bryan
19	00	NICKY'S KNIGHT C A Bell 10 10	P Delaney
20		PARVENO B J Wise 10 10	R Rowell
21	0	PERSHING J P Leigh 10 10	P Blackburn (7)
23		SHENYOUNG R Carter 10 10	P Barton
25	P	SPRING PURSUIT P J Makin 10 10	D Browne
27		TAMERTOWN LAD J R Jenkins 10 10	H Jenkins (7)
31		COUPON CLIPPER S Mellor 10 5	M Perrett
33		PHILYRA H Fleming 10 5	M Pepper

PROBABLE SP: 11-8 Strathearn, 9-4 Atkins, 8-1 Tamertown Lad, 10-1 Coupon Clipper, 12-1 Any Business, 16-1 Ferndale Lad, 20-1 others.

1.00 BARKBY CLAIMING NOVICE HURDLE £1,000 2m (11 runners)

1	04	JOHN'S SECRET J R Bosley 4 11 7	Mr M Bosley (7)
2	40/0200	MONCLARE TROPHY A J Pitt 5 11 7	
3	POP-P	AUTUMNS DREAM Mrs P Pile 8 11 3	A Webber
4	00	BRENNANSTOWN K C Bailey 7 11 3	M Perrett
5	000/000	CALMACUTTER C James 7 11 3	
6	0/PP00	LITTLE COMPO J R Jenkins 7 11 3	D Morris (7)
7	0P0-	MY FRIEND T F Winter 5 11 3	J Duggan (4)
8	20200/0	SOVEREIGN SHOT Mrs E Andrews 6 11 2	Mr S Andrews (4)
9	00	PASS ASHORE R G Frost 5 11 0	J Frost
10	2/00-003	WILLSPAL W A Barrett 6 11 0	S Johnson
11	04-2	DEEP COACH D R Gandolfo 5 10 12	M Harrington

BLINKERS: 6
 PROBABLE SP: 2-1 Deep Coach, 5-2 My Friend, 7-2 Little Compo, 11-2 Monclare Trophy, 10-1 Willspal, 12-1 Calmacutter, 16-1 others.

1.30 SILVER BELL HANDICAP CHASE £1,500 3m (5 runners)

8	4/13-1	GLENFOX (D) S Mellor 7 11 7	M Perrett
10	2200-31	MEGGIES DENE W A Barrett 8 11 6	S Johnson
12	P233-33	SELBORNE RAMBLER (BF) J Webber 6 10 13	A Webber
13	122-122	TAR KNIGHT (D) R Carter 7 10 4	P Barton
14	0P4/4PP-	ROYAL CLASSIC D J Wintle 7 10 0	R Hyett

PROBABLE SP: 6-4 on Glenfox, 9-2 Meggies Dene, 5-1 Selborne Rambler and Tar Knight, 16-1 Royal Classic.

2.00 SILEBY NOVICE CHASE £1,200 2m (6 runners)

1	0/3-31	KILLEGAR KIM (D) J Webber 5 11 12	G Mernagh
4	3-0	DEEP CROSS Mrs J Pitman 9 11 5	M Perrett
6	U404U4	FLECHA M C Chapman 9 11 5	P Liddle (7)
12	220P22-	SAYS EYE D J Wintle 9 11 5	N Babbage (4)
13	2	SOUVENT W J Musson 9 11 5	C Smith
17	4-0004P	LADYCROSS R W Hartop 5 11 0	J Barlow

PROBABLE SP: 11-10 on Killegar Kim, 11-4 Souvent, 6-1 Deep Cross, 10-1 Flecha, 12-1 Says Eye, 16-1 Ladycross.

2.30 BEGINNERS NOVICE HURDLE DIV II £800 (3-Y-O) 2m (19 runners)

1	121203	JUST BLAKE (D) B Swift 11 10	R Campbell (4)
2	F21	MAC'S OR MINE (C-D) J A Old 11 3	Mr C Llewellyn (7)
3	431	SPRINGLE (D) R Hollishead 10 12	D Carcary (7)
7	00	BREN GUNNER H Fleming 10 10	M Pepper
9		EUCRATES (USA) Mrs J Reavey 10 10	M Perrett
13	00	MISTER KILG A W Jones 10 10	
14		PEARL KING G C Hartigan 10 10	S McNeill
15	3	POLYNOR (FR) M J Ryan 10 10	J McLaughlin
16	0	QUIET COUNTRY P J Makin 10 10	D Browne
17	20	SHEPHERD'S HYMN T T Bill 10 10	G Williams (7)

SEDFIELD

12.45 GREY HORSE SELLING H'CAP HURDLE £500 2m (10 runners)

1	2/00D0P0	PRIVATE CRAFT A Balding 7 11 11	D Wilkinson
3	1U1003	KINDRED (C-D) Ronald Thompson 8 11 8	Jayne Thompson (7)
5	P3-0043	RHYMARC G Richards 4 11 0	J Hansen (4)
6	0F-300P	GRADWOOD E Alston 9 10 9	
8	0-00043	ASCOT AGAIN J P Smith 8 10 2	P Tuck
9	P00-000	SECRET MINSTREL J Parkes 7 10 10 (10 ex)	R Balfour (7)
10	FP0U-2U	WAITE G Harman 14 10 0	S Youlden (4)
11	P2-0000	PALLETIT N Waggott 4 10 0	G W Gray
13	P00P0-0	HANNAHMAN S L Bridge 7 10 0	I Cox
14	00040-0	MOSQUITO RIVER B Richmond 7 10 0	S Keightley

BLINKERS: 8, 11
 PROBABLE SP: 3-1 Kindred, 7-2 Rhymarc, 4-1 Ascot Again, 5-1 Waite, 8-1 Gradwood, 12-1 Mosquito River, 14-1 others.

1.15 TOTE HANDICAP CHASE £2,000 2m (9 runners)

1	0321/P1-	QUAY MAN (D) J S Wilson 9 12 6	A Stringer
2	4-14241	VEILED CITY (C-D) F Storey 8 12 0 (7 ex)	B Storey
3	F4P/FPP	TWICE TIMES J Brockbank 9 11 12	T G Dun
4	0U000-2	REAY'S SONG (C) (D) (BF) M Naughton 10 10 12	P A Farrell (7)
5	0/00-121	REJUVENATOR (C) (D) G Richards 8 10 10	N Doughty
6	404310	TROILENA (D) (BF) R Fisher 8 10 8	J D Doyle (4)
7	30-014F	THELMAS SECRET (D) T Barnes 7 10 6	M Barnes
8	0U4-0PU	CAROUSE (D) J C Doyle 7 10 1	S Keightley
9	4334-22	TIERENEE W A Stephenson 9 10 0 (10 ex)	Mr P J Dun (4)

PROBABLE SP: 7-4 Rejuvenator, 10-30 Veiled City, 5-1 Quay Man, 8-1 Tierenee, 10-1 Reay's Song, 12-1 Troilena, 14-1 Carouser, 16-1 others.

1.45 WOODHOUSE NOVICE CHASE £1,000 3m (8 runners)

1	00403/1	WENSLEYDALE J Parkes 6 12 3	R Balfour (7)
3	P04-3F3	BLACK COMBE R Fisher 6 11 7	M Meagher (4)
4	PO-F	COOL TRICKSTER R W Jeffrey 8 11 7	N Doughty
6	00/0P-0F	CRICKET WOOD H Wharton 6 11 7	S Youlden (4)
8	4/00B42-	GO ON JOE (C) J Richardson 10 11 7	D Oldham
11	30P2P-2	OCEAN CRUISE I Vickers 9 11 7	S Keightley
12	0/0P-420	OWEN LUCK R Swiers 10 11 7	Mr S Swiers (7)
13	24104U	RAMOA'S SON N Waggott 8 11 7	R Earnshaw

PROBABLE SP: 5-2 Black Combe, 3-1 Ramoa's Son, 4-1 Owen Luck, 6-1 Wensleydale, 8-1 Go On Joe, 10-1 Ocean Cruise, 12-1 others.

2.15 TATTERSALLS MARES ONLY NOVICE CHASE (Q'FIER) £1,500 2m (7 runners)

1	23-1131	PRIMROSE WOOD (D) G Richards 6 11 11	N Doughty
2	0F0	CRESTA CROSSETT E M Caine 6 10 10	Mr N Jones (7)
4	223-343	JOYFUL STAR J E Dixon 7 10 10	B Storey
5	001140-	MAINSFORTH QUEEN W A Stephenson 7 10 10	K Jones
6	0F0/P00	MENDELITA P E Courage 8 10 10	C Fairhurst
8	000-300	PURPLE BEAM T Barnes 5 10 10	M Barnes
9	43-0222	SCARLET TERROR (BF) R Brewis 6 10 10	T G Dun

BLINKERS: 6
 PROBABLE SP: 11-10 on Primrose Wood, 3-1 Joyful Star, 5-1 Scarlet Terror, 8-1 Mainsforth Queen, 12-1 Purple Beam, 16-1 Cresta Crossett, 25-1 Mendelita.

2.45 HARPINGTON NOVICE HURDLE £800 2m (18 runners)

2	1112	OUR LOUISE (C-D) A Scott 5 11 7	Mr T Reed (4)
3	PP	ABBEY BOY T Barnes 5 11 0	M Barnes
4	0	BOUNTY'S CROWN R Shiels 4 11 0	Mr R Shiels (7)
5	03	BULLOM Denys Smith 4 11 0	D Leadbitter (7)
15		NIGHT HARBOUR W Bentley 11 11 0	K Adshad (4)
17	203033-	PITSBALOO M W Easterby 4 11 0	P Tuck
19	430-40	PRICE OF PEACE J C Doyle 6 11 0	J C Doyle
20	0/0-	ROMANARD V Thompson 5 11 0	Mr M Thompson
21		RURAL SCENE F T Walton 5 11 0	Mr J Walton
23	00-	SECRET PURSUIT M H Easterby 5 11 0	D Dutton
27	3	SPARTAN FLASHBACK R Fisher 5 11 0	J D Doyle (4)
28	000444-	SYDETZYK Miss E Willans 4 11 0	S Charlton
29	4	CONNAUGHT QUEEN G Richards 4 10 9	N Doughty
30	P	COTTAGE LEAS M E Elbery 5 10 9	Mr R Morley
32		IRISH CLIPPER J H Johnson 4 10 9	P A Farrell (7)
33	0-P0	MILLISLES N Chamberlain 4 10 9	S Keightley
34	U0	MISS KRUGERRAND R W Jeffrey 4 10 9	J Hansen (4)
35		ROYAL EXPORT W C Watts 4 10 9	P Armitage

BLINKERS: 19
 PROBABLE SP: 11-4 Our Louise, 7-2 Bullom, 4-1 Pitsbaloo, 6-1 Connaught Queen, 8-1 Spartan Flashback, 10-1 Secret Pursuit, 12-1 others.

3.15 DUN COW HANDICAP HURDLE £1,250 3m (8 runners)

1	11430/0	JIMMY MARTIN Mrs A Dickinson 7 11 10	K Whyte
2	0020-00	RUN IN TUNE D Eddy 5 10 12	C Pimlott
3	02-0314	VITRIOLIC (C) R Fisher 5 10 11 (5 ex)	M Meagher (4)
6	3PFO-00	KEEP A PROMISE J Wilson 6 10 3	Mrs G Rees
7	4044440	MOSSY CONES W A Stephenson 5 10 1	Mr P J Dun (4)
8	000/310-	YOUNG ADVENTURER (C) D A Lamb 5 10 0	Angela Cross
9	0140-40	PROUDEST DIANA (USA) Miss E Sneyd 4 10 0	I Cox
10	00020/0	GROUSE BEATER R Gray 8 10 0	S Charlton

PROBABLE SP: 6-4 Vitriolic, 2-1 Jimmy Martin, 5-1 Mossy Cones, 8-1 Young Adventurer, 10-1 Proudest Diana, 14-1 others.

18		SHIELDAIG P D Cundell 10 10	A Gorman
19		STARWIND P S Felgate 10 10	P Dever
20	F	STERLING VIRTUE (USA) B A McMahon 10 10	S J O'Neill
21		TOM FORRESTER A J Pitt 10 10	R Berry
23		CAROLINE'S GIRL D R Laing 10 5	J Nola
25	0	HAY FEVER C A Bell 10 5	J H Davies
26		MONSOON Peter Taylor 10 5	J Lawson (7)
28		ROCKY'S GAL W Holden 10 5	R Hyett
29	0	SHAKIRA GROVE J L Spearing 10 5	R Dickin

PROBABLE SP: 5-2 Mac's Or Mine, 3-1 Just Blake, 4-1 Springle, 6-1 Sterling Virtue, 7-1 Polynor, 10-1 Shepherd's Hymn, 16-1 others.

3.00 WALTHAM HANDICAP HURDLE £1,000 2m (22 runners)

1	0202/00-	GLENHAWK J Ryan 8 12 1	A Coogan
3	214204-	OREGON TRAIL (D) D W Arbutnot 4 11 10	Mr T Thomson Jones
4	23320-2	MOLLINGTON (C-D)B/F J Webberns 11 10	A Webber
5	31-0211	THE DIPLOMAT (D) D S Ringer 6 11 6 (6 ex)	S McNeill
6	P0-004P	UPPER NOTE (D) M O'Halloran 6 11 4	NON-RUNNER
7	302-044	SUPPER'S READY (USA) W G Morris 6 11 3	W Morris (4)
9	0-00401	SWEETCAL (D) P D Cundell 7 11 3 (6 ex)	Michael Rimmer (7)
10	23321-0	GOLDEN BRIGADIER (D) J A Old 6 11 2	P Murphy
12	113/001	DIDDELO (D) B J Wise 7 11 0	R Rowell
14	P/3104F-	WOLD RAT J G FitzGerald 5 11 0	M Dwyer
17	000003/	HOLD OLD TIME (D) J L Harris 8 10 12	J A Harris
18	03FP-P4	SOMERSDAY (D) M E Francis 5 10 12	P Barton
19	0430-00	LOIR MOSS (D) A F Leighton 4 10 12	C Smith
20	0020-00	ENSIGNS KIT (D) A H Brisbane 9 10 12	P Finch (7)
21	00-00P0	LE PEARL D Gandolfo 7 10 11	M Harrington
24	00000-0	END OF ERA (D) A Moore 6 10 8	M Perrett
26	122200-	FINALE SEPT (C-D) F Fleming 4 10 8	M Pepper
27	300-240	BROCKLEY BELLE (D) C Spares 5 10 8	J McLaughlin
29	2D1/00-0	HIGH HEAVEN (D) A Moore 6 10 3	C Warren (7)
30	10F3-	GOLD TYCOON J L Sparing 5 10 3	A Webb
32	2B0B1-P	HARBOUR BAZAAR (D) M Chapman 4 10 0	P Liddle (7)
39	0P04/F-0	CHANDHEER W Clay 8 10 0	S J O'Neill

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KELLY'S EURO MISSION

FOOTBALL LEAGUE secretary Graham Kelly flies to Brussels next week to try and head off political manoeuvres which could have serious consequences for English soccer at both club and international level.

There has been growing pressure within the Common Market for the abolition of the rule limiting clubs to two foreign players, a restriction which applies in most European countries.

Politicians argue that footballers, like all other workers, should be allowed complete freedom of movement within the EEC. There is also a suggestion that transfer fees should be abolished for players reaching the end of their contracts.

Kelly, who is leading a joint League and FA delegation, meets his counterparts from other European soccer authorities on Monday.

They will be marshalling their arguments against any changes in the rules and will present their case to a Common Market commission in the Belgian capital the following day.

Kelly said: 'It would damage our domestic football if clubs were allowed to pack their teams with an unlimited number of players from EEC countries.'

'There would be less chance of young players and local talent breaking through, which would eventually have a serious effect on the national team.'

This view is reinforced by Gordon Taylor, secretary of the Professional Footballers' Association, who also strongly opposes the EEC interference.

'Already the Football League provide international teams for England, Scotland, Wales, Northern Ireland and the Republic of Ireland, not to mention players from Denmark and Holland,' he said.

'Statistics show that at

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the moment the First Division already has less than 50 per cent of English players. Any relaxation of the rules restricting foreigners could seriously disrupt the long-term future of the English team.'

The current plight of the England cricket team is a clear example of what can happen when home-grown talent is forced aside by the importation of top overseas players.

Teams

It can happen in soccer too. Although Real Madrid and Barcelona were two of the world's outstanding club teams in the late 1950s and early 1960s, their success depended on outsiders. The Spanish national team was in such a sorry state, however, that the authorities banned all foreigners in 1962.

The danger has also been recognised by the free-spending Italians, who have banned further recruitment of foreign players until after the 1986 World Cup.

Not only are they trying to safeguard the interests of their national team, however. Although the arrival of Zico, Rummenigge, Hateley and company has generated tremendous interest in the Italian First Division.

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clubs from the lower divisions claim it is having an adverse effect on the game as a whole because their attendances are falling.

The spectre of an end to the current transfer system is one which haunts Gordon Taylor. 'It could only lead to the rich getting richer and the poor getting poorer,' he said.

'A few top clubs would benefit and a few leading players would be better off, because without transfer fees there would

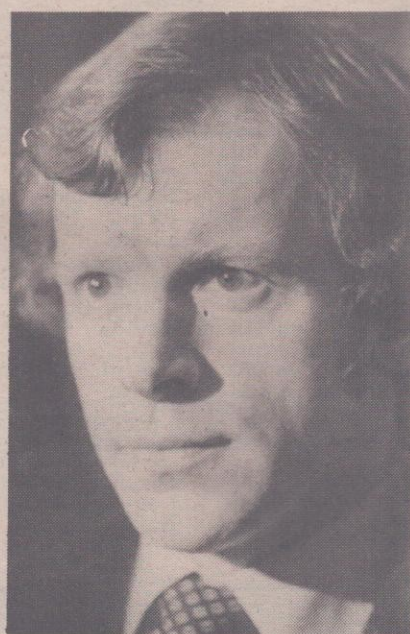
be more money available to pay higher wages.

'But many smaller clubs would go out of business without income from transfers, so in the end there would be far fewer professional footballers.'

Both Kelly and Taylor appreciate that English football is the better for the controlled arrival of some foreign players whose skills can illuminate the hurly-burly of the Football League.

Equally, they acknowledge that spells abroad have undoubtedly improved the ability of several leading English players to the benefit of Bobby Robson and his resurgent national team.

But all the evidence suggests that a free-for-all would do nothing but harm. English soccer's various factions, so often in disagreement, are for once united in hoping that Kelly's mission to Brussels is successful.



GORDON TAYLOR . . . Unhappy with the situation



GRAHAM KELLY . . . Flying to Europe next week for talks

What ever happened to Charlie?

WITH only two fights in the last two years, Charlie Magri, East London's 'cockney sparrow' and the best flyweight in Europe, wonders why he was not born a few sizes bigger.

Magri watches his stablemate Frank Bruno setting out every few weeks to knock off another victim and put a few more thousand in the bank, and feels wistful.

Magri is 28 years old, has been a professional since 1977 and would like to fight more often.

But he knows everyone loves a heavyweight, while an eight-stone fighter is an acquired taste. And after three defeats in front of his own supporters he is not quite the glittering little attraction that he used to be.

So, since winning the world title from Elioncio Mercedes in March 1983, he has boxed only twice.

One fight cost him the world title and the other made him champion of Europe for the second time. It also took him abroad for the first time in his professional career, after 31 fights for which he never travelled more than ten miles from home.

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CORRESPONDENT

Wembley and the Royal Albert Hall were Magri's happy hunting grounds, but he wonders now whether the responsibility of having to win in front of his own people put him under too much pressure and helped bring about his downfall against Jose Torres, Juan Diaz and Frank Cedenio.

Record

These remain the only defeats on a 32 fight record.

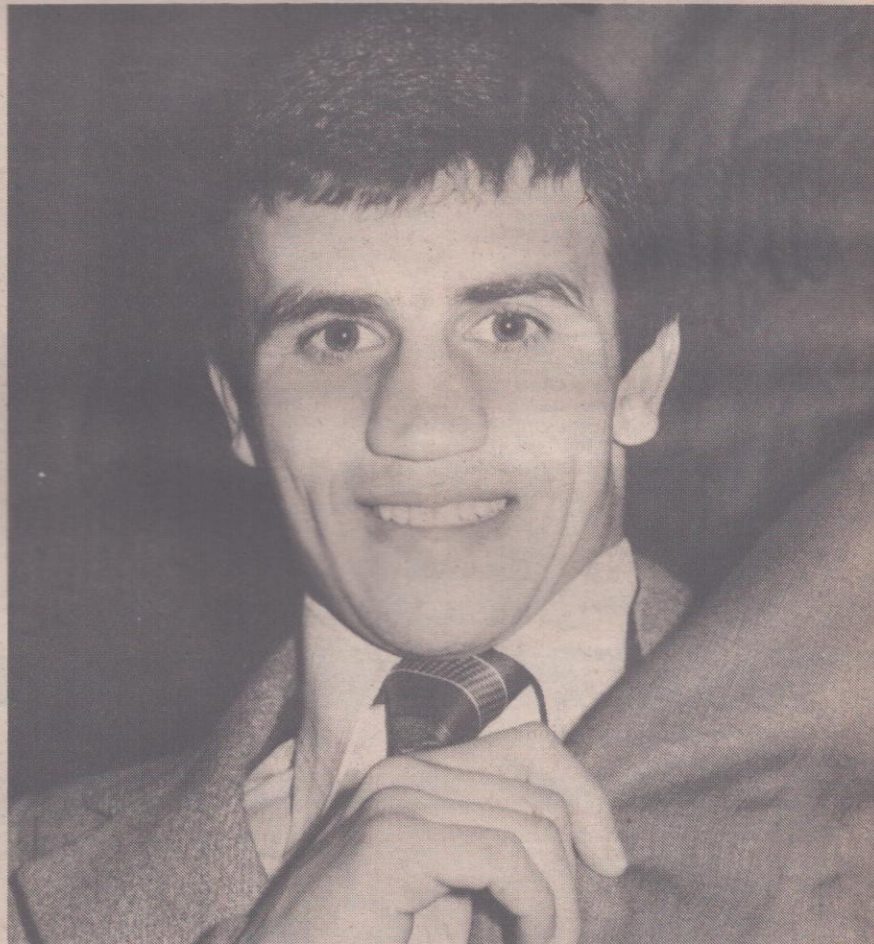
All three defeats followed the same pattern, an apparent draining of his strength and resolve after failing to stamp as much authority on the fight as he thought he should, in the first four or five rounds.

Diaz was first to beat him by a sixth round knock-out, and Torres followed up five months later by stopping him in nine.

Chance

Magri's credentials as a world championship contender were soiled but he took his chance brilliantly when it came.

In March 1983, at Wembley he fought like a man possessed to stop Mercedes in seven rounds, only to lose the title first time out six months later, on a sixth



CHARLIE MAGRI hopes to be back in the ring soon

round stoppage to Cedenio.

Magri claimed that he did not lose because he was inferior to any of the three men who beat him. 'It is just that I was not right on the night,' says Magri, by which he means that he was too easily discouraged.

The fact that, as a full-time professional with no other means of support, every fight was life or death may have affected a man who is unusually sensitive for a fighter.

Now that he runs a successful sports shop and can maybe relax in the ring, there may be a new lease of life ahead. All Magri wants is a chance to prove it.

SIBSON'S FOUR-WAY PAY-OFF

TONY SIBSON, the triple middleweight champion following his win over Mark Kaylor at Wembley on Tuesday, has been offered a four-fight package by promoter Mike Barrett which could earn him £750,000 by mid-1985.

The cornerstone of the proposed campaign would be a fight in February or early March against the American Buster Drayton who stopped two British

champions, light middleweight Jimmy Cable and middleweight Kaylor in successive visits earlier this year.

NBC, the American television company which screened the Drayton-Kaylor fight, are so impressed by the prospects of Drayton v Sibson that they made a £400,000 offer yesterday morning for the right to televise such a contest.

RACING RESULTS

WARWICK

12.45 (2m): CORN STREET Mr M Bosley (7-4) (fav) 1; Averon (7-4) (fav) 2; Loch Ard (14-1) 3; Sovereign Island (20-1) 4. 16 ran. 2, 10. (J Bosley) T: £3.20; £2.20; £1.10; £3.60. CSF: £5.41. NR: Mill Brae & Gracious Folly.

1.15 (2m): RIX WOODCOCK P Croucher (12-1) 1; Nieka (7-2) (fav) 2; Shiner's Pal (7-2) (fav) 3; Highview (20-1) 4. 14 ran. 2, 15. (G Kindersley) T: £7.40; £2.20; £2.50; £2. CSF: £52.57.

1.45 (3m): ARDENT SPY A Webber (11-4) 1; Nickie Moppett (2-1) 2; Royscript (20-1) 3; Solid Rock (7-4) (fav) 4. 8 ran. 1, 5. (R Armytage) T: £3; £1.10; £1.40; £1.40. CSF: £8.12. NR: Oak prime.

2.15 (2m): SOME SHOT A Webber (9-2) 1; Mount Harvard (9-4) 2; Roman Son (33-1) 3; Pebble Island (7-4) (fav) 4. 10 ran. 6, hd. (R Armytage) T: £3.40; £1.10; £1.40; £4.10. CSF: £14.42.

2.45 (2m): TERRYASH M Pitman (5-

1) 1; Troop Leader (7-1) 2; Lord Merlin (15-8) on fav) 3; Spot the Patch (7-1) 4. 11 ran. 15, 2. (Mrs J Pitman) T: £5.50; £1.50; £1.50; £1.10. CSF: £39.02. NR: Nonstop, Oystons Windmill, The Drover & Tormoyne Green.

3.15 (2m 5f): SACRED PATH C Cox (20-1) 1; Rebeg (5-1) (fav) 2; Orchid Bay (12-1) 3; Hopeful Shot (14-1) 4. 21 ran. 1 1/2, 2 1/2. (O Sherwood) T: £24; £5.50; £2.20; £2.90. CSF: £106.22. NR: Killossera Belle.

WINCANTON

12.30 (2m 5f): BEN LAIR R Pusey (25-1) 1; Mr Candy (8-1) 2; Crickstown (14-1) 3. Only three f'shd. 12 ran. 20, 1. (F Walwyn) T: £20.40; 1/24.40; £1.10; £4.80. CSF: £186.97.

1.00 (2m): BROLLIN J Francome (7-4) (fav) 1; Hypnosis (5-2) 2; Black Sheep (14-1) 3; Wordsworth (9-1) 4. 18 ran. Nk. 12. (F Winter) T: £3.40; £1.90; £1.80; £3. CSF: £6.40. NR: Benmore, Indian Major & True Minstrel.

1.30 (2m): KING'S JUG S Morshead

(15-8) fav) 1; Lefrak City (5-2) 2; Ro's Owen (15-2) 3; Fury Boy (13-2) 4. 7 ran. 4, 25. (Mrs M Rimell) T: £2.20; £1.30; £1.50. CSF: £6.36.

2.00 (2m 6f): CRIMSON EMBERS S Shilton (9-2) 1; Very Promising (5-1) 2 on fav) 2; Vivaque (7-1) 3; Mr Moonraker (16-1) 4. 6 ran. 2 1/2, hd. (F Walwyn) T: £5.30; £1.30; £1.10. CSF: £6.40.

2.30 (3m 1f): MOUNT OLIVER M Williams (15-8) fav) 1; Triska (10-1) 2; Wild Gamble (50-1) 3; Henry Bishop (33-1) 4. 9 ran. 3, 3/4. (M Scudamore) T: £2.70; £1.30; £1.60; £4.40. CSF: £18.86.

3.00 (2m 5f): PLAY THE KNAVE S Morshead (evens fav) 1; Emperor Charles (6-1) 2; Parish Rigged (5-1) 3; Laurel Hill (100-1) 4. 10 ran. 2 1/2, 10. (P Bailey) T: £1.90; £1.30; £1.50; £1.50. CSF: £7.33. NR: Ivacop.

3.30 (2m): CLARA MOUNTAIN H Davies (evens fav) 1; French Captain (9-2) 2; Winart (9-1) 3; Maldiga (14-1) 4. 17 ran. 3, 8. (T Forster) T: £2; £1.10; £1.80; £1.90. CSF: £6.67.

Vatanen wins rally

ARI VATANEN won the Lombard RAC Rally last night after one of the closest finishes in the history of the event.

Just 41 seconds separated Vatanen from fellow Finn Hannu Mikkola when the 39 survivors arrived back at Chester after the 2,000-mile marathon — the smallest winning margin since Timo Makinen pipped Roger Clark by one minute 13 seconds in 1975.

Russell Brookes was the first Briton home, in fifth place, but victory de-

servedly went to Vatanen, who had run into trouble after his earlier domination of the rally.

Vatanen lost four minutes on Wednesday night when he rolled his Peugeot 205 near Port Talbot, then his mechanics had to change the back axle.

Each time, Mikkola snatched the lead, but he was denied a fifth RAC triumph by the tenacity of Vatanen.

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LONDON'S CUP

FINAL

THE WFA Cup third round holds pride of place this weekend with several ties leaving the fans of the respective teams full of anticipation.

Possibly the biggest tie will be fought out in south London where Friends of Fulham play hosts to Millwall Lionesses. But there are also some other intriguing clashes.

Southampton — eight times winners of the trophy in its 13-year history — take on Illogan from Cornwall, while also on the south coast, Solent meet Home Counties League Division One rivals Aylesbury.

North of the Watford Gap, the meeting between Crewe and St Helens promises to be a very close affair, while Broad Oak, another one of the north's better teams, won't have everything their own way against Leasowe from Merseyside.

Fulham and Millwall are unbeaten in the First and Second Divisions, respectively, this season and their clash at Malden Vale has been eagerly awaited.

Sadly, the third round draw, the last before the competition goes 'open' with next Wednesday's round of 16 draw in Crewe, pitted these two fine teams at such an early stage — a factor which has left Millwall manager Tom Nye a little perplexed.

Talented

'It's a little sad that two such talented teams should meet at this stage of the competition,' Nye told News Line yesterday. 'When a draw like this is made, one wonders if the competition should be seeded.'

Nye's argument is certainly given a little more credence when one takes into account the fact that Millwall's second team has beaten both Newbury and Watford — the other two teams left in Group D.

Millwall currently have a seven-point advantage on their nearest rivals Newbury in the Second Division and, barring the biggest catastrophe in the history

WOMEN'S FOOTBALL

BY MATTHEW NUGENT

of women's football, should easily win promotion.

The WFA Cup, therefore, is the trophy that they want to win more than anything. Yes, promotion is important, of course, but getting their hands on the biggest and most prestigious piece of silverware in women's football is their main aim this time.

'The club set out to win the WFA Cup this season, and I think the team which wins Sunday's clash could go all the way,' Nye added.

Thrashing

Last Sunday morning Millwall continued on their winning ways with an 8-0 thrashing of Chelsea in the League — and then suffered their first setback when they lost in the afternoon to Helsinki — Finland's top club side — 5-4 in the afternoon.

That setback, however, may work in Millwall's favour.

'All the girls are really looking forward to Sunday's match and last weekend's defeat certainly doesn't worry us,' Millwall captain Chris Jackson said last night.

'We've been having things very much our own way this season so far and the match against Fulham will certainly be a good guideline as to how far we have progressed.'

Millwall seem certain to field all four of their internationals while Fulham have seven representative players to call upon from their squad.

Their captain, Welsh international Gill Maskell, agreed with her opposite



FIONA CURL

number when she said: 'Everybody at Fulham is looking forward to the game. It should decide who is the best team in the capital anyway.'

Incidentally, Fulham manager George Curl will have one thing in common with his opposite number this weekend. George's daughter, Fiona, is in the Fulham squad while Tom's daughter, Kim, will probably play for Millwall.

Friends of Fulham (from): Terry Wiseman, Carmen Sandmann, Marion Carpenter, Sally Jackson, Gill Maskell, Marieanne Spacey, Brenda Sempare, Lori Hoey, Cheryl McAdam, Kathy



KIM NYE

Hynes, Noreen O'Flynn, Fiona Curl, Eileen Bibby.

Millwall (from): Sue Street, Daphne Fawford, Karen Pearl, Chris Jackson, Yvette Shreeves, Hope Powell, Kim Nye, Debbie Bampton, Jane Bartley, Terry Springett, Yvonne Baldeo, Debbie Zachary, Lorraine Everard.

● SOUTHAMPTON secretary Sue Lopez sees the WFA Cup as the club's chance of putting them back on top in women's football, after acknowledging the fact that the League title has all but slipped away from them.

The one team, however, that Lopez wants to avoid



GILL MASKELL

— provided they beat Illogan — is Fulham.

'They are a very good team,' Lopez told News Line last night. 'Their running off the ball and their two-touch football is among the best I've seen. I think if we met them in the final, we could really make a great match of it.'

● AYLESBURY also see the WFA Cup as their best chance for some glory this season.

'We've struggled a little in the League this season because of injuries, some of

HOW THEY STAND

DIVISION I

	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts
Friends of Fulham	8	8	0	0	41	5	16
Southampton	8	5	1	2	42	19	11
Solent	7	5	0	2	21	10	8
Aylesbury	8	3	0	5	20	20	6
Bracknell	7	1	1	5	7	25	3
Shoreham	7	0	2	5	6	45	3
C&C Southwick	5	0	1	4	2	14	1
Howbury Grange	2	0	0	2	1	6	0

*points deducted from game against Howbury Grange

DIVISION II

	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts
Millwall	8	8	0	0	68	4	16
Newbury	5	4	1	1	14	14	9
Chelsea	6	3	1	2	12	12	7
Hightown	8	1	4	3	6	17	6
Swindon	5	3	0	2	11	10	4
Red Star	6	1	2	3	4	17	4
Cope Chat	6	1	0	5	6	19	2
Bournemouth	6	0	2	4	5	25	2

DIVISION III

	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts
Worthing	5	5	0	0	67	0	10
Moorhill	6	3	0	3	19	29	6
Compton	3	2	0	1	15	15	4
Red Star Res	4	1	0	3	4	25	2
Wokingham	4	0	0	3	3	24	0

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DIVISION I

Southampton 1, Friends of Fulham 5; Shoreham 2, Aylesbury 0.

DIVISION II

Bournemouth 2, Swindon 5; Chelsea 5, Hightown 2; Cope Chat 0, Newbury 6.

DIVISION III

Compton 12, Wokingham 2.

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LEAGUE CUP

Red Star 0, Bournemouth 2 (aet); Wokingham 1, Aylesbury 19; Newbury 12, Moorhill 0; Solent 2, Fulham 6 (aet); Bracknell 6, Swindon 1.

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DIVISION II

Millwall 8, Chelsea 0.

WFA DRAW

WFA CUP

Third Round Draw

GROUP A
Southampton v Illogan
Keynsham v C&C Southwick

GROUP B
Horsham v Ashford
Reigate v Shoreham

GROUP C
Solent v Aylesbury
Chelsea v Molesey

GROUP D
Friends of Fulham v Millwall
Newbury v Watford

GROUP E
Milton Keynes v Hemel
Suffolk Bluebirds v Norwich

GROUP F
BYC Argyle v Town and County
Droitwich v Solihull

GROUP G
Broad Oak v Leasowe
Crewe v St Helens

GROUP H
Kirkby Sports Centre v Rotherham
Doncaster Belles v Ingol Belles

(Games to be played on Sunday, December 2)

CRICKET

Windies play 'in the mud'

THE CONTROVERSIAL Melbourne Cricket Ground pitch is certain to come under close scrutiny when the four-day match between the West Indian cricketers and Victoria begins today.

The pitch has been frequently criticised for its low uncertain bounce over the past few seasons, with former Australian captain Kim Hughes describing it as 'rolled mud'.

Today's match will be the first trial for the pitch this

season and groundsman Jack Lyons has been working on it constantly since the end of the Australian Rules Football season.

Hopes

Lyons said last night he was pleased with the pitch. 'It has a bit of moisture in it, but it should settle down,' he said.

Australian officials are particularly anxious that the pitch shows some signi-

ficant improvement this season with the World Championship one-day tournament, the Fourth Test and the World Series one-day Cup all scheduled for Melbourne.

West Indies have still to name their team and captain Clive Lloyd said yesterday fast bowlers Michael Holding and Malcolm Marshall were in doubt for the match.

He said Holding had a hamstring strain while Marshall was still feeling

the effects of his long bowling stint in the second Test.

Victorian captain Ray Bright, a former international, said the match would be an enormous test for his side.

Centuries

'I'll be looking for a lot of application from our batsmen,' Bright said. 'It is an important game for 11 individuals as well as the team.'



CLIVE LLOYD . . . Several injury problems

Pakistan win second Test

CENTURIES by Mudassar Nazar and Javed Miandad steered Pakistan to a seven-wicket win over New Zealand in the second cricket Test in Hyderabad yesterday.

The pair added 212 for the third wicket with Mudassar scoring 106 and Miandad 103 not out to give Pakistan victory with half an hour and a day to spare.

Pakistan won the first Test at Lahore by six wickets and the third and final Test will be played at

Karachi from December 11-16.

Pakistan were rattled by the loss of opener Mohsin Khan and No.3 Qasim Omar from successive balls by medium-fast seamer Martin Crowe with only 14 runs on the board.

Moisture

But Mudassar and first innings century-maker Miandad dispelled all hopes of a New Zealand victory with a masterly batting display on a pitch which

offered plenty of encouragement to the spinners.

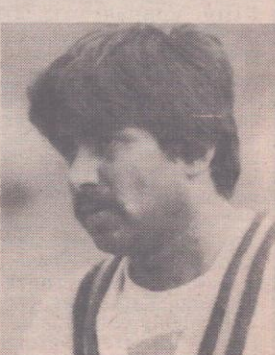
Earlier New Zealand took their overnight score of 158 for eight to 189 all out with Jeff Crowe finishing top scorer on 57.

Mudassar was the first to complete his century with 12 fours in 220 minutes before he played a loose shot off left-arm spinner Stephen Boock, the destroyer of Pakistan's first innings, and hit a simple catch to captain Jeremy Coney at silly point.

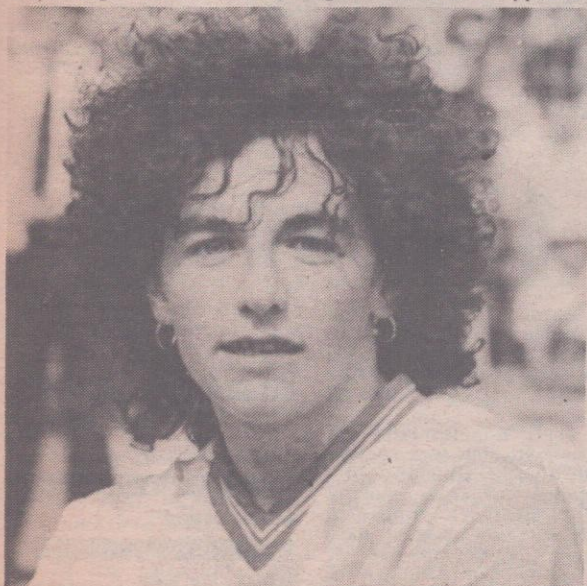
Earlier Miandad had posted his second century of the match in 236 minutes with 13 fours and one towering six off Boock.

Important

Miandad is the second Pakistani after Hanif Mohammad to score two centuries in a Test and yesterday's century was his 13th in Tests, beating the previous record of 12 held jointly by Hanif and present skipper Zaheer Abbas.



JAVED MIANDAD



CHRIS JACKSON . . . 'Looking forward to the clash

SPORTS SLAUGHTER

PETER PITT, chair of the Greater London Council's Art and Recreation committee, hit out at the Tory Government over their proposed local government cuts which could severely affect sport in the capital.

'The GLC is spending more than £40 million a year providing a wide range of recreational provisions, as part of our programme of increasing sports participation,' Pitt said.

At present the GLC control over 5,500 acres of parks and open spaces in the London area, 12,500 acres of green belt land and nearly 500 sports pitches, courts, tracks and baths. It spends more than £1.75 million a year on grants to help local sports groups, provides coaching, and it organises 11 separate sports tournaments throughout London.

Hold on lads!

Fraziers in family 'feud'

BY A BOXING CORRESPONDENT

FRAZIER v BANJO, due to take place over ten rounds at Alexandra Palace next Wednesday, nearly took place a week early at a press conference in London yesterday.

Champion

Marvis Frazier was attended by his two brothers, both professionals and his father Joe, the legendary former world heavyweight champion, at yesterday's meeting. Banjo, the London-based son of a West African chief, also had two brothers on hand, both built like brick walls.

All proceeded in an orderly manner until Marvis Frazier remarked that his main intention next Wednesday was to pluck Banjo's strings.

In reply, Banjo remarked

that Frazier's serious appearance might be because he was worried, at which flimsy excuse one of the Frazier brothers hurled himself at one of the Banjo brothers and the bystanders were left to decide for themselves whether it was serious or pre-arranged, before the 'contestants' were prised apart.

Either way father Joe seemed prepared to let the boys look after themselves at a time when he could probably have cleared up the whole argument in ten seconds with one hand tied behind his back.

Unbeaten Banjo, 6ft 5ins tall and 15½ stone, will have a considerable

advantage over Frazier on Wednesday, but Frazier will have experience on his side.

Although he has had only 13 fights, one of them was against Larry Holmes for the world heavyweight title, which he lost by a knock out in the first round.

Problem

'The only problem I had was getting hit on the chin with a right hand,' Frazier said yesterday.

Banjo, unbeaten and sometimes accused of being a bore, denied that description. 'I am pleased with what I do and it gives me personal satisfaction,' he said. 'Some people are in for a shock next week and the rest are in for an education.'

England fall behind in Test

SHASTRI STRIKES

RAVI SHASTRI made history repeat itself, as England fell 73 runs behind India on the second day of the first Test in Bombay yesterday.

The tall 22-year-old was one of the principal architects of India's last Test victory — when they beat England three years ago in the Wankhede Stadium.

Then his 33 runs, batting at No.10, helped India's last two second innings wickets add 70 and put victory beyond the tourists' reach.

England lost by 138 runs and went on to lose the series.

Yesterday Shastri batted for 142 minutes, rescuing his side from a perilous 156 for five with a dogged 45 not out, to guide India to 268 for six at the close.

The pitch has responded to disciplined bowling and the fact that England struggled to tie down the Indians — they scored their runs yesterday at only slightly under one a minute — was entirely due to their inability to make the most of conditions.

The tourists played only two specialist seamers in Norman Cowans and Richard Ellison, so as not to weaken their own batting, but when they got hammered with the new ball the gamble was a failure.

Ellison conceded 62 runs in his first 12 fruitless overs and from the same quota Cowans gave away a frightening 72. He, however, took the wickets of Sunil Gavaskar and Dilip Vengsarkar, at times producing genuine speed.

Indian manager Raj Singh commented at the end of one over 'that was as fast as anything we saw from the West Indies last winter. But it could not be sustained and the Indian batsmen made a meal of a string of half volleys from Cowans.'

Mohinder Amarnath (49) and Kapil Dev (42) were highly entertaining. In 80 minutes before lunch 52 of the Indians' 72 runs came from bound-

SCORECARD

OVERNIGHT: England 190 for eight

ENGLAND 1st innings cont:
Downton n.o..... 37
Pocock c Kirmani b Sivaramakrishnan..... 8
Cowans c Shastri b Sivaramakrishnan..... 0
EXTRAS..... 1

TOTAL 195

FALL: 9-193
BOWLING: Kapil 22-8-44-2; Sharma 11-4-28-0; Shastri 17-8-23-1; Amarnath 3-2-1-0; Sivaramakrishnan 31.2-10-64-6; Yadav 12-2-34-1

INDIA 1st innings

Gavaskar c Downton b Cowans..... 27
Gaekwad run out..... 24
Vengsarkar c Lamb c Cowans..... 34
Amarnath c Cowdrey b Pocock..... 49
Patil c Gower b Edmonds..... 20
Shastri n.o..... 45
Kapil Dev b Cowdrey..... 42
Kirmani n.o..... 20
EXTRAS..... 7

TOTAL (6 wks) 268

FALL: 1-47, 2-59, 3-116, 4-156, 5-156, 6-218
BOWLING: Ellison 12-2-62-0; Cowans 16-6-77-2; Edmonds 17-4-41-1; Pocock 24-7-74-1; Cowdrey 2-0-8-1

aries and in the afternoon session fours contributed 100 out of 132.

The pace only slowed when, with the score at 156, Pat Pocock accounted for Amarnath and Phil Edmonds promptly dismissed Sandeep Patil.

England's other success, as Shastri built the Indians a commanding lead, came at 218, when Chris Cowdrey bowled Kapil Dev with his fourth ball in Test cricket.



MEAN AND MOODY . . . Marvis Frazier (left) and Funso Banjo (right) give Smokin' Joe a warning in London yesterday

Dundee are on the way

BY OUR NORTHERN CORRESPONDENT

Bryan Robson attempted to quash any fears aroused on the Stretford End putting away an opportunity that befell him after Olsen's cross ran loose on the six-yard wide.

But after Strachan had the chance to make it 3-1 with another penalty, it became obvious that one or two straps had somehow been overlooked.

Hamish McAlpine in the Dundee United goal saved and Stratham lost his 100 per cent penalty record as a Manchester United player.

Three minutes later the whole illusion was spoiled when Mike Duxbury misread a low cross, and as Paul Sturrock slipped a comfortable chance past Bailey for the equaliser, it was apparent in the eyes of everyone present that he had undone everything and

allowed the imprisoned Scots to walk free.

DIVISION II

(7.30 kick-off unless stated)

Charlton v Carlisle (7.45).....

DIVISION III

Orient v Bristol R.....

DIVISION IV

Halifax v Port Vale.....

Scunthorpe v Wrexham.....