

Record U.S. deficit

WASHINGTON — The United States ran up a \$32-billion record balance of payments deficit in the third quarter, heralding even sharper cuts in social security programmes by a desperate Reagan government.

The figure was only about \$10 billion less than the deficit for the whole of last year, the Commerce Department said last night.

The current account is the most comprehensive picture of American trade with the rest of the world. It has deteriorated sharply due largely to the impact

of the dollar's rampage on the world money markets.

Both exports and imports have been hit because Reagan has erected heavy tariff barriers on imports and trading partners have begun switching to cheaper commodities in the west European markets.

Commerce Secretary Malcolm Baldrige said: 'The strength of the dollar is seriously hurting our industry. To bring down the dollar and stem the trade deficit, we must lower the budget deficit.'

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After ten months of miners' strike NO ROOM FOR COMPROMISE

NUM president Arthur Scargill yesterday told TUC leaders that they must now translate resolutions of support for the miners into industrial action — without further delay.

After meeting the TUC's liaison committee, he made it clear that there was no room for compromise in the ten-month fight to defend pits and jobs.

Scargill insisted that the miners would not yield an inch in the fight to force the TUC to implement the decisions taken at the Brighton Congress in September to halt the movement of scab coal, coke and oil.

He indicated that the union would maintain its uncompromising stand after hearing a report of the TUC's abortive meeting with Tory Energy Secretary Peter Walker last Friday.

After yesterday's meeting at Congress House Scargill told reporters: 'We've obviously noted what has been said and maintained our position. We shall continue to do all we can — and I'm sure the TUC will continue to do all they can — to implement Congress policy.'

Scargill's statement coincided with Prime Minister Thatcher's declaration in a radio interview that there would be no end to the strike 'while the NUM has its proud boast that it has not moved an inch'.

Accused

The NUM's call for action was later considered by the TUC's Finance and General Purposes Committee. It will be discussed further at tomorrow's meeting of the General Council.

Scargill accused the Thatcher government of breaking off talks and added: 'The NUM has not one single demand on the table. We are resisting a demand to butcher our industry.'

In response to previous demands from TUC right wingers that the NUM should surrender its position, the NUM president said: 'It really is a situation similar to a man who goes out with a gun, faces three

people and says "let's compromise".'

'Well I am not in a position of saying "Yes, well shoot one of us". We're not prepared to close part of our industry, or even just a small section of it.'

Scargill said there could be no settlement until the Coal Board withdraws its pit closure programme, lifts the threat to five collieries at the top of its hit-list and agrees to abide by the Plan for Coal.

Members of the TUC's Finance and General Purposes Committee (FGPC) are understood to have discussed ways of sustaining the NUM following the appointment of a receiver to control its funds.

But, without any details being released, it was clear that the TUC will do nothing which will risk bringing it into conflict with the capitalist state.

No new proposals for talks were put forward by TUC leaders after the Thatcher Bonapartist regime's determination to crush the miners was underlined at the weekend.

Both Walker and Coal Board chairman Ian MacGregor have both flatly rejected appeals for more talks from the TUC and some leaders of the NUM.

The position is absolutely clear. Scargill's demand that the TUC stop stalling and implement congress policies must be backed up by a campaign throughout the trade union movement.

As Monday's News Line Editorial Board statement said: 'Resolutions must

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Miners' president Arthur Scargill entering Congress House in London yesterday where he told TUC leaders to implement congress policies

pour into Congress House from every trade union branch and shop stewards committee telling the TUC leadership to organise industrial action without delay behind the embattled NUM.' (News Line December 16, 1984 page 1)

All those unions who say

they support the NUM must now call their members out on strike. The entire working class must be mobilised behind the miners through the organisation of the General Strike.

● SEE All Trades Unions Alliance statement — page 9

Luxembourg cash grab is halted

EFFORTS to seize more than £4 million of miners' union money were suspended yesterday at a Luxembourg court hearing.

The firm of accountants appointed by the London High Court to seize millions of pounds belonging to the NUM were granted an indefinite postponement of legal proceedings.

The sequestrators for Price Waterhouse have abandoned their legal efforts — for the time being at least — in the hope that continuing talks to release the £4.38 million will succeed.

The negotiations, involving bankers Nobis Finanz International and the receiver acting for the scab miners, began a week ago in a bid to bypass any further protracted court hearings.

Those talks are still going on, although bank officials are making no comment.

They also refused to confirm yesterday that the money, transferred to Luxembourg to avoid British legal claims, is still in the bank.

Nobis has already received an NUM request to release the funds, but is thought unlikely to do so until legal ownership is clearly established.

The sequestrators have instead instructed their lawyers to leave the Luxembourg court proceedings in abeyance while the NUM receiver tries to claim the cash through the British legal system.

● BRITAIN'S 55 open-cast mining sites face tot-

al shutdown in the New Year after the Coal Board sent in three scab NUM miners to drive out coal lorries from the Benbain site in Ayrshire.

Open-cast workers belonging to the transport workers' union then refused to load lorries. At a meeting in London yesterday 12 T&GWU construction leaders decided to re-

call their delegate conference in the new year if the situation worsened.

They will consider closing all 55 sites if any sites are shut down and members sacked.

● EVERY striking miner in the Durham coalfield is to get a £10 Christmas hand-out from their union.

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Lawson launches banks inquiry

CHANCELLOR Nigel Lawson yesterday announced an inquiry into the arrangements for supervision of banks following the collapse earlier this year of Johnson Matthey bankers.

The bank, a subsidiary of gold bullion dealers Johnson Matthey, had to be rescued by the Bank of England on October 1.

It was nationalised for £1. In its first press release the Bank of England boasted that no public money was involved, but over the last ten weeks the Bank has had to underwrite potential losses of £75 million with an equivalent sum guaranteed by the private banking sector.

Lawson told the Commons that the JMB collapse had raised important issues about banking supervision under the 1979 Bank Act.

BY JOHN SPENCER

He said the inquiry would be held in secret because of the 'great commercial sensitivity' of the issues involved.

The Board of Inquiry would be made up of representatives from the Treasury and the Bank of England, together with independent consultants.

Issues to which particular attention will be given are the relationship between auditors and supervisors; staff experience and training; the handling of concentrations of risk and the assessment of quality of assets; notification and collection of statistics; and the adequacy and deployment of staff resources in the banking supervision department (of the Bank of England).

'The review will also consider whether a more effective framework is required than that pro-

vided by the 1979 Banking Act,' Lawson said.

Labour spokesman Roy Hattersley challenged Lawson over the role played in the rescue by city accountants Price Waterhouse, recently appointed as sequestrators of the National Union of Mineworkers.

Hattersley said many people felt this particular firm were spreading their activities too widely, but Lawson replied that Price Waterhouse had 'little if anything to do with the case'.

Another firm of accountants, Young, McClellan and Moores, had certified JMB's account, giving them a clean bill of health as recently as June 18.

Nevertheless, he said later, there was no question of being sued.

Price Waterhouse had been called in to look over the accounts as soon as it became clear that JMB was in trouble, Lawson said.

Hattersley reminded Lawson that the governor of the Bank of England wanted companies to stand or fall according to their own performance.

'Does that apply to the City or only to manufacturing industry?' he asked.

Lawson claimed Johnson Matthey shareholders have lost £250 million — three-quarters of their assets, and the entire top management have been dismissed.

Former Labour Party treasurer Norman Atkinson accused the Chancellor of protecting the reputation of people in the city including ex-MPs who were involved in the crash.

But Lawson strongly denied a claim by another Labour MP, Dale Campbell-Savours, that he was warned via the Bank of England 12 months before the crash took place that JMB was in trouble.

Rolls Royce strike vote

WORKERS at the Rolls Royce factory in East Kilbride, Lanarkshire, have voted by a 5-to-1 majority to strike from Friday.

The vote came at a mass meeting, attended by members of all unions. The meeting approved a joint shop stewards committee recommendation to take action from Friday unless management makes an improved pay offer.

'It was a strong meeting, with an overwhelming majority in favour,' con-

venor Dougie Gillies told News Line yesterday. 'We have claimed an increase of 10 per cent on all existing wage rates. The present offer is totally unacceptable.'

The current offer is worth as little as 3.6 per cent for some grades. Procedure has been exhausted.

Management has also issued a statement of intent to negotiate greater flex-

ibility and end demarcation at the factory.

● A FIVE per cent wage offer has been accepted at the British Leyland truck factory in Bathgate, West Lothian.

About 1,000 are employed at the plant, which is scheduled for closure by 1986, though there is still opposition to total shutdown. In addition to the pay increase, part of a bonus allowance is to be consolidated into basic rates, and a bonus system is being modified.

Scots NALGO fights anti-union laws

AN emergency resolution opposing sequestrators of trade union funds has been passed overwhelmingly by the Scottish district council of NALGO.

About 400 attended the meeting, held in Glasgow. The resolution will be sent to the NALGO national executive council and states:

'This district council notes the role played by the accountancy firm Price Waterhouse in sequestrating NUM funds.

'It further notes that this firm has written to all trade unions requesting informa-

tion about any money handed over to the NUM as a gift or loan and stating that future payments should be sent to the sequestrators.

Contempt

'It should be recognised that failure to comply could involve trade unions in contempt of court proceedings. This district council, while taking cognizance of the seriousness of this threat, resolves to give no co-operation at all to Price Waterhouse even if it puts the union outside of the law.'

Council — masons link

EDINBURGH — A phone call to the wrong man has sparked off a masonic lodge controversy here.

Lord Provost John Mackay received the call from regional social work director Roger Kent, who wanted to discuss proposals for a retirement home for masons.

Kent said he was calling at the request of Roger Peggie, chief executive of the region.

Puzzlement was expressed by John Mackay, however. Kent checked and found he should instead have been contacting James Mackay, former Tory Lord Provost.

Peggie was unavailable for comment yesterday afternoon. Kent, asked by News Line whether he is a mason, replied: 'It's bloody obvious I'm not, or I would have rung the other one.'

Labour councillors are asking for information about any regional involvement in the masonic home plan, for which £1m is reported to be available.

● AT last week's Lothian region council meeting, Labour group whip and miner Peter Boyes — a leading figure in the Lothian strike movement and an ex-mason — used cryptic words and signs to cause embarrassment over the affair. But there were those who were not amused.

£250,000 pay rise

BRITAIN'S highest-paid industrialist, Richard Giordano, head of industrial gases giant BOC, had a £250,000 pay rise last year.

The group's annual report shows that the chief executive collected a £771,600 pay packet in the last financial year, compared with £521,500 in the previous year.

Miners' wives should make claim

STRIKING miners' families will get more benefits if wives make the claim, Labour's Social Security spokesman Michael Meacher said yesterday.

He said if a claim was in the woman's name the family would receive supplementary benefit until the first pay packet when the strike ended and this amount would not be recoverable by the DHSS.

Where the striker himself is claiming, he will qualify for only 15 days supplementary benefit after the end of the strike and this amount is recoverable.

The change could affect up to 100,000 families. Meacher's office said welfare associations had wrongly advised many miners at the start of the strike that they should claim themselves rather than through their wives.

Last week Meacher drew

attention to the right of single striking miners to claim housing benefit for living with relatives.

Until a few weeks ago, the DHSS claimed they were not entitled to benefit, but a number of councils have now begun paying the benefit, back-dated in some cases for as much as nine months.

The government plans to close this loophole as soon as possible, even though this means that other single claimants outside the coal industry will be deprived of benefit, too.

However, to turn the screw still further on the miners, the DHSS will continue to deduct £9 a week from benefit payments to the household with whom the single person is lodging.



Pensioners' leader Jack Jones (left) and GLC leader Ken Livingstone (right) pulling a pensioners' Christmas cracker with Labour Party leader Neil Kinnock yesterday. They were guests at an old-time music hall style concert for London pensioners at the Royal Festival Hall.

GLC vice-chairman Harry Kay, who also leads the County Hall Forum for the Elderly, said: 'The principal purpose of this concert is to provide a happy morning's entertainment but I would like to take this opportunity to

point out the appalling consequences abolition of the GLC would have for London pensioners. The GLC provides seaside and country homes, and pays for pensioners' travel passes, Dial-a-Ride services and grants to organisations who work to provide a better life for elderly people. Above all we recognise the need for pensioners to have a voice in the provision and running of services and their right to have a vote which makes their needs felt by politicians.'

Corbyn defies witch-hunt

LABOUR MP Jeremy Corbyn was standing firm last night in the face of a witch-hunt by the Labour Party and the capitalist press over his contacts with former Republican prisoners.

Whip

The party's chief whip Michael Cocks summoned Corbyn for a dressing down yesterday afternoon but the MP was unrepentant about his meeting at the Commons with ex-prisoners Linda

Quigley and Gerry McLoughlin.

He told reporters he would do the same thing again if the question arose. And he pointed out that all citizens had the right to visit MPs in the House of Commons.

Cocks put out a statement after his meeting with Corbyn, describing it as 'a full and frank exchange of views'.

He said: 'I understand his deep concern over the Irish problem and strip searches but I had to tell him I felt the timing and

BY A NEWS LINE REPORTER

location of the meeting was unfortunate.'

Corbyn commented: 'That is his view. My own view is that it is important that the issue of strip searches in Armagh prison should be raised. Miss Quigley and Mr McLoughlin came to the House of Commons in order to raise it.'

He said McLoughlin had discussed the issue with about 20 MPs and during their visit on Octo-

ber 25 they had met SDLP member John Hume and another unnamed MP.

Corbyn said the 'Mail on Sunday' and the 'Daily Mail' had wrongly accused him of trying to conceal the meeting. In fact they had asked whether he met people from northern Ireland on November 28, and he had not.

'They then came to my office and said I had denied meeting these two people. That is not true. I

don't believe you can do things like that in secret, nor should you.'

Freedom

He said he did not know where the 'Mail on Sunday' had got its information from. He added: 'I made clear to Mr Cocks that it was important that an MP must have the right and freedom to meet people.'

'If somebody's come to lobby MPs then quite frankly the best place to come to is parliament.'

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COURT SET -BACK FOR HARRINGTON

Order to inspect union account

NATIONAL Front student organiser Patrick Harrington suffered a set-back yesterday in a move to have 16 North London Polytechnic students jailed for contempt of court.

Harrington has launched committal proceedings against the students over their alleged defiance of a court order outlawing attempts to ban him from lectures.

But at the High Court in London yesterday Mr Justice Drake said that notice of the proceedings had to be served on the 16 personally. So far this has proved impossible.

BY PENNY BLOOR

The case was adjourned until the beginning of the next legal term in January.

Frustrated

Harrington has been further frustrated by the fact that the polytechnic broke up for the Christmas vacation last Friday. The students will therefore have to be served with the notice at home.

At the request of the judge, the polytechnic authorities agreed to supply Harrington's solicitors with a list of home addresses.

Letters are to be posted to the students and an advertisement placed in 'The Guardian' newspaper in the hope that they will see it.

But the judge said that the last two measures alone could not be accepted as a substitute for personal service. They were merely a way of hastening proceedings if, at a later date, consideration was given to an application for an alternative method of service.

This would normally only be allowed if there was strong evidence of

deliberate attempts to avoid personal service.

Harrington's counsel Hubert Picarda said: 'There is a very great deal of resistance within the polytechnic to paying any attention to the orders of the court at all.'

Process

A process server had gone to the college with the committal documents, but they were not accepted at the students' union office, and the students there would not identify themselves. Some envelopes were left at the

faculty office to be passed on to the students.

But the judge said this was not good enough — the papers had to be handed personally to the students concerned.

Twelve of the students are alleged to have barred Harrington's way into lectures by taking part in a mass picket on November 9.

A move by Harrington to obtain a suspended sequestration order against the polytechnic was also adjourned yesterday. Picarda said further evidence was to be filed.

In a further hearing in chambers the polytechnic

authorities were applying to give Harrington private tuition in return for getting an order struck out relating to their code of discipline.

Named

The 16 students named in the committal action are: Peter Ross, Peter Redman, Andrew Hoy, Alison Hunter, Duncan Meech, Patrick Odling-Shee, John Morgan, David Williams, Faheem Ahmed, Ian Myers, Charles Gray, Eileen Lanagan, Lesley-Ann Duncanson, Sara Barrett, Alun Jones and William Perry.

THE ATTORNEY General was granted an immediate court order yesterday allowing him to inspect the bank account of North London Polytechnic's student union.

An urgent application was made to Mr Justice Scott after press reports that the students' union had already sent cheques for £5,000 to striking miners and £5,000 to Ethiopia's famine victims in defiance of court orders made last week.

Voted

The donations were voted on at a union meeting last Wednesday.

Christopher McCall, for the Attorney General, said there was concern that the students' union funds might be in jeopardy since the court order had apparently been flouted.

Inspection of the accounts would permit the Attorney General to ascertain who had signed the cheques.

Funds

There was also a fear that further funds might be withdrawn and it might be necessary for an application to be made to appoint a receiver.

The inspection will probably be carried out tomorrow or Thursday and the judge gave the students' union and the bank leave to have the order lifted.

The union was not represented at the short hearing.

WEATHER

ALL districts will have showers although it will be mostly dry at first in eastern districts with sunny periods. It will be rather cold in parts of the west and south.

Outlook for Wednesday and Thursday: Cloudy with occasional rain.



TENANTS from all over London went to Downing St yesterday to present Britain's largest rent book. The deputation consisting of both private and housing association tenants were protesting at the high rent levels currently set by rent officers. Anna Tomlinson of the National Fair Rent Campaign Co-ordinating Group said

'tenants are completely at the mercy of the Rent Officer. As no reasons for increases are given, tenants don't know how the rent has been fixed, so they don't know how best to challenge it. The system needs to be much more accessible, and based on a set of clearly defined criteria'.

Computer operators angry

COMPUTER operators in the north east who have called off their seven-and-a-half month strike accused their union leaders of selling them out yesterday.

The strikers who work computers controlling benefit payments, voted to return to work in the New Year, after being told they had no further support from the national executive of their union, the CPSA.

The end of the strike was effectively decided on Friday

at a meeting of the union's executive.

CPSA general secretary Alistair Graham said the strikers should start immediate negotiations on the management's latest offer, with a return to work 'as soon as possible'.

He warned them that if they didn't go back the executive would consider withdrawing strike pay.

The stoppage started in May because the Tories in-

sisted on shift changes for staff who keep the computers working around the clock.

The changes would have meant a pay cut for the 400 workers involved.

The government said it would mean a saving of £40,000 a year in shift payments.

But what was really at stake for the Tories was the determination to 'stand firm' against computer

workers and push through a precedent in shift payment changes.

This became clear from the fact that the government admits to having spent £60 million to £70 million on the dispute. The union puts the cost at well above £100 million.

In addition 5,000 casual civil servants have to be recruited to deal with the emergency.

At a mass meeting yesterday, the strikers approved a motion of 'no confidence' in the executive.

They then decided to prepare for negotiations on a return to work 'with overwhelming reluctance'.

Graham was at the meeting but the strikers refused to allow him to speak.

The strikers insisted that the unions 'Broad Left' dominated executive had sold out.

Lambeth stadium plan axed

A HIGH Court judge has told Lambeth Council that it cannot build a 1,000-seat athletics stadium in Brockwell Park.

Lord Justice Croom-Johnson has ruled that a series of mistakes by Council officials invalidated the planning permission which the authority had given it-

self for the development.

He quashed the permission and ordered the Council to pay the legal costs of the man who brought the action, Duncan Sharp.

The judge said that the Council had failed to take account of the fact that the park was a conservation area.

It had also failed to specify a time limit for objections when placing the notices in local papers and on the site.

Those mistakes invalidated the vote by the Council's Planning Committee in October 1983 approving the scheme, the judge ruled.

Best jailed

FORMER soccer star George Best was in Pentonville prison last night having had his appeal against a three-month prison sentence dismissed.

The former Manchester United player had been convicted of driving with excess alcohol, assaulting a police officer and failure to answer bail.

A judge at Southwark Crown Court confirmed the sentences of six weeks, four weeks and two weeks to run consecutively.

Despite mitigation pleas from his lawyer and character references from two football correspondents from national newspapers the judge told Best that the sentence was 'neither excessive nor unduly severe'.

Best's business manager Bill McMurdo said: 'We were hoping for a suspended sentence or a heavy fine and once again I believe he has suffered because of who he is, it is had been you or me we would of probably got off with a fine.'

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RIYADH — The Saudi Arabian Basic Industries Corporation (SABIC) yesterday signed a \$600-million agreement with Arab, Italian and Finnish companies to build a petrochemical plant in Jubail on Saudi Arabia's east coast. Under the arrangement, SABIC will own 70 per cent of the shares of the European-Saudi company. The other three partners will receive 10 per cent of the shares each. The plant is expected to produce 500,000 tons annually of methyl tertiary butyl ether (MTBE), 125,000 tons of butadiene and 80,000 tons of butane-1, using locally-produced feedstock.

Bank workers' campaign

ROME — Most of Italy's banks were closed yesterday, when about 220,000 bank workers went on strike for a new contract. Only savings banks which have reached agreement on contracts did not come out. The strike, called by four bank workers' unions, ended in the afternoon. Union leaders said they would call similar strikes later this month unless the banks agreed their demands on wages and conditions.

Death adds to Israeli toll

TEL AVIV — An Israeli soldier was killed yesterday in a roadside gun-battle with Lebanese militiamen in the town of Nabitiyeh in Israeli occupied south Lebanon. Israeli troops hunting Lebanese nationalists spotted a group of militiamen and in the ensuing gunbattle an Israeli soldier was killed. More than 600 Israeli troops have died since the invasion of Lebanon in June, 1982.

Valery Popkov, 76, dies

MOSCOW — Soviet scientist Valery Popkov, who worked in the field of electrophysics, has died aged 76, the official news agency Tass reported yesterday. Popkov, who was awarded the Order of Lenin, studied at the Moscow Institute of Energetics before going on to develop the basis of modern high and super-high voltage lines and high-voltage equipment.

UNESCO faces cash cuts

KUWAIT — Amadou Mahtar M'bow, the head of the UN cultural organisation UNESCO, said the body faced severe spending cuts unless members contributed more money. He predicted, however, that UNESCO would survive the US pull-out. President Reagan has decided to pull the US out of the UN body next year, denying it a key source of revenue.

Japanese sue Korean Air

TOKYO — Relatives of seven Japanese victims in last year's shooting down of a South Korean airliner sued Korean Air yesterday for \$3.7 million. Tokyo District Court officials said the relatives had rejected the airline's offer of \$75,000 compensation for each victim. Twenty-eight Japanese were among the 269 passengers and crew killed in September last year.

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U.N. AID USED IN COUP PLOT

BY A FOREIGN CORRESPONDENT

HO CHI MINH CITY — The trial of 21 mercenaries who planned a coup in Vietnam has exposed how US intelligence uses United Nations supplies for espionage operations in South-East Asia.

The prosecution in the Supreme People's Tribunal yesterday said evidence heard since the trial opened last Friday had proved the accused were 'guilty beyond a shadow of doubt'.

Testimony by the defendants have revealed also how, with the active participation of the Chinese government, the US-financed Kampuchean counter-revolutionary leader Son Sann helped organise the infiltration of supplies into Vietnam.

Son Sann is in an alliance with Khieu Samphan and Prince Norodom Sihanouk, associates of the murderous Pol Pot regime overthrown by Vietnamese forces.

Meetings

The defendants have told of meetings with Chinese Vice-Foreign Minister Han Nianlong, US Second Secretary at the Bangkok embassy Donald Coleman and Thai army deputy chief Lieutenant General Chavalit Yongchaiyuth.

A Radio Hanoi home service despatch received in London yesterday reported:

'In a court session in the trial of the serious espionage case, the ring-leaders and witnesses clearly testified to the actions taken by China and the Thai army intelligence service in their attempt to subvert and overthrow the Socialist

Republic of Vietnam government.

'At the trial, Mai Van Hanh (the leader of the captured mercenaries) admitted to having infiltrated illegally into Vietnam on three occasions, twice carrying with him weapons made and supplied by China and stored in Thailand, and at another time carrying counterfeit banknotes printed by China.

'He testified that not counting the trip he took to Hainan to receive the counterfeit banknotes, he had visited Peking four times with Le Quoc Tuy (the other accused) and had met Han Nianlong, who at that time was Chinese Deputy Foreign Minister.

'Han Nianlong urged the Tuy-Hanh group to use the countryside to encircle the cities in a war

of subversion and carry out sabotage activities with urgency.

'Mai Van Hanh also admitted that besides weapons and counterfeit money, China had supplied his group with \$50,000 and a lot of fabric and medicine, and had been promised another \$50,000 in aid.

Pilot

'Mai Van Hanh was born in 1928 in Hanoi and was a resident of Casablanca, Morocco. He was formerly a pilot and lieutenant in the puppet regime (of President Nguyen Van Thieu).

'He was arrested in September. In his so-called front (the 'United Front of the Patriotic Forces for the Liberation of Vietnam') Hanh had the code number C-5 and

was co-chairman of its 'external relations committee'.

'Hanh himself, together with Tuy, sent telegrams and letters directly to their followers at home, giving them orders and plans for developing forces; mounting attacks on major targets such as Cho Quan power plant, the Nha Be oil depot and Tan Son Nhut airport; gathering intelligence and establishing bases for receiving infiltrators from abroad.

'Tran Van Bau (another accused) said that, while in Bangkok, his group had received China's money through the Bangkok Bank and while at the secret base '37' on the Thai-Kampuchean border, had received grain and food through the Son Sann group taken from the United Nations humanitarian aid for refugees.

'He had on several

occasions contacted the Chinese embassy in Bangkok, as well as a number of Americans in Bangkok, including Donald Coleman, Second Secretary at the US embassy in Thailand.

The court panel exhibited the 300 million dong worth of currency that the counter-revolutionaries had smuggled into Vietnam.

Weapons

Weapons exhibits included Chinese-made DKz and B-40 machine and sub-machine guns, pistols, a range of ammunition, TNT and C-4 explosives.

The Radio Hanoi despatch said: 'The defendants admitted they had received the weapons and counterfeit money from China and had taken them clandestinely to Vietnam.'

Mengistu in Moscow

MOSCOW — Ethiopian leader Mengistu Haile Mariam arrived yesterday on a previously unannounced visit.

He was met at the airport by senior Kremlin officials, including Grigory Romanov, a member of the ruling Politburo, and Boris Ponomarev, Secretary of the Central Committee.

The visit is believed to be aimed at reassuring Mengistu of continued Soviet aid to relieve the Ethiopian famine.

Moscow has provided Addis Ababa with food and

transport aid recently to combat the effects of disastrous drought and famine which has killed thousands of Ethiopians.

Loyal

Mengistu is regarded in the Kremlin as their most loyal ally in Africa. In March this year, he met President Konstantin Chernenko in Moscow as well as Foreign and Defence ministers Andrei Gromyko and Dmitry Ustinov for military and economic co-operation talks.



MENGISTU

US lawyers tout for trade

NEW DELHI — Indian lawyers are angered at the sight of hordes of American lawyers touting for business among the victims of the Bhopal massacre.

In India the judicial rules prohibit a lawyer acting until he has been retained with an exchange of fees.

The sight of teams of Americans jostling like vendors hawking their wares from New Delhi to Bhopal and taking on cases without first charging their fees has shocked the Indian lawyers.

'The Americans are acting like mercenaries,' Professor Tahir Mohammad, head of the Law Centre at South Delhi University, said.

At Bhopal, in a tent opposite the Union Carbide plant, the American lawyers sat in the swelter-

ing heat, as their would-be clients were herded in by hastily-hired 'scouts'.

The shanty town has discovered a new kind of vulture; the jet-setting American lawyer who can claim the earth and lead the largely illiterate population a months-long dance for a one third cut of the takings.

One American lawyer has signed up 24,000 people, including the injured and relatives of the dead.

At one Bhopal hotel, a stream of undernourished people came in last week to see grey-suited lawyers who a week before were in offices on Wall Street and Los Angeles.

They have filed suits worth about \$85 billion. Amid the death and disaster, the speculators of the imperialist system have set up a roaring trade.

Refugees stay clear of Bhopal

BHOPAL — More than 6,000 people from the Madhya Pradesh capital have fled to the nearby town of Mundideep and say they will not return home until the US conglomerate Union Carbide closes its death factory.

Bhopal streets were deserted again yesterday as scientists continued the 'neutralisation' process on 15 tons of the lethal phosgene-methyl isocyanate gas that has killed up to 6,000 people and made homeless about 25,000 of the city's 900,000.

Paramilitary forces and armed police stood guard, while a fleet of fire brigade vehicles stood by and army helicopters circled above the Jayaprakash Nagar plant ten miles from the capital.

At the height of India's December 24 general election campaign, the Union Carbide massacre at Bhopal has become a major political issue. The security forces were used in baton charges at the weekend to clear demonstrators from the factory.

Anger

But the anger simmers. Anwar Shar, who grows wheat and soybean on a 70-acre farm near Mundideep, 20 miles south of Bhopal, said 30 people, mainly women and children, had sheltered in his farmhouse.

He said: 'A host never tells his guests to leave and I am not going to do so. But the people staying with me have heard on the radio

that the plant is safe.'

Retired army brigadier K. K. Sharma said thousands of people fled south before Sunday and every house in the town had someone from Bhopal staying in it. 'Many have gone to villages where they have no relatives,' he said.

Many others leave Bhopal in the daytime and return in the evening, after the 'neutralisation process' at the Union Carbide factory has stopped for the day. The scientists have announced they expect to finish on Thursday.

State-run All-India Radio said yesterday four tons of the poison gas had been converted so far. Rows of houses were boarded up and many shops remained shut. Security forces patrolled the city in jeeps.

World News Line

Israel
pleads
for aid

TEL AVIV — Israel's foreign currency reserves will run out by the middle of next year unless the United States provides a massive increase in economic aid, a Finance Ministry spokesman said yesterday.

They were speaking after a high-level economic team left for Washington to begin talks on Israel's 1986 aid allocation.

Government economic analysts said they would ask President Reagan for \$4 billion in aid for 1986, compared with 2.5 billion Israel is getting next year.

If Washington were to grant less than \$3.5 billion, Israel would face 'grave monetary crisis' by the middle of next year, they said.

Israel's foreign currency reserves stand at \$28 billion, after the US last month advanced payment of \$1.2 billion from the 1985 allocation. The reserves are falling at the rate of \$300 million to \$400 million a month.

The decline has continued despite an improvement in the balance of trade, which saved the country \$800 million this year, according to claims by Finance Ministry spokesman.

Economist Geoffrey Fisher said: 'The reserves fell sharply this year because of a big increase in short-term repayments which will continue next year.'

Fifteen per cent of Israel's external debt, which at \$24 billion is the world's highest rate per capita, consists of short-term loans that must be repaid within a year.

The Finance Ministry has warned that these debt repayments will cause a substantial drain on reserves in the next few months.

Lebanon
talks
resume

BEIRUT — Lebanese-Israeli talks on ending the 30-month Zionist occupation of south Lebanon resumed yesterday in the wake of terror raids by the occupation forces on eight villages last week.

Lebanese Prime Minister Rashid Karami's government announced it had won all-party backing for a plan to extend state control down to Israel's front line.

The plan is believed to have been reached on a Syrian-backed scheme to deploy the Lebanese army in militia-held territory between Beirut and the Awali River, twice delayed because of Druze opposition.

Since the talks began on November 8, the Shimon Peres government in Tel Aviv has rejected Beirut's demands for Lebanese army deployment, while Karami and his ministers have rejected an Israeli proposal to install a Zionist-backed puppet militia.

Yesterday was the tenth round of talks at the United Nations forces headquarters.

MOSCOW PRAISES
TORY 'REALISM'

BY A FOREIGN CORRESPONDENT

MOSCOW — The Kremlin has hailed Soviet Politburo member Mikhail Gorbachev's week-long tour of Britain as a sign of London's realism and the highlight of 60 years of diplomatic relations between the two governments.

Press and television reports in Moscow have issued fulsome commentaries on the contacts and lamented the 'inadequate level' of relations between the two governments.

The Communist Party mouthpiece 'Pravda' said the visit marked an 'ever

deeper realisation of the lack of prospects and the danger of intensifying military and political confrontation between West and East'.

The career bureaucrat's visit is an indirect assurance to President Reagan on the arms talks in Geneva next month between Soviet Foreign Minister Andrei Gromyko and US Secretary of State George Shultz.

Report

As a report from London by Boris Kalyagin for Moscow television put it:

'It is customary to sum up results in the last months of the year which is ending. The British

press is also engaged in this. Observers devote considerable attention to the problem of East-West relations and to Soviet-British ties.

'In London, in the famous City, the centre of Britain's trade and financial life, is the Moscow Narodny Bank. In British business circles, it has the prestige of a reliable and honest partner, and altogether 12 Soviet-British mixed companies are functioning in Great Britain.

'Nonetheless, our trade and economic ties, not to mention political contacts, could be signifi-

cantly wider and richer in content.'

The television commentary echoed another on Moscow's home service radio on the eve of Gorbachev's departure for London.

History

'Diplomatic relations between our two countries have a 60-year history. The British government was among the first to make a realistic assessment of the advantages to be had from maintaining normal relations with the Land of the Soviets.

'Over the years, Soviet-British relations have gone through different phases. However, the position of the USSR has stayed constant throughout: we want co-operation based on equality and mutual advantages.'

The '60-year history' over which they are singing their praises is a travesty of the relations that the Bolshevik state under the leadership of Lenin and Trotsky fought to build with the British working class.

Gorbachev, however, has come to make guarantees that Moscow and the east European Stalinist bureaucracies will not break any coal and oil contracts or in any

way impede Thatcher's Bonapartist class war against the British miners' strike.

This is invaluable assistance to the treachery of the right-wing TUC leadership and the deeply divided and splintered British Stalinists against the miners' struggle.

As the Moscow home service report said: 'Following a period in the early 1980s, when trade and economic links between the two countries experienced a certain stagnation through no fault of our own, these links have now begun to show more liveliness.'

'For example, over the last ten years, more than 120,000 Lada cars have been supplied to Britain. 'Even so, bilateral contacts in different spheres are still not at an adequate level. The USSR wants these contacts to be developed.'

Craving

In the tenth month of the miners' strike, the Kremlin Stalinists are preoccupied with their craving for 'peaceful co-existence with imperialism' and stabbing the historic struggle in the back.

Gorbachev gave this guarantee when he said after the Chequers meeting with Prime Minister Thatcher that the Soviet government had given the NUM no money.

He is much more interested in battling for the Soviet bureaucracy at the expense of the British working class; signing up sterling contracts and making secret deals.

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Jaruzelski's
police terror

FOR the millions of supporters of Solidarity, Poland's free trade union, last Sunday was yet another demonstration of the police brutality of a desperate military regime.

General Wojciech Jaruzelski's policemen were out in force on the 14th anniversary of the slaughter of 42 Polish workers at Gdansk, the northern Baltic port.

Unable to suppress Solidarity, it is clear the Jaruzelski dictatorship has adopted the methods of the most savage military juntas sponsored by US imperialism in Latin America and elsewhere.

The November 16 issue of 'Voice of Solidarnosc', the bulletin of exiled Polish supporters of Solidarity in London, quotes testimony by some victims.

Complaint

This testimony is from a complaint written to the Regional Procurator in the Bydgoszcz-Torun region, north-western Poland:

'On 21 February, at 7 o'clock, I was stopped by two men outside my home. They said they were from security (but didn't produce any documentation to prove it), and then pushed me into a yellow "Nysa" car.

'In the car I was handcuffed and my eyes were blindfolded with a scarf. To my request that they at least leave at (my) home some powdered

BY A FOREIGN CORRESPONDENT

milk for a one-month-old grandson whose mother was very ill in hospital, they replied that there was to be no trace or information about the abduction.

'For the next half hour I was driven in an unknown direction. After the car had stopped I was bundled out into a field and underwent an interrogation.

'I received death threats, among others by drowning, disappearance without trace (they stated that every year 200 vanish without trace and that I could be the 201st victim). After this I was again driven for half an hour and then led into some kind of lodging house.

'... I was stripped to my underpants (it was very cold in the house), threatened with a dousing of cold water, and while menacing me with a pistol, I was forced to sign a declaration to the effect that everything now taking place would remain secret.'

OK for Poland

WASHINGTON — The Reagan government has withdrawn its opposition to Poland's rejoining the International Monetary Fund (IMF), the White House has confirmed. The 'New York Times' reported at the weekend that the government had advised Polish Foreign Ministry officials in Warsaw of the decision. The Polish government has a foreign debt of about \$35 billion. IMF re-entry will enable the Jaruzelski regime to borrow more dollars to prop-up the debt-strapped bureaucracy.



The monument to the workers of Gdansk killed in 1970

Other incidents reported include that of a Warsaw worker and trade unionist whom ZOMO agents told 'in a disarmingly candid manner': 'Either you admit your guilt or we sack you from the factory or a third solution will be found.'

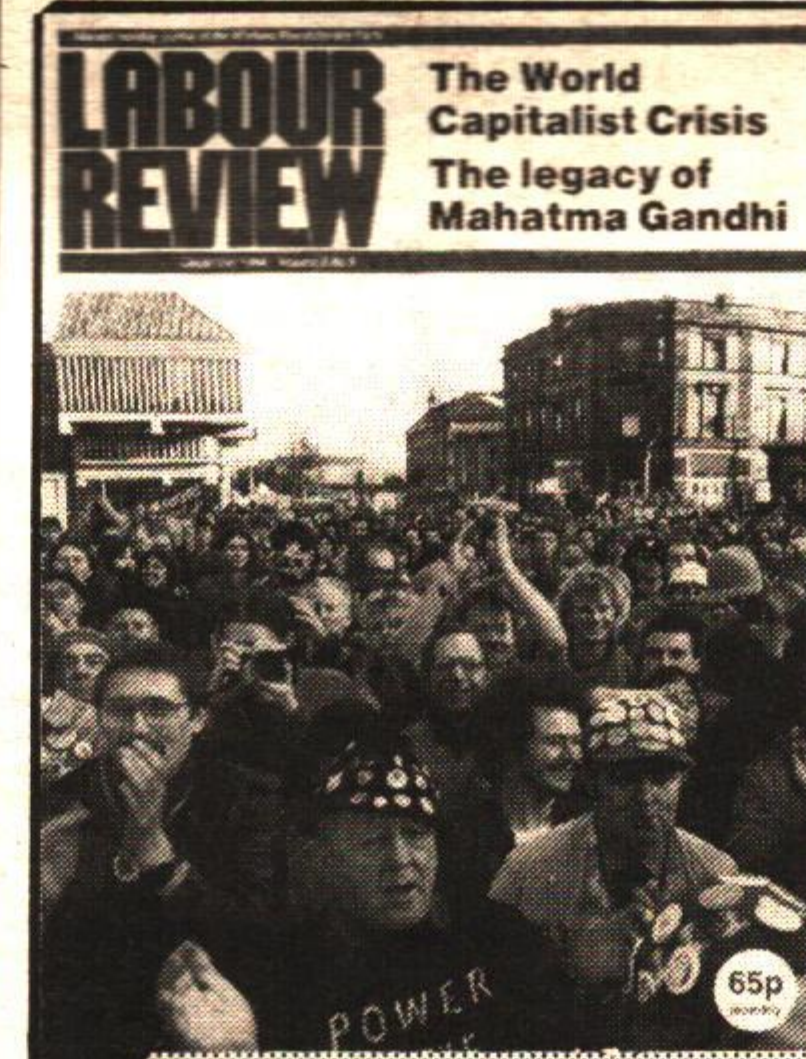
'Voice of Solidarnosc' tells also of the brutal beating of a woman named Ewa Tomaszewska, a participant in the operation to give aid to political prisoners.

Murder

She had been arrested once before at the time of the beating. Tomaszewska was later imprisoned.

The abduction and murder last October of pro-Solidarity priest Jerzy Aleksander Popieluszko tore the veil off secret terror to which Polish oppositionists are frequently subjected.

A senior investigator of the crime died early this month, when his car ran into a snow plough roaming a countryside where there had been no snow call for more than a week. Clearly an accident made to order.



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'Mary Rose' to be turned right side up

WORK will begin soon to right the 'leaning' Tudor warship 'Mary Rose', lifted from the Solent seabed two years ago.

The surviving section of Henry VIII's flagship, which sank in 1545, now lies at a 60-degree angle in a steel cradle lying on a pontoon barge in a covered dry dock at Portsmouth Naval base.

The Mary Rose Trust and the Taylor Woodrow construction group have jointly devised a scheme to support the hull for the next 20 years in the dock.

This will enable restoration work to begin and ensure that the hull is properly supported before the additional weight of 100 tonnes of deck

planking and cabin structures is replaced in the empty shell.

The Ship Hall is totally enclosed so that the environment is strictly controlled to maintain the hull in its present condition. It has to be kept at 95 per cent humidity and 5 degrees centigrade at all times.

Taylor Woodrow Construction Ltd has won a £450,000 contract to cut away the barge and lower the 'Mary Rose' hull, slide the hull in its cradle to the northern side of the dock and complete the rotation of the hull to the upright position.

The job, which urgently needs doing, will take nine months to complete.



CBI try to scotch the Bulgarians

THE Confederation of British Industry has accused Bulgaria of failing to act against manufacturers of counterfeit Johnnie Walker whisky.

A huge shipment of 22,500 cases of the bogus whisky was seized by customs men at the Italian port of Ancona earlier this year.

Transport documents showed that the goods had been despatched from the Bulgarian capital Sofia by Despred, the state forwarding company.

Factory

The CBI claims the whisky was produced at a factory in the Bulgarian countryside established four years ago by a French chemist.

It could apparently produce 7 million worth of 'whisky' a year, and was guarded by armed state police.

The labels, with a Johnnie Walker figure, do not say 'Produce of Scotland'. But the caps, cardboard cases and bottles were close copies of the genuine article.

WORKERS REVOLUTIONARY PARTY

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SCOTLAND

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

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

CUMNOCK: Thursday January 17, 7.30p.m. Netherthird Community Centre, Netherthird.

Speakers: **George Faulds** (YS Regional Committee); **Alex McLarty** (WRP Central Committee); **George Laughlin** (Auchinleck NUM strike committee chairman, in personal capacity)

EDINBURGH: Monday January 21, 7.30p.m. Cross Keys Public House, Dalkeith.

Speakers: **Barry Huyton** (YS National Committee); **Terry Brotherton** (Edinburgh WRP); **Duncan Foggo** (SCEBT Monktonhall, in personal capacity)

RUTHERGLEN: Wednesday January 23, 7.30p.m. Rutherglen Burgh Hall, King Street.

Speakers: **Chris Corrigan** (WRP Central Committee); **Mick Thompson** (Rutherglen YS); Speaker from Scottish NUM

DUNFERMLINE: Thursday January 23, 7.30p.m. Queen Anne High School.

Speakers: **Simon Pirani** (WRP Central Committee); **Alan Paton** (Valleyfield YS, Comrie NUM in personal capacity)

YORKSHIRE

ROTHERHAM: Tuesday December 18, 7.30p.m. Clifton Hall, Doncaster Gate.

Speakers: **Chris Marsden** (YS National Committee); **Vanessa Redgrave** (WRP Central Committee); **Frank Spencer** (Dinnington NUM, in personal capacity)

DONCASTER: Wednesday December 19, 7.30p.m. The Royal, Queen Mary Road, Rosington.

Speakers: **Mike Banda** (WRP Central Committee); **Katie Rhodes** (YS Regional Committee); **John Howell** (Houghton Main NUM, in personal capacity)

EAST MIDLANDS

ALFRETON: Thursday December 20, 7.30p.m. The Plough Inn, Nottingham Road.

Speakers: **C. Lymas** (YS Regional Committee); **Mick Nettleship** (Alfreton WRP)

CHESTERFIELD: Tuesday January 8, 7.30p.m. Brimington Community Centre, Heywood Street, Brimington.

Speakers: **C. Lymas** (YS Regional Committee); **Annette Holroyd** (Blidworth WRP); **Peter Jones** (WRP Central Committee)

NOTTINGHAM: Tuesday January 15, 7.30p.m. Nottingham Youth Training Centre, Commerce Square, Lace Market.

Speakers: **C. Lymas** (YS Regional Committee); **Annette Holroyd** (Blidworth WRP); **Peter Jones** (WRP Central Committee)

WEST MIDLANDS

BIRMINGHAM: Wednesday December 19, 7.30p.m. Lecture Room 1, Digbeth Civic Hall.

Speakers: **Clive Andrews** (YS National Committee); **Corin Redgrave** (WRP Central Committee); speaker from South Staffs NUM

RUGELEY: Wednesday January 9, 7.30p.m. The Globe.

Speakers: **Clive Andrews** (YS National Committee); **Corin Redgrave** (WRP Central Committee); Speaker from South Staffs NUM

NORTH WEST

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

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

STOCKPORT: Thursday January 10, 7.30p.m. Trade Union Centre, High Street.

Speakers: **John Oldham** (YS National Committee); **Stuart Carter** (WRP Central Committee)

BIRKENHEAD: Tuesday January 22, 7.30p.m. Trade Union Unemployed Resource Centre, 101 New Chester Road.

Speakers: **Cathy Flaherty** (YS Regional Committee); **Larry Cavanagh** (Birkenhead WRP); **Tony Banda** (WRP Central Committee); **Karl Creaney** (NUPE, in personal capacity)

MIDDLETON: Thursday January 31, 7.30p.m. Assheton Arms, Long Street, Manchester.

Speakers: **John Oldham** (YS National Committee); **Ray Waring** (WRP Central Committee); **Joan Forster** (NUPE, North Manchester General, in personal capacity)

EASTERN

YARMOUTH: Wednesday January 23, 7.30p.m. Central Library, Gorleston.

Speakers: **Mark Harrison** (YS Regional Committee); **Fiona Cairns** (Norwich WRP)

KENT

DEAL: Thursday January 10, 7.30p.m. Alma Pub, West Street.

Speakers: **Dolly Short** (YS Editor); **Mike Banda** (WRP General Secretary); Speaker from Kent NUM

HERTS

LUTON: Thursday January 17, 7.30p.m. Hightown Recreation Centre, Old Bedford Road.

Speakers: **Spencer Wylie** (Colney Heath YS); **Paul Stickley** (Watford WRP)

HEMEL HEMPSTEAD: Wednesday January 30, 7.30p.m. Friends Meeting House.

Speakers: **Colin Jeffery** (YS Regional Committee); **Paul Stickley** (Watford WRP)

MIDDLESEX

HARROW: Thursday January 17, 7.30p.m. The Railway Tavern, Wealdstone.

Speakers: **Dolly Short** (YS Editor); **Richard Price** (WRP Central Committee)

LONDON

HACKNEY: Tuesday December 18, 7.30p.m. Hackney Town Hall, Reading Lane entrance, off Mare Street, E8.

Speakers: **Graham Campbell** (Hackney YS); **Richard Goldstein** (London district committee WRP); **Monique Watson** (COHSE shop steward German hospital, in personal capacity)

WILLESDEN: Wednesday December 19, 8p.m. The Rising Sun, 25 Harlesden Road, NW10.

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

ISLINGTON: Wednesday December 19, 7.30p.m. Islington West Library, Bridgeman Road/Caledonian Road, N1.

Speakers: **Elizabeth Ali** (YS Regional Secretary); **Richard Price** (WRP Central Committee); **Speaker from Kent NUM**

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

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

KENTISH TOWN: Thursday December 20, 7.30p.m. Kentish Town Library, Kentish Town Road, NW5.

Speakers: **R. Boulting** (YS Regional Committee); **Richard Goldstein** (WRP London District Committee)

BARKING: Thursday December 20, 7.30p.m. Barking Methodist Hall, London Road.

Speakers: **Julie Hyland** (YS National Secretary); **Andy Blunden** (Canning Town WRP)

EAST HAM: Monday January 7, 7.30p.m. Music Room, Stratford School, Upton Lane, E7.

Speakers: **Julie Hyland** (YS National Secretary); **Keth Scotcher** (WRP London District Committee)

CLAPHAM: Wednesday January 9, 7.30p.m. Coronation Hall, Union Road, Springfield Estate, SW8.

Speakers: **Frances Goldstein** (YS Regional Committee); **Alex Mitchell** (WRP Central Committee)

NORTH KENSINGTON: Thursday January 10, 7.30p.m. Westway Luncheon Club, next to Ladbroke Grove tube station.

Speakers: **Claire Dixon** (YS National Committee); **Barran Hulme** (North Kensington WRP)

KILBURN: Thursday January 10, 7.30p.m. Anson Hall, Anson Road, Cricklewood, NW2.

Speakers: **Matt Hanlon** (YS National Committee); **Richard Price** (WRP Central Committee)

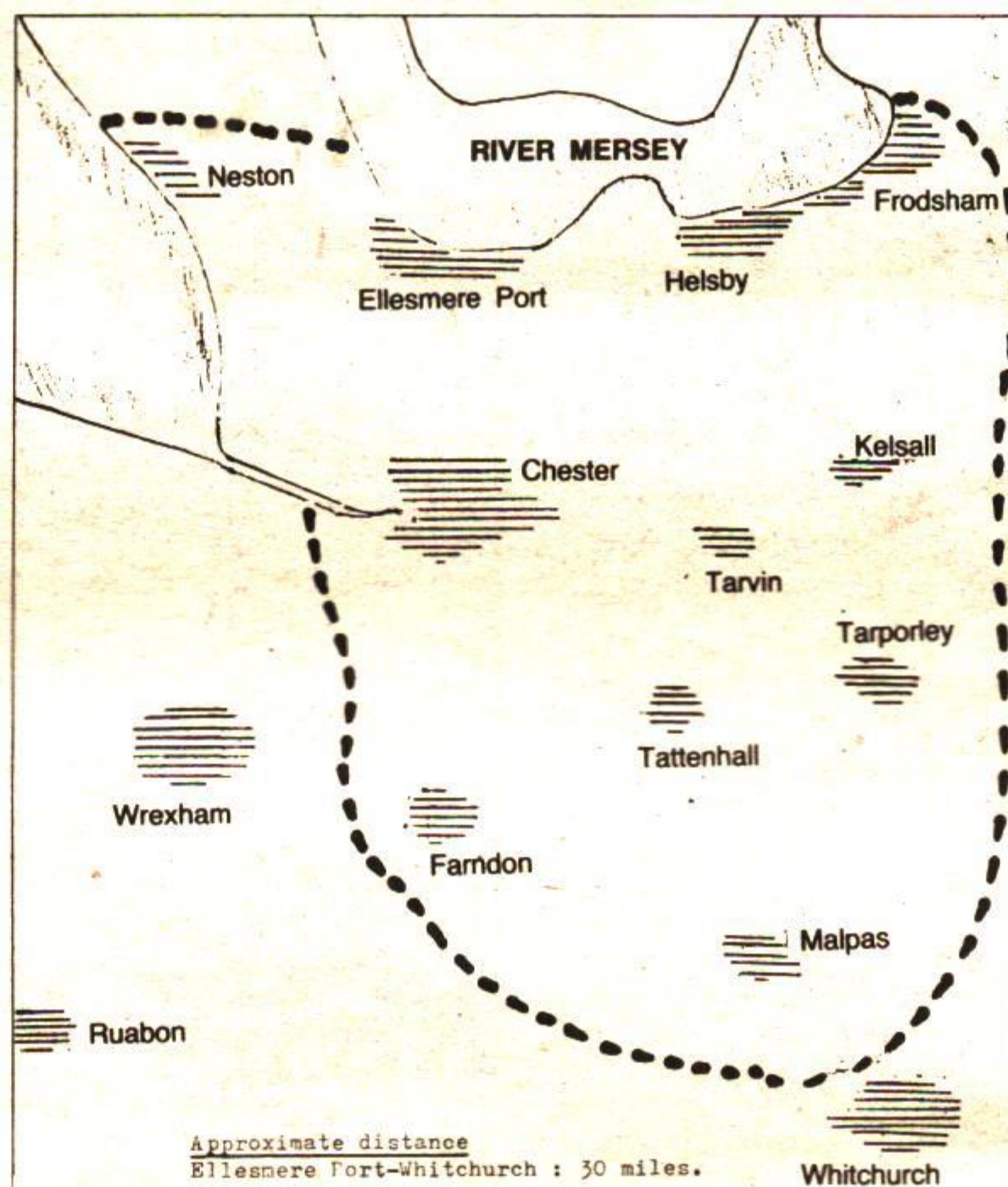
PECKHAM: Thursday January 17, 7.30p.m. North Peckham Civic Centre, Old Kent Road/Peckham Park Road, SE15.

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

ACTON: Tuesday January 22, 8p.m. Council Chamber, Town Hall, Acton High Street, W3.

Speakers: **Dolly Short** (YS Editor); **Geoff Pilling** (WRP Central Committee)

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AMBULANCEMEN are leading a campaign against government cuts in the health service in a large area around Ellesmere Port, Cheshire.

From 1 December, emergency ambulance cover was cut to only three vehicles between 8p.m. and 8a.m. to cover an area which includes Ellesmere Port, Chester and reaches to beyond the Welsh border.

BY A REGIONAL CORRESPONDENT

During the day there are four ambulances available, and five dual-purpose vehicles for carrying old and disabled people.

Under the new arrangements, at night there are only three ambulances Monday to Thursday and four over the weekends.

Up to now, in an emergency they have been able to call on help from ambulance stations in the Wirral, Runcorn and Warrington.

When there was a recent emergency call to a road accident it took the ambulance 40 minutes to reach the injured passengers because of the distance it had to travel. Luckily no one was seriously hurt, but what will happen next time?

The cuts are despite a potential health hazard in Ellesmere Port posed by giant chemical plants and oil refineries. There is also the Capenhurst nuclear experimental station.

A serious leak from any of these sites could produce a catastrophe as serious as the Union Carbide disaster in India.

The Ellesmere Port ambulancemen are particularly angry at the high-handed manner in which they were informed of the cutbacks.

Chester Health Authority's Chief Ambulance Officer E.A. Wisbey wrote to the secretary of the APAP (ambulance union) branch in Ellesmere Port on November 2 notifying them of the new arrangements.

The ambulancemen themselves only learned of the cuts three weeks before they were due to be implemented.

APAP has written to every doctor in the area asking for support as a first step in their campaign against the cuts.

Percy Glover, chairman of the Ellesmere Port branch told News Line: 'There are a hell of a lot of people covered by our area. The unions asked for the status quo to be maintained so the situation could be properly assessed, but this was refused. There has been no proper consultation with the unions.'

4-PAGE PULL-OUT

THE MINERS' STRUGGLE

Ledston Luck call for full backing action

Not TUC 'initiatives' but directives

THE MINERS don't want TUC 'initiatives', they want TUC directives to other unions for industrial action, Karl Curry, NUM president at Ledston Luck colliery, firmly believes.

'We have now reached the end of the year, and we want to know if the TUC are going to end the talking as well.

'If they are suggesting that there is going to be a return to work without the total withdrawal of the pit closure plan, then I have a question to address to them.

'Do they think we have been playing at strike action for nine months? There can be no return to work and no negotiations until the pit closure plan is fully withdrawn.

'Many people have spoken about compromise, but in my opinion the union has compromised too much already at the last set of talks at ACAS. We were set back by the settlement made between the Coal Board and the NACODS deputies' union.

'Their settlement was alien to our dispute, yet it knocked us back. On two points, the refusal to pay wages if they didn't cross picket lines and the Coal Board's insistence that they ride on the battle bus, their dispute had nothing to do with the fight for jobs.

'But they also agreed that the future of the five threatened pits would be open to arbitration when we had already got a verbal agreement that they would remain open.

'Despite this, the time has come when the TUC should honour the pledges it made at its conference, and the same applies to the Labour Party.

'The time has long since past when there was room in the arena for spectators. And after nearly ten months on strike, we shouldn't have to request support at all. The other unions should be saying the miners have suffered too long and too much to be left on their own.

'Do the other unions expect us to go into another summer? Are they going to help us this winter as they should?

'Don't misunderstand us. The miners will stay out until the bitter end, but we are losing patience with those who promised support from the rostrum but have delivered nothing.

'If we do not get help from the TUC, we must turn to people like Moss Evans and the T&GWU. Even without that, I believe we will see support from members who will take their own initiative.

'In the coming wage round there will be unrest about the settlements, and many may include the loss of jobs.

'If the other unions stand to lose jobs they should join us. We are leading the fight to safeguard jobs and I hope other unions will follow us.

'People have said it is inevitable that jobs must be lost, but we have proved it is not inevitable. The other unions do not have to accept the loss of jobs.'

Despite the growing frustration with the failure of the TUC to mobilise industrial support, miners at Ledston Luck are confident that the government is facing the prospect of electricity cuts in the near future.



Karl Curry, president of Ledston Luck NUM (centre), with some of his striking mates yesterday

South African NUM sends cash

NORTH Staffordshire miner Roy Jones has just returned from a month-long visit to the South African NUM with a donation to the national strike fund.

It is the first occasion that money has been received from a South African trade union by trade unionists in a major industrial country.

Jones explained: 'They were fully supportive of our strike. When they heard of our struggle and the way we are fighting back and not giving in to the bosses' oppression of us, coupled with the fact that they could see a white mineworker on strike, their reaction to me was unbelievably warm and generous.'

Safety

Jones said that the white miners do no real work in the South African pits, but only act as policemen over the blacks. He supported the South African NUM appeal to British miners not to emigrate because they would invariably become a part of the system of racial privilege and oppression in the mines.

He referred to the appalling safety conditions in the gold and coal mines in South Africa.

He said: 'I have never seen such disgusting working conditions in my life. The management have a total contempt for safety underground.'

Leeds supporters at Ledston Luck

OVER 350 miners and their supporters from Leeds gathered to oppose scabs at Ledston Luck colliery before dawn yesterday.

The Coal Board claims that 16 scabs are working at the pit, but the visiting supporters had no chance to check the figure since the scab bus has whitewashed windows and metal grills.

Leaders of the West Yorkshire County Council, presently threatened with abolition, have repeated warnings of the effect of pit closures on the local community. They are seeking a meeting with Tory Employment Secretary Tom King to express their fears.

Meanwhile, presents for striking miners' children have been arriving in the county. Several lorry loads of presents have been distributed in South Yorkshire, and a shipment of food and present is due to be unloaded at Hull docks this morning.

The support comes from Danish trade unionists, and will be added to loads already being delivered from Belgian and French trade unionists.

Neil Griffiths, a young striker from Allerton Bywater pit, said the 300 Labour Party and trade unionists who picketed yesterday was 'a tremendous turn out'.

'It makes us feel we are not on our own. To turn out at 4a.m. in the morning in the middle of winter when they are not miners is really great.'

Paul Wilkinson, Ledston Luck miner, said: 'The TUC are pathetic. They are backing the government instead of us. They are too scared to come into confrontation with the new trade union laws.'

Leadership

'Today's picket proves that there is rank and file support, but the TUC will not give the leadership to get it organised.'

'Instead they are sneaking off behind our backs to interview the government when Thatcher has already said she will not talk to the miners unless we compromise.'

Joe Harrison, branch secretary at Ledston Luck: 'The turn-out was very good of local Labour Party

members, students and trade unionists to assist us in picketing against the scabbing miners working at our colliery.

'The police knew this was going to happen and have acted appropriately by bringing along 250 policemen. The picketing at Ledston Luck has been successful.'

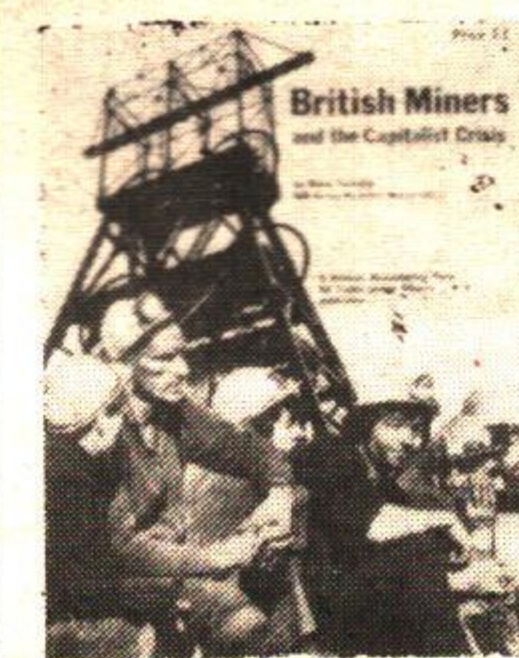
'Sixteen are going in, but that number has been static for three weeks.'

'The TUC are staying in their usual position behind everybody else, not acting as a TUC body should. The support of this morning indicated there could be real support if the TUC would give its backing to the Congress decisions.'

'On Saturday evening people from Wakefield's twin city in West Germany came over to Normanton and brought four vanloads of clothes. These were searched thoroughly for four hours by customs.'

'They also brought money which is being distributed around the pits in Yorkshire.'

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Kremlin hails Thatcher

THE MINERS' strike was briefly discussed at the Chequers meeting between Prime Minister Thatcher and Soviet politburo member Mikhail Gorbachev. Thatcher demanded to know whether the Soviet Union was sending funds to the National Union of Mineworkers and Gorbachev was happy to assure her it was not.

If this crawling exchange has been correctly reported, Gorbachev not only disowned the British working class and their struggle against capitalist oppression, he also denied the efforts of Soviet workers to aid the NUM in their struggle against Thatcher.

Gorbachev delivered a message from his boss President Konstantin Chernenko stating that in Soviet-British relations the Soviet Union 'intends to promote active and serious political dialogue, to seek broader mutual understanding, to co-operate on the basis of mutual benefit'.

In a statement yesterday, Gorbachev said: 'We express the hope that the British government will follow the similar line. In the prevailing international situation the need to establish certain mutual understanding between our two countries is especially great.'

This is the attitude of the Soviet Stalinist bureaucracy towards the most reactionary regime in western Europe. No wonder Thatcher and her Cabinet have laid out the red carpet for Gorbachev and his entourage. It is a golden propaganda opportunity for the Tory Bonapartist leader to pose as a world statesman.

The publicity machine is in top gear. According to yesterday's 'Times': 'Mr Gorbachev's affability and humour, together with the charm of his wife, have made the most vivid impression on his British hosts and promise to make today's luncheon at Hampton Court, given by Sir Geoffrey Howe, a memorable occasion.'

The paper added that Hampton Court, 'a particularly grand but little employed location for state hospitality' was being used by special permission of Buckingham Palace. They must be pretty certain that Mr and Mrs Gorbachev won't walk off with the spoons!

In Moscow, the official line is that the Thatcher government is showing 'growing realism', coming round to the same view of the need for peaceful coexistence that has long been held by the Kremlin bureaucracy. This is how the bureaucracy glorifies the imperialist warmongers.

It recalls the events 45 years ago when Stalin assured the Soviet people that Hitler and the Nazi regime were their allies. This infamous pact led directly to World War II, the invasion of the USSR and the sacrifice of 20 million Soviet lives to throw out the invaders.

Gorbachev was much too polite to put any demands on Thatcher, like the withdrawal of cruise missiles from Britain. That sort of call might have soured the 'relaxed atmosphere' in which his meeting with Thatcher took place.

Gorbachev's visit is closely connected with the preparation of arms reduction talks due to open in Geneva next month. CND and similar movements in Europe, on which the Stalinists pinned great hopes, have failed to prevent the deployment of cruise missiles and the escalation of NATO's military threat to the USSR. Pacifism plays a deeply reactionary role and disarms the working class in relation to war.

The Reagan administration is turning the screw even tighter with a programme for the development of 'star wars' weapons. With inferior technology and a far lower level of labour productivity, the Soviet Union is in a poor position to compete in such a fabulously expensive arms race.

Instead of basing the defence of the Soviet Union on the revolutionary power of the international working class, the bureaucracy responds to the imperialists' world war preparations by trying to curry favour with the imperialist enemy.

It means giving assurances to Thatcher that Moscow will not support the miners' strike, while simultaneously telling the Soviet workers of the virtues of Thatcher's 'realism'. This is the counter-revolutionary face of Stalinist 'peaceful coexistence'.

ORGANISE A GENERAL COUNCILS UNITE WITH MINERS' FIGHT

BY SIMON VEVERS

LABOUR councils facing rate-capping or abolition must stand firm and unite with the miners in fighting the Thatcher government, Greater London Council leader Ken Livingstone said yesterday.

His call for the struggle to defend services and thousands of local authority jobs to be linked to the miners' ten-month battle against pit closures was made during a 300-strong mass picket of Neasden power station in London.

Livingstone told delegations of rail, health and local government workers that councils could best support the miners by refusing to comply with rate-capping and the planned abolition of the GLC and six metropolitan authorities.

He said: 'I give you a commitment that a firm proposal will be put by the Labour group in the GLC not to accept the £141 million cut the Tories are demanding we make.'

'If that puts us outside the law then it is the responsibility of the Thatcher government.'

Defiant

By attacking the miners and defiant Labour councils, Livingstone said the Tory government was seeking to 'clear the decks of its opponents' in anticipation of a major collapse of the economy.

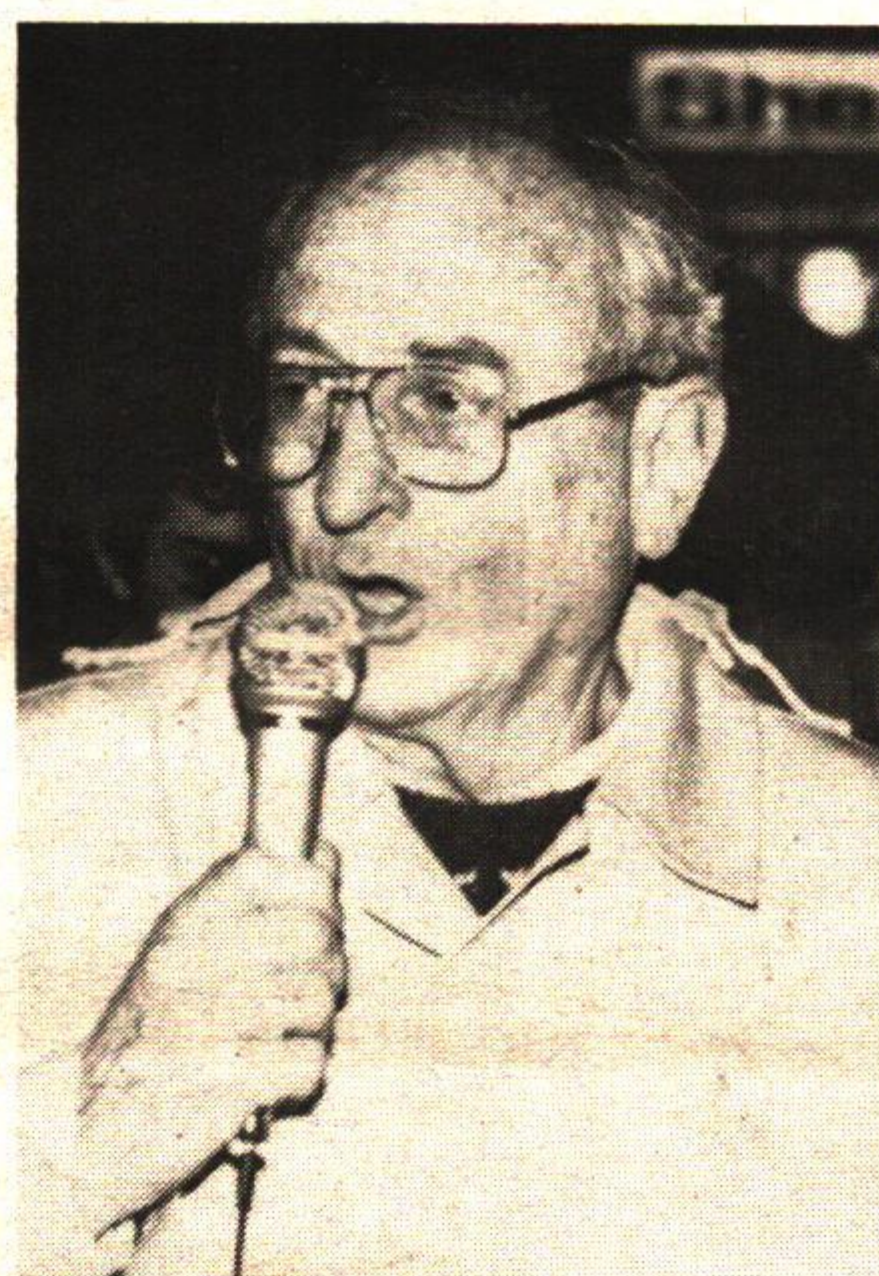
He condemned TUC and Labour Party leaders who had 'followed the agenda set by the Tories' in attacking strikers and he demanded that all Labour MPs should join NUM picket lines.

Livingstone added: 'We'll not defeat this government in parliament but through industrial action.'

Mass pickets have been mounted at Neasden since the Central Electricity Generating Board (CEGB) increased use of



KEN LIVINGSTONE



DAVID KITSON

the station from four to 17 hours a day.

Tom Gillan, a miner from Lea Hall colliery in South Staffordshire, thanked the trade union movement for its support and pledged to carry on the struggle until victory is secured.

Islington North Labour MP Jeremy Corbyn urged support for a lobby of the TUC General Council today to demand increased backing for the NUM.

'We've got to mobilise the rest of the trade union movement. We've got to promote sympathetic industrial action to stop the movement and use of coal and oil.'

He said that the resistance of the miners had united them with poor people living in inner city areas who were now faced with more savage cuts in public spending in a way which could never

have been achieved before.

David Kitson, who spent 20 years in jail in South Africa, said the miners' strike was an inspiration to all those national liberation fighters struggling to overthrow the apartheid regime.

Defeat

'The miners' cause is their cause and together they will defeat oppression,' he said.

Andy Moynihan, secretary of a local branch of the train drivers' union ASLEF, said that Energy Secretary Peter Walker's rebuff to the TUC last Friday was in line with 'the hard-line policies of the government'.

He added: 'The miners have got to win and they will win with the support of the rank and file of the trade union movement.'



TOM GILLAN



JEREMY CORBYN



Pickets massed outside Neasden

Christmas

PICKETS at the Ferrybridge power station in Yorkshire believe that the government will attempt to move coal into the fuel-starved plant early in the New Year.

'If that happens, and whether there are police or army involved, we will picket those coal shipments,' Wheldale NUM committee member Colin Burke told News Line. 'If that happens, and I am certain that with this government anything is now possible in their attack on the miners, then the TUC must come out and support us.'

'People should realise what is at stake. Thatcher is out to break us completely. So the time has come for the TUC to get off its backside and stop going by the backdoor for talks with Walker.'

'If he has anything to say, why shouldn't he say it to Arthur Scargill and the NUM?'

'The TUC have not drawn any lessons from the way the law has been used. They have taken our funds and put them in the hands of a receiver. It is like taking bread out of our mouths, and all because we are fighting for jobs.'

'What right has a law to interfere with the fight for jobs. As far as I am concerned, our delegates were absolutely right to refuse to comply with the loss of our funds to a receiver.'

'While I hope that the TUC acts before we are left to face the troops on our own, our lads will continue to give their best and so will our wives. They are ready to stay out forever now that they have seen what is happening.'

'But we need to see other unions joining us on the picket lines. They should come and show their strength with us.'

STRIKE TO BACK THE MINERS



power station in north London yesterday as part of the Mineworkers' Defence Committee campaign to support the strike

as coal move fear



Colin Burke (left) and Geoff Taylor in a caravan outside the Ferrybridge power station yesterday

All Trades Unions Alliance Statement MINERS AND COUNCIL WORKERS –

Organise General Strike for jobs

THE ALL Trades Unions Alliance calls for the broadening of the class struggle against the Thatcher government through the uniting of the miners' strike with council workers preparing to fight Tory rate-capping.

Both involve a fight for jobs against the Tory government and must be brought together in the organisation of a General Strike against the Bonapartist state.

For nine months the miners have carried forward the fight against Tory mass unemployment in a heroic strike against all the forces of the capitalist state.

The ATUA supports completely and unconditionally Arthur Scargill's refusal on behalf of the NUM to compromise on pit closures and the right to a job.

The defiance of Scargill and the NUM has frustrated the greatest strike-breaking police operation in western Europe.

It has inspired millions of workers to go forward in the class war against Thatcherism. It has intensified the crisis of the Tory state and the capitalist system.

Nearly 9,000 miners have been arrested – not for obstruction charges but for fighting for the right to work.

Thirty-seven Cammell Laird shipyard workers went to prison for a month rather than apologise to the Tory judiciary for occupying a rig to save their jobs.

Now tens of thousands of council workers in the inner-city areas are ready to defend their jobs and, like the miners and shipyard men, go to prison in the process.

This is because the fight for jobs has become a struggle against the state which has in turn transformed it into a revolutionary struggle for power.

Revolutionary

Under conditions of world slump, and the destruction of fictitious capital, which has savaged British imperialism, the struggle for work is a revolutionary question.

It is inseparable from the struggle for the miners to take the power, and smash the capitalist state which imprisons them.

Having destroyed manufacturing industry, the Thatcher regime now faces a collapse of oil prices which will destroy sterling and undermine the British banks.

The Tories' announcement last week that 16 Labour inner-city councils would have their budgets reduced by law means the conditions now exist for advancing the fight for jobs.

The uniting of the rate-capping and miners' struggle will be to take a major step forward in the orga-

nisation of a General Strike.

So acute is the crisis that GLC leader Ken Livingstone and Labour MP Tony Benn have called for a General Strike in support of the miners.

Millions of tenants, rate-payers and unemployed youth, students, trade unionists, disabled and the sick are being pushed into the greatest revolutionary conflict with the Thatcherite state.

The Tory government's decisions on rate-capping and abolition of the GLC and metropolitan county councils has made the struggle inevitable.

Dictatorship

It has ended definitively the rights of elected Labour councils and imposed the arbitrary dictatorship of the Treasury and the City of London upon millions of families.

The aim is to dismantle and privatise the vital social services provided by local councils, especially in the inner-city areas, to sack more than 200,000 council workers and remove them from the public sector.

At its 7th Congress on December 1-3, the Workers Revolutionary Party adopted a resolution which declared that it 'fully supports the group of Labour councils which have announced that they will not make a rate in April 1985.'

'This is an act of open defiance against Thatcher's Bonapartist dictatorship and must be seen in line with the trade union movement's refusal to submit to the Tory anti-union laws.'

The resolution added: 'This struggle must not be confined to the council chamber. Its success will lie in its ability to get the unreserved backing of the working class, the widest range of local community organisations and the trade unions working in local government.'

'We call on all Labour-controlled councils, whether they are rate-capped or not, to unite in this campaign to refuse to become Thatcher's local tax collectors or the implementors of her regime's attacks on social services, jobs and living conditions.'

The ATUA is opposed to those councils proposing to make a rate insufficient to cover expenditure, the so-called 'deficit budget'. It is an opportunist tactic which avoids the taking of a clear stand against the Tories.

Different councils will run out of money at different times, and Thatcher will be able to pick off authorities one by one. It also leaves the door open for the type of rotten compromise seen in 'Militant'-led Liverpool in July.

The Plan for Coal, as the ATUA pointed out from the beginning of the strike, can

only be realised through the defeat of the Tory government by the organisation of a General Strike and the creation of a Workers Revolutionary Government implementing socialist economic planning.

This is a thousand times more true in relation to the jobs of local government workers and the services enjoyed by workers in urban areas.

The jobs and services can and will be restored only through the victorious struggle for a Workers Revolutionary Government based not on local government tied to a bourgeois parliament and capitalist state but on the creation of Community Councils.

'The development of Community Councils (Soviets) are an integral part of the conscious mobilisation of the working class in the struggle for power. Established on a local and regional basis all over Britain, they will form the foundation of a Workers Revolutionary Government.' (7th Congress resolution).

The Tories cannot and will not yield, and if the police cannot control the miners and the urban areas, the army will be called in.

Those who call for the negotiated solution like the TUC and the Labour Party leaders are consciously attempting to surrender these basic democratic rights and help Bonapartism convert itself into a military-police dictatorship.

Slave-labour

We demand that the trade union leaders break all ties with the capitalist state, reject NEDC and withdraw from the slave-labour organisation, the MSC.

Oppose Tory cash for ballots; fight all no-strike agreements and every attempt to betray and isolate the miners' struggle.

All those unions which support the miners must engage in the struggle immediately by calling their members out on strike.

Unite the struggle in defence of jobs through the organisation of a General Strike.

Fight for the Workers Revolutionary Government based on Community Councils to defend basic democratic rights and administer the political power of the working class in a socialist Britain.

This is the policy which the ATUA national committee puts forward for its conference which will be held Sunday, February 3, in Sheffield.

We appeal to all trade union branches, shop stewards committees, trades councils, Labour councillors, student bodies and all those in the anti-Tory fight to support this conference. December 17, 1984.

THE MINERS' STRUGGLE



The case for Community Councils

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

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

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

Thatcher and the state are out to smash up pit communities, driving families into destitution and starving the miners back to work. Their aim is not only to destroy the miners' union, but all trade unions.

Miners are, therefore, fighting on behalf of the whole working class. They cannot be left to shoulder the burdens of the strike alone. All workers must ensure that the miners can continue the struggle under the best conditions, and that a common front is presented to the class enemy.

As well as the trade unions, the Community Councils must draw in representatives of every section of the working class and their middle-class and professional allies involved in the anti-Tory fight — miners' wives, youth groups, voluntary organisations and local Labour councils.

At the very same time the Tories are attacking the miners, they are also establishing a central government dictatorship over local Labour councils, threatening cities like Liverpool with financial destruction and abolishing seven authorities covering the major industrial areas of England. Community Councils will take responsibility for the defence of local councils, jobs and services.

There are immediate and practical tasks which flow from the defiant resistance of the miners to the provocations of the NCB, an unprecedented military-style police operation directed by the Home Office through Scotland Yard and the organised harassment by social security, gas and electricity bureaucrats.

The Workers Revolutionary Party believes that the tasks of Community Councils, which should extend beyond mining districts, will be to:

- Provide food for families and children of those on strike. No miner to be starved back to work by the Tories.
- Pay urgent bills for electricity and gas, calling on workers not to carry out cut-offs as an act of solidarity with the strike. Raise funds for new clothing and footwear for strikers.
- Ensure that no miner is evicted by local councils for not being able to pay rent or rates. Make certain that medical supplies are paid for so that miners and their families can get the treatment prescribed.
- Arrange for the care of the elderly dependent on support from miners' families, ensure nursery provision so that miners' wives can participate fully in winning support for the strike.
- Organise the provision of free legal representation for miners who need it. Provide accommodation for miners from other areas.
- Watch out for and organise against provocateurs. Organise the defence of union offices and funds from state attacks.
- Rally other workers to support and back up miners' pickets and organise marches and rallies.

LABOUR COUNCILS must be asked to:

- Provide free school meals and transport for miners' children.
- Make office accommodation in council offices available to miners, with facilities for printing and communications.
- Make sure that no evictions take place because of mounting debts. Wipe out rent and rate arrears.
- Provide free public transport for strikers and their families. Make all council facilities available free to miners. Lay on entertainments and outings for miners' families.
- Resist having to foot the bill for the cost of the Downing Street directed police operation against the miners' union.

This is the best way to answer the challenge of the capitalist state, and the Tory dictatorship. Community Councils — as Soviet-type organisations — will give the working class confidence in its own independent strength to defeat the class enemy and provide the basis for the successful struggle for power which has now been joined.



John Conteh and Frances de la Tour in a scene from Dario Fo's 'Can't Pay Won't Pay' — part of the entertainment for striking miners and their children at a Christmas Show in Aylesham, Kent, on Sunday night

Drivers back miners' oil dock blockade

TRANSPORT union oil tanker drivers have joined Kent miners on a picket line outside the Dagenham dock oil supply depot in Essex, which loads private tanker

vehicles. The miners, through the support won from the T&GWU drivers, have succeeded in reducing the number of scab drivers by 60 per cent.

The picketing, which started last Wednesday, is aimed at stopping the drivers working for a number of oil companies carrying oil, chemicals and liquid food.

Supplies to two power stations have already been affected by the picketing of the oil supply depot. The power station at Taylors Lane, which burns gas oil, normally gets 17 tankers of oil a day.

On Wednesday it received five tankers, on Thursday two, and none of Friday.

Supplies were reduced by half to North Kent power stations Kings North and the Isle of Grain on Thursday, and by half again on Friday.

The miners have won the support of transport union drivers working for the Texaco oil company, who were suspended yesterday by management for refusing to cross the picket line.

Last Friday night the company had moved a fleet of approximately 40 vehicles to other depots without consulting union officials.

Suspension

The Texaco drivers met yesterday and voted not to drive the lorries from any other depot. They were then told of their suspension yesterday afternoon.

A representative of the Kent miners was present at a T&GWU oil trades branch meeting at the district headquarters, Unity House, West Ham, on Sunday.

The meeting passed a resolution 'that all firms reported as crossing the NUM picket lines and any other recognised dispute as from Tuesday December 11 1984 are blacked from working at or being supplied by all terminals/depots in Region No.1'.

The meeting voted to reconvene should any disciplinary action be taken against members and that 'any members disciplined are given full support including any industrial action deemed necessary'.



Father Christmas handed out toys to Kent miners' children at a special show and party in Aylesham on Sunday night

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1,200 potential British 'Bhopals'

THERE are at least 1,200 chemical plants in Britain which could be capable of causing a disaster like that at Bhopal, a leading chemical industry expert has warned.

Alistair Hay, who has researched both the Seveso disaster and the effects of Agent Orange in Vietnam, told News Line that the terrifying Bhopal experience bears a sharp warning for communities all over the world.

'There are 1,200 sites in Britain alone which are not covered by the latest Health and Safety Execu-

tive legislation. Some of them will use processes which are even more dangerous than those at Bhopal.

Hay said he was astonished to find how little information is available on the chemical which caused the deaths at Bhopal, methyl isocyanate.

Chemicals

The group of chemicals is used in other industries, but in each case the family of chemicals has a poisonous effect.

'The group has a strong affinity for the oxygen-

carrying part of the haemoglobin in the blood. It means that the victims in Bhopal must have had their hearts pumping fast but unable to get oxygen from the air.

'The chemical causes asphyxiation, as well as the rupture of the lungs and internal bleeding and the frothing at the mouth that was reported.'

A similar chemical, toluene isocyanate, is used in the car industry for hardening varnish. 'Car workers have often been reported to have asthma and breathing problems, this chemical is probably the cause,' Hay said.

Hay believes that a related chemical, the poison gas phosgene, may also have been involved at Bhopal. But methyl isocyanate is a strong, if poorly researched poison in its own right.

Lesson

'The lesson for the public everywhere is that we can never be certain what chemical processes are involved in industrial plant unless there is legislation to ensure public disclosure of information.'

'The most recent legislation is a great step forward, but it only covers about 250 plants. It

ensures that local emergency services and the local authorities must be informed, and that the public must be told.

'But there are the other 1,200 plants which should also be covered by this legislation, and I detect a resistance on the part of the industry.'

'One thing that has angered me is a remark by a Shell company researcher at a conference I attended in Newcastle recently. He seemed to suggest that if the legislation in Britain became stricter, then companies like his own might decide to build their plant abroad.'

Protest letter on pollution

THE Prime Ministers of the five Nordic countries have blamed Britain for lack of co-operation in fighting atmospheric pollution in Europe.

After a meeting of the five in Reykjavik, Iceland's Prime Minister Steingrímur Hermannson said the other four governments had asked him to send a combined message of protest to Britain, urging it to comply with the Nordic plan to decrease pollution by 30 per cent by 1993.

Officials said the note would blame Britain for damage caused by sulphuric pollution or 'acid rain'.

Britain has claimed that further research is needed to determine the causes of acid rain, and that to reduce emissions would be extremely costly.

Curb

The officials said East Germany and Poland, which also were responsible for pollution, had agreed to try and curb their emissions while Britain had refused.

The ministers warned that the woods and lakes in their countries were already dying because of acid rain, and that human health problems through

polluted water could soon emerge.

● **SCIENTISTS** studying the effects of acid rain on trees in West Germany have discovered that they succumb abruptly to environmental stress in the same way that outwardly healthy human beings suffer from heart attacks.

The Kassel University research team said that their findings meant that trees already showing the effects of pollution could not be saved.

As for superficially healthy trees, they may be on the verge of a sudden 'breakdown' as the damage from pollution slowly accumulates to a critical level.

Even with an immediate cut in pollution levels, 50 per cent of West German forests are already irretrievably lost, and trees now suffering low-level environmental stress can only be saved by a rapid and permanent reduction of pollution.

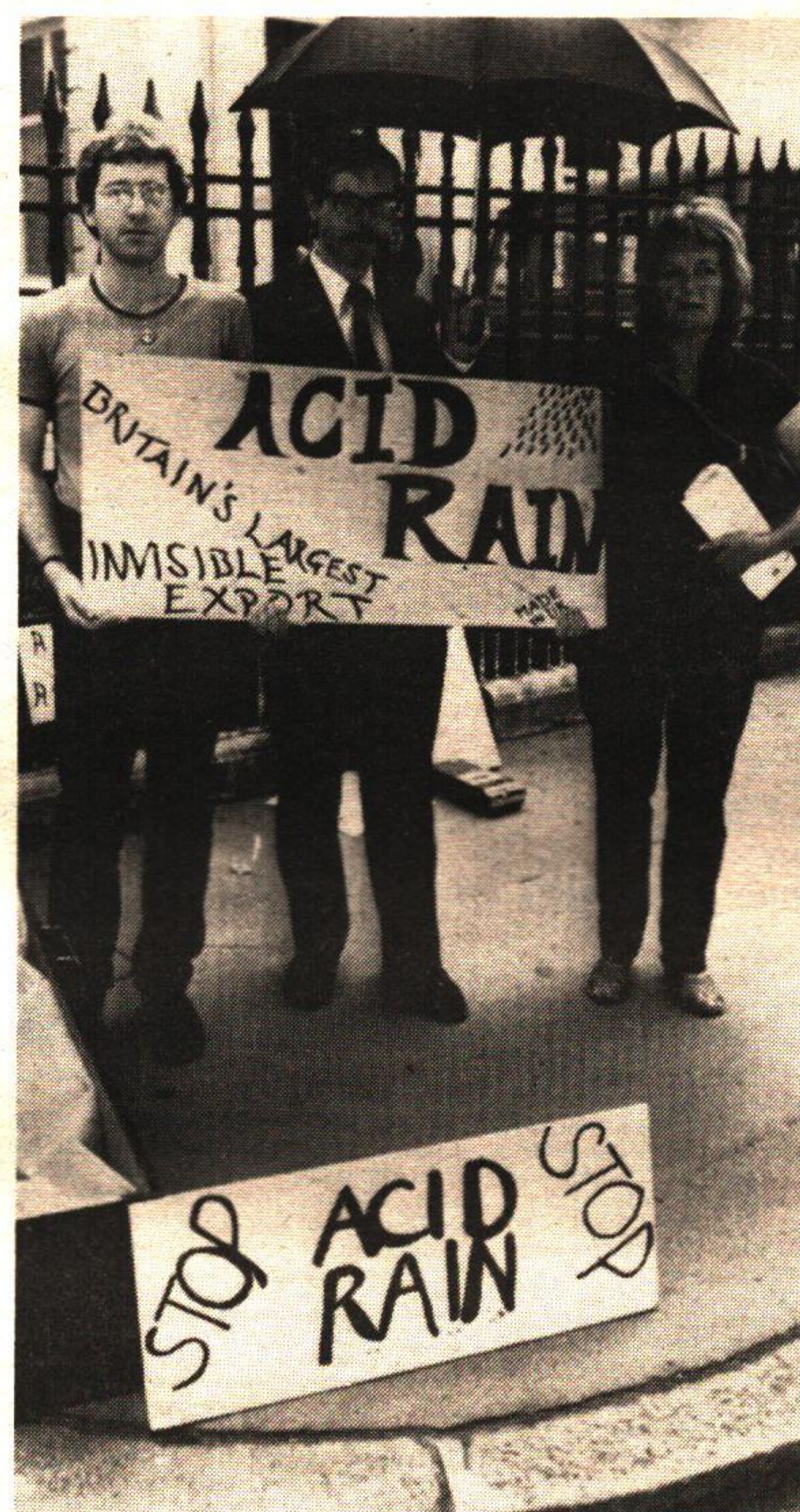
Opinion polls in West Germany show that the threat to the country's forests, which cover a quarter of the country, is the most worrying problem after unemployment.

Briefly

ARCHAEOLOGISTS from Florida State University said last week that they had found two perfectly preserved whole human brains in the state which they estimate to be about 7,000 years old.

Glen Doran and his team found the brains inside two skulls they recovered from a pond near the town of Titusville, where ancient Americans buried their dead.

One brain belongs to a 45-year-old female and the second to a male estimated



Protest in London against acid rain pollution

to have been about 25 years old when he died. 'The most significant part of this find is the fact that by extracting DNA (genetic material) from these ancient brains we will have a reference point to compare to modern DNA,' Doran said.

● **THE Soviet Union** has launched the first of two unmanned space probes to observe Halley's comet, expected to pass earth in 1985-1986.

Halley's comet, named after the British astronomer who discovered it, fol-

lows a 76-year elliptical orbital path. Scientists from both east and west European countries will take part in experiments to monitor the comet.

The Vega probe launched over the weekend consists of two parts, one of which will descend towards Venus to carry out research on the planet, while the other part continues on its path towards the comet.

The comet probe is expected to come within 6,000 miles of its target in March 1986.

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Reading: Lenin 'The State', 'State and Revolution', 'What is to be Done?'; 'State Within the State', a News Line investigation; Political letters of the WRP Political Committee 1-6; British Perspectives and International Perspectives, documents of the Seventh Congress of the WRP

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

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

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

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

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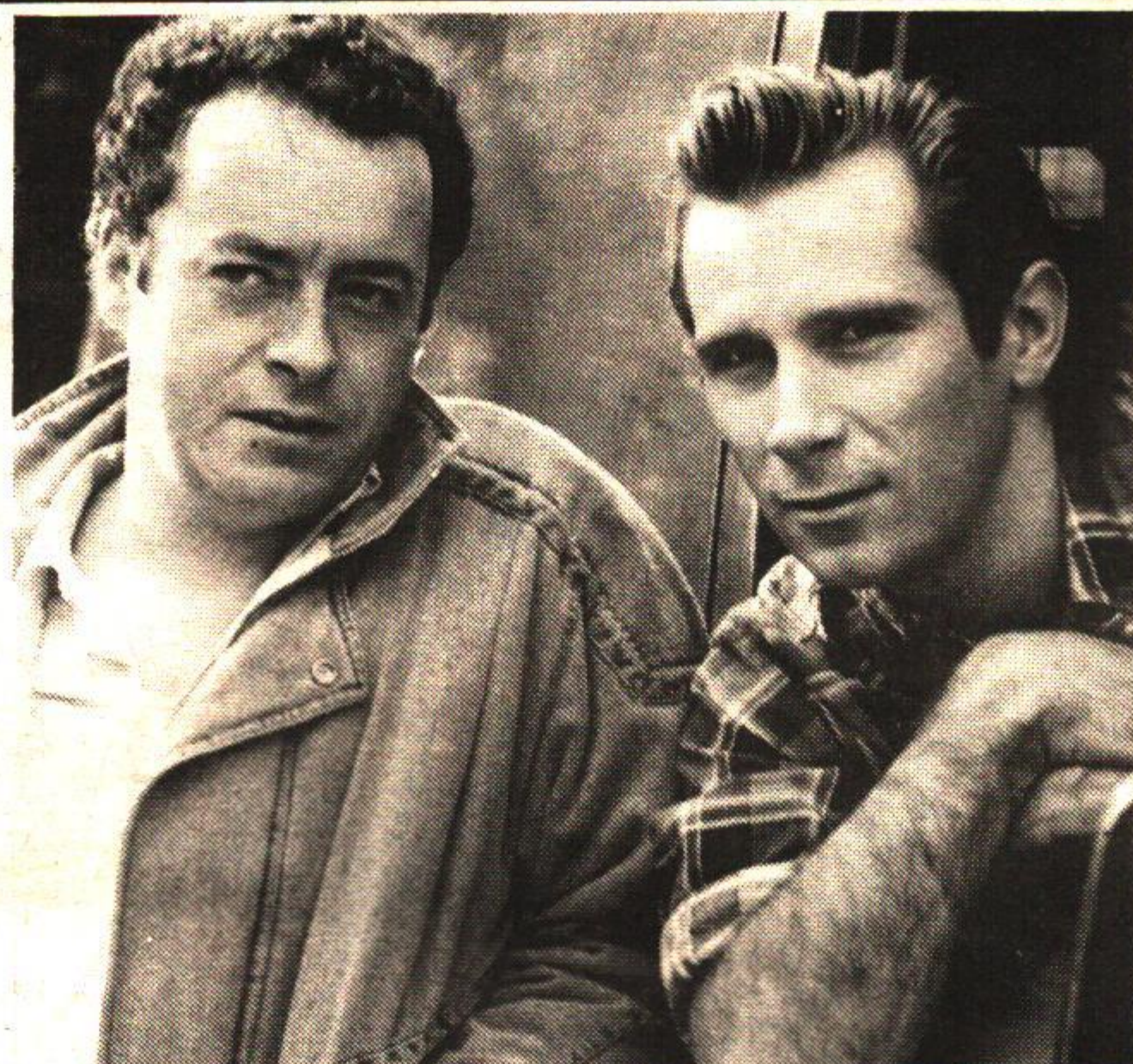
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BOOKS



Michael N. Harbour as David and Daniel Webb as Stephen in 'More Lives than One' on BBC1 at 9.25



Kay Francis and William Powell as the baroness and the thief in 'Jewel Robbery' on 4 at 2.30

BBC1

6.00 Ceefax AM. 6.30 Breakfast Time. 9.00 In Deepest Britain. 9.30 Pages from Ceefax. 10.30 Play School. 10.50 Pages from Ceefax. 12.30 News After Noon. 12.55 Weather. 12.57 Regional News (London SE: Financial Report; News Headlines). 1.00 Pebble Mill at One. 1.45 Hokey Cokey. 2.00 Living On The Land. 2.25 Star Movie: Lucille Ball in *The Affairs of Annabel* (1938). 3.30 Cartoon Double Bill. 3.48 Regional News (except London). 3.50 Play School: It's Tuesday. 4.10 Dastardly and Muttley. 4.20 The Land of Green Ginger. 4.35 Captain Caveman. 4.45 So You Want To Be Top. 5.00 John Craven's Newsround. 5.10 Star Trek. 5.58 Weatherman.

6.00 THE SIX O'CLOCK NEWS

6.30 REGIONAL NEWS MAGAZINES

6.55 THE DISTRICT NURSE

7.25 HALLS OF FAME

8.10 CAGNEY AND LACEY

9.00 NINE O'CLOCK NEWS Weatherman

9.25 MORE LIVES THAN ONE Michael N. Harbour and Elspeth Charlton as David and Sarah — a couple whose marriage is threatened by David's relationship with Steve (Daniel Webb). Screenplay by John Peacock

10.45 THE OTHER HALF Victor Lowmes and Marilyn Cole

11.15 CLAIRE RAYNER'S CASEBOOK

11.40 LATE NIGHT IN CONCERT Elkie Brooks in concert at the New Theatre, Hull

12.05 Weatherman; Closedown

BBC WALES: 5.10 Gloria. 5.35-5.58 Wales Today. 6.30-6.55 Grange Hill. 10.45 Music Makers. 11.35 Claire Rayner's Casebook. 12.00 Wales Headlines and Weather.

BBC2

9.00 Pages from Ceefax. 3.50 Backstairs at the White House.

5.20 OPEN TO QUESTION 80 Scottish teenagers get the chance to put questions to entertainer Billy Connolly

6.00 THE ROCKFORD FILES Jim Rockford discovers a bizarre kidnap plot in *New Life, Old Dragons*

6.50 LOST SOULS Writer Anthony Burton guides Charles Bowman — and you the viewer — over a five-mile walk somewhere in Britain to see if he (and you) can work out the location

7.15 THE FIRST NOELS Sir Geraint Evans presents early nativity carols performed by the William Byrd Choir as he traces the history of the carol

7.30 WHISTLE TEST Andy Kershaw goes to a Thompson Twins recording session in Paris; there are studio performances from Lou Reed and The Penguin Cafe Orchestra; plus the Christmas charts and some vintage Bowie

8.30 TOMMY Film version of Pete Townshend's rock opera, directed by Ken Russell in 1975. With Oliver Reed, Ann-Margret, Roger Daltrey, Elton John, Eric Clapton, Keith Moon, Jack Nicholson, Robert Powell, Paul Nicholas, Tina Turner and The Who

10.15 CHRISTMAS ON TWO

10.40 NEWSNIGHT

11.10 BUONGIORNO ITALIA! Italian for beginners

11.40 Closedown

CHANNEL 4

2.30 JEWEL ROBBERY (1932) William Powell and Kay Francis in this romantic comedy about a sophisticated gentleman thief and a baroness

3.45 YEARS AHEAD Robert Dougall with a report on a special holiday for the disabled and a report on the delights of skating

4.30 COUNTDOWN

5.00 THE HUMAN JUNGLE *The Quick and the Dead* Eminent London psychiatrist Dr Roger Corder (Herbert Lom) helps a racing driver who has a compulsion to win and suffers from terrible nightmares

6.00 THE AVENGERS *The Murder Market* Steed and Mrs Peel (Patrick MacNee and Diana Rigg) uncover the sinister goings-on in a murderous marriage bureau

7.00 CHANNEL 4 NEWS

7.50 COMMENT by gay journalist Terry Sanderson; followed by Weather

8.00 BROOKSIDE

8.30 4 WHAT IT'S WORTH

9.00 A CHRISTMAS WITHOUT SNOW (Television film 1980) John Houseman as a stern choirmaster whose rehearsals for a Christmas performance provide the framework for some fascinating character studies of various choir members

10.50 HERE AND NOW ON 4 *Amjad Khan in Concert* The sarod player performs in the first programme to feature this rich, resonant instrument

11.45 TENNIS *The Davis Cup Final* Simon Reed and David Lloyd present highlights from the 1984 Davis Cup

12.45 Close

THAMES

6.25 Good Morning Britain. 9.25 Thames News Headlines; followed by Sesame Street. 10.25 The Moomins. 10.30 Hold Tight! 10.50 Time to Time. 11.10 On Safari. 11.35 Razzmatazz. 12.00 Thomas the Tank Engine and Friends. 12.10 Rainbow. 12.30 The Sullivans. 1.00 News at One. 1.20 Thames News. 1.30 Jemima Shore Investigates. 2.30 Daytime. 3.00 University Challenge. 3.25 Thames News Headlines. 3.30 The Young Doctors. 4.00 Thomas the Tank Engine and Friends. 4.15 Wil Cwac Cwac. 4.20 How Dare You! 4.45 CBTV. 5.15 Emmerdale Farm. 5.45 News.

6.00 THAMES NEWS With Andrew Gardner and Tina Jenkins

6.20 HELP!

6.30 CROSSROADS

6.55 REPORTING LONDON

7.30 GIVE US A CLUE Michael Parkinson chairs the pre-Christmas festivities with Lionel Blair leading the men - Nicky Henson, Garfield Morgan and Ian Ogilvy; and Una Stubbs heading the female challenge aided by Isla Blair, Bella Emberg and Annie Ross

8.00 DES O'CONNOR TONIGHT

9.00 TAKING THE LID OFF An investigation into the effects of child abuse. Children who have been on the receiving end talk about their experiences, about the suffering and how to overcome it

10.00 NEWS AT TEN Followed by Thames News Headlines

10.30 ENTER THE DRAGON With Bruce Lee (1973) One of the first films for King Fu enthusiasts

12.05 Night Thoughts followed by Closedown

GRANADA

6.25 Good Morning Britain. 9.25 Sesame Street. 10.25 Matt and Jenny on the Wilderness Trail. 10.45 Sport Billy. 11.05 The Nutcracker. 11.30 The Family Circus Christmas. 12.00 Thomas the Tank Engine and Friends. 12.10 Rainbow. 12.30 The Sullivans. 1.00 News at One. 1.20 Granada Reports. 1.30 Jemima Shore Investigates. 2.30 Daytime. 3.00 University Challenge. 3.25 Granada Reports News. 3.30 Three Little Words. 4.00 Thomas the Tank Engine and Friends. 4.15 Wil Cwac Cwac. 4.20 How Dare You! 4.45 CBTV. 5.15 Blockbusters. 5.45 News.

6.00 THIS IS YOUR RIGHT With Michael Winstanley

6.05 CROSSROADS

6.30 GRANADA REPORTS The latest news from around the North West

7.00 EMMERDALE FARM

7.30 GIVE US A CLUE Michael Parkinson chairs another round of this popular celebrity mime show with team captains Una Stubbs and Lionel Blair

8.00 DES O'CONNOR TONIGHT Des and his guests blend comedy, chat, music and surprises

9.00 TAKING THE LID OFF Through the eyes and thoughts of children who have been abused, this film examines how they cope and how they come to terms with their pain

10.00 NEWS AT TEN

10.30 ENTER THE DRAGON With Bruce Lee (1973). The famous martial arts classic — Lee joins British intelligence in tracking down a group of opium and prostitute traffickers

12.30 Closedown

ROUND THE REGIONS

TYNE TEES

6.25 Good Morning Britain. 9.25 North East News. 9.30 Sesame Street. 10.25 Profiles in Rock. 10.50 Cities — Jerusalem. 11.35 Kum Kum. 12.00 Thomas the Tank Engine and Friends. 12.10 Rainbow. 12.30 The Sullivans. 1.00 News at One; North East News; Lookaround. 1.30 Jemima Shore Investigates. 2.30 Daytime. 3.00 University Challenge. 3.25 North East News. 3.30 The Young Doctors. 4.00 Thomas the Tank Engine and Friends. 4.15 Wil Cwac Cwac. 4.20 How Dare You. 4.45 CBTV. 5.15 Blockbusters. 5.45 News. 6.00 North East News. 6.02 Crossroads. 6.25 Northern Life. 7.00 Emmerdale Farm. 7.30 Give Us A Clue. 8.00 Des O'Connor Tonight. 9.00 Taking the Lid Off. 10.00 News at Ten; North East News. 10.32 Film: *Enter the Dragon*. 12.25 Epilogue; Closedown.

CENTRAL

6.25 Good Morning Britain. 9.25 Once Upon a Time. 9.50 Falcon Island. 10.15 Wing-alongmax. 10.40 First Winter. 11.10 Tarzan. 12.00 Thomas the Tank Engine and Friends. 12.10 Rainbow. 12.30 Gardening Time. 1.00 News at One; Central News. 1.30 Jemima Shore Investigates. 2.30 Daytime. 3.00 University Challenge. 3.25 News Headlines. 3.30 The Young Doctors. 4.00 Thomas the Tank Engine and Friends. 4.15 Wil Cwac Cwac. 4.20 How Dare You. 4.45 CBTV. 5.15 Blockbusters. 5.45 News. 6.00 Crossroads. 6.25 Central News. 7.00 Emmerdale Farm. 7.30 Give Us A Clue. 8.00 Des O'Connor Tonight. 9.00 Taking the Lid Off. 10.00 News at Ten; Central News. 10.30 Film: *Enter the Dragon*. 12.30 Closedown.

YORKSHIRE

6.25 Good Morning Britain. 9.25 Regional Weather. 9.30 Sesame Street. 10.25 Flora and Fauna. 10.40 ABC Children's Short Stories. 11.05 A Snow

White Christmas. 11.55 The Star of Bethlehem. 12.00 Thomas the Tank Engine and Friends. 12.10 Rainbow. 12.30 Calendar at Christmas. 1.00 News at One; Calendar News; Weather. 1.30 Jemima Shore Investigates. 2.30 Daytime. 3.00 University Challenge. 3.25 News Headlines. 3.30 A Country Practice. 4.00 Thomas the Tank Engine and Friends. 4.15 Wil Cwac Cwac. 4.20 How Dare You. 4.45 CBTV. 5.15 Blockbusters. 5.45 News. 6.00 Calendar. Weather. 6.35 Crossroads. 7.00 Emmerdale Farm. 7.30 Give Us A Clue. 8.00 Des O'Connor Tonight. 9.00 Taking the Lid Off. 10.00 News at Ten. 10.30 Film: *Enter the Dragon*. 12.25 Closedown.

TSW

6.25 Good Morning Britain. 9.25 Sesame Street. 10.25 Eye of the Storm. 11.15 Skinny Ski-ing. 11.30 The Miracle of Glass. 11.55 The Star of Bethlehem. 12.00 Thomas the Tank Engine and Friends. 12.10 Rainbow. 12.30 Portrait of a Legend. 1.00 News at One; TSW News Headlines. 1.30 Jemima Shore Investigates. 2.30 Daytime. 3.00 University Challenge. 3.30 Sons and Daughters. 4.00 Thomas the Tank Engine and Friends. 4.15 Wil Cwac Cwac. 4.20 How Dare You. 4.45 CBTV. 5.15 Gus Honeybun's Magic Birthdays. 5.20 Crossroads. 5.45 News. 6.00 Today South West. 6.25 Televisions. 6.30 Robinson Country. 7.00 The Comedians. 7.30 Give Us A Clue. 8.00 Des O'Connor Tonight. 9.00 Taking the Lid Off. 10.00 News at Ten; TSW Late News and Weather. 10.30 Film: *Enter the Dragon*. 12.25 Postscript; South West Weather; Shipping Forecast; Closedown.

TVS

6.25 Good Morning Britain. 9.25 Holiday Time. 9.28 Sesame Street. 10.25 Fabulous Funnies. 10.55 Tales of Pom Pom. 11.00 The Little Rascals' Christmas Special. 11.30 Orphans of the Wild. 12.00 Thomas the Tank Engine and Friends. 12.10 Rainbow. 12.30 The Sullivans. 1.00 News at One; TVS News. 1.30 A Country Practice. 2.30 Daytime. 3.00 The Comedians. 3.27 TVS News. 3.30 University Challenge. 4.00 Thomas the Tank

Engine and Friends. 4.15 Wil Cwac Cwac. 4.20 How Dare You. 4.45 CBTV. 5.12 TVS News Headlines; Sons and Daughters. 5.45 News. 6.00 Coast to Coast. 6.25 Police 5. 6.35 Crossroads. 7.00 Emmerdale Farm. 7.30 Give Us A Clue. 8.00 Des O'Connor Tonight. 9.00 Taking the Lid Off. 10.00 News at Ten; TVS News. 10.30 The Star of Bethlehem. 10.35 Film: *Enter the Dragon*. 12.30 Company; Closedown.

HTV

6.25 Good Morning Britain. 9.25 Home Cooking Club. 9.30 Sesame Street. 10.30 The Star of Bethlehem. 10.35 The Sinbad Voyage. 11.20 Serpent River Paddlers. 11.30 Home. 12.00 Thomas the Tank Engine and Friends. 12.10 Rainbow. 12.30 The Sullivans. 1.00 News at One; HTV News. 1.30 Jemima Shore Investigates. 2.30 Daytime. 3.00 University Challenge; HTV News. 3.30 The Young Doctors. 4.00 Thomas the Tank Engine and Friends. 4.15 Wil Cwac Cwac. 4.20 How Dare You. 4.45 CBTV. 5.15 Blockbusters. 5.45 News. 6.00 HTV News. 6.35 Crossroads. 7.00 Emmerdale Farm. 7.30 Give Us A Clue. 8.00 Des O'Connor Tonight. 9.00 Taking the Lid Off. 10.00 News at Ten; HTV News. 10.30 Film: *Enter the Dragon*. 12.25 HTV Weather; Closedown.

HTV CYMRU: 6.00-6.35 Wales at Six.

ANGLIA

6.25 Good Morning Britain. 9.25 Sesame Street. 10.25 Country Rhapsody. 10.40 Sport Billy Special. 11.55 Wattoo. Wattoo. 12.00 Thomas the Tank Engine and Friends. 12.10 Rainbow. 12.30 Gardens for All. 1.00 News at One; Anglia News and Weather. 1.30 Jemima Shore Investigates. 2.30 Daytime. 3.00 University Challenge. 3.30 The Young Doctors. 4.00 Thomas the Tank Engine and Friends. 4.15 Wil Cwac Cwac. 4.20 How Dare You. 4.45 CBTV. 5.15 Emmerdale Farm. 5.45 News. 6.00 About Anglia. 6.35 Crossroads. 7.00 Bygones. 7.30 Give Us A Clue. 8.00 Des O'Connor Tonight. 9.00 Taking the Lid Off. 10.00 News at Ten; Anglia Late News and Weather. 10.30 Film: *Enter the Dragon*. 12.25 Epilogue; Closedown.

S4C

1.00 Countdown. 1.30 Alice. 2.00-2.15 Ffalabalam. 2.55 Film: *Road Show*. 4.30 Ffalabalam. 4.45 Superted. 4.55 Bilidowcar. 5.25 Project UFO. 6.20 Y Nadolig Hwnnw. 6.30 Lawrm. 7.00 Newyddion Saith. 7.30 Jambo Bwana. 8.05 St Elsewhere; News Headlines. 9.05 Byw Yn Rhydd. 10.55 Muck and Brass. 11.55 British Council: Have Culture — Will Travel. 12.50 Close.

RADIO

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

6.00 Adrian John. 7.00 Mike Read. 9.00 Simon Bates. 12.00 Gary Davies (12.30 Newsbeat). 2.30 Steve Wright. 5.00 Bruno Brookes (5.30 Newsbeat). 7.30 Janice Long. 10.00-12.00 John Peel (S).

2 News on the hour. Headlines 5.30 a.m., 6.30, 7.30 and 8.30.

4.00 Colin Berry (S). 5.30 Ray Moore (S). 7.30 Terry Wogan (S) (8.31 Racing Bulletin). 10.00 Jimmy Young (S). 12.00 Steve Jones (S) (1.05 Sports Desk). 2.00 Gloria Hunniford (S) (2.02, 3.02 Sports Desk). 3.30 Music All the Way (S). 4.00 David Hamilton (S) (4.02, 5.05 Sports Desk). 6.00 John Dunn (S) (6.02 Sports Desk). 6.30 The Fosdyke Saga; 6.45 Sport and Classified Results). 8.00 The American Popular Song. 9.00 Nording Festival. 9.55 Sports Desk. 10.00 Where Were You in 62? 10.30 Rolf's Walkabout. 11.00 Brian Matthew. 1.00 Bill Rennells (S) presents Nightride. 3.00-4.00 Night Owls (S).

3 6.55 Weather. 7.00 News. 7.05 Morning Concert (S) Walton, Franck, Scarlatti arr. Shostakovich, Bloch (8.00 News). Ravel, Gershwin, Richard Rodney Bennett, Weill, Stravinsky. 9.00 News. 9.05 This Week's Composer (S) Bizet. 10.00 Lipinski: Violin Concerto Op.21. 10.30 Brahms Choral Music (S). 11.15 Delme String Quartet (S) Ravel, Bridge. 12.10 Midday Concert (S) BBC Scottish Symphony Orchestra: Elgar, Mendelssohn (1.00 News). Brahms. 1.50 Guitar Encores (S) Kellner, Rodrigo. 2.10 Alfred Brendel (S) Bach, Liszt; Mozart Piano Concerto No.12 (2.55-3.00 Interval) Liszt, Bach, Mozart Piano Concerto No.9. 4.00 Capricorn (S) Chamber music by Arensky and Glinka. 4.55 News. 5.00 Mainly for Pleasure (S). 6.30 Bull Virginial Music (S). 7.05 Smetana (S) Movements from Ma Vlast. 7.30 Irmelin (S) Opera by Delius (8.40-9.00 A Memorable Scene). 10.00 Jazz Today (S) Henry Lowther Octet. 11.00 Mendelssohn and Beethoven (S) Chamber music. 11.57-12.00 News.

4 5.55 Shipping Forecast. 6.00 News Briefing; Weather. 6.10 Farming Today. 6.25 Prayer for the Day. 6.30 Today (6.30, 7.30,

8.30 News Summary; 6.55, 7.55 Weather; 7.00, 8.00 News; 7.25, 8.25 Sport; 7.45 Thought for the Day; 8.35 Yesterday in Parliament). 8.57 Weather; Travel. 9.00 News. 9.05 Tuesday Call. 10.00 News: From Our Own Correspondent. 10.30 Morning Story: *It Came Out of a Cracker*. 10.45 Daily Service (S). 11.00 News; Travel; Thirty-Minute Theatre: *Teddy Bear's Picnic*. 11.33 Wildlife. 12.00 News; You and Yours. 12.27 My World! 12.55 Weather. 1.00 The World at One: News. 1.40 The Archers. 1.55 Shipping Forecast. 2.00 News: Woman's Hour. 3.00 News: The Afternoon Play (S) *A Few Kind Words*. 4.00 News; Dame Wendy Hiller. 4.40 Story Time: *The Woman in Black*. 5.00 PM: News. 5.50 Shipping Forecast. 5.55 Weather. 6.00 The Six O'Clock News; Financial Report. 6.30 Anything Legal (S). 7.00 News. 7.05 The Archers. 7.20 File on 4. 8.00 Medicine Now. 8.30 An Evening with Mrs Thrale. 9.00 In Touch. 9.30 The Family Abroad. 9.45 Kaleidoscope. 10.15 A Book at Bedtime: *Just Resting*. 10.29 Weather. 10.30 The World Tonight (11.00 News Headlines). 11.15 The Financial World Tonight. 11.30 Today in Parliament. 12.00-12.15 News; Weather. 12.33 Shipping Forecast. VHF: 11.00-11.30 Study on 4.

Winning Post

Tinkersfield the one to follow



BY OUR RACING CORRESPONDENT

TINKERSFIELD (3.00), who has made the transition from flat racing to jumping in style, can win **LUDLOW's** Rum Punch Novice Hurdle today.

Successful

This three-year-old was twice successful on fast ground for Mark Prescott in the summer. The going was on the soft side when he lined up for his second race over hurdles at Taunton recently, and he was allowed to start at the very generous odds of 25-1.

In the race he made a nonsense of those odds, taking full advantage of a blunder in the closing stages by odds-on favourite Yard Line, and running out an eight-lengths winner.

His new trainer Jim Old believes there is a further improvement in Tinkersfield, who could yet develop into a Triumph Hurdle contender.

Another useful ex-flat horse, Timurs Double, looks his most dangerous rival. Third to Against The Grain

at Newbury, this one also has plenty of scope for improvement, but Tinkersfield, highly rated by Old, is napped.

Benefited

St William (1.00), who benefited from the last fence fall of Rufus I Firefly when winning at Plumpton, should have little trouble following up in the Burgundy Novice Chase (Div One).

Down at **FOLKESTONE** the outstanding prospect on

a tricky card looks to be **French Captain (2.45)**. This eight-year-old chased home Clara Mountain at Wincanton and the winner scored well at Towcester on Saturday.

French Captain (2.45) looks a few pounds ahead of his opponents in the Stanford Novice Hurdle.

Ten Bears (3.15), who should be suited by the rain-softened ground, can defy topweight in the Shaddox-

hurst Conditional Jockeys Handicap Chase.

This eight-year old often ruins his chances with jumping errors, but has ability. If he can set up a lead he will be hard to catch over the minimum distance here.

Syd Woodman's chaser **Revolver (12.45)** is given an outing over timber in the No Silver Novice Hurdle to sharpen him up and as his stamina is not in doubt, he could go very close against some moderate rivals.

SELECTIONS

LUDLOW

12.30 Indado, 1.00 St William, 1.30 Co Member, 2.00 Sweetcal, 2.30 Moppet, 3.00 Tinkersfield (nap).

FOLKESTONE

12.45 Revolver, 1.15 The Foodbroker, 1.45 Bell Hop, 2.15 Three Chances, 2.45 French Captain (n.b.), 3.15 Ten Bears.

LUDLOW

12.30 AMONTILLADO CONDIT'L JOCKEYS SELLING H'CAP HADLE £600 2m (15 runners)

2	143-041	BATON MATCH (D) M C Chapman 4 120 (7 ex)	P Liddle
3	00021/4	CANDAULES C James 6 119	P Croucher
4	0120/P-0	CAN'T SWIM (D) R Howe 5 117	P Howe
5	0/00000	HASTY KATE L W Tury 5 116	N Fearn
6	0-01P0F	IN SLIPS (BF) C Miller 5 101	T Currie
7	00044-P	GALTRIM C F Jackson 5 101	W Smith
8	P14000	PORTO LOUISE (D) W Clay 5 109	S Harris
9	F00-0P3	FREEFALL M Tate 4 104	W Hayes
11	3042-F	SEVERN SOUND (D) J Bradley 6 104	Sharron James
12	0P2004	INDADO (D) R Williams 6 103	C Evans
14	432-404	LIFT HIGH D Tucker 5 103	C Bourne
16	0000/P	BUGATTI R Peacock 6 101	
17	000000	ROCHE GIRL S A Torr 6 100	Susan Wilton
18	P40-003	KALO ASTRO J S Wright 5 100	
19	00-003P	TENNIS TRACK M Stephens 6 100	N Coleman

BLINKERS: 11, 13, 16, 19

PROBABLE SP: 5-2 Baton Match, 4-1 Candaules, 9-2 Freefall, 6-1 Lift High, 8-1 Galtrim, 10-1 In Slips, 14-1 Severn Sound, 20-1 others.

1.00 BURGUNDY NOVICE CHASE (DIV I) £1,200 2m (12 runners)

1	443/31	ST WILLIAM (D) R J Hodges 7 117	Peter Hobbs
2	0022/00	CORBENSON Mrs D Tucker 8 110	Philip Hobbs
3	0002-P	DICKENSIAN (BF) Mrs S Davenport 6 110	P Scudamore
4	30P00-F	DOUBLE BARREL W M-Coles 8 110	R Hoare
6	01000-P	FINNESKO S Christian 6 110	W Newton (4)
8	000/000	GLASGOW CENTRAL B Palling 7 110	Mr P Morgan
9	230-P0	GRIMA I Dudgeon 7 110	M Richards
10	2B0U0P0	QULART HILL M Oliver 8 110	R Crank
11	0P22-0F	SAYS EYE D Wintle 9 110	N Babbage (4)
12	4FF34P	FRA MAU Lady S Brooke 8 109	R Hyett
14	100-0P	STUBBS DAUGHTER K Bailey 7 109	M Richards
15	F	TORY MEMBER Mrs M Rimeil 7 109	S Morshead

PROBABLE SP: 13-8 St William, 11-4 Tory Member, 9-2 Frau Mau, 7-1 Dickensian, 12-1 Grima, 16-1 Says Eye, 25-1 others.

1.30 VINTAGE PORT HANDICAP CHASE £1,600 3m (12 runners)

1	303P-00	GREENBANK PARK R A Perkins 7 111	Dai Williams
5	3320F-F	MINT STREAK Mrs E Kennard 8 115	P Richards
6	4143F4	EBONY BILL (C-D) K Bailey 9 113	M Perrett
7	00-1211	PLAY THE KNAVE P Bailey 7 112 (5 ex)	S Morshead
8	331-32U	ROYAL NORMAN (D) A Brisbane 8 111	M Brisbane
9	41P-042	CO MEMBER (D) T Forster 8 101	H Davies
12	0433-P0	LUMPARITA (C) A Aylett 9 104	G Jones
13	21P-223	CLONEEN KING (D) P Ransom 9 103	P Warner
14	FF20-03	CASTLE WARDEN (BF) J Edwards 7 103	P Barton
15	120332	BRONWYN Mrs S Davenport 7 101	P Scudamore
16	0341-F3	FORTSTAR S Christian 6 100	K Mooney
17	414230	BUCK ROYALE T P Tury 11 100	B Powell

PROBABLE SP: 15-8 Play The Knave, 5-2 Co Member, 4-1 Royal Norman, 6-1 Ebony Bill, 8-1 Clonkeen King, 10-1 others.

2.00 CLARET HANDICAP HURDLE £1,000 2m (16 runners)

2	02-0P03	SEAGRAM (NZ) (C-D) D Barons 4 117	H Davies
3	U302-00	DOBSONS CHOICE (C-D) E Evans 6 103	
5	030-132	ROBOLIN (C-D) R Hollinshead 9 101	J J O'Neill
6	004013	SWEETCAL (C-D) P Cundell 7 101	S Morshead
7	01-3302	OUI MONSIEUR (D) J Bosley 10 100	Mr M Bosley (7)
8	PFO-P0P	MORICE (D) P Bailey 6 100	C Gwilliam
10	020-001	ENSIGNS KIT (C-D) A Brisbane 9 100	M Brisbane
11	14-4100	THE THUNDERER (C-D) P M Taylor 4 108	A Carroll
13	040-000	LUCKY MISTAKE (D) R J Hodges 7 105	R Linley
14	3/0000-0	CORNISH GRANITE (D) M Pipe 6 102	R Dennis (4)
15	0020-P	SILVER SEASON M C Chapman 6 102	P Liddle (7)
16	0P-3002	HOME COMMAND (D) J Bradley 4 102	G Davies
18	0213-00	BATTEN (D) B Palling 8 100	C Evans (7)
22	112-P30	HOT PRETENCE (USA) (D) L Shrewsbury 7 100	P Warner
23	200100	SILVER MAID M Pipe 5 100	P Leach
24	001F-P0	KINGS TOWN (FR) (C-D) M Tate 7 100	C Smith

BLINKERS: 13

PROBABLE SP: 3-1 Sweetcal, 7-2 Ensigns Kit, 9-2 Robolin, 6-1 Dobson's Choice, 8-1 Oui

RESULTS

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12.30 (2m): **RODOOSO** Georgina Herbert (33-1); Golden Hunter (15-8 on fav); Infinite Star (9-4); 5 ran. 5, 12 (F Cotton) T: £19.60; £5.40, £1.10, CSF: £50.34.

1.00 (2m): **JUST ALICK** A Brown (6-4 fav); Preacher's Gem (50-1); Dixon House (25-1); Experimenting (7-1); 14 ran. 1, 1/2, 1 (M H Easterby) T: £1.90; £1.50, £44.70, £1.10, CSF: £88.64, NR: Single-cote & Baritudo. Silent Surrender was withdrawn.

1.30 (2m 4f): **DUESENBERG** M Perrett (7-2); Spider's Well (7-2); Emperor Charles (6-5 fav); Sharagalin (10-1); 4 ran. 2, 15 (Mrs J Pitman) T: £6.50; £1.90, £2.00, CSF: £14.95.

2.00 (3m): **SMITH'S MAN** M Perrett (11-8 on fav); Galileo (9-1); Bee Orchid (7-1); Sommer (3-1); 4 ran. 10, dis. (Mrs J Pitman) T: £1.70; £1.10, £3.10, CSF: £6.92.

2.30 (2m 4f): **MIDSUMMER SPECIAL** Mr R J Beggan (9-1); Bucks Green (33-1); Sir Kenwin (7-2); Killgar Kim (100-30); 12 ran. 4, 4 (Mrs M Dickinson) T: £11.00; £4.90, £7.20, £1.80, CSF: £218.21.

3.00 (2m 4f): **GRUNDY GLOW** R Rowe (3-1); Falkland Conqueror (912-1); Pelham Line (3-1 fav); River Warrior (33-1); 18 ran. 5, 4 (Mrs J Pitman) T:

KELSO

12.15 (2m): **HOLLY BUOY** G Charles Jones (4-1); Tot (9-2); Tarchin (16-1); Frankness (5-1); 4 ran. Sh hd, 6 (Mrs G Reveley) T: £7.50; £2.20, £4.90, CSF: £20.20.

12.45 (3m): **UNSCRUPULOUS JUDGE** Mr P J Dun (6-1); Earle Brig (9-4 on fav); Mr Shugg (3-1); Vimy Ridge (50-1); 4 ran. 2, dis. (W A Stephenson) T: £5.30; £1.30, £1.10, CSF: £9.48.

1.15 (2m 4f): **AUTUMN BALLET** P A Charlton (4-1); Falconer Lady (5-1); Karmelanna (33-1); Cheeny's Brig (14-1); 11 ran. 14, 6 (A Scott) T: £6.50; £1.80, £2.20, £4.80, CSF: £22.61.

1.45 (2m 6f): **DURHAM EDITION** R Lamb (11-10 fav); Barrister Boy (2-1); Another Wager (12-1); Lillies Brig (61-4); 7 ran. 5, 2 (W A Stephenson) T: £1.40; £1.50, £1.10, CSF: £3.55.

2.15 (2m): **WARGAME** Mr J Quinn (9-1); Bullum (8-1); The Builder (4-1); Hasty Import (13-2); 22 ran. 3/4, 10 (A C Batey) T: £11.30; £2.80, £3.50, £2.00, CSF: £88.93.

2.45 (2m): **SUPER SOLO** S Charlton (13-2); Polars Smartie (20-1); Veiled City (2-1); 11 ran. 3, 5 (Mrs J Pitman) T: £1.10; £1.10, £1.10, CSF: £66.64.

2.30 BURGUNDY NOVICE CHASE (DIV II) £1,200 2m (15 runners)

1	401320	ROYAL MANX (D) B Palling 7 117	Mr P Morgan
2	320/P33	DEMAREE P W Harris 8 110	R Stronge
3	2P2400	FLIGHT SHEET (USA) P Felgate 8 110	P Scudamore
4	00P-FPP	FUNKY ANGEL Mrs E Harden 8 110	B Powell
5	44-P00U	ITSGOTTABEARLIGHT Mrs W Sykes 7 110	S Morshead
6	000P-00	JINJA THYME D Ringer 7 110	S McNeill
8	04F303	SOCK DENNIS (BF) R J Hodges 8 110	Mr R Callow
9	P0/PP-0	TAKABUCK W M-Coles 6 110	R Hoare
10	304-F	TARVILLE J Edwards 6 110	P Barton
11	2/0-U00F	VICTOR DUB M Castell 6 110	M Castell
13	00/0000	CASTLE COR M Oliver 7 109	R Crank
14	F24-302	DEEP MOPPET D Gandolfo 6 109	R Earnshaw
15	0P-00P0	FOOLISH HOOLEY E Bevan 7 109	C Smith
16	0000P-F	KIDDY OAT Mrs A Price 6 109	Colin Price
19	000/P	TULAROWENA Mrs D Tucker 9 109	

PROBABLE SP: 11-8 Royal Manx, 5-2 Deep Moppet, 4-1 Demaree, 8-1 Flight Sheet, 14-1 Sock Dennis, 20-1 others.

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12.45 'NO SILVER' NOVICE HURDLE £800 2m 6f (13 runners)

6	30P/00	GOLDEN RAMBLER B Wise 6 114	R Rowell
7	0000-3	JOHN FEATHER D Oughton 5 114	P Double
8	0300-P	MAJOR TOM Miss L Bower 7 114	G McCourt
10	44P-PP	NOVEMBER RAIN D Oughton 6 114	G Charles-Jones (4)
11	310/F-80	REVOLVER S Woodman 7 114	R Dunwoody
12	0/00	TEN BELOW Lady Herries 6 114	M Kinane
13	43/22-PF	THE GOVERNOR (FR) J Jenkins 5 114	J Francome
14	00	THE JOESTAN P D Haynes 5 114	R Rowe
15	0004	WORDEL Mrs R Murdoch 6 114	J Akehurst
16	0	CADDAGAT J Fitch-Heyes 4 110	Miss P Fitch-Heyes (7)
19	P00-P04	EVENING SONG Mrs P Townsley 5 103	Mr P Townsley
21	00-00	ERICA SUPERBA P Bailey 4 109	A Webber
23	00-00P0	SHIRLSTAR MISS J Long 4 109	P Upson

BLINKERS: 13

PROBABLE SP: 5-2 The Joestan, 100-30 Erica Superba, 5-1 Revolver, 13-2 Ten Below, 7-1 John Feather, 9-1 Evening Song, 10-1 The Governor, 12-1 Golden Rambler, 16-1 others.

1.15 ALDINGTON NOVICE CHASE £1,500 2m (14 runners)

1	010F1P	ROCKFIELD BOY (D) J Jenkins 7 110	J Francome
2	4-0-01	SOME SHOT (D) R Armytage 5 115	A Webber
3	0UP/F	CAPTAIN AMERICA D A Goodwin 8 110	J Barlow
4	F	CECCONI C T Willett 7 110	
7	4120-02	GOLDEN MINSTREL J Gifford 5 110	R Rowe
8	0220-FF	HENNESSY HOUSE G Ripley 7 110	
10	00/100-F	KINGHOLM QUAY Lady Herries 6 110	M Kinane
11	00/	MATISON M Madgwick 6 110	A Madgwick (4)
13	00000/F	PASQUIER H O'Neill 5 110	M Hammond
15	30000P-F	RUNWICK PROSPECT Miss L Bower 8 110	G McCourt
17	00200-2	THE FOODBROKER (CHI) (BF) P D Haynes 8 110	A Webb
20	30000-P	TRICKY BUSINESS A Moore 6 110	G Moore
21	PFP00-3	WEAVERSLAKE A Neaves 8 110	C Warren (7)
24	00/0P0F	MOUNTCOT H R Beasley 5 109	R Goldstein

PROBABLE SP: 15-8 Some Shot, 3-1 The Foodbroker, 4-1 Golden Minstrel, 5-1 Rockfield Boy, 10-1 Kingholm Quay, 12-1 Cecconi, 16-1 others.

1.45 SELLING SELLING H'CAP HURDLE £700 2m (13 runners)

3	F000/0	BROKEN FLIGHT J D Davies 7 119	A Jones (7)
4	4010-02	JAPSILK B Wise 11 117	R Rowell
5	400-000	BELL HOP (C-D) B Stevens 8 115	C Brown
6	00/020-P	CHEHO (USA) V Young 5 113	I Cox
7	00001-0	HAYWIRE M Keegan 10 112	J Akehurst
8	3000-P0	SWEET HIGHNESS Miss L Bower 6 111	G McCourt
9	320004	TOP GOLD H O'Neill 5 111	M Hammond
10	F13	SPEAK TO ME BONES (D) G Thorne 10 101	A Webber
11	042-043	JIMMY BOY H Beasley 5 101	R Goldstein
13	0400P-0	BIHAS BOUNTY D Goodwin 8 109	J Barlow

PROBABLE SP: 15-8 French Captain, 3-1 Trumps, 4-1 Health N Happiness, 5-1 Captain Webster, 10-1 Turkoman, 12-1 Folly Hill, 16-1 others.

3.00 RUM PUNCH NOVICE HURDLE £700 (3-Y-O) 2m (18 runners)

2	100	SOLITARIO (C-D) B Preece 11 2	R Stronge
3	01	TINKERSFIELD J Old 11 2	G Bradley
4	13	NIEKA (D) (BF) J Colston 10 11	C Smith
5	4310	SPRINGLE (D) (BF) R Hollinshead 10 11	J J O'Neill
8		COUL WOLLOW B Cambridge 10 9	Mr J Cambridge (4)
9		EL HOMBRE W G M Turner 10 9	Philip Hobbs
13		HOUDINI'S MARK D H Jones 10 9	P Christopher (7)
15		LORD BUTCH R Howe 10 9	M Perrett
22	4	SHIELDAIG P Cundell 10 9	A Gorman
23	2	STARWIND P Felgate 10 9	P Dever
26		THE PROCESSOR R Howe 10 9	P Howe (7)
28	3	TIMURS DOUBLE T Forster 10 9	H Davies
29	0	VIDEO LAD B Preece 10 9	P Scudamore
30		VILLAGE POACHER T T Bill 10 9	G Williams (7)
33	P	ANGELA'S GIRL R Griffiths 10 4	A O'Hagen
38		GLANSEVERN Mrs J Evans 10 4	R Crank
41	0	MADAME DE COOMBE W G M Turner 10 4	A Sharpe
44	4	SPIV'S RIGHT J Bradley 10 4	G Davies

PROBABLE SP: 11-4 Timurs Double, 4-1 Tinkersfield, 9-2 Starwind, 6-1 Springle, 7-1 Shieldaig, 9-1 Nieka, 12-1 Spiv's Right, 20-1 others.

14	000/P0P	KENO HILL A Davison 9 10 8	
17	P4-02F0	ERNIE'S KEEP G Ripley 9 10 7	G Moore
18	0/0000-0	TARA'S CHIEFTAIN C White 6 10 7	J H Davies

BLINKERS: 7

PROBABLE SP: 7-4 Japsilk, 3-1 Speak To Me Bones, 4-1 Jimmy Boy, 7-1 Top Gold, 9-1 Bell Hop, 10-1 Broken Flight, 14-1 others.

2.15 HEATHFIELD HANDICAP CHASE £1,500 3m 2f (5 runners)

1	F000-F	EGGNOG R Champion 11 11 12	G McCourt
3	10B-PF1	THREE CHANCES R Champion 5 10 4 (5 ex)	Mr M Low (4)
5	F130P2	NORTH WEST (C-D) A Moore 9 10 0	G Moore
6	2U1143	GREY TARQUIN J Bridger 12 10 0	A Jones (7)
7	P0-4332	RIB LAW Miss L Bower 10 10 0	M Kinane

BLINKERS: 7

PROBABLE SP: 2-1 Three Chances, 100-30 North West, 7-2 Grey Tarquin, 5-1 Egglog, 8-1 Rib Law.

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

2	00134	TRUMPS B Swift 4 115	R Campbell (4)
3	003-P00	BOLD PAGAN C White 5 114	J H Davies
5	03P-P	COASTAL RUN P Mitchell 5 114	
6		FIRST QUADRANT (USA) H O'Neill 6 114	M Hammond
7	0/2232	FRENCH CAPTAIN Lady Herries 8 114	M Kinane
8	0-20	HEALTH N HAPPINESS D Thom 5 114	Mr D Murphy (4)
9	00003/	HURRICANE HILL B Stevens 7 114	C Brown
11		RED EMERALD M Keegan 9 114	J Akehurst
14	P0-P	TOWN ROCKET C Horgan 5 114	R Rowe
15	020/00	TURKOMAN D Sasse 5 114	S Shiiston
17	P-0000	BERTHON GOLD G Ripley 4 110	G Moore
18	3-2	CAPTAIN WEBSTER S Woodman 4 110	R Dunwoody
19	0	CASTILORE LAD J Long 4 110	R Rowell
21	0	CUMREW N Vigors 4 110	J White
23	0	FOLLY HILL J Jenkins 4 110	J Francome
25	300-001	MOPSY LOVEJOY B Stevens 4 110	R Mugeridge (7)
27	0	WALJAT D Grissell 4 110	R Goldstein
28	00000/	WESTERN KELLY G Gracey 7 10 13	Miss Z Davison (7)

Sports Line

A remarkable week

TOTTENHAM for the League Championship? That's the question I'm being asked almost every day by our supporters. My answer is simple. We are in the best position to do so for quite some time.

The League Championship race is so open at the moment I believe any one of six or seven clubs are in with a chance of winning it — and Christmas could very well prove to be the turning point for several of us.

Here at White Hart Lane we feel confident that we can last the pace this season. We've got possibly the best squad in depth in the First Division.

The competition for places is unbelievable — make a few mistakes and the boss, Peter Shreeves, is ready to bring in a player who is not only capable of holding his own but also extremely eager to impress.

The last seven days have proved to be very fruitful for us in particular.

Ten days ago we played Newcastle United at our place and despite falling a goal behind we were able to pull back and win 2-1. That's the kind of confidence we have these days. We are certainly not afraid of anyone.

In that particular match I was very impressed with Chris Waddle, a player who has improved beyond all recognition since Newcastle's arrival in the First Division this season.

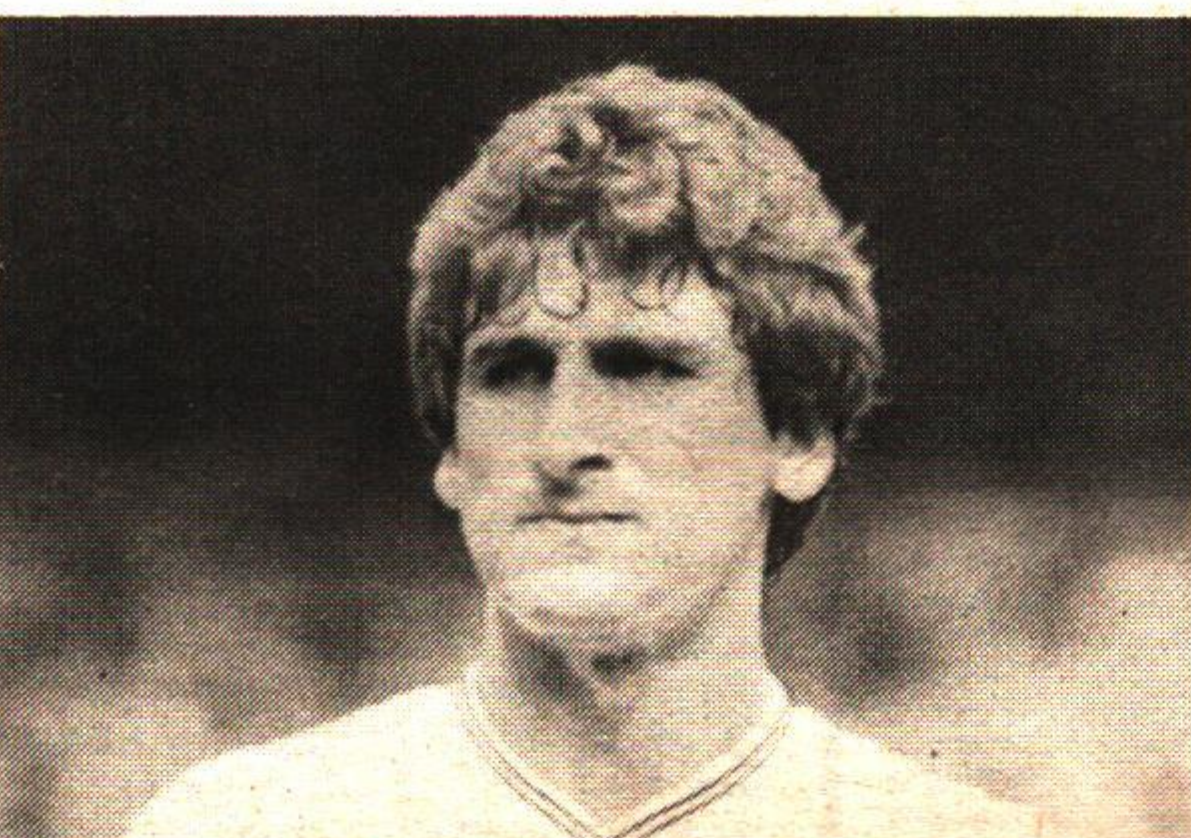
Being a player with bundles of skill, Chris must relish the atmosphere and climate at the highest level of the game.

There's a real buzz among Newcastle players when he touches a ball and now I know why. He's got bags of skill and also possesses a brilliant football brain. A future senior England international? I should think so.

Last Wednesday night



GLENN HODDLE . . . Badly injured in Prague



MARK FALCO can do no wrong these days

we found ourselves in Prague for our UEFA Cup third-round, second-leg tie against Bohemians and I have to report that I was more than a little surprised — and shocked — by the tactics the Czechoslovaks used out there.

At White Hart Lane a fortnight earlier they had frightened us with their skill and were, admittedly, a lit-

tle unlucky to go back home two goals down.

We expected to have a real fight on our hands out there, but we played well enough to hold them to a 1-1 draw and advance 3-1 on aggregate.

However, the attitude and the manner in which Bohemians conducted themselves last Wednes-

day night left a lot to be desired.

Their tackling was ruthless to say the least and I was proud to be part of a Tottenham team that, for the most part, managed to keep its cool and refused to be intimidated.

Their crude tackling saw Glenn Hoddle leave the field with a nasty cut on his forehead while on several occasions I was spat upon when the ball was at least 50 yards away.

But we overcame that on the day, Mark Falco scored a wonderful goal from a great cross by Tony Galvin and after that the opposition just could not pull three goals back.

Last Friday brought the draw for the semi-finals in which we plucked out of the hat first to face Real Madrid.

That tie should prove to be a great spectacle for our fans. For despite Real's demise as one of the greatest clubs in the world in recent years, their comeback against Anderlecht in the last round of the UEFA Cup must rate as one of the biggest shocks of the season.

We rounded off an exciting seven days for the fans by defeating Watford last Saturday to keep us in the hunt for the League Championship and once again we must thank Mark Falco for scoring the winning goal. What a season he is having for us.

Next on the agenda is a tough trip to Norwich this weekend before a holiday programme that sees us take on West Ham (at home), Sunderland (at home again) and Arsenal at Highbury.

By then I will have a much better idea how well Tottenham are equipped for a challenge on the title in 1985.

Speak to you all very soon.

Chris Hughton was talking to Matthew Nugent.

CHRIS HUGHTON'S
Spurs file



JIMBO SO CLOSE TO BAN

BY A NEWS LINE REPORTER

AN APOLOGY from Jimmy Connors late on Sunday night averted a possible sensational end to the Davis Cup tennis final between the United States and Sweden in Gothenborg yesterday afternoon.

Connors' behaviour during his defeat by Sweden's No.1 on Sunday led to the American being docked a game and later he used obscene language aimed at the match's umpire and the final's referee Alan Mills as they left the court.

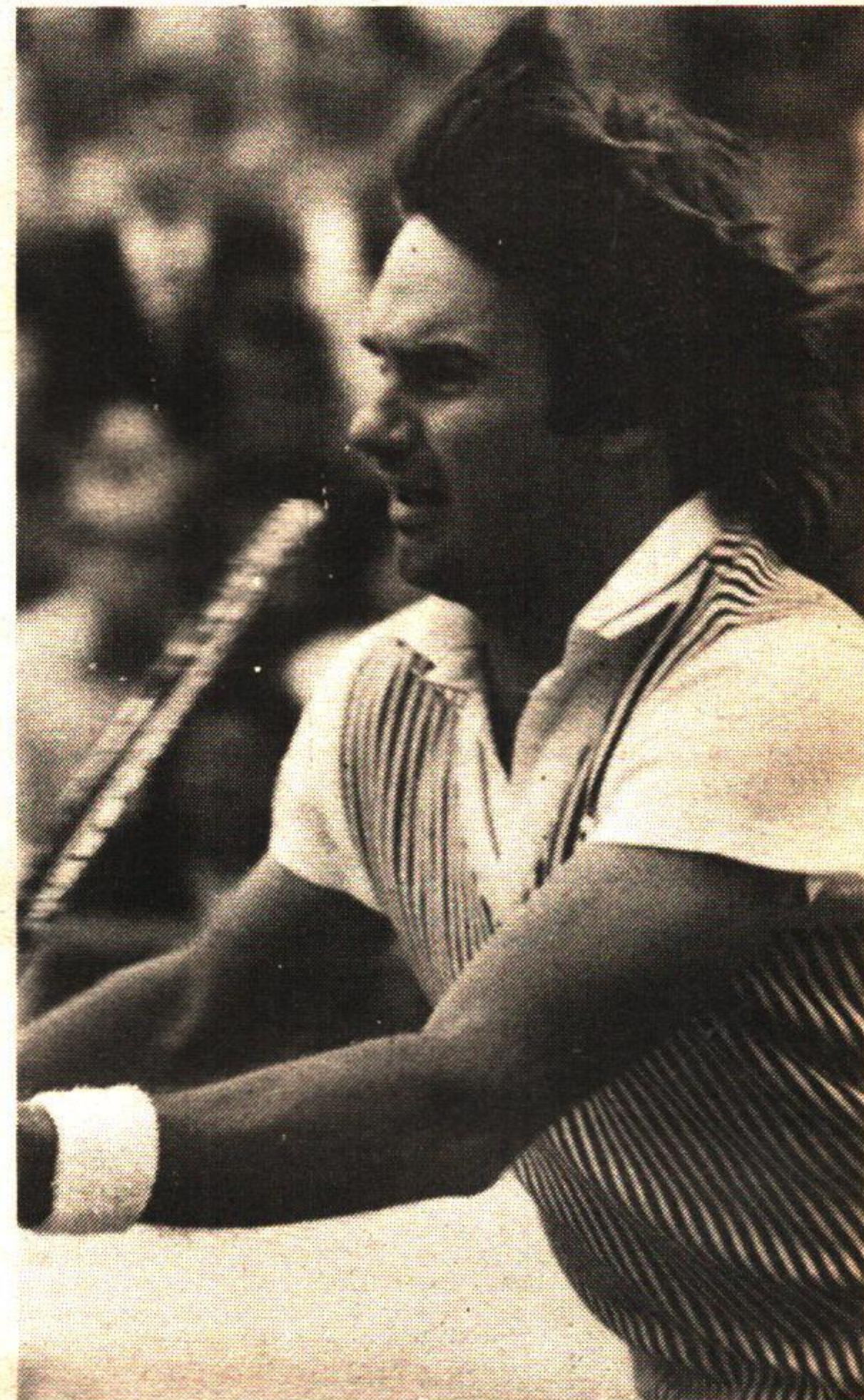
Lose

Shortly afterwards Mills stated that the US could lose the services of Connors for the rest of the final and after they had fallen 2-0 behind, such a decision would have meant the cup would be handed to Sweden on a plate.

But yesterday afternoon, just hours before the crucial doubles match, Mills said: 'I have had a very genuine and personal apology from him (Connors). He is not being defaulted.'

But the American, playing in his first Davis Cup final, was fined \$2,000 for his troubles, the penalty being imposed for hitting the umpire's chair and swearing during the match.

Mills discussed the off-court incident with Connors and the US non-playing captain Arthur Ashe and said he had decided not to punish him for it — because



JIMMY CONNORS . . . On the verge of disqualification

Connors' apology accepted

of the apology and because of the strain Connors was under in connection with the imminent birth of his second child.

Later Mills added that he was wrong on Sunday when

he said that the US could not have substituted another player for Connors if the American had been disqualified.

The Swedish players were training as usual yesterday morning at the Scandinavium Arena but all the Americans were absent from the adjoining practice court.

John McEnroe and Peter Fleming, the world's No.1 ranked doubles team, were due to meet Anders Jarryd and Stefan Edberg in the crucial third rubber of the five-match final last night.

Once

They have met each other just once in the past — at the US Open last September — when the Swedish pair upset the Americans in the quarter-finals, beating them in four sets.

However, the US team will still start favourites in what will have been their most important ever match for their country in the competition.

TUESDAY'S FIXTURES

7.30 unless stated:

DIVISION I

Luton v WBA (7.45)

DIVISION III

Millwall v Hull

SCOTTISH DIV I

Meadowbank v Falkirk

THE WINDIES FORCE A DRAW

Seven Tasmanians injured during innings

BY A CRICKET CORRESPONDENT

INJURY-HIT Tasmania, chasing 162 in 100 minutes and 20 overs to beat the West Indies, settled for a draw at 110 for six on the final day of their four-day match in Davenport yesterday.

Australian cricket's smallest state suffered injuries to seven of their players during the game but after bowling out the mighty West Indies twice, had high hopes of pulling off a famous victory.

But Viv Richards, acting as captain in place of Clive Lloyd, set most of the field around the boundary.

He then relied entirely on

pacemen Courtney Walsh and Eldine Baptiste to keep a tight check on the Tasmanians. Captain Roger Woolley claimed later there had been some blatant time-wasting.

Mark

The bowlers at times walked back to the mark with the pace of pallbearers and at other times ran through their run-ups without bowling.

The Tasmanians saw victory eluding them and the loss of David Boon, who had to retire hurt after being hit

on the head, made their task all the more difficult.

When the sixth wicket fell, Peter Faulkner, who had been struck in the groin, walked gingerly out with a runner but Woolley, unbeaten on 22, called it a day.

The West Indies had resumed at 181 for three with Gus Logie on 99. Logie, who went on to hit a fine 134, Gomes (85) and Lloyd (49) carried the touring side out of their immediate difficulties. At lunch there seemed no prospect of a result.

But Tasmania captured the last five West Indies



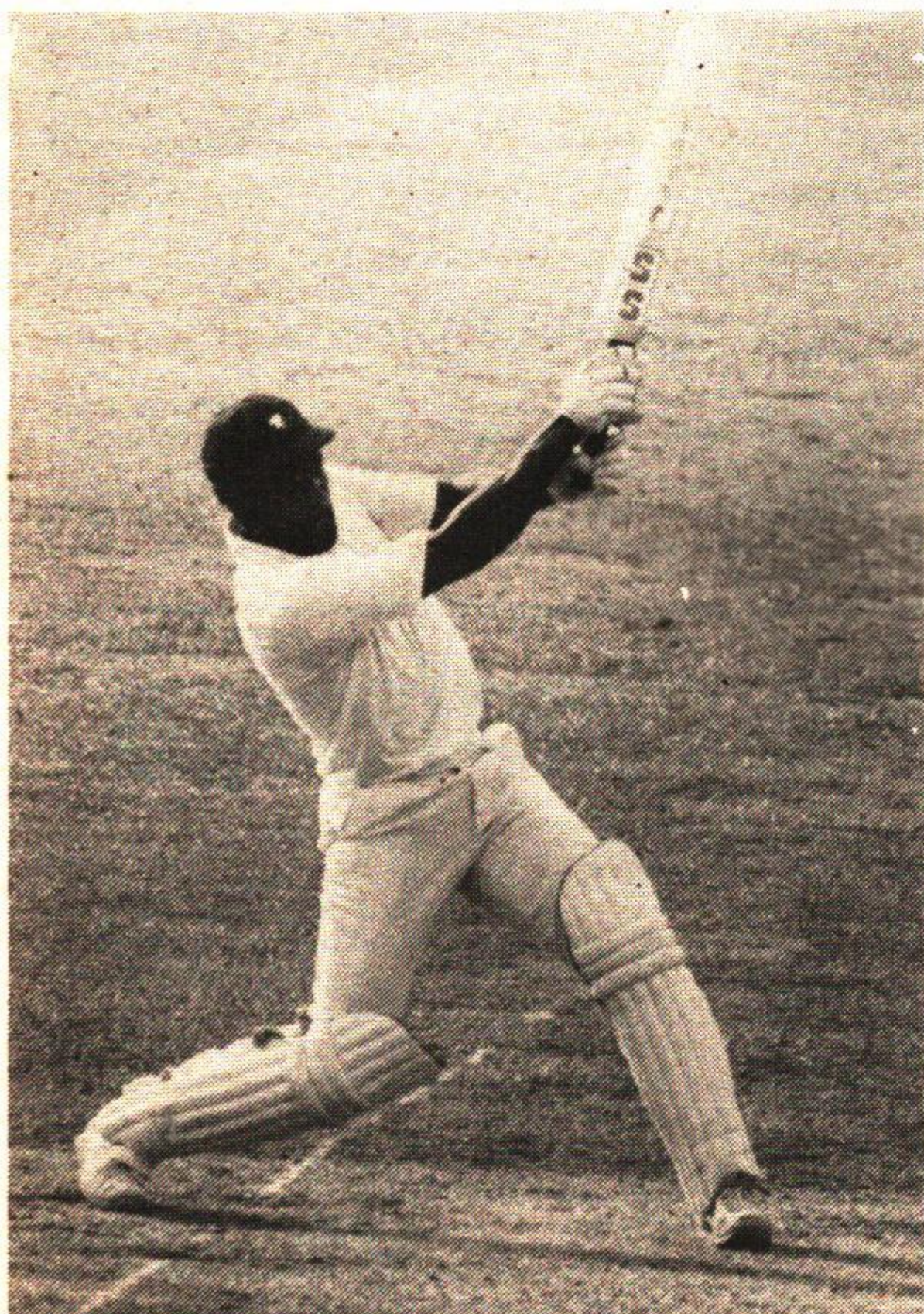
CLIVE LLOYD

wickets for 19 to set up an exciting finish.

Gary Goodman and Mark Ray put on an opening partnership of 32 but wickets fell steadily after that, Baptiste finishing with four for 67.

Best

Woolley said: 'In our minds it was a great win — one of our best performances, especially with the terrible run of injuries we had.'



VIV RICHARDS . . . Captained the West Indies against Tasmania

Sports Line

LUTON'S EVEREST

CHRISTMAS looks likely to hammer home the message that the gap between soccer's rich and its many poor clubs is irreconcilable.

The big spenders — Manchester United, Spurs, Arsenal and, to a lesser extent, leaders Everton — go into the holiday rush as clear contenders for the title.

The likes of Luton, Stoke, Coventry and Ipswich will hope to emerge in the New Year with some expectation of survival.

Luton have even pulled forward to tonight next weekend's home match against West Brom, in the hope of a better crowd: their last gates — less than 8,000 for the visit of Aston Villa — were their lowest in the first division.

Manager David Pleat's face told the whole picture of his club's problems a fortnight ago, when he listened to Arsenal boss Don Howe discussing his huge bid for Southampton's Steve Williams.

A club like Luton just cannot contemplate such an outlay on one player but Pleat has demonstrated what can be achieved on limited resources in the past few weeks.

He has snapped up Steve Foster (£70,000), David Preece (£150,000) and Mick Harford (£250,000), for which he has been rewarded with two draws to give Luton some encouragement in their fight against relegation.

They now take on Albion, looking for the win that will take them out of the bottom three for the first time in six weeks.

Harford scored on his debut at Leicester and Pleat said: 'That was a confidence-booster but even a win tomorrow will leave us with plenty still to do.'

Pleat bid to climb up the tables



DAVID PLEAT

'I was pleased for Harford. He had been training only for a week after an operation on a foot injury and he did so well to come through 90 minutes and still be going strong enough to get the equaliser in injury time.'

Pleat has no injury worries but could recall Nigerian striker Neka Nwajobi, who responded to being dropped by scoring a hat-trick in the reserves against Arsenal on Saturday.

Albion, their recent run halted by a 4-0 mauling at Arsenal, have an injury doubt about striker David Cross.

They still entertain thoughts of a title challenge with full-back Jimmy Nicholl saying: 'Arsenal knocked us back a bit but we have a good Christmas programme and could be back in the running soon.'

'We will have to play better than we did at Highbury. That was a shambles compared to our recent form.'

Arsenal, meanwhile, renew their interest in Williams this week, hoping to narrow the gap between Southampton's £700,000 valuation and their own £500,000 offer.

WARREN'S WORLD TITLES

PROMOTER, Frank Warren, will attempt to stage four world title fights before the end of the season, starting with the Colin Jones-Don Curry welterweight championship at NEC, Birmingham on January 19.

Title fight No.2 will be Sot Chitalada V Charlie Magri, which Warren expects to be signed and sealed today, and he hopes to make matches as well for British light welterweight champion Terry Marsh, and Keith Wallace.

In the case of Wallace, Warren is probably being over optimistic. The flyweight-cum bantamweight from Prescott, Lancashire, has not fought since June, even though he still holds a world ranking on the WBA flyweight list. He is due to return to the ring in February.

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this month but pulled out with a damaged rib.

On the same Shoreditch bill, Coventry middleweight Errol Christie, yesterday voted best young boxer of 1984, will meet Gonzalo Montes, a California-based Mexican whose one defeat in 1984 was for the United States middleweight title.

Of his negotiations with Terry Lawless, the manager of Magri for the flyweight world title fight, Warren said he was paying what the fighter and his manager had asked — believed to be in the region of £40,000.

'That contest will cost in



FRANK WARREN

the region of £150,000 altogether, and I still expect to make a profit, said Warren. 'If the four world title fights come off, the total turnover will be in the region of £4 million.'

Sandy lines up Masters

SANDY LYLE will boost the European challenge in the United States Masters golf tournament at Augusta next April.

The 26-year-old Scot received the invitation at his new Wentworth home yesterday, almost a week after Sam Torrance had also been told he would be playing in this prestigious event for the first time.

At first it was thought

that Lyle might have missed out but his manager David Barlow said yesterday: 'The letter must have gone to his old address in Shropshire before being forwarded to Wentworth.'

Lyle was 'delighted' that he will once again be playing on one of the biggest events in world golf, ranking among the four 'majors'.

He made the last of his three previous appearances in 1983. The Scot, who finished fourth in the European order of merit, underlined his claim for a place at Augusta with some tremendous end of season performances, winning more than £100,000 when beating a formidable field in Hawaii by eight strokes and then, two weeks later, scoring another tournament victory in Japan.

In three weeks he won more than £160,000.

In addition to Lyle and Torrance, the Masters field will include three other European professionals — Open champion Severiano Ballesteros, twice a winner of the title, Germany's Bernhard Langer, who topped the European money list, and Britain's Nick Faldo, a winner on the US circuit earlier this year.

HOW THEY STAND

DIVISION I												DIVISION IV													
	P	W	D	L	F	A	W	D	L	F	A	Pts		P	W	D	L	F	A	W	D	L	F	A	Pts
Everton	19	6	3	1	26	10	5	1	3	14	13	37	Darlington	19	7	1	1	17	5	4	6	0	12	7	40
Tottenham	19	6	2	1	25	10	5	1	4	14	9	36	Chesterfield	18	7	2	2	22	8	4	4	1	13	7	39
Man Utd	19	7	3	0	25	6	3	2	4	13	18	35	Hereford	19	8	1	1	16	4	4	2	3	15	9	39
Arsenal	19	8	2	0	23	6	3	0	6	15	19	35	Bury	19	6	2	1	18	8	5	3	2	11	9	38
Southampton	19	6	2	1	10	5	2	5	3	13	14	31	Blackpool	20	6	3	0	15	4	4	2	5	16	17	35
Chelsea	19	7	1	2	24	9	0	6	3	7	11	28	Peterboro	19	8	1	0	18	5	2	3	5	9	13	34
Sheff Wed	19	5	3	1	20	11	2	4	4	9	10	28	Crewe	20	6	1	3	18	12	4	1	5	13	17	32
Liverpool	19	3	4	2	11	7	4	3	3	13	12	28	Tranmere	19	7	0	3	22	13	3	1	5	13	17	31
W.B.A.	19	6	2	1	22	9	2	2	6	10	19	28	Colchester	19	5	2	2	19	13	3	3	4	15	19	29
Norwich	19	6	3	0	18	8	1	3	6	9	18	27	Hartlepool	19	4	5	1	14	10	3	2	4	8	12	28
Nottm For	19	6	1	2	18	11	2	2	6	11	20	27	Port Vale	19	4	3	3	12	10	3	2	4	10	11	26
West Ham	19	5	3	2	12	6	2	3	4	11	19	27	Swindon	19	5	2	3	16	12	2	3	4	8	12	26
Sunderland	19	6	2	1	16	9	1	3	6	11	17	26	Scunthorpe	18	4	3	2	21	14	2	3	4	10	12	24
Newcastle	19	5	3	2	17	11	1	4	4	15	24	25	Southend	20	4	4	2	15	14	2	2	6	14	23	24
Leicester	19	5	2	3	23	15	1	2	6	10	22	22	Stockport	19	5	2	3	18	11	1	2	6	7	23	22
Q.P.R.	19	5	3	1	19	10	0	4	6	4	22	22	Mansfield	18	4	2	3	9	6	1	4	4	2	7	21
Watford	19	3	3	4	21	20	2	3	4	16	18	21	Halifax	17	3	0	4	6	9	3	1	6	6	17	19
Aston Villa	19	4	4	2	13	12	1	2	6	8	21	21	Aldershot	18	3	3	3	13	10	2	0	7	10	19	18
Ipswich	19	3	4	3	13	13	1	3	5	6	13	19	Northampton	19	2	1	6	10	13	3	1	6	12	18	17
Coventry	19	4	3	3	10	11	1	1	7	9	22	19	Torquay	19	2	4	4	8	12	2	1	6	7	15	17
Luton	19	3	4	2	13	11	1	2	7	10	27	18	Exeter	18	2	5	3	11	10	1	2	5	7	17	16
Stoke	19	1	2	6	11	21	0	3	7	3	22	8	Rochdale	19	1	4	5	8	13	2	3	4	8	14	16

DIVISION II

	P	W	D	L	F	A	W	D	L	F	A	Pts
Blackburn	19	8	1	0	23	5	4	3	3	18	12	40
Oxford	17	8	1	0	30	9	3	3	2	10	7	37
Portsmouth	19	6	3	1	18	10	4	3	2	13	12	36
Birmingham	19	4	3	2	10	7	7	0	3	13	7	36
Man City	19	7	1	1	16	7	3	4	3	11	8	35
Barnsley	18	7	0	2	15	6	2	6	1	7	5	33
Leeds Utd	19	6	2	2	21	8	4	0	5	14	17	32
Huddersfield	19	5	2	2	14	14	4	2	4	12	10	31
Grimsby	19	6	0	4	19	15	3	3	3	17	16	30
Fulham	19	6	0	3	18	13	3	1	6	14	20	28
Brighton	19	4	3	2	8	4	3	2	5	10	10	26
Shrewsbury	20	4	3	2	20	13	2	4	5	14	19	25
Wimbledon	19	4	3	2	18	16	3	1	6	18	26	25
Carlisle	19	5	2	2	11	5	2	6	9	21	25	
Wolves	19	4	2	4	15	15	2	1	6	12	24	21
Charlton	19	3	4	3	17	16	2	1	6	8	15	20
Crystal Pal	19	2	5	2	13	17	2	2	6	12	17	19
Middlesbro	19	3	4	3	13	17	2	0	7	11	17	19
Oldham	19	4	2	4	13	14	1	2	6	7	24	19
Sheff Utd	19	3	3	4	13	13	0	4	12	20	17	
Notts Cnty	19	3	1	6	10	18	1	0	8	9	23	13
Cardiff	19	2	1	7	13	25	1	1	7	10	18	11

SCOTTISH PREMIER

	P	W	D	L	F	A	W	D	L	F	A	Pts
Aberdeen	18	7	2	0	23	6	8	0	1	19	5	32
Celtic	18	7	1	0	26	4	5	3	2	18	12	28
Rangers	18	4	5	1	9	3	4	3	1	12	6	24
Dundee Utd	18	6	1	3	25	15	2	3	3	8	7	20
St Mirren	19	4	1	4	10	11	4	1	5	13	21	18
Hearts	19	3	1	5	8	13	4	1	5	13	20	16
Dumbarton	19	2	3	4	11	13	2	3	5	12	14	14
Dundee	19	3	1	5	13	13	2	3	5	12	14	14
Hibernian	19	2	3	5	12	15	1	2	6	5	19	11
Morton	19	3	1	6	14	23	1	0	8	7	31	9

SCOTTISH DIV I

	P	W	D	L	F	A	W	D	L	F	A	Pts
Clydebank	19	7	1	1	16	4	3	5	2	15	14	26
Airdrie	19	7	0	2	19	11	4	3	3	16	11	25
Forfar	19	5	3	1	17	5	3	2	5	16	19	21
Clyde	19	4	3	3	20	16	3	4	2	12	11	21

DIVISION III

	P	W	D	L	F	A	W	D	L	F	A	Pts
Bradford	19	7	2	0	15	4	5	2	3	14	9	40
Rotherham	19	6	3	0	19	9	5	1	4	10	7	37
Millwall	18	8	1	0	19	4	2	3	4	13	15	34
Hull	19	7	2	1	18	6	2	5	2	10	12	34
Gillingham	19	5	3	1	23	12	5	0	5	12	21	33
Bristol R	18	6	3	0	14	4	3	2	4	12	13	32
Derby Cnty	19	8	2	0	21	9	1	2	6	6	12	31
Bristol C	19	6	2	1	18	9	2	4	4	12	15	30
Bournemouth	19	7	1	2	17	7	1	4	4	8	4	29
Doncaster	19	6	2	2	20	12	2	2	5	14	17	28
York	19	5	3	1	20	10	3	1	6	13	19	28
Brentford	19	5	2	2	17	9	2	3	5	7	13	26
Walsal	18	5	2	1	19	4	2	3	3	12	11	25
Wigan	19	5	2	2	17	7	1	5	8	14	15	25
Reading	19	4	2	4	14	14	3	4	4	18	15	25
Newport	20	6	2	2	16	10	0	4	6	5	15	24
Lincoln	19	4	5	1	19	9	1	2	6	7	14	22
Bolton	19	7	1	2	22	8	0	0	9	12	24	22
Burnley	19	3	4	3	13	11	3	3	4	15	20	22
Plymouth	19	4	3	3	15	13	1	3	5	14	24	21
Preston	19	4	2	4	15	19	2	0	7	9	27	20
Swansea	19	2	1	6	11	16	2	2	6	11	22	15
Orient	19	2	1	6	14	23	2	1	7	9	17	14
Cambridge	19	1	1	7	7	17	1	2	7	11	22	9

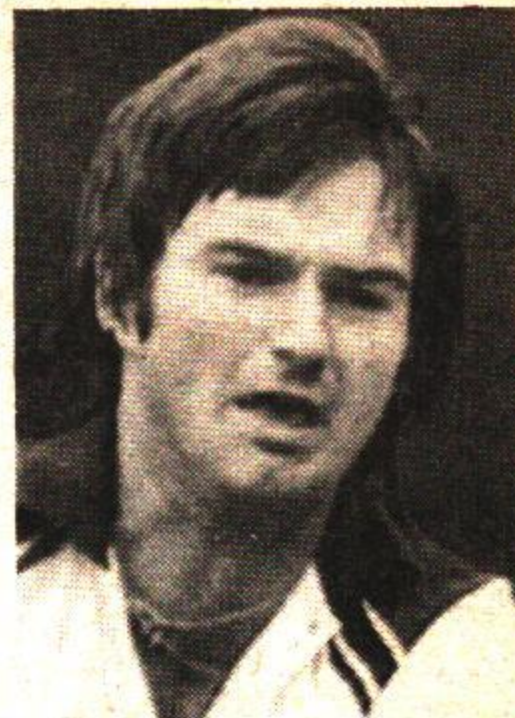
SCOTTISH DIV II

	P	W	D	L	F	A	W	D	L	F	A	Pts
Montrose	18	5	2	2	13	12	7	0	2	12	7	26
Dunfermline	18	4	4	1	18	8	6	1	2	13	6	25
Alloa	18	5	3	1	18	5	5	2	2	13	10	25
Stenhousemuir	18	4	2	3	11	12	3	4	2	12	12	20
Raith	18	4	1	4	13	9	3	4	2	16	16	19
Cowdenbeath	18	5	1	3	19	12	2	3	4	13	13	18
Stranraer	17	4	1	3	15	12	4	4	9	14	18	
Stirling A	18	2	4	3	13	11	3	3	3	14	10	17
Berwick	18	3	4	2	11	8	2	3	4	10	11	17
Queen Sth	18	2	3	4	14	14	2	3	4	8	13	14
Queens Park	18	2	2	5	12	11	3	5	5	12	21	13
Albion R	16	3	0	5	7	13	3	1	4	10	19	13
Arbroath	18	2	6	7	20	2	4	4	8	12	12	
E. Stirling	17	1	3	5	8	12	1	4	3	9	15	11

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ALL SQUARE

BY A CRICKET CORRESPONDENT

ONLY one fear haunted David Gower in Delhi last night as he savoured the taste of victory for the first time as England captain.

With three tests against India left and the series level at one match apiece Gower hopes England will maintain their present form for the rest of the winter.

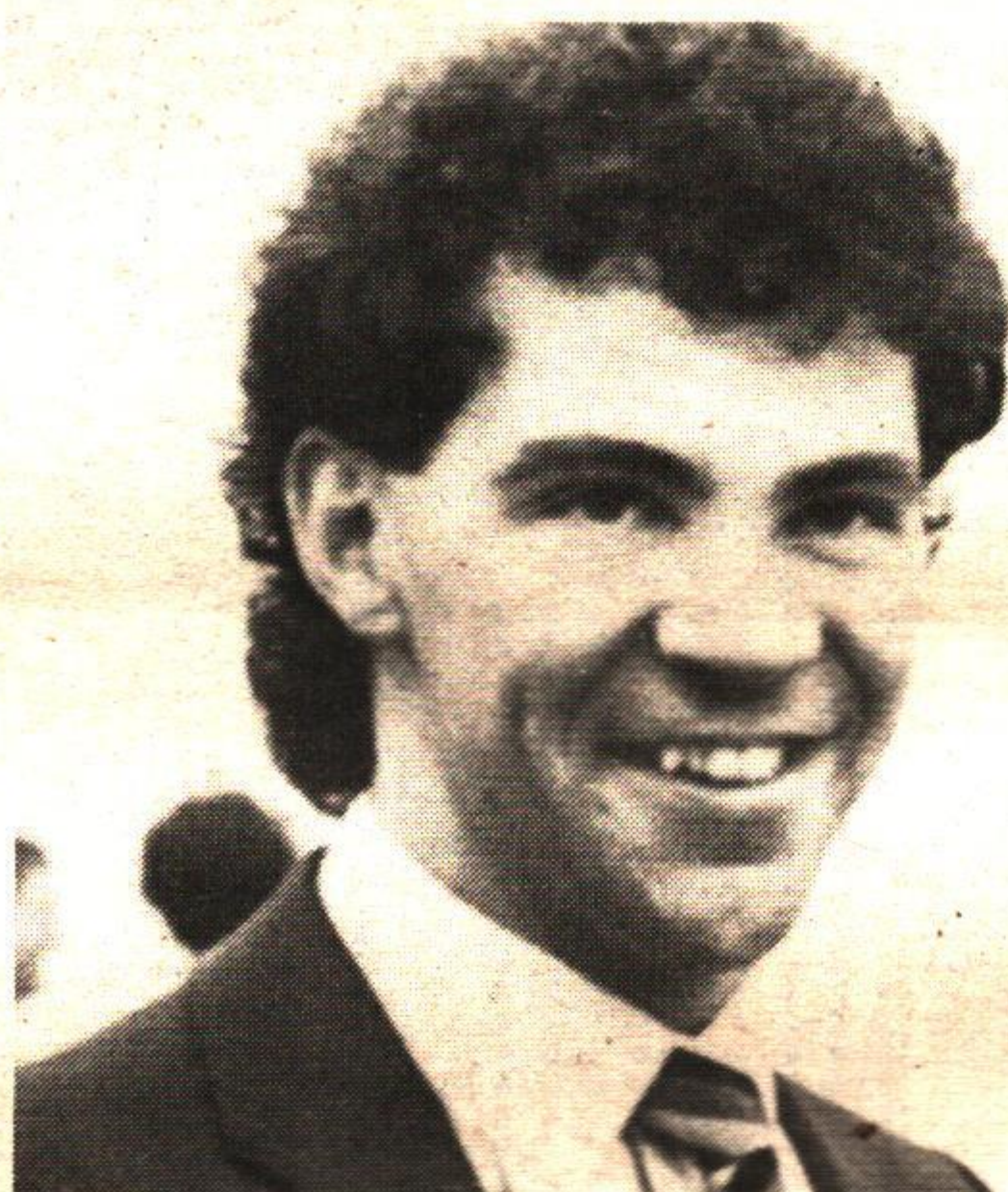
'God forbid we go back to our old ways in the third Test at Calcutta,' said Gower who had experienced seven defeats during his previous 10 games in charge of the side.

But there was no hiding his relief as England ended a record run of 14 tests without a win, stretching back to Trent Bridge and New Zealand in August 1983.

'It's nice to do anything first time,' said Gower, adding: 'It's helluva nice feeling and I'm going to make the most of it.'

Gower's personal contribution to the match was five runs, but his team deserved all the credit for creating a victory from nowhere.

Spin bowlers Pat Pocock and Phil Edmonds shared eight



TIM ROBINSON

victims as India crashed yesterday to 235 all out in their second innings.

That left England to score 125 in 59 minutes plus 20 overs. Graeme Fowler, batting despite stomach trouble, and first

innings hero Tim Robinson, gave England a flying start of 41.

That set the stage for Mike Gatting (3) and Allan Lamb (37) to steer England home with eight wickets and 8.4 overs to

England win Test at last

spare in an unbroken stand of 59.

Suddenly the despair of the eight-wicket first Test defeat at Bombay was forgotten and England's critics received a sharp smack in the face.

Said Gower: 'For a so-called poor side it was not a bad effort. It is lovely to see the comments, made after Bombay backfire.'

No praise was loud enough for Robinson, whose 160 set up an England victory. Gower said: 'It was one of the finest innings I have ever seen in a Test match, even more so because the bloke was only playing his second.'

'I cannot say enough about it. On his first tour, and India is a hard one. Tim has played well throughout, showing complete composure and great concentration.'

Gower also praised his two spinners. 'They stuck to their task well today even when things were going against them, and finally came out on top.'

Glory

Indeed, a day that ended in glory for England began on a depressing note with the depressing news that Paul Allott was to fly home immediately because of his injured back.

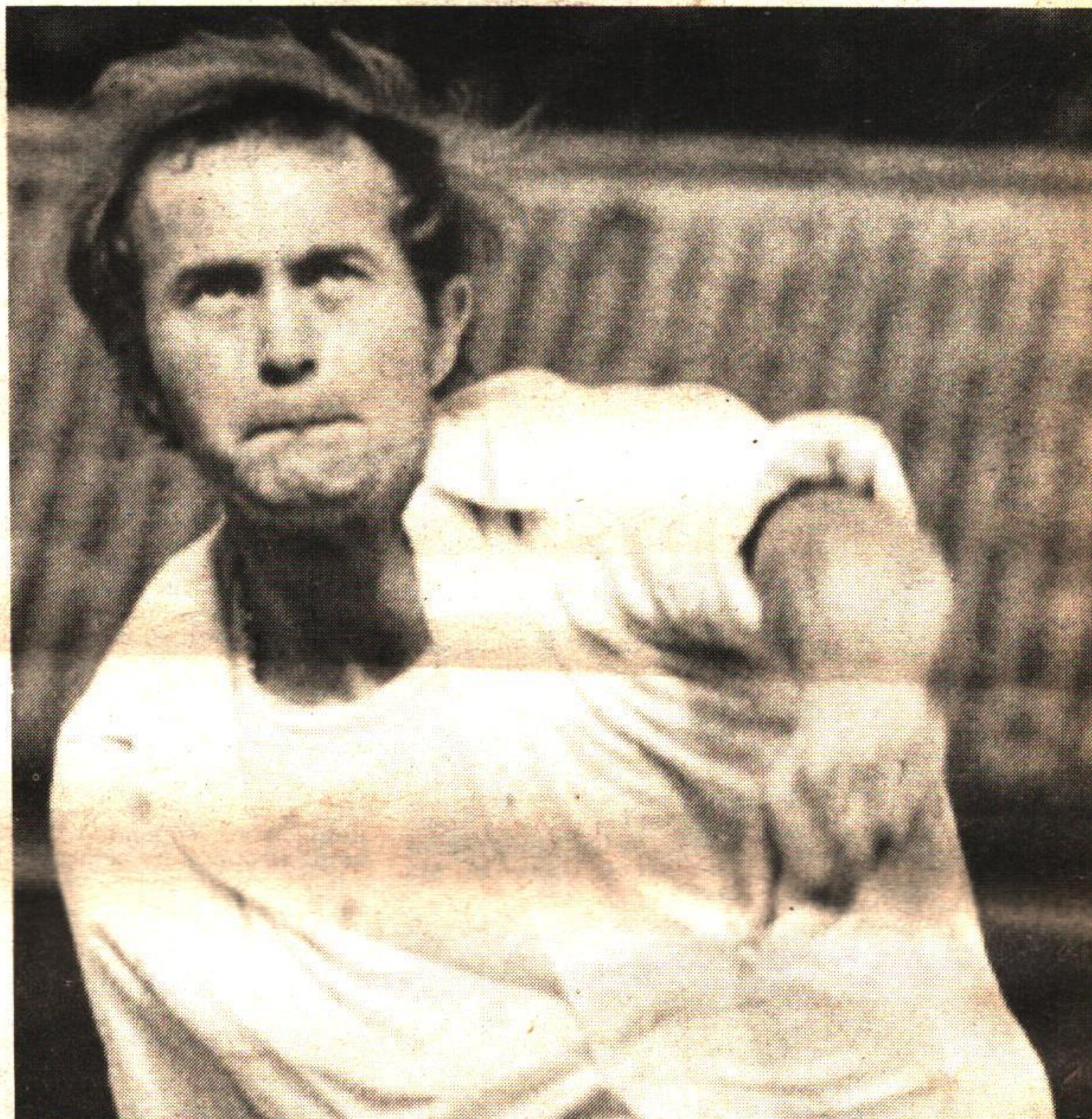
Matters had not improved a great deal by lunch. Although the spinners removed Sunil Gavaskar and Mohinder Amarnath in the first hour, Sandeep Patil and Ravi Shastri dug in to take India to the break at 204 for four, a lead of 93.

Then as news came through that the selectors in London had agreed to the request for Jon Agnew to replace Allott, the Indians crumbled.

Where caution was needed Patil and Kapil Dev produced suicidal shots to give Lamb two catches in the outfield.

In a transformation of fortunes, Pocock, who finished with four for 93, and Edmonds, who grabbed four for 60, then cleaned up the Indian innings in 90 minutes after the break.

Faced with a target that would have suited any side playing a Sunday League match at home, England made light work of victory.



PHIL EDMONDS . . . four wickets for 60 against India in Delhi

SCORECARD

India v England
Overnight: India 307 (Kapil Dev 60; Ellison four for 66) and 128 for two (Amarnath 57 n.o., Gavaskar 51 not out) England 418 (Robinson 160, Downton 74, Lamb 52; Sivaramakrishnan six for 99).

India Second Innings cont:
Gavaskar b Pocock 65
Amarnath b Edmonds 64
Patil c Lamb b Edmonds 41
Shastri n.o. 25
Kapil Dev c Lamb b Pocock 7
Gaekwad c Downton 0
b Edmonds 0
Kirmari b Pocock 6
Yadav c Lamb b Edmonds 1
Sivaramakrishnan 0
c & b Pocock 0
EXTRAS 20

TOTAL 235
FALL CONT: 3-136, 4-172, 5-207, 6-214, 7-216, 8-225, 9-234.
BOWLING: Cowans 13-2-43-2; Ellison 7-1-20-0; Edmonds 44-24-60-4; Pocock 38.4-9-93-4; Gatting 1-0-3-0.
England Second Innings
Fowler c Vengsarkar 29
b Sivaramakrishnan 18
Robinson run out 30
Gatting n.o. 37
Lamb n.o. 37
EXTRAS 13

TOTAL 127 FALL: 1-41 2-68.
BOWLING: Kapil Dev 6-0-20-0; Prabhakar 3-0-18-0; Sivaramakrishnan 8-0-41-1; Yadav 2-0-7-0; Shastri 4-0-20-0; Gavaskar 0.4-0-10-0.

India drop Dev

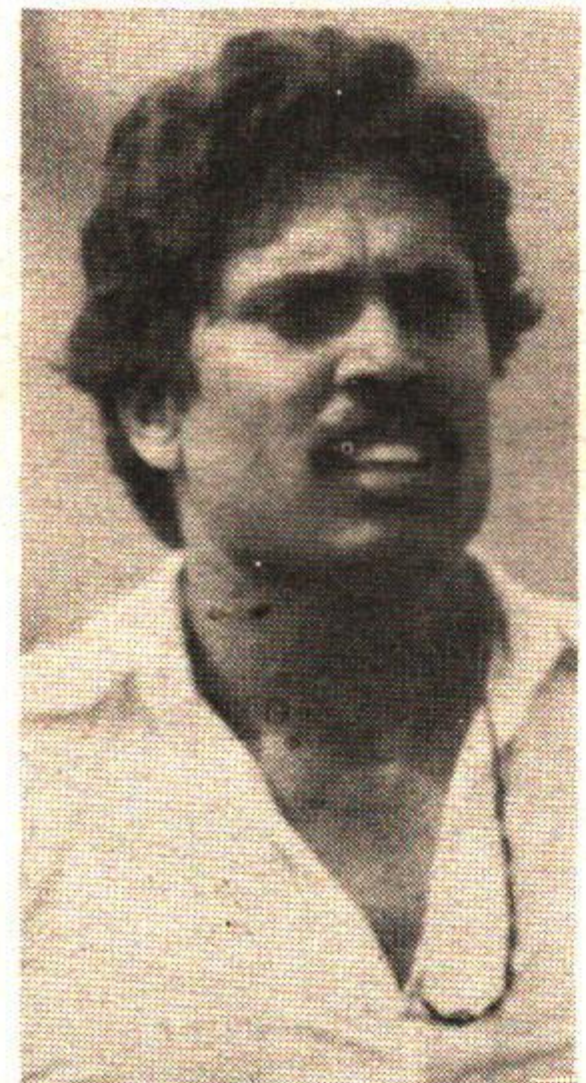
FORMER captain Kapil Dev was dropped for the time being yesterday from the Indian cricket squad for the third Test at Calcutta, hours after the defeat by England.

India's cricket selectors took only 35 minutes to decide to omit Dev from the squads for the second one-day international at Cuttack on December 27 and the third Test, starting on December 31.

Dev, 25, became a national hero after he led India to a stunning victory in the World Cup in England last year.

His omission means he is out of the squad for the first time in the 66 Tests India have played since he made his debut in Pakistan in the 1978-1979 series.

Dev became the youngest cricketer in Test history to complete the double of 1,000 runs and 100 wickets when he accomplished the feat 27 days after his 21st birthday.



KAPIL DEV . . . The Indian Test selectors dropped the all-rounder yesterday

Indian cricket officials would not comment on reasons for Dev's omission but his batting yesterday at a crucial stage on the last day of

the second Test may have influenced the selectors.

Dev came in with India struggling in a difficult position — 96 runs ahead and five wickets left.

He made only seven runs and India went on to lose by eight wickets. Another unexpected omission from the two squads was dashing middle order batsman Sandeep Patil.

Patil seemed set for a big score in the second innings, when he played a rash stroke and was dismissed for 41.

Although Dev got the top score of 60 in the first innings, he took only one wicket in the match, another factor that may have influenced the selectors.

Dev replaced Sunil Gavaskar as Indian captain after a disastrous tour of Pakistan in 1982-1983 but Gavaskar regained the captaincy earlier this year after India, under Dev, went without a Test win for 14 games.

More strife at Swansea

THERE SEEMS to be no end to the problems at hard-up Third Division Swansea City.

John Bond, the club's sixth manager in 14 months, had only arrived at the Vetch Field yesterday morning when vice-chairman Tom Phillips resigned from the board of directors in protest.

Phillips, 16 years a director, said his decision had been reached after 13 months of bitter wrangling. He added that he had been consistently opposed to the policy and management decisions of a group of the directors.

● **TOTTENHAM** look certain to be without Glen Hoddle at Norwich on Saturday.

The head injury he received in Prague last Wednesday is causing concern because of lingering swelling and yesterday the England midfielder saw a special-

ist. He is also under treatment for a groin injury.

Two other Tottenham casualties, Osvaldo Ardiles and Mike Hazard, will play in a re-arranged reserve game against Portsmouth tonight.

Meanwhile manager Peter Shreeves yesterday denied report's linking the club with Leicester striker Gary Lineker.

● **GARY MILLS**, Nottingham Forest's utility player stretched off against Everton last Saturday, broke his left leg.

Mills, who has played with a steel pin in the other leg he broke while playing in the United States with Seattle Sounders two years ago, enters hospital today.

He will be out for at least six weeks and while in hospital will have the steel pin removed.

He had intended to wait until the end of the season before having an operation to have the pin removed.