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THATCHER'S BONAPARTIST STATE

THE REAL SOURCE

BY PAUL FELDMAN

OF VIOLENCE

THE responsibility for the death yesterday of taxi driver David Wilkie, who was in a police convoy taking a scab miner to work in South Wales, lies entirely with Thatcher's Bonapartist dictatorship.

It provoked the all-out confrontation with the National Union of Mineworkers in order to smash it, destroy tens of thousands of jobs and turn mining communities into ghost-town areas.

State

Because the miners have refused to become Thatcher's victims, the full force of the capitalist state has been deployed to try and break the nine-month heroic resistance of the NUM.

Only yesterday the NUM leaders were removed as trustees and the union put into the hands of the receiver (see page 2).

The Tories and the Bonapartist state have turned mining communities into violent battlefields, creating the conditions for a vio-

lent and sometimes desperate response.

A violent conflict is provoked, and those who respond are held responsible for every incident! In Thatcher's Britain truth is stood on its head and declared official policy.

Thatcher's national riot police have laid siege to vast areas of the country, assuming arbitrary powers to stop miners from reaching picket lines.

The police are being paid up to a £1,000 a week for this work, with men going straight from the Hendon college on to the front line in Yorkshire.

Violent attacks on picket lines have seen more than 8,000 arrested, and over 6,000 charged. Riot and conspiracy charges are commonplace.

Five miners have died on or travelling to picket lines; hundreds have been brutally beaten by baton-wielding police, or trampled by horses. Bail conditions amount to house arrest.

There is no feeling of 'outrage' and 'shock' from the Tory press — or Labour leaders — here. No 'expressions of sorrow' when two young boys in a mining community are buried alive because they were desperately searching for fuel for the winter.

No protests when pit villages are swamped by platoons of police or welfare clubs broken in to by Thatcher's police.

This is violence — organised capitalist state violence. Therefore it is considered legitimate. All those who protest are, according to Thatcher, 'the enemy within' or 'terrorists' to be hunted down.

Courts

The capitalist courts have enforced the dictatorship's policies, seizing the assets of the South Wales NUM and now the national union's.

Countless judgements have declared that the scab is the hero and that it is

illegal to expel him from the union.

To declare a strike official is a crime in Thatcher's Britain. The judges say that the NUM cannot have its money back until president Arthur Scargill purges his contempt in the Royal Courts of Justice.

The resistance of the miners on behalf of the whole working class produced the latest — and crudest — attempt to smash the strike in the shape of outright bribes.

In Wales the strike was 100-per-cent solid until the 'Judas money' offer brought thousands of police into the mining communities with the object of getting a handful back to work.

At Merthyr Vale, where the scab in the back of the taxi was heading, only two men have taken Tory cash and returned.

Many local people yesterday stressed that the aim was to divide the community.

Local councillor Peter Davies said: 'I believe that

this dispute has been escalated by the policies of the police, particularly their preventing pickets travelling to the colliery.'

The taxi carrying the strike-breaker was in a police convoy when it was hit by a concrete post.

Kim Howells, the South Wales NUM research officer, said the union had run the strike in a disciplined way.

Wound up

'We were afraid that something like this might happen because of the way things have been wound up in this coalfield in the last few weeks, with the attempt by the Coal Board to get men back into work although 22,000 families are on strike.'

Dafydd Elis Thomas, the Plaid Cymru MP, said: 'It appears to me that the Board is now involved in a very divisive action, which is designed to break the resolve of the NUM, and bring the strike to an end by

creating social conflict within mining communities.'

But Tory Prime Minister Thatcher and Labour leader Neil Kinnock — that faithful servant of the capitalist state — spoke with one voice against the miners.

She said that the strike was maintained 'by violence and thuggery' and Kinnock said 'the violence' must 'stop and stop now'.

We repeat: the responsibility for the death of taxi driver Wilkie lies with Thatcher and all those like Kinnock who cover for the capitalist state.

The confrontation with the Bonapartist regime will grow to involve the whole working class as the world slump tears bankrupt British capitalism apart.

It will be accompanied by further violent provocations by the state against the miners and the trade unions a whole.

As the Tories try to starve miners and their families, rich speculators

and money-changers stand to make an immediate 40-per-cent profit out of British Telecom shares.

Regime

What this demands is the organisation of the General Strike against Thatcher's regime and the preparations for a Workers Revolutionary Government.

There is no other way to answer Thatcher's civil war onslaught.

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FUNDS TAKEN OUT OF NUM CONTROL

MINERS' leaders were yesterday legally removed from control of NUM funds, and a receiver has been appointed in their place by High Court judge, Justice Mervyn Davies.

The order followed an application by 16 scabs, led by Colin Clarke of the 'Working Miners Com-

BY BEN RUDDER

mittee', who claimed the NUM leaders were not 'fit and proper' persons to administer union funds.

NUM lawyers will today attempt to reverse the decision, which NUM counsel described in court as 'the death of the union in terms of operational ability'.

But the High Court move transfers control of

funds currently lodged abroad to the hands of a receiver proposed by the 16 scab miners. Solicitor Herbert Brewer, from Ilkeston in Derbyshire, will seek on Monday to bring the union's funds to Britain — before the case reopens on Thursday.

The receiver is empowered to hand over union money to the High Court sequestrators, and pay the £200,000 fine for contempt which the union

sustained for failing to declare the national strike unofficial.

The NUM leaders would have to purge their contempt by declaring the strike unofficial before they could resume control of the funds.

Although the NUM offered assurances not to move money held abroad until 2p.m., the 16 scabs were given leave to go ahead with their moves to

appoint a receiver following Thursday's court decision in Luxembourg to free £4.4 million in NUM assets.

The NUM later gave the court assurances that they would not move money held in Luxembourg until noon next Friday, after the hearing resumed on Thursday.

But Howard Page, for sequestrators Price Waterhouse, said it would be 'idle' for the court to accept such assurances. He said the judge should consider whether such assurances were designed to gain time for the NUM leaders to 'continue and advance their defiance of court orders'.

The judge asked for assurances that the NUM would also pay its fines and obey future orders. When NUM lawyers said Arthur Scargill was in a car on the way to a rally in Stoke-on-Trent and could not be contacted, the judge advised the 16 scabs to proceed with their action.

TASS escapes contempt of court fines

THE clerical engineering union TASS yesterday found favour with the High Court and escaped contempt fines in the Austin Rover action under Tory anti-union law.

The union, led by Stalinist Ken Gill, had private discussions with High Court officials, arguing that responsibility for the strike call lay with the majority unions on the Joint Negotiating Committee.

The judge, Mr Justice Hodgson, said that although the union had failed to obey an order under the 1984 Trade Union Act to call off the strike, 'this contempt was not a serious one'.

The back-stage dealing of TASS meant that the Transport and General Workers Union have been left isolated among all the nine unions representing 28,000 Austin Rover manual workers in facing a £200,000 contempt fine.

The second-largest union on the JNC, the engineering union AUEW, publicly denounced the strike action, violating TUC policy to oppose

Tory anti-union law and collapsing the strike.

The judge ordered TASS to pay Austin Rover's costs in bringing the contempt case.

The judge said he thought Gill had 'confused' his response to the court order. Gill's attitude had been 'I believe that this order ought not to have been made and therefore TASS should not obey it'.

Had the union taken legal advice earlier, the order might never have been made against it, the judge added.

Unions

TASS now join those unions which have violated TUC policy by co-operating with the courts over the Tory anti-union legislation.

Meanwhile, the T&GWU executive council meets next week to consider its response to the £200,000 fine. The deadline for payment, and possible further contempt fines and sequestration, falls on December 10.

Coal Board campaign fails

THE COAL BOARD's 'official' figures for scabbing dropped last week to one third of the previous week's alleged 5,959 returning to work.

And in Derbyshire yesterday, the Board admitted that over 200 scabs did not report for work. NUM area secretary Gordon Butler said yesterday: 'They have failed with

the propaganda, the intimidation, the bribery of Christmas. It has not worked.'

During the day, a picket was arrested at the North Derbyshire pit of Whitwell, though in South Yorkshire, police failed to make any arrests as miners attempted to stop scabs going into work at Rossington and Goldthorpe.

● DAVID OWEN, leader of the pro-Thatcherite SDP, yesterday visited scabs at the Nottinghamshire colliery of Thoresby. He spent time talking to 'working miners' representatives' and officials of the NACODS pit deputies union.

● A Coal Board sales official yesterday praised scab

lorry drivers in the North West. Western Area NCB marketing director Adrian Alderson said lorry drivers were 'doing a magnificent job' moving blackleg coal.

● THE director of the employers' organisation, the Institute of Directors, predicted a 'partial victory' for the government in the miners' strike yesterday.

TUC resumes talks

TUC officials, led by the new general secretary Norman Willis, are to creep back into direct talks with the Tories on Wednesday as the National Economic Development Council resumes for the first time since February.

At that time, the TUC walked out of the corporatist body over the government's banning of unions at the Cheltenham GCHQ eavesdropping centre.

Despite the continuing legal moves against the union ban at GCHQ, the TUC general council was considering a return to the NEDC as long ago as July.

The TUC Congress in Brighton in early September approved a return to NEDC pending discussions with the Confederation of British Industry.

These talks were held during October, and at the October 24 meeting of the TUC general council, the reopening of full NEDC business was agreed.

Ironically, the first meeting of NEDC will take place within three weeks of the House of Lords rejection of an appeal by civil service unions against the ban at

GCHQ. The 300 members of unions still working within GCHQ have since been threatened with the sack.

And the return to 'Neddie' also follows the circulation of a document by the TUC proposing acceptance by unions of the Tory anti-union laws, and the reversing of TUC congress policy.

Police in missing logs investigation

SCOTLAND Yard has been called in to investigate the disappearance of HMS 'Conqueror's' control room logs, Defence Secretary Heseltine announced yesterday.

The Director of Public Prosecutions brought

them in after the failure of a naval board of inquiry to provide any answers.

In a written Commons reply Heseltine admitted that 'proper procedures' had not been followed in relation to the logs for many months.

This included the period covered by the six volumes, during which the submarine torpedoed the Argentine cruiser 'General Belgrano' in May 1982 with the loss of 361 lives.

Heseltine came under sharp attack for his decision to make his announcement in a written reply, which meant he could not be questioned on it.

Labour back-bencher George Foulkes accused the Tories of being implicated in a 'major cover-up' and said: 'We will continue to press for the truth.'

He said that it required an extraordinary imagination to believe the naval board's report.

Labour Defence spokesman Denis Davies said the decision was 'as cowardly as it was extraordinary'.

In his statement Heseltine listed a series of 'possible explanations' for the disappearance of the logs.

Student round-up by Penny Bloor



Students from Thames Polytechnic and Goldsmiths College marching in London yesterday

March against jailings

ABOUT 1,000 students demonstrated in north London yesterday against the jailing of two students this week by a High Court judge.

The protesters gathered outside the North London Polytechnic for their regular weekly mass picket to prevent National Front student organiser Patrick Harrington from entering the building.

They then marched from the Marlborough building, where Harrington turned up with police protection for a philosophy lecture, to Pentonville jail, where Steve Tasane and John Latham are serving their sent-

ences for contempt until December 14.

The students stood outside the prison for about 20 minutes, chanting and winning a warm response from passers by.

They returned to the main polytechnic building in Holloway Road where police stopped them from getting near the director's office.

Protest

Yesterday's protest was supported by students from other colleges, including a delegation from Essex University.

The National Union of Students sent one representative, Karen Talbot,

who has been sent every week to 'observe' the pickets. They did not send a banner or mobilise any support.

A spokesman in the president's office said the union had issued no official comment to the press since the two students were jailed.

The polytechnic student union meeting later voted to continue their campaign against Harrington. They have called another demonstration on Tuesday in support of the two jailed students outside the prison and have appealed to students all over Britain to attend.

● See 'This Morning' page 8

More grants protest

SEVERAL hundred London students marched from Tower Hill to Jubilee Gardens yesterday in a further protest against the Tory grants cuts.

The march was called by the student unions at Goldsmiths College and Thames Polytechnic whose banners headed the demonstration.

● STUDENTS at the North East London Polytechnic are still occupying the West Ham site after 11 days against the grants cuts.

£8,000 Monthly Fund

November Fund — must clear this weekend!

WITHOUT fail! We are determined to complete this month's Fund on time with our biggest effort yet. You raised our £25,000 Development Fund and went over the top. We had the largest News Line Anniversary Rally in our history. So we are more determined than ever to successfully complete the £8,000 target for our monthly Fund.

We are confident of your support. So let's go into action and raise it all. We still need £4,098.48. Please rush in every amount you can.

Make it a clear answer to the treachery of the trade union leadership who leave the miners to

fight alone on the one hand and on the other, grovellingly accept money from the Tories to activate the anti-union laws.

This right wing must be driven out and a revolutionary leadership built today that will take the battle forward and organise the struggle for power.

Only the News Line fights for this and this is why we know we have your fullest support. So please — we urge you — join us in one, last mammoth effort. Raise all you can and rush it to:

The News Line November Appeal Fund
21B Old Town, Clapham, SW4 0JT.

NEW BLOW FOR SCOTS JOBS BLACKSPOTS

FROM CHRIS CORRIGAN

BRIDGETON and Dalmarnock, in Glasgow's East End, unenviably top Scotland's unemployment 'league table' with an official jobless rate of 38.6 per cent — and rising.

Heading towards Glasgow's outskirts, the Garngad and Blackhill area is close behind with 35.2 per cent, and the big housing schemes of Easterhouse and Garthamlock on 31.70.

Whereas in England and Wales last month the official unemployment total fell slightly due to Whitehall changing the base of the statistics, even this juggling could not stop the inexorable increase north of the border.

The Scottish total is officially 343,200, a rise of 300 on the previous month.

But an indication of how far this figure is behind the real jobless level

has come in Strathclyde where, according to the government, 196,500 are out of work, or 18.1 per cent.

But Strathclyde's chief executive department has pointed out that this official total does not take into account 78,000 not on the register for a variety of reasons. This gives a true total of 275,000. That is, 26 per cent or more than 1 in 4.

A feature of the out-of-work levels is that it is not

only in the cities that unemployment has reached chronic proportions.

On the Clyde coast, for example, Ardrossan and Saltcoats have an official jobless rate of 25.3 per cent, and Irvine new town 21 per cent.

Even in Dumfries and Galloway, a largely agricultural area, there is an official 13.7 per cent unemployment total. In the Western Isles the figure is an appalling 19.5.

Lothian Region, with an

average of 'only' 12.3 per cent, was given a jolt this week by the Rowntree Mackintosh announcement that the company's Duncan confectionery plant in Edinburgh is to close with the loss of more than 700 jobs.

Scottish TUC secretary James Milne accused the Tories this week of 'disgraceful complacency' over unemployment. It is clear, however, that rising unemployment is entirely deliberate by the Tories.

Cuts hit science

GOVERNMENT cuts mean Britain is bound to fall even further behind other countries in scientific development, says a report out yesterday.

Britain will pay dearly in the future for its lack of investment in science, claims the report by the Natural Environment Research Council.

Former chairman of the council Sir Hermann Bondi has said that the present level of resources of British science mean they cannot possibly compete internationally.

He said: 'Many of our competitors have realised this and are now increasing the resources put at the disposal of science at a not inconsiderable rate.'

Blast man jailed

A MAN was jailed for two years yesterday after admitting causing an explosion in a 20-storey block of flats in Nottingham.

David Lloyd, aged 63, used a 'highly sophisticated' timing device using an alarm clock and chemicals, attached to a pierced gas pipe, to cause the blast.

He told the court he did it to obtain revenge on the noisy couple living above him. He said he had suffered 17 months of their music and dancing into the early hours of the morning.

The explosion destroyed three flats and did £33,000 worth of damage. No one was injured.

POLICE yesterday warned people to keep away from canisters containing dangerous chemicals washed up along the Dorset coast.

Three black five-gallon canisters were found on the beach near Boscombe pier on Thursday night, and another at Christchurch early yesterday. They all had yellow labels with French lettering.

HALF OF an express train was derailed yesterday after it split in two. The five rear coaches of the 7.05a.m. Hereford to London Inter-City service jumped the track

Sackings at STC

STC Telecommunications yesterday announced 250 redundancies at its plant in Monkston, Co. Antrim.

The redundancies will come into effect next year and were caused mainly by a reduced volume of telephone switching required from the factory on the outskirts of Belfast.

The plant, which employs 1,600 people, makes radio

paggers and other electronic components. The announcement followed a lengthy meeting between management and unions.

The company said that a gradual reduction in the manufacture of telephone exchanges next year would affect employment levels but there would be no involuntary redundancies before mid-May, 1985.

430 BICC JOBS TO GO

CABLE manufacturers BICC said yesterday that 430 jobs will go at their factories on Merseyside.

The job losses form part of what the company calls a plan to 'restructure and modernise' its factories in the area.

The cuts will affect workers in St Helens, Skelmersdale, Runcorn and Prescott.

Meanwhile, nearly 25,000 more Londoners will be on the dole this Christmas than in 1983.

Tory plans to wreck the GLC's job-creation work, together with its abolition plans, will only increase the jobs disaster.

Michael Ward, GLC Industry and Employment chairman, said yesterday: 'All the jobless can

expect from Thatcher is more misery and an increasingly bleak future.'

He attacked the government's refusal to face up to the jobs crisis in the city and said:

'Action has to be taken now to tackle the crisis and top of the agenda should be the scrapping of the madcap abolition plans.'



Students occupying the West Ham precinct of North East London Polytechnic against the Tory grant cuts

Eggs thrown at Joseph

TORY Education Secretary Sir Keith Joseph had eggs thrown at him and was spat at by students when he visited Wakefield College yesterday.

About 300 chanting students gathered outside the West Yorkshire college entrance to show their anger at Joseph's plan to cut £39 million from student grants.

As he arrived, a missile was hurled at his car and struck the windscreen but he was unhurt.

When Joseph later left the college for an annexe, police clashed with demonstrators who had hemmed him into a courtyard. Several eggs were thrown but missed their target and trickled down a glass-panelled door.

Before Joseph arrived the union flag outside the college was lowered to half mast and later removed by staff.

Joseph had only been in the building a few minutes when students set off the fire alarm.

Interview

Joseph insisted in a BBC TV interview earlier that he will not back down on his decision to cut student grants for the better off in spite of potentially the biggest rebellion by Tory MPs against the government.

Ironically the same Tory backbenchers — who are so outraged about the grants cut which will affect many middle-class traditionally Tory

voters — have loyally voted for endless cuts in social security, housing benefit, jobs, health, wages and local government affecting millions of working class families.

Around 150 MPs have already signed a Commons motion highly critical of the government decision. Chancellor Nigel Lawson's autumn spending package, to be debated on Thursday in the Commons, contains the effective cut in student grants.

This time round Joseph gave them short-shrift. He said: 'The money has already been switched to scientific research. The world of science is busy allocating that money.'

Other comments by Joseph strongly hinted

that the next step is the introduction of loans for students instead of grants.

'The people being asked to contribute more come from the most creditworthy sections of society,' he said.

Issue

And he said after the demonstration that if students in danger of having to abandon a course could not get part-time work 'they should also consider whether they or their families can borrow some money to complete their course'.

Joseph has been summoned to a meeting of the Tory bankbench education 'committee' on Tuesday.

Drugs warning

MISLEADING drug advertisements are putting patients at risk, medical experts warned yesterday.

In letters to Health Minister Kenneth Clarke, the British Medical Association and the Pharmaceutical Society have called for immediate action to ensure such advertisements are promptly withdrawn.

Clarke has told the Commons that his officials identified 31 breaches of the advertising regulations last year. None of the drug firms involved was prosecuted.

In a letter, BMA secretary Dr John Harvard said: 'Changes are needed to prevent the pharmaceutical industry from breaking the regulations so frequently.'

'There is pressing need to resolve the current unsatisfactory situation in medical advertising, some of which is not in the best interests of patient care.'

Briefly—

THE STOCK Exchange will go on trading until 6p.m. on Monday for dealings in the new British Telecom shares starting at 3p.m.

OXFORD CIRCUS station on the Bakerloo line of London Underground reopened yesterday. It was shut since the fire there last Friday. There is still no Victoria Line service.

DIXONS, THE photographic and electrical chain, has fought off a £240 million takeover battle for Currys, its high street rival. Dixons yesterday said it has control of more than 50 per cent of Currys shares.

PUB HOURS will not be relaxed unless assurances are given that it doesn't lead to increased alcohol abuse. Home Office junior minister David Mellor told the Commons yesterday.

CORRECTION

Due to an inadvertent error, Friday's News Line carried the wrong dateline. Instead of saying, Friday November 30 and issue number 2655, it repeated Thursday's dateline and edition number. Our apologies for any confusion this may have caused.

YOUNG SOCIALISTS

Grand Christmas Bazaars

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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

\$1 million missing at bank

SANTO DOMINGO — Five employees of the Dominican Republic Central Bank were arrested after officials discovered yesterday that \$1 million in \$1,000 notes was missing from bank vaults, a senior official said.

Arrest

WASHINGTON — The daughter of murdered US civil rights leader Martin Luther King was one of three people arrested outside the South African embassy yesterday in renewed protests over the republic's racist policies.

Tension

PEKING — North Korean President Kim Il-Sung visited Peking for three days this week to discuss relations with China and ways of reducing tension on the divided Korean peninsula.

Abuses

NEW YORK — Norwegian film star Liv Ullmann a UNICEF ambassador for child care says elderly people, children and the poor have not benefitted from the country's oil wealth and accused the government of presiding over shocking abuses of their care.

Ban

SEOUL — The South Korean regime yesterday lifted a ban on political activity against 84 politicians but leading dissident Kim Dae Jung, in exile in the United States and planning to return in the New Year, remained on the black list.

World News Line



Miners on the New South Wales South Coast on indefinite strike against 600 sackings

PRESS BARONS BACK HAWKE

SYDNEY — Australia's press barons have unanimously backed the re-election of the right-wing Labour Party government of Prime Minister Bob Hawke in general elections today.

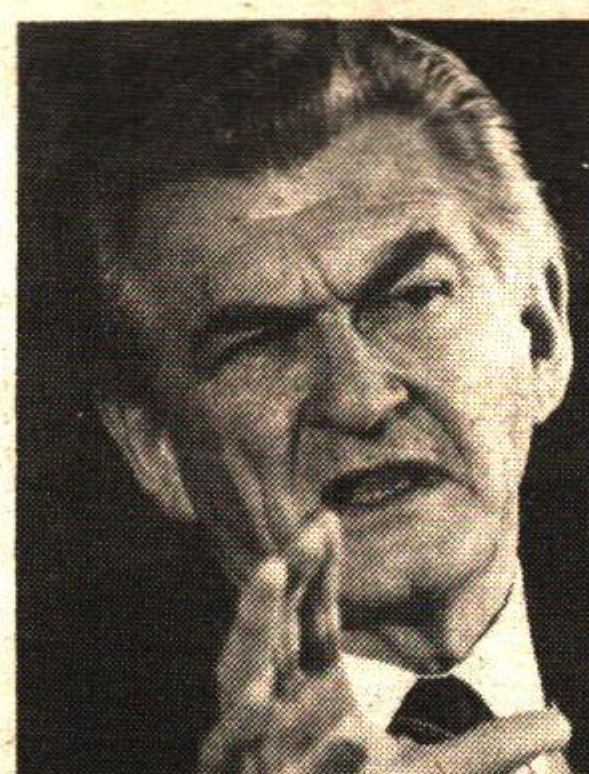
The seven major metropolitan dailies, owned by Rupert Murdoch, the Fairfax and Syme groups, have all called on the electorate to vote Labour — an unprecedented move by the capitalist press in this country.

Labour is expected to win a record majority of nearly 50 seats in an expanded 148-seat House of Representatives, according to the Morgan Gallup poll.

But its hopes of gaining control of the Senate (Upper House) could be dashed by the single-issue Nuclear Disarmament Party (NDP) which has siphoned off Labour votes in half the 76 Senate seats being contested.

Murdoch's 'Australian', the country's only national daily, showed voter support for the government unchanged from last weekend, at 51 per cent: 9 per cent more than the National-Liberal Parties' opposition coalition.

Liberal (Tory) Party opposition leader Andrew Peacock's rating rose from 37 per cent to 54 per cent against Hawke's 69 per cent after Monday's live television debate — another first in Australian politics — between the two leaders.



HAWKE

Early last month, Peacock was rated the least popular federal leader in Australian history.

On Thursday the Tory 'Melbourne Herald' came out in favour of Labour for the first time in its long history.

Solid

Murdoch's 'Australian' said the government had 'shown that it has solid and sensible policies and wants to be seen as the government of all the people'.

In the 20 months of Hawke's Labour government, unemployment has

soared and this year alone 60,000 jobless workers and youths have been placed on so-called short-term labour schemes.

There are 752,900 unemployed people, according to the Commonwealth Unemployment Service but this is a grossly underestimated figure based on seasonal adjustments and by excluding the 'short-term' state jobs.

Figures compiled by community organisations place the rate at a record 1.5 million.

Hawke leads a Labour government that is a compliant tool of the capitalist ruling class and US-British imperialist interests and he has been protected from an unprecedented series of scandals linking party officials to underworld figures.

Following Peacock's accusation in parliament two months ago that Hawke was a 'little crook', damning evidence has been unearthed from

state-authorised phone taps.

The taps implicate Federal Court Judge Lionel Murphy (a former Labour Attorney-General), state ministers and the right-wing NSW Labour Party machine with bribery, large-scale corruption, crime and party vote tampering by intimidation.

In March last year Hawke grabbed the leadership of the Labour Party in a back-door coup at an executive council meeting in Brisbane, Queensland, and then won government from Tory Prime Minister Malcolm Fraser in a barnstorming election.

Since then, the former leader of the Australian Council of Trade Unions has overturned party opposition to the mining and export of uranium, and approved the use of police to break strikes and the expulsion of trade unions from state labour councils.

ZAPU official resigns

HARARE — Opposition ZAPU party politician Cephas Msipa has resigned as secretary-general only two months after his appointment, causing a further setback for party leader Joshua Nkomo.

The semi-official ZIANA news agency quoted Msipa as saying he had quit because he felt there was no possibility of ZAPU and Prime Minister Robert Mugabe's ruling ZANU party settling their differences.

Msipa said he planned to quit politics altogether. ZIANA quoted Nkomo as saying he had accepted the resignation.

Msipa was appointed to the party's number three post of secretary-general two months ago at ZAPU's first national congress since Zimbabwe became independent four years ago.

Blamed

Mugabe dismissed him as Minister for Water Resources this month following the killing of ZANU Senator Moven Ndlovu, whose death he blamed on rebels he says are underground elements of ZAPU. Nkomo denied ZAPU was involved in the killing.

Minister of State John Nkomo, no relation to the ZAPU leader, was also dismissed, leaving the party out of the top level of government for the first time since independence.

Msipa said: 'In the light of the prevailing political climate, which is characterised by suspicion, mistrust, accusations and counter-accusations and violence and counter-violence, I quit.'

'I had staked my whole political future on the normalisation of relations between ZAPU and ZANU, which I consider as a prerequisite to national unity and peace. Sadly events of the last week have shattered my dream.'

ZAPU member of parliament Jini Ntuta was killed by gunmen on Sunday, while working on his farm near Bulawayo.

Mines Minister Callistus Ndlovu, another senior ZAPU official, defected to ZANU earlier this year.

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SWAPO calls for UN sanctions

NEW YORK — A leader of the national liberation movement seeking independence for Namibia (South-West Africa) yesterday called for mandatory sanctions against South Africa to make it relinquish its hold on the territory.

Andimba Toivo jo Toivo, secretary general of the South-West Africa Peoples Organisation (SWAPO), said UN efforts to achieve independence for the

territory were being brushed aside.

The 'racists and their Washington allies have sinister schemes up their sleeves' to bypass the UN and set up their own internal arrangements in Namibia, he told the General Assembly.

Speaking in the Assembly's debate on Namibia, he said: 'Now is the time for the United Nations, as a whole,

to say enough is enough and to impose, under chapter VII of the UN charter, comprehensive and mandatory sanctions against South Africa, as an effective, peaceful way to bring her to book.'

Toivo, who was released earlier this year after serving 18 years in jail in South Africa, said Namibia 'continues to be one huge, Nazi-style concentration camp for Africans.'

'Pravda' lavishes praise

MOSCOW — The Soviet daily 'Pravda' yesterday praised Labour Prime Minister Bob Hawke on the eve of Australia's general election, saying he had raised the prestige of the country and brought about an economic recovery.

'The Labourites have shown relative independence in their approach to many important international questions and as a result the prestige and influence of Australia have considerably increased,' 'Pravda' said, predicting an easy win for Hawke.

It praised his government for improving relations with Moscow and campaigning for a ban on nuclear weapon tests.

World News Line

TAMIL FIGHTERS ATTACK 'FARMS'

COLOMBO — More than 110 people, mainly soldiers, were killed yesterday when liberation fighters for a separate state of Tamil Eelam hit back at a stepped-up army campaign of repression in northern Sri Lanka.

Guerrilla units attacked two 'resettlement' farms aimed at seizing traditionally Tamil-populated areas in North Central Province and exchanged fire with

troop reinforcements dispatched from neighbouring army camps.

Government spokesman Wickrema Weerasooria said the Liberation Tigers of Tamil Eelam (LTTE) had claimed responsibility for the attacks, launched simultaneously at dawn.

The attacks, involving about 60 LTTE fighters, were carried out less than 24 hours after the government declared the north a 'prohibited zone' and restricted the movement of people.

The LTTE is one of

five liberation organisations fighting for Tamil Eelam for Sri Lanka's 2.3 million Tamils and its attack was aimed at disrupting troop movements.

It was a warning also to Colombo that the Tamils will not tolerate state terror and appropriation of their traditional lands.

The attacks are a major blow for President Junius Jayewardene who in the past week has clamped nationwide curfews, reinforced

troop strength and continued repressive restrictions on movement in the north.

Hundreds of youths and workers have disappeared from the Tamil region in the north and north-east in a random round-up of Tamils on a number of trumped-up charges of subversion.

Residents have reported the discovery of bodies of fishermen along the coast and youths in the Jaffna district, murdered by the

troops who carried out a house-to-house search during last week's nationwide curfew.

The farms were built as so-called rehabilitation centres for former prisoners, all of whom happened to be Sinhala from the south.

Jayewardene had 'resettled' about 450 people, including ex-prisoners, their wives and children in the past four months in an attempt to revive a discredited, racist programme of the 1950s.

Previous governments dropped the so-

called resettlement project because of opposition from both the Sinhala and Tamil peoples.

Yesterday's attacks were the most concerted retaliation by the Tamil liberation movement since they launched their fight for self-determination seven years ago.

Since last week the Jayewardene regime's armed forces in the north have faced repeated and devastating challenges to military control.

Peru's general strike

LIMA — Four people were reported wounded and 92 people arrested during Peru's one-day general strike which defied a presidential decree suspending constitutional rights for 30 days.

The strike disrupted key sectors of the economy throughout the country on Thursday and saw hundreds of students exchange fire and wage hit and run battles against armed police in the city.

Presidential Secretary Frank Valcarcel conceded yesterday the stoppage had almost brought to a total stop some parts of industry and farming.

Labour leaders said 90 per cent of the unionised workforce in the working class and peasantry had rallied to the call to protest against 1,000 per cent inflation, soaring petrol prices and abuses of human rights.

About a third of all civil servants stayed away from work. Many joined workers and students in the streets of Lima.

San Marco University in the city was the height of opposition to the militarised police who were brought in to try to suppress the revolt.

But students used dynamite to cause at least two explosions and fired back at the troops.

Protesters used rocks to block two major highways in the central Andes. In the capital, barricades of flaming tyres hindered the police manoeuvres against the strikers.

EXPULSED

SANTIAGO — Chile's military junta has expelled the Santiago correspondent of the United Press International (UPI) news agency, Anthony Boadle, alleging he had sent a false report.

French miners defend pit jobs

BY NICOLE VERNIER
IN PARIS

FRENCH miners will launch a national campaign in defence of pit jobs, the miners' federation of the CGT union announced this week.

On Wednesday a meeting between union representatives and the management of the state-owned steel company Usinor and Sacilor and their affiliate, Unimetall Sollac agreed to a freeze on sackings in the iron mines for two months.

But the agreement has not brought an end to the strike in the pits in the Lorraine region where 1,485 miners' jobs have been destroyed since 1981.

clude miners in pits producing bauxite, potassium, uranium and slate.

The government's broken promises have angered trade unionists. They are demanding that Mitterrand honour election pledges.

Mitterrand is pursuing a wide ranging cuts programme which will close half the iron mines after 1985 and destroy 30,000 jobs.

On Thursday Asco-Metal, an affiliate of Sacilor and Usinor which produces special steels,

announced a plan to axe 4,000 jobs in the next few years and to close the Ugine steel mill at Fos sur Mer, near Marseilles.

Spoke

Simon Stachouuiack, CGT delegate at Hayange, explained the connection between the miners' fight for jobs and the fight against the Steel Plan.

'The blast furnaces came to Lorraine because they had iron right underneath. With this strike we wanted to put a spoke in the wheels of the Steel Plan.'



The worsening slump will boost the millions of jobless reduced to subsisting on soup kitchen handouts in the US

Slump cuts US trade deficit

WASHINGTON — 'The US trade deficit fell to \$9.8 billion in October, sharply down from a \$12.64-billion shortfall the previous month, the Commerce Department reported yesterday.

A 10.6 per cent slump in imports to \$27.6 billion brought about the fall in the trade gap, its lowest level since last June.

The sharp decline confirms that the American economy has gone into slump.

Economists are saying the entire social security and service programmes must be axed in order to try to cut a federal budget deficit that threatens to burgeon beyond the forecast \$210 billion.

Exports improved by an abysmal 1.2 per cent to \$18.39 billion, aided by

Reagan's dozens of prohibitive import barriers.

Federal Reserve Board (Central Bank) chairman Paul Volcker has issued a dire warning about the need to curb the trade deficit.

Volcker curtly told a New York gathering that the trade deficit had to be slashed even further if it were not to spark trade protectionism at home and swift retaliation abroad.

Pressures

'So large a deficit understandably intensifies among affected industries the already strong pressures for protectionism,' he said.

'A lot rides on the ability of the administration and the Congress to contain those pressures, for yielding here will certainly be matched, and more,

by retaliation from abroad.'

The Commerce Department said the import slump was due to declines in a variety of manufactured goods.

Scepticism

The stay of execution was met with scepticism by the unions, as Unimetall and Sollac also announced plans to reduce their consumption of iron by 3 million tonnes before 1987.

This alone would mean the suppression of a further 800 jobs. The national campaign proposed by the CGT would also in-

Talks re-open

SAN SALVADOR — Four leaders of the Farabundo Marti National Liberation Front arrived yesterday under diplomatic and Red Cross protection for peace talks today with President Jose Napoleon Duarte.

Three members of the team arrived from Mexico on board a Mexican government aircraft and a fourth delegate was driven to San Salvador from FMLN-controlled territory in the north, escorted by Swiss, Swedish and Colombian diplomats and Red Cross representatives.

The eight-hour meeting today at Ayagualo, seven miles south of the capital, will bring the FMLN leaders and the US-backed regime face-to-face for the second time since the La Palma meeting last month.

Despite stepped-up security precautions, unidentified gunmen, believed to be extreme right-wing opponents of US backing for Duarte's negotiations, sprayed a burst of automatic fire from a speeding car at the US embassy.

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Speakers: Barry Huyton (YS Na-
tional Committee); Terry Broth-
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December 12, 7.30p.m. Dun-
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Dundyvan Road.

Speakers: Barry Huyton (YS Na-
tional Committee); Simon Pirani
(WRP Central Committee)

FALLIN: Thursday December
13, 7.30p.m. Fallin Miners
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Speakers: Marie Devlin (YS Re-
gional Committee); Simon Pirani
(WRP Central Committee); Joe
Keegan (GMBATU, John Browns, in
personal capacity)

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cember 19, 7.30p.m. Glasgow
Youth Training Centre, Tobago
Street, off London Road.

Speakers: Marie Devlin (YS Re-
gional Committee); Simon Pirani
(WRP Central Committee)

NORTH EAST

NEWCASTLE: Wednesday
December 12, 7.30p.m. Bridge
Hotel, Castle Square, Newcas-
tle 1.

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

WEST MIDLANDS

COVENTRY: Sunday Decem-
ber 16, 3p.m. Lecture Room,
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Street.

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Corin Redgrave (WRP Central
Committee); In personal capacity:
Brian King (AUEW convenor
WMPT); Speaker from West Mid-
lands NUM

NORTH WEST

LIVERPOOL: Thursday De-
cember 13, 7.30p.m. Liverpool
Youth Training Centre, 100
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Street.

Speakers: Cathy Flaherty (YS Re-
gional Committee); Tony Banda
(WRP Central Committee)

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ber 19, 8p.m. Room 04, Oakley
Centre.

Speakers: Cathy Flaherty (YS Re-
gional Committee); Tony Banda
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Anderson (Wolston NUM, in
personal capacity)

SUSSEX

BRIGHTON: Thursday De-
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LONDON

HACKNEY: Tuesday Decem-
ber 18, 7.30p.m. Hackney
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Speakers: Graham Campbell
(Hackney YS); Richard Goldstein
(London district committee WRP)

WILLESDEN: Wednesday De-
cember 19, 8p.m. The Rising
Sun, 25 Harlesden Road.
Speakers: Gerry Murphy (Willes-
den YS); Richard Price (WRP Cen-
tral Committee)

BRIXTON: Thursday Decem-
ber 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

EURO-CP 'TANKIES' ROLL INTO ACTION

ABOUT 16 members of the London district committee of the Communist Party were suspended from party membership for three months last night. If they don't mend their political ways, they will be expelled when their three months is up.

Three of them are members of the executive committee - SOGAT official Mike Hicks, black trade unionist Winston Pinder and Mrs Maggie Bowden, the party's national women's organiser.

Others are London organiser Roger Trask, industrial organiser George Wake, treasurer Monty Goldmann, Brent Trades councillor Tom Durkin, solicitor John Bowden, Transport and General Workers Union national committee member Pete Fuzzy and London women's organiser Angela Mason (Weir).

The suspensions were handed out at an emergency meeting of the executive committee at St

John Street headquarters last night.

They were all charged with disciplinary offences following last Saturday's chaotic London district congress at County Hall. They refused to terminate the congress and join party general secretary Gordon McLennan when he called for a walk out.

Yesterday's 'Morning Star' published half a page of letters, mostly appealing for a stay of execution against the leaders of the London congress revolt.

Lawyers

A letter from four Communist Party lawyers - John Bowden, Tess Gill, Frank Loeffler and Michael Seifert - argued that the executive committee was wrong to close down the congress.

They said: 'The immediate result of the executive committee action is that the second largest district in the party was not permitted to hold its 1984 district congress in the normal manner and not permitted to elect a new district committee to carry forward party work

BY ALEX MITCHELL

and campaigning, which is vital in the current political situation.'

The legal foursome argued that 'no disciplinary action is taken against any member of the London district committee, any delegate or those nominated for election to the new district committee pending such election unless any such individual members have been found personally responsible for alleged malpractices in breach of rule.'

Their heated opposition to disciplinary action is answered in a following letter from general secretary McLennan, who wrote: 'The congress was not adjourned, but closed down on the authority of the executive.'

The simple and inescapable fact is that the executive committee (the higher body) has the constitutional right to close the district congress (the lower body) and remove its officers or suspend them.

Another letter in yesterday's 'Morning Star' was from Isolda McNeil, a

member of the Rectory branch in Hackney, who was disqualified from being a delegate to the London district congress after the executive committee uncovered 'malpractices'.

She accused the party leadership of 'a total violation of natural justice' by preventing her from speaking when she appeared before the emergency executive committee on the eve of the abortive London district congress.

Delegation

McNeil, a teacher and trades councillor, was a member of the Liberation-sponsored delegation that visited the Libyan Jamahiriya last September.

In his protest letter, former East London docker Bernie Steer said the executive committee's decision to stop the election of a new London district committee was 'an outrageous misuse of democratic centralism'.

Steer added: 'Disciplinary measures will no doubt be demanded against comrades, many

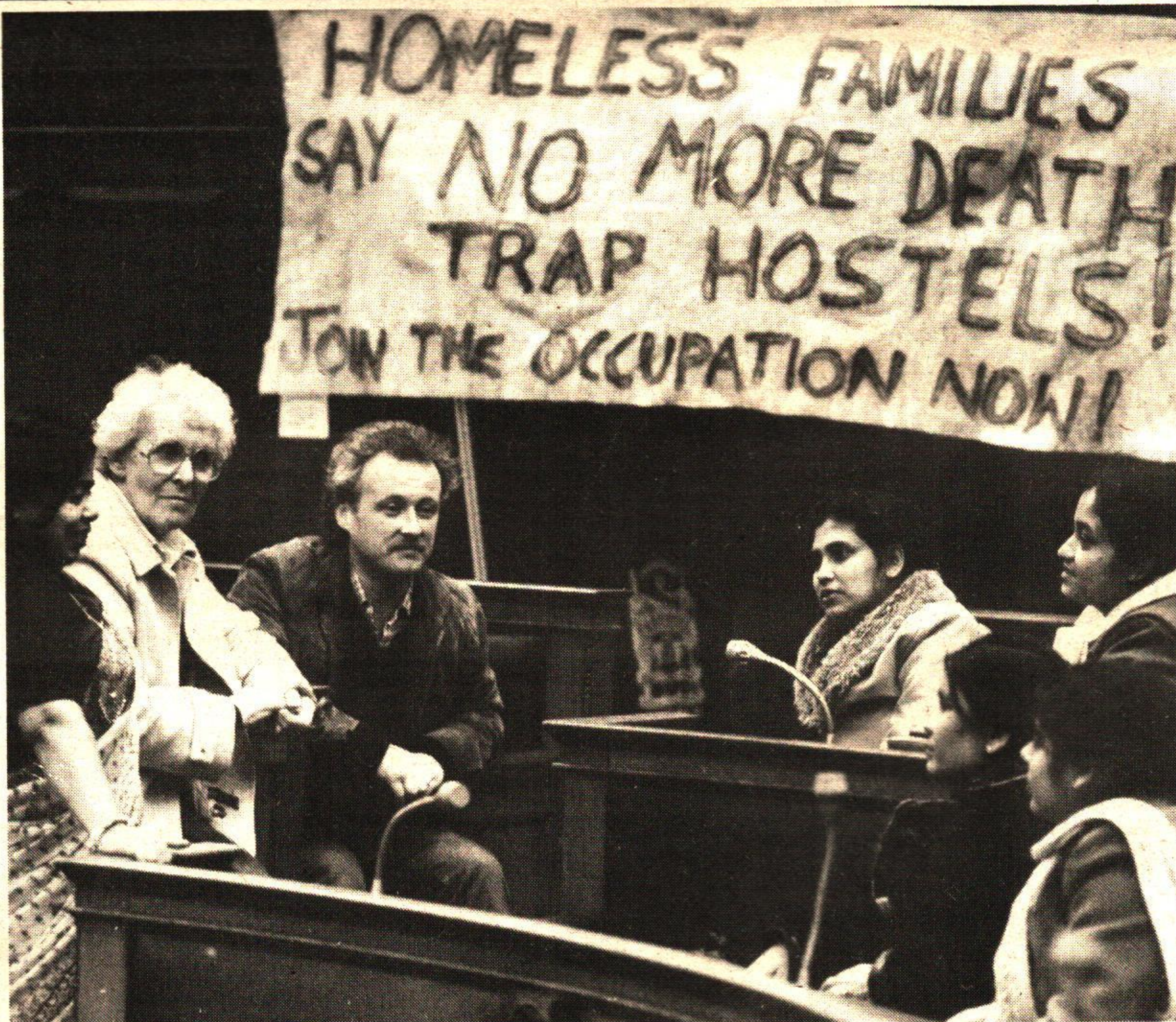


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with years of outstanding service, loyalty and dedication to our party. For the sake of our party, our class, and the fight for a socialist Britain, this drive to disaster must be resisted.'

Advice is also offered by freelance folk music critic with 'Melody Maker', Karl Dallas, who recently began writing pop music reviews for the Stalinist daily. 'First, it must be realised that our constitutional position is quite clear and unassailable,' he said.

'The London delegates who refused to allow congress to be closed down before it had expressed a view on the EC ruling were within the rules, and in attempting to prevent them, Gordon McLennan was flouting those rules.'



EIGHTY community groups have now pledged support for the homeless families occupying Camden town hall (above) to demand immediate rehousing in council properties.

The occupation began when a Bengali mother and her two children were killed in a fire at a hostel owned by London Lets. The family was one of 700 in bed and breakfast accommodation arranged by Camden.

An offer made by the Labour Group earlier this week failed to meet the demands of the occupiers and was rejected. There is to be an emergency

group meeting on Monday to draw up fresh proposals.

The families want a public inquiry into the circumstances of the death of Mrs Karim and her children, and substantial compensation for the father, together with disciplinary action against senior management at the hostel.

Survivors from the fire say that there were several incidents of fire only days before the tragedy. They allege that the fire alarm had been turned off, fire extinguishers were empty and fire exits were blocked off with builders' ladders and stairs were unlit.

Scrap 'official secrets'

THE National Consumer Council today threw its weight behind the growing lobby demanding repeal of the Official Secrets Act and called for parts of it to be replaced with a statutory 'right to know'.

'The phrase official secrets conjures up a picture of spies, security and surveillance, but what worries us is official secrecy where it hits consumers most - in their everyday lives,' said chairman Michael Montague.

He said parents were refused the right to see their child's school record, although police and local councillors could. Patients were barred from seeing their own medical records, and householders did not have the right to be told until the last minute that their property was to be compulsorily purchased.

'Unless people have the right to see what is on file about them, mere gossip or biased comment may be preserved on files for years. What is worrying about so many of these records is that while the individuals themselves may not see them, others may.'

'The other kind of information people should have the right to know is information connected with their money, as taxpayers or ratepayers. Why should the government keep secret the results of the product tests it carries out?'

THE MINERS' STRUGGLE



Ayrshire striking miners wives: Jean Dykes, Margaret Fowlds, Janette Sturgeon (first, second and third from left in front row)

'WE WANT ALL UNIONS OUT' — say Ayrshire women

THE TEARS began falling after the children had been tucked up in bed. It was time to relax — for the first time in a long time — and the emotions flowed.

Guests at a Sogat print union convalescent home, the group of Scottish NUM strikers' families were enjoying a short break. As they talked, the wives showed the stresses and strains upon them.

A hushed trade union conference in Glasgow this week heard one of their Sogat hosts describe that evening. He spoke of mothers' grief at being unable to feed proper meals to their children.

A group of Ayrshire strikers' wives, attending the conference, later told News Line of their own feelings.

With a husband and three sons all on strike, miner's wife Margaret Fowlds, from Mauchline, felt she had well earned the right to reply to Neil Kinnock's claim that the miners are not being starved.

'How can he say that when the lasses in the Ayrshire villages are feeding their weans beans and tatties, or sometimes just toast?' she demanded to know.

'We know of kids who have come out in boils, or rashes, for the lack of

nourishment. Does Neil Kinnock live on that kind of food?'

Janette Sturgeon, who has three girls, aged 13, 10 and 4, also lives in Mauchline, said chips and beans were the most common meal in strikers' homes in the village.

'My husband has also been told he's being sacked by the coal board, for shouting "scab". There's all kinds of pressure like that.'

Kids

Liz Marshall, a mother of two from Netherthird and — as a pit canteen worker — herself on strike, said: 'Kids ask for a drink of milk. But you don't have any.'

Also from Netherthird, Jean Dykes, a striking miner's wife and mother of two, asked: 'How would you like to sit up until two or three in the

morning, because of the pressure, because you can't sleep?'

'A lot of the strain is that the kids can't really understand yet. Then there's the finance, and the media of course.'

Without prompting, Jean and the other wives spoke about the NUM struggle as a whole. 'Get the workers out onto the streets,' said Jean.

'We have to shout about what is happening to every working person in this country. It should be a General Strike. We have had days of action before and they didn't get us anything.'

'We know that the scabs who've gone in at Killoch pit have been given forms to sign — a form saying they agree not to strike again for two years.'

'What I'm wary of at the moment is that TUC might put forward a deal which means the NUM

must bend, and that the TUC will put pressure on the NUM to accept the deal — or all support from the TUC will be withdrawn. I'm very wary of that.'

Margaret Fowlds commented: 'We feel the unions should be really supporting us. We want them all out.'

'If the NUM loses, Thatcher will go through the other unions like a knife through butter. How are these other unions not already out with us? Why were the dockers sent back?'

Closure

'It's no use telling Ayrshire miners to go back to work — the only two pits left here (Barony and Killoch) are down for closure.'

She was unimpressed with the Scottish TUC plan to lobby Thatcher on behalf of the miners. 'She's got a blank to-

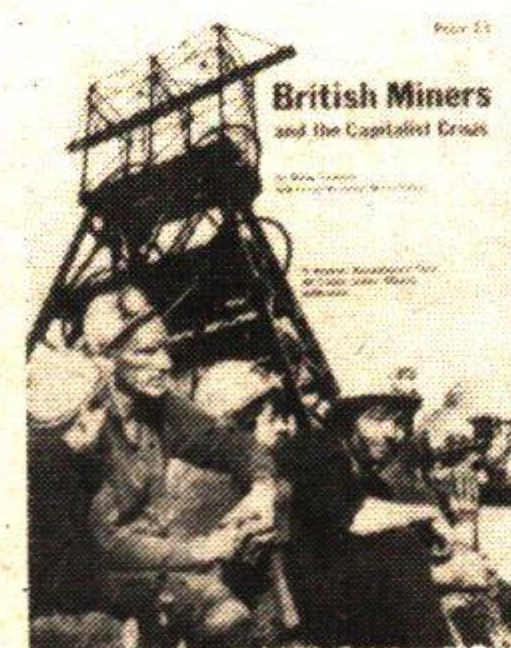
wards the working people. She is totally indifferent to the needs of the working class.'

Liz Marshall said: 'We should leaflet the factories ourselves. Get in touch with shop stewards and others sympathetic to the NUM and get the rank-and-file workers right behind us.'

'The finance and food is very much appreciated, but it's not enough. If there was stronger leadership from the TUC we wouldn't be in this position. Strike action by other workers would let everyone know that the miners are fighting for everybody.'

● CLOTHING firms, with a large proportion of women workers, are cutting back in Ayrshire. Latest fears are that 500 jobs could be lost by plans by one firm, operating in Maybole and Dalmellington, to switch production elsewhere.

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Tory attack on students' rights

THIS week's jailing of two North London Polytechnic students by a High Court judge is part of the Tory state's ruthless attacks on the whole labour and trade union movement and on basic democratic rights.

Like the Cammell Laird 37, Steve Tasane and John Letham have been sent to prison for contempt of court. The shipyard workers were jailed for fighting for the right to work; the polytechnic students for defending their right to picket and to demonstrate.

When Mr Justice Drake asked whether they would stop 'illegal' protests against the provocative presence of National Front student organiser Patrick Harrington, Tasane and Letham said 'No'. That was a courageous act and we salute them for it.

The Harrington affair has wide and urgent political implications for the working-class movement. It is so important to the Tories and the capitalist state that hundreds of police are regularly deployed at the polytechnic at a cost of thousands of pounds.

In scenes reminiscent of the scab-herding in the coalfields, contingents of police shepherd Harrington — a student 'Silver Birch' — to his lectures. To keep this up, they have placed the polytechnic under a virtual permanent police siege.

Students and staff at the polytechnic have been living in an atmosphere of fear and intimidation. Dozens of injunctions have been slapped on the protesting students, 21 have been arrested and 30 face disciplinary proceedings and could be expelled.

One student was handcuffed and kicked by police down an alley and ended up in hospital while another wounded in clashes with the police has permanent eye damage. And now two students have been jailed until the end of term on December 14.

The costly lengths to which the Tory state is going to protect Harrington is part of a concerted attack on education, on polytechnic education in particular, and on academic freedom. In Thatcher's slave-wage, slave-labour economy, higher education will be reserved for a privileged few.

To create this elitism in education the Tories are determined to attack the existence of polytechnics — which have opened up education to thousands more working-class youth — and the social studies curriculum which has been developed in them.

So far the Labour Party-controlled leadership of the National Union of Students has been treacherously silent. On the day of the jailings, instead of mobilising an immediate campaign to get the two released, they did everything possible to try and stop North London Polytechnic students from speaking to 30,000 students gathered in London for a protest against Tory grant cuts.

The NUS executive has played the same despicable role in the Harrington dispute as the Labour Party leaders have in the miners' strike. They have refused to support the polytechnic pickets and even jointly signed a statement with campus trade unions dissociating themselves from any actions which would defy the law (Tory class laws).

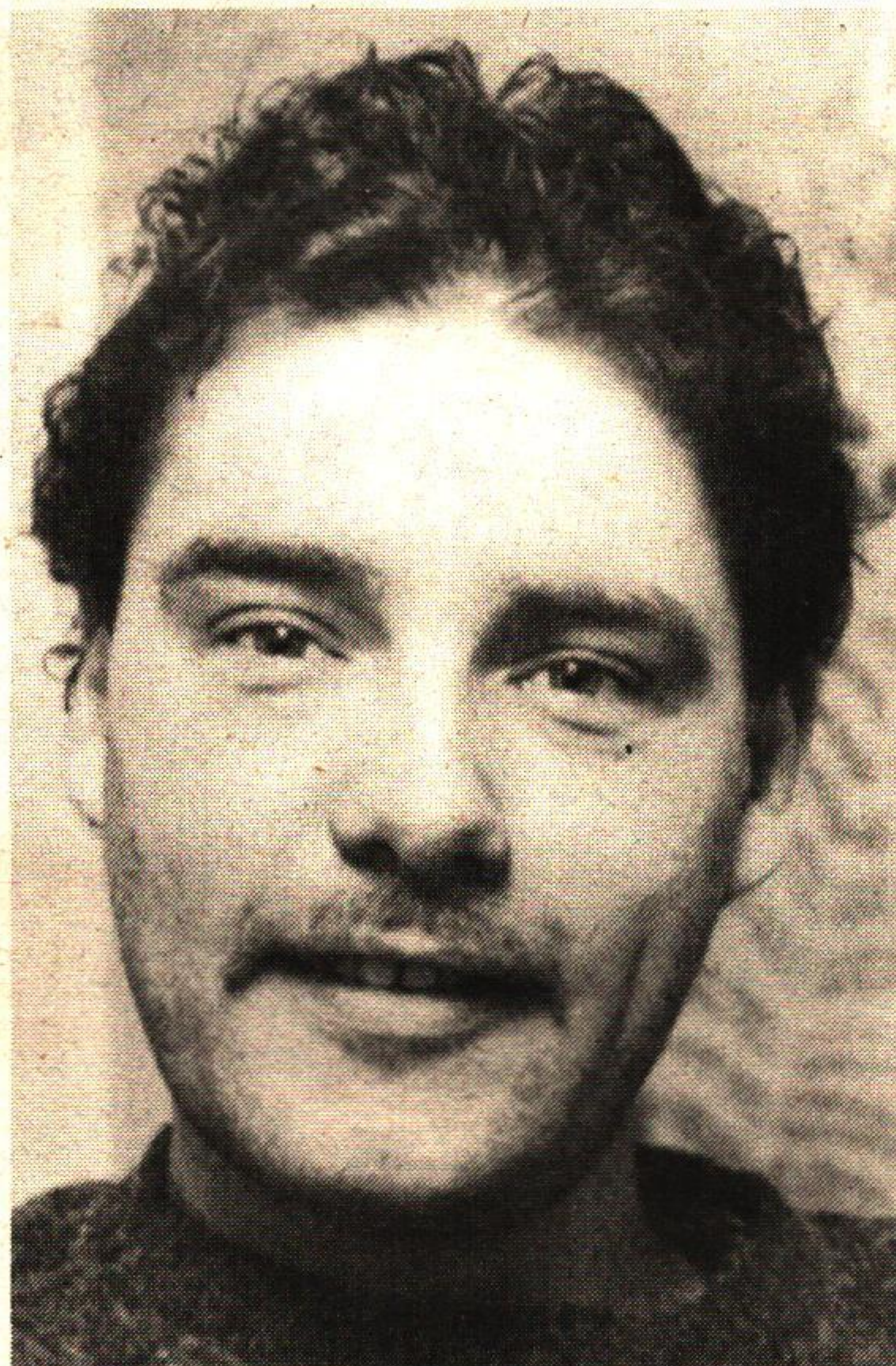
The same Tory judiciary that is prosecuting the National Union of Mineworkers with injunctions, writs and sequestration orders is also out to crush the NUS and the political freedoms of students. Both these ultra-reactionary developments are a direct result of the emergence of Thatcher's Bonapartist state and its feverish clamour to create a police-military dictatorship over the working class.

In the 1926 General Strike Britain's students almost to a man and woman joined the Baldwin Tory government as strike-breakers against the miners. That will not be repeated today because the overwhelming majority of students are opposed to Thatcherism and support the strike.

We urge students to mobilise alongside the miners in this historic struggle against the Tory ruling class and the capitalist state and call on them to join the Young Socialists Students Society and the Workers Revolutionary Party.

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Our families are solidly behind us



RAY HALL

CHRISTMAS won't be missed this year by striker Ray Hall, his wife and two young children if it means the miners win the fight to defend jobs and pits.

Hall, branch committee member at Wheldale colliery in North Yorkshire, told News Line yesterday: 'I think I speak for every man on strike at this pit when I say that our families, including the kids, are solidly behind us.'

'My son comes home from school and asks me: "How many scabs went in today Dad?" He knows that Christmas is going to be hard this year and that there is no money for presents.'

'Our children are involved in this struggle and so they should be because they won't have a job or a future unless we win.'

Hall's wife, Annette, is equally adamant that there is no turning back. 'She told me she'd leave me if I dared to go back! Without the women and their tremendous support I don't think we could have kept going for the last nine months.'

Hall feels bitter about the lack of active support from other unions, but is confident that the Thatcher government will be

BY SIMON VEVERS

faced with struggles on a number of fronts.

'It's like I told my wife a few days ago, the way things are going in the next nine or ten months there could be a revolution in this country.'

Grants

'People are really beginning to feel it under this government. They are threatening to take away students' grants and cut nursing and ambulance staff for instance.'

Hall's contempt for TUC leaders who have refused to back the miners is matched by his hostility to Labour Party leader Neil Kinnock.

Kids know we will be

'When he was going for the votes to make him leader of the party, Kinnock was all over the place speaking at meetings. He came to one at the local trades and labour hall.'

'But when we need his support he's not there. Suddenly he's too busy and can't speak at five of our national rallies. He's supposed to be backing us, but I honestly don't think he is.'

There are just four scabs going in at Wheldale out of a total labour force of over 700. They arrive each morning in a mesh-covered van, their faces masked by balaclavas as they are smuggled into the pit under heavy police guard.

'How anyone can do that after nine months beats me. I'd never consider it because me and my family want to live in this community. The



Police and pickets clash outside Wheldale yesterday

STRIKE TO BACK THE MINERS



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Pickets at Wheldale colliery yesterday

Anger over banner ceremony

THE 17 striking miners in South Derbyshire have been angered by reports of a recent ceremony and reception to dedicate a new area banner.

The reception, which is believed to have cost over £2,000, was attended by NUM area secretary Ken Toon, and only scabs were invited. The banner itself cost £3,500, and, as the striking men told News Line, they are yet to receive a penny from area funds for their principled stand with the national union.

The ceremony was held at Greasley Old Hall in the middle of the coal-field, striking miners' spokesman Kevin Machin told News Line.

'There was free beer and transport for all of them, including local councillors and dignitaries. None of the 17 of us on strike were invited, even though we all have families who are going without.'



Pickets keep warm around a fire outside the Cadeby NUM headquarters close to the local pit in Yorkshire

YOUR TV GUIDE

SATURDAY



Ashley Putnam as 'Arabella' on 2 at 8.30



Lesley-Anne Down pictured with Sir John Gielgud and a priceless statue in 'Sphinx' on ITV at 9.30

BBC1

8.30 The Perishers. 8.35 The Littlest Hobo. 9.00 Saturday Superstore. 12.12 Weather.

12.15 GRANDSTAND: (12.50 News Summary); 1.20 Football Focus with Bob Wilson; 1.00 Racing from Chesham (1.00, 1.30, 2.00 races); Snooker (1.10, 1.40, 2.40, 4.15); Rugby League (3.30, 3.55); Ski-ing (2.20); 4.40 Final Score.

5.05 NEWS; Weatherman

5.15 SPORT

5.20 THE TRIPPODS Continuing John Christopher's science-fiction adventure

5.45 THE NOEL EDMONDS LATE LATE BREAKFAST SHOW With guests from the world of pop music

6.35 BOB'S FULL HOUSE Fast-moving comedy quiz show

7.10 JULIET BRAVO Flowers Tomorrow Kate sees a broken window and recognises vandalism

8.00 HI-DE-HI! Hey Diddle Diddle, Who's on the Fiddle? Peggy finds a personal letter from Joe Maplin which causes everyone to believe that the Squadron Leader is a 'mole'. With Paul Shane, Ruth Madoc, Jeffrey Holland and David Griffin

8.30 DYNASTY The Wedding

9.15 WOGAN Terry Wogan in conversation with people in the headlines

10.05 NEWS AND SPORT Weatherman

10.20 CHAMPIONSHIP SNOOKER The first frames from tonight's second session of the final at the Guild Hall, Preston for the Coral United Kingdom Championship. The final, Frames 8-14

10.50 MATCH OF THE DAY

11.40 CHAMPIONSHIP SNOOKER More coverage from Preston. The Final, Frames 8-14.

12.55 Weather; Closedown

BBC2

9.00 Pages from Ceefax. 10.35 Open University: 10.35 Robotics. 11.00 A Cut Above the Rest. 11.25 Open Forum. 11.50 Hospital. 12.15 Pages from Ceefax.

1.35 SATURDAY CINEMA 1: Ziegfeld Girl (1941) With James Stewart, Judy Garland, Hedy Lamarr, Lana Turner. Lavish musical drama about American show biz with showy sets and costumes

3.40 SATURDAY CINEMA 2: Three Little Words (1950) With Fred Astaire, Vera Ellen, Red Skelton in the story of a song-writing duo

5.20 CHAMPIONSHIP SNOOKER

7.00 A VOUS LA FRANCE!

7.25 NEWS AND SPORT; Weather

7.40 RUGBY SPECIAL Commentary from Hawick on the match between South of Scotland v The Australians; plus the rest of the day's rugby news

8.30 THE SATURDAY ALTERNATIVE Arabella Glyndebourne presents John Cox's production of Richard Strauss's opera in three acts, including an interval at 9.35. Set in the Vienna of 1860 this pleasant, sentimental comedy tells the story of a girl's romantic meeting with the 'right man'

11.10 THE ITALIAN FILM Piccone Sent Me (1984) (Mi Manda Piccone) With Giancarlo Giannini, Lina Sastri. Director Nanni Loy shows the 'black' side of life in Naples in an entertaining comedy thriller. First showing on British television and Oscar nomination for best foreign film this year (Italian film with English subtitles)

1.15 Closedown

CHANNEL 4

1.05 MAKING THE MOST OF . . .

1.30 CHIPS COMIC Beside the Seaside

2.00 VICTORY (1940) A recluse living in the Dutch East Indies gets caught up in danger when he helps a young woman. With Fredric March and Betty Field

3.25 ONE MORE RIVER (1934) A woman leaves her sadistic husband and is sued for divorce when she forms a platonic relationship with a young man. With Diana Wynyard, Frank Lawton and Colin Clive

5.05 BROOKSIDE

6.00 DANGER MAN Bury the Dead

6.30 ROCK-N-AMERICA Rick Ducommun introduces another combination of zany comedy and new, unusual and vintage video music

7.00 NEWS SUMMARY and Weather; followed by

SEVEN DAYS

7.30 JURY OF HER PEERS

8.00 THE SONNETS OF WILLIAM SHAKESPEARE 'When I have seen by Time's fell hand defaced' Gore Vidal discusses Shakespeare's obsession with death

8.15 MUCK AND BRASS Our Green and Pleasant Land Illegal dumping of toxic waste threatens Tom Craig's plans

9.15 20/20 VISION: CHILD SEX ABUSE The Evidence The first of three programmes presented by Michal Levin

10.00 HILL STREET BLUES Bangladesh Slowly LaRue is in a mess — he is both lovestruck and implicated in the murder of an attractive woman's husband

11.00 PUSHING UP DAISIES More comedy sketches from the regular cast of four

11.30 NIGHTMARE (1956) Chilling thriller about a highly-strung jazz musician who kills a man in his dreams and comes to believe he really did commit murder. With Kevin McCarthy, Edward G. Robinson and Connie Russell

1.00 Closedown

LWT

6.00 Good Morning Britain. 9.25 Cartoon Time. 9.30 Fraggles Rock. 10.00 The Saturday Starship. 11.20 Mister T. 11.45 Catweazle.

12.15 WORLD OF SPORT 12.20 Rallying: The Lombard RAC Rally; 12.45 News; 12.50 On the Ball; 1.15 World Cup Ski-ing; 1.25 The ITV Six: Racing from Sandown (1.20, 2.00, 2.30 races) and Newcastle (1.45, 2.15, 2.45 races); 3.00 Ice Hockey; 3.45 Half-time Soccer Round-up; 4.00 Wrestling from Dartford. 4.45 Results.

5.00 ITN NEWS AND SPORT

5.05 CANDID CAMERA Popular programme involving unsuspecting members of the public in tight spots

5.35 BLOCKBUSTERS

6.05 THE A-TEAM Double Heat The team rescue a kidnapped daughter of a government witness

7.00 TARBY AND FRIENDS With Jimmy Tarbuck as host to international stars

7.45 PUNCHLINES With Lennie Bennett

8.15 3-2-1 Let's Rock

9.15 ITN NEWS AND SPORT

9.30 MOVIE PREMIERE Sphinx (1980) With Lesley-Anne Down and Frank Langella. Erica Baron, a young Harvard Egyptologist on vacation in Cairo, stumbles across a 3000-year-old gold statue plundered from a secret ancient tomb and finds herself the target of the vicious black-market gang

11.40 BATTLE FOR THE BULGE Archive documentary film recording the Nazis' World War II campaign in the Ardennes

12.40 LONDON NEWS HEADLINES followed by

BELLAMY The Patsy Bellamy is faced with the problem of clearing his fellow colleague Mitchell from a murder charge after a crooked private investigator has framed him

1.25 Night Thoughts followed by Closedown

GRANADA

6.00 Good Morning Britain. 9.25 Cartoon. 9.35 Mister T. 10.00 The Saturday Starship. 11.20 Chips.

12.15 WORLD OF SPORT: 12.20 Rallying: The Lombard RAC Rally; 12.45 ITN News; 12.50 On the Ball; 1.15 World Cup Ski-ing; 1.25 The ITV Six: Racing from Sandown (1.30, 2.00, 2.30 races) and Newcastle (1.45, 2.15, 2.45 races); 3.00 Ice Hockey; 3.45 Half-time Soccer Round-up; 4.00 Wrestling from Dartford; 4.45 Results.

5.00 ITN NEWS

5.05 CANDID CAMERA American version of the popular programme

5.35 BLOCKBUSTERS Presented by Bob Holness

6.05 THE A-TEAM Double Heat Hannibal Smith and the team break through the barriers set up by two warring underworld syndicates to rescue the kidnapped daughter of a protected government witness

7.00 TARBY AND FRIENDS Hosted by Jimmy Tarbuck with stars and entertainers from all over the world

7.45 PUNCHLINES Fast-moving quiz game with Lennie Bennett and celebrities

8.15 3-2-1 Let's Rock With Ted Rogers

9.15 ITN NEWS AND SPORT

9.30 MOVIE PREMIERE Sphinx (1980) With Lesley-Anne Down and Frank Langella. A young Harvard Egyptologist Erica Baron is on holiday in Cairo when she comes across a solid gold statue of Pharaoh Seti I hidden in an antique shop. She recognises its value. Minutes later, the shopkeeper is brutally murdered and the statue stolen

11.40 HAWAII FIVE-O Anatomy of a Bribe

12.30 MAN IN CONCERT The rock group 'Man' in concert

1.30 Closedown

RADIO

1 News on the half-hour until 12.30p.m., 2.30, 3.30, 5.30, 7.30, 9.30 and 12 midnight.

5.55 The Radio 1 Chip Shop. 6.00 Mark Page. 8.00 Peter Powell. 10.00 Dave Lee Travis. 1.00 Lennox Henry (S). 2.00 Paul Gambaccini (S). 4.00 Saturday Live (S). 6.30 In Concert (S) Depeche Mode. 7.30 Ian Brass. 9.30-12.00 Dixie Peach.

2 News on the hour until 1p.m. then from 6.00 (except 8.00p.m., 9.00); Headlines 6.30a.m., 7.30.

4.00 John Turner (S) (5.02 Cricket Desk). 6.00 George Ferguson (S) (6.02 Cricket Desk). 7.50 Racing Bulletin). 8.05 David Jacobs (S) (9.02 Cricket Desk). 10.00 Sounds of the 60s (S) (10.02 Cricket Desk). 11.00 Album Time (S) (11.02 Sports Desk). 12.02 Cricket Desk). 1.00 The News Huddlines. 1.30 Sport on 2: Racing from Sandown (1.30, 2.00 races); Cricket; Football Prospects; Rugby Union, South of Scotland v Australians; Rugby League; Snooker; Football; Sports report; 5.40 Cricket from India; 5.50 Racing results; 5.55 Pools and football results. 6.00 Folk on 2. 7.00 Jazz Score. 7.30 Saturday Gala Concert (S) (8.20-8.40 Interval). 9.30 Big Band Special (S). 10.02 Sports Desk. 10.05 Ken Bruce (S). 12.05 Night Owls (S). 1.00 Peter Dickinson (S) presents Nightride. 3.00-4.00 Wally Whyton (S) with Country Concert.

6.55 Weather; Travel. 7.00 News. 7.10 Today's Papers. 7.15 On Your Farm. 7.45 In Perspective. 7.50 Down to Earth. 7.55 Weather; Travel. 8.00 News. 8.10 Today's Papers. 8.15 Sport on 4. 8.48 Yesterday in Parliament. 8.57 Weather; Travel. 9.00 News. 9.05 Checkpoint. 9.30 Profile. 9.50 News Stand. 10.05 The Week in Westminster. 10.30 Pick of the Week (S). 11.30 From Our Own Correspondent. 12.00 News; Money Box. 12.27 The News Quiz. 12.55 Weather. 1.00 News. 1.10 Any Questions? 1.55 Shipping Forecast. 2.00 News; The Afternoon Play (S) *Until the Real Thing Comes Along*. 3.00 News; The Burks Way (S). 3.30 The Angel of Regent Square (S). 4.15 The Chip Shop (S). 4.45 Keep Your Tails Up. 5.00 Wildlife. 5.25 Week Ending (S). 5.50 Shipping Forecast. 5.55 Weather; Travel. 6.00 News; Sports Round-Up. 6.25 Desert Island Discs (S). 7.05 Stop the Week with Robert Robinson (S). 7.45 Baker's Dozen (S). 8.30 Saturday-Night Theatre (S) *The Yang Chi Jade*. 9.45 Have You Ever Seen an Otter? 9.58 Weather. 10.00 News. 10.15 You the Jury. 11.00 Evening Service (S). 11.15 Great Liners. 11.30 Son of Cliché (S). 12.00-12.15 News; Weather. 12.33 Shipping Forecast.

3 6.55 Weather. 7.00 News. 7.05 Aubade (S) Nicolai, Michael Haydn, Mozart, Arensky, Tarega, Strauss, Schubert. 9.00 News. 9.05 Record Review (S) Brahms' 2nd Piano Concerto. 10.15 Stereo Release (S) Bach, Debussy, Kreisler, Gershwin. 11.20 Bavarian Radio Symphony Orchestra (S) Berg, Mendelssohn (12.20-12.25 Interval) Elgar. 1.00 News. 1.05 Schubert and Beethoven (S) Piano recital. 2.00 Verdi's Operas (S) 'Luisa Miller' (3.05-3.10 Julian Budden talks about the opera). 4.45 Marin Marais (S) Chamber music. 5.00 Jazz Record Requests (S). 5.45 Critics' Forum. 6.35 Franz Schmidt (S) Chamber music. 7.15 Sold Out. 8.00 Domenico Scarlatti (S) Harpsichord sonatas. 8.30 Arabella (S) Opera by Strauss (9.35-9.40 Interval). 11.10 Haydn (S). 11.57-12.00 News **MF:** 7.05-11.20 Cricket: First Test, India v England.

4 5.55 Shipping Forecast. 6.00 News Briefing; Weather. 6.10 Prelude (S). 6.30 News; Farming Today. 6.50 Prayer for the Day.

ROUND THE REGIONS

TYNE TEES

6.00 Good Morning Britain. 9.25 Morning Glory. 9.30 Fraggles Rock. 9.55 Young Lookaround. 10.00 The Saturday Starship. 11.20 Mister T. 11.50 Batman. 12.13 North East News. 12.15 World of Sport (12.45 News). 5.00 News: North East News. 5.10 Candid Camera. 5.35 Blockbusters. 6.05 The A-Team. 7.00 Tarby and Friends. 7.45 Punchlines. 8.15 3-2-1. 9.15 News. 9.30 Film: *Sphinx*. 11.40 Darts. 12.30 Epilogue; Closedown.

CENTRAL

6.00 Good Morning Britain. 9.25 Foghorn Leghorn. 9.30 Mister T. 10.00 The Saturday Starship. 11.20 Six Million Dollar Man. 12.15 World of Sport (12.45 News). 5.00 News. 5.05 Candid Camera. 5.35 Blockbusters. 6.05 The A-Team. 7.00 Tarby and Friends. 7.45 Punchlines. 8.15 3-2-1. 9.15 News; Sport. 9.30 Film: *Sphinx*. 11.40 The Challengers. 12.10 Closedown.

YORKSHIRE

6.00 Good Morning Britain. 9.25 Regional Weather Forecast; followed by Cartoon Time. 9.35 Mister T. 10.00 The Saturday Starship. 11.20 Battlestar

TSW

6.00 Good Morning Britain. 9.25 Cartoon. 9.35 Mister T. 9.57 Gus Honeybun's Magic Birthdays. 10.00 The Saturday Starship. 11.20 Freeze Frame. 12.12 TSW Regional News. 12.15 World of Sport (12.45 News). 5.00 News. 5.05 Newsport. 5.10 The Smurfs. 5.35 Candid Camera. 6.05 The A-Team. 7.00 Tarby and Friends. 7.45 Punchlines. 8.15 3-2-1. 9.15 News; Sport; Weather. 9.30 Film: *Sphinx*. 11.40 Battle For the Bulge. 12.40 Postscript; South West Weather; Shipping Forecast; Closedown.

TVS

6.00 Good Morning Britain. 9.25 Tree for Two. 9.30 Fraggles Rock. 10.00 The Saturday Starship. 11.20 Mister T. 11.45 Jabberjaws. 12.12 TVS Weather. 12.15 World of Sport (12.45 News). 5.00 News; Sport; TVS News. 5.05 Candid Camera. 5.35 Blockbusters. 6.05 The A-Team. 7.00 Tarby and

Friends. 7.45 Punchlines. 8.15 3-2-1. 9.15 News; Sport. 9.30 Film: *Sphinx*. 11.40 Jazz. 12.10 Epilogue; Closedown.

HTV WEST

6.00 Good Morning Britain. 9.25 The Wonderful Stories of Professor Kitzel. 9.35 Mister T. 10.00 The Saturday Starship. 11.20 Father Murphy. 12.13 HTV News. 12.15 World of Sport (12.45 News). 5.00 News; HTV News. 5.05 Candid Camera. 5.35 Blockbusters. 6.05 The A-Team. 7.00 Tarby and Friends. 7.45 Punchlines. 8.15 3-2-1. 9.15 News; Sport. 9.30 Film: *Sphinx*. 11.40 Rock of the Seventies. 12.20 HTV Weather; Closedown.

HTV CYMRU: 11.40 Rugby Union. 12.25 HTV Weather; Closedown.

ANGLIA

6.00 Good Morning Britain. 9.30 Fraggles Rock. 10.00 The Saturday Starship. 11.20 Mister T. 11.45 The Smurfs. 12.15 World of Sport (12.45 News). 5.00 News; Sport; Weather. 5.05 Candid Camera. 5.35 Blockbusters. 6.05 The A-Team. 7.00 Tarby and Friends. 7.45 Punchlines. 8.15 3-2-1. 9.15 News; Sport; Weather. 9.30 Film: *Sphinx*. 11.40 Gone For a Soldier. 12.40 Epilogue; Closedown.

SUNDAY



Cindy Shelley as Alice in 'Tenko' on BBC1 at 9.05



Logan (Michael York) and Jessica (Jenny Agutter) set out on 'Logan's Run' on BBC2 at 10



'Jassy' on 4 at 10.15pm with Margaret Lockwood

BBC1

8.55 Heads and Tails. 9.10 People First. 9.35 Making the Most of the Micro. 10.00 Asian Magazine. 10.30 Languages for Life. 10.55 A Vous La France! 11.20 Morning Worship. 12.05 See Hear! 12.30 Farming: Weather for Farmers. 12.55 The Magic Roundabout. 1.00 This Week Next Week. 1.50 Face the Music. 2.25 Championship Snooker.

5.55 THE PRISONER OF ZENDA Episode three of Anthony Hope's classic novel dramatised by James Andrew Hall. The English gentleman alias Ruritanian monarch Rudolf Rassendyll is pleased with his success as stand-in for the king at the coronation, but a shock awaits him

6.25 KENNETH KENDALL

6.30 NEWS; Weatherman

6.40 SONGS OF PRAISE

7.15 EVER DECREASING CIRCLES With Richard Briers, Penelope Wilton and Peter Egan

7.45 BIG DEAL Poker player Robby Box gets into a new line of business in *Video Man*

8.35 CHAMPIONSHIP SNOOKER The climax of the final from Preston

9.05 TENKO A sudden death adds to the women's problems

10.00 NEWS Weatherman

10.15 EVERYMAN *Fathers to Be* A look inside Upholland College — the Roman Catholic Church's last junior seminary in England and Wales

10.55 CHAMPIONSHIP SNOOKER David Vine presents the best frames of the championships

12.30 Weather; Closedown

BBC WALES: 1.50-2.40 Weekend Rugby Union: Swansea v St Helens.

BBC2

9.00 Pages from Ceefax. 10.45 OPEN UNIVERSITY: Science Foundation Course. 11.00 Living with Technology. 11.25 Pages from Ceefax.

2.00 Horizon. 2.50 The World Chess Championship. 3.15 George Orwell. 4.10 Music from St George's. 5.00 Geoffrey Smith's World of Flowers. 5.25 Ski Sunday.

6.00 NEWS REVIEW with subtitles

6.30 THE MONEY PROGRAMME

7.15 OUR HOUSE *The Tarrys: A Victorian Terraced House in Southampton*

7.45 THE NATURAL WORLD *A Question of Space* Can the forests of Africa — and the wildlife they support — survive the encroachment by man's increasing population?

8.35 NEWS ON TWO Weather

8.40 DID YOU SEE . . . Television review chaired by Ludovic Kennedy, with highlights and discussions of the last week's programmes

9.25 THE YEAR OF . . . ? Cumbrian dairy farmer *Casson Fox*. Continuing the series following the lives of three people as they unfold in the year after General Election day, 1983

10.00 FUTURE TENSE! *Logan's Run* (1976) In the year 2274 the few human survivors of war and pollution are guaranteed non-stop pleasure in their enclosed city until they're 30, but nobody knows what happens then. Logan finds out and determines to escape. With Michael York, Richard Jordan and Jenny Agutter

11.55 FROM DARKNESS TO LIGHT Candlelit service

12.35 Closedown

CHANNEL 4

1.00 UTOPIA LIMITED *Burning Issue* Sandra Naidoo reports from Sri Lanka

1.30 TURANDOT A recording from the Arena di Verona, Italy, of Puccini's last opera, about a cruel Chinese princess who sets her suitors three riddles and has them killed if they cannot answer. Bulgarian Soprano Ghene Dimitrova stars in the title role, with Nicola Martinucci as Prince Calaf

3.45 SIX CENTURIES OF VERSE *Earlier Twentieth Century 1914-1939* John Gielgud presents readings from W.B. Yeats, Wilfrid Owen, Edward Thomas, Robert Frost, T.S. Eliot and W.H. Auden

4.15 BOOK FOUR

4.45 KAREN ARMSTRONG *Hasan Askari*

5.15 NEWS SUMMARY and Weather; followed by

THE BUSINESS PROGRAMME

6.00 AMERICAN FOOTBALL

7.15 THE DISMISSAL The dramatisation of the Australian political events that led to the dismissal of Gough Whitlam's government in 1975 continues as the loans scandal breaks in the press, forcing Energy Minister Rex Connor to resign

8.15 SOUTH SEAS VOYAGE *Gods, Lost Islands and Sunken Ships* Krov and Ann Menuhin continue their voyage of discovery in the Pacific

9.15 PEOPLE TO PEOPLE presents *Moving In* A documentary film following the progress of Alec, Catherine and Alan, three severely disabled people who now have their own flats

10.15 JASSY (1947) With Margaret Lockwood in this British costume melodrama as a young gipsy, saved from the wrath of the villagers by Dermot Walsh, who rises from maid-of-all-work to become the wife of villainous gambler Basil Sydney and thus mistress of the manor

12.05 Close

LWT

6.55 Good Morning Britain. 9.25 Cartoon Time. 9.35 The Smurfs. 9.50 Cartoon Time. 10.00 Morning Worship. 11.00 Getting On. 11.30 A Sense of the Past. 12.00 Weekend World. 1.00 Police 5. 1.15 The Big Match. 2.00 The Human Factor. 2.30 London News Headlines; followed by Film: *Battle of the Bulge* (1965) With Henry Fonda, Robert Shaw and Robert Ryan. 5.00 Bullseye.

5.30 SUNDAY, SUNDAY With guests Stan Boardman, Tommy Trinder, Edward Woodward, Shakin' Stevens, Kenny Everett and Maureen Lipman

6.30 NEWS FROM ITN

6.40 HIGHWAY *Monmouth*

7.15 CHILD'S PLAY Presented by Michael Aspel with celebrity guests Liza Goddard and Roy Hudd

7.45 SURPRISE SURPRISE! Hosted by Cilla Black

8.45 THE PROFESSIONALS *A Man Called Quinn* Ex-agent Quinn sets out to murder his former chiefs

9.45 NEWS FROM ITN

10.00 CLIVE JAMES ON TELEVISION Clive James presents another selection of the world's television

10.30 THE SOUTH BANK SHOW *Malcolm McLaren* Fashion designer, store-owner, rock and roll manager and recording artiste — Malcolm McLaren's varied and controversial career is the subject this week

11.30 LONDON NEWS HEADLINES followed by

SOUTH OF WATFORD Award-winning war photojournalist, Donald McCullin, returns to Whitechapel to record another 'victim' — the down and outs and non-hopers of the area

12.00 AMERICAN DOCUMENTARY *Being Homosexual*

12.55 Night Thoughts and Closedown

GRANADA

6.55 Good Morning Britain. 9.25 Miniature Chess Master Pieces. 9.35 Survival. 10.00 Morning Worship. 11.00 A Sense of the Past. 11.25 Aap Kaa Hak. 11.30 Down to Earth. 12.00 Weekend World. 1.00 The Champions. 2.00 The Human Factor. 2.30 The Big Match. 3.15 Film: *Crisis in Sun Valley* With Dale Robinette and Tracy Brooks-Swope. 5.00 Bullseye. 5.30 The Love Boat.

6.30 ITN NEWS

6.40 HIGHWAY *Monmouth*

7.15 CHILD'S PLAY Contestants and celebrities try to guess children's definitions of everyday words hosted by Michael Aspel

7.45 SURPRISE SURPRISE! The family entertainment show full of surprises with Cilla Black and Christopher Biggins

8.45 HART TO HART *Death Dig* A Greek building contractor finds priceless artefacts below the site of his construction and secretly smuggles them to an old abandoned Greek monastery in mountains of Rhodes

9.45 ITN NEWS

10.00 CLIVE JAMES ON TELEVISION Clive James focusses on another collection of exotic exhibits of TV from around the world

10.30 THE SOUTH BANK SHOW *Malcolm McLaren* From punk to Puccini — that's the musical transition being made by former Sex Pistols manager and fashion designer Malcolm McLaren. Presented by Melvyn Bragg

11.30 STRUGGLE *Art for the Workers' Sake* Can a mural transform the borough of Southam into the Athens of south London?

12.00 COMEDY TONIGHT *Television: The Early Days*

12.30 Closedown

S4C

1.00 The Living Body. 1.30 Performance. 3.45 Basketball. 4.45 Henllys Fawr. 5.25 Today's History. 6.00 American Football. 7.15 Wil Cwac Cwac. 7.20 Newyddion Amaeth. 7.25 Newyddion. 7.30 Caryl. 8.00 Rhaglen Hywel Gwynfryn. 8.40 Hywel Morgan. 9.20 Dechrau Canu, Dechrau Canmol. 9.50 Hill Street Blues. 10.50 Snuwer. 12.35 Close.

ROUND THE REGIONS

TYNE TEES

6.55 Good Morning Britain. 9.25 Morning Glory. 9.30 Getting On. 10.00 Morning Worship. 11.00 A Sense of the Past. 11.25 Lookaround. 11.30 Batman. 11.58 North East News. 12.00 Weekend World. 1.00 Bygones. 1.30 Farming Outlook. 2.00 The Human Factor. 2.30 The Big Match. 3.15 Extra Time. 4.00 The Smurfs. 4.30 Bullseye. 5.00 North East News. 5.02 Falcon Crest. 6.30 News. 6.40 Highway. 7.15 Child's Play. 7.45 Surprise, Surprise! 8.45 The Professionals. 9.45 News. 10.00 Clive James on Television. 10.30 The South Bank Show. 11.30 The Mysteries of Edgar Wallace. 12.30 Epilogue; Closedown.

CENTRAL

6.55 Good Morning Britain. 9.25 Wattoo, Wattoo. 9.30 The Flying Kiwi. 10.00 Morning Worship. 11.00 Getting On. 11.30 A Sense of the Past. 12.00 Weekend World. 1.00 Star Fleet. 1.30 Here and Now. 2.00 The Human Factor. 2.30 The Big Match. 3.15 Chips. 4.15 The Smurfs. 4.30 Bullseye. 5.00 Falcon Crest. 6.30 News. 6.40 Highway. 7.15 Child's Play. 7.45 Surprise, Surprise! 8.45 Hart to Hart. 9.45 News. 10.00 Clive James on Television. 10.30 The South Bank Show. 11.30 Dateline Sunday. 12.30 Closedown.

YORKSHIRE

6.55 Good Morning Britain. 9.25 Regional Weather; followed by Getting On. 10.00 Morning Worship. 11.00 A Sense of the Past. 11.30

Farming Diary; Weather. 12.00 Weekend World. 1.00 The Smurfs. 1.15 The Big Match. 2.00 The Human Factor. 2.30 Film: *Battle of the Bulge*. 5.00 Bullseye. 5.30 Chips. 6.30 News. 6.40 Highway. 7.15 Child's Play. 7.45 Surprise, Surprise! 8.45 Hart to Hart. 9.45 News. 10.00 Clive James on Television. 10.30 The South Bank Show. 11.30 Struggle. 12.00 Short Story Theatre. 12.30 Five Minutes; Closedown.

TSW

6.55 Good Morning Britain. 9.30 Getting On. 10.00 Morning Worship. 11.00 A Sense of the Past. 11.25 Look and See. 11.30 The South West Week. 11.55 Postscript Diary. 12.00 Weekend World. 1.00 Gardens For All. 1.30 Farming News. 2.00 The Human Factor. 2.30 The Big Match. 3.15 Film: *Hunters of the Reef*. 5.00 Bullseye. 5.30 Gus Honeybun's Magic Birthdays. 5.35 The Fall Guy. 6.30 News; Weather. 6.40 Highway. 7.15 Child's Play. 7.45 Surprise, Surprise! 8.45 The Professionals. 9.45 News; Weather. 10.00 Clive James on Television. 10.30 The South Bank Show. 11.30 The Devil Connection. 12.25 Postscript; South West Weather; Shipping Forecast; Closedown.

TVS

6.55 Good Morning Britain. 9.25 Action Line. 9.30 Atom Ant. 10.00 Morning Worship. 11.00 Getting On. 11.30 Enterprise South. 12.00 Weekend World. 1.00 Agenda. 1.30 Hardcastle and McCormick. 2.30 The Big Match. 3.15 Film: *Carry On Camping*. 5.00 Bullseye. 5.30 Keep It In The Family. 5.55 TVS News. 6.00 The Human Factor. 6.30 News. 6.40 Highway. 7.15 Child's Play. 7.45

Surprise, Surprise! 8.45 The Professionals. 9.45 News. 10.00 Clive James on Television. 10.30 The South Bank Show. 11.30 Teachers Only. 12.00 Company; Closedown.

HTV

6.55 Good Morning Britain. 9.25 The Wonderful Stories of Professor Kitzel. 9.30 Vicky the Viking. 10.00 Morning Worship. 11.00 Getting On. 11.30 A Sense of the Past. 12.00 Weekend World. 1.00 Rugby Union. 1.30 West Country Farming; weather for farmers. 2.00 The Human Factor. 2.30 The Big Match. 3.15 Film: *Inspector Clouseau*. 5.00 Bullseye. 5.30 Magnum. 6.30 News; HTV News. 6.40 Highway. 7.15 Child's Play. 7.45 Surprise, Surprise! 8.45 Hart to Hart. 9.45 News. 10.00 Clive James on Television. 10.30 The South Bank Show. 11.30 Struggle. 12.00 HTV Weather; Closedown.

HTV Wales: 1.00-1.30 Stress.

ANGLIA

6.55 Good Morning Britain. 9.30 The Greatest Thinkers. 10.00 Morning Worship. 11.00 Getting On. 11.30 A Sense of the Past. 12.00 Weekend World. 1.00 Laurel and Hardy. 1.25 Weather Trends. 1.30 Farming Diary. 2.00 The Human Factor. 2.30 The Big Match. 3.15 Film: *A Circle of Children*. 5.00 Bullseye. 5.30 The Fall Guy. 6.30 News; Weather. 6.40 Highway. 7.15 Child's Play. 7.45 Surprise, Surprise! 8.45 The Professionals. 9.45 News; Sport; Weather. 10.00 Clive James on Television. 10.30 The South Bank Show. 11.30 Struggle. 12.00 Shelley. 12.30 Epilogue; Closedown.

RADIO

1 News on the half hour until 11.30a.m., then 2.30p.m., 3.30, 5.00, 7.30, 9.30, and at 12 midnight.

5.55 The Radio 1 Chip Shop. 6.00 Mark Page. 8.00 Peter Powell. 10.00 Steve Wright. 12.30 Jimmy Savile's 'Old Record' Club. 2.30 Adrian John. 4.00 Hitsville USA. 5.00 Top 40 (S). 7.00 Anne Nightingale (S). 9.00 Robbie Vincent (S). 11.00-12.00 Gary Byrd's Sweet Inspirations (S).

2 News on the hour (except 8p.m.). Headlines 7.30a.m.

4.00 John Turner (S) (5.02 Cricket Desk). 6.00 George Ferguson (S) (6.02, 7.02 Cricket Desk). 7.30 Paul McDowell (S). 9.00 David Jacobs (S) (9.02 Cricket Desk). 11.00 Desmond Carrington (S) (11.02, 12.02 Cricket Desk). 12.30 The Random Jottings of Hinge and Bracket (S). 12.59 Sports Desk. 1.00 Gloria Hunniford presents Two's Best (S). 2.00 Benny Green (S). 3.00 Alan Dell (S). 4.00 String Sound (S). 4.30 Sing Something Simple (S). 5.00 Charlie Chester (6.02 Sports Desk). 6.30 Brain of Sport. 7.00 Vernon and Maryetta Midgley. 7.30 Glamorous Nights. 8.30 Sunday Half-Hour. 9.00 Your Hundred Best Tunes. 10.02 Sports Desk. 10.05 Songs from

the Shows. 10.45 Brooks Aeron. 11.00 Sounds of Jazz. 1.00 Peter Dickinson (S) presents Nightride. 3.00-4.00 Gloria Hunniford presents Two's Best (S).

3 6.55 Weather. 7.00 News. 7.05 Polish Baroque Music (S) Anon. Bartłomiej Pekiel, Mikolaj Zielinski, Jan Podbielski, Marcin Mielczewski, Jozef Kobierkiewicz, Antoni Haczewski. 8.00 Brahms Chamber Music. 9.00 News. 9.05 Your Concert Choice (S) Requests: Dag Wren, Schubert, Gade. 10.30 Music Weekly (S). 11.15 George Szell Conducts the Cleveland Orchestra (S) Brahms (12.00-12.05 Interval) Bartok. 12.45 In Black and White (S) Stravinsky's arrangement of 'The Rite of Spring'. 1.35 The International Clarinet Congress 84 (S) Josef Foerster, Richard Rodney Bennett. 2.20 Henry Lawes (S). 3.00 Quartets by Haydn and R.W. Wood (S). 3.45 Norwegian Scenes (S) Delius, Grieg. 4.25 Craig Sheppard (S) Piano music by Beethoven, Chopin and Barber. 5.30 New Premises. 6.15 The Advent Carol Service (S). 7.45 Castle Spellbound (S). 8.30 Bruckner and Frank Martin (S). Choral concert: Bruckner (9.05-9.25 Signs of the Times) Martin. 10.30 The Reith Lectures 1984. 11.00 Bob Van Asperen (S) Bach. 11.57-12.00 News. **VHF:** 7.05-11.15 Cricket: First Test, India v England.

4 5.55 Shipping Forecast. 6.00 News Briefing; Weather. 6.10 Prelude (S). 6.30 News; Morning Has Broken. 6.55 Weather; Travel. 7.00 News. 7.10 Sunday Papers. 7.15 Apna Hi Ghar Samajhiye. 7.45 Bells. 7.50 Turning Over New Leaves. 7.55 Weather; Travel. 8.00 News. 8.10 Sunday Papers. 8.15 Sunday. 8.50 Week's Good Cause. 8.55 Weather; Travel. 9.00 News. 9.10 Sunday Papers. 9.15 Letter from America. 9.30 Morning Service. 10.15 The Archers. 11.15 Weekend. 12.00 Four Romantic Heroes. 12.30 The Food Programme. 12.55 Weather. 1.00 The World This Weekend: News. 1.55 Shipping Forecast. 2.00 News; Gardeners' Question Time. 2.30 The Afternoon Play (S) *The Birdcage*. 3.45 Bolsoi Tyshinsky No.26. 4.00 News; Talking About Antiques. 4.30 The Living World. 5.00 News; Travel. 5.05 Down Your Way. 5.50 Shipping Forecast. 5.55 Weather. 6.00 News. 6.15 The Case Against God (S). 6.45 Feedback. 7.00 Travel; Father Brown Stories. 7.30 Bookshelf. 8.00 The Falconer's Tale. 8.15 In Praise of God (S). 9.00 News; Masters' India (S). 9.58 Weather. 10.00 News. 10.15 Telling Tales. 11.00 Mindful of the Love. 11.15 Inside Parliament. 12.00-12.15 News; Weather. 12.30 Shipping Forecast. **VHF:** 6.55-7.15a.m. Open University. 4-6p.m. Study on 4.

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THEATRE

Trumpets and Raspberries, a new comedy by Dario Fo. Directed by Roger Smith, translated by Roger McAvoy and Anna-Marie Giugni. With Griff Rhys Jones, Gwen Taylor, Francesca Brill, Jeffrey Chiswick. Phoenix Theatre, Charing Cross Road.

Grand master of political farce

REVIEW BY
CISSIE LODGE

DARIO FO's play 'Trumpets and Raspberries' is a continuous blast of political and dramatic gags, firmly held together by bold performances and direction.

It is contemporary political farce which has no equivalent in Britain. But although its natural home is Italy, Fo's art comes across loud and clear on an English stage.

It is packed with brilliant theatrical devices, which send the audience into fits of laughter, and at the same time emphasises that this is *theatre* — and it is theatre with a strong message.

The measure of Fo's skill is that 'Trumpets and Raspberries' works on so many levels. Even before the more complex political points come across, it is a very physical, action-packed farce.

The comedy is continually intensified by the structure of the plot, based on the identity of two characters — Fiat owner and head of the Italian CBI, Gianni Agnelli, and factory worker welder Antonio Berardi — both played by Griff Rhys Jones.

After a terrible car crash, Agnelli is accidentally rescued by Berardi.

The worker Berardi wraps the badly burnt Agnelli in his coat. In the worker's coat pocket are his union card and Communist Party membership card which leads the hospit-



Griff Rhys Jones as Berardi/Agnelli and Gwen Taylor as Rosa Berardi in a scene from 'Trumpets and Raspberries'. Rosa is trying to feed her husband through a hole in his neck

al authorities to think Agnelli is Berardi.

Surgeons at the hospital reconstruct Agnelli's face to make him look like Berardi, and the confusion of identities between the boss and his worker forms the basis for the play.

The police then try to frame up the man they think is Berardi and make him confess to kidnapping Agnelli, whom they think has disappeared.

So convincing is Rhys Jones' performance that although it is obvious he is playing both men, as the

drama builds up there is a continuous expectation that both Agnelli and Berardi will appear on the stage together.

Character

Gwen Taylor makes 'Rosa', Berardi's wife, a real, down-to-earth character — not a caricature.

She gravitates from a simple but firm believer in her own rights and power, to genuine confusion and vulnerability, and then again stands up to the might of the state, throwing

its sinister forces into disarray.

Taylor's lightning switches from the weaker, softer side of Rosa's character to cockney self-confidence are amongst the most comic aspects of the play.

When she is under the influence of Stalinist conceptions of 'self-criticism' and 'Christian-Marxism', she loses her strength and allows the police to push her around.

The secret forces, the CIA, MI6 (and MFI!), who enter Rosa's home like deep sea divers and hide

inside the furniture are a little more subtle — and hilarious — as they creep up on the other characters to listen to their conversations.

The political message at the end of the play is that real power lies in the hand of capital itself, and that while politicians such as Aldo Moro were expendable, the ruling class will not destroy itself.

'Trumpets and Raspberries' marks a welcome return of Dario Fo's works to audiences in this country. In Italy he is one of the most popular playwrights ever. He has played to outdoor audiences of 25,000 in Genoa and Milan.

In 1962 Fo and his wife, Franca Rame, drew television audiences of 20 million a week, but he withdrew from the mass media after the government censored his work.

Popular

He formed a new theatre company called Nuova Scena under the auspices of the Italian Communist Party, which became very popular throughout Italy.

But two years later Fo broke with the Communist Party because of its right-wing policies and formed his own Il Collettivo Teatrale La Commune, which became hugely successful with a regular audience of more than half a million. He is now back on the road with a new programme, following the collapse of La Commune.

Director Roger Smith has interpreted the Fo original with gusto and pace. Its presentation is greatly enhanced by sets created by Fran Thompson and dramatic lighting by Mick Hughes.

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Tommy Cooper's tricks for sale

FANS and impersonators of the late comedian Tommy Cooper have paid out more than £7,500 for his huge collection of bizarre magic props.

The infamous tricks of the trade went under the hammer at the Christie's saleroom in South Kensington, London on Thursday night.

A motorised weather-vane fez went to life-long

Cooper fan Ben 'Bing' Crosby, 61, from Ilford, Essex, who bought it for £550 to use at children's parties where he impersonates Tommy Cooper's stage act.

A snake basket raised £500 and was part of several lots bought by dealer Martin Breese for the Tommy Cooper section of a magic museum to be opened in Switzerland next year.

Tissot paintings

TWO recently rediscovered paintings by the French artist James Joseph Tissot were sold yesterday at Christie's for £162,000 and £86,400.

The higher price was paid for a portrait subtitled 'Mavoureen' of his mistress, Mrs Kathleen Newton, rediscovered recently in Adelaide, Au-

stralia. It was painted in 1877 while he was living in St John's Wood, London. The second work — 'Le Printemps', painted in 1865 — was rediscovered in Sweden.

The artist is currently back in popularity, with an exhibition at London's Barbican Gallery.

Winning Post

Prideaux Boy to claim biggest prize

RICHARD DUNWOODY has made a fine start to his first season as a professional and can capture the biggest prize of his career when partnering PRIDEAUX BOY (2.00) in the Mecca Bookmakers Handicap Hurdle at SANDOWN today.

Prideaux Boy is a speedy, highly consistent hurdler and with just 10 stone 3lb to shoulder, looks extremely well-handicapped.

He proved to be an above-average novice last season and judged upon the form he displayed when beaten just a neck by Admiral's Cup in the HSS Hire Shops Hurdle at Ascot last December, has nothing to fear from topweight Robins Wonder.

The latter finished over eight lengths behind Prideaux Boy and is now seven pounds worse off.

Robin Wonder, in turn, looks to have the measure of Marshall Key, Jade and Diamond and Il Pontevecchio according to this month's

SELECTIONS

SANDOWN PARK: 1.00 Freight Forwarder, 1.30 Little Bay, 2.00 Prideaux Boy (Nap), 2.30 Wing And A Prayer, 3.00 Why Forget, 3.30 Bolands Cross (n.b.).

NEWCASTLE: 12.45 L O Broadway, 1.15 Joes Fancy, 1.45 Karenmore, 2.15 Another City, 2.45 Hardy Lad, 3.15 Carneades. **CHEPSTOW:** 1.00 Olympic Prize, 1.30 Walnut Wonder, 2.00 Tom's Little Al, 2.30 Silva Linda, 3.00 Epyrana, 3.30 Right Regent.

form at Cheltenham.

To further enhance his claims, Prideaux Boy has been in excellent form already this term, winning first time out and then falling at Wincanton when moving strongly and having every chance at the second last. On these terms he looks to be a nap bet.

Wing And A Prayer was only a modest performer on the flat but took to hurdles really well when slamming 12 rivals by upwards of thir-

ty lengths in a fast time at Kempton.

He faces a stiffer task in The Mecca Bookmakers three-year-old hurdle championship, but is expected to maintain his unbeaten record.

The improving Rolands Cross (3.30) appears to be leniently treated in the Doug Barrott Handicap Hurdle. Nick Gaselee's charge won a very competitive event at Newbury recently and looks set to defy his four-pound penalty for he seems to re-

lish a test of stamina and some give underfoot.

At NEWCASTLE Hardy Lad (2.45) can advertise his Welsh Grand National claims in the Ladbroke Trophy Handicap Chase.

Although Jumbo Wilkinson's gutsy chaser has 20 lengths to find with Earls Brig on their running here at the end of October, Hardy Lad showed much improved form to win last time out and is expected to gain his revenge.

That latest victory was also at this course, and clearly much fitter than on his reappearance, he showed plenty of courage to justify strong market support.

Earls Brig's recent outing, in last week's Hennessy Cognac Gold Cup, proved less rewarding when he failed to negotiate the eighth fence. His jumping has been sketchy in the past and even if foot-perfect, he may not cope with Hardy Lad.

SANDOWN ITV 1.30, 2.00, 2.30

1.00 HENRY VIII NOVICE CHASE £5,000

1	11	BRIGHT MORNING	D Grissell	6 11 4	J Akehurst
2	112114	FREIGHT FORWARDER	A Pitt	10 11 4	G McCourt
3	42111-4	HAZY SUNSET (BF)	F Winter	7 10 12	J Francome
4	P-34030	MOUNTVILLE	R Head	5 10 12	NON-RUNNER
5	000P-12	OUR FUN	J Gifford	7 10 12	R Rowe
6	04/0000	SLIM BOY	M J Haynes	7 10 12	

PROBABLE SP: 11-10 Hazy Sunset, 9-4 Freight Forwarder, 9-2 Bright Morning, 11-2 Our Fun, 25-1 Slim Boy.

1.30 TINGLE CREEK HANDICAP CHASE £10,000

2	32-3122	LITTLE BAY	G Richards	9 11 7	J Francome
3	30/11-33	KILBRITTAIN CASTLE (C-D)(BF)	F Walwyn	8 10 0	K Mooney
5	1321-14	FAR BRIDGE (C-D)	G Balding	8 10 0	B Reilly
6	P0111-0	LEFT BANK (FR)(C-D)	D Morley	6 10 0	R Linley

PROBABLE SP: 6-4 Little Bay, 9-4 Kilbrittain Castle, 3-1 Far Bridge, 6-1 Left Bank.

2.00 MECCA BOOKMAKERS H'CAP HURDLE £15,000

1	400-213	ROBIN WONDER (D)	D Elsworth	6 11 10	R Arnott (7)
2	1000-12	BALLYDURROW (D)	R Fisher	7 11 9	J Francome
3	42011-1	RUSHMOOR (C-D)	R E Peacock	6 11 9	R Linley
4	204-040	JADE AND DIAMOND (D)	G Balding	6 11 1	R Chapman (4)
5	322-022	MARSHALL KEY (D)	Mrs J Pitman	6 11 0	M Pitman (7)
6	12112-2	ROSE RAVINE (D)(BF)	F Walwyn	5 10 12	R Pusey (4)
7	0021-00	WHOLE SHEBANG (D)	A Turnell	5 10 7	Steve Knight
8	1100-3	STAR OF SCREEN (USA)(D)	J Edwards	4 10 5	P Barton
10	2004-1F	PRIDEAUX BOY (D)	C G Roach	6 10 3	R Dunwoody
11	3130-22	HIZ (C-D)	I Dudgeon	6 10 3	M Richards
12	210-	CENTROLINE	C A Bell	6 10 1	J H Davies
13	34401-3	MISTER GOLDEN (D)	F Winter	4 10 1	B De Haan
14	110-303	IL PONTEVECCHIO (D)	D Murray Smith	4 10 0	C Brown
15	110-012	RHYTHMIC PASTIMES (D)	J Jenkins	4 10 0	
17	210-413	ROYAL BRIGADIER (C-D)	G Balding	4 10 0	G Charles-Jones (4)

PROBABLE SP: 4-1 Ballydurrow, 5-1 Robin Wonder, 6-1 Prideaux Boy, 8-1 Rose Ravine and Rhythmic Pastimes, 12-1 Hiz, 14-1 Marshall Key and Rushmoor, 16-1 Mister Golden, Centroline and Jade and Diamond, 20-1 others.

2.30 MECCA BOOKMAKERS 3YO HURDLE CH'SHIP £8,000 2m (12 runners)

1	43211	BEAT THE RETREAT (D)	J Jenkins	11 4	S Smith Eccles
2	1	JAMESMEAD (D)	D Elsworth	11 4	C Brown
3	3000-4P	ACE OF SPIES	L Kennard	11 0	B Powell
5	2103	BALUCHI (D)	B Preece	11 0	R Stronge
6	01	BIGGEE (C-D)	D Oughton	11 0	P Double
7	41	CROCSOX	H O'Neill	11 0	M Hammond
8	10P-422	DUELLING (USA)	P Mitchell	11 0	G McCourt
9	121	FREEFLOW (USA)(D)	G Richards	11 0	J Hansen
11	00	STAMPY J	Bridger	11 0	A Jones
12	30	SUPER EXPRESS	R Smyth	11 0	C Furlong
13	10P-422	TAMINO F	Winter	11 0	J Francome
14	1	WING AND A PRAYER (D)	A Bailey	11 0	A Carroll

BLINKERS: 5
PROBABLE SP: 11-4 Jamesmead, 4-1 Tamino, 9-2 Wing And A Prayer, 6-1 Freeflow, 7-1 Beat the Retreat, 9-1 CrocsOX, 12-1 Duelling, 16-1 others.

3.00 EWELL HANDICAP CHASE £5,000

2	2023-44	CORBIERE	Mrs J Pitman	9 11 7	B De Haan
3	3000-4P	SHADY DEAL (C-D)	J Gifford	11 11 2	R Rowe
5	002-012	WHY FORGET	W A Stephenson	8 10 6	Mr P J Dun (4)
6	1P/01P4	SEAMUS O'FLYNN	C Holmes	9 10 1	A Webb
7	10P-422	BOLD YEOMAN	J Gifford	8 10 0	M Palmer (7)
8	0F00F-	EGGNOG	R Champion	11 10 0	G McCourt
9	31P-F02	WINNING BRIEF	M Naughton	9 10 0	R Stronge
10	P00R-U3	PILOT OFFICER	Mrs M Rimmell	9 10 0	A Sharpe
11	120-033	LITTLE POLVEIR	J Edwards	7 10 0	P Barton

RESULTS

SANDOWN

1.00 (3m): **BROWNADOWNY** H Davies (10-11); **Brown Trix** (5-4 fav); **Lunedale** (11-23); **Sign Again** (12-14); 7 ran. 10, 25. (T Forster) T: £8.80; £1.80, £1.50. CSF: £21.26.

1.30 (2m): **LUCKY RASCAL** M Palmer (12-11); **Ashlone** (33-12); **Hypnotic** (5-4 on fav); **Tribal Drum** (7-24); 21 ran. 2, 4. (J Gifford) T: £12; £2.40, £6.70, £1.20. CSF: £300.57.

2.00 (2m 4f): **BEAU RANGER** J Hurst (100-30 on fav); **Drumgora** (3-1); 2 ran. 30. (J Thorne) T: £1.80.

2.30 (3m): **GREENWOOD LAD** R Rowe (5-11); **Burnt Oak** (12-12); **Aureus** (13-8 fav); **King Or Country** (9-24); 5 ran. 3, 20. (J Gifford) T: £5.40; £2.30, £1.70. CSF: £41.28.

3.00 (2m 5f): **SUTTON PRINCE** R Linley (100-30); **Maganyos** (5-12); **Ardesee** (20-13); **Rhocus** (7-4 fav); 4 ran. 6, nk. (F Winter) T: £3.60; £1.70, £2.20, £2.40.

CSF: £18.75.

3.30 (2m): **GOLD OF A GUNNER** G Charles-Jones (10-11); **Tour de Force** (15-22); **Ridgefield** (9-2 fav); **Quite A Night** (5-14); 18 ran. 1/2, 2. (S Mellor) T: £14.80; £2, £2.80, £1.60. CSF: £79.78.

LEICESTER

12.30 (2m): **STRATHEARN** R O'Leary (5-4 fav); **Nicky's Knight** (33-12); **Atkins** (4-13); **Parveno** (25-14); 20 ran. 1/2, 3/4. (J Fitzgerald) T: £1.50; £1.60, £1.30, £2.30. CSF: £58.03.

1.00 (2m): **DEEP COACH** M Harrington (6-4 fav); **Pass Ashore** (9-12); **Monclair** (7-13); **Calmacutter** (20-14); 11 ran. 10, 2, 6. (D Gandolfo) T: £3.10; £1.30, £3.90, £2.00. CSF: £14.13.

1.30 (3m): **GLENFOX** M Perrett (2-1 on fav); **Tar Knight** (11-22); **Selborne Rambler** (6-13); **Meggies Dene** (9-14); 5 ran. 1/2, 2. (S Mellor) T: £1.30; £1.10, £1.20. CSF: £3.48.

12 P-44FP OATLEY PRIDE P W Hiatt 9 10 0 C Mann

PROBABLE SP: 9-4 Corbiere, 7-2 Why Forget, 5-1 Winning Brief, 7-1 Seamus O'Flynn, 8-1 Pilot Officer, 12-1 Eggog and Little Polvier, 20-1 others.

3.30 DOUG BARROTT HANDICAP HURDLE £3,000

4	22130-0	HAVENTALIGHT	F Winter	5 11 7	J Francome
6	0101-00	CANIO (C)	R J Hodges	7 11 6	S Earle (7)
8	01401-1	EVER GREAT	D Oughton	5 11 4	P Double
9	3112-01	NIALAN	J Jenkins	4 11 4	P Barton
10	1/2F43-3	SEA SPICE	J Old	6 11 3	G Bradley
12	20P-110	TUGBOAT	P Mitchell	5 11 1	R Dunwoody
13	0-12210	ALFIE DICKINS	R Hollinshead	6 11 0	D Carcary (7)
14	01030-0	FORTUNE COOKIE (C-D)	J C Fox	12 10 13	N Hunter (7)
16	P0-4301	ROAD TO MANDALAY	D H Barons	7 10 11	G Newman
17	4412-21	BOLANDS CROSS	N Gaselee	5 10 11	R Linley
18	1111P/P	WINDBREAKER	A Moore	6 10 10	G Moore
23	12-1000	MISTER PITT	T M Jones	5 10 1	G McCourt
24	00-UF21	GOOSEY GANDER	J Jefferson	5 10 0	P Tuck
25	00F1-11	CHRYSAOR	S Christian	6 10 0 (4 ex)	W Newton (4)
26	20200-1	SEABATTLE (USA)	J Gifford	5 10 0	R Rowe
27	1P3-140	WILEY YEOMAN	J Gifford	5 10 0	P Nicholls
29	22110	TROPICAL MIST (FR)	D Elsworth	4 10 0	C Brown

BLINKERS: 12, 16, 29
PROBABLE SP: 7-2 Bolands Cross, 9-2 Nialan, 5-1 Ever Great, 6-1 Crysaor, 8-1 Sea Spice, 10-1 Haventalight, 12-1 Canio and Road to Mandalay, 16-1 others.

CHEPSTOW

1.00 P. CORNES NOVICE HURDLE (Q'FIER) £1,500

1	0-01121	A SURE ROW (D)	Mrs S Oliver	5 11 8	Miss S Oliver (4)
2	33-1114	BANDELERO	R Holder	4 11 8	N Coleman (4)
3	2004-41	JOLLY MAC (D)	J Thorne	6 11 8	P Dever
7	00/	ALTARGA	Mrs W Sykes	7 11 0	S Morshead
9	0	BACKLOG	J Dalton	6 11 0	K Southern
18	00/00-0	GOINGO	R L Brown	5 11 0	J Brown (7)
19	U-P	GOLDCLIPPER	G Doidge	5 11 0	S May
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PROBABLE SP: 9-4 Olympic Prize, 11-4 Ulan Bator, 5-1 Bandelero, 15-2 A Sure Row, 10-1 Aolt Hole, 12-1 Jolly Mac, 14-1 My Cullen, 16-1 others.

1.30 HORIZON HANDICAP CHASE £2,200

2	PFP-040	WALNUT WONDER (C-D)	R Hickman	9 11 9	P Scudamore
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7	13300P-0	THE GO-BODY (D)	Mrs W Sykes	10 10 6	S Morshead
8	F12/12-0	MOONSHOT (D)	T Forster	10 10 6	Mr T Thomson Jones
9	2/033P-3	GEMELEK	J Old	8 10 4	P Murphy
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12	022F04	GRANNIE'S PET (D)	D Gandolfo	9 10 0	R Earnshaw
13	400P23-	HADAJAR (D)	M Tate	9 10 0	C Smith
16	FP/P03-P	POPOSITIVITY (D)	R J Smith	7 10 0	P Warner

PROBABLE SP: 2-1 Walnut Wonder, 3-1 Hadajar, 9-2 Gemelek, 6-1 Moonshot, 8-1 Born to Shine, 10-1 Grannie's Pet, 14-1 others.

2.00 REHEARSAL CHASE £5,000

3	030-002	FRED PILLINER (C-D)	M Scudamore	7 11 0	M Williams
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2.00 (2m): DEEP CROSS M Perrett (7-21);

Killegar Kim (6-4 on fav); **Flecha** (25-13); **Lady Cross** (25-14); 6 ran. Six, 6. (Mrs J Pitman) T: £9.10; £1.50, £1.30. CSF: £6.28.

2.30 (2m): **SHEPHERD'S HYMN** G Williams (9-11); **Starwind** (8-12); **Monsoon** (20-13); **Shieldaig** (20-14); 19 ran. 8, nk. (T Bili) T: £7.20; £1.80, £4.70, £1.20. CSF: £82.60.

3.00 (2m): **ENSIGNS KIT** P Finch (16-11); **The Diplomat** (9-12); **Sweetcat** 7-13; **Oregon Trail** (20-14); 21 ran. 1/2, nk. (A H Brisbane) T: £15.50, £3.50, £1.30, £3.20. CSF: £157.84. NR: Upper Note.

SEDGEFIELD

12.45 (2m): **KINDRED** Jayne Thompson (11-8 fav); **Ascot Again** (6-12); **Secret Minstrel** (16-13); **Rhymarc** (7-24); 10 ran. hd, 30. (Ronald Thompson) T: £3; £1.20, £1.20, £28. CSF: £11.24.

1.15 (2m): **TROILENA** J D Doyle (6-11); **Veiled City** (2-112); **Quay Man** (14-13);

Carouser (20-14); 8 ran. 3, 12. (R Fisher) T: £7.10; £2, £1.10, £5.50. CSF: £18.93. NR: Tiernee.

1.45 (3m): **OWEN LUCK** Mr S Swiers (4-11); **Ramoa's Son** (5-12); **Wensleydale** (20-13); 8 ran. 3 finished, 10, dist. (R Swiers) T: £6.40; £1.70, £1.50, £2.90. CSF: £23.37.

2.15 (2m): **SCARLET TERROR** T G Dun (4-11); **Joyful Star** (9-22); **Mendelita** (25-13); **Mainsforth Queen** (8-14); 7 ran. 6, 12. (R Brewis) T: £5.20; £1.80, £1.70. CSF: £21.28.

2.45 (2m): **OUR LOUISE** Mr T Reed (11-8 on fav); **Pittsaloo** (12-12); **Bullom** (6-13); **Price of Peace** (20-14); 17 ran. 15, 12. (A Scott) T: £1.50; £1.10, £2.60, £1.90. CSF: £13.16.

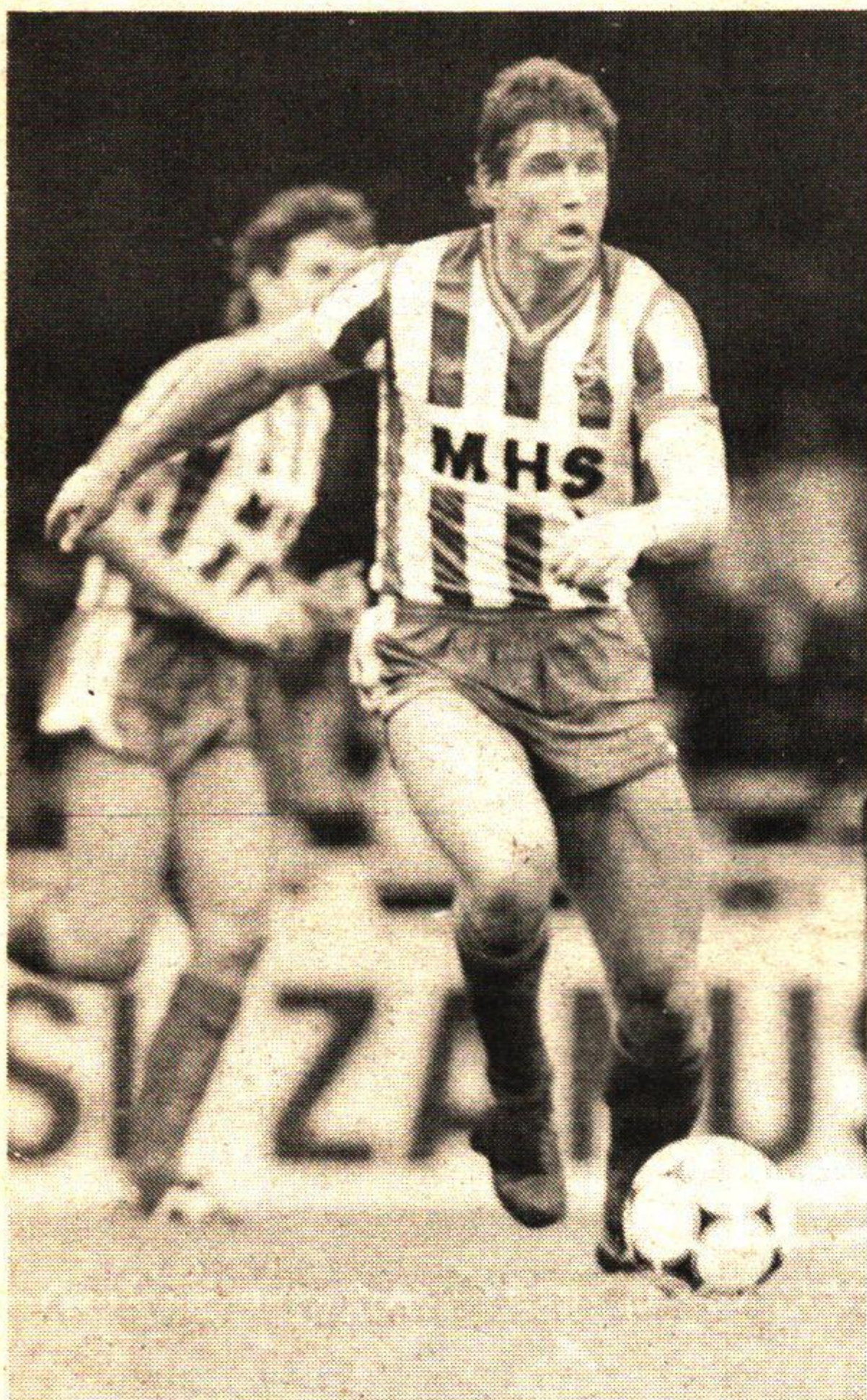
3.15 (3m): **RUN IN TUNE** C Pimlott (11-41); **Vitrolie** (5-4 fav); **Jimmy Martin** (6-13); **Keep A Promise** (10-14); 8 ran. 4, 15. (D Eddy) T: £5.80; £1.10, £1.40, £1.80. CSF: £6.95.

NEWCASTLE ITV 1.45, 2.15, 2.45

12.45 BILLY BOW H'CAP HURDLE £2,000

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Sports Line



MICK LYONS . . . A nostalgic trip 'home' to Merseyside this afternoon

LYONS GOES INTO THE DEN

SHEFFIELD WEDNESDAY skipper Mick Lyons makes what will be a sentimental journey — if not a very emotional one — to Goodison Park this afternoon.

The Merseyside ground, home of League leaders Everton, is one the Liverpoolian knows only too well, having spent 13 happy years there, most of them as captain of the famous club for whom he made 390 League appearances.

Three seasons ago Lyons, who will be 33 tomorrow week, decided to leave Everton and try his luck with Wednesday, then trying desperately to get out of the Second Division.

But there was no animosity when he made up his mind to accept the challenge offered to him by Jackie Charlton, then manager at Hillsbrough.

'When I left it was in very good circumstances,' Lyons recalled yesterday. 'Howard Kendall advised me to join Wednesday and then left it up to me. He didn't

really want me to go.'

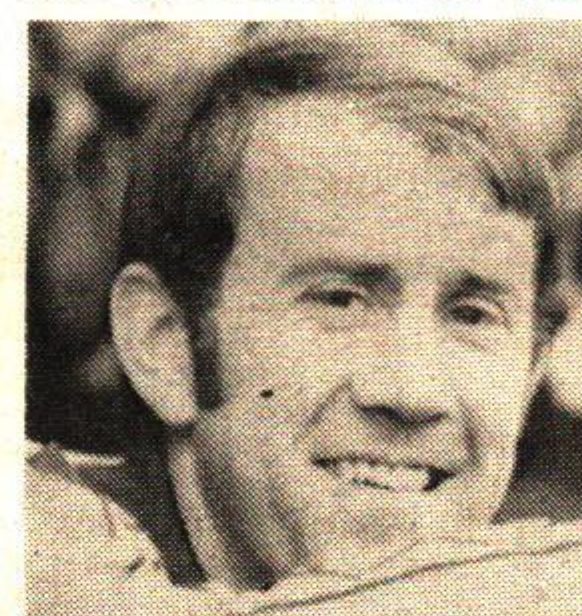
Now Lyons will lead a team out again at Goodison, this time as the visitors. 'It will be a sentimental journey — the first time I've ever been in the visitors' dressing room,' Lyons quipped.

The famous Owls of Hillsbrough will have been buoyed by their victory over Arsenal last week which lifted them back up the table into sixth place.

Everton suffered a setback when they were beaten 4-2 at Norwich last weekend. Fortunately for

them, however, none of the teams immediately behind them in the table took advantage.

Kendall keeps faith with the side that has lost their last two games but he will give a late fitness test to fullback Pat Van



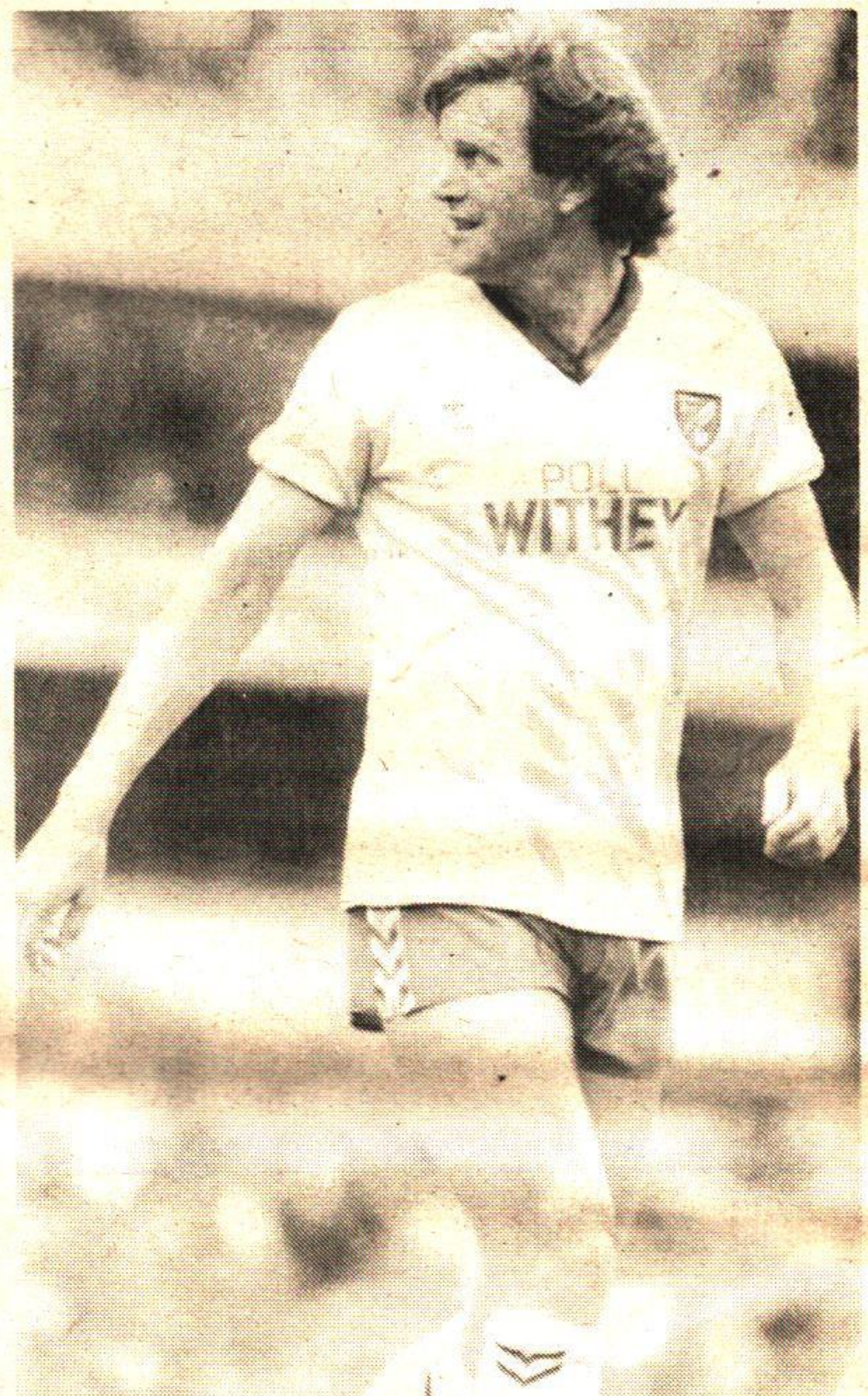
HOWARD KENDALL

Den Hauwe this morning. John Bailey stands by for a recall.

Wednesday, meanwhile, have just one doubt, England defender Mel Sterland. He will also have a late fitness test today.

EVERTON: Southall, Stevens, Van Den Hauwe (or Bailey), Ratcliffe, Mountfield, Reid, Steven, Bracewell, Heath, Sharp, Sheedy. Sub: Gray.

SHEFFIELD WEDNESDAY: Hodge, Sterland (or Oliver), Smith, Lyons, Shirtliff, Worthington, Blair, Shelton, Varadi, Marwood, Chapman. Sub: Pearson.



MICK CHANNON . . . Can he help Norwich to another little bit of 'giant-killing' today?

Tannadice test for Rangers

RANGERS, thrust into the shadows by the European exploits of Scottish rivals this season, hope to reclaim credibility against high-flying Dundee United at Tannadice.

Supporters of the Ibrox club have had only Skol Cup competition to warm their pride this season — and Rangers' management fear any further eclipse of the team's fortunes will thin out the terracing even more.

It could hardly be a tougher assignment than to take on the Taysiders only three days after they matched the mighty Manchester United at Old Trafford.

Against that tremendous

Rangers

FROM OUR SCOTTISH CORRESPONDENT

performance, however, Rangers can boast a current eight-wins-in-a-row record against Jim McLean's side.

But surely Dundee United will be a different proposition today compared to Morton, the side that Rangers' struggled to a tame victory over last Saturday.

A win at Tannadice today

would just about enable Ibrox manager Jock Wallace to rub some of Dundee United's glory off onto his own team.

Defeat for the visitors would pose searching questions at Ibrox. The club would fall further behind in the Premier title race — leaving the field to Aberdeen and arch-rivals Celtic.

John MacDonald is brought back to into the Rangers' attack, alongside Dave Mitchell. Wallace wants them to establish themselves at first-team regulars.

Celtic are meanwhile at home to Dundee. And if the Parkhead side continue the goal-scoring barrage hit against Hearts and St Mirren in the past two weeks — 12 goals in total — then Dundee are likely to be slaughtered.

Tickets for the crunch game against Rapid Vienna, at Old Trafford, go on sale at Parkhead this morning — and Celtic manager David Hay wants his players to use the visitors goal today as target practice.

The ultimate test

NORWICH CITY fans believe that last Saturday's defeat of League leaders Everton may very well be the start of a new era at Carrow Road.

But manager Ken Brown is not getting carried away — not just yet anyway.

However, the affable Cockney could very well change his mind by 4.40p.m. this afternoon if his side have beaten Manchester United — at Old Trafford.

'I don't usually stick my neck out, but I honestly feel we are on the verge of achieving something,' Brown said yesterday.

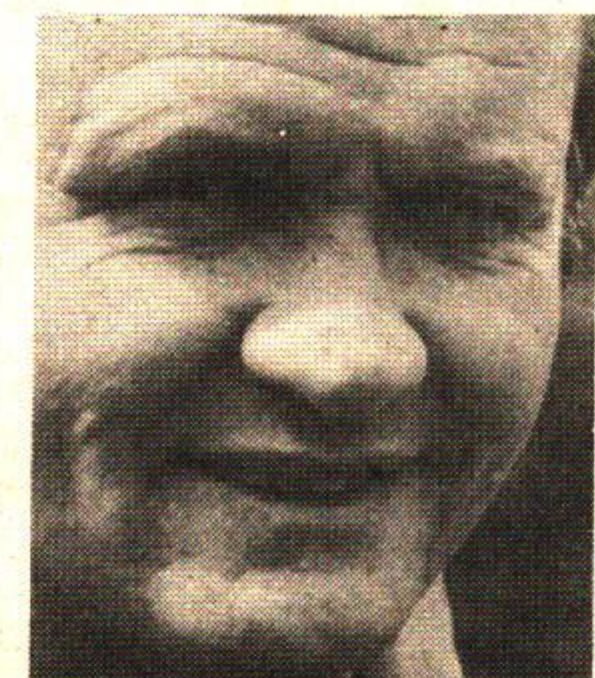
'We beat Everton well last week, but tomorrow is the ultimate test. There is no better stage to prove your real pedigree than Old Trafford — and we will be out to do that tomorrow.'

And Brown added: 'I can see no reason why we cannot do well there if we tackle the match in a positive manner. And if we win I will be more confident than before that

BY ROBERT JAMES

we can launch a bid for Europe.'

With United's defence in disarray, such a success for the unfashionable little club is not beyond them — especially if former Maine Road favourite Asa Hartford recovers from a hamstring strain to boost their midfield.



RON ATKINSON

United boss Ron Atkinson hopes to be able to reintroduce Paul McGrath at centre-half, but he damaged a hip in a reserve game on Thursday night.

If he does not recover, England full-back Mike Duxbury looks certain to stay in the middle — despite his expensive error against Dundee United in the UEFA Cup.

Atkinson admitted: 'Maybe there has been a lack of confidence lately. But we have had to change or back four so often through injury, and that has not helped.'

MAN UTD (from): Bailey, Gidman, Albiston, Moses, Duxbury, McQueen, Robson, Strachan, Hughes, Whiteside, Olsen, Muhrén, Stapleton.
NORWICH (from): Woods, Haylock, Downs, Bruce, Mendham, Watson, Gordon, Channon, Deehan, Hartford, Donowa, Van Wyk, Goss.

Gerulaitis bundled out

THREE MEN'S seeds, including Americans Vitas Gerulaitis and Tim Mayotte, failed to make it through the second round of the Australian Open Tennis Championships in Melbourne yesterday.

But Ivan Lendl of Czechoslovakia and American Martina Navratilova, seeded to win the two singles events, both went through with something to spare.

Crushed

Lendl, beaten finalist 12 months ago, overcame Texan Bill Scanlon 4-6 6-4 6-4 6-1 while Navratilova crushed compatriot Mary Lou Piatek 6-2 6-1.

Gerulaitis, former champion and No. 6 seed, was upset 7-6 6-4 6-2 by

Paraguay's Francisco Gonzalez and Mayotte, a noted grass-court competitor who reached at least the quarter-final round at Wimbledon from 1981 to 1983, went down to the powerful young West German Boris Becker 6-4 7-6 2-6 6-4.

Guy Forget, 19, of France also struck a blow for youth over experience, beating 15th-seeded Indian Vijay Amritraj 6-3 6-1 7-6.

Becker, 17, who made a big impression at Wimbledon this year before having to abandon his third-round match against Scanlon with a leg injury, was playing only his eighth match on grass. His positive attitude proved decisive.

'I've always played aggressively and I thought that if I served well today I would have a good chance,' he said.

Navratilova, the defending champion who is seeded to meet Chris Evert Lloyd in this year's final, thinks she is a better player now than when she won here in 1983.

'You would like to think that you've improved in the last 12 months and I think I have. I certainly am more knowledgeable and I think I'm playing the points the right way,' she said.

Title

Eighth-seeded Andrea Temesvari of Hungary, whose father-coach was an Olympic basketball player, put out Britain's Virginia Wade, who won the Australian title in 1972.

Wade, in her 40th year, faded after starting impressively and lost 4-6 6-0 6-2.



VITAS GERULAITIS

Sports Line

Don't worry lads — Gower



DAVID GOWER . . . Don't be shaken by spinner

ENGLAND captain David Gower yesterday warned his batsmen not to get a complex about India's new slow-bowling discovery Laxman Sivaramakrishnan.

The leg-spinner's six first innings wickets have put England in serious danger of losing the first Test.

Lead

When play resumes this morning after the rest day, India, at 268 for six, hold a 75 runs lead.

But Gower said of the slim-built 18-year old: 'He is no mystery man. He has teased people in this match and practised his art quite well, but not well enough to demolish England's batting.'

'You can't really knock

the youngster for taking six wickets, but we made him look better than he is.'

Gower added: 'People will get more used to him as time goes on. I can't see him being a bigger threat than any of their other bowlers. A major batsman should be able to cope with him unless, of course, the wicket starts to turn square, in which case any spinner becomes a danger.'

Sivaramakrishnan has now dealt two severe blows to the tourists in three weeks, having won his Test place by orchestrating India Under-25s innings victory over England in Ahmedabad.

Gower, however, does not rate him as highly as Abdul Qadir, the Pakistan leg-spinner who tied England in knots in Karachi last March and picked up 19 wickets in the three Test series.

Gower said: 'Qadir is the better bowler, apart from his experience he is harder to pick up, has more variation and probably bowls

fewer bad balls.'

Surprisingly, after England's collapse to 195 all out on Wednesday, Gower was not too critical about England's batting.

He said: 'It was not like Ahmedabad where we were too casual and lacked commitment. Here we got out in some extraordinary ways.'

Toss

'It started with Graeme Fowler hitting a full toss back to the bowler which normally he would have struck down Bombay's Marine Drive.'

'He changed his mind probably three times about that shot and in the end only half-hit it because he didn't want to take a risk.'

'I have my doubts about the way Tim Robinson got out and normally a half volley on the leg stump to Allan Lamb would have disappeared like a tracer bullet. Instead he got a solid edge and gave a simple catch.'

Hands off our Charlie

PAUL DAVIS' Arsenal file



IT'S BEEN hard to pick up a newspaper over the past few days without seeing my teammate Charlie Nicholas plastered across the pages — and not just the sports pages either.

Everybody in the country must know everything about Charlie's private life by now.

It's sad what has happened to him, it didn't help his game last Sunday and now the boss, Don Howe, has dropped him for today's match against Luton at Highbury.

Don't think for one minute, however, that the manager has dropped Charlie for what has appeared in the newspapers. No, the boss is experienced enough not to let something like that shade his decisions when it comes to announcing a team.

Charlie has been dropped because he just hasn't played well in the last few games. It's as simple as that — and Charlie is professional enough to accept such a decision.

Chance

I'm sure his omission for the side today will do him the world of good. It will be a chance for him to put his feet up, watch the rest of us slaving away this afternoon, and then he will have the time to sort out some of the problems which have befallen him lately.

The manager has made it quite clear that Charlie is still very much a part of his first-team plans. He's not playing today, but there was never a question either of him being asked to go out and play in the reserves.

What many people don't realise is that Charlie doesn't really have anybody to turn to in London when he runs into the kind of problem that he's faced with at the moment.

Take most of the other players. They can either turn to their wives or parents to talk out problems or seek advice. For Charlie, it has been a lonely time in London. He's got no relations down here and nobody, as far as I am aware, that close to him.

But then on the other hand, we all feel at the club that his problems have



CHARLIE has his problems right now, but he will pull through, I'm sure of that

been completely blown out of all proportion.

Gordon Taylor, secretary of the Professional Footballers' Association, hit the nail on the head this week when he came to Charlie's defence.

Taylor's comments made sense. Young professional footballers in the limelight are expected to act like mature 35-year-olds — and not like

youngsters who are hardly out of their teens.

Charlie is just 22 and look at all the media exposure he has had in the past couple of years.

Finally, Charlie cannot be asked to bear all of the blame for our recent sticky patch. Other players have not performed when it's mattered. They too have owned up at the club. That's the place all the dirty

washing about bad performances is hung out at Arsenal.

And we all believe it's the only way to conduct things.

But, no matter what happens, Charlie will be back — and the rest of the First Division had better watch out then.

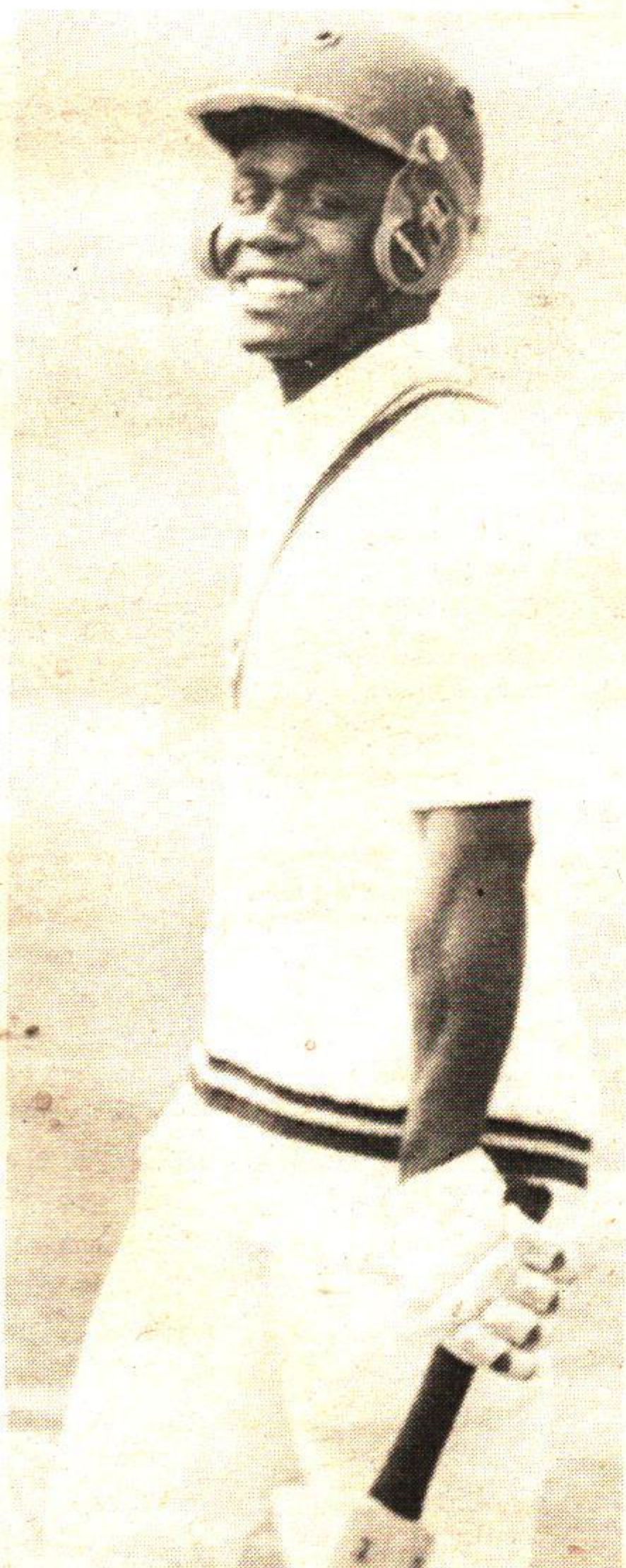
PAUL DAVIS WAS TALKING TO MATTHEW NUGENT

Haynes hits out

OPENER Desmond Haynes shrugged off the effects of influenza to pile up his highest tour score of 155 as the West Indian cricketers made an impressive start against Victoria in Melbourne yesterday.

The touring team were put in and capitalised on what proved to be a good batting pitch by scoring 330 for two at the close of the first day of the four-day match. Haynes, who shared a record-breaking opening partnership of 187 with fellow Barbadian Gordon Greenidge, was in doubt until the last minute because of influenza.

'I've been taking antibiotics and nasal sprays and all kinds of things all day,' Haynes said later. 'When I was



DESMOND HAYNES . . . 'Flu didn't stop the West Indian batsman hitting 155 yesterday



GORDON GREENIDGE . . . Hit new first innings record

running up and down the wicket I was feeling very weak, but I decided only to run when necessary.'

Haynes faced 251 deliveries in his 309-minute innings and struck 24 fours. He and Greenidge, who hit 78, beat the previous West Indian first wicket record against Victoria of 161 by Allan Rae and Jeff Stollmeyer on the 1951-1952 tour.

Greenidge also looked in superb touch early on, and was out when he mistimed a shot and was bowled by Victorian captain and former Test left arm spinner Ray Bright. By then the West Indians had exposed Bright's misjudgement in opting to field first. 'We sent them in hoping to grab a few wickets early because the pitch had a bit of moisture in it, but it's a great batting wicket,' Bright said.

TOMORROW'S GAMES

SOCCER DIVISION IV

Darlington v Swindon (3.00)

RUGBY LEAGUE

JPS TROPHY

SECOND ROUND

(3p.m. unless stated)

Bradford N v St Helens (3.30)

Bramley v Whitehaven (3.30)

Dewsbury v Runcorn

Highfield (3.30)

Halifax v Castleford

Hull v Oldham

Hull KR v Rochdale

Widnes v Featherstone

DIVISION II

Blackpool v Bridgend (2.30)

Huddersfield v Wakefield (3.30)

Keighley v Mansfield (3.15)

Sheff Eagles v Batley (2.30)

WBC BAN PAGE

THE World Boxing Council (WBC) said yesterday that US heavyweight Greg Page will be removed from its rankings list for fighting in racist South Africa.

Page challenges South African holder Gerrie Coetzee for the World Boxing Association (WBA) version of the title in the gambling resort of Sun City later today.

In their latest rankings this month, the WBC ranked Page fifth, one place higher than his WBA listing.

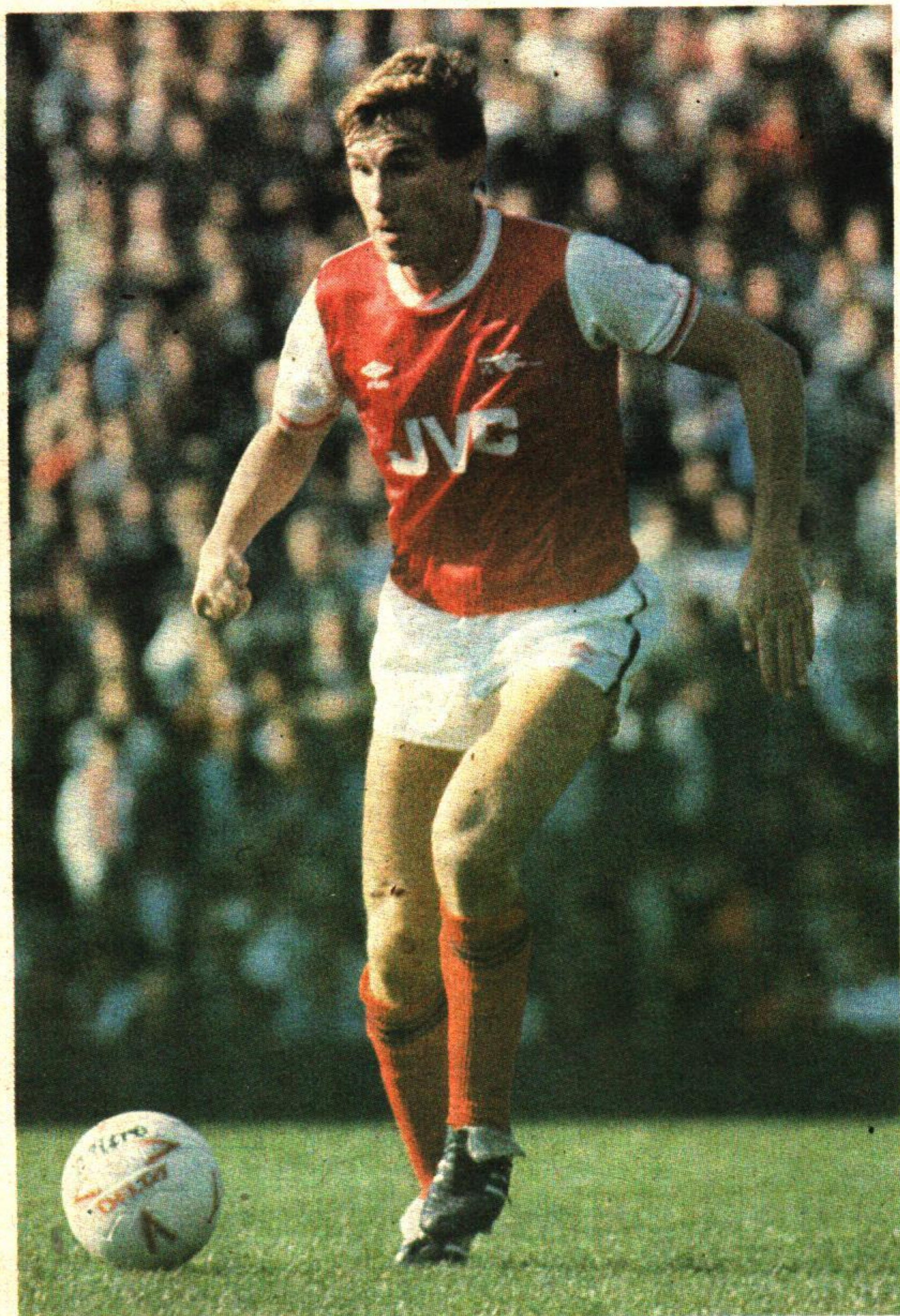
'The WBC cannot allow someone like Greg Page, simply for money, to promote the name of a country which denigrates the most basic principles of dignity and human rights,' a WBC announcement said.

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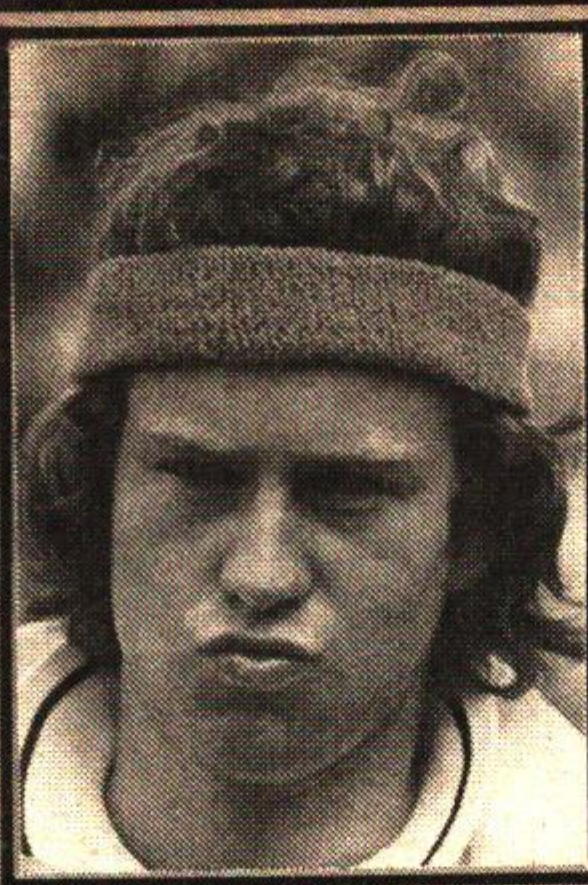
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WEEKEND SOCCER COLOUR ACTION



STEWART ROBSON, Arsenal's talented midfielder, will be hoping to lift the Gunners out of their recent gloom against Luton at Highbury

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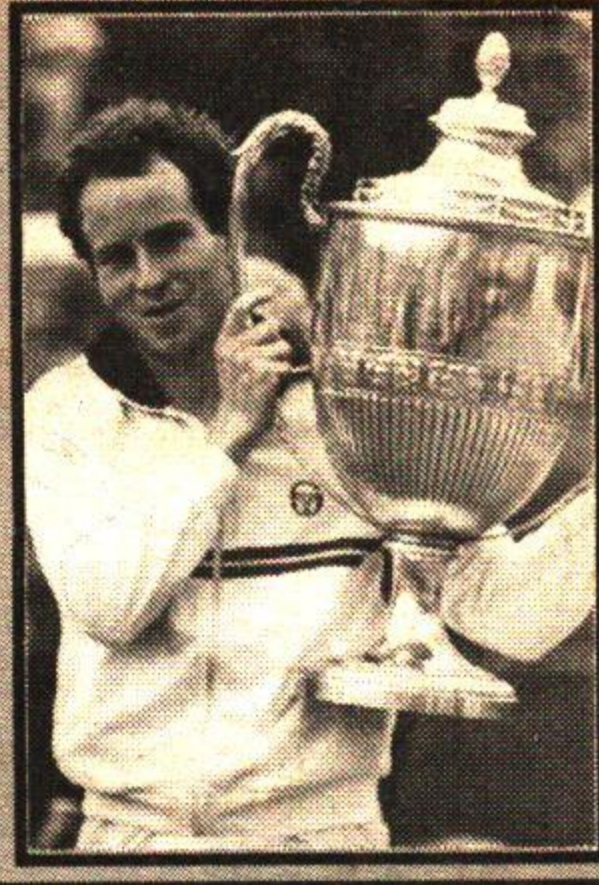


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Charlie hits back after axing HAPPY NOW?

BY MATTHEW NUGENT

CHARLIE NICHOLAS hit out at Fleet Street's tabloids last night shortly after being told by Arsenal manager Don Howe that he had been dropped for today's clash with Luton Town.

Nicholas, who has not been far from the headlines in recent weeks, has been left out of the Gunners' line-up — along with goalkeeper Pat Jennings — for this afternoon's game.

And afterwards Nicholas said: 'I know the manager was not influenced by what has been written about me in the newspapers, but I hope the people who wrote it are happy now.'

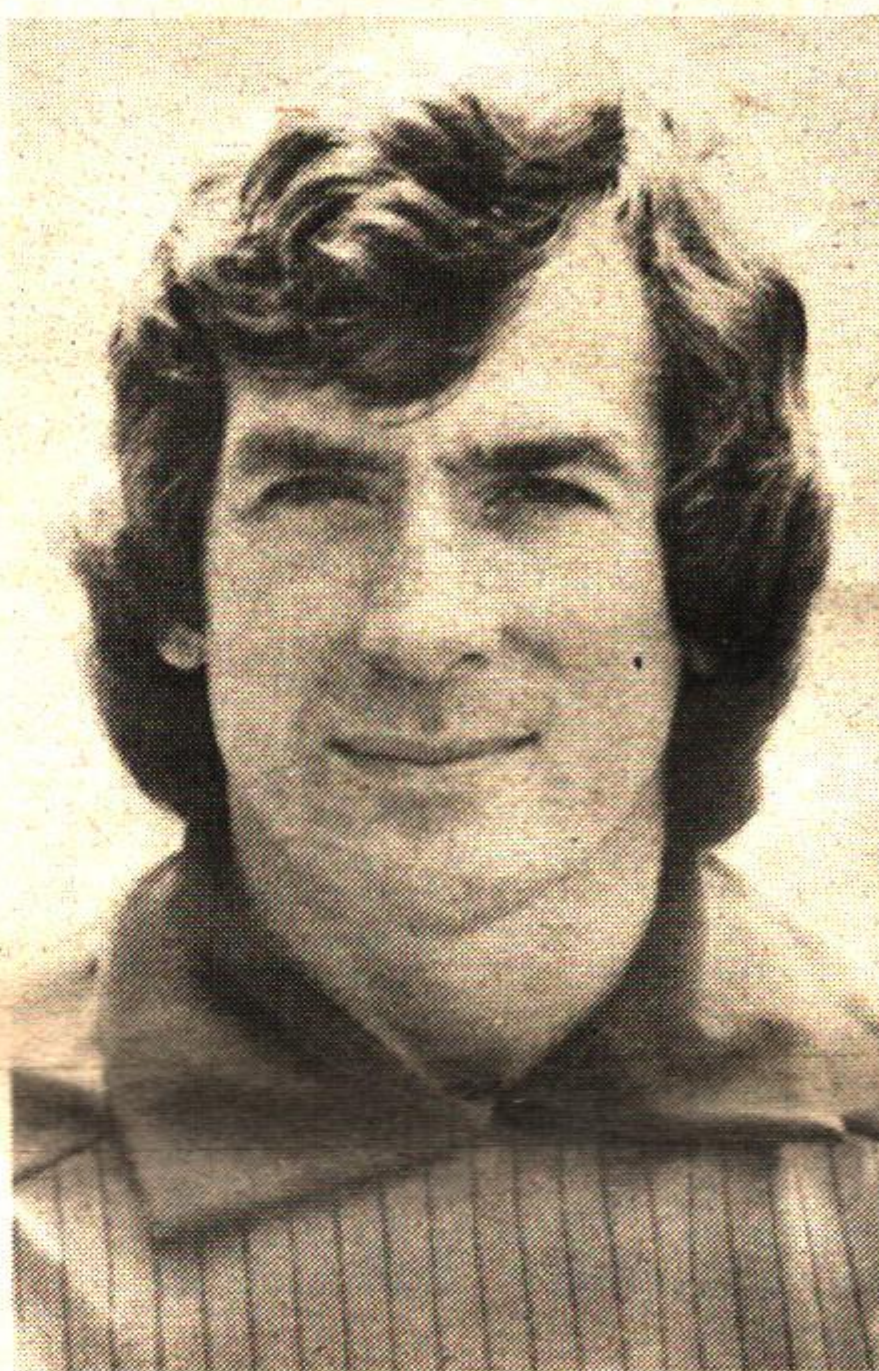
Dropped

'It is the first time I have ever been dropped and obviously it hits you a bit. But I have not been playing well. Sitting back, watching the others might help me to put my own game together again,' the Scottish star added.

Howe, who was at the centre of an article in one Fleet Street tabloid last week criticising Nicholas for his off-the-pitch antics said: 'We have had a shocking November, one win out of six. Something had to be done and I have dropped two players who are not playing well.'

Howe named John Lukic and Ian Allinson to replace Jennings and Nicholas respectively in the match against second-from-bottom Luton.

'I think both players realise they have not been at their best,' Howe added.



PAT JENNINGS . . . Not up to his usual, high standards



DON HOWE . . . Changes had to be made from bad November

'Pat has not been commanding the box the way he should and Charlie has simply not been showing us the form of early season.'

'It wasn't a difficult decision. I knew it was something I had to do. Both of them have taken the news well and will be at the game.'

It is the first time Jennings has been dropped since establishing himself in the First Division as a teenager in 1964.

Now 39, he has missed just one game this season. He played against Oxford United in the Milk Cup with an injured thumb and was at fault when Dave Langan's speculative shot beat

him to give the Second Division outfit a 3-2 victory.

Lukic deputised in the next game — only his fifth first team appearance in two years at Highbury.

'Pat's age has nothing to do with my decision,' Howe stressed last night. 'It is simply that he isn't playing well at the moment.'

Player

'I wouldn't attempt to tell a player of his background how to play in goal, but like the perfect professional he is, he accepted my opinion.'

The Arsenal manager was also at pains to stress that the recent criticisms

levelled at Nicholas by the media had nothing at all to do with his striker getting the elbow from today's game.

'He played really well at the start of this season. He hasn't shown that form recently though. That's why he is out now — because of his form.'

Arsenal currently stand fourth in the table behind leaders Everton and are still very much in the race for the League Championship.

Howe added, however: 'But November has been a very poor month. I have tried to be understanding. Now I feel it is time for action.'



POOLS CHECK

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 - Berwick v E Stirling
 - Dunfermline v Arbroath
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