

Thatcher on tour cracks the whip

WALL OF NOISE AT MOLESWORTH – PAGE 3



MOLESWORTH, Cambridgeshire — The scene at the base due to receive cruise missiles in the next three years when anti-nuclear demonstrators arrived yesterday. They were kept on the perimeter by miles of barbed wire and a huge force of police — see full report and more pictures on page 3

BASNETT ON HIS KNEES

BY BEN RUDDER

PRIME Minister Thatcher launched her third anti-union tirade in four days when she arrived in Singapore yesterday on her tour of the Far East.

Her outburst had right-wing trade union leaders running for cover, with David Basnett, general secretary of the GMBATU, appealing to Thatcher to stop being 'silly'.

His advice was that repeated attacks would lead to what he termed insurrectionary trade unions and provoke attempts to bring down her government.

Spelling out her determination to cut wages and attack unions fighting to improve the living standards of workers, Thatcher said:

'The myth that we can have the good life without paying for it has finally been laid to rest — and about time too.'

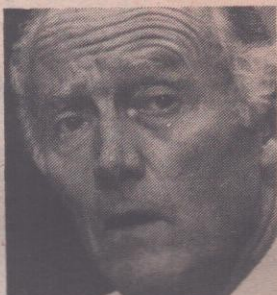
Challenge

And asserting that the Tory government was resolving 'fundamental' problems, Thatcher added:

'Nowhere has that strength been better demonstrated than in the ability of the British economy



THATCHER'S Far East outburst had GMBATU leader David Basnett running for cover yesterday



to withstand the strongest challenge to it since the Second World War — the coal strike.

'During that strike, designed to bring the economy to its knees, industrial production actually increased,' she claimed.

'Most important of all, at first a minority and eventually a majority of miners showed they were not prepared to follow the instructions of militant trade union leaders, especially when those leaders refused to hold a national ballot.'

Continuing her arrogant parade through a series of despotic regimes, she later

wallowed in sycophantic praise from Singapore's notorious anti-communist prime minister, Lee Kuan Yew, at a reception in her honour.

Speaking of the miners' strike, Lee said: 'A lesser prime minister would have been softened by insidious pleas for reasonableness and compromise in the face of organised hooliganism and blackmail.'

Lee, at home amid the talk of union-busting and poverty wages, added his own reactionary compliments.

He said Thatcher had made Britain more attrac-

tive to speculators, and he lashed out at 'greedy' trade unions and the welfare state.

Thatcher had earlier primed him for this 'undiplomatic' outburst by her pompous address to the British Business Association in the city.

She claimed government in the 1970s 'abdicated its responsibilities as trade unions assumed more power'. Her government was changing this situation, she said.

Speeches

In London, retiring GMBATU leader Basnett called on Thatcher to end such 'silly speeches'.

Basnett, who has already declared himself opposed to 'Scargillism', complains in an editorial in his union's journal today that the government's anti-union attitude may lead to insurrectionary trade unions.

In the editorial, Basnett makes it clear the right-wing TUC leaders want total collaboration with a regime whose aim is to destroy independent trade unions.

Basnett says: 'The movement cannot be provoked into political strikes to bring down a government.'

His frantic pleading is the surest indication that Thatcher's Bonapartist dictatorship is creating the most favourable conditions for a General Strike against her hated regime.

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CHEAP LABOUR SCHEMES WON'T REDUCE JOBLESS

THE EXTENSION of the Tories' cheap labour schemes in Chancellor Lawson's budget will not reduce unemployment, according to estimates by economic analysts Simon and Coates out today.

Their report criticises the Chancellor for relying on tax-cutting measures rather than public spending to cut the dole queues. It calls for further extension of the cheap labour schemes for adults as well as for youth.

It finds little evidence to support Treasury assumptions that tax cuts will re-

duce pay deals and increase output and employment.

It is 'vital' that any scope for tax cuts and public expenditure increases be used on directly cutting the jobless, it says.

Measures

Three budget measures — restructuring of employers' National Insurance, and extensions to the Community Programme and the Youth Training Schemes — are estimated to cut unemployment figures by about 100,000 each over the next three years.

'However,' the report says, 'these measures will not even be sufficient to absorb the underlying increase in the labour force up to 1988, and there is a very real risk that unemployment will continue to rise over this period.'

It puts forward a £1.7 billion package which, it claims, would cut the dole figures by 750,000. The package calls for:

- An extension of the Community Programme into social services.
- A new subsidy for the private sector to take on more people.
- An extension to the job release scheme.

● Limited extensions to the Enterprise Allowance and Community Industry Schemes and the Youth Training Scheme.

● A beefing-up of the job-splitting scheme.

This package could be financed from 'A modest increase in tax'.

The report adds: 'Maintenance of strict public sector borrowing requirements is not a sufficient reason for accepting 3 million unemployed.'

The £9.5 billion which the Treasury says will be available within the public sector borrowing requirements up to 1989 must be spent on fighting unemployment in the most cost-effective way, it adds.

Public spending, says the report, is much cheaper than tax cuts in the short term for reducing unemployment, and also creates more jobs in the private sector.

Clash

Special employment measures, it says, would clash with the government's industrial policy. It adds: 'There is a strong case for urgently expanding the coverage of existing schemes and for adding some new ones.'

● TWO REPORTS published today give a rose-tinted view of the economy.

London stockbrokers Phillips and Drew say that

Lawson's wage-cutting budget has set the scene for a better economic outlook for Britain.

They predict only a small increase in inflation, less pressure on the pound and scope for £2 billion worth of tax cuts in 1986.

Lord Boardman, chairman of the National Westminster Bank, says today that more jobs could be created in 1985 as a result of 'realistic prospects' that the rate of growth in output and productivity can be sustained.

He comments in the bank's annual report: 'If the momentum can be sustained, the gains in employment and in national prosperity would be considerable.'

Life sentence for Sikh

NEW DELHI — An Indian military court has sentenced a Sikh deserter to life imprisonment for the death of his camp commandant last June.

Private Balwinder Singh was one of at least 2,000 Sikh soldiers who mutinied at several army camps across northern India in the aftermath of the massacre at the Golden Temple of Amritsar on June 6.

More than 2,000 Sikhs, including armed followers of the late Sant Jarnail Singh Bhindranwale, were slaughtered when crack army troops stormed the holiest of holy Sikh temples under orders from the late Prime Minister Indira Gandhi.

Balwinder Singh, and two other soldiers at the Sikh Regimental Centre at Ramgarh, in the eastern state of Bihar, are alleged to have shot dead the centre's commander, Brigadier M.C. Puri, during an attempt to put down the mutiny.

State-run Press Trust of India said one of the men involved in the killing was shot dead in an exchange of fire with the troops.

A third died of kidney failure, PTI said without elaborating.

Provocative

The well-publicised sentencing of the Sikh soldier is a provocative measure by the Congress (I) government of Prime Minister Rajiv Gandhi, Mrs Gandhi's son.

Gandhi declared a virtual state of emergency in Punjab last Sunday, with thousands of troops posted on rooftops and strategic positions across the state for the Baisakhi (Harvest) Festival and the 61st anniversary of another historic massacre in Amritsar.

British General Reginald Dyer ordered the gunning down of at least 300 people and the wounding of about 2,000 others in Jallianwalla Bagh (Park) on April 13, 1919 as a 'lesson' against agitation in support of independence from British colonial rule.

Gandhi released eight leaders of the main Sikh opposition party, the Akali Dal, last month — after nine months in prison on unspecified charges that have not been substantiated.

But the freed leaders have threatened a mass demonstration on Saturday in protest against Gandhi's flagrant anti-Sikh chauvinism.

Oxford English ... not quite

THE OXFORD University Press has admitted allowing Russian publishers to change the definition of political words in a USSR edition of the Oxford Student's Dictionary of Current English.

The edition, printed and now on sale in Russia, defines socialism as 'a social and economic system which is replacing capitalism'.

Capitalism is termed 'an economic and social system based on private ownership of the means of production operated for private profit and on the exploitation of man by man'.

By comparison, the Shorter Oxford Dictionary gives these standard definitions:

Socialism: 'A theory or policy of social organisation which advocates the ownership and control of the means of production, capital, land, property etc,

by the community as a whole and their administration or distribution in the interests of all.'

Capitalism: 'The condition of possessing capital or using it for production: a system of society based on this: dominance of private capital.'

Alter

Chief executive Graham Richardson said contritely yesterday: 'We should not have done so [alter the definitions] and we won't do it in future.'

Other political words which have been redefined for the Soviet edition include communism, imperialism, Marxism, fascism, Bolshevism and internationalism.

70,000 copies of the dictionary are now being distributed in the Soviet Union.

THE TUC is to appeal to union trustees on company pension funds to pull investment out of 10 British companies refusing to reveal details of activities in South Africa.

The ten companies — including tobacco giants Gallaher and leisure group Trusthouse Forte — have so far failed to respond to an EEC demand for details of wage levels for black workers in South Africa.

The demand, which includes questions about recognition of black unions, is part of a code of conduct drawn up by the European Community governments.

TUC General Secretary Norman Willis said he hoped to get details of South African subsidiaries of British-based companies paying black workers below the minimum rates.

Gas leak probe call

BY CHRIS CORRIGAN

A PUBLIC inquiry was demanded yesterday into a cyanide gas leak that hospitalised nine workers at the giant BP chemicals complex at Grangemouth.

Police and the company said later there had been no danger to the public or to other workers at the complex. BP said an internal inquiry is underway.

But John Docherty, provost of Falkirk, said the facts surrounding the leak

should be investigated publicly so that everyone was aware of them.

'We proposed an inquiry into the Re-Chem toxic waste plant at Bonnybridge but the Scottish Office turned that down,' Docherty said yesterday.

The nine men were working inside the Grangemouth complex on Sunday afternoon when the leak occurred. They were taken to Falkirk Royal Infirmary and treated for breathing difficulties and irritation to the eyes and throat.

They were kept in hospital for observation overnight, and released yesterday.

Provost Docherty commented: 'The complex is near a densely populated

area and it would be foolish to let this pass without a thorough investigation. The public have a right to know.'

'We accept that the plant has rigorous safety measures, but an incident like this cannot be ignored in the light of what has happened in places like Italy and India.'

Grangemouth, on the banks of the Firth of Forth, is one of Europe's largest chemical sites and adjoins a big oil refinery.

Health authorities rubber stamp cuts

TRADE UNION nominees to health authorities do not have sufficient time to effectively fight Tory cuts and attacks on the NHS, according to a 'Labour Research' survey in the April issue published today.

The overwhelming majority of the trade union nominees felt the health authorities rubber-stamped Tory cuts and attacks on the National

Health Service.

The survey, the first investigation of the views and actions of trade unionists nominated to the District and Regional Health Authorities, finds most nominees spend only between two and four days on their NHS tasks.

A Birmingham District Health Authority nominee said: 'I could be more effective if I got more time off to be in-

involved in the daytime.

'I only officially get one day per month. All the other time I take off from work without pay and there is a limit to that.'

More than half the nominees felt they lacked support from their trade union bureaucracies or other labour movement bodies.

The surveys says more time and support is needed to train nominees but many were doing 'some great work.'

It says many enjoy their task despite being overworked. The survey quotes the Birmingham nominee as saying: 'I really do enjoy my involvement though.'

'Telegraph' looks for funding

NEGOTIATIONS are taking place about funding amounting to some £100 million for investment by the 'Daily Telegraph' in London and Manchester, the company's directors confirmed last night.

A statement said: 'Funding is expected to be in the form of leasing, and partly by the injection of equity finance, initially by private placing.'

A GANG of would-be robbers spent most of the Easter weekend tunnelling into a Dublin bank from an old sewer pipe only to set off the alarm and flee empty-handed.

Police and bank staff found housebreaking tools left behind on the city centre premises in Dame Street.

WEATHER

ENGLAND will start mainly cloudy with rain in places at first, but become brighter with showers. Wales and southern England will have some sunny intervals at first, but become rather cloudy with scattered showers. Scotland and north-east England will be rather cloudy with scattered showers. Temperatures will range from rather cold in most northern and eastern districts to near normal in brighter southern areas.

Outlook for Wednesday and Thursday: Sunny intervals and showers in most areas, further rain in the north west on Thursday but drier in the south east. Near normal temperatures.

Group claim killing

A LOYALIST paramilitary group, the so-called Ulster Freedom Fighters yesterday claimed responsibility for the brutal murder of a 26-year-old labourer in Eniskillen.

Martin Love, 26, a Roman Catholic, was walking home from a local hotel when he was shot twice at close range, once in the back and in the neck.

The shooting happened near the home of Love's father in Factory Row shortly after midnight on Sunday.

Police said they had no reason to believe that he had any connection with paramilitary groups.

Police probe board fraud

SCOTLAND Yard is investigating allegations of bribery and attempted fraud involving a former investment officer with the GLC-backed Greater London Enterprise Board.

Five people, including the investment officer, have been arrested, and a report is expected to be sent to the Director of Public Prosecutions.

Police inquiries centre on the setting up of a concrete company, London Reinforcement, which is now in liquidation.

The investment officer, who was sacked in February, is alleged to have accepted £45,000 as an inducement to ensure that GLEB made a £300,000 investment in the company.

The board, set up by the GLC two years ago, has created more than 3,000 jobs. Last year it gave money to 173 projects.

Two partners in London

Reinforcement and two of their associates have been arrested along with the former investment officer.

Board spokesman John Palmer said: 'Over the two years, the board has dealt with many hundreds of enterprises and this is the first case of its kind.'

'Our internal audit department monitors all our arrangements intensively, and the investment executive was dismissed as soon as the discrepancies came to light.'

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Police mount massive surveillance operation

20,000 in Molesworth protest

BY JOHN SPENCER

TWENTY thousand demonstrators braved driving rain and thick mud yesterday outside a former airfield in Cambridgeshire where the Tory government plans to install cruise missiles.

CND supporters from all over the country surrounded the Molesworth base with a wall of noise, ringing hand-bells, banging drums, blowing whistles, singing and shouting.

They were confronted by a huge force of police, mobilised from as far afield as London, Sussex and Greater Manchester. Overhead military and police helicopters kept the march under surveillance.

Police marshalled the 350 coaches and hundreds of private cars to pre-arranged parking spaces, most of them a long way from the site.

The perimeter has been carefully arranged to deprive peace campers of any base, but Defence Ministry land was provided for CND's marquees. By yesterday lunchtime the site was a sea of mud.

Country roads for five miles round the base were clogged with columns of marchers and vehicles, waving banners, pennants and daffodils.

CND chairwoman Joan Ruddock said the turnout showed the depth of opposition to nuclear weapons.

'There are at least 20,000 here and I am delighted with the way things have gone,' she said. Police confirmed the figure, though national TV and local radio were putting out much smaller estimates of the numbers.

The crowd was so dense that many found it impossible to reach the focal point of the demonstration — the gate nicknamed 'Peace Corner' on the southern perimeter.

Fence

After the 'ring of sound' echoed round the camp, the protestors planted thousands of streamers on land by the fence. Many carried personal messages or dedications to friends or relatives.

Some of the marchers threw their banners over the fence to stick in the mud inside the base. They were swiftly removed by military police.

At one point the police helicopters were joined by a light aircraft hired by Tory anti-CND campaigners trailing the mes-

sage: 'CND trespassers go home.'

Ruddock said CND planned to have demonstrators at the base every day until the scheduled arrival of the cruise missiles in three years' time.

One thousand people had camped overnight at Molesworth including CND general secretary Mgr Bruce Kent who had marched from St Neots in Cambridgeshire.

He said: 'One of the messages I would like this rally to convey is that the land at Molesworth here should be used to meet the needs of human beings and not add to the dangers of the world by being used as a site for nuclear weapons.'

On the march he pushed a pram containing a sack of wheat which will be added to the cargo of food CND is planning to send to Eritrea. So far £18,000 has been collected towards the shipment.

Police said there had been 50 arrests, mainly for public order offences, throwing firecrackers and attempts to cut through the seven-mile perimeter fence.

In one incident, a snatch squad was used to arrest demonstrators specifically identified by police.



MOLESWORTH, Cambridgeshire — 'You ain't seen nothing yet' is the message on a poster carried (above) by a man in a Reagan mask accompanied by a Mrs Thatcher on the perimeter of the heavily-guarded base due to take delivery of cruise missiles in the next three years. Left: Some of the 20,000 anti-nuclear demonstrators on their way to the base yesterday



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Labour Party Young Socialists conference – Final day

Liberation fight scares 'Militant'

**PENNY BLOOR
REPORTS FROM
BLACKPOOL**

DEBATES on Nicaragua and South Africa used super-revolutionary criticism to cover-up the real fear and hatred 'Militant' have of the national liberation struggle against imperialism.

Eight speakers spoke in favour of the main resolution and four against.

The resolution condemned US imperialist policy against Nicaragua and went on to say: 'However, the revolution has still not gone all the way to getting rid of capitalism and landlordism — and as the motto of the French revolution puts it "Those who make half revolutions only dig their graves".'

'The recent election has proved that the masses support the revolution — but Ronnie Reagan and the big bosses in the USA and Nicaragua won't stop an invasion because of the ballot box.'

Actions

Delegates threw out an opposing resolution which called for concrete actions to show solidarity with Nicaragua, including a speaking tour with Sandinista youth, and demonstration, a leaflet and affiliation to the Nicaragua Solidarity Campaign.

Gary Dolman from Sheffield said LPYS support for the Sandinistas 'must have its reservations'.

The Sandinistas had enough support, but they were not prepared to complete their revolution, he claimed.

Not just arms, but a



No concrete action to back the Sandinistas in Nicaragua

socialist programme was needed.

Richard Bailey from York said that the task of actual support for the Sandinistas was the most important job of internationalists. That task came before criticism of the Sandinistas.

Howard Lewis from Mossley Hill, Liverpool, said Marxists should not be prepared to support alliances with capitalism.

Defending 'Militant's' criticism of the Nicaraguan revolution, he went on: 'You people accuse us of accommodating to capitalism because we don't demand the resignation of Kinnock over his role in the miners' strike.'

'Yet you are prepared to form alliances with capitalists.'

THE main motion on South Africa called for links with South African workers and youth and British trade unions.

It said that a two-day general strike called by the Council of South African Unions and the Federation

of South African Trade Unions showed the growing power of the working class.

The conference supported 'with reservations' a call for 'moral support for both the African National Congress (ANC) and the South West African People's Organisation (SWAPO)'.

Struggle

Andy Gibson from Edinburgh West said white workers in South Africa had not taken up the same struggle as black workers. But even so, due to the crisis, whites were 'also feeling the brunt'.

A delegate from Epping said that peaceful protest could not achieve victory in South Africa, but only the armed struggle.

A speaker from Zimbabwe condemned the recent detentions of 14 trade unionists by security police and called for financial support for the trials of two men still in prison.

Frances Curren from Ne-

wham North East defended links between the LPYS and the South African Labour Education Project (SALEP).

She said the issue was to take the fight to build ideas of Marxism within the South African labour movement.

Summing up, John Hird of the national committee, said the LPYS had always believed the armed struggle would take place in South Africa.

However, it could not be conducted by 'small groups' but had to be led by the trade union movement.

On Zimbabwe the LPYS had warned years ago of what would happen, Hird said.

The lesson was that there couldn't be half a revolution, whether in Nicaragua, Zimbabwe or South Africa.

The conference passed 'with reservations' a resolution on India stating that 'socialists must support the right for an independent Kalistan if there is genuine support among Sikhs'.

Reformism exposed on drugs and housing

THE REFORMIST outlook of the Labour Party Young Socialists was sharply revealed in a debate on drug abuse yesterday.

The 'Militant' resolution stated: 'The LPYS condemns the present Tory government for its scandalous role in not preventing rising drug abuse in Britain.'

It added: 'Indeed the Tories have axed 3,600 jobs from customs and excise since 1979 including 1,000 front line customs staff and have done nothing to crack down on heroine.'

It called on the labour movement to campaign to stop solvent and drug abuse and on local Labour Parties, trade unions, tenants' associations, parents and other affected groups to link up to drive drug pushers off the streets and council estates.

This was complemented with an appeal to 'remove the Tories from office and to return a Labour govern-

ment committed to end the nightmare of capitalism and introduce a socialist plan of production'.

Debated at the same time were resolutions condemning the Tory attacks on the National Health Service and on homelessness.

Both called for a long series of reforms from the next Labour government.

Kevin Blake from Folkestone said that as a diabetic he had to pay £12 for a small bottle of medicine lasting two weeks.

Adam Cunningham from Cambridge praised the strike of domestics at Addenbrookes hospital against privatisation.

'The leaders of NUPE and COHSE are embarrassed to come down to Addenbrookes because they get attacked for their lack of support,' he pointed out.

Caroline Bone from Andover said that two housing estates in her town had been built with flat roofs causing condensation and damp.

She said Liverpool city council had started 2,000 council homes and believed 'their policy was the embryo of a socialist housing programme'.

Lesley Phillips of the national committee described Tory Britain as 'a nightmare for young people'. She urged delegates to 'look to the example of Liverpool city council'.

Liverpool — 'a Marxist council' in her opinion — had put young people to work building accommodation for young people.

NATO link forgotten

THE COMPOSITE resolution on defence expressed alarm that Britain was becoming increasingly used as a military economic satellite of the United States. The struggle against nuclear war depended entirely on the next Labour government, according to the LPYS.

This hypothetical Labour government should remove all American nuclear weapons from British soil and territorial

waters, remove American conventional forces and close military bases.

'To facilitate the above, the Labour government will have to break with not only US imperialism but also British capitalism.' The resolution conveniently forgot to refer to the policy passed at last year's conference, when delegates opposed the call for British withdrawal from the imperialist North Atlantic Treaty Organisation (NATO).

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● Out with YTS — No cheap labour schemes!

● Call the General Strike now!

SCOTLAND

FALLIN: Thursday April 18, 7.30p.m. Fallin Miners Welfare.

Speakers: Helen Gallacher (YS Regional Committee); Simon Pirani (WRP Central Committee)

WHITBURN: Wednesday April 24, 7.30p.m. Whitburn Community Centre, Manse Road.

Speakers: John Ritchie (YS Regional Committee); Chris Corrigan (WRP Central Committee); Duncan Foggo (Monktonhall SCEBTA, in personal capacity)

GOVANHILL: Thursday April 25, 7.30p.m. Daisy Street Resource Centre.

Speakers: Barry Huyton (YS Regional Committee); Alex McLarty (WRP Central Committee)

ABERDEEN: Thursday April 25, 7.30p.m. St Katherine Community Centre, West North Street.

Speakers: Brian Craigen (Aberdeen YS); David Lovie (Aberdeen WRP)

DALKEITH: Monday April 29, 7.30p.m. Dalkeith County Hotel, High Street.

Speakers: John Ritchie (YS Regional Committee); In personal capacity: Duncan Foggo (Monktonhall SCEBTA); Jackie Aitchison (Bilston Glen NUM branch secretary)

CLYDEBANK: Tuesday May 7, 7.30p.m. The Hub Centre, Kilbowie Road.

Speakers: Marie Devlin (YS Regional Committee); Joe Keegan (Clydebank WRP)

DUNDEE: Wednesday May 8, 7.30p.m. Central Library, Wellgate.

Speakers: Alan Mackie (YS National Committee); David Lovie (WRP Scottish District Committee)

GLASGOW EAST END: Wednesday May 8, 7.30p.m. Glasgow Young Socialists Training Centre, off London Road.

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

STAFFS

STOKE ON TRENT: Wednesday April 24, 7.30p.m. Stoke Town Hall.

Speakers: Matthew Lovett (Stoke YS); P Reid (Stoke WRP); In personal capacity: Trevor Holloway (Florence NUM); Doreen Muncey (Silverdale Wives Committee)

WEST MIDLANDS

BIRMINGHAM: Thursday April 11, 7.30p.m. Summerfield Centre, Winson Green Road, (corner Dudley Road).

Speakers: Clive Andrews (YS National Committee); Corin Redgrave (WRP Central Committee); Vivian Yates (NATFHE, in personal capacity)

EAST MIDLANDS

COALVILLE: Tuesday April 16, 7.30p.m. Coalville Public Library, High Street.

Speakers: Peter Jones (WRP Central Committee); Elaine Gibbons (YS National Committee)

YORKSHIRE

LEEDS: Sunday April 14, 3p.m. Brunswick Lecture Theatre, Leeds Polytechnic.

Speakers: Chris Marsden (YS Regional Committee); Cliff Slaughter (WRP Central Committee)

WAKEFIELD: Wednesday April 17, 7.30p.m. Primrose Hill Workingmens Club, Park Lodge Lane, Eastmoor.

Speakers: Andrew Allan (Kippax YS); Dave Hyland (WRP Central Committee); Philip Wilson (Kellingley NUM, in personal capacity)

HALIFAX: Thursday April 25, 7.30p.m. AUEW Club, St James Street (next to bus station)

Speakers: Warren Stewart (Bradford YS); Colleen Smith (WRP Central Committee); In personal capacity: Jeff Ferguson (Emley Moor NUM); Keith Jennings (Bradford NUPE)

NORTH WEST

ST HELENS: Wednesday April 17, 7.30p.m. Trade Union & Unemployed Resource Centre, College Street.

Speakers: Stuart Murray (YS Regional Committee); Tony Banda (WRP Central Committee)

SPEKE: Thursday April 18, 7.30p.m. Speke Community Centre.

Speakers: John Owen (YS Regional Committee); Frank Singer (WRP Central Committee)

MANCHESTER: Thursday April 18, 7.30p.m. Basement Theatre, Albert Square.

Speakers: Lyn Waring (YS National Committee); Stuart Carter (WRP Central Committee); Phil Davies (FTAT national president, in personal capacity); Speaker from Agecroft NUM Strike Committee

BLACKBURN: Tuesday April 23, 7.30p.m. Trade Union Centre, St Peter Street.

Speakers: Lyn Waring (YS National Committee); Ray Waring (WRP Central Committee); Blackburn T&GWU bus section speaker

PRESTON: Tuesday April 23, 7.30p.m. Textile Centre, Sedgwick Street.

Speakers: Leigh Mullin (YS Regional Committee); Tony Banda (WRP Central Committee)

EASTERN

CORBY: Wednesday April 17, 7.30p.m. The Green Room, Corby Civic Centre.

Speakers: Tony Hyland (YS National Committee); Pat Brookes (Peterborough WRP)

WESTERN

BRISTOL: Tuesday April 16, 7.30p.m. The Plough Inn, Bedminster Down Road, Bedminster.

Speakers: Beverley Luke (Bristol YS); Mick Byrne (Bristol WRP)

READING: Thursday April 18, 7.30p.m. Room K, South Reading Community Centre, Northumberland Avenue, Whitley Wood.

Speakers: Duane Bishop (Reading YS); Dave Good (WRP Central Committee)

BRISTOL: Wednesday April 24, 7.30p.m. Shepherds Hall, David Street, Old Market.

Speakers: Hollis Byrne (YS National Committee); A Robertson (Bristol WRP)

SWINDON: Thursday May 9, 7.30p.m. The Ship, Westcott Place.

Speakers: Bruce Chapman (YS Regional Committee); Dave Good (WRP Central Committee)

KENT

DEAL: Wednesday April 17, 7.30p.m. The Yewtree Pub, Mill Hill.

Speakers: Julie Hyland (YS National Secretary); Richard Price (WRP Central Committee); Speaker from Betteshanger NUM

LONDON

TUFNELL PARK: Thursday April 11, 7.30p.m. Newtown Community Centre, Bertram Street, NW5.

Speakers: Chris Eames (YS Regional Committee); Richard Price (WRP Central Committee); In personal capacity: John Kirk (EETPU shop steward Camden DLO); Jim Widdowson (UCATT shop steward Camden DLO)

HORNSEY: Tuesday April 16, 7.30p.m. Hornsey Library, Haringey Park, N8.

Speakers: Elizabeth Ali (YS Regional Committee); Peter Farrell (WRP Central Committee)

WOOLWICH: Tuesday April 16, 7.30p.m. Glyndon Community Centre, Raglan Road.

Speakers: Richard Murphy (YS Regional Committee); Jean Kerrigan (WRP London District Committee); Paul Holmes (Vice-chair Greenwich NALGO, in personal capacity)

CAMBERWELL: Tuesday April 16, 7.30p.m. The Foyer, Brandon Baptist Church, Redcar Street, SE5.

Speakers: Gary Hughes (YS National Committee); Ben Rudder (WRP Central Committee); Mount Pleasant postal worker and T&GWU busman

BOW: Thursday April 18, 7.30p.m. Kingsley Hall, Powis Road, E3.

Speakers: Julie Hyland (YS National Secretary); Bill Rogers (WRP London District Committee)

HOLLOWAY: Monday April 22, 7.30p.m. Caxton House, St John's Way, off Archway, N19.

Speakers: Marianne Kane (YS National Committee); Richard Price (WRP Central Committee)

STEPNEY: Tuesday April 23, 7.30p.m. Central Library, Bancroft Road, E1.

Speakers: Marianne Kane (YS National Committee); Richard Goldstein (WRP London District Committee)

SHEPHERDS BUSH: Thursday April 25, 7.30p.m. Project Enterprise, Askew Crescent.

Speakers: Clare Dixon (YS National Committee); Richard Price (WRP Central Committee)

KILBURN: Thursday April 25, 7.30p.m. Carleton Centre, Carleton Vale, NW6.

Speakers: Dolly Short (YS editor); Peter Farrell (WRP Central Committee)

NUT CONFERENCE IN SCARBOROUGH

TEACHERS TO DEFEND RATE-CAP COUNCILS

LEADERS of the National Union of Teachers suffered a major rebuff yesterday when they tried to head off action in support of defiant rate-capped councils.

The union's annual conference in Scarborough overwhelmingly rejected on a card vote an executive amendment which avoided any commitment to councils under Tory attack.

Discussion on the main resolution, which pledges support for the councils, will continue today along with a debate on a variety of amendments on the fight to defend education.

The resolution calls on the NUT executive 'to sanction, when necessary, action — up to and including strike action — in support of authorities which pursue a policy of non compliance with the Tory Rates Act.'

Moving the resolution David Marshall, from rate-capped Southwark, told the conference: 'Since 1979 we have witnessed the most concentrated attack by the Tory government on public services. Vital services have been damaged and destroyed.'

The attack was being 'carried out for overtly political and ideological reasons'.

Marshall said the NUT leadership was guilty of adopting 'a low-key

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approach to rate-capping.

'It was not enough to call strike action by our members in those areas affected by rate-capping on March 6. The call should have gone out to the whole membership to join the action.'

Resistance

The tactic of lobbying and petitioning Tory ministers was inadequate. 'We need plans for resistance which include taking industrial action on as large a scale as possible to defend education and support

those councils facing rate capping.

'It's absolutely vital these councils get the full support of the whole trade union movement, including the NUT,' Marshall said.

Wandsworth delegate Julie Alterman said that 'national starvation' of the education system should be answered with 'national action' by the unions.

'The only way to stop the cuts is through joint industrial action by all the unions,' she said.

Vanessa Wiseman from Lambeth said her local council was still standing

firm. 'If they don't we lose 1,500 jobs. They are not the jobs of teachers but of the parents of the children I teach.'

'I will stand behind that council and will support it as a teacher.'

Angered

NUT vice-president Bob Richardson, speaking for the executive, angered delegates when he dismissed the defiant councils as 'a dwindling number of authorities'.

He claimed that supporting them with a pledge of industrial action was 'a high risk policy' which the union leadership could not

recommend because it meant defying Tory laws.

Richardson inadvertently boosted support for the main resolution when he asked delegates: 'However bad a law is, do we have the right to defy that law?'

The resounding response from all corners of the hall was: 'yes'.

THE NUT leadership was defeated again later when its proposal to increase the number of signatures required to suspend standing orders from 60 to 200, was thrown out by the 1,600 delegates.



The NUT delegates and platform at the Spa in Scarborough, Yorkshire

Resist 'assessment' call

TEACHERS must never succumb to the Tories' 'hawkish' plans for assessment, Reading delegate Rob Ketley told the conference.

He was moving a resolution which urged the executive to organise strike action if Education Secretary Sir Keith Joseph refused to withdraw his proposals for assessment.

Ketley said the Joseph plan for assessment was aimed at 'reducing the teaching force to save money more quickly'.

But an executive amendment calling for talks with Tory ministers was narrowly passed on a card vote.

Hamish Joyce, from Suffolk, said that teacher assessment was based on myths propagated by senior politicians, industrialists and businessmen.

'We are being pushed into a position of teacher assess-

ment because the government wants to cut teaching numbers.'

Harrow delegate Veronica Held said that unprecedented controls over education were being imposed 'through fear, coercion and intimidation'.

She added: 'As with the miners' strike, the government is taking us on to dismantle our power to resist attacks on education.'

East London delegate Jane Shallice said: 'No way are we going to comply with these proposals.'

Union law contradiction

NUT general secretary Fred Jarvis yesterday accused Education Secretary Sir Keith Joseph of trying to 'exert central control over the education system'.

In his main report to the conference he said Prime Minister Thatcher was aiming to 'harass, hector and insult public sector workers and to weaken, if not destroy, their unions'.

But Jarvis made it clear later that the NUT leadership would not defy Tory anti-

union laws.

THE conference voted narrowly not to suspend standing orders to hear the case of East London teacher Shahida Zubair Ali, who is threatened with deportation to Pakistan.

She works at Thomas Buxton Infants School in Tower Hamlets and wants to remain in Britain to bring up her three daughters who were all born in this country.



NUT delegates voting at their conference in Scarborough at the weekend

'APPEAL' AGAINST CASH CUTS

EDUCATION cash cuts could be restored if teachers and their employers appealed jointly to the Tories, a union leader claimed yesterday.

Joe Boone, incoming president of the National Association of Schoolmasters/Union of Women Teachers, told the opening day of the union's annual conference in Torquay: 'I believe that only by a joint approach can the massive under-funding of the education service be solved.'

'We have to undertake a joint campaign to demand a re-ordering of government spending in favour of the education service.'

'We have to create a new

manifesto for education because only in this way will we see a return to a caring and compassionate society.'

Boone spelt out the effects of government cuts in education spending:

- Fewer nursery places for the under-fives.
- Bigger primary school classes.

A SECOND teachers' leader warned yesterday that the current bitter pay dispute could 'lumber on' well into the summer. Peter Smith, deputy general secretary of the 95,000-strong Assistant Masters and Mistresses Association, said he still believed it was a 'winnable' dispute. But he added: 'I think in the long run it can only be won by educating and persuading the public that teachers have a valid case.'

- Reduction in secondary schools' curriculum.
- Continued low pay for teachers.

'There is an urgent requirement for government now to recognise that cuts have gone too far and to change its economic strategy,' Boone said.

'It is perverse of the government to be asset-stripping the education ser-

vice, closing educational establishments and sacking teachers when there is so much that wants doing.'

He also attacked the non-striking Professional Association of Teachers, describing it as a 'free loaders' union, picking up the benefits fought for by genuine teacher trade unionists.

Music teacher Boone, 39, has said one of his aims is to encourage greater involvement by the 127,000-strong NAS/UWT in the wider trade union movement.

He believes teachers should join other workers in defending public sector services.

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Briefly ...

Tehran bombers arrested

TEHRAN — Iranian security officials yesterday arrested a group of saboteurs and seized 57 packs of explosives. The arrest follows several bombing atrocities in the Iranian capital in the past year. Intelligence Ministry officials said nearly 100 sticks of dynamite were seized. But the announcement did not reveal the number of plotters arrested.

Row over Turkish junta

ATHENS — Prime Minister Andreas Papandreu has accused the right-wing New Democracy opposition of trying to concede territory to the US-backed Turkish military junta of General Kenan Evren. Papandreu made the charge when he addressed representatives of farmers' co-operatives in Larisa, west of the capital, on Sunday. New Democracy leader Constantine Mitsotakis has told the PASOK government to start a dialogue with Ankara because 'it might do no good but it will certainly not do any harm'.

Mitsubishi in US plan

DETROIT — Chrysler chairman Lee Iacocca plans to negotiate terms for a joint production venture in the United States with Mitsubishi during a trip to Japan this week. The trade paper 'Automotive News' said the joint venture would be aimed at producing a 'sub-compact' car to replace the Dodge Omni and Plymouth Horizon models due to be phased out in 1988 after nearly a decade on the market.

Cuban artist dies

HAVANA — Rene Portocarrero, considered Cuba's finest modern artist has died aged 73. State-run 'Prensa Latina' news agency did not give the cause of death, but family members said his death was probably related to burns the frail artist suffered in a kitchen accident about a week ago. Portocarrero was best known for his abstract portraits of women in tropical settings of flowers, birds and trees. He was inspired by the people and the scenes of old Havana, where he spent much of his life.

Bugged for six years!

PARIS — Soviet intelligence kept watch for six years on official information conveyed by telex to and from the French embassy in Moscow, the magazine 'Le Point' has claimed. The latest issue of the weekly, citing a secret report by the French External Relations Ministry said the Soviet agents placed electronic bugs in late 1976 on six teleprinters and the devices remained undetected until January 1983. Forty-seven Soviet diplomats were expelled in April 1983 on those bugging allegations.

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GORBACHEV ARMS PLEA REJECTED

BY A SPECIAL CORRESPONDENT

THE White House and the Pentagon yesterday dismissed an offer by Soviet Communist Party General Secretary Mikhail Gorbachev to freeze the deployment of Soviet nuclear missiles until November.

Gorbachev made the offer to order the freeze in a 'Pravda' interview, published by the Soviet Communist Party daily yesterday.

He said the offer was designed to enable 'honest diplomacy' at the secret arms talks in Geneva.

Speaking on behalf of President Reagan, holidaying at his ranch in Santa Barbara, California, his chief spokesman Larry Speakes said on Sunday night: 'It (the freeze offer) is not going to interrupt US deployment.'

Overture

Speakes said the White House rejected any Soviet overture requiring Washington to cease deployment of 572 Pershing-2 and cruise nuclear missiles in West Europe under a 1978 NATO pact.

The 'Pravda' interview was Gorbachev's first major statement since being appointed party chief last month.

Previews of the interview were released late on Sunday in an attempt to maximise publicity in the capitalist world and



GORBACHEV

timed to coincide with Easter Monday anti-nuclear demonstrations in several Western European capitals.

Gorbachev said that the White House and the Kremlin must prevent 'decisions that would push the world to nuclear catastrophe' and suggested the two governments take seriously the 'positive fact' that they had begun arms talks in Geneva.

He said: 'If one has taken one's seat at the table to negotiate arms reduction, then one should at least refrain from increasing them further.'

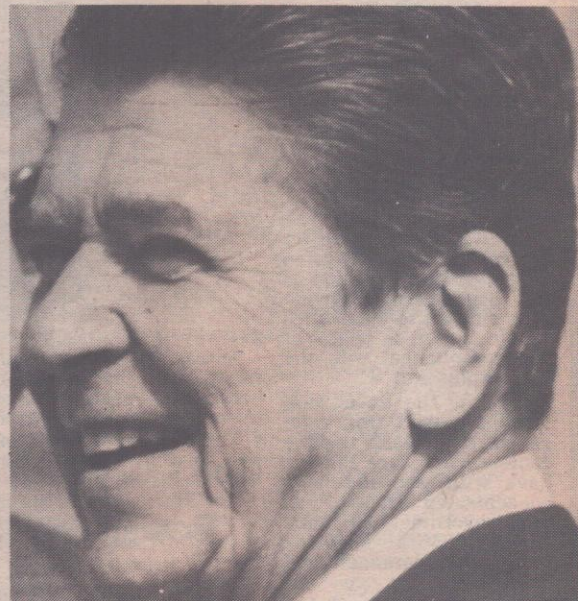
'... Now it is necessary to carry out this accord. The talks are important ones ... because the direction of the

further development of Soviet-American relations and world development as a whole is now being decided.'

The Soviet party chief added: 'They in Washington are banking on strength, and not concealing this. And they are counting on a superior strength that would subordinate the rest of the world to America.'

Missiles

'Diplomacy and talks there are virtually subordinated to missiles and bombers ... I would describe as fantastic the arguments used to substantiate the militarisation of outer space ... The creation of



REAGAN

space arms will have only one result: the arms race will become even more intensive and encompass new spheres.'

'That is why we propose that the USSR and the USA introduce for the entire duration of the talks a moratorium on the development, including research, testing and deployment of strike space arms and freeze their strategic arms.'

He added: 'We are for an honest dialogue. We are prepared to demonstrate our goodwill again ...'

Gorbachev's offer would have reversed a decision by former President Yuri Andropov in November 1983 to deploy 75-mile range SS-21 mis-

siles and 560-mile range SS-22s in Czechoslovakia and East Germany in retaliation for the deployment of Pershings and cruises in West Europe.

Prime Minister Thatcher, in Singapore yesterday on the second leg of her South-East Asian tour, added her full authority to US imperialist warmongering.

The Tory leader, who last December declared she could 'do business with' Gorbachev, said: 'The essence of any agreement in the armaments sphere is verification. If you cannot have that, there is not a proper basis for trust.'

Tass, the official Soviet news agency, said Reagan's declared reason for rejecting the offer was a 'gross lie'.

The agency's military writer Vladimir Chernyshov said the US had deliberately ignored its own forward-based nuclear systems and those of Britain and France when it brushed aside Gorbachev's freeze initiative.

Chernyshov said: 'It is an unobjective view, to put it mildly, or a gross lie, to put it straight.'

Parleys

The public exchanges following the Gorbachev interview, however, underline the profoundly reactionary nature of the parleys in Geneva and expose the new Kremlin leadership's abject subservience to secret diplomacy for 'peaceful co-existence' with imperialism.

Gorbachev's plea to Reagan for 'honest dialogue' is an appeal to be spared the prohibitive expense of matching the escalation of arms by US imperialism.

The Kremlin Stalinists' pleas for so-called honest diplomacy are the logical outcome of their reactionary 'theory' of 'peaceful co-existence' with imperialism and of their mortal fear of the ferment of political revolution at home.

Soviet union leader sacked over embargo

MOSCOW — A coal miners' union leader who announced a fuel embargo against Britain last year during the British miners' strike and was later overruled by the Stalinist bureaucracy has been sacked.

A union official yesterday said Ivan Belousov was replaced some time ago as one of three secretaries to the union's chairman, Mikhail Srebnny.

Another official, Anatoly Chebotayev, had taken the place of Belousov, who no longer worked at the headquarters.

Belousov appeared on television last October and declared that all deliveries of fuel to Britain had been suspended in support of British miners, then in the seventh month of the year-long strike over pit closures.

British importers,

Hollow gesture

AFTER 34 weeks of the historic miners' strike, the secretary of the Soviet coalworkers' union, Alexander Belousov, has announced a ban on all deliveries of coal and oil to Britain.

'On the initiative of the Soviet trade unions, a decision has been taken that our foreign trade and freight organisations will stop exporting coal to England,' he said. They would also 'halt present contracts under which Soviet ships have to deliver any kind of fuel to Great Britain'.

Loud and prolonged hand-clapping from the British Stalinists, the 'Morning Star' planned

The News Line report of October 31, 1984, commenting on Belousov's announcement of an embargo

however, noticed no restriction and the Soviet Foreign Trade Ministry quickly denied there was an embargo.

Belousov's appearance on television last October was apparently approved by a section of the bureaucracy in the cynic-

al hope of ingratiating the Kremlin with the British miners' leaders.

Television statements, closely monitored and widely reported by the capitalist foreign press corps in Moscow, are a vital part of the Kremlin's propaganda.

But they do not have the authority of an official statement or communiqué from the Politburo unless carried in the Communist Party daily 'Pravda'.

But Belousov's announcement sparked a row among the Stalinist hierarchy because of secret negotiations in preparation for General Secretary-to-be Mikhail Gorbachev's visit to London.

The official Kremlin denial was issued within the week, when British Tory Prime Minister Thatcher was assured the Moscow authorities had no intention of imposing any sanction.

Moscow also actively connived in the Polish Stalinist bureaucracy's scabbing on the miners strike. The regime of General Wojciech Jaruzelski became one of the chief sources of scab coal supplies to Britain during the year-long struggle against the Tory Bonapartist regime.

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Ship fraud case in court

PIRAEUS — A hearing into one of the biggest shipping frauds in history entered its final day at a court in the port city close to Athens yesterday.

The case involves the alleged scuttling of a supertanker after its cargo was delivered from Kuwait to Durban, South Africa, in defiance of sanctions.

An indictment says the 25 accused, 13 of whom were in court, scuttled or helped scuttle the 92,228-ton 'Salem' in January 1980 after it unloaded 180,000 tonnes of oil in Durban in defiance of Shell, which owned the \$56-million cargo.

Defence lawyers, citing a South African report on the case, have alleged Shell and the oil's previous owners, Pontoil of Italy, were party from the beginning to the South African delivery.

The indictment says Lebanese-American Frederick Soudan, Dutchman Anton Reidel and Nikos Mitakis, of Greece, masterminded a scheme to offer oil to South Africa, put the 'Salem' on the charter market and then steal the cargo from whoever hired the vessel.

A prosecutor has said the crew used explosives to sink the ship off Senegal.

The report by South Africa, released by that country's Energy Ministry, says Pontoil and Shell were in touch with the 'Salem's' owners before it was chartered.

It says Reidel and Mitakis told investigators about a practice called 'topping', in which Gulf oil suppliers, in collusion with oil firms, doctored loading records so a spare cargo was built up that need not be accounted for.

The two were quoted as saying the cargo was unloaded surreptitiously somewhere and the tanker took on seawater, discharged at a third terminal whose owners had agreed to pretend it was oil.

The seven defendants face charges carrying up to 20 years imprisonment, while the others could be jailed for 12 years.

Pakistan opposition leader released

ISLAMABAD — Ghulam Mustafa Jatoi, one of Pakistan's leading opposition politicians, has been freed from almost two months of house arrest.

Jatoi, until recently acting head of the Pakistan People's Party, said police guards were taken away from his Karachi house late on Sunday night.

He said: 'It is too early

COUP CHIEF TRIES TO BREAK STRIKE

KHARTOUM — Sudan's new military leader, General Abdulrahman Swareddahab, yesterday ordered strikers to return to work or they would be guilty of 'high treason'.

He said the military leadership would deal decisively with 'those who are trying to destroy the system'.

The unassailable implication was that the army and police would soon be out on Swareddahab's orders shooting strikers and demonstrators.

The general's statement is the clearest indication of the class and political nature of the new military regime which overthrew President Jaafar Numeiry last weekend.

It sets the scene for an early clash between the thoroughly discredited generals and the working class.

Reuter correspondent Hamza Hendawi reported yesterday that Khartoum remains strike-bound while workers' leaders demanded an immediate return to civilian rule and a guarantee of civil and human rights.

Doctors, engineers, bank employees, teachers and lawyers are still on strike calling for the establishment of a 'national democratic transitional government' for three years.

They want the proposed civilian government to restore democratic rights and settle the long-running dispute with the anti-Numeiry movement in southern Sudan.

Tens of thousands of demonstrators stormed the Kober prison last Saturday to free prisoners. They attempted to tear down scaffolds and implements used for limb

BY A FOREIGN CORRESPONDENT

amputations, a punishment imposed under Numeiry's interpretation of Islamic law.

More than 2,000 demonstrators gathered in front of the Egyptian Embassy in Khartoum on Sunday calling on the Cairo government to hand over Numeiry. 'We want Numeiry's head,' they shouted.

Two people were killed when intelligence agents opened fire on the crowd. Shortly afterwards the army raided the police headquarters and arrested those responsible for the shooting.

Broadcast

In his special live broadcast, General Swareddahab said strikes and calls for strikes would be deemed high treason and a state of emergency would be implemented against anyone 'compromising the interests of Sudan'.

'Democracy will not come through anarchy, but through work,' the armed forces Chief of Staff and ex-defence minister said.

There is growing evidence that the Reagan administration orchestrated the overthrow of Numeiry when it became convinced that his odious presence was becoming a



Deposed dictator Jaafar Numeiry during the anti-communist hysteria following his 1969 coup... confronting Sudanese Communist Party Secretary General Ahmed Mahgoub with alleged evidence of treason. Mahgoub was executed

focus of the revolutionary upsurge among the working class and professional layers.

Numeiry was in Cairo for talks with President Hosni Mubarak on his way home from talks with President Reagan when the coup took place.

Yesterday Numeiry issued a statement from exile in Cairo welcoming Swareddahab's move. 'We fully understand the circumstances which led to your takeover of power in the light of the latest developments in Sudan.'

'As a simple Sudanese citizen, I will continue to serve Sudan and I wish you success in preserving its unity against conspirators,' Numeiry said.

JANA, the Libyan news agency, said yesterday

the ex-President Numeiry had been taken to the Meadi hospital in a suburb of Cairo suffering from a heart attack.

In his last major interview in Washington a week ago Numeiry said: 'I have left Sudan in the hands of efficient and loyal leaders. I have left it confident that it is in good hands, both in terms of leadership and in terms of the masses.'

Unrest

He blamed the Libyan Jamahiriya for the wave of unrest throughout Sudanese society against his presidency. 'Libya is trying to sabotage Sudan's economy, society, constitutional institu-

tions and national unity,' he said.

'It is fanning inter-tribal wars and wants to use Sudan as a stepping-stone to Egypt.'

In Tripoli, Libyan leader Colonel Muammar Gaddafi welcomed the overthrow of 'the rotten military dictatorship' of Numeiry and his clique.

In an address to the Sudanese masses, Gaddafi said: 'Today, with the strike, you have control over Sudan. The underlying Numeiry is finished. He has fled.'

'The people should declare their authority. You should decree congresses and committees everywhere. There is no democracy without popular congresses.'

'The workers should seize factories and become partners in production. The peasants should seize the land on which they live.'

'Popular power should be declared today and not tomorrow in all Sudan before it is too late.'

Struggle

'Let us go forward. The struggle will continue until final victory, until we avenge our martyrs, and until the darkness is lifted, until a new dawn arises, the dawn of freedom, the dawn of pride over Arab land, and until the word of god is supreme, and the word of Reagan is thrown down.'

Howe visits East Berlin



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EAST BERLIN — Sir Geoffrey Howe, making the first visit to East Berlin by a British Foreign Secretary, began a three-nation Eastern European tour yesterday.

His two-day visit to East Berlin is part of the British government's drive for badly-needed trade deals

with the Warsaw Pact countries.

Howe was expected privately to discuss the secret arms talks in Geneva between the Kremlin and the Reagan government in an attempt by the Thatcher government to play honest broker in the secret diplomacy between the two governments.

He was scheduled to meet East German Communist Party leader Erich Honecker and Foreign Minister Oskar Fischer before continuing to Czechoslovakia and Poland.

Tour

Fischer, recently returned from a visit to Portugal, described Howe's tour as 'timely and significant' and 'indispensable' for a 'dialogue on ending the arms race'.

Honecker has since last year hosted Greek and Italian prime ministers Andreas Papandreu and Bettino Craxi.

The East German leader is scheduled to visit Italy later this month.



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The way forward in fight against ratecapping

THE state attack on Labour councils, the services they provide for the community and the jobs of local government workers has already drawn thousands into a struggle on principles.

By refusing to impose cuts demanded under rate-capping and grants legislation, Labour councils in London, Sheffield and Liverpool are resisting Thatcher's dictatorship over the inner cities.

Labour councillors, by not setting a rate under Tory terms, have created the conditions for the trade unions and the community as a whole to come into the struggle against the Tory government.

The capitalist state has struck back, with the aim of breaking the political will of the councillors.

That is the purpose of the Hackney judgement last week, where the High Court ruled that Labour councillors had to convene a meeting and vote for the cuts.

At a stroke, the judge abolished the democratic right of elected councillors to refuse to become direct pawns of the Thatcher government and its reactionary policies.

In the coming days, every defiant council will face similar state attacks from the courts, while district auditors will warn that further resistance will mean removal from office and fines.

Thatcher will settle for nothing less than total surrender, rejecting all requests for negotiations with the rate-capped authorities.

Labour councillors by themselves cannot defeat the forces ranged against them, fighting as they do from within the local arm of the same capitalist state used by Thatcher to make fundamental constitutional changes.

Trade unionists organised in the 'London Bridge' shop stewards' organisation are pledged to act in defence of jobs and against any attack on Labour councillors.

They must begin the implementation of this policy immediately. Councillors in Hackney and the other rate-capped boroughs must not be allowed to confront the courts and the district auditor on their own.

The miners showed that the working class is prepared to fight for the principle of the right to a job, and council trade unionists will take up that struggle which the NUM courageously began over one year ago.

No one group of council workers can defeat the Tories. What is required first is all-out strike action involving the entire membership of trade unions in local government, as the basis for recalling the TUC and the calling of a General Strike.

Trade unionists cannot avoid the fact that the fight for jobs today is directly against the capitalist state, and that the rate-capping fight in particular points to the exercise of the independent strength of the working class.

Local authorities themselves have been denied the resources to maintain services and jobs, and have been stripped of any powers to raise finance beyond government limits.

Strike action by town hall workers will therefore pose immediately the question of securing the services and taking them out of the control of the bureaucracy which owes its allegiance to the central state.

This requires the building of Community Councils, or Soviets, through which the trade unions, the community, councillors and all those in the anti-Tory fight can take forward the challenge to the capitalist state.

That is the way forward in the rate-capping fight in the next weeks.

TUC MUST CALL GI

A 'heck of a struggle' at 'The Point' Determined struggle to found wives' group in North Wales area

INTERVIEWS BY SIMON VEVERS

MARGARET HOLDEN would not have missed the last 12 months for anything.

'I'd do it again,' she said. 'It's given me the confidence to stand on my own two feet and say "I will".'

Margaret, whose husband was on strike for a year at Point of Ayr colliery in North Wales, was summing up the mood in the local women's support group.

'The big achievement of this strike was actually to get a mining community. It's been a hard battle, but we had to do it,' she told News Line.

There were just over 100 men on strike at 'The Point' for the whole year — a minority of the workforce at the colliery.

Conditions

Setting up a support group under those conditions was a formidable task. Joan Marett recalled that when she first went out collecting in her local village all she received was abuse.

But the support group was established and still meets regularly and has broadened its scope to include the unemployed and old-aged pensioners as well as political organisations.

Margaret said: 'It's been a heck of a struggle and we wouldn't have kept going without the support of the

people of Liverpool and Fleet Street.'

The group has also forged strong international links, especially with trade unionists in France.

Pit closures and their devastating effect on communities are nothing new to Margaret and Frank Holden. They moved to North Wales from Lancashire following a colliery closure near Burnley.

Margaret has firm views over the relationship between the women's support groups and the NUM.

'I think we should be part of the NUM. The union's our spokesman, it's our mouthpiece and is there to fight for us.'

'We've fought to keep the NUM together because the

NUM's our life, it's our livelihood. We can't allow them to finish off the NUM.'

'People have got to realise how much power there is in being part of a union and what it can do for you.'

Evelyn Whitehead said the outcome of the miners' strike carried a clear message to the leaders of other unions who failed to back the NUM.

Unions

'We've been educated during this strike. But I believe that other unions should be educating their members before they take action,' she said.

'If people know why they have to strike, then they'll

come out. Everybody, whether they are young or old, should know just why they are in unions.'

Margaret added: 'The TUC is a dirty word in this household. I've got no respect for the leaders of the TUC after what they failed to do for us. The biggest response we had was from the working class itself and not from its leaders.'

She said the Point of Ayr strikers and their families had to wage a long battle with the DHSS to secure urgent needs payments.

Support group member Barbara Harper put in a claim for a benefits payment from the social security department six weeks before her baby was born.

She eventually received

payment when the baby was seven months old.

When Barbara challenged DHSS officials over the delay, she was told that strikers' claims took 'last priority'. Not surprisingly the official refused to put this in writing.

The women's support group was also assaulted by thugs while enjoying a night out at a club in Prestatyn as guests of Liverpool trade unionists.

But Margaret spoke for all the group when she said that this experience had strengthened the women's resolve.

She said: 'I honestly don't think the strike should have finished. I've still got the fight in me. I'm ready to go on.'



Point of Ayr wives who fought the area were scabbing: (l-r) B

Money raised for sacked miners

SISTERS Sylvia and Gwen Henshaw visited Fryston colliery on Friday to hand over a collection they had made to the 18 miners who have been sacked there.

'We'll go on raising money for them as long as we can. I think it would be a nice gesture if other unions were to give donations to help these lads,' said Sylvia.

'We feel responsible for them because they were fighting for the jobs of everybody.'

'These young 'uns have fought the hardest and lost the most. They supported the NUM and therefore deserve our support now.'

'We will also do anything we can to relieve the pressure on the families of those in prison.'

Gwen, a transport union shop steward at the nearby

Rowntree Mackintosh factory, was disappointed that the leadership of her own union had not done more to assist the miners.

'All the unions could have done more, and that includes the TUC itself.'

'What all unions and their members have to realise is that they could be the next ones in line for attack by this government.'

Failings

Sylvia did not blame rank-and-file members for the failings of their leaders.

'I think that in many unions the rank and file was ready to do more, but was put off by the leadership,' she said.

'All I can say about Neil Kinnock is that he must



Sylvia and Gwen Henshaw of the Castleford wives' support group, who made a collection for sacked miners

have a sore backside after sitting on that fence for so long!

Sylvia and Gwen have members of their family

working at the neighbouring Wheldale colliery.

They are both members of Castleford women's sup-

port group which set up and ran three 'soup kitchens' from early last May — two in Castleford and one in Airedale.

GENERAL STRIKE FOR JOBS



...iously to set up their own organisation during the miners' strike, even though a majority in
Barbara Harper, Joan Marett, Evelyn Whitehead with her daughter, and Margaret Holden

Police 'support' rules sacked men

FROM CHRIS CORRIGAN

SPACE given to what police chiefs think about sacked miners in the April 'Scottish Miner' continues to cause concern in the coalfield.

Opinions of Lothian region chief constable William Sutherland, Fife's William Moodie, and Central region's Ian Oliver are prominently displayed under the headline: 'They all say give peace a chance.'

The 'Scottish Miner' is edited by 'Morning Star' reporter Martin Gostwick under the direction of the NUM Scottish area leadership, notably Stalinists Mick McGahey and George Bolton.

Bolton, chairman of the Communist Party, has already enraged many miners by inviting Labour leader Neil Kinnock and TUC secretary Norman Willis to be guests of honour at the annual gala in June.

One sacked miner com-

mented yesterday: 'I for one don't want or need support from the police force. The record of the police in the miners' strike can't be forgotten like that.'

A huge number of arrests took place in Scotland during the strike. More than 200 men in Fife, Central, or the Lothians were subsequently sacked.

Around half are local NUM or SCEBTA craft union committee members — picked out by 'snatch squads'. Some men were dismissed after being charged, but before appearing in court — pointing to collusion between the NCB and police officers at divisional level.

Lothian police chief William Sutherland is quoted in large type as saying: 'I would have hoped that each of the cases was considered on merit and that persons convicted of minor picket line offences were not dis-

missed for that reason alone.'

His counterpart in Fife, William Moodie, says: 'I am associating myself with this because I believe it would be helpful in reducing tension within our communities.'

And Central's Ian Oliver is quoted: 'Anything which would help to deal with an unnecessary conflict is to be commended. I want to do everything possible to reduce tension in a very difficult situation.'

Tory MPs are being courted by the Stalinists too... anything other than base the sacked miners' campaign on class questions.

An unsigned article on Page 2 of the 'Scottish Miner' argues that Thatcher's ministers may not be calling for reinstatement of sacked miners because they don't know the facts!

'We must question whether these ministers have been given the correct information by the coal board, because the facts speak differently,' the article states, adding, 'Tory MPs have been given these facts, and we urge them to tell their own ministers that a genuine review of each case through the conciliation machinery is what is needed.'

The whole feeble campaign of the Stalinists over the sacked men has been based on pleading with the Tories and the NCB to consider each case on an individual basis.

This itself has caused concern because of the dangers of breaking up the sacked men and dealing with them individually.

The right-wing and Stalinist dominated Scottish TUC leadership is circulating a petition stating: 'All cases should be discussed individually with the mining unions.'

RELEASE all class-war prisoners REINSTATE all sacked men

SCOTTISH NUM

BRIAN MILLAR: Solsgirth — Four-month sentence from March 1985. Saughton jail, Edinburgh.

DURHAM

GARY HOPPER: Wearmouth — Four-month sentence, due out on April 19. Wetherby Prison, Yorkshire.

KEVIN HUGHES: Dawdon — Two-year youth custody sentence from March 1985.

JOHN LITTLE: Dawdon. Two-year sentence started March 1985.

GORDON MILLER: Wearmouth — Four-month sentence, due out on April 19. Leyland Prison, Lancashire.

RAYMOND PATTERSON: Dawdon — Two-year sentence from March 1985.

GEORGE RICHARDSON: Wearmouth — Four-month sentence, due out April 19. Wetherby Prison, Yorkshire.

MARK ROCHESTER: Dawdon — Two-year sentence from March 1985.

Not miners but sentenced in connection with the miners' strike:

GLEN BLACK: Dawdon — Unemployed. Two-year sentence from March 1985.

STANLEY GREGORY: Dawdon. Unemployed. Two-year sentence from March 1985.

GARY KRISTONSON: Dawdon. Warehouseman. Two-year sentence started March 1985.

THE JAILED MEN

BRIAN LITTLE: Dawdon. Engineer. Two-year sentence started March 1985.

IAN STEPHENSON: Dawdon. Unemployed. Two-year youth custody sentence started March 1985.

NORTHUMBERLAND

NIGEL BIRCH: Bates — Three-month sentence from April 1985.

WILLIAM SMITH: Whittle — 2½-year sentence from February 1985. Durham jail.

LANCASHIRE

DENNIS PINNINGTON: Bold — Kirkham Prison, Nr Preston, Lancashire.

YORKSHIRE

ALAN BRIDDICK: Armthorpe — Six-month sentence from March 1985. Wymott prison, Liverpool.

MICHAEL BRIDDICK: Armthorpe — Six-month sentence from March 1985. Wymott prison, Liverpool.

DAVE SCHOFIELD: Prince of Wales — Three-month sentence from March 1985. Armley Prison, Leeds LS12 2TJ.

RAYMOND VARLEY: Armthorpe — Six-month sentence from March 1985. Wymott prison, Liverpool.

STEVEN WAKEFIELD: Frickley — on remand. Lincoln Prison, Greetwell Road, LN2 4BD.

PAUL WRIGHT: Saville — 18-month sentence. Kirkham Prison, near Preston, Lancashire.

PETER HURST: Fitzwilliam village. Not a miner, but sentenced in connection with the miners' dispute. Six-month sentence started December 1984. G78282 HM Prison, Haverigg Millan, Cumberland.

STAFFORDSHIRE

WILLIAM BANNISTER: Hem Heath — Two-year sentence from January 1985. Walton Prison, Hornby Road, Liverpool 9.

MICHAEL JONES: Hem Heath — Two-year sentence from January 1985. Walton Prison, Hornby Road, Liverpool 9.

STEVEN LOWE: Hem Heath — Two-year sentence from January 1985. Walton Prison, Hornby Road, Liverpool 9.

GARY MOULD: Hem Heath — Two-year youth custody sentence from January 1985.

RAYMOND PATTON: Hem Heath — Two-year sentence from January 1985. Walton Prison, Hornby Road, Liverpool 9.

NORTH DERBYSHIRE

KEVIN BEAL: Shirebrook — 2½-year sentence from December 1984. 031 Sudbury Prison, Derby, DE6 5HW.

SIMON BROOKES: 18-month sentence. Young Offenders Centre, Glen Parva, Wigston, Leicester.

PAUL BROTHWELL: 12-month sentence.

GRAHAM COOPER: Ireland — Six-month sentence from March 1985. Sudbury open prison, Derby.

PETER COOPER: Expected release in April. Ranby Prison, Retford, Notts DN22 8EU.

DAVID GAUNT: Shirebrook — Three-year sentence from December 1984. E71037, A Wing, Millers Park Youth Custody Centre, Doddington Road, Wellingborough.

STEVEN GOODALL: Shirebrook — 2½-year sentence from December 1984. 039 Sudbury Prison, Derby DE6 5HW.

STEPHEN GREGORY: On remand since September. Lincoln Prison, Greetwell Road, LN2 4BD.

VICTOR GREGORY: On remand since September. Lincoln Prison, Greetwell Road, LN2 4BD.

ALAN HAWKINS: Four-month sentence at a detention centre from March 1985.

DAVID JAMES: 2½-year sentence from December 1984. 034 Sudbury Prison, Derby DE6 5HW.

PAUL JONES: 2½-year sentence from December 1984. E71036, D Wing, Millers Park Youth Custody Centre, Northamptonshire NN 8NH.

IAN KESTLE: 2½-year sentence from December 1984. E71032, Welford Prison, Leicester.

BRIAN MARTIN: Three-month sentence from March 1985.

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KEITH MILLWARD: Markham — Three-month sentence from March 1985.

MICHAEL PARTINGTON: Three-month sentence from March 1985.

PETER PEARSON: Shirebrook — 2½-year sentence from December 1984. 038 Sudbury Prison, Derby DE6 5HW.

MICHAEL SOUTHWELL: Shirebrook — 2½-year sentence from December 1984. 030 Sudbury Prison, Derby DE6 5HW.

RON STANILAND: Expected release next month. Ranby Prison, Retford, Notts DN22 8EU.

PHILIP STIRLAND: Shirebrook — 2½-year sentence from December 1984. E71035 B Wing, Millers Park Youth Custody Centre, Doddington Road, Wellingborough.

GLEN WRIGHT: Ireland — Six-month sentence from March 1985. Sudbury open prison, Derby.

WEST MIDLANDS

LES WARD: Coventry — Unemployed ex-miner. Six month sentence. Expected release May 29, 1985. C54232. A Wing, Ranby Prison, nr Retford.

KENT

MARK BEST: Three-year sentence from April 1985. Wandsworth Prison, London SW18.

EMLYN DAVIES: Three-year sentence from April 1985. Wandsworth Prison, London SW18.

BRIAN DAY: Three-year sentence from April 1985. Wandsworth Prison, London SW18.

TERRY FRENCH: Betteshanger — Five-year sentence from January 1985. B73383. Wandsworth Prison, London SW18.

GARRY NEWELL: Three-year sentence from April 1985. Wandsworth Prison, London SW18.

CHRIS TAZEY: Betteshanger — Three-year sentence from January 1985. A29398 Youth Detention Centre, Springfield Road, Chelmsford, Essex.

JAMES WADDELL: Three-year sentence from April 1985. Wandsworth Prison, London SW18.

SOUTH WALES

DEAN HANCOCK: 899410. Cardiff Prison.

RUSSELL SHANKLAND: A83752. Hospital Wing, Cardiff Prison.

BILLY TAYLOR: In Featherstone Prison, New Road, Wolverhampton, WV10 7PU.

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HORRIFIC AFTERMATH OF BHOPAL MASSACRE

BHOPAL — Hundreds of people queue outside the drab white bungalow, clutching yellow X-ray folders and medical prescriptions in a grim daily routine outside the emergency hospital.

They are the survivors of US-owned Union Carbide's gas massacre of last December 3, when a lethal combination of methyl isocyanate and phosgene gas leaked out of underground storage tanks and swept across the plains from the shanty town of Jayaprakash Nagar to the Madhya Pradesh capital.

About 6,000 people died

BY A SPECIAL CORRESPONDENT

and more than 25,000 others were affected by the after-effects of exposure to the gas, which some Indian doctors say released cyanide into the blood stream after it was inhaled.

Coughs

The funereal procession outside the Bhopal hospital is punctuated by dry coughs with men, women and children visibly racked by debilitating and painful illness.

Half a mile to the east looms the reason for the queue at the hospital — Union Carbide's pesticide

factory at Jayaprakash Nagar.

At Jayaprakash Nagar more than 800 people died torturous deaths, many suffocated by the deadly mixture of methyl isocyanate and phosgene gas.

Scores of the canvas and wood homes stand empty, their former occupants having died in the poison gas massacre or having fled never to return.

Nearly four months after the world's worst industrial disaster the survivors are struggling to rebuild their scarred lives.

For many Indian ex-

perts, it is beyond question that the US conglomerate was criminally negligent. Not a single one of the so-called safety devices was in working order at the time of the leak.

Senior Indian scientists have rejected Union Carbide's allegations of sabotage and recent evidence has shown that the Union Carbide's bosses refused to install a computer-controlled safety alarm system operated at their West Virginia plant.

Late last month, the government of Prime Minister Rajiv Gandhi passed legislation purportedly to ensure quicker compensation for victims of the Bhopal gas disaster.

But the federal government's performance has been inhumane in practice. New Delhi stopped relief funds in mid-January on the grounds that the legitimacy of the thousands of claims had to be checked.



Burning corpses of the victims of the Bhopal massacre

MARK JONES BOOK SIGNING

MARK JONES will sign copies of the book he wrote about his son, 'Killed on the Picket Line 1984 - The Story of David Gareth Jones', at Norwich Paperbacks Centre this Wednesday.

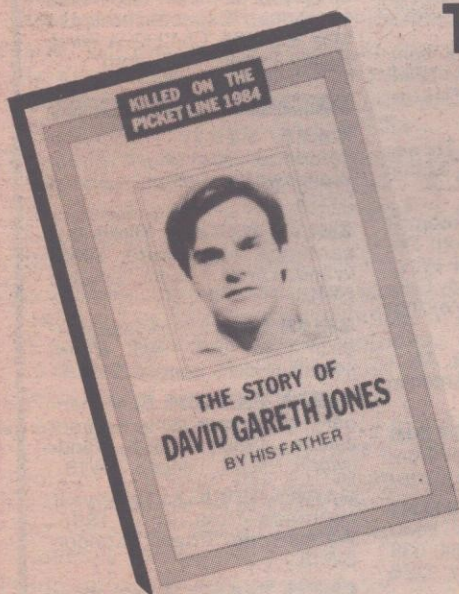
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Hardship

The suspension of funds has caused untold hardship among the economically oppressed population and the full effects of the new legislation is as yet unclear.

Angry residents of Bhopal protested, marched and occupied the official residence of Madhya Pradesh Chief Minister Arjun Singh, who swore to see that Union Carbide paid for its criminal negligence.

In Bhopal the 30-bed government hospital where the gas victims trek every day for medicine, X-rays and urine and blood tests has become the centre of their lives since it was set up on January 13.

But there are always more patients than beds and they rest on makeshift beds made of piles of red hospital blankets between the iron cots.

Dr Shrinath Aggarwal said: 'Most of them stay for about two weeks and go away when they feel better but they have to return when the effects of the medicine wear off.'

About 600 people are treated at the out-patient clinics everyday, accord-



RAJIV GANDHI
ing to hospital chief Dr M.M. Nanda.

He said: 'More than half of them are poison gas victims and they all complain of major respiratory problems.'

'They cannot walk even 100 yards without running out of breath. We can only continue medication and hope they will improve.'

Nanda said many survivors showed signs of severe bronchial pneumonia, their lungs seared by the poison gas, and most of them complained of weakness that did not let them do any work.

In the female ward, Bibi Jan, 30, said two of her five children had died. 'I have been in three hospitals since then and there is no improvement.'

'I don't know who will look after my other children if I die.'

In the next room an emaciated boy lay fighting for his breath as his parents stood by the bed, looking on anxiously.

Pains

Gopal Khushwala, 14, said a month ago he suddenly developed severe lung pains, his eyes reddened and he could not walk.

His father said: 'Our lives have been destroyed by the gas.'

The disaster has also disrupted the lives of survivors who did not go to hospital.

In Jayaprakash Nagar, porter Latif Khan sits on the steps of his shanty home on the dusty, fly-blown streets. He says: 'I used to lift about 110 pounds of luggage at the railway station before the gas leak. Not now. So I sit at home, selling firewood.'

The Poison Gas Disaster Struggle Committee, spearheading a campaign for relief for the victims reported in a recent survey that most families

had incurred large debts after they paid for hospitalisation.

Committee member Dr Anil Sadgopal said: 'Most of the victims were poor slum-dwellers who worked as porters or labourers. Now they have only the medicine queues to look forward to.'

Doctors say the disaster has left behind deep-rooted psychological problems among the victims.

In a small, white-washed room near the factory, a team of six psychiatrists from the north Indian city of Lucknow counselled a growing line of patients outside the rough wooden door.

Dr Jitendra Trivedi, the team's leader, said he had prepared case histories of more than 80 victims in the past three weeks and was also dosing them with tranquilisers.

He said: 'All of them suffer from anxiety and depression. They fear a fresh gas leak. They have become emotionally vulnerable and often dream of seeing others die around them.'

A survey of 133 families in the area had shown that even older children wet their beds and were prone to fits of hysteria and spells of unconsciousness since that horrific dawn of December 3.

Peking welcomes foreign investment

PEKING — The Chinese government is planning to open three more coastal areas to foreign investment as part of a programme of 'liberalising and invigorating' the economy.

Three large areas in the Yangtze and Pearl River deltas and in the south east province of Fujian would soon be open, according to the official New China News Agency.

Zones on the Liaodong peninsula in the north east and the Shandong peninsula in the east will follow and complete a continuous belt along the Chinese coast, under plans being con-

cluded by Zhang Ge, the Deputy-Director of the Special Economic Zones Office.

China already has four small SEZs and has designated 14 coastal cities as centres of foreign investment and trade.

The Stalinist bureaucracy offers foreign firms in these areas capitalist incentives, such as tax concessions and easy repatriation of profits. In an attempt to generate foreign

exchange and attract management skills and high technology.

It also hopes that a booming coastal strip will stimulate the economy of inland areas.

The Yangtze delta region, with China's biggest city of Shanghai at the centre of its 19,300 square miles, is the country's most important commercial and industrial area.

The Pearl delta, covering 4,250 square miles, is close

to China's first three SEZs that border on Hong Kong and Macao. The seas next to this area are also the focus of China's large offshore oil search in conjunction with international oil firms.

The third area, in Fujian province, is a traditional commercial centre, cut off for decades after the Chinese revolution in 1949 because it faces Taiwan.

The business terms offered in the SEZs and open cities differ quite widely. Zhang has not made clear what level of incentives will be offered in the three new zones.

Cuts threat to university research

WHOLE university departments engaged in scientific research may be closed down in the coming year in response to the Tory demands for cuts.

The University Grant Committee has been told by the government that it must put forward plans for grant cuts, or face a £200 million penalty.

In a situation similar to the penalties imposed on local authorities for resisting cuts in budgets, the government has told the universities that unless concrete plans for cuts are submitted, then large amounts of finance will be withdrawn.

The chairman of the University Grant Committee, Sir Peter Swin-

nerton-Dyer, has warned universities that they must be prepared to close whole departments in an effort to persuade the government that the cuts are going ahead.

The Tories are presently demanding a real reduction in spending of at least 2 per cent per annum on a continuing

basis. But many university departments involved in scientific research believe the cuts will escalate in the coming period.

Swinnerton-Dyer, who is now advising universities to abide by the Tory government rulings, says that if swingeing cuts are not made on whole research departments, then the financial difficulties faced by universities could threaten the whole establishment.

Policy

This is certain to be the long-run effect of the policy of closing single departments in any case. The Tories are already proposing that research money from the science research councils should only be directed to the 'best' universities. Those which are forced to close departments first will then find themselves cut out of research council cash.

The Tory government is continuing its attack on scientific research in other areas. Doubt has already been thrown on the coming year's British contribution to the CERN particle physics research in Geneva, while the government has already withdrawn funding and co-operation from the International Oceanographic Commission.



A satellite photograph of the surface of Venus

International support for Venus probe

AN international scientific programme has been announced to assist the coming Soviet space probe to the planet Venus.

Radio astronomers from as far apart as Britain's Jodrell Bank, the United States and Australia will co-operate in tracing the progress of two balloons which are to be released into the rotating atmosphere of Venus by two Soviet space vehicles which will proceed to follow the path of Halley's comet.

Winds

The balloons are to be dropped on the side of the planet invisible from earth. But winds which drive Venusian atmosphere around the planet every four days are expected to make the bal-

loons visible to radio telescopes on earth.

The balloons will carry various instruments to measure temperature, pressure and the chemical composition of the atmosphere, while the speed of the balloons will be calculated in an effort to understand what drives the powerful winds on the planet.

This latter task requires pinpointing of the balloons' exact position, a task which can only be carried out with two or more radio telescopes, preferably as far apart as possible.

Soviet, American and French scientists are expected to take until January, 1987 to interpret the mass of information they will receive.

Soviet space research has been winning growing international scientific respect since it has continued research which the United States under Reagan has abandoned.

New breast cancer study

WOMEN whose families have a history of breast cancer are more than twice as likely to develop the disease as other women, an American study has revealed.

In cases where both a mother and a sister have the disease the risk is up to 13 times more likely, the report added.

'Both genetic and environmental factors are thought to play a role' in the increased risk, says the study by the US Centres for Disease Control.

Affects

Breast cancer affects about 8 per cent of the female population in the US.

The study compared 4,735 women aged 20 to 54 who had been diagnosed as having breast cancer

with another 4,688 women selected at random from the general population.

'Compared with women without a family history of breast cancer, women who had an affected first degree (mother or sister) relative had a relative risk of 2.3 (times),' the study said.

The researchers said women who have both a mother and sister with breast cancer 'should be especially closely monitored by their physicians'.

'We estimate that the annual incidence of breast cancer per 100,000 women aged 20 to 54 years ranged from a low of 60.9 cases for those without a family history of breast cancer to a high of 828.2 cases for women with both an affected mother and sister,' the study said.

America's first settlers

SOVIET archaeologists have discovered the fossil remains of a Neanderthal man in a remote Siberian cave and think the find could prove humans crossed to America earlier than was thought.

A team from the Siberian city of Novosibirsk uncovered the fossilised bones in a small limes-

tone grotto near Sibiryachikha close to the Sino-Soviet border and dated the find at 40-45,000 years old.

Archaeologist Anatoly Derevyanko said the importance of the discovery 'transcends far beyond... the Asian continent' and helped research into how men reached

America.

Soviet historians say people got there from Siberia across what is now the Bering Strait off Alaska.

'It can now be conjectured that people appeared in America much earlier than was thought,' Derevyanko said.

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In personal capacity:

Zoille Hamilton Keke (UK representative of the Pan Africanist Congress of Azania)
Jack Young (Sacked Kent NUM)

Chairman **Richard Price** (WRP London District Committee)

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Lecturer **CLIFF SLAUGHTER**
(WRP Central Committee)

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Planning

The Soviet Union are already planning probes of Mars and its moon Phobos and have contacted research departments all over the world for assistance.

In addition, the Soviet space researchers are already planning for manned flights to Mars. Models of in-flight kitchen gardens are being devised to provide fresh fruit and vegetables to cosmonauts on the long voyage to the planet.

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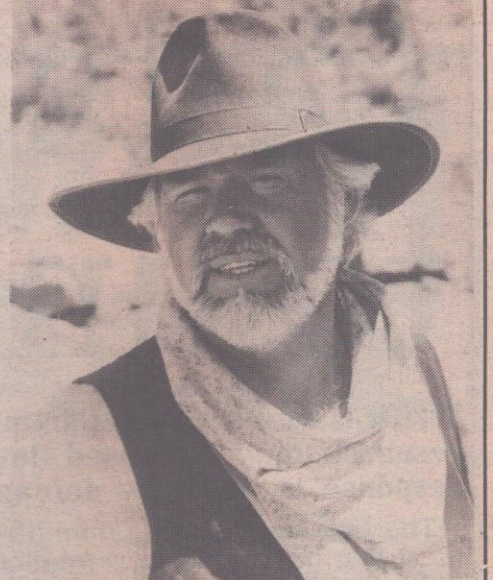
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6.00 Ceefax AM. 6.50 Breakfast Time. 9.20 Battle of the Planets. 9.40 The Monkees. 10.05 Why Don't You...? 10.30 Play School. 10.50 Bonanza. 11.40 The Educated Trout. 12.30 News After Noon. 12.55 Weather News. 12.57 Regional News (London & SE: Financial Report; News Headlines). 1.00 Pebble Mill at One. 1.45 Pigeon Street. 2.00 Blizzard's Wizard Woodwork. 2.25 Songs of Praise. 3.00 The Apple Dumpling Gang. 3.53 Regional News (except London). 3.55 Caterpillar Trail. 4.10 Dastardly and Muttley. 4.20 Heathcliff and Marmaduke. 4.35 The Kids of Degraffi Street. 5.00 John Craven's Newsround. 5.10 Who Sir? Me Sir? 5.35 Dr Kildare. 6.00 THE SIX O'CLOCK NEWS and weather. 6.35 REGIONAL NEWS MAGAZINES. 7.00 EASTENDERS. 7.30 NO PLACE LIKE HOME First of a new series with William Gaunt as the harassed father of four and husband to Patricia Garwood. 8.00 THE DAY THE UNIVERSE CHANGED A Matter of Fact. 8.50 POINTS OF VIEW Barry Took. 9.00 THE NINE O'CLOCK NEWS; Weatherman. 9.25 MIAMI VICE The Great McCarthy. 10.15 LOOSE ENDS (regional variations). 10.45 FILM 85 Barry Norman's film reviews include 'Micki & Maude' and 'The Return of Captain Invincible'. 11.15 THE 20th CENTURY REMEMBERED Barbara Castle talks to Donald MacCormick about her first Cabinet post in the 1964 Labour government. 11.45 Weatherman; Closedown. BBC WALES: 5.35-6.00 Wales Today. 6.35-7.00 D Kildare. 10.15-10.45 Sporting Chance.

BBC2

9.00 Pages from Ceefax. 4.00 DANCE, GIRL, DANCE (1940) Comedy with Lucille Ball and Maureen O'Hara who come into conflict when they both fall for the charms of playboy Louis Hayward. 5.25 NEWS SUMMARY with subtitles; Weather. 5.30 JET TRAIL Into Thin Air This history of jet flight concludes with a look at Concorde and supersonic flight. 6.00 THE HIGH CHAPARRAL The Champion of the Western World Blue takes on a boxing champion at the Fourth of July rodeo. 6.50 OFF THE RECORD Actress Irene Handl talks about the records she enjoys. 7.00 IT'S ONLY ROCK AND ROLL Mick Jagger talks to David Hepworth about 'She's The Boss', Jagger's first solo album after 20 years with The Rolling Stones. The programme includes film shot in Brazil to accompany the record and archive footage of The Stones in action. 8.00 TOP GEAR Motor caravans and diesel cars. 8.30 ENTERTAINMENT USA Jonathan King previews Harrison Ford's latest film 'Witness' and visits San Francisco. 9.00 POT BLACK 85 Jimmy White and Doug Mountjoy meet over three frames in the grand final. 9.40 AMAZING BASS A profile of the virtuoso double bass player Gary Karr. 10.40 NEWSNIGHT. 11.25 Weatherview. 11.30 ANIMATION NOW Two films from the West Surrey College of Art and Design. 11.55 Closedown.

CHANNEL 4

2.40 ALL THE RIVERS RUN Four-part Australian series. Rescued from the shipwreck that has killed her parents, 18-year-old Philadelphia goes to live with her uncle and aunt. 4.30 PEOPLE'S COURT Joseph A. Wapner presides over The Case of the Feuding Fisherman. 5.00 BEWITCHED I'd Rather Twitch Than Fight When Darrin and Samantha want to consult a psychiatrist about their marriage, Endora summons Dr Freud. 5.30 LOW TECH Rick Ball shows how oil drums can be used to make inexpensive furniture and visits the home of illustrator Paul Cox. 6.00 PAINTING THE WARMTH OF THE SUN The Middle Generation Final programme in this series about the artists of St Ives looks at the work of five of the most prominent 'middle generation'. 7.00 CHANNEL 4 NEWS. 7.50 COMMENT By teacher David Gribble; followed by Weather. 8.00 BROOKSIDE. 8.30 THE WINE PROGRAMME Buying It. 9.00 NOWHERE TO RUN (1978 TVM) David Janssen plays an engineer who decides to escape from his cold-hearted wife and create a new life for himself by using a winning gambling system. With Stefanie Powers, Allen Garfield and Linda Evans. 10.50 BLACK ON BLACK. 11.45 TUBE EXTRA The Power Station Half-hour video from the American cable music station MTV. 12.15 Closedown.

THAMES

6.15 Good Morning Britain. 9.25 Thames News Headlines; Sesame Street. 10.25 The Far West. 11.10 Fabulous Funnies. 11.30 About Britain. 12.00 Cockleshell Bay. 12.10 Rainbow. 12.30 The Sullivan. 1.00 News at One. 1.20 Thames News. 1.30 The Outsider. 2.30 Daytime. 3.00 Gambit. 3.25 Thames News Headlines. 3.30 The Young Doctors. 4.00 Cockleshell Bay. 4.15 Batfink. 4.20 Alice in Wonderland. 4.45 CBTV. 5.15 Blockbusters. 5.45 News. 6.00 THAMES NEWS With Andrew Gardner and Tina Jenkins. 6.35 CROSSROADS. 7.00 EMMERDALE FARM. 7.30 BUSMAN'S HOLIDAY Hosted by Julian Pettifer. 8.00 UP THE ELEPHANT AND ROUND THE CASTLE Every Two Minutes Jim hasn't been King of his Castle for long when he learns the hard truth about intruders. 8.30 CHANCE IN A MILLION Stuff of Dreams A TV news team arrive outside Tom's house, hot on a story about a gangland boss believed to be hiding there. 9.00 TELEVISION Chewing Gum for the Eyes. 10.00 NEWS AT TEN followed by Thames News Headlines. 10.30 THE GAMBLER With Kenny Rogers and Bruce Boxleitner. Brady Hawkes, a cool professional gambler, is shaken by a plea for help from a son he never knew he had. On the way to challenge his son's brutal stepfather, Brady joins up with a young impetuous gambler and a society lady with a shady past. 12.20 Night Thoughts and Closedown.

GRANADA

6.15 Good Morning Britain. 9.30 Once Upon A Time. 9.55 Sport Billy. 10.15 Struggle Beneath the Sea. 10.35 The Wonderful World of Professor Kitzel. 10.45 Tarzan. 11.30 About Britain. 12.00 Cockleshell Bay. 12.10 Rainbow. 12.30 The Sullivan. 1.00 News at One. 1.20 Granada Reports. 1.30 The Outsider. 2.30 Daytime. 3.00 The Glass Box. 3.25 Granada Reports News. 3.30 Gambit. 4.00 Cockleshell Bay. 4.15 Batfink. 4.20 Alice in Wonderland. 4.45 CBTV. 5.15 Cartoon Alphabet. 5.45 News. 6.00 THIS IS YOUR RIGHT. 6.05 CROSSROADS. 6.30 GRANADA REPORTS The latest news and reports from around the North West. 7.00 EMMERDALE FARM. 7.30 BUSMAN'S HOLIDAY The trio of vets compete against navigation officers and tax inspectors. 8.00 UP THE ELEPHANT AND ROUND THE CASTLE Every Two Minutes. 8.30 CHANCE IN A MILLION Stuff of Dreams Tom and Alison spend the night in a cabin cruiser — not wholly to Alison's displeasure. 9.00 TELEVISION Chewing Gum for the Eyes Looking at light entertainment — from variety to game-shows and pop videos. 10.00 NEWS AT TEN. 10.30 THE GAMBLER Part one of a three-part Western adventures series with Kenny Rogers and Christine Belford. Brady Hawkes is a cool professional gambler thriving in the Old West through a combination of wits, luck, skill and bluff. But his confidence is shaken by a plea for help from a son he never knew existed. 12.20 Closedown.

ROUND THE REGIONS

TYNE TEES

6.15 Good Morning Britain. 9.25 North East News. 9.30 Sesame Street. 10.25 Indian Legends of Canada. 10.50 The New Fantastic Four. 11.15 Cartoon Time. 11.30 About Britain. 12.00 Cockleshell Bay. 12.10 Rainbow. 12.30 The Sullivan. 1.00 News; North East News and Lookaround. 1.30 The Outsider. 2.30 Daytime. 3.00 Benson. 3.25 North East News. 3.30 The Young Doctors. 4.00 Cockleshell Bay. 4.15 Batfink. 4.20 Alice in Wonderland. 4.45 CB TV. 5.15 Vintage Quiz. 5.45 News. 6.00 North East News. 6.02 Crossroads. 6.25 Northern Life. 7.00 Emmerdale Farm. 7.30 Busman's Holiday. 8.00 Up the Elephant and Round the Castle. 8.30 Chance In A Million. 9.00 Television. 10.00 News at Ten; North East News. 10.32 The Gambler. 12.15 Epilogue; Closedown.

CENTRAL

6.15 Good Morning Britain. 9.25 Sport Billy. 9.50 Star Ways. 9.55 Ace Crawford. 10.20 Two for a Laugh. 11.30 About Britain. 12.00 Cockleshell Bay. 12.10 Rainbow. 12.30 Gardening Time. 1.00 News; Central News. 1.30 The Outsider. 2.30 Daytime. 3.00 Gambit. 3.25 News Headlines. 3.30 The Young Doctors. 4.00 Cockleshell Bay. 4.15 Batfink. 4.20 Alice in Wonderland. 4.45 CB TV. 5.15 Keep It In the Family. 5.45 News. 6.00 Crossroads. 6.25 Central News. 7.00 Emmerdale Farm. 7.30 Busman's Holiday. 8.00 Up the Elephant and Round the Castle. 8.30 Chance In A Million. 9.00 Television. 10.00 News at Ten. 10.30 The Gambler. 12.20 Closedown.

YORKSHIRE

6.15 Good Morning Britain. 9.25 Regional Weather. 9.30 Sesame Street. 10.25 Gather Your Dreams. 10.50 The Cop and the Kid. 11.15 Abigail. 11.30 About Britain. 12.00 Cockleshell Bay. 12.10

Rainbow. 12.30 Calendar Lunchtime Live. 1.00 News; Calendar News; Weather and Community Service Announcement. 1.30 The Outsider. 2.30 Daytime. 3.00 Gambit. 3.25 News Headlines. 3.30 The Protector. 4.00 Cockleshell Bay. 4.15 Batfink. 4.20 Alice in Wonderland. 4.45 CB TV. 5.15 Dreams. 5.45 News. 6.00 Calendar; Weather. 6.35 Crossroads. 7.00 Emmerdale Farm. 7.30 Busman's Holiday. 8.00 Up the Elephant and Round the Castle. 8.30 Chance In A Million. 9.00 Television. 10.00 News at Ten. 10.30 The Gambler. 12.20 Closedown.

TSW

6.15 Good Morning Britain. 9.25 Sesame Street. 10.25 The Jacksons. 10.50 Fireball XL5. 11.15 The World's Children. 11.30 About Britain. 12.00 Cockleshell Bay. 12.10 Rainbow. 12.30 Candid Camera. 1.00 News; TSW News Headlines. 1.30 The Outsider. 2.30 Daytime. 3.00 Gambit. 3.30 Sons and Daughters. 4.00 Cockleshell Bay. 4.15 Batfink. 4.20 Alice in Wonderland. 4.45 CB TV. 5.15 Gus Honeybun's Magic Birthdays. 5.20 Crossroads. 5.45 News. 6.00 Today South West. 6.30 Televiews. 6.40 Consumer Check. 7.00 Emmerdale Farm. 7.30 Busman's Holiday. 8.00 Up the Elephant and Round the Castle. 8.30 Chance In A Million. 9.00 Television. 10.00 News at Ten; TSW Late News and Weather. 10.34 The Gambler. 12.20 Postscript; South West Weather and Shipping Forecast; Closedown.

TVS

6.15 Good Morning Britain. 9.25 TVS Weather. 9.27 Do it Daily; Sesame Street. 10.25 Matt and Jenny. 10.50 Wattoo Wattoo. 11.00 Fireball XL5. 11.30 About Britain. 12.00 Cockleshell Bay. 12.10 Rainbow. 12.30 The Sullivan. 1.00 News; TVS News. 1.30 A Country Practice. 2.30 Daytime. 3.00 Gambit. 3.27 TVS News; The Young Doctors. 4.00 Cockleshell Bay. 4.15 Batfink. 4.20 Alice in Wonderland. 4.45 CB TV. 5.12 TVS News Head-

lines; Sons and Daughters. 5.45 News. 6.00 Coast to Coast. 6.25 Police 5. 6.35 Crossroads. 7.00 Emmerdale Farm. 7.30 Busman's Holiday. 8.00 Up the Elephant and Round the Castle. 8.30 Chance In A Million. 9.00 Television. 10.00 News at Ten; TVS News. 10.30 The Gambler. 12.20 Company; Closedown.

HTV

6.15 Good Morning Britain. 9.25 The Girl with ESP. 9.50 Gather Your Dreams. 10.15 Wild Canada. 11.10 Unicorn Tales. 11.30 About Britain. 12.00 Cockleshell Bay. 12.10 Rainbow. 12.30 The Sullivan. 1.00 News; HTV News. 1.30 The Outsider. 2.30 Daytime. 3.00 Gambit; HTV News. 3.30 The Young Doctors. 4.00 Cockleshell Bay. 4.15 Batfink. 4.20 Alice in Wonderland. 4.45 CB TV. 5.15 Benson. 5.45 News. 6.00 HTV News. 6.35 Crossroads. 7.00 Emmerdale Farm. 7.30 Busman's Holiday. 8.00 Up the Elephant and Round the Castle. 8.30 Chance In A Million. 9.00 Television. 10.00 News at Ten; HTV News. 10.30 The Gambler. 12.20 HTV Weather; Closedown. HTV WALES: 6.00-6.35 Wales at Six.

ANGLIA

6.15 Good Morning Britain. 9.25 Sesame Street. 10.25 Cartoon Time. 10.40 Spread Your Wings. 11.10 Fireball XL5. 11.30 About Britain. 12.00 Cockleshell Bay. 12.10 Rainbow. 12.30 Gardens for All. 1.00 News; Anglia News; Weather. 1.30 The Outsider. 2.30 Daytime. 3.00 Gambit. 3.25 Anglia News. 3.30 The Young Doctors. 4.00 Cockleshell Bay. 4.15 Batfink. 4.20 Alice in Wonderland. 4.45 CB TV. 5.15 Emmerdale Farm. 5.45 News. 6.00 About Anglia. 6.35 Crossroads. 7.00 Different Strokes. 7.30 Busman's Holiday. 8.00 Up the Elephant and Round the Castle. 8.30 Chance In A Million. 9.00 Television. 10.00 News at Ten; Anglia Late News; Weather. 10.30 The Gambler. 12.20 Epilogue; Closedown.

S4C

1.00 Silents Please. 1.25 Alice. 2.00-2.15 Ffalabalam. 2.35 28 Up. 3.50 The Late Late Show. 4.50 Ffalabalam. 5.05 Bilidowcar. 5.35 Project UFO. 6.30 Lawm. 7.00 Newyddion Saith. 7.30 Y Pintubi. 8.00 Pookiesnackburger in Restoration Comics. 8.30 Relative Strangers; News Headlines. 9.00 Mynd Fel Pawb I Forio. 9.45 The Cosby Show. 10.15 K2 — Elusive Summit. 11.15 Film: While I Live. 12.55 Close.

RADIO

1 News on the half hour from 6.30a.m. until 9.30p.m. and at 12 midnight. 6.00 Adrian John. 8.00 Mike Read. 10.00 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 Muriel Grey (S). 2 News on the hour. Headlines 5.30a.m. 6.30, 7.30 and 8.30. 4.00 Howard Pearce (S). 6.00 Ray Moore (S). 8.05 Ken Bruce (S). 10.30 Jimmy Young (S). 1.05 Sports Desk; David Jacobs (S). 2.00 Gloria Hunniford (2.02, 3.02 Sports Desk). 3.30 Music All the Way (S). 4.00 Steve Jones (S) (4.02, 5.05 Sports Desk). 6.00 John Dunn (S) (6.02 Sports Desk; 6.45 Sport and Classified results). 8.00 Hubert Gregg (S). 9.00 BBC Radio Orchestra (S). 9.55 Sports Desk. 10.00 Pop Score. 10.30 The Law Game. 11.00 Brian Matthew presents Round Midnight. 1.00 Charles Nove (S) presents Night-ride. 3.00-4.00 Night Owls (S). 3 6.55 Weather. 7.00 News. 7.05 Morning Concert (S) Josef Starzer. Bach transcr. Brahms, Haydn (8.00-8.05 News) Gershwin. Sibelius, Mahler, Shostakovich. 9.00 News. 9.05 This Week's Composer (S) Mozart. 10.00 Bach Cantatas 1724 (S) No.134. 10.30 Variations (S) Dvorak, Lutoslawski, Kodaly. 11.35 Music for Violin and Piano (S) Hindemith, Szymanowski. 12.15 Bournemouth Symphony Orchestra (S) Wagner, Berwald (1.00-1.05 News) Zemlinsky, Szymanowski. 1.40 Guitar Encores (s) Giuliani, Mozart arr. Sor. Sor. 2.10 Mahler's Ninth Symphony (S) Bavarian Radio Symphony Orchestra. 3.45 Frank Martin (S) Passacaglia for organ. 4.00 Delme String Quartet (S) Sibelius, Bridge. 4.55 News. 5.00 Mainly for Pleasure (S). 6.30 Vergine Bella (S) Cipriano de Rore. 7.10 Medee (S) opera by Cherubini (8.10-8.30 Poetry Now). 10.00 Jazz Today (S). 11.00 Bartok and Haydn (S) String quartets. 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; 6.45 Business News; 6.55, 7.55 Weather; 7.00, 8.00 Today's News; 7.20 Your Letters; 7.25, 8.25 Sport; 7.45 Thought for the Day). 8.43 Griff Rhys Jones Reads Roald Dahl. 8.57 Weather; Travel. 9.00 News. 9.05 Tuesday Call. 10.00 News; From Our Own Correspondent. 10.30 Morning Story: Film Night. 10.45 Daily Service (S). 11.00 News; Travel; Thirty-Minute Theatre Getting to London. 11.33 Wildlife (S). 12.00 News; The Food Programme. 12.27 Brain of Britain 1985 (S). 12.55 Weather. 1.00 The World at One: News. 1.40 The Archers. 1.55 Shipping Forecast. 2.00 News; The Great and Good Mr Handel. 2.47 From Thames Maru to Tokyo. 3.00 News; The Afternoon Play: Pickers and Stealers. 4.00 News; Lawrence, Mablethorpe and Me. 4.40 Story Time: A Gun for Sale. 5.00 PM: News Magazine. 5.50 Shipping Forecast. 5.55 Weather. 6.00 The Six O'Clock News; Financial Report. 6.30 King Street Junior (S). 7.00 News. 7.05 The Archers. 7.20 Hunger USA. 8.05 Medicine Now. 8.35 A Seder Night. 9.05 In Touch. 9.30 Treasure Islands. 9.45 Kaleidoscope. 10.15 A Book at Bedtime: The Magic Toyshop. 10.29 Weather. 10.30 The World Tonight (11.00 News Headlines). 11.15 The Financial World Tonight. 11.30 Schubert and Schumann. 12.00-12.15 News; Weather. 12.33 Shipping Forecast. VHF: 5.55-6.00 Weather; Travel. 1.55-2.00 Listening Corner. 5.50-5.55 PM. 11.00-11.30 Study on 4.

Winning Post

Warwick hat-trick for Eddery

PERCASE (3.45), one of three winners for Pat Eddery on the opening day of the season at Doncaster, may again be one of an Eddery hat-trick at WARWICK today.

The Peter Cundell-trained six-year-old beat Temple Bar by a length on his seasonal debut, but may have had a little more in hand than that margin suggests.

He was never in danger once Eddery took him to the front two furlongs out and could be even more effective if his challenge is delayed longer.

Although penalised 8lb in the Coventry Handicap, he is in great heart and can defy the extra weight.

Eddery also has fine chances on **Sequesterator** (4.15), in the E.B.F. Compton Verney Maiden Two Year Old Stakes and **Star Of A Gunner** (4.45), in the Haseley Handicap.

Sequesterator will be fighting fit after two runs and can make his experience pay against interesting newcomer See No Evil, who is bred to be speedy.

Star Of A Gunner, a winner over hurdles during the winter, was fourth in last season's Lincoln and on that form is not harshly treated.

Amiga Borracha (2.45), comfortable winner of a Lingfield seller last month, should follow up in the Kingswood Selling Handicap

despite a 7lb penalty.

Mudlark Roadster (3.30), will be suited by the going at **CHEPSTOW** and he should beat the far from foot-perfect Apir The Reject and Mr Moonraker in the £5,000 Welsh Novice Championship Chase.

A sound jumper, Roadster has won three races this season and ran well to finish fourth in the 'Arkle' at the Cheltenham Festival, particularly as the ground was too fast for him that day.

He was rather disappointing at Sandown next time, but that race may have come too soon after Cheltenham, and he is sure to produce a bold showing now.

Le Sarthois (2.00), placed in hurdles and chases but yet to win a race, may have his moment of glory in the Raglan Novice Hurdle (Division One). He ran well over the course when chasing home Folkland at the last meeting, and this three miles on heavy ground should prove ideal.

Conditions are also certain to be testing at **WETHERBY** and supporters of Dromodan (2.00), will welcome the ground in the First Division of the Deighton Novice Hurdle.

Peter Easterby's charge won a novice event at Bangor last month after a previous disqualification. A confirmed mud-lover, the five

year old should not be hard pressed to beat Phoenix Gold and Togg.

Easterby could also win the Montagu Handicap Hurdle with **Carneades** (3.10), who was denied a run on the flat when yesterday's Newcastle card was abandoned.

SELECTIONS

WARWICK: 2.15 El-Fayez, 2.45 Amiga Borracha, 3.15 Kilmanjaro Bob, 3.45 Percase (nap), 4.15 Sequesterator, 4.45 Star Of A Gunner.

CHEPSTOW: 2.00 Le Sarthois, 2.30 Virgin Soldier, 3.00 Cons Pal, 3.30 Roadster (n.b.), 4.00 Dicky Blob, 4.30 Timsun.

WETHERBY: 2.00 Dromodan, 2.30 Golden Ty, 3.10 Carneades, 3.45 Meikelour, 4.20 Kevinsfort, 4.55 Lucky Fen.

UTTOXETER: 2.15 Crowning Moment, 2.45 Undeb, 3.15 Slieve Bracken, 3.45 Youghal, 4.15 Walhan, 4.45 Gainville Lad.

WETHERBY (NH)

2.00 DEIGHTON NOVICE HURDLE DIV I £800

2	00D1	DROMODAN M H Easterby 5 11 7	J J O'Neill
6	013	PHOENIX GOLD (C-D) (BF) J G FitzGerald 5 11 7	M Dwyer
7	0-F310	TARGET MAN W A Stephenson 5 11 7	R Lamb
8	90010	TOGG (FR) (D) Mrs C Postlethwaite 7 11 7	P A Charlton
10		CHEVIOT MANOR B McLean 6 11 0	Mr T Reed (4)
11	02F-PP0	COUNT MIDAS A Watson 6 11 0	J McLaughlin
12	00000	EASBY BUCK J R Kettlewell 5 11 0	S Kettlewell (4)
13	00-0000	GOLMUNG P T Brookshaw 5 11 0	J D Davies (7)
15		HOPEFULL FUTURE D Lee 5 11 0	A Stringer
16	223040	MR PERFECT B E Wilkinson 6 11 0	Mr G Harker (4)
18		GRASMERE GIRL I D Jordan 7 10 9	G Martin (7)
19		JUST A SPARK J Mulhall 6 10 9	C Hawkins
20		LIME BLOSSOM N F Crump 5 10 9	Mr M Sowersby (7)
21	3-00000	LITTLE MITTENS R E Barr 7 10 9	S Keightley
22	2024	LUXURY E J Carr 6 10 9	J Goulding
25	30-2200	SWOP SHOP Miss Z Green 6 10 9	J Goulding

PROBABLE SP: 15-8 Dromodan, 7-2 Phoenix Gold, 5-1 Togg, 7-1 Lime Blossom, 10-1 Swop Shop, 12-1 Target Man, 14-1 others.

2.35 RMC GROUP NOVICE HUNTER CHASE £1,500

1	U21212	GOLDEN TY (BF) V Hall 7 12 8	Mr A Orkney (7)
2	2/20F3-1	ANOTHER SIMON A B Garton 11 11 12	Mr T Garton (7)
9	30010-U	ITS A CAPPER J R Turner 7 11 12	Mr P Swiers (7)
11	000FF0	LANDING R S Bean 10 11 12	Miss R Spear (7)
12		LOCKWOOD LAD R Dalton 9 11 12	Mr A Dent (7)
13		MOONS QUADRILLE Mrs S Gospel 9 11 12	Mr D Coates (7)
15	30433U	RASTASEMEFACH S N Burt 7 11 12	Mr L Kirkby (7)
17	P4	VULGANS GAZETTE W A Stephenson 7 11 12	Mr J Greenall (7)
18	P-	BISHOPS BELL Mrs C Clark 7 11 7	Mr D Kinsella (7)
19	000/00-0	LITTLE SWINBURN W G Reed 7 11 7	Mr T Reed (4)

PROBABLE SP: 2-1 on Golden Ty, 4-1 Another Simon, 7-1 Rastasefemach, 12-1 Its Capper, 16-1 Landing, 20-1 others.

3.10 MONTAGU HANDICAP HURDLE £5,000

1	33P410	BALLY-GO (C) (D) M W Easterby 8 11 10	R Lamb
2	100210	EBORACUM (C-D) B E Wilkinson 7 11 8	Mr G Harker (4)
4	400000	MR DENETOP F M Musgrave 7 11 6	Mr P Dun (4)
6	F01010	THE MAN HIMSELF (C) G W Richards 5 11 2	N J O'Neill
7	0D1013	CARNEADES (C-D) M H Easterby 5 10 12	J D Davies (7)
8	P3211	RISING FORTRESS (D) J G FitzGerald 6 10 11	M Dwyer
9	3-22D03	SECRET FINALE (D) M J Lambert 6 10 10	P A Charlton
10	102-000	SOLDBY (C) (D) M H Easterby 5 10 10	A Brown
11	2-03011	TABRIZ GOLD (D) J H Johnson 6 10 9	J Hansen
12	220321	MICK'S STAR M W Easterby 5 10 9	P Tuck
13	422P4F	OREGON TRAIL (BF) D W Arbuthnot 5 10 6	K Mooney
14	F21100-	SUMMER PATH (C-D) M J Camacho 8 10 4	R Forsyth
17	2F311F	CONCANNAN (C) (D) M P Naughton 8 10 0	D Dutton
18	24-0020	MAYANNCOR S J Leadbetter 7 10 0	M Barnes

CHEPSTOW (NH)

2.00 RAGLAN NOVICE HURDLE DIV I £1,000

3	0-P1	THE UNDERGRADUATE C C Trefline 6 11 10	K Frost (7)
8		BORACIC J T Gifford 7 11 4	R Rowe
9	P0	CANDY DAN D Bloomfield 6 11 4	L Bloomfield (4)
10	0-00044	CAPTAIN PRY D Nicholson 5 11 4	P Scudamore
11	00-0000	CELTIC CAPRI J H Cork 6 11 4	J Frost
13	00/PPP	FADING DAWN O J Henley 8 11 4	R Goldstein
16	U00003	GANDOUGE LANE J A Old 8 11 4	P Murphy
17	032023	LE SARTHOIS Mrs S Davenport 8 11 4	G McCourt
18	F0F00/P	MY BOY BOY J Fenlon 8 11 4	J Suthern
19	00-0000	ROYAL BOREEN G G Gracey 7 11 4	Lorna Vincent
21	000000	ARCTIC GIPSY B Palling 9 10 13	A Griffiths
22	003F0-0	MZIMA SPRING L G Cottrell 6 10 13	George Knight
25		MINNIE FULLER B G Hicks 4 10 1	M Williams

BLINKERS: 17
PROBABLE SP: 2-1 Le Sarthois, 7-2 The Undergraduate, 5-1 Captain Pry, 13-2 Boracic, 8-1 Gandouge Lane, 10-1 Mzima Spring, 12-1 Arctic Gipsy, 16-1 others.

2.30 TINTERN HANDICAP CHASE £2,200

2	0/P1-P24	BRIGHT DREAM (D) J T Gifford 9 11 8	R Rowe
9	P000F0	MR PEAPOCK (D) W G Turner 9 10 11	Jessica Turner (7)
18	4202B3	HADAJAR (D) M Tate 10 10 0	Mr R J Beggan
20	034322	VIRGIN SOLDIER (C) J A Old 9 10 0	P Murphy

PROBABLE SP: 2-1 Bright Dream, 5-2 Virgin Soldier, 11-4 Hadajar, 13-2 Mr Peapock.

3.00 CANTLE HANDICAP HURDLE £1,300

5	33P-BP0	MOSSAT (D) B Palling 8 11 7	A Griffiths
8	322200	SARATINO L G Kennard 5 11 4	B Powell
12	004011	CONS PAL (D) J Wintle 7 11 9 (7 ex)	J Wathen (7)
16	000-000	GLEN ROAD (D) J Thorne 6 11 0	P Dever
21	011F3P	MARINA STAR (D) O O'Neill 6 10 8	J Suthern
22	000130	MADRANO Mrs M Rimell 6 10 7	S Morshed
25	000203	GLASGOW CENTRAL B Palling 8 10 5	Mr P Morgan
28	00212-0	PEPPERWOOD (D) L G Kennard 5 10 0	R Pusey (4)
30	0P0234	CERVENTE SOVEREIGN J D Roberts 6 10 0	R Millman (4)
31	PP0000	JAGATE M Lawrence 9 10 0	A O'Hagan
32	0PPF00	DANDARE O J Henley 10 10 0	R Goldstein

BLINKERS: 8, 28
PROBABLE SP: 11-4 Cons Pal, 100-30 Saratino, 5-1 Glasgow Central, 13-2 Glen Road, 9-1 Mossat, 10-1 Marina Star, 12-1 Pepperwood, 16-1 others.

19 030410 LONE RAIDER (D) J L Harris 8 10 0

21	13240	PRINCE SANTIAGO (USA) (D) Denys Smith 6 10 0	C Grant
22	133404	WHATS WHAT B Bousfield 6 10 0	B Storey

PROBABLE SP: 5-1 Rising Forest, 6-1 Carneades, 7-1 Tabriz Gold and Mick's Star, 8-1 Concannon and Secret Finale, 10-1 Oregon Trail and Bally-Go, 12-1 Eboracum, 14-1 Prince Santiago, 16-1 others.

3.45 'SEE IT LIVE IN YORKS' H'CAP HURDLE £2,000 2m (10 runners)

6	331211	CHARLOTTE'S DUNCE M H Easterby 5 11 12 (5 ex)	A Brown
8	301-3	MEIKLEOUR (D) J G FitzGerald 6 11 6	M Dwyer
9	34/004	BERTIE ME BOY K Stone 10 11 5	J J O'Neill
10	012410	TOT (D) Denys Smith 5 11 5	D Thompson (7)
14	000202	THORBEAL ARCH (D) R Gray 6 10 11	S Charlton
15	2120-0	BLUEBIRDING Mrs J Ramsden 6 10 10	P Tuck
17	3D4303	TARCHIN (D) S J Leadbetter 6 10 9	M Barnes
18	134U01	FRENCH NEPHEW (D) Denys Smith 4 10 4	C Grant
19	0000	FATA MORGANA Mrs P Pile 10 10 4	N Doughty
20	32/000	DAVIDOFF S B Avery 9 10 3	C Hawkins

BLINKERS: 8, 17
PROBABLE SP: 7-2 Charlotte's Duncie, 9-2 Meikleour, 5-1 Tot, 6-1 French Nephew, 8-1 Tarchin, 10-1 Bertie Me Boy, 12-1 Thorbeal Arch, 14-1 others.

4.20 LEEDS HANDICAP CHASE £3,000

4	121P10	KEVINSFORT (BF) J G FitzGerald 7 11 7	M Dwyer
5	312-440	ABERSING (C-D) D T Todd 10 11 2	C Grant
6	F04111-	MR COGGY W A Stephenson 9 10 10	R Lamb
7	0P230F	STRAIGHT DOWN J F Crump 8 10 7	C Hawkins
9	240234	JIMMY CHIPS W Raw 8 10 0	B Storey
11	FFP0-00	BARTON CROSS A Watson 11 10 0	J McLaughlin
12	003-000	THE RIDINGS R Tate 6 10 0	C Hawkins

PROBABLE SP: 3-1 Kevinsfort, 7-2 Mr Coggy, 9-2 Straight Down, 6-1 Abersing, 7-1 Jimmy Chips, 10-1 Barton Cross, 12-1 The Ridings.

4.55 DEIGHTON NOVICE HURDLE DIV II £800

3	003000	CRUDEN BAY P S Felgate 5 11 0	P Tuck
4		DANTUNE A Watson 5 11 0	J McLaughlin
6		GINDANGO F Taylor 6 11 0	P A Farrell (7)
7	00	GUISBOROUGH TOWN G A Calvert 5 11 0	A Stringer
9	034P02	LUCKY FEN K Stone 5 11 0	A Brown
12	00	MURTON R E Barr 5 11 0	Mr M Sowersby (7)
13	PP0-P0	NO CERTIFICATE I D Jordan 6 11 0	G Martin (7)
14	U04000	OWEN HERBERT C Wardman 5 11 0	C J Wardman (7)
16	003	PORTSIDE (BF) J G FitzGerald 5 11 0	M Dwyer
17	00	PRICEOFFLOVE B E Wilkinson 5 11 0	Mr G Harker (4)
18		PRUDENT BOY J H Johnson 5 11 0	J Hansen
24	000	TAX CODE N F Crump 5 10 9	C Hawkins

BLINKERS: 9
PROBABLE SP: 2-1 Portside, 5-2 Lucky Fen, 6-1 Tax Code, 10-1 Cruden Bay, 12-1 Owen Herbert, 14-1 Priceofflove, 16-1 others.

3.30 WELSH NOVICE CH'SHIP CHASE £5,000

1	142140	FREIGHT FORWARDER (D) A J Pitt 11 11 9	H Davies
3	131144	ROADSTER (DKBF) C W Nash 9 11 9	R Dunwoody
4	311F0F	THE REJECT (D) F T Winter 6 11 9	J Francome
6	4121FF	MR MOONRAKER (BF) L G Kennard 8 11 6	B Powell
8	1124F4	THE FOODBROKER (CHI) (D) P D Haynes 9 11 6	A Webb
9	F31U3P	CILERNA JET P S Tury 6 11 1	NON-RUNNER

BLINKERS: 8
PROBABLE SP: 11-4 Roadster, 3-1 Mr Moonraker, 4-1 The Reject, 6-1 Freight Forwarder, 7-1 The Foodbroker.

4.00 SPARTAN HUNTER CHASE £1,000

1	1-PUP1F	BLUE BEANS B F Rendell 10 11 13	Mr R Alner
2	13-2F41	DICKY BLOB (D) John Nicholls 10 11 13	Mr S Long (7)
3	111-3P	TAWNY MYTH R J Cake 11 11 13	Mr R Cake (7)
5	0P-4133	SIDBURY HILL (D) S Pike 9 11 13	Mr S Sherwood
6	20F0/1	ARCTIC WARBLER O Sherwood 8 11 8	Miss G Armytage (7)
9	4P-	GO-AWAY HERALD Mrs C Hotter 12 11 7	Miss P Curling (7)
10	P0-0343	HIGH CLASS AGENT (USA) M R Churches 7 11 7	Miss P Curling (7)
12	3F24P-0	LEONSTAR Mrs H Snell 10 11 7	Mr G Snell (7)
14	00P-0FF	ROWDEN RULER D R Tucker 6 11 7	Mr B Dowling (7)
15	33F-R04	RUSHBURY C J Sidgwick 10 11 7	Mr R Bellamy (7)
16	0/0	TY-PREN W Owens 9 11 2	Miss M Seears (7)
17		PERFECT PLAN B F Rendell 5 10 9	Miss M Seears (7)

PROBABLE SP: 2-1 Dicky Blob, 3-1 Arctic Warbler, 5-1 Tawny Myth, 13-2 Blue Beans, 8-1 Sidbury Hill, 10-1 Ty-Pren, 2-1 Leonstar, 16-1 others.

4.30 RAGLAN NOVICE HURDLE DIV II £1,000

4	403031	MAJEUDDOR M Tate 5 11 10	P Scudamore
13	0/FFP0	JIMMY FLINT R H Dunn 9 11 4	Mr N Dunn (4)
14	0-403	MIDNIGHT MADNESS D Bloomfield 7 11 4	L Bloomfield (4)
18	00	SAMSHU J Thorne 5 11 4	P Dever
19	0000/P0	SHINTULLAH N R Mitchell 7 11 4	Mr N Mitchell
21	F3F434	TIMSUN M McCourt 7 11 4	G McCourt
22	20P	BOLT HOLE G C Doidge 6 10 13	B Wright
24	B2301	HASTY THIEF (USA)(C) D Murray Smith 4 10 12	J Francome
26	B00040	AVERAGE L G Kennard 4 10 1	B Powell

PROBABLE SP: 11-4 Majiudor, 7-2 Timsun, 5-1 Average, 13-2 Bolt Hole, 8-1 Hasty Thief, 10-1 Midnight Madness, 12-1 Samshu, 16-1 others.

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2.15 CASTLE SUITE MAIDEN STAKES £1,000

4 (13)	3	EL-FAYEZ G Huffer 9 0	G Carter (5)
5 (1)	0-	EMIR SULTAN G Harwood 9 0	A Clark
8 (8)	00-	KING LUTHER G Lewis 9 0	J Mercer
9 (12)	00003-3	MOSS EMPIRE R Hannon 9 0	A McGlone
10 (9)	004-	RAHIB P Walwyn 9 0	N Howe
13 (5)	0-	SONG MASTER A Ingham 9 0	J Reid
15 (11)	040030-	THE HOWARD Mrs C Reavey 9 0	N Day
18 (4)	000-0	BOGAZKOY W Wharton 8 11	W Wharton
19 (6)	00-	CAPISTRANO PRINCE G P Gordon 8 11	G Duffield
21 (7)	0-	ORIENT SUN M Jarvis 8 11	B Raymond
22 (2)	00-	PROHIBITION BOY J P Smith 8 11	A MacKay
23 (3)	000-	SHUTTLECOCK STAR K Brassey 8 11	S Whitworth (3)
25 (10)	04-	SUPER NOD G Hunter 8 11	R Hills

BLINKERS: 15
PROBABLE SP: 11-4 Emir Sultan, 7-2 El-Fayez, 5-1 King Luther, 6-1 Moss Empire, 7-1 The Howard, 8-1 Rahib, 10-1 Super Nod, 14-1 Song Master, 16-1 others.

2.45 KINGSWOOD SELLING HANDICAP £700

2 (7)	004000-	TURNASPEED D Weeden 9 7	Gay Kelleway (5)
3 (9)	00000-	UNDERFIRE R Howe 9 1	S Cottle
5 (3)	00033-1	AMIGA BORRACHA K Brassey 8 13 (7 ex)	S Whitworth (3)
6 (2)	00000-0	ALI'S COMET B Richmond 8 8	G Baxter
7 (8)	000100-	DOLLY'S PET (D) G Blum 8 8	M L Thomas
8 (5)	01300-0	DOMTORY J Berry 8 8	K Darley
10 (10)	0040-40	SONOFEVE Mrs N Macauley 8 7	A MacKay
11 (4)	0040-	HOLME CODE T Barron 8 5	S Webster
12 (1)	020000-	IKKEM D Chapman 8 0	S P Griffiths (5)
13 (6)	000-	ROYAL BEAR J M Bradley 7 13	T Williams

APARTHEID RUGBY CHALLENGED

THE DUBLIN government is likely to oppose Irish participation in a new rugby World Cup tournament involving South Africa.

The South Africans are expected to take part as members of the International Rugby Board, which allows the racist state full participation in international rugby union.

The IRB decided in Paris last month to stage the competition in 1987.

An Irish government foreign affairs spokesman said yesterday: 'We actively discourage sporting contacts with South Africa and Ireland supports a policy of

isolating South Africa in international sport because we believe normal sporting activities cannot take place in an apartheid society.

'The Irish Rugby Football Union has been told on a number of occasions that this is our policy, so it will be fully aware of the government's line.'

Defied

Four years ago the Irish rugby authorities defied a similar approach by the government and went ahead with a tour of South Africa and subsequently lost government grants.

The Irish Anti-Apartheid Movement has also demanded that the IRFU do not go ahead with the tour.

The South African regime uses any sporting contacts with other countries to whitewash its racist policies.

In South Africa the anti-apartheid United Democratic Front said yesterday that New Zealand's rugby team would face mass demonstrations if it played there.

UDF spokesman Terror Lekota said that if police action against such protests led to violence, 'the

blood that may be spilt in the event of that tour must be laid at the door of the New Zealand Rugby Union.'

Laws

UDF general secretary Popo Molefe told the UDF's first national conference: 'We are moving more and more towards active challenging of the state. If it means challenging the laws that bar us from doing certain things, we will do so.'

The UDF has at least 2 million members opposed to South Africa's racial seg-

regation laws. Many of its leaders are awaiting trial on treason charges or detained under security laws.

Lekota said that if the New Zealand All Blacks rugby team toured South Africa this year in defiance of an international sporting boycott, mass protests would be brought 'to the airports and to the (rugby) fields'.

The UDF was formed in 1983 to oppose South Africa's new constitution which created token mixed race and Indian members of a segregated chamber of parliament with no powers independent of the white

minority regime.

The new constitution excludes the 73 per cent black majority of the population and has been totally rejected by the black, mixed race and Indian communities.

Phrase

Asked if the policy decided at the conference would lead to more 'civil disobedience', Lekota said: 'You may talk of civil disobedience, I think that is the phrase in the United States.'

'There is no law that de-

serves our respect in this country. We have no rights and we have not participated in the enactment of the laws which concern us.

'From time to time we will challenge those things which are founded on those laws.'

New Zealand's rugby authority chief Ces Blazey reacted against the UDF conference decision, claiming it would be 'very discriminatory of the New Zealand Rugby Union, unless they protest against other sports events'.

Blazey said the Rugby Union's council would decide on the tour on April 17.

MEN'S TENNIS - CHICAGO

Jimmy backs out

JIMMY CONNORS, suffering from severe back pain, defaulted before the final of the \$315,000 Chicago Classic Grand Prix tennis tournament to John McEnroe.

Tournament referee Frank Hammond told a packed stadium that the climax of Chicago's first Grand Prix tennis tournament in ten years was off just before the match was due to begin on Sunday night.

Visibly bent over during a press conference, Connors said he had felt stiffness in his lower back and came to the stadium early for treatment, to no avail.

'Maybe I played too many times hurt. I'm no kid any more,' the 32-year-old American said. 'It takes longer for me to heal.' Connors said he might be able to play again in seven to ten days.

In the doubles final American Johan Kriek and Frenchman Yannick Noah clinched a dramatic five-set victory which partly made up for the default of the singles final.

The match was extended from a best-of-three to a

best-of-five sets format after Connors pulled out of the singles final. In an exhibition match McEnroe beat fellow American Eliot Teltscher.

Kriek and Noah came back from two sets down to defeat the first-seeded Americans Robert Seguso and Ken Flach 3-6, 4-6, 7-5, 6-1, 6-4.

The eventual victors, adopted as favourites by the crowd, gained dominance as the match wore on. One play at the beginning of the fifth set showed the superior shot making ability and sheer athleticism that won them the match.

After serving and advancing to the net, Noah jumped, apparently too early to reach the high return. But seemingly hanging in the air high above the net, he still managed to flick across a backhand winner.



JIMMY CONNORS... had to scratch final match with McEnroe

WOMEN'S TENNIS - S. CAROLINA

Katerina shocks 'veteran'

FIFTEEN-year-old Katerina Maleeva of Bulgaria was the surprise winner of the \$75,000 Seabrook Invitational women's tennis tournament in South Carolina.

She beat 'veteran' Virginia Ruzici of Rumania 6-3, 6-3 in the singles final.

Maleeva, the current holder of the US Open Junior Girls title, broke the 30-year-old Ruzici's service in the second game and then went on to a 4-2 lead.

Ruzici broke Maleeva's service in the seventh game to make it 4-3, but the Bulgarian, half her age, coolly broke back to go up 5-3, then served out a love game to win the set 6-3.

Maleeva, cheered on by her sister Manuela, who is ranked fifth in the world, broke Ruzici in the first game of the second set.

In the eighth game of the second set, after going to duce six times, Maleeva broke Ruzici again, and then held her own service to win the match.

The team of Larissa Savchenko and Svetlana Cherneva of the Soviet Union, defeated Americans Elise

Burgin and Lori McNeil 6-1 6-3 to win their first professional doubles title.

● American Chris Evert Lloyd beat Hana Mandlikova of Czechoslovakia 6-3, 6-3 in the final of the \$275,000 Challenge Cup at Palm Beach Gardens, Florida.

Lloyd, who earned \$100,000, won a match point that came when Mandlikova disputed a linesman's call that had gone in her favour.

The linesmen had said a baseline shot by Lloyd on match point was long, which would have made the score deuce.

But Mandlikova, who collected \$50,000, said the ball was good and when the point was replayed Mandlikova missed a backhand volley giving Lloyd victory.

It took Lloyd just two matches and 145 minutes to win \$100,000 under the format of the four-woman tournament.



CHRIS EVERT-LLOYD



HANA MANDLIKOVA

RACING RESULTS

2.00 (5f): LAMMASTIDE W R Swinburn (3-1) (f) fav1; Meteor Miss (10-1)2; Ballad Rose (3-1) (f) fav3; Dawn Mirage (20-1)4. 12 ran. 1/2, 1/2, 1/2. (J Winter). CSF: £32.00. NR: Scotts Realm & Bernigra Girl.

2.30 (1m 4f): GEPARD P Robinson (7-1)1; Kublai (5-1)2; Warwick Suite (9-4) (f) fav1; Chalko (9-4) (f) fav4. 5 ran. 1/2, 10. (C Brittain). T: £15.20; £3.60, £2. CSF: £33.37. NR: Almushmir.

3.00 (1m 2f): RENT OF BUY W Carson (13-2)1; Ridgefield (12-1)2; Aylesfield (20-1)3; Portlaw (10-1)4. 15 ran. 1, 2. (C Brittain). T: £5.60; £1.60, £2.90, £9.70. CSF: £79.23.

3.30 (6f): GREY DESIRE Pat Eddery (14-1)1; Hilton Brown (11-4) fav2; Plencourt (12-1)3; Milk Heart (13-2)4. 10 ran. 15, nk. (M Brittain). T: £16.80; £3.50, £1.70, £4. CSF: £50.37.

4.00 (1m 4f): TANGOENAT K Radcliffe (20-1)1; Fire of Life (7-2)2; Paddy Coup (4-1)3; Backchat (2-1) fav4. 10 ran. 20, 3. (R Simpson). T: £17.30; £2.80, £1.20, £2. CSF: £93.16. NR: Leinster Lad.

4.30 (1m): VINO ROSSO D McKeown (20-1)1; Hodnet (20-1)2; Tug Tug (7-1)3; Piliat (16-1)4. 13 ran. 10, 3. (A Turrell). T: £22.70; £4.60, £10.30, £3.90. CSF: £335.72. NR: Mount Tumbledown, Nazeah & Aqaba Prince.

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2.15 (5f): COLOR BLIND G Duffield (5-1)1; Zanata (7-4) fav2; Young Angel (7-1)3; Divissima (16-1)4. 15 ran. 4, 4. (G Pritchard-Gordon). T: £11; £2.50, £2.10, £1.40. CSF: £14.28.

2.45 (1m 2f): BUCKMINSTER BOY N Adams (14-1)1; Bold Illusion (11-10) on fav2; Honeydew Wonder (12-1)3; Rhein Court (16-1)4. 13 ran. nk, 10. (W Wharton). T: £16.20; £3.40, £1.10, £2.80. CSF: £27.31. NR: Asmalwi.

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2.15 HEDNESFORD CONDITIONAL JOCKEYS H'CAP CHASE £1,500 2m (11 runners)

1 400021 COUNTY PLAYER (BF) Mrs S Oliver 8 12 3 (7 ex)..... NON-RUNNER

2 0-01402 AVANTIE (D) R A Perkins 9 10 13..... J Duggan

3 043004 MOOD MUSIC (C) (D) R J Hodges 13 10 11..... S Earle

4 0FU2P0 CRACK A JOKE (D) M W Eckley 6 10 9..... G Williams

5 130400 TIERNEE T T Bill 7 10 9..... A Jones

6 02P003 CROWNING MOMENT (D) P Wardle 10 10 7..... G Kellett (7)

7 300-000 FLITTERMERE (C) R E Peacock 14 10 7..... R Hatfield (7)

8 300-000 HILLY WAY (D) P O'Connor 15 10 7..... R Hatfield (7)

9 212B3P SALLY CAROUSELLE (D) P J Bevan 11 10 7..... R Hatfield (7)

10 400F00 BLACK EARL I P Wardle 8 10 7..... R Hatfield (7)

11 430P0P DEE PARK M B James 10 10 7..... R Hatfield (7)

BLINKERS: 9

PROBABLE SP: 2-1 Crowning Moment, 7-2 Tiernee, 4-1 Mood Music, 6-1 Sallys Carouselle, 8-1 Flittermere, 10-1 Black Earl, 14-1 others.

2.45 CHECKLEY SELLING HANDICAP HURDLE £700 2m 4f (17 runners)

1 0030P0 TELL US ANOTHER D A Wilson 6 12 2..... R Arnot (4)

2 0-01402 NOT EASY E Carter 5 11 8..... P A Charlton

3 0-00F31 BLACKBOOSH J R Bosley 6 11 8 (7 ex)..... Mr M Bosley (7)

4 202000 GREENACRES JOY S B Avery 5 11 5..... R Arnot (4)

5 0001 QUINTA DO LAGO (USA) (D) S B Avery 4 11 4..... R Arnot (4)

6 0-FF213 UNDEB (BF) D Burchell 5 10 11..... S Davies (7)

7 30042P LORD CHARLES R A Perkins 6 10 11..... Dai Williams

8 42B-003 GLEN MAYE R B Francis 6 10 10..... C Cowley (7)

9 13F-000 STEP ASHORE P J Bevan 6 10 10..... R Hatfield (7)

10 4-00033 MORE FOR ENGLAND D McCain 5 10 10..... A Murphy (7)

11 04-0-000 SAWYER'S SON Mrs P Rigby 6 10 6..... Mrs P Rigby

12 041000 SOME MOOR R J Hodges 5 10 5..... S Earle (4)

13 00P0 TOCODESU Miss C Caroe 4 10 3..... R Crank

14 00F0 WEST TARALGIN T Kersey 6 10 3..... S J O'Neill

15 240FP0 MISTY MIRAGE S A Torr 5 10 3..... S J O'Neill

16 000330 PICKET LINE W Clay 5 10 1..... M Bastard

17 0F0P SARITAMER LASS T Kersey 4 10 1..... M Bastard

BLINKERS: 6

PROBABLE SP: 7-2 Not Easy, 9-2 Blackboosh, 5-1 Undeb, 6-1 Glen Maye, 8-1 Greenacres Joy, 10-1 Step Ashore and Quinta Do Lago, 12-1 others.

3.15 CHARLES LEWIS CUP (H'CAP CHASE) £2,000 2m 4f (6 runners)

1 040P0-0 SKEGBY O Brennan 11 12 4..... M Brennan

2 00P-000 BEACON TIME D McCain 11 11 4..... K Doolan (4)

3 0-33022 SCOTTISH SOUND (D) (BF) R J Hodges 9 11 3..... R Linley

4 3PP0P3 SPARTAN MAJOR (D) Mrs W Sykes 11 10 0..... J Duggan (4)

5 042-022 SLIEVE BRACKEN (D) W Clay 9 10 0..... S J O'Neill

6 1P/PPP0 BOSSALL P Broome 9 10 0..... P Warner

BLINKERS: 11

PROBABLE SP: 7-4 Scottish Sound, 9-4 Slieve Bracken, 9-2 Spartan Major, 11-2 Skegby, 14-1 Beacon Time, 20-1 Bossall.

3.45 SIR GEOFFREY CONGREVE CUP (HUNTER CHASE) £600 3m 2f (7 runners)

1 2/20F3-1 ANOTHER SIMON A B Garton 11 12 10..... Mr T Garton (7)

2 21U-241 YOUGHAL W A Stephenson 9 12 10..... Mr J Greenall (7)

3 4P-3203 SIOBHAN'S JOY Mrs C Janaway 10 12 7..... Mr G Maundrell (7)

4 3-1F201 COOLAFANCY M Henriques 14 12 0..... Mr A J Wilson

5 000000 GOOD ACTION J Perrett 10 12 0..... Mr M Wells (7)

6 F/P-3B4F ORANGE BOY W J Pocock 10 12 0..... Miss L Wallace (7)

7 P/20P4-F TREGOED A L Wallace 9 12 0..... Miss L Wallace (7)

BLINKERS: 4, 13

PROBABLE SP: 15-8 on Youghal, 4-1 Siohban's Joy, 5-1 Another Simon, 16-1 Good Action and Coolafancy, 20-1 others.

4.15 DAVIDSON CUP (HANDICAP HURDLE) £1,600 2m (14 runners)

4 121200 NORTHORPE W G Morris 6 11 7..... NON-RUNNER

7 3-00442 MOUNTAIN MAN (D) R G Brazington 9 11 5..... C Jones

9 3-40044 OUTLAW (C) (D) W Clay 6 11 4..... S J O'Neill

10 3-1F201 WALHAN (D) M W Eckley 5 11 2..... J Duggan (4)

12 300/040-0 SOMERS HEIR (D) D J Wintle 10 10 13..... R Hyett

13 000U10 TEEJAY (D) P J Bevan 6 10 12..... R Hatfield (7)

14 00P10-0 KILSYTH D Burchell 6 10 12..... S Davies (7)

16 212-000 BLUEBIRDINO Mrs J Ramsden 6 10 10..... P Tuck

18 410000 MILORE (D) O Brennan 7 10 8..... M Brennan

19 400200 TOMMY TUDOR (D) R J Hodges 5 10 8..... S Earle (7)

20 020343 BALUCHI (D) B Preece 4 10 6..... R Stronge

22 4-P0000 SPOTSYLVANIA (D) P J Bevan 7 10 5..... R Stronge

25 0/0010-0 ROCKMAN (C) Mrs P Rigby 7 10 0..... Mrs P Rigby

27 000000 GOLDEN CYMBAL I P Wardle 10 10 0..... Mrs P Rigby

BLINKERS: 9, 19, 20, 27

PROBABLE SP: 5-2 Mountain Man, 7-2 Walhan, 9-2 Kilsyth, 6-1 Outlaw, 9-1 Baluchi and Bluebirdino, 12-1 Teejay, 14-1 others.

4.45 MARCHINGTON NOVICE HURDLE £800 (4-Y-O) 2m (13 runners)

1 0001 BURGUNDY STAR A F Leighton 11 5..... C Smith

13 000 BALMATT D McCain 10 12..... K Doolan (4)

18 30040 GAINVILLE LAD F Gibson 10 12..... R Balfour (7)

23 000 MEDES A P James 10 12..... G Jones

24 000 MISK W Clay 10 12..... S J O'Neill

26 U QUALITY PRINCE W G Morris 10 12..... W Morris

27 RED COLUMBIA W G Mann 10 12..... S Keightley

30 OF T W S HOMES B Richmond 10 12..... S Keightley

32 BONNIE TOBI K S Bridgwater 10 7..... S Keightley

33 000 GILLIE'S WAFFLE J Cosgrave 10 7..... T Wall

35 0 GREENACRES GIRL B A McMahon 10 7..... T Wall

36 00 JANEYS DELIGHT R B Francis 10 7..... R Crank

42 P0 PERFECT DOUBLE B R Cambridge 10 7..... Mr J Cambridge (4)

PROBABLE SP: 2-1 Gainville Lad, 5-2 Burgundy Star, 6-1 Gillie's Waffle, 10-1 Bonnie Tobl, 12-1 Misk, 14-1 Balmatt, 16-1 others.

BANK HOLIDAY SOCCER



NEIL WEBB scores Portsmouth's third goal against Fulham at Craven Cottage yesterday

New blow for Hammers

QPR 4
Byrne, Bannister 2,
Fenwick (pen)
WEST HAM 2
Cottee 2

CONTROVERSY surrounded West Ham's League defeat at Loftus Road when they lost goalkeeper Tom McAlister through injury in the second half.

The score was level at 1-1 when McAlister received a knock in a 61st minute challenge from Steve Wicks.

Wicks was booked and McAlister carried on after treatment.

Advantage

But almost immediately Gary Bannister, put clear by Ian Dawes's pass, took advantage of McAlister's handicap to put QPR ahead.

McAlister was then replaced in goal by defender Ray Stewart, and West Ham manager John Lyall brought on substitute Bobby Barnes.

West Ham then fell apart as Bannister broke clear again to score his 24th goal of the season.

West Ham's frustration showed as Dave Swindlehurst brought down Alan

McDonald in the box, and Terry Fenwick scored from the resulting penalty for QPR. Swindlehurst was also booked for a foul on Wicks.

Tony Cottee made no mistake with a fiercely hit volley to reduce the arrears for West Ham in the 83rd minute, and had earlier equalised for West Ham just before the interval after QPR's John Byrne had scored the quickest ever goal recorded on the artificial surface in just 31 seconds.

Yesterday's defeat puts West Ham in dire straits

near the bottom of the First Division. It was only the most recent in a string of disappointing results for the East London club.

Points

They have now played 32 games and have just 37 points leaving them sixth from bottom and battling to avoid relegation until the end of the season.

After yesterday's game John Lyall sent McAlister to hospital with a suspected cracked rib.

The West Ham manager commented: 'The game hinged on the challenge between Wicks and McAlister.'

Lyall added that he is set to call up experienced keeper Phil Parkes for his first game of the season at home to Chelsea on Saturday.

West Ham striker Dave Swindlehurst also went to hospital with an injured jaw.

And it was revealed that QPR's Alan McDonald had seven stitches in a knee and one in his head.

Turner to the rescue

ONLY the brilliance of Sunderland goalkeeper Chris Turner stopped Newcastle United winning the 108th Tyne-Wear derby.

Turner repeatedly came to the home side's rescue, with Tony Cunningham in particular suffering, while Martin Thomas at the other end

**SUNDERLAND 0
NEWCASTLE 0**

was virtually a spectator.

Two fine first half saves were bettered in 73 minutes when Turner somehow kept out a looping header from Cunningham, while George Reilly and Peter Beardsley also

came close to breaking the deadlock.

Sunderland's best spell came midway through the second half, but Nick Pickering and Ian Wallace failed to hit the target from close range.

United's David McCreery and Reilly were booked, along with Gary Bennett of the home side.

RESULTS

DIVISION I	
Norwich.....0	Ipswich.....(1)2
	Butcher, d'Avray
	Att: 18,227
QPR.....(1)4	West Ham.....(1)2
Byrne, Bannister 2,	Cottee 2
Fenwick (pen)	Att: 16,085
Stoke.....0	Luton.....(1)4
	Harford 2, Moss,
	Nwajoba
	Att: 6,951
Sunderland.....0	Newcastle.....0
	Att: 28,246
West Brom.....(1)1	Aston Villa.....0
Valentine	Att: 21,044

DIVISION II	
Birmingham.....(1)4	Sheff U.....(0)1
Daly, Kennedy,	Cockenill
Clarke 2	Att: 10,234
Blackburn.....0	Barnsley.....0
	Att: 9,320

Brighton.....(0)2	Charlton.....(1)1
Worthington (pen),	Moore
Connor	Att: 12,036
Carlisle.....0	Wolves.....(1)1
	Evans
	Att: 4,021
C Palace.....(0)1	Notts Co.....0
Cannon	Att: 4,744
Fulham.....(0)1	Portsmouth.....(2)3
Rosenior	Att: Dillon, Webb 2
Man City.....(0)1	Leeds.....(0)2
Blair, Sellars	Att: 33,553
Oxford.....(1)1	Middlesbrough.....0
Charles	Att: 11,108

DIVISION III	
Bradford.....(0)1	Rotherham.....(1)1
Jackson	Kilmore
	Att: 8,967
Brentford.....(1)3	Plymouth.....(1)1
Cassels 2 (1 pen),	Tyran (pen)
G. Roberts	Att: 4,043
Bristol C.....(0)2	Hull.....0
Johnson, Pritchard	Att: 11,952

Cambridge.....0	Bristol R.....(2)2
	Slatter, Parkin
	Att: 1,711
Newport.....(2)3	Preston.....(1)3
Reid 2, Cooper	McAteer,
	Twentyman,
	Houghton
	Att: 2,199
Walsall.....(1)1	Doncaster.....0
Childs	Att: 3,706
Wigan.....(0)2	Burnley.....0
Lowe, Jewell	Att: 3,517
York.....(1)1	Derby.....(1)1
MacPhail	Davison
	Att: 6,797

DIVISION IV	
Bury.....(1)1	Hartlepool.....0
Entwistle	Att: 3,726
Colchester.....(2)4	Wrexham.....(1)1
Bowen, Irving 2,	Hubbick
	Att: 2,204
Darlington.....(3)3	Mansfield.....(0)1
MacDonald, Tupling,	Whatmore
McLean	Att: 4,564

RUGBY LEAGUE

DIVISION I

Barrow 12, Hull 12; Hull K.R. 36, Workington 6; Hunslet 6, Featherstone 10; Oldham 19, Wigan 28; St Helens 28, Widnes 22; Warrington 26, Leigh 8.

DIVISION II

Blackpool 8, Wakefield 22; Bridgend 8, Fulham 32; Doncaster 20, Bramley 20; Huddersfield 14, Dewsbury 16; Keighley 12, York 22; Mansfield v Rochdale, off; Salford 5, Swinton 9.

HOW THEY STAND

DIVISION I												
	P	W	D	L	F	A	W	D	L	F	A	Pts
Everton.....	32	11	3	2	45	16	10	3	3	26	19	69
Man Utd.....	34	12	4	2	43	11	7	4	5	24	25	65
Tottenham.....	33	8	3	4	36	19	10	4	4	26	18	61
Liverpool.....	33	8	4	5	23	11	8	5	3	26	14	57
Arsenal.....	35	12	4	2	34	13	4	3	10	19	29	55
Southampton.....	34	9	3	4	18	15	6	6	6	26	26	54
Sheff Wed.....	33	9	7	1	33	18	4	6	6	16	18	52
Nottm For.....	33	10	3	4	29	17	5	2	9	18	24	50
Chelsea.....	32	10	2	4	29	15	3	8	5	19	21	49
Aston Villa.....	35	9	6	3	28	16	4	4	9	20	33	49
W.B.A.....	35	9	3	5	28	19	4	3	11	18	33	45
Q.P.R.....	35	9	6	3	35	24	2	5	10	9	31	44
Leicester.....	34	8	4	6	35	23	4	2	10	19	34	42
Norwich.....	33	9	5	4	27	20	2	4	9	12	28	42
Newcastle.....	35	9	4	4	28	21	1	8	9	20	41	42
Watford.....	33	6	5	5	36	26	3	6	8	23	34	38
West Ham.....	32	5	6	5	20	18	4	4	8	20	35	37
Ipswich.....	32	6	5	4	19	16	3	4	10	13	28	36
Luton.....	32	7	5	3	25	17	2	3	12	16	36	35
Sunderland.....	34	7	5	5	19	19	2	3	12	17	31	35
Coventry.....	31	8	3	5	22	17	2	1	12	13	34	34
Stoke.....	34	3	3	10	16	33	0	5	13	4	38	17

DIVISION II												
	P	W	D	L	F	A	W	D	L	F	A	Pts
Oxford.....	34	14	1	1	48	12	6	6	6	17	16	67
Portsmouth.....	36	10	6	2	34	19	7	8	3	26	23	65
Man City.....	36	12	3	3	35	15	6	7	5	19	16	64
Birmingham.....	35	8	6	3	22	14	11	0	7	25	17	63
Blackburn.....	35	12	3	2	32	13	5	7	6	23	23	61
Brighton.....	36	11	5	2	24	9	5	6	7	16	18	59
Leeds Utd.....	36	9	7	2	31	10	7	3	8	26	28	58
Fulham.....	35	11	2	5	31	24	5	4	8	27	33	54
Shrewsbury.....	34	10	5	2	39	19	4	5	8	19	29	52
Barnsley.....	34	10	5	2	25	10	3	8	6	14	20	52
Grimsby.....	34	11	1	6	39	26	4	5	7	21	26	51
Huddersfield.....	33	9	3	5	25	23	5	5	6	21	25	50
Wimbledon.....	33	7	5	3	33	23	6	1	11	29	44	45
Carlisle.....	36	8	4	6	24	16	5	2	11	22	38	45
Oldham.....	35	8	4	6	24	21	4	3	10	15	36	43
Sheff Utd.....	35	7	5	6	30	24	3	6	8	21	33	41
Charlton.....	35	7	5	5	30	26	3	4	11	14	25	39
Crystal Pal.....	34	6	7	5	22	24	2	5	9	16	30	36
Middlesbrough.....	36	4	7	7	18	25	3	2	13	17	27	30
Wolves.....	36	4	10	15	25	3	4	11	17	38	29	
Notts Cnty.....	36	4	5	9	18	28	3	1	14	17	38	27
Cardiff.....	34	3	3	11	17	37	3	4	10	21	33	25

DIVISION III												
	P	W	D	L	F	A	W	D	L	F	A	Pts
Bradford.....	38	14	5	1	39	16	10	3	5	25	18	80
Hull.....	39	14	4	2	38	16	6	8	5	25	26	72
Millwall.....	36	13	4	0	32	8	7	5	7	24	25	69
Bristol City.....	37	14	2	3	36	15	6	4	8	24	24	66
Gillingham.....	36	11	5	2	39	20	8	2	8	21	29	64
Bristol R.....	37	12	4	1	28	9	6	5	9	26	30	63
Walsall.....	37	9	7	3	31	14	8	3	7	22	25	61
Rotherham.....	39	10	6	4	35	22	6	5	8	17	23	59
Bournemouth.....	38	13	3	3	30	12	3	6	10	13	25	57
York.....	39	11	5	4	37	20	5	3	11	23	30	56
Reading.....	34	8	4	5	28	22	8	3	6	25	24	55
Derby Cnty.....	38	12	5	2	34	18	3	5	11	19	29	55
Newport.....	37	9	5	5	28	24	4	7	7	21	25	51
Doncaster.....	38	9	4	7	35	30	5	3	10	23	29	49
Plymouth.....	38	8	7	4	28	21	3	5	11	24	38	45
Brentford.....	37	10	3	5	33	24	2	6	11	17	35	45
Bolton.....	39	11	4	5	34	18	2	1	16	20	40	44
Lincoln.....	36	8	3	3	30	16	2	5	10	11	22	43
Wigan.....	36	8	4	5	22	16	2	8	9	17	31	42
Preston.....	38	8	4	7	28	31	3	1	15	16	52	38
Burnley.....	38	5	7	7	27	21	3	5	11	24	40	36
Orient.....	37	6	4	7	24	29	3	5	12	18	34	36
Swansea.....	37	5	3	10	23	33	3	5	11	18	37	32
Cambridge.....	37	2	2	14	14	36	1	6	12	18	42	17

POOLS FORECAST

FA CUP SEMI-FINALS

LDLWLDL	Luton 2	Everton	dWWDDWW
1 LLWDDWW	Man Utd 1	Liverpool	WLDWDDWW
2 WDLWLWD	Arsenal x	Nottm For	WLLWLWLW
3 DWLWLWW	Coventry 1	Sunderland	LWLLLLWL
DLWLWLD	Ipswich x	Sheff Wed	LLDdWWLD
4 DWLdLWW	Leicester 2	Tottenham	WWDDWWWW
5 WDLWDDWL	Newcastle 1	QPR	LLWdLdLL
6 WWLWDLWW	Watford 2	Norwich	WLLDWWLD

DIVISION II

7 WdDdWW	Barnsley 1	Hudders'ld	WWLWLDdL
8 LLLdWdLL	Cardiff 2	Blackburn	WWDDdLL
9 DLWLWLWW	Charlton x	Wimbledon	WLWLWLL
10 WDLWLWLW	Grimsby x	Man City	WLDWWdL
11 LDDWdWd	Leeds 1	C Palace	DDWdLdL
12 DdLdLdW	Middlesbro 2	Fulham	LLDdLWd
13 LWLWDLWW	Oldham 1	Shrewsbury	LLdWLL
14 WDLWWDWd	Portsmouth 1	Birmingham	WWWLWLL
15 DWLWDDWd	Sheff Utd 1	Carlisle	WLWLWLL
16 LLLdLdL	Wolves 2	Oxford	WWLDDdL

Division One beckons after 26 years

POMPEY GO

BY OUR SOCCER CORRESPONDENT

PORTSMOUTH kept on course for a return to Division One after a 26-year absence when they comprehensively beat a below-strength Fulham 3-1 at Craven Cottage yesterday.

The three points for Portsmouth, managed by former World Cup star Alan Ball, took them into second place above Manchester City, who suffered a 2-1 setback to Leeds at home.

Kevin Dillon opened the scoring for Portsmouth in the 11th minute with a shot that went in off the post and set up Neil Webb for an easy second a minute before half-time. Webb was on the mark again in the 57th minute, this time converting a cross from Nicky Morgan.

With the Fulham defence in complete disarray, it was a tribute to goalkeeper Gerry Peyton that Portsmouth did not double their score before Leroy Rose-nior grabbed a consolation goal in the 84th minute.

The fine away win lifted Portsmouth to second place on 65 points with six games left to play and made the scramble for promotion even closer with seven teams within nine points of each other.

● **MANCHESTER CITY** — desperate to regain their First Division status — suffered a severe blow by losing at home to Leeds United.

Dropped

They have dropped from first to third place in Division Two in the space of three days.

Substitute Jim Tolmie — who came on for Graham Baker in the 11th minute — put City ahead with a 51st minute penalty.

But Ian Baird equalised in the 67th minute, heading home a cross from veteran Peter Lorimer, and Scot Sellars got the winner for Leeds in the 77th minute.

City's misery was compounded when it learned that Baker had broken his leg. He only returned on Saturday after a five-match absence with a dislocated shoulder and suspension.

● **JEREMY CHARLES** came to disappointing Oxford's rescue with a first half goal to keep them top of Division Two.

Their problems began after four minutes when John Aldridge — Division Two's

top goalscorer — was brought down in the penalty area and Dave Langan's kick was brilliantly saved by Middlesbrough keeper Kelham O'Hanlon.



GERRY DALY top goalscorer — was brought down in the penalty area and Dave Langan's kick was brilliantly saved by Middlesbrough keeper Kelham O'Hanlon.

Miss

It was Oxford's sixth penalty miss of the season and the third from the last three matches.

Charles, again deputising for the injured Billy Hamilton, scored the winner from a 23rd minute corner, but Middlesbrough fought hard after the interval and Arnie Stephens headed against the bar eight minutes from the end.

FOR BIG TIME

Ipswich climbing

IPSWICH and Luton boosted their chances of avoiding relegation with vital wins away from home yesterday.

But there was little joy for Sunderland and West Ham and the battle to see who drops into Division Two with Stoke is really in the melting pot.

Ipswich achieved their third win in a week with a 2-0 success at Norwich. Captain Terry Butcher and Mich D'Avray scored

the goals which brought Bobby Ferguson's men revenge for their Milk Cup semi-final defeat at the hands of the eventual winners.

In a ferocious East Anglian derby, Norwich's Asa Hartford was sent off and six players were booked, although both sides were angered by some apparently over-zealous refereeing by Colin Downey of Hounslow.

Luton achieved only their second away win of the season, taking full advantage of Stoke's plight to hammer the doomed potteries side 4-0 at the Victoria Ground.

Mick Harford scored twice, with David Moss and Emeka Nwajobi adding the others.

Carl Valentine's 10th minute goal was enough to give West Bromwich victory over Aston Villa at the Hawthorns.

● **BIRMINGHAM** are now just a point behind Manchester City with a game in hand. They revived their promotion challenge by registering their third win in nine games against Sheffield United.

Gerry Daly put Birmingham ahead after 29 minutes with a low shot and the result was clinched by second half goals from Andy Kennedy (47 minutes), and Wayne Clarke (80 and 90 mins).

United managed a late consolation goal with an

83rd minute header by Glen Cockerill.

● **WAITING** for a slip up from any one of the top four teams are Blackburn, Brighton and Leeds.

Brighton fought back to beat Charlton 2-1 to extend their unbeaten run to nine matches.

Ronnie Moore gave Charlton a 16th minute lead with a glancing header from six yards, after Martin Keown had headed across his own goal.

Brighton's former England striker Frank Worthington equalised in the 47th

minute with a penalty after defender Steve Dowman handled a Keown cross.

Top scorer Terry Connor hit the winner with his 13th of the season in the 67th minute.

But Blackburn played out a disappointing 0-0 draw and they could easily have lost against visitors Barnsley.

Early in the second half Barnsley midfielder Billy Ronson netted with a 25-yard shot, following a corner, only for the referee to rule offside against another Barnsley player.

TONIGHT'S GAMES

DIVISION I		SCOTTISH DIV I
Millwall v Reading		Brechin v Partick
Orient v Bolton		Forfar v East Fife
Sheff Wed v Man Utd		
Swansea v Lincoln		
Southampton v Leicester		
DIVISION II		SCOTTISH DIV II
Hudders'ld v Grimsby (3.00)		Raith v Alloa
Shrewsbury v Cardiff		
Wimbledon v Oldham (7.45)		
DIVISION III		RUGBY LEAGUE
Gillingham v Bournemouth		SLALOM LAGER CH'SHIP
		Bradford N v Leeds
		Workington v Hull (6.00)
DIVISION IV		
Aldershot v Torquay		
Blackpool v Crewe		
Chester'ld v Swindon		
Northampton v Stockport		
Scunthorpe v Tranmere		



POMPEY HIGH-O! Neil Webb wheels away after scoring the second of his goals that took Portsmouth to second place in Division Two at Fulham yesterday.

KIWIS IN TROUBLE

NEW Zealand made a hesitant start after the West Indies declared at their overnight score of 511 for six on the third day of the second Test at Georgetown, Guyana.

At lunch the tourists were 69 for two, having lost openers Ken Rutherford and John Wright.

The Crowe brothers were together at the interval, Jeff on 16 and Martin on 10.

Caught

Rutherford was the first to go, caught at the wicket off Joel Garner in the

second over.

Wright and Jeff Crowe scored briskly in an enterprising second-wicket stand. But after taking the score to 45, Wright was run out for 27.

Richie Richardson was the hero of the West Indies innings, scoring a career best 185.

Ovett is back

STEVE OVETT was in fettle yesterday as he won the seven kilometre Golden Shoe race in Italy in his first outing since his collapse in the Los Angeles Olympics.

Ovett raised his left arm in triumph as he cruised across the finishing line in Vigevano's medieval main square in 20 minutes 7.30 seconds, a comfortable two seconds ahead of Italy's Francesco Panetta.

By halfway through the race, run in slippery conditions under light rain, Ovett, Panetta and Brazil's Jose Joao da Silva, who finished third, had opened up a commanding lead.

Ovett looked relaxed and confident as he asserted his authority in the final lap of a race which he had said he would be treating as 'a hard training session'. He added: 'It was a fast and hard race, but I am happy with my performance. They tried to tire me out, but I feel good. I am stronger than I was before.'

John's ton up

JOHN FRANCOME rode the first three winners at Huntingdon yesterday to take his seasonal total to 100. And then he confirmed that he will retire from riding on Thursday. Later, the seven times champion completed a four-timer on Gambler's Cup.

Francome brought up his fifth successive century on Julesian, Gratification and Rhythmic Pastimes and this new landmark finally persuaded him to call it a day. 'That's it now, I will retire after Cheltenham on Thursday. I have been contracted to ride in the international challenge match and will honour that commitment,' he said.

'Huntingdon has never been one of my luckiest courses, and I certainly didn't expect to reach my 100th today,' he added.

Francome has ridden more winners than any other National Hunt jockey. He broke Stan Mellor's record of 1,035 successes almost a year ago and has now chalked up 1,137 winners.