

Call for all union backing

THATCHER BACKS

POL POT

BY JOHN SPENCER

PRIME Minister Thatcher yesterday gave her support to Pol Pot, the butcher of Cambodia, whose reign of terror formed the subject of the recently acclaimed film 'The Killing Fields'.

She told a press conference in Jakarta, Indonesia, that the British government supported the anti-Vietnamese coalition led by Prince Norodom Sihanouk which is fighting the Phnom Penh government. Pol Pot and his Khmer Rouge are the main element in the coalition, which is backed by the anti-communist Association of South-East Asian Nations (ASEAN).

Thatcher's main objective is to strengthen the ASEAN dictatorships and build up military aid to the counter-revolutionary forces in south-east Asia.

She said her visit to Indonesia had strengthened political and trade links with Suharto, who came to power 20 years ago by massacring 1 million communists.

Suharto's forces are waging genocidal war against the peoples of Timor and West Irian. Tens of thousands of political prisoners are still held in inhuman conditions two decades after the military coup which brought Suharto to power.

Thatcher's friendship with Suharto reveals her own growing taste for dictatorial powers. Her attacks on the British trade union movement were fully endorsed by the Indonesian regime.

Suharto permits no independent political parties. All the media are under government control and a law passed this year makes all organisations liable to dissolution for 'anti-state' activities.

Army death squads operating in the cities since 1983 as part of a so-called anti-crime campaign have claimed more than 4,000 victims, many of them political opponents of the regime.

Yesterday Thatcher vi-

sited the Nurtanio state aircraft factory, centrepiece of the Indonesian arms industry. She said: 'I marvel at the achievement. I would not have believed it possible.'

Nurtanio produces warplanes under license from West German, Spanish and French companies. British Aerospace is eager for a piece of the action, which is why Thatcher was so keen to see it.

During her visit, Thatcher discussed with Suharto the suppression of communist activity in the neighbouring Philippines, where the hated Ferdinand Marcos dictatorship is being shaken by mass uprisings.

She told reporters: 'Of



THATCHER . . . Meeting as many reactionary leaders as possible and giving support to others, like Pol Pot (below)



course one is concerned about communist action in the Philippines and of course one does have a word about it wherever one is in this area — not only in this area but outside as well.'

Singapore president Lee Kuan Yew, Thatcher's host earlier this week, said after recent talks with Suharto that political unrest in the Philippines was causing very great concern in ASEAN.

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SCARGILL PLEDGE ON PIT CLOSURES



Miners' president Arthur Scargill leaving NCB headquarters yesterday

MINERS' leader Arthur Scargill yesterday called on other trade unions to take up the fight for jobs and trade unionism in reply to Thatcher's recent challenges in the Far East.

After his first meeting with the Coal Board since the end of the strike, Scargill told reporters that the NUM would continue to do everything in its power to oppose pit closures, but he added:

'I only wish and sincerely hope that other trade unionists and other trade unions will adopt the same positive response.'

'It is shown dramatically when the Prime Minister of this nation gets a touch of metal fatigue over in the Far East and starts talking in derogatory terms about trade unionism in Britain that there is an overwhelming requirement on the part of trade unionists to adopt the same positive stand that the NUM and its members have bravely adopted for the last 12 months.'

Asked if yesterday's agreement by the NUM to help form a new colliery review procedure did not mean further pit closures were inevitable, Scargill replied:

'I don't accept that there will be anything inevitable in this industry

BY BEN RUDDER

other than a continuing fight on the part of the National Union of Mineworkers to preserve the jobs of our people and the industry in which we work.

'We will continue to fight as hard as possible to keep open every single pit in Britain unless it is exhausted or unless it faces severe geological problems.'

Review

The Coal Board yesterday agreed with the unions to set up a sub-committee including Scargill and NUM general secretary Peter Heathfield to outline the form of the new review procedure. But they refused to increase the 1983 and 1984 pay offers above the original figures of 5.2 per cent per annum. The 1983 offer was immediately accepted by the executive, and the 1984 offer will be discussed by the executive next Thursday.

The Board also refused to include two threatened pits in the review procedure.

Ken Sampey, president of the NACODS deputies' union, said that in refusing to allow a review for Bedwas pit in South Wales and Frances colliery in Scotland, the NCB were in breach of an agree-

ment with his union. The union is expecting to call a delegate conference over the issue.

The NUM were also told at yesterday's meeting with the Board that there was no change on the current policy of refusing to reinstate sacked miners.

Scargill said the union had stressed 'the deep anger and anxiety' over the victimisation by area directors. He added: 'The industry can never have the stability the Board claim they want to see until and unless this problem has been satisfactorily concluded.'

AMA call for teachers' talks

THE LABOUR-CONTROLLED Association of Metropolitan Authorities is calling for an urgent meeting of the management panel representing employers in the teachers' pay dispute.

Nicky Harrison, who chairs the AMA committee, said after it met yesterday: 'Things have been said in recent days apparently on behalf of the employers which certainly do not represent the views of many members of the management panel.'

Harrison has written to Tory Philip Merridale, chairman of the management panel, who will decide if and when the panel should meet.

Workers Revolutionary Party and Young Socialists



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ISRAELI MAJOR KILLED

NABATIYEH — An Israeli major was killed and another wounded in the southern village of Khatzbaya yesterday as the occupation troops pulled out of more than a dozen Shi'ite Muslim villages in the 'Nabatiyeh Triangle'.

The death brought the total Israeli toll in Lebanon after 35 months of invasion and occupation to 648.

The Nabatiyeh Triangle, a sparsely populated 115-square-mile pocket of picturesque hill country, only makes up 3 per cent of Lebanese territory.

But it is here that the Zionist occupation forces

have suffered their worst catastrophes.

Yesterday's hasty retreat was in stark contrast to Israeli bombast on Wednesday that south Lebanon would 'cease to exist' if the Lebanese resistance struck Israeli villages. The Amal never

have attacked Israeli villages.

But the retreat from this very heart of anti-Zionist resistance went ahead despite Wednesday's shock attack on a heavily-armed Israeli convoy by 16-year-old Sana Mhaydali.

She drove a Peugeot 504 laden with 440lbs of explosives, killing two soldiers

and wounding several others on a mountain road near Jezzine, 29 miles from Beirut.

Amal forces have warned they are prepared to undertake several other such attacks until the entire Zionist army is forced to flee Lebanon.

The Israeli troops yester-

day could barely hide their jubilation as they left Nabatiyeh, about 25 miles from Jezzine. The base commander said: 'We are delighted to be leaving, delighted.'

The remark bore none of the cowardly bravado daily emanating from Tel Aviv but expressed the sentiment of the vast majority of Israelis demanding an immediate withdrawal from Lebanon.

The Zionist army still occupies the Mediterranean coastal strip around southern Tyre and part of east Lebanon's Bekaa Valley.

Thatcher refuses to answer questions

THE PRIME Minister refused yesterday to answer questions from British journalists about reactions in London to her attacks on trade unions during her tour of south-east Asian dictatorships.

She was addressing a press conference in Jakarta at the end of her two-day visit to Indonesia shortly before she was due to fly to Sri Lanka.

One reporter asked her to express a view about the description by Labour home affairs spokesman Gerald Kaufman that she was 'the enemy abroad' in view of her remarks on the unions.

She replied curtly: 'I did not come all the way to Indonesia to discuss comments about me by someone at home.'

Short

Thatcher was equally short with another reporter who began his question by saying: 'Referring to the Labour Party...'

She interrupted him, saying: 'I don't see why you should. We are in Indonesia. We are having a press conference with our Indonesian colleagues. My interests at the moment are not with the Labour Party. I don't think I could say anything constructive about it.'

When the reporter said that the matter was attracting great interest in Britain, she brushed the comment aside.

Afterwards government sources made it plain that Thatcher did not propose to argue at an Indonesian press conference about the reaction to her speeches.

She said the Tory government and the Suharto dictatorship were 'clearly the best of friends' and her visit had created a 'very friendly and warm atmosphere'.

PM backs Pol Pot

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But Marcos later wrote to Lee and Suharto to say the situation was firmly under control.

Last night Thatcher arrived in Sri Lanka for a visit designed to bolster the racist regime of President Junius Jayawardene, who is engaged in a genocidal war against the Tamil national minority in the north and east of the island.

Thatcher is deliberately touring the world making friends with every anti-communist butcher she can find. The implications for the British working class could not be clearer.

Driven on by the mounting world economic and political crisis of capitalism, the Thatcher Bonapartist regime is turning more and more towards military dictatorship.

New phase in rate-cap fight

CAMDEN Labour Group has called a conference of councillors, trade unionists and voluntary groups to discuss the fight against rate-capping.

They want a debate on whether it is time for hit-list councils to stop paying interest on loans or borough contributions to the cost of financing the police.

The conference on April 20 is centred on the four north London authorities who have not set a rate in defiance of the Tory government's legislation — Camden, Hackney, Islington and Haringey.

A resolution for discussion at the conference says that the first phase of the anti-rate capping campaign 'has been a great success'.

It adds: 'We believe, however, that in the next phase of the campaign, Camden's Labour Group should adopt an offensive stance, and not wait either for Jenkin to pick off individual rate-capped authorities or for individual boroughs to break ranks and seek a separate settlement.'

The Camden Labour Group wants a declaration from April meetings that councils will:

- Not set a rate until the Secretary of State clearly

BY PAUL FELDMAN

suspends the operation of the Rate Act 1984.

- Refuse to pay their part of employees' PAYE contributions.

- Refuse to pay the precept to the metropolitan police.

- Refuse to pay the City interest repayments on council loans.

Haringey Council was meeting last night with a divided Labour Group and without a leader.

George Meehan resigned earlier this week when his motion that a rate be set was defeated by 19 votes to 15.

The leadership was offered to Bernie Grant, who had voted against setting a rate. But he declined.

It was not clear going into the council meeting whether the 15 would stand by the majority decision or break ranks and vote with the Tories for compliance with the Rates Act.

Pound rises as dollar falls

THE DOLLAR fell sharply yesterday on the money markets on news of the poor performance of the US economy.

The dollar fell to below \$1.25 for a time before closing at \$1.2470 against the pound. In Germany it fell from 3.1418 marks to 3.076, its lowest level since December 6, a fall of over 6 pfennigs.

The US currency weakened throughout the morning in Europe on a pessimistic economic forecast earlier this week by Federal Reserve Board (central bank) chairman Paul Volcker and poor US retail sale figures later accelerated this trend.

US retail sales fell by 1.9 percent in March, the

steepest drop since January 1978, having risen 1.6 percent in February.

Dealers said there had been a marked change in sentiment away from the dollar, a change inspired partly by Volcker's prediction on Tuesday of slower US growth.

'Problems' at affiliates of the US securities group Bevil, Bresler and Schulman stoked up speculators' fears about the American banking system, which is still in crisis a month after the Ohio savings banks collapse.

The pound is now 20 per

cent higher against the dollar than six weeks ago, when it fell to just 3 cents above parity.

Though the dollar has fallen by 13 percent against the mark since late February — and a full 10 pfennigs this week alone — some dealers still believe it to be overvalued.

'We're all trying to figure out where the US economy is going,' said one dealer, Chris Zwermann of Manufacturers Hanover Trust.

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Teachers plan new strike targets

MEMBERS of the NAS/ UWT will be called out on selective strike in 15 Tory-controlled English counties from next week, it was announced yesterday.

About 8,000 members of the union will be involved in the new action as part of the campaign for a 12½ per cent pay rise.

The areas to be hit will be named on Tuesday.

The new action will start between Wednesday and April 24 and will run up to the county council elections on May 2.

The action will be highly selective. Some teachers

will strike for only part of a day.

All teachers involved will be reimbursed by the union for loss of pay.

Teachers taking examination classes will be exempt from action following the union's decision on Wednesday not to hit 'O'-

and 'A'-Level exams.

General Secretary Fred Smithies told reporters in Torquay yesterday: 'The object of the new action is to tie in with the county council elections.'

'Our thinking is that at this formative time there is

DEVON education authority's decision to ban teachers from wearing CND badges in the classroom was strongly condemned yesterday by the NAS/UWT. Delegates at the conference in Torquay passed an emergency motion making it clear that teachers were entitled to their beliefs.

TEACHERS who refuse to join industrial action but who accept improvements in pay and conditions, were branded as parasites yesterday by the annual conference of the NAS/UWT in Torquay. 'These teachers do nothing but carp and criticise,' said EC member Gwyn Jones.

just a chance that people who have Conservative Party affiliations might be able to exercise influence over Sir Keith Joseph.'

Selective strikes will also continue in about ten other areas where action was started last term.

The union leadership hopes to meet NUT officials early next week to discuss the campaign of industrial action.

The NUT is unlikely to resume its action before April 25, to allow time for a ballot of members on intensifying strikes and other sanctions such as refusing to complete reports or school profiles.

£8,000 Monthly Fund

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DON'T let a day go by in the campaign to raise our fund. With only £206.31 in, it's more urgent than ever that we push right ahead. Thatcher is pressing on with all-out war against the working class. Jobs, services and trade union organisation all face a massive onslaught as she proceeds with her low wage economy.

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Petrol above £2 a gallon

ESSO raised petrol prices by 5p a gallon last night — back above £2 and to their highest level yet.

The company announced yesterday it was adding 4.3p, which with VAT takes a typical gallon of four star up 5p to 204.6p at the pumps.

Petrol went up to within a whisker of £2 a gallon before the budget. Lawson's budget tax increase took it to 203.6p, but the recent fall in the US dollar against the pound led to cuts in the price to 199.6p.

Price

Esso explained that since it reduced the price on March 28, the cost of petrol in bulk markets had increased 'significantly'.

The company said different pump prices were likely with individual petrol stations adjusting to local competition.

Other oil companies are expected to follow the Esso lead, but may wait until after the weekend.

A Shell spokesman said yesterday: 'We are considering our position, but it is unlikely there will be any move by us today.'

BP also said it had not yet made a decision.

LONDON SERVICES PUT OUT TO TENDER BUS ROUTES CARVE-UP

By KATHRYN DAVIES

TORY plans to carve-up London's integrated bus routes got under way yesterday with the decision to hand over two of the capital's routes to private operators.

Of 12 bus routes put out to tender by London Regional Transport, two went to private contractors, four to subsidiaries of the National Bus Company, while London Buses — a subsidiary of LRT — managed to hang on to the other six.

From July this year, Len Wright Travel will operate route 81 between Hounslow and Slough and route 146 between Bromley and Down will be run by Crystals of Orpington using the 33-seat 'midi-buses'.

Eastern National got the contracts for the 193 and W9 routes between Romford and Hornchurch and Enfield and Muswell Hill respectively, while London Country got the 313 and P4 which run between Potters Bar and Chingford and Brixton and Lewisham.

An emergency meeting of the Transport and General Workers' Union London Bus Committee was held last night to fight the sell-off.

Transport union bus section secretary Bill Morris said yesterday his union 'deplore very much the transfer of public sector services and jobs to cowboy operators. It could mean the thin end of the wedge to destroy London Transport.'

Jobs

'We are not prepared to stand for the handing over of services and jobs to operators all too ready to make a quick buck.'

Morris said he questioned

LRT's statement that jobs on the affected routes would either be absorbed on other routes or lost through natural wastage.

'We see the situation quite differently,' he said. 'There are at least 80 jobs that will disappear for good from London Transport.'

The requirement for LRT to allow private contractors to become bus operators was incorporated in the 1984 London Regional Transport Act which also took the city's public transport out of the control of the GLC.

GLC transport chief Dave Wetzel said yesterday that 20 other routes were under threat of privatisation.

Policy

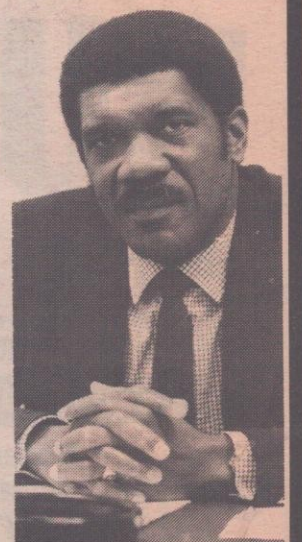
'In the longer term,' he added, 'every one of the 300-odd red bus routes in London will be subject to the Stone Age policy of wrecking London's integrated public transport system built up by the GLC.'

He said privatisation

meant 'a progressive run-down of transport employment in the capital ... worse and more poorly-paid conditions of work for staff and a less reliable service for passengers.'

David Bayliss, LRT's director of planning, said yesterday LRT wanted to gain more experience of putting suburban routes out to tender before offering routes in the central London area.

Under the terms of the contract, LRT specifies the level of service and the



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fares to be charged. Fares will be paid over to LRT and the operator will receive a fixed contract price.

The six routes kept by London Buses were the 84A, 152, 215, 228, 258, and H2.

A total of 17 companies submitted bids in the competitive tendering process.

Labour tears for army cut

PLANNED cuts in allowances for servicemen in West Germany was yesterday condemned by the Labour Party as a recipe for enormous slump in morale and a blow to hopes for recruiting.

From this summer, servicemen face large cuts in allowances which will save the government £17 million. Labour MP Kevin McNamara, said: 'Tommy Atkins, the British Private soldier, is now having to pay for Mrs Thatcher's Trident folly.'

'So much for Tory election promises that they would look after the welfare of the armed forces.'

'The single private soldier can lose up to £9 a week stationed in Germany on his own, bored, with nothing to do and no money to spend.'

'It is a recipe for enormous slump in morale and increasing problems for the British army of the Rhine and a blow to hopes for recruiting.'

Tax free living allowances paid on top of basic pay will be slashed by as much as 70 percent following a survey into the life of the 65,000 forces personnel in West Germany.

A single private will have his local overseas allowance cut from 147p a day to 56p, down 91p a day or £322 a year.

A single captain's daily allowance will be reduced from 334p to 168p — a £11.62 a week cut, or £604 a year.

A married corporal with one child will have his allowance cut from £5.26 to £4.94 a day and a married captain with one child from £6.43 to £5.53.

A married general with one child will have his daily allowance pruned from £10.19 to £8.65.

The local overseas allowance is meant to compensate for any increase in the cost of living abroad.

Ribs broken in Greenham raid

POLICE are searching for two men who staged a 'frightening' night-time attack on a group of peace women outside the Greenham Common cruise missile base in Berkshire.

Two of the women were taken to hospital after the incident late on Wednesday night, one suffering from broken ribs, severe cuts and bruising.

Chief Inspector Nick Brachin of Newbury police said yesterday: 'This was a nasty and very frightening attack. At least one of the

THIRTY children aged between three and 12 occupied the offices of Japan Air Lines in London's Hanover Square yesterday in a 'save the whales' protest. They were accompanied by actor Andrew Sachs, actress Jacqueline Tong, union leader Clive Jenkins and children's TV presenter Tommy Boyd.

men was armed with a stick.'

Both men were described as aged about 25, one of stocky build and about 5ft 7ins tall, and the other a slim six-footer, wearing a balaclava.

One of the injured women, Hazel Rennie, who suffered two broken ribs, is recovering from her ordeal at Reading's Royal Berkshire Hospital.

The other woman, Jane Powell, was discharged after treatment.

WEATHER

RAIN in south-east England at first will soon clear and England and Scotland will have sunny intervals and scattered showers, some of which will be heavy. Rain over northern Ireland during the morning will spread into Wales and western parts of England and Scotland during the afternoon and to eastern areas later. Temperatures will be mostly near normal.

Weekend outlook: Changeable and windy at times. Rather cold.

Miners' wives back cleaners

From our own correspondent

WOMEN from Parkside Miners' Wives Support Group joined striking cleaners on the picket line outside the UK Atomic Energy Authority, in Risley near Warrington, on Wednesday night.

The cleaners have been on strike for nearly nine weeks, after their employer, Exclusive Cleaning Limited, cut their wages and holiday entitlements without any consultation.

The women, all member of the T&GWU, picket every evening when the company buses in coachloads of scabs to do their work.

The Parkside Support Group have been very active since the end of the miners' strike, supporting every local struggle.

Vanda, whose husband works at Parkside colliery, explained why she had come to support the pickets.

'We have to support every struggle. I am a school cleaner myself and our jobs are threatened by privatisation. Our group will back anyone who is fighting for jobs.'

'This is an official strike and is part of the whole battle against Thatcher's plans.'



Members of Parkside miners' support group join cleaners on the picket line in Risley. They say that every fight for jobs has to be supported

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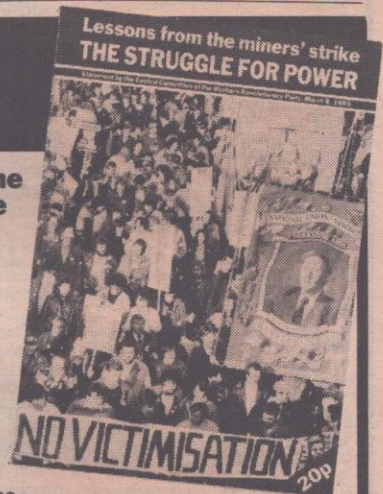
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Irish motion upsets LP

Block move by the NEC

LABOUR Party national agent David Hughes has instructed London region officers not to implement a motion demanding the withdrawal of troops from Ireland and an invitation to Republican speakers.

Hughes has written to George Page, the London party secretary, telling him that the motion had been sent to the organisation committee of the NEC, 'preventing your council complying with the resolution'. Page was told: 'As soon as the NEC makes a decision I will write to you. In the

meantime I would ask that you do not correspond with any organisation on the matter.'

But the movers of the motion at last month's London annual meeting — Hornsey and Wood Green CLP women's section and Hayes and Harlington CLP — have found out about the ban. They have denounced the action of Hughes, saying they are 'angry and dismayed' at the blocking move.

The resolution, carried on a card vote by 350,500 to 229,500, said: 'Ongoing repression and the serious deterioration of civil liberties in Northern Ireland raises the question of a British withdrawal.'

It called on the London executive to circulate CLPs with Tony Benn's Bill for withdrawal of British troops, to organise a public meeting and fully involve 'representatives from the majority of Republican opinion' and invite them to next year's AGM.

In their statement, the movers of the successful motion said: 'Our primary aim was open, broad, non-exclusive debate and discussion throughout the London labour movement on the issue of British withdrawal from Northern Ireland, most especially from a women's perspective.'

They questioned the accountability of paid, non-elected officers like Hughes who took political decision.

TUC BACKS NO STRIKE DEAL

THE TUC disputes committee has rejected a demand by six unions that the right-wing-controlled Electrical, Electronic, Telecommunication and Plumbing Union should scrap its single-union strike-free agreement at the Hitachi TV plant at Hirwaun, South Wales.

The TUC verdict was described yesterday by EETPU general secretary Eric Hammond as 'a clear recognition that the complaints against us were ill-judged and ill-founded'.

He said: 'The findings fully justify our agreement which we made to safeguard jobs for Hitachi employees and to ensure that the plant neither shut nor became non-union.'

'We had the overwhelming support of our members for our action in a secret ballot vote. And the company's recently announced programme of increased investment at Hirwaun underlines that we were



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right in both principle and practice.'

The TUC was told that 716 of the 1,188 Hitachi employees were EETPU members. The rest were spread among APEX,

ASTMS, AUEW (engineering), AUEW (TASS), UCATT and the T&GWU, who wanted the agreement dismantled and their negotiating rights restored.

An EETPU spokesman said the disputes committee criticised the EETPU on only one point. It said that in negotiating the deal the union had some regard to the interests of the other unions but did not consult them as soon as it was aware of the company's proposals for a single-union arrangement.

The committee thought the agreement should not have been signed to join other unions where appropriate: officials of other unions should be involved in grievance or discipline cases concerning their members; and that through a representative body, the EETPU should receive the views of and consult with other unions on matters affecting their members' views.

WORKERS REVOLUTIONARY PARTY PUBLIC MEETINGS

- Defend all jobs and services!
- Reinstate sacked miners and release those in jail!
- 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 Huxton (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: Thursday 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)

YORKSHIRE

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

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

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

Speakers: Andrew Allan (Kippax YS); Dave Hyland (WRP Central Committee); Philip Wilson (Killingley 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)

KEIGHLEY: Thursday May 9, 7.30p.m. Albert Hotel, Bridge Street.

Speakers: Warren Stewart (YS Regional Committee); Colleen Smith (WRP Central Committee); Keith Jennings (NUPE Bradford Waterworks, in personal capacity)

STAFFS

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

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

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); In personal capacity: Phil Davies (FTAT national president); Len Newnham (T&GWU branch secretary Waste bus depot); 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)

NEWTON-LE-WILLOWS: Tuesday May 7, 7.30p.m. The Railway.

Speakers: John Lappin (Warrington YS); Tony Banda (WRP Central Committee)

LIVERPOOL: Tuesday May 14, 7.30p.m. The Jawbone, Litherland Road, Liverpool 20.

Speakers: Keith Mullin (Walton YS); Tony Banda (WRP Central Committee); Roger Mullin (UCATT Seton Trades Council, 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)

LEICESTER: Monday May 13, 7.30p.m. Secular Hall, Humberstone Gate.

Speakers: Chris Lynas (YS Regional Committee); Peter Jones (WRP Central Committee)

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.

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)

EXETER: Thursday April 25, 7.30p.m. The Oddfellows Arms, New North Road.

Speakers: Daniel Stephens (Exeter YS); A. Robertson (WRP Western District Committee)

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

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

ST NEOTS: Monday April 29, 7.30p.m. Kings Head Hotel.

Speakers: Michelle Christmas (YS Regional Committee); Chris Bailey (Cambridge WRP)

KENT

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

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

GILLINGHAM: Wednesday May 8, 7.30p.m. Black Lion Hotel, Mill Road.

Speakers: Paul Crittenden (YS Regional Committee); Colin Harrison (WRP District Committee)

HERTS

WATFORD: Tuesday April 23, 7.30p.m. Trade Union Hall, Woodford Road.

Speakers: Gary Young (YS Regional Committee); Paul Shipley (Watford WRP)

LUTON: Monday May 6, 7.30p.m. High Town Recreation Centre, Old Bedford Road.

Speakers: Amanda Whitmore (Colney Heath YS); Paul Stickley (WRP District Committee)

LONDON

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 Committee); 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, off Askew Road, W12.

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)

TEACHERS IN CONFERENCE

CUT CLASS SIZES

NUT delegates are firm

BY A NEWS LINE REPORTER

TEACHERS yesterday rejected attempts by their union's executive to wreck a resolution on class size in Scarborough.

Delegates on the last day of the National Union of Teachers conference instructed the executive to 'sanction action in schools and associations/divisions where the necessary majority of members are in favour of refusing to teach

over-sized classes'.

A delegate from Barrow in Furness said: 'Teachers with oversized classes must be given the confidence to say "no, we will not put up with it any more".'

Michael Chapman of Sef-ton, Liverpool, asked:

'What happened to previous resolutions on class size?'

'The problem has been with us for years and years. Each year, the executive come with wrecking amendments.'

'It's a scandal that we are still teaching classes of 34,

35, and 36, while teachers are on the dole.'

Barrie Frost of Teign and Dart told the conference: 'We have classes of over 40 in Devon and one of 52.'

Malcolm Horn, for the executive, said it was necessary to 'wipe out the iniquity to children of oversized classes'.

However, he suggested that allowing schools to act individually would lead to chaos.

Equal rights diluted

THE CONFERENCE opposed the call for five more places for women on the national executive and for an annual women's conference.

Supporting the successful amendment to the Wandsworth resolution on equal opportunities, Barbara Lloyd for the executive, said: 'I would not want a reserved place. I would rather not be a token woman. I regard anything else as an appendage on the executive.'

Jill Appleton, of Solihull, said the union had not done enough in the fight for equal opportunities. She condemned the executive's 'watered-down motion with lack of guts and lack of action'.

Lack

'There is very real discrimination in our union,' she said.

When she was a probationary teacher last year, a male teacher told her: 'This is a man's world Jill. There's no place for women here.'

A few days later a 'girlie' calendar appeared in the

staff room. It showed women ironing, vacuuming and dusting with the caption: 'Women should stay at home'.

Appleton asked: 'If men in our schools think and act in this way, what chance is there for women, who make up 60 per cent of the profession?'

She made clear the incident had not taken place at the Tudor Grange comprehensive in Solihull, where she now works, but at Handworth Wood Boys' school, Birmingham.

THE CONFERENCE expressed its opposition to a single negotiating committee on salaries and conditions of service.

It endorsed the executive's decision to refuse to accept any signed commitment to lunchtime supervision or cover for absent colleagues.

It also called for minimum staffing establishment to reduce class size.

In the debate, concern was expressed that previous conference decisions not to cover for absent

teachers had been ignored.

Ian Murch of Bradford said: 'We do not believe that teachers should have to cover. It is damaging educationally.'

Tony Clark of Rotherham said that no cover was adopted as policy at conference in 1982, 1983, and again in 1984 for implementation in January 1985.

The executive were now proposing 'sometime in the future' he said.

Ignored

'It's about time the executive started doing something about it. They totally ignored the deadline of January 1985. They are turning their back on the policy of this union.'

He condemned the use of no cover 'as a sanction, not as a policy'.

Jim Ferguson, for the executive, said: 'The executive amendment talks of the end of this year. We can't fight on two fronts in this period. If we have not achieved anything by next January, we will have to sit down at the next conference to discuss action.'



GREEN

President's warning

PRESIDENT Gordon Green closed the conference by warning: 'Look out, the teachers mean business' and 'The NUT is going to take the lead'.

NERVE GAS SCARE AT U.S. BASES

THE US embassy in London yesterday rejected as 'absolute balderdash' a report claiming that nerve gases could be stored at American bases in Britain.

The report, in 'New Scientist' magazine, says that if the US Congress votes to release the money, so-called Bigeye Bombs would start rolling off production lines in America in 1989.

The most likely locations for their deployment would be the US Air Force bases at Lakenheath and Upper Heyford, where F-111 bombers are stationed.

But a US Embassy spokesman said: 'There are no plans to deploy binary chemical weapons in Britain.'

Binary chemical weapons are designed to be safer to handle than their predecessors because their chemical fillings are separated into two less toxic compounds.

These mix together once the bomb has been released towards its target.

The spokesman added: 'We have no authority to build such weapons, so we are a number of steps early in the process from any deployment decision.'

He agreed, however, that a presidential commission had visited Britain at the end of March to sound out European opinion on chemical deterrents.

'New Scientist' claims that now cruise missiles are installed at Greenham Common, the British authorities have decided that they can take on the issue of binary chemical weapons.

MSC union boycott spreads CHEAP LABOUR SCOTS UPROAR

GLASGOW — Labour and trade union bureaucrats are trying to hold back a rising tide of working class opposition to Manpower Services Commission schemes.

Trade union branches on Clydeside and in North Ayrshire have moved towards a total boycott of the cheap-wage MSC 'community programme' schemes.

But Labour MPs back schemes

FROM CHRIS CORRIGAN

North Ayrshire district of the Transport and General Workers Union has decided to reject all the schemes unless the unemployed are offered 'the rate for the job and a full working week.'

About 1,500 people were in the process of being enrolled onto the schemes by Cunninghame, Kilmarnock and Loudoun district councils, and by Irvine Development Corporation. They face being told to sign back on the dole.

Placings

And in Glasgow, NALGO are rejecting schemes involving more than 2,000 MSC placings. Donald McIntosh, chairman of the branch executive, says unions throughout Scotland were reacting against the Tory government policies, including unemployment and the destruction of minimum wage levels.

But David Lambie, Labour MP for Cunninghame South, is saying: 'The situation is very bleak for the people who depend on these schemes. The people blocking the training opportunities are all people who have full-time jobs.'

Behind the scenes, senior trade union leaders are urging branches to continue to co-operate with schemes in the vain hope they can be improved later.

Alex Smith, a T&GWU shop steward and a delegate to the district committee in North Ayrshire, has commented: 'We feel the MSC posts should be paying the same rate and offering the same working hours as full time jobs.'

'It is all very well saying they are better than nothing — but we have to take a stance sometime. Our action is to safeguard the ex-

isting full time jobs and force the government into creating real jobs — not temporary and low paid jobs.'

Without trade union agreement, the schemes cannot proceed. Letters have been prepared for 1,500 people telling them to sign back on the dole.

Policies

A meeting of Glasgow district NALGO branch was last night hearing an amendment to defer the boycott. Donald McIntosh, of Glasgow NALGO, commented: 'Nobody wants to put youngsters on the dole, but government policies are the enemy here.'

'All unions are considering their position. It is a general move within the trade union movement,' he added.



NORWICH SIGNING

MARK JONES, father of David Jones, who died on the picket lines during the miners' strike, completed a series of signing of the book about his son in Norwich on Wednesday night. He and his wife Doreen have been in London, Liverpool and Glasgow over the past few weeks meeting trade unionists and supporters of the miners. On Wednesday they were greeted by Dave Gladwell (above right), assistant secretary of the Norwich branch of the National Graphical Association. Yesterday they went to William Clowes of Beccles to visit NGA members who helped towards £8,500 collections for Ollerton miners. (See book advert page 11)

I WON'T BE WATER GUINEA PIG

Worker refuses to be 'taster'

A WELSH water authority worker could lose his job if he refuses to taste the goods.

Plant operator Wally Hughes, 39, and seven of his colleagues at a river abstraction plant in Bretton, North Wales, have been ordered to act as 'human guinea pigs' by tasting water samples at hourly intervals.

Incidents

Hughes believes water at the treatment works, which has been at the centre of several pollution incidents, is not always fit to drink.

'There is no way I am going to allow my body to be used as a human sampling machine... to impose such an order virtual-

ly amounts to an assault and is totally and morally wrong,' he said.

The instruction was issued in February following a big leak of the toxic chemical phenol which found its way into the River Dee and contaminated the

supplies to more than 2 million people.

Hughes was sacked when he refused to start tasting. But he was later reinstated and given temporary jobs away from the abstraction plant.

The Welsh Water Author-

ity has warned him, however, that he will be regarded as having dismissed himself unless he returns to his old job and starts tasting or begins a new job at Chester's sewage works.

Panel

An arbitration panel is to consider the grievance of Hughes' colleagues who have agreed to the sampling 'under protest'. A WWA spokesman said the tasters were only being asked to do as wine tasters — smell and taste but not consume.

No to shipyard 3.2%

UNION negotiators for 42,000 shipyard workers yesterday rejected a 3.2 per cent pay offer. After six hours of talks ended, the Confederation of Shipbuilding and Engineering Unions and British Shipbuilders management agreed only to meet again on April 23.

Safety team probes Cowley blast

THE EXPLOSION which injured 26 workers at the BL Cowley, Oxford plant on Wednesday may have been caused by petrol in the tank of a new car as it was going through a heated paint oven.

An inquiry team discovered yesterday that fuel had been accidentally left in the car in the area where selected vehicles are prepared for show and exhibition purposes.

The explosion, in a low single-storey building, caused extensive internal damage and many of the workers injured were hit by flying debris.

At first it was thought that gas might have been

responsible and gas board experts also joined the Health and Safety Executive investigators.

Leslie Lee, 50, of Wallingford, Oxfordshire, is still seriously ill with head injuries in intensive care at the Radcliffe Infirmary, Oxford.

Peter Meakin, 38, of Prescott, Merseyside, also with head injuries, was detained in the city's John Radcliffe hospital.

Seven other injured men went home after treatment.

The blast, which did not disrupt production, was in an area where cars are prepared for show and exhibition purposes.

A BL spokesman described as 'rubbish' some national newspaper reports that the blast may have been caused by sabotage.

● AUSTIN ROVER is to be prosecuted by Oxford City Council in the continuing row over alleged pollution caused by paint spray emissions from the Cowley assembly plant.

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US salmonella epidemic

CHICAGO — More than 800 new cases of food poisoning have been confirmed in the past two days in a salmonella epidemic affecting five central American states. A supermarket chain that sells low-fat milk has been blamed for the outbreak. The Illinois Department of Health said early on Tuesday that 1,369 people had been affected in five states but revised the figure to 2,867 48 hours later.

New Mid-East mission

WASHINGTON — The State Department has announced a new Middle East peace shuttle by former US ambassador to Damascus Richard Murphy. The highlight of the visit will be a trip to Syria for talks with President Hafez al-Assad. The tour will include stops in Israel, Egypt and Jordan. Departmental spokesman Edward Djerejian said the date was not being announced for security reasons.

Austerity in the Antilles

WILLEMSTAD, Curacao — The Dutch Antilles have announced an economic austerity programme to cut government spending and the salaries of most civil servants by 15 per cent. Prime Minister Maria Liberia said the measures were needed because of a sharp reduction in revenue in the territory after a huge oil refinery on one island, Aruba, closed last month.

Japan moves into space

TOKYO — The Japanese government plans to develop its own laboratory module to take part in a proposed American project for a manned space base, according to a government spokesman yesterday. The Space Activities Commission, the government's highest decision-making body on space development, is working on a preliminary design.

Air strike threat in Spain

MADRID — Spanish air traffic controllers yesterday threatened to strike if the authorities did not improve work conditions and equipment that they said were jeopardising safety. A spokesman for the controllers' union said a national meeting had decided to start legal proceedings for industrial action if the Civil Aviation Department did not take appropriate measures within the next 30 days.

Soviet hint at Japan ties

TOKYO — The Soviet Union believed the time was ripe for an improvement in Soviet-Japanese relations, Merchant Marine Minister Timofey Guzhenko said yesterday. Guzhenko said his visit had convinced him there was a desire in Tokyo for better ties with Moscow.

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BRAZIL'S LEADER CLOSE TO DEATH

BY A FOREIGN CORRESPONDENT

SAO PAULO — Brazil's President-elect Tancredo Neves was fighting for his life in a specialist heart hospital yesterday, after having undergone six operations in less than four weeks.

Neves' illness has thrown Brazil's economic and political life into chaos and alarmed officials of his Brazilian Democratic Movement Party (PMDB) are considering demanding a new presidential election.

Thousands of anxious Brazilians stood vigil outside the hospital yesterday, praying aloud, and waiting all day for news

of the popularly-elected leader.

Speculation outside the hospital was kindled by the lack of official news and anxiety increased with the arrival at the hospital of Sao Paulo Archbishop Paulo Evaristo Arns.

Surgery

Neves first underwent abdominal surgery on the eve of his scheduled inauguration as Brazil's first civilian president in 21 years on March 15.

Physicians have admitted that the multiple operations have left the 75-

year-old leader with low resistance.

Sao Paulo state governor Franco Montoro said: 'Tancredo Neves personifies the suffering and resistance of the Brazilian people and we must hope for his recovery.'

PMDB officials have begun demanding an immediate general election to replace Acting President Jose Sarney who is held in high suspicion among the Brazilian working class, peasantry and the middle class.

Sarney was a chairman of the ruling military junta that was forced to call

the presidential election late last year because of the undefeated opposition of the Brazilian masses.

Sarney suddenly defected to the PMDB during the election campaign and is Neves' personal choice for Vice-President, a decision that is widely known to have rankled among leading members of the PMDB.

Worry

The PMDB's chief worry is that Sarney has been delegated the powers of president according to provisions of the Brazilian constitution, which remains unchanged from 21 years of US-sponsored military rule.

Under the constitution Sarney can choose to serve the full six-year term and appoint a vice-president if Neves dies or is declared unfit to take office.

But he is hated in the PMDB and the opposition in the Brazilian assembly which actually dealt Neves a blow last February when he tried to water down an amnesty for prisoners of the former junta.

Neves' illness is a matter of consternation also to the International Monetary Fund and its associated bankers, who hoped the reformist leader would guarantee IMF austerity measures and regular debt-repayments.

Nakasone's bid for trade peace



Japanese Prime Minister Yasuhiro Nakasone with Thatcher during a visit to London last year

TOKYO — Prime Minister Yasuhiro Nakasone has ordered the creation of a task force to ease trade tension with the United States.

Cabinet Chief Secretary Takao Fujinami was ordered yesterday to co-ordinate efforts to set up the task force that is expected to draw up an outline of a promised 'action programme'.

The new measures, announced in the face of growing rancour in Washington over Japan's burgeoning trade surplus with the US, offers few new concrete steps.

But a government spokesman said Nakasone had adopted a private advisory committee's recommendation for a three-year action programme to increase market access for American and other foreign-made goods.

Nakasone has promised Washington a completed outline by July and early this week made an unprecedented televised appeal to the nation, asking them to buy more foreign goods and to support efforts to open Japan's markets.

Officials have declined to comment on when the task force will be formed but the financial daily 'Nihon Keizai Shimbun' said it might begin meeting next week, with the aim of drawing up a broad policy outline later this month.

President Reagan has praised Nakasone's television appeal, delivered in colloquial Japanese instead of the formal language used officially in Japan.

Nakasone used charts and graphs reminiscent of the super-sell hype of Reagan's own media promoters but industrial and business lobbyists in

Washington and traders in New York's Wall Street remained pessimistic.

The Japanese Prime Minister has merely moved to head off a trade war confrontation between the two governments, fully aware that the world markets are torn by trade war rivalry.

Nakasone's sensational TV address was triggered particularly by a US Senate Finance Committee Bill that demands the imposition of tariffs or quotas on all Japanese imports unless Tokyo provided market access within 90 days.

He was moving also to defuse tension at the two-day meeting in Paris of the OECD.

Queensland blockade

MELBOURNE — Australian transport unions yesterday announced a 24-hour road, rail, sea and air blockade of the northern state of Queensland next Thursday to fight the right-wing state regime's union busting laws.

The blockade, agreed at a meeting of about 30 federal unions, would isolate Queensland, a spokesman for the Australian Council of Trade Unions said.

Laws pushed through the state parliament after

a crippling power dispute in February outlawed strikes and gave police wide powers to summarily arrest pickets.

The ACTU earlier announced a 24-hour national strike on April 30 in the building and construction industry to protest against the laws.

More union meetings next week will consider more selective strikes, according to the ACTU spokesman.

The ACTU would continue its campaign until

the legislation was repealed and the state government reinstated about 800 sacked electricity workers, he said.

The electricity workers were sacked when they refused to sign no-strike agreements after the government outlawed strikes and picketing in the electrical industry.

Queensland Premier Sir Joh Bjelke-Petersen said his government would take legal action if the threatened blockade went ahead.

The right-wing state government has already received a rebuff from the Australian High Court, where Chief Justice Sir Harry Gibbs refused to grant Bjelke-Petersen an injunction against Telecom workers' bans.

Gibbs told the government a federal injunction could spark a national escalation of the dispute and referred the matter to the Queensland Supreme Court.

World News Line

Tamil
fighters
strike in
Jaffna

COLOMBO — Tamil liberation fighters have launched simultaneous attacks on the military-occupied Jaffna municipal council building and the regional police headquarters.

The attacks, on Wednesday night, in the northern provincial capital damaged both buildings and resulted in the deaths of at least four policemen, according to an Information Ministry statement yesterday.

It said: 'The town hall and municipal buildings were severely damaged by terrorist fire, while the police station building was partly damaged.'

The ministry said it believed the attack was launched by the Liberation Tigers of Tamil Eelam, one of six main organisations fighting for a separate state of Tamil Eelam (Nation).

Attacks

LTTE fighters apparently launched the attacks in retaliation for a new military rampage in the north and the army's campaign of intimidation to force thousands of Tamils to flee Jaffna in boats across Palk Strait to Tamil Nadu, the southernmost Indian state.

Police in Colombo said security had been further tightened to protect Prime Minister Thatcher who was due to arrive last night on a 40-hour visit to Sri Lanka.

In a separate bomb blast at Colombo railway station on Wednesday, one person was killed and four other injured.

People in Jaffna said shops and offices were closed yesterday morning and soldiers were patrolling the streets.

SUDAN JUNTA AIMS
FOR CLOSE U.S. TIES

BY A FOREIGN CORRESPONDENT

KHARTOUM — General Abdul-Rahman Swaredahab, Sudan's new military leader, has predicted warm relations with the American government at his first press conference.

He also rejected a demand by southern Sudan guerrilla leader, John Garang, that a civilian government should be installed in one week's time.

The general said he believed relations with Washington would remain as strong as they were under the ousted imperialist stooge, General Jaafar Numeiry.

'I believe our relations with the US will remain as strong as they were in the past. And why not?' asked the British and Jordanian-trained general.

'We are keen to preserve such a relationship

with friendly countries who offer us assistance at a time of drought and shortage in food, particularly the US.'

And to underline the point he added: 'I wish to say that our relations with the US will remain friendly and good and we are keen to keep it that way.'

Prominence has been given in the official Khartoum media to a meeting between the US charge

d'affaires and the new military leadership.

The US envoy announced that \$40 million will be given immediately to the generals' junta to pay for oil imports and all aid programmes will continue as normal.

Swaredahab dismissed Colonel Garang's call for an immediate return to civilian rule saying: 'It is really impossible to convene a government in a week's time.'

'Our mission at this mo-

ment is to transfer power to people, but this should be in an orderly and democratic manner. This of course cannot be done in a week.'

According to Dr Mansour Khalid, a bourgeois politician and one-time aide to Numeiry, the transfer of power to a civilian government could take up to three years.

London-based Dr Khalid said: 'The military is talking about six months, but this is not realistic.'

There must be a transitional period of about three years involving a coalition with genuine representatives from both north and south.

The Transitional Military Council which has become the new state power consists of 11 generals, three brigadiers and one major. A statement said the council 'is competent to conduct the affairs of sovereignty and legislative authority in the country during the transitional stage'.

A mass meeting of political parties at Khartoum University brought together representatives from the Ummah Party, the Islamic Socialist Party, the Nasserite Arab Socialist organisation, the Democratic Unionist Party, the National Democratic Party, the Arab Socialist Ba'ath Party and the Communist Party.

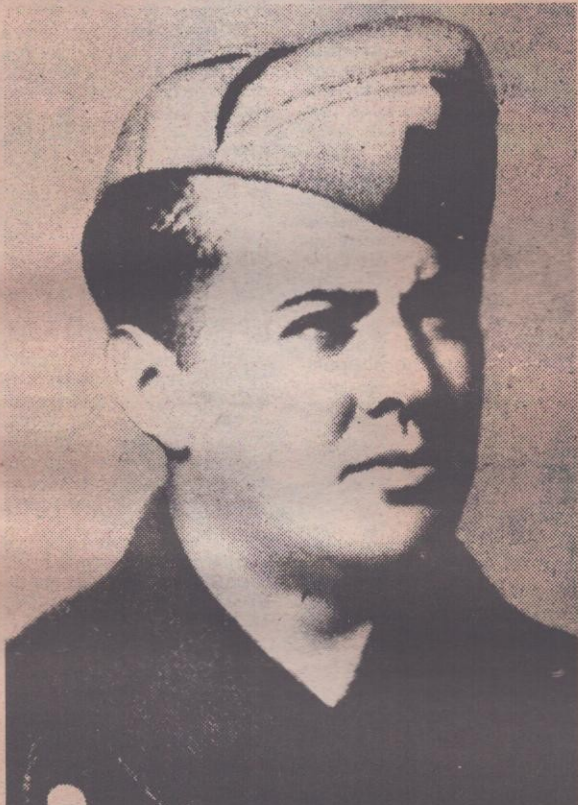
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The official SUNA news agency reported the Stalinist contribution as follows:

'Representative of the Sudanese Communist Party, Fatima Ahmen Ibrahim, commended the role and achievements of the peoples' armed forces and the police.'

'She called for a peaceful and democratic solution of the southern Sudan question and for purging the government institutions.'

'She also demanded separation of the Sudanese economy from modern imperialism and acceptance of unconditional loans. She called for the Sudanese women's participation in decision-making.'



ENVER HOXHA

Hoxha — Albanian
Stalinist — dies

ENVER HOXHA, Stalinist leader of Albania since 1944, died yesterday aged 76. He seems likely to be succeeded by his deputy Ramiz Alia, 59.

The news was announced in the time-honoured style in a statement yesterday morning from the Albanian news agency ATA:

'With deep sorrow and grief we inform you that today on 11th April, 1985, at 0215 hours the heart of the beloved and glorious leader of our party and people, Comrade Enver Hoxha, First Secretary of the Central Committee of the Party of Labour of Albania, General Commander of the People's Army, stopped beating.'

Alia's name headed the list of a funeral committee, indicating that he can be

expected to take over the reins of power.

Hoxha was the longest-serving Stalinist leader. He headed the wartime resistance to Nazi and Italian fascist occupation which led to the establishment of an independent Albanian state.

A fervent admirer of Stalin, he supported the Kremlin against Yugoslavia in 1948, aiding the Moscow bureaucracy to slander Tito and his followers as imperialist agents.

Speech

Hoxha took exception to Khrushchev's speech at the Soviet Communist Party's 20th Congress in 1956 which for the first time acknowledged some of Stalin's crimes against the Bolshe-

vik Party and the international working class.

Hoxha said Stalin was neither a tyrant nor a despot but 'a man of principle... just, modest, kindly and considerate. He waged the class struggle correctly, dealing merciless blows to the enemies of socialism, and he was quite right to do so'.

In Hoxha's eyes Khrushchev was 'a charlatan, clown and blackmailer' who wanted Albania to be 'a fruit-growing colony serving the Soviet Union like banana republics of Latin America serve the United States'.

He was no more flattering of Khrushchev's successors. 'A comedian only in his eyebrows,' he wrote in a reference to Leonid Brezhnev. 'His work was tragic from start to finish.'

Trade frenzy at OECD

PARIS — Western finance, economy and trade ministers yesterday began a two-day meeting of the Organisation for Economic Co-operation and Development amid calls for a new round of global talks to open markets.

Protests against savage protectionist measures mounted by President Reagan dominated comments at the start of the conference.

Group

The annual ministerial meeting of the 24-member capitalist economy group got underway with Japan and the United States locked in intensive diplomacy to seek ways of easing trade tension between the two governments. (See story Page 6)

Diplomats said they hoped that the meeting

would come out against protectionism were heightened by an OECD report this week which hit out at the effects of trade barriers.

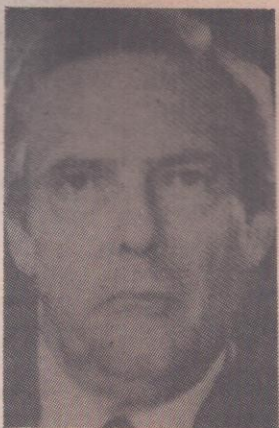
Pressure

The report said measures hampering trade in the West had forced up the price of some goods by as much as 10 per cent in the past three years without saving jobs or helping industries.

Curt Nicolin, chairman of the Business and Industry Advisory Committee to the OECD said calls by his group for fewer trade barriers coincided with the views of most governments.

He said: 'We will be disappointed if this is not in the final communiqué (of the ministerial meeting).'

President Reagan's outgoing Trade Representative William Brock said there was more pressure in the US Congress for protectionist ac-



BROCK

tion than at any time in the past 20 years.

Brock said preparations for a new round of multilateral trade talks should start in the next three months with the aim of starting serious negotiations in January next year.

Reagan's economic strategy in the US is, however, based on the

abolition of every vestige of state subsidies to industry, especially the crucial farming industry.

Cuts in grants and a range of subsidised loans to American farmers and calls for industrial rationalisation are designed to force a dumping stampede on the world markets — a recipe for bankrupting rival economies.

Officials

Reagan's trade officials have also actively undermined major trade agreements, especially the General Agreement on Tariffs and Trade, by seeking private deals with governments beyond the constraints of such trade deals.

The OECD conference in Paris is, in fact, a bargaining counter for concession and counter-concession, with the emphasis on deepening International Monetary Fund-dictated economic austerity measures.



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Stalinist strike-breaking for Tories

THE HUNGARIAN state bank is supplying a fat loan of £6.2 million to Mr Eddie Shah so that he can launch his new national, non-union daily newspaper.

The bank says that it is a purely commercial decision. But it is an undeniably POLITICAL decision.

Mr Shah is a fervent Thatcherite. His confrontation with the National Graphical Association (NGA) in November 1983 led to the first major activation of the Tory anti-union laws. As a result, the entire assets and funds of the NGA were sequestered and the union subsequently fined almost three-quarters of a million pounds.

All this is well-known to the Stalinist bureaucracy in Budapest, the chiefs of the Hungarian National Bank and its wholly-owned London subsidiary, the Hungarian International Bank.

In generously going out of their way to kick the British trade union movement in the teeth by making a loan to Shah, the Hungarian Stalinists are ingratiating themselves with the Thatcher Bonapartist regime and the British ruling class.

This consummate treachery is done with the hope of extracting trade concessions, possible contracts and the odd political concession from imperialism.

The Polish Stalinist bureaucracy is already way ahead of the comrades in Budapest. Throughout the 12-month miners' strike the Warsaw regime not only faithfully fulfilled existing coal contracts with Thatcher but more than doubled the supply of scab coal to her union-busting regime.

Not to be outflanked by the awesome crawling of its Hungarian and Polish offshoots, the Soviet bureaucracy has also been working overtime on Thatcher's and imperialism's behalf.

In December, during perhaps the most crucial month of the miners' struggle, the heir apparent, Mikhail Gorbachev, came to Downing Street to pay homage to the Thatcherite Bonapartist dictatorship.

Apart from Labour Party parliamentarians, no self-respecting socialist would be seen in her odious company, yet after their secret talks, Thatcher confidently announced that 'I can do business with Mr Gorbachev'.

This week Gorbachev cemented his relations with Thatcher a step further. Alexander Belousov, leader of the Soviet miners' union, has been sacked from his job.

What was Belousov's 'crime'? In October last year he announced a ban on all deliveries of Soviet coal and oil to Britain. Immediately afterwards his statement was countermanded by an assurance by the Soviet government that all contracts to supply coal and oil to Thatcher's regime would be carried out to the letter.

Thatcher was not satisfied. She demanded his sacking, especially after Belousov hosted a visit to Moscow three weeks ago by NUM president Arthur Scargill at which future solidarity between the European miners' unions was discussed.

There are decisive political lessons in these developments for the working class. Behind all the hollow rhetoric which is pumped out by the Soviet bureaucracy and the East European regimes, the issues are clear: the Stalinist bureaucracies supported Thatcher against the miners and is now offering finance to Mr Shah.

It provides unassailable proof that the central proposition of Trotsky's Fourth International is correct — namely, that the Stalinist bureaucracies are the most counter-revolutionary institutions in the international workers' movement.

The Stalinist bureaucracies place trade and financial dealings with imperialism first and foremost in their consideration. The struggle of the working class is entirely subordinate to peaceful co-existence with imperialism.

For this reason, the British Stalinist parties, all varieties, must be politically unmasked and defeated in the workers' movement. That task falls to the Workers Revolutionary Party, the party of Lenin and Trotsky which carries forward the gains of the 1917 Russian Revolution.

TUC MUST CALL GI

Maltby women say 'Nothing is settled'

BY SIMON VEVERS

THE MALTBY women's support group will not flinch before any future challenge thrown down to the miners by the Thatcher government.

'Nothing has been settled and there's an undercurrent of bitterness at work. It could break out again at any time,' Carol Whitehead told News Line.

All the group members crammed into Eileen Wilson's front-room were agreed that the Thatcher government had failed to defeat the NUM.

Carol said: 'When you think of the way things were stacked against us

— the media, the judiciary, the police and so on — we put up a good fight.

'There's never been a strike before where the police have been brought in in such numbers onto the picket lines.

Fight

'If there's one place where we went wrong it was in not involving the unemployed enough in our fight. Jobs — that's what it was all about.

'We were right behind our husbands because our kids' future is at stake. It's all very well telling them to stay on to get O and A levels, but what's

the use of those qualifications if there's no work for them.

'At the pit they are only setting on 17 schoolleavers each year. The government schemes are just slave labour — a way for those with money to line their own pockets by building up their own businesses.'

Apart from the pit, where 1,300 men are employed, there are just a handful of small factories in the area. 'It's all light industry, none of the factories are labour intensive,' said Carol.

Eileen played a prominent role in the support

group, even though her young baby son Anthony was in Great Ormond Street children's hospital in London for several weeks.

Supporting the men who have been sacked and the families of miners in jail are high on her list of priorities for the future activities of the group.

Funds

'We intend to raise funds to help the men who have been victimised. They are part of this community and we mustn't let them down,' she said.

Thatcher's latest tirade against trade unionism is a sign of weakness, according to Mary Lees.

'She speaks as though she has won and she hasn't. Thatcher wants to come and visit a miner's family and she'll see just how close we are. We've stuck together for 12 months and I was ready to stick it out for another 12 months.'

Critical of the TUC for its lack of support, the Maltby women have nothing but praise for trade unionists in Europe, particularly Belgium and France.

The international dimension of the miners' fight was a source of inspiration and strength, said Jean Hesmondhalgh.

'With the support we had from French miners and lorry drivers for instance we could have stayed out much longer,' she said.

Carole Hodson, whose son is among the 14 men sacked at Maltby, said she had never missed a rally or meeting since plunging into the group's activities six weeks after the strike started.

'I'm literally never in the house these days. My husband doesn't mind. Like most men at Maltby he wanted to stop out and he had to be dragged back.

Truth

'We've not lost and yet when you look at it we haven't gained a deal. What the last 12 months have shown is that Arthur Scargill was speaking the truth. Now they are doing what he warned of. They are closing pits.'

Carol Whitehead added: 'I think he's a good president. He's sincere in what he says. You wouldn't have found Joe Gormley coming down to the picket line to be with his members.'



Members of Maltby women's sup

Wives

EDINBURGH — Sacked miners, women's groups and their supporters from mining areas all over Scotland are holding a demonstration outside the coal board area offices here today.

The 200-plus miners sacked from Scottish pits are still a burning issue in the coalfield.

The present protest campaign on their behalf, organised by Scottish NUM leaders, has failed to move NCB area director Albert Wheeler who is not only rejecting reinstatement but is moving ahead with more pit closures.



Eileen Wilson with her son Anthony

GENERAL STRIKE FOR JOBS



port group crowded into Eileen Wilson's living room

s lobby NCB over sackings

But miners' wives groups, the NUM strike centres, and — not least — the sacked men themselves are determined to win the fight.

Among the women's groups continuing the battle is the one based in Stirling, where a conference in the miners' welfare on April 26 will be discussing the future development of the NUM wives' movement.

'The first thing is that all the groups in this area are getting together,' Mary Forson, secretary of the Stirling group, said yesterday.

'We learned a wee bit in the strike but nothing to what we should know.

'The conference is organised jointly with the women's committee on Stirling district council and it's to find a way forward, to work out where do we go

from here. The groups are definitely not disbanding.'

She said that as well as the fight over the sacked men, those now working were in a daily battle to defend the union and their working conditions.

'Holiday pay due to the men was only paid out this week,' said Mary. 'This was done so that the coal board could tax it. Had it been paid last week, or before, it would not have been taxed because they had no earnings in the year before.'

'It must have been deliberate. Some of the men have still not been paid out,' she added.

Bolton joins Reid against Scargill

COMMENT

by Chris Corrigan

COMMUNIST PARTY chairman George Bolton's views on the miners' strike in the April edition of 'Marxism Today' are being keenly publicised by that arch enemy of the strike, Jimmy Reid.

Bolton, who is also vice-president of the Scottish NUM, used his article in the Communist Party journal to openly attack the principled and dynamic leadership of NUM national president Arthur Scargill.

The article states: 'In my view the NUM could have won a national ballot hands down within days of the special conference in Sheffield in April (1984). Much more attention should have been spent on trying to win public opinion.'

Also asserted by Bolton in his article is 'On too many occasions our people on national platforms were not always saying the best thing or the right thing. I remember early on hearing speeches saying "and we will defeat the government" ... whereas the men simply went on strike to save their jobs, their pits and their communities.'

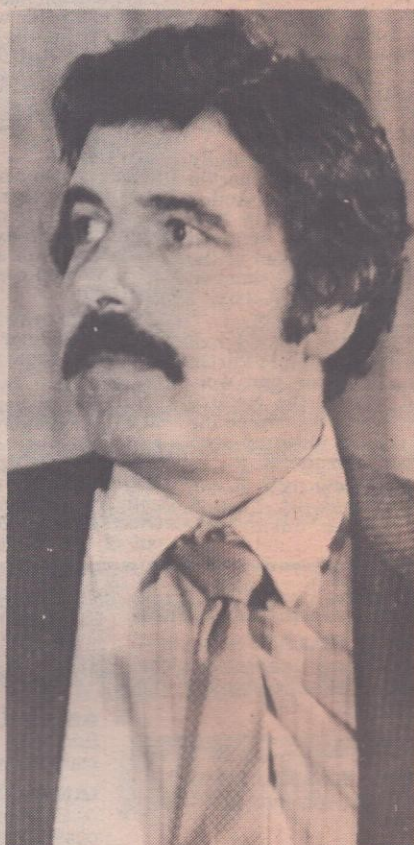
The above comments are reproduced in the column Reid writes for, the Maxwell-owned Scottish paper, the 'Daily Record'.

Reid himself observes: 'Mr Bolton's comments add to what is fast becoming a near unanimous analysis of the strike on the non-Trotskyist left, shared by Left trade union leaders, large numbers of Labour MPs ... the Executive Committee of the Communist Party and many miners who solidly supported the strike.'

It was in a series of notorious articles in his column last summer that Reid fired off vicious attacks against Arthur Scargill — describing him as a 'warlord', accusing NUM pickets of violence and, of course, echoing the cries of the ruling class



GEORGE BOLTON



JIMMY REID

and scabs alike with a call for a ballot.

Reid's poisonous onslaught was repeated in highly-paid features written for Fleet Street newspapers and the Thatcherite 'Spectator' magazine, and won him the praise of Norman Tebbit.

News Line emphasised at the time that Reid was in fact expressing an identical political outlook to that of Stalinists like George Bolton — and an analysis now confirmed by Bolton himself.

Opportunist

Reid is an opportunist monstrosity, but no political maverick. A former Scottish secretary of the CP, who sat on its national executive with Mick McGahey for many years, he left the Stalinist organisation eight years ago, and joined the Labour Party where he is now a Neil Kinnock disciple.

His counter-revolutionary position was shaped and is still shaped today by coun-

ter-revolutionary Stalinism.

Which is why the CP leadership itself has been persistently silent on the question of Reid — not least on Reid's recollections of the split between Scargill and McGahey.

In the 'Daily Record' on August 27 last year, Reid wrote: 'To his credit, Mick McGahey recognised the danger about ten years ago when he urged the left wing in the miners' union to stop Scargill's bid for presidency — at all costs. Mick was convinced that Arthur's egotism and political adventures would do great damage to the union.'

McGahey summoned reporters to the Scottish NUM area HQ in Edinburgh and repudiated Reid's allegations, saying his former CP executive colleague was 'in the same camp as the Tories, the Coal Board and the gutter press'.

But this was bluster, with McGahey declining to go into the history of

his political relationships with Scargill.

And whereas in the midst of the strike, McGahey as an NUM leader was obliged to denounce Reid in front of his union members, the Communist Party's district leadership in Glasgow and the national leadership in London maintained total silence over any condemnation of Reid or support for Scargill.

Propaganda

The anti-Scargill propaganda that Reid was broadcasting so loudly, was in fact all the while being muttered behind the scenes by McGahey, Bolton and a whole section of the CP leadership.

But now, with the Thatcherite Bonapartist dictatorship's drive to smash the working class ever-sharpening the revolutionary tasks before the whole working class, class collaboration intrigues are insufficient for class traitors. They must step out into the open.

RELEASE all class-war prisoners REINSTATE all sacked men

Moderate views shattered by year's strike

A YEAR of bitter struggle shattered Maltby miner Dave Brennan's belief that governments could only be changed through the ballot box.

Brennan, sacked after working for 20 years at the South Yorkshire colliery, told News Line yesterday: 'By the time the next election comes around, Thatcher will have changed the rules.'

'What will happen to this country if she goes down that road? There'll be a revolution — and I was considered a moderate before this strike,' the former NUM branch committee member admitted.

Brennan said candidly that he had not supported the TUC's Day of Action against the Tories in May 1980 'because I believed that the government of the day could only be changed through the ballot box. I don't think that now.'

'Before the strike I had seen the Special Patrol Group in action and wondered why in the country which is supposed to be the mother of democracy such a force was needed.'

'Then I saw them in action in places like Toxteth and Brixton during the riots.'

A News Line interview

'But it was only our strike which really brought home to me the way the Tories want to take this country.'

'Thatcher wants to shove us back to Victorian times. She wants workers to be reduced to nothing but slaves like these poor youngsters on these £26-a-week government schemes. Basically she wants people to work for nothing.'

'I was brought up to respect the police as the force of law and order. But after 12 months of what we've had to suffer, even my 13-year-old son has no respect for them after what he has seen through his young eyes — and that's a crime in itself.'

Artist

Brennan, a talented artist, is also cartoonist for the 'Yorkshire Miner' newspaper. He is currently organising an exhibition of visual arts for this year's NUM annual conference in Sheffield.

Through drawings, paintings and photographs it will depict the main features of the strike.

One day — September 24 — will always live in Brennan's memory. 'I'll never forget that morning at Maltby when the police with their riot shields and truncheons came charging out of the woods batoning

us to the ground,' he said.

The pit village had already experienced a police invasion earlier in the strike when one June evening hundreds of police suddenly swamped the area.

'They were the cause of the riots that followed that night, not us,' he insisted.

Brennan may have signed on the dole this week, but he certainly does not intend to let the labour and trade union movement forget that he and other sacked men demand that the fight for their reinstatement is continued.

'I feel very bitter towards the TUC about what has happened. Wherever I go — and I manage to get about a lot now that I'm sacked — I make it clear to trade unionists generally and members of the NUM in particular that we will not let ourselves be forgotten,' he said.

'I will demand to know of workers what they did during the strike for jobs. The strike was not about money, it was about the future of the whole working class.'

'People like the steelworkers, who refused to give their support, are the ones who sold us down the river.'

'Thatcher's shouting out in the Far East that she's defeated the miners, but she's got no victory.'

'But I don't understand why the trade union movement allowed her to do what she did to the NUM. The same goes for the leaders of the Labour Party.'



Maltby miner Dave Brennan, cartoonist for the 'Yorkshire Miner', has been sacked after working for 20 years at the South Yorkshire colliery

SCOTTISH NUM

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

DURHAM

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

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:

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

MICHAEL BRIDICK: 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.

DAVID MASON: Shirebrook — 2½-year sentence from December 1984. E711033, F Wing, Millers Park Youth Custody Centre, Doddington Road, Wellingborough.

KEITH MILLWARD: Marham — 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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SAVINGS BANK CRISIS TAKES NEW TWIST

Ohio banker named in Florida swindle

OHIO banker and top Democratic party fund-raiser Marvin Warner has been linked to a Florida finance fraud by the receiver unravelling the collapse of the ESM Government Securities company.

The court-appointed receiver found early this month that Warner was in effective control of the company and steered more than \$265 million into it in unsecured loans before its collapse.

Warner is chairman of Home State Savings, the big Cincinnati-based bank that lost \$145 million in the ESM collapse and itself failed, bringing down the entire state-insured Ohio savings bank system last month.

He is also the chief bank-roller of the Ohio state Democratic Party and serves on its executive committee.

Warner financed Ohio Democratic Governor Richard Celeste in his 1982 campaign and funded Senator John Glenn's abortive bid for the 1984 presidential elections.

Receiver Thomas Tew, appointed by the Federal Bankruptcy Court, has filed a 58-page report in Miami and has testified before a House of Representatives sub-committee investigating the ESM collapse.

Conduct

In his report, Tew denounces the conduct of ESM executives and their allies as 'the most abusive corporate rape I have ever seen', 'a crude fraud', combined with a 'flagrant cover-up' by the company's auditors, Alexander Grant and Company of Chicago.

In questioning before the oversight sub-committee of the House Energy and Commerce Committee, Tew described ESM's operations since 1976 a 'Ponzi scheme' which was 'simple and crude'.

Customers were attracted to the government securities dealer by the high rates and quick turnaround it offered for short-term cash.

ESM made its payments not from profits in the buying and selling of government securities but from the continual injection of new cash into the firm from new depositors attracted by the high rates.

ESM specialised in 'repos' — repurchase orders — under which it sold government securities to customers, agreeing to repurchase them in a specific time, for example 90 days, at a guaranteed profit.

The government securities were not actually delivered to the customers for the short period they would hold them.

From MARTIN McLAUGHLIN

They were supposedly held on deposit at Bradford Trust Company, a New York firm, but in fact the same securities were being used by ESM as collateral or multiple loans.

They were sold over and over to different customers, while never leaving ESM's possession.

ESM borrowed ever-greater amounts from customers, borrowing more each than it paid back in repo deals. By the end, ESM had borrowed \$454.9 million more than it had returned.

According to the accountant for the receiver, Laurie S. Holtz: 'The name of the game was cash flow. It had nothing to do with profit.'

Part of this huge sum was lost in the government securities market and part was simply plundered by



RICHARD CELESTE
... Ohio governor linked to top fund-raiser for state Democratic Party

ESM officials in huge salaries, bonuses and personal loans from a firm that never made a profit after 1876.

The key to this fantastic financial scheme was that ESM reported continuously balanced books by the simple device of performing 'mirror' transactions with an affiliated company, ESM Financial Group, so that all of ESM's losses turned up on ESM Financial Group's books.

The auditor supplied by



Home State Savings depositors meeting in Dayton, Ohio, last month to discuss the fate of their money frozen in the banking system

Alexander Grant and Company, Jose Gomez, allegedly received \$125,000 in cash payments from ESM executives to approve the book-keeping involved.

Tew says the ESM Ponzi scheme would have collapsed last May or June but for a sudden influx of cash from companies controlled by Marvin Warner.

Home State was a heavy investor in ESM for several years and Warner obtained hefty financial contributions to the Democratic Party from ESM executives.

Loan

Early in 1984, Warner bought 25 per cent of American Savings and Loan of Miami, Florida, a large savings and loan run by the Stephen Broad family.

Warner's interest in American Savings gave him a huge say in the management of its cash flow and he appointed as his representative on the American Savings board Ronald Ewton, chairman of ESM.

American Savings promptly injected more than \$100 million in cash into ESM just at the point when the company was about to go under.

These events occurred at the time the US and world banking system were shuddering under the impact of the crash of Continental Illinois National Bank &

Trust early last year.

According to Tew's account, it appears that Warner 'brought to the table \$150 million in equity from Home State and \$115 million from American Savings'.

Tew says: 'That was essentially \$265 million in unsecured loans to ESM. That's a pretty good cash cow.'

'I have to assume (Warner) had great control. There are those signs.'

Ewton, Gomez and ESM vice-president Nicholas B. Wallace have been charged in Broward County, Florida, with falsifying the will of the chief financial officer of ESM, Alan Richard Novick, who died of a heart attack aged 44 last November.

The ESM investigation has spread to several big-time financial institutions.

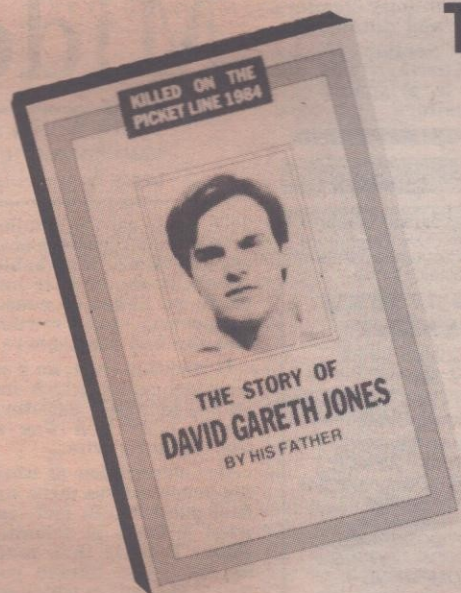
The Securities and Exchange Commission is investigating the role of several companies, including Arthur Anderson and Company, the auditor of Home State savings bank and one of the big eight accounting firms in America.

Governor Celeste has, meanwhile, claimed he has found a buyer for Home Savings, the only one of the 71 banks that has not reopened. But 99,000 depositors at Home State have had no access to their accounts for a month.

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'Police raped me' woman gets suspended sentence

A 21-YEAR-OLD woman whose claims that she was raped by two policemen in a cell were dismissed by a court yesterday given a three-month suspended jail sentence for wasting police time.

Stipendiary magistrate Glynnor Jones told Jacqueline Berkeley at Manchester City magistrates court that the police investigation into her claim had cost several thousands of

pounds.

'Let me tell you that you could not complain if you were to lose your liberty this morning,' he told Berkeley, of Moss Side, Manchester.

Berkeley was also given five other lesser sentences for three assaults on police women, damaging police property and using threatening words and behaviour. These were also suspended.

After a 13-day hearing last month, at which Berkeley denied all the charges, the court rejected her claims that two policemen had raped her in turn in a cell at Greenheys police station, Moss Side, while two police women held her down after stripping her.

She had been taken to the police station — focal point of the Moss Side riots in

1981 — after being held during a street disturbance in April last year. Berkeley claimed that while at the police station she was beaten and racially abused by the officers.

About 50 supporters of the Jackie Berkeley Defence Committee, demonstrated outside the court building before and after the hearing, together with representatives of women's organisations.

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BOOKS

The story of
Ellen Kuzwayo

ELLEN Kuzwayo was born on her grandfather's farm in South Africa in 1914, just a year after the passing of the Native Land Act which legalised the theft of land from the black majority.

Her autobiography is inseparable from the story of a whole people fighting dispossession and today in the front line of the world revolution.

Trained as a teacher and a social worker, Mrs Kuzwayo organised women's self-help groups in Soweto. But her book shows a political situation in South Africa developing such projects.

She was brought up as a Christian in a home which was wealthier than those around, although the family took part in the communal work necessary for harvesting and so on.

She was taught not to steal and would not.

But, as she says in the book, today she sympathises with black burglars and shoplifters.

'Who is robbing whom in this country?' she asks. When a mother in domestic service works a twelve hour day for 80 rand a month, Ellen Kuzwayo has no doubt who shows the first tendency to theft, long before the employee helps herself to a few of her employer's things.

**Call Me Woman by Ellen Kuzwayo —
Women's Press, £5.95.**

The account of the seizure of the land and the destruction of rights and particularly education that Mrs Kuzwayo gives is awesome in its veracity. Her grandfather taught in a school where black and white children studied side by side.

Today, the attempts of the government to impose the Afrikaans language on the black schools is the final straw in the systematic deprivation of the right to an education.

Ellen Kuzwayo's son Justice Bakone was a close political friend of Steve Biko, the Black Consciousness leader murdered in detention. Bakone himself was banned to Mafikeng, forbidden to speak to more than one person at a time, an almost intolerable hardship.

Killings

After the indiscriminate killings and the disappearance without trace of many school children who took part in the massive protests in Soweto in 1976, Ellen Kuzwayo was one of the Committee of Ten community leaders arrested and detained.

Under Section 10, by which Kuzwayo was detained, a prisoner can have visitors and food

brought in. In adjacent cells she heard the voices of children as young as twelve held for interrogation (torture) under Section 6, with no access to the outside world.

This experience is so common in South Africa that the book opens with a letter from a friend imprisoned in Johannesburg Fort who writes with irony that she has 'come back home'.

Kuzwayo's whole background and upbringing urge her to compromise. She recounts a bizarre meeting with the Minister of Justice while in prison in which she finds herself honoured to speak with him. Yet the book vibrates with confrontation.

The whole community shares its losses and its triumphs. All the children in the street greeted Mrs Kuzwayo after her release from prison, calling her 'mother'.

Thousands gather for funerals, which since the murder of children at Soweto, have become expressions of mass de-

Ellen Kuzwayo, when a schoolteacher in Heilbron, holding her half-sister Maria's son. Taken in Thaba 'Nachu in 1939



fiance. Ellen Kuzwayo describes the way hosts of police baton-charged the mourners assembling for Steve Biko's funeral in 1977.

They left the YWCA where the crowd had waited for the buses a scene of bloody devastation to bear witness for those injured that day. But the women of the YWCA went down to reclaim their building.

'Disregarding the police, their batons, their sjamboks [hide whips] and their vicious dogs, the women told them in no uncertain terms to get out of their premises, which they had built with the sweat of their brow.

Police

They were fearless before all that surrounded them; the police, their dogs, their guns, did not shake them one bit. On the contrary, they told the police off, and ordered them out.'

And the police went.

This is the justifiable rage which today must be armed to overthrow the apartheid state. Women like Ellen Kuzwayo have

taken the struggle forward with an enormous courage.

She ends the book with the Setswana proverb, 'The child's mother grabs the sharp end of the knife.' But it would be better now if the child and his family had the knife themselves.

Middlesbrough
lives

**At the Works: a study of a
manufacturing town by
Lady Bell — Virago, £3.95**

THE death rate in Middlesbrough in 1905 was the highest in Britain, with babies generally the ones to succumb to ill-health caused by poverty, overcrowding and the bad atmosphere.

It was this town, an iron-working centre which had sprung up within a century, where Lady Bell was an iron-master's wife.

Her description of working people's lives there was first published in 1907, and what it lacks in scientific rigour is more than made up for by its human portrayal of families which are anonymous apart from an initial.

Once the children had survived their first year, there were constant threats:

'The children brought up at the cottages actually in the midst of the works, in the neighbourhood of railway-lines, trucks, hot iron, pieces of slag, etc, are in specially perilous surroundings, and the river, deep and swift at this place, constitutes another danger for those who are constantly playing on its banks.'

As adults, they lived with the spectre of illness or accident which periodically pulled their family income below the poverty line. Lady Bell records pneumonia and consumption, and adds the particular problems of the industry —

blood poisoning from scratches with hot iron, eye infections from dust, glare and fumes, and of course accidents with the furnaces which reached 3000 degrees Fahrenheit.

The book is called 'At the Works', and does indeed describe the processes of iron making, and the relentless furnaces which must not be allowed to go out, even on a day when workmen had fallen into the furnace. But it is principally the relationship of the home and

the family to that working life that she writes about.

The wife budgeting with wages which vary from week to week, with telling little figures for 'debt' at the end of many accounts, the men, paid with gold high-value coins, changing their wages in the pub.

Lady Bell had nothing but her own wealthy friends to compare with the working people of Middlesbrough, but her writing is straightforward, never patronising.

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Monday April 15, 7.30p.m.

Conway Hall

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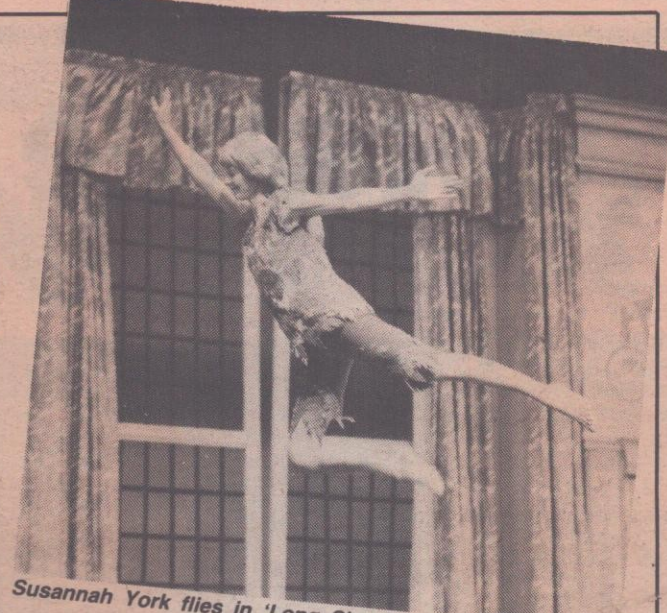
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TODAY'S TV AND RADIO



'All the Rivers Run' with Sigrid Thornton and John Waters on 4 at 3



Susannah York flies in 'Long Shot' on 4 at 11.20

BBC1

6.00 Ceefax AM. 6.50 Breakfast 1me. 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 Rites of Spring. 12.30 News After Noon. 12.55 Weather News. 12.57 Regional News (London and SE: Financial Report; News Headlines). 1.00 Pebble Mill at One. 1.45 Hokey Cokey. 2.00 Film: *Without Reservations* (1946) Romantic comedy with Claudette Colbert and John Wayne. 3.45 Tom and Jerry. 3.53 Regional News (except London). 3.55 Whizz. 4.10 Laurel and Hardy. 4.15 The Littlest Hobo. 4.40 Secrets Out!!! 5.05 The Red Hand Gang. 5.30 Friday People. 6.00 THE SIX O'CLOCK NEWS Weather. 6.35 REGIONAL NEWS MAGAZINES. 7.00 WOGAN With David Gower, Barbara Dickson, Craig Charles and Belinda Charlton. 8.10 COVER-UP New American series with Jennifer O'Neill as Dani, a fashion photographer who teams up with a soldier played by Jon-Erik Hexum, to fight international espionage. 9.00 THE NINE O'CLOCK NEWS; Weekend weather. 9.25 LATE STARTER Peter Barkworth and Rowena Cooper in Brian Clark's eight-part serial. 10.15 PAISLEY... Child of Wrath... Man of God report by Peter France. 11.05 THE LATE FILM: *Every Little Crook and Nanny* (1972) Vengeful nanny Lynn Redgrave kidnaps the son of Mafia boss Victor Mature after hoodlums throw her out of work in this stylish comedy. 12.35 Weather; Closedown.

BBC WALES: 5.30 Interval. 5.35-6.00 Wales Today. 6.35-7.00 Gardening Together. 11.05 Sioe Siarad. 11.15 Film: *Every Little Crook and Nanny*. 12.45 News; Weather; Close.

BBC2

6.30-7.20 OPEN UNIVERSITY: 6.30 Hogarth's Paintings. 6.55 Neurophysiology. 7.20 Weekend Outlook. 9.00 Pages from Ceefax. 10.30 World Snooker: The first day's play of the Embassy World Professional Championship from the Crucible Theatre, Sheffield. 5.25 NEWS SUMMARY with subtitles; Weather. 5.30 EUREKA Clive Doig's series about the invention of everyday things. Paul McDowell tells the story of things such as the vacuum flask, cola, the pop-up toaster and the supermarket trolley. 6.00 THE ENTERTAINERS: Howard Keel in *Kiss Me Kate* 1953 film musical of an up-dated version of 'The Taming of the Shrew'. With Kathryn Grayson and Ann Miller. 7.45 WORLD SNOOKER David Vine introduces further live coverage of this afternoon's matches. 8.35 GARDENER'S WORLD Geoff Hamilton and Clay Jones this week go to Droitwich in Worcestershire to look at a garden designed for all-year-round interest. 9.00 JUST ANOTHER DAY John Pitman looks at Richmond Park on a golden autumn day. 9.30 AROUND WITH ALLISS From Formby Golf Club, Liverpool, where Peter Allis plays golf with the Club's President and Captain, Edward John Stanley, Earl of Derby. 10.00 WORLD SNOOKER Further coverage. 10.30 NEWSNIGHT. 11.15 Weatherview. 11.20 WORLD SNOOKER Late night coverage and results. 12.15 Closedown.

CHANNEL 4

2.30 MASTER BRIDGE. 3.00 ALL THE RIVERS RUN In the final episode of the Australian river romance, Brenton suffers a bad accident but Philadelphia wants to carry on. 4.50 E.F. BENSON IN BRIXTON. 5.10 CARTOON CARNIVAL. 5.30-7.00 FRIDAY ZONE Launching a new set of youthful programmes. 5.30 E.C.T. (EXTRA CELESTIAL TRANSMISSION) The world's first TV show for Heavy Metal fans presents four acts who play live before a specially invited audience of outrageously-dressed 'space vermin'. 6.10 PAINTBOX *Interlude* Ten minutes of exotic images combined with the best new music. 6.20 SOUL TRAIN Jeffrey Daniel presents a soul, disco and funk show based on the American *Soul Train*. Tonight, Millie Jackson, Loose Ends and Cashmere. 7.00 CHANNEL 4 NEWS Weather. 7.30 RIGHT TO REPLY. 8.00 WHAT THE PAPERS SAY With Michael Elliott, from 'The Economist'. 8.15 THE JAZZ TAP ENSEMBLE The Californian tap dance group perform at London's Riverside Studios. 9.00 THE COSBY SHOW *Play It Again, Vanessa*. 9.30 THE GREAT PLANT COLLECTIONS *Caerhays Castle, Cornwall*. 10.00 CHEERS *Diane's Allergy*. 10.30 THE SINGLE LIFE *Away From Romance* Series about the feelings of single people. 11.20 LONG SHOT (1979) Charles Gormley and Neville Smith as a couple of optimistic film makers trying to find financial backing at the 1977 Edinburgh film festival for their proposed new movie. 12.50 Close.

THAMES

6.15 Good Morning Britain. 9.25 Thames News Headlines; followed by Sesame Street. 10.25 Children of Hong Kong. 10.35 Yvonne Hudson — Sculptor. 11.05 Fabulous Funnies. 11.30 About Britain. 12.00 Jamie and the Magic Torch. 12.10 Rainbow. 12.30 The Luck of Roaring Camp. 1.00 News at One. 1.20 Thames News. 1.30 Film: *Where There's A Will* with George Cole and Kathleen Harrison. 3.00 Gems. 3.25 Thames News Headlines. 3.30 Sons and Daughters. 4.00 Rainbow. 4.20 Batfink. 4.25 Emu's All-Live Pink Windmill Show. 5.15 Blockbusters. 5.45 News. 6.00 THE 6 O'CLOCK SHOW. 7.00 THE PRACTICE. 7.30 FAMILY FORTUNES Presented by Max Bygraves. 8.00 A FINE ROMANCE. 8.30 C.A.T.S. EYES *Goodbye Jenny Wren*. 10.00 NEWS AT TEN followed by London News Headlines. 10.30 THE LONDON PROGRAMME *The City of Winners and Losers* A look at events in London over the past ten years. Using interviews with Londoners and information from a Harris Research Centre poll specially commissioned for the show, the programme contrasts rich and poor. 11.15 SHOOT POOL! From the Forum, Kentish Town. 12.15 FRIDAY NIGHTMARE *Dracula* (1973) with Jack Palance, Simon Ward and Nigel Davenport. In 1897 English solicitor Jonathan Harker goes to visit the sinister Count Dracula in darkest Transylvania. 1.55 Night Thoughts followed by Closedown.

GRANADA

6.15 Good Morning Britain. 9.25 Once Upon a Time... Man. 9.50 The Poseidon Files. 10.45 History of the Grand Prix. 11.05 Fireball XL5. 11.30 About Britain. 12.00 Jamie and the Magic Torch. 12.10 Rainbow. 12.30 Coping. 1.00 News at One. 1.20 Granada Reports. 1.30 Friday Matinee: *The Beachcomber*. 3.00 Gems. 3.25 Granada Reports News. 3.30 The Young Doctors. 4.00 Rainbow. 4.20 Batfink. 4.25 Emu's All-Live Windmill Show. 5.15 Vintage Quiz. 5.45 News. 6.00 SONS AND DAUGHTERS. 6.30 GRANADA REPORTS. 7.00 THE PRACTICE Dr Golding's patient wants to get something off his chest but will the doctor listen? 7.30 FAMILY FORTUNES The big-money quiz hosted by Max Bygraves. 8.00 A FINE ROMANCE. 8.30 C.A.T.S. EYES *Goodbye Jenny Wren* First of 12 episodes in an offbeat thriller series. When a Russian trawler limps into a Medway port in suspicious circumstances, the women of Covert Activities Thames Section investigate. 10.00 NEWS AT TEN. 10.30 BENSON *The Honeymooners* Benson marries Kraus, and much to his dismay it's not a nightmare he can dismiss by waking up — it's for real. 11.00 RL ACTION. 11.55 THE HORROR FILM *Witchfinder General* (1968) With Vincent Price and Ian Ogilvy. At the time of Cromwell's reign of terror a witchfinder brings fear to a small East Anglian village as he hunts out heretics. 1.35 Closedown.

ROUND THE REGIONS

Torch. 12.10 Rainbow. 12.30 Coping. 1.00 News; Calendar Headlines. 1.25 Help Yourself. 1.30 Film: *The Court Martial of Major Keller*. 2.55 Home Cookery Club. 3.00 Gems. 3.25 News Headlines. 3.30 Sons and Daughters. 4.00 Rainbow. 4.20 Batfink. 4.25 Emu's All-Live Pink Windmill Show. 5.15 Mr and Mrs. 5.45 News. 6.00 Calendar. Weather. 6.30 Different Strokes. 7.00 The Practice. 7.30 Family Fortunes. 8.00 A Fine Romance. 8.30 C.A.T.S. Eyes. 10.00 News at Ten; Calendar Headlines. 10.30 Police Squad. 11.00 RL Action. 11.55 Mannix. 12.50 Closedown.

TSW

6.15 Good Morning Britain. 9.25 Sesame Street. 10.25 Standby, Lights, Camera, Action. 11.15 Carving Out a Legend. 11.30 About Britain. 12.00 Jamie and the Magic Torch. 12.10 Rainbow. 12.30 Coping. 1.00 News; TSW News Headlines. 1.30 Film: *Nearest and Dearest*. 3.00 Gems. 3.30 The Adventurer. 4.00 Rainbow. 4.20 Batfink. 4.25 Emu's All-Live Pink Windmill Show. 5.12 Gus Honeybun's Magic Birthdays. 5.15 The Young Doctors. 5.45 News. 6.00 Today South West. 6.30 What's Ahead. 7.00 The Practice. 7.30 Family Fortunes. 8.00 A Fine Romance. 8.30 C.A.T.S. Eyes. 10.00 News at Ten; TSW Late News and Weather. 10.35 Film: *Two Mules for Sister Sara*. 12.25 Postscript; South West Weather; 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 Jamie and the Magic Torch. 12.10 Rainbow. 12.30 Coping. 1.00 News; TVS News. 1.30 The Outsider. 2.30 Arcade. 3.00 Gems. 3.27 TVS News; Survival. 4.00 Rainbow. 4.20 Batfink. 4.25 Emu's All-Live Pink Windmill Show. 5.12 TVS News Headlines; Blockbusters. 5.45 News. 6.00 Coast to Coast. 6.30 Pop the

Question. 7.00 The Practice. 7.30 Family Fortunes. 8.00 A Fine Romance. 8.30 C.A.T.S. Eyes. 10.00 News at Ten; TVS News. 10.30 Film: *The Black Torment*. 12.05 Company; Closedown.

HTV

6.15 Good Morning Britain. 9.25 Soup for President. 9.50 Gather Your Dreams. 10.15 Indian Legends of Canada. 10.40 Mysteries, Myths and Legends. 11.05 Silver Spoons. 11.30 About Britain. 12.00 Jamie and the Magic Torch. 12.10 Rainbow. 12.30 Coping. 1.00 News; HTV News. 1.30 Film: *Nearest and Dearest*. 3.00 Gems; HTV News. 3.30 Sons and Daughters. 4.00 Rainbow. 4.20 Batfink. 4.25 Emu's All-Live Pink Windmill Show. 5.15 Mr and Mrs. 5.45 News. 6.00 HTV News. 6.30 Problems. 7.00 The Practice. 7.30 Family Fortunes. 8.00 A Fine Romance. 8.30 C.A.T.S. Eyes. 10.00 News at Ten; HTV News. 10.30 Your Say. 10.45 Scene 85. 11.15 Kojak. 12.15 Live at City Hall. 12.45 HTV Weather; Closedown.

HTV CYMRU: 6.00-7.00 Wales at Six. 10.30 Keeping Up with the Joneses. 11.00 Kojak. 12.00 Live at City Hall. 12.30 Weather; Closedown.

ANGLIA

6.15 Good Morning Britain. 9.25 Sesame Street. 10.25 Cartoon. 10.40 Spread Your Wings. 11.10 Fireball XL5. 11.30 About Britain. 12.00 Jamie and the Magic Torch. 12.10 Rainbow. 12.30 Coping. 1.00 News; Anglia News; Weather. 1.30 Film: *Green Grow the Rushes*. 3.00 Gems. 3.25 Anglia News. 3.30 Sons and Daughters. 4.00 Rainbow. 4.20 Batfink. 4.25 Emu's All-Live Pink Windmill Show. 5.15 Blockbusters. 5.45 News. 6.00 About Anglia. 7.00 The Practice. 7.30 Family Fortunes. 8.00 A Fine Romance. 8.30 C.A.T.S. Eyes. 10.00 News at Ten; Anglia Late News; Weather. 10.30 Cross Question. 11.10 Film: *The National Health*. 12.55 Epilogue; Closedown.

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 Jamie and the Magic Torch. 12.10 Rainbow. 12.30 Coping. 1.00 News; North East News; Lookaround. 1.30 Film: *The Blue Parrot*. 3.00 Gems. 3.25 North East News. 3.30 Sons and Daughters. 4.00 Rainbow. 4.20 Batfink. 4.25 Emu's All-Live Pink Windmill Show. 5.15 Who's the Boss? 5.45 News. 6.00 North East News. 6.02 Keep it in the Family. 6.30 Northern Life. 7.00 The Practice. 7.30 Family Fortunes. 8.00 A Fine Romance. 8.30 C.A.T.S. Eyes. 10.00 News at Ten; North East News. 10.32 Straight Talk. 11.00 TX 45. 11.45 Epilogue; Closedown.

CENTRAL

6.15 Good Morning Britain. 9.25 Sport Billy. 9.30 Ace Crawford. 10.15 The Crown in the Deep. 10.55 Royal Command Circus. 11.30 About Britain. 12.00 Jamie and the Magic Torch. 12.10 Rainbow. 12.30 Coping. 1.00 News; Central News. 1.30 Film: *Nearest and Dearest*. 3.00 Gems. 3.25 News Headlines. 3.30 Sons and Daughters. 4.00 Rainbow. 4.20 Batfink. 4.25 Emu's All-Live Pink Windmill Show. 5.15 Mr and Mrs. 5.45 News. 6.00 Central News. 7.00 The Practice. 7.30 Family Fortunes. 8.00 A Fine Romance. 8.30 C.A.T.S. Eyes. 10.00 News at Ten; Central News. 10.35 Film: *The Stone Killer*. 12.20 Closedown.

YORKSHIRE

6.15 Good Morning Britain. 9.25 Regional Weather Forecast; Sesame Street. 10.25 Gather Your Dreams. 10.50 The Cop and the Kid. 11.15 Abigail. 11.30 About Britain. 12.00 Jamie and the Magic

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1.00 Silents Please. 1.25 Farming on 4. 2.00 5 Lon Goch. 2.15 Painting the Warmth of the Sun. 3.15 Film: *The Gracie Allen Murder Case*. 4.45 Hanner Awr Fwy. 5.30 E.C.T. 6.10 Paintbox. 6.20 Soul Train. 7.00 Newyddion Saith. 7.25 Rygbi. 8.25 Pobl Y Cwm. 8.55 Y Byd Yn Ei Le; News Headlines. 9.40 Cheers. 10.10 Birth of a Nation. 11.40 The Jazz Tap Ensemble. 12.20 Book Four. 12.50 Close.

RADIO

1 News on the half hour from 6.30 a.m. until 9.30 p.m. and at 12 mid-night. 6.00 Adrian John. 8.00 Mike Read. 10.00 Simon Bates. 12.00 Gary Davies (12.30 Newsbeat). 2.30 Mark Page. 4.30 Select-A-Disc with Janice Long. 5.30 Newsbeat. 5.45 Roundtable. 7.00 Andy Peebles. 10.00-12.00 The Friday Rock Show (S). 2 News on the hour (except 8 p.m. and 9 p.m.); Headlines 5.30 a.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 (S) (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. 7.30 Friday Night is Music Night (8.20-8.40 Interval). 9.30 The Organist Entertains (S). 9.55 Sports Desk. 10.00 It's A Funny Business. 10.30 Lyrics on Several Occasions. 11.00 Jeremy Beadle's Nightcap. 1.00 Steve Madden (S) presents Nightride. 3.00 Big Band Special (S). 3.30-4.00 String Sound (S). 6.55 Weather. 7.00 News. 7.05 Morning Concert (S) Purcell, Anthony Holborne, Victoria, Frescobaldi, Vivaldi (8.00-8.05 News). 8.05 News; Boyce, Bach, Beethoven. 9.00 News. 9.05 This Week's Composer (S) Mozart. 10.00 Berg, Zemlinsky, Schumann (S) Piano recital. 10.50 Langham Chamber Orchestra (S) Oldham, Tippett, Berkeley, Britten, Searle, Walton and Tippett. 11.30 Songs by Finzi, Gounod and Strauss (S). 12.05 Midday Concert (S) Mendelssohn, Schumann (1.00-1.05 News) Vaughan Williams. 1.55 Saxophone and Piano (S) Rorem, attrib Bach arr Harle, David Heath. 2.30 J.C. Bach (S) Concert. 3.30 Harpsichord Music by Francesco Durante (S). 4.00 Choral Evening (S). 4.55 News. 5.00 Mainly for Pleasure (S). 6.30 Music for Guitar (S) Bach arr Walker. Beethoven arr Walker, Reginald Smith Brindle's African Light Suite. 7.30 Rachmaninov and Shostakovich (S) Rachmaninov's 1st Piano Concerto (7.55-8.15 Leaving the World a Cleaner Place) Shostakovich Symphony No. 11. 9.25 The Reversible Mackintosh. 10.10 Kate Kelly's Road Show (S). 10.50 The Professor's Bust. 11.00 The Beethoven Piano Sonatas (S). 11.57-12.00 News. VHF: 6.35-6.55 Open University. 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; 7.25, 8.25 Sport; 7.45 Thought for the Day; 8.35 Your Letters). 8.43 Griff Rhys Jones Reads Roald Dahl. 8.57 Weather; Travel. 9.00 News. 9.05 Desert Island Discs (S). 9.45 More Wrestling Than Dancing. 10.00 News; International Assignment. 10.30 Morning Story: *The Art is the Thing*. 10.45 Daily Service (S). 11.00 News; Travel; Mr Midshipman Clark. 11.48 Natural Selection. 12.00 News; The Food Programme. 12.27 Instant Sunshine. 12.55 Weather. 1.00 The World at One; News. 1.40 The Archers. 1.55 Shipping Forecast. 2.00 News; The Tenor They Called the Lancashire Caruse. 2.47 Thames Maru to Tokyo. 3.00 News; Micah Clarke (S). 4.00 News; Going Places. 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 In One Ear. 7.00 News. 7.05 The Archers. 7.20 Pick of the Week (S). 8.20 Stop Press. 8.45 Any Questions? 9.30 Letter from America. 9.45 Kaleidoscope. 10.15 A Book at Bedtime: *The Magic Toyshop*. 10.29 Weather. 10.30 The World Tonight (11.00 Headlines). 11.15 The Financial World Tonight. 11.30 Week Ending. 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 (continued). 11.00-12.00 Study on 4.

Versatile Floyd in form

BY A RACING
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THAT versatile performer Floyd (2.30), in top form in the past month, can gain his third success in that period by taking the Amaryllis Handicap at KEMPTON.

David Elsworth's dual purpose horse took the County Hurdle at Cheltenham, then over this course last week, won the valuable Queen's Prize.

Although the distance of today's race is short of his best, he is fighting fit and should have the edge over his rivals.

With seven pound claimer

Derek Brown reducing Floyd's burden it may be another pillar-to-post victory for this five-year-old.

Bridge Street Lady (3.00) only tired in the final 100 yards when beaten by Sheila Crockett at Nottingham on her seasonal debut.

She will be fitter now, and is taken to beat last year's Ayr Gold Cup runner-up Alakh in the Syringa Handicap.

The Laburnum Stakes, cut up to three runners, may go to the outsider Doo Baysh (3.30). This Roberto colt, who cost \$475,000, only raced once last year when sixth to Tour D'Or at Ascot. Paul Cole's horses have been running well, and this promising

sort is sure to have improved since last season.

Tangonat (4.00) caused a 20-1 surprise when scoring by 20 lengths at Kempton on Monday. With only four rivals to beat in the Magnolia Stakes he is taken to com-

plete a double.

His trainer Rod Simpson may also win with Topsoil (4.45) in the Pamianthe Handicap.

Ron Boss and new stable jockey Mick Miller got off the mark with Que Sympati-

ca in the Fillies Trial at Kempton. They can be successful again with Stangrave (4.45) in the Filey Maiden Auction Stakes at BEVERLEY. It is significant that Miller has elected to ride here rather than Kempton.

SELECTIONS

KEMPTON: 2.00 Teetoy, 2.30 Floyd, 3.00 Bridge Street Lady, 3.30 Doo Baysh, 4.00 Tangonat (n.b.), 4.30 Topsoil

BEVERLEY: 2.15 Russells Toy, 2.45 Lady Cara, 3.15 Paris Match (Nap), 3.45 Steel Venture, 4.15 Sporting Mariner, 4.45 Stangrave

KELSO: 2.00 Gray Thatch, 2.30 On Leave, 3.00 Empress Jeannie, 3.30 Silken Turn, 4.00 Gilston Hill, 4.30 The Divider, 5.00 Taelos

KELSO (NH)

2.00 SPROUSTON SELLING H'CAP HURDLE £500

2m (9 runners)		
1 00FPU3	GRAY THATCH C Parker 9 11 10	Mr D Swindlehurst (7)
2 00D144	MR PONGEE (D) F Storey 10 11 7	B Storey
4 30P2P-0	GOLDEN LANE T Dalgetty 11 11 5	S Charlton
6 000044	EDWARD'S CORNER T Barnes 7 10 12	M Barnes
8 000340	BRIGHT FELLOW P Monteith 8 10 9	D Nolan
10 P0000	SWEETLY GIVEN R Allan 5 10 7	J K Kinane
11 00-000	THIS ONES FOR YOU V Thompson 6 10 6	Mr M Thompson (7)
13 00F000	SPARKLING BARRON N Waggett 8 10 4	Miss T Waggett
15 000U0-0	ALIMP N Waggett 6 10 4	Mr N Waggett (7)

PROBABLE SP: 7-4 Mr Pongee, 2-1 Gray Thatch, 7-2 Edward's Corner, 4-1 Brilliant Fellow, 8-1 Golden Lane, 10-1 Sweetly Given, 16-1 others.

2.30 SPRINGWOOD NOVICE CHASE £1,000

2m 6f (10 runners)		
1 F-2341F	MARATHON MAN K Oliver 7 11 10	T G Dun
2 2F414F	ON LEAVE A Scott 8 11 10	A Stringer
3 P10-33F1	RUBESCO J W Aynsley 11 11 10	B Storey
4 0-34B12	MISS MAYO C Parker 8 11 5	M Barnes
5 2-000P3	AVON OAK D W MacDonald 8 11 0	R Lamb
9 0-3PP	COVE HILL J Mooney 7 11 0	J Mooney
21 000UPP	ROMANARD V Thompson 6 11 0	Mr M Thompson (7)
23 00P04	SUPER TONY F Walton 8 11 0	Mr J Walton
26 P	HIGHLAND MODEL S Leadbetter 7 10 9	
27 0-4F000	MAINSFORTH QUEEN W A Stephenson 8 10 9	K Jones

BLINKERS: 5
PROBABLE SP: 9-4 On Leave, 3-1 Marathon Man, 4-1 Miss Mayo, 9-2 Rubesco, 8-1 Mainsforth Queen, 10-1 Avon Oak, 16-1 others.

3.00 TENNETT QUAICH (H'CAP HURDLE) £2,000

2m 4f (7 runners)		
5 0214B3	EMPRESS JEANNIE (C-D) (BF) L Foster 8 11 7	A Stringer
8 P10212	JOE'S FANCY (C) (BF) P Liddle 7 11 3	G W Gray
15 020204	THORBELL ARCH R Gray 6 10 4	S Charlton
16 01242-0	MISS GALLANT T Barnes 6 10 1	M Barnes
17 2-40022	CORRIEAL G Fairbairn 8 10 0	C Pimlott
19 114000	SECRET WALK W A Stephenson 4 10 0	R Lamb
21 P/00402	ALWAYS LINCAP W Elsey 9 10 0	P A Charlton

PROBABLE SP: 5-2 Joe's Fancy, 7-2 Empress Jeannie, 4-1 Thorbell Arch, 5-1 Always Linpac, 6-1 Corrieal, 7-1 Secret Walk, 12-1 Miss Gallant.

3.30 WIN WITH THE TOTE MAIDEN HURDLE £1,000 2m 4f (14 runners)

1 004P0P	BEDFORD ROW J Redfern 5 11 7	Mrs S Redfern
2 000	BOUNTY'S CROWN R Shiels 5 11 7	Mr R Shiels (7)
3 0-0	CHEKKA C Parker 5 11 7	M Barnes
11 00	SLOCHD Mrs G Simpson 7 11 7	Mrs G Simpson
13 003033	THE BUILDER Mrs G Revely 6 11 7	T G Dun
14 00	WINTERS SOVEREIGN M Lambert 5 11 7	G W Gray
17 00	GRUDIE BAY B McLean 5 11 2	C Grant
18 00	LIME BLOSSOM N Crump 5 11 2	C Hawkins
20 000/	LUCANNY W Reed 7 11 2	Mr T Reed (4)
21 000	REBEL'S FANCY F Walton 5 11 2	Mr J Walton
22 003	SILKEN TURN M Lambert 5 11 2	P A Charlton
23 P0	STRADBALLY MORE J Wade 8 11 2	J O'Gorman (7)
25 P	TUVALU J Robinson 6 11 2	Mr R Robinson (4)
26 0000	MARK'S CHOICE V Thompson 4 11 0	Mr M Thompson (7)

PROBABLE SP: 6-4 The Builder, 2-1 Silken Turn, 4-1 Love Blossom, 10-1 Winters Sovereign, 12-1 Chekka, 14-1 Grudie Bay, 16-1 others.

4.00 'HORSE AND HOUND' BUCCLEUCH HUNTER CHASE £1,250 3m (13 runners)

1 4/44F-21	RABINSKI (D) J Hellens 10 12 5	Mr T Reed (4)
2 F-0	ARCTIC OWEN J C Gibson 9 12 0	Mr P Craggs
3 F04-003	BAWNEEN Lady Renwick 11 12 0	Mr P Dennis (7)
6 0000F-0	GILSTON HILL G R Dun 8 12 0	Miss J Furness (7)
7 00000	HETHA BRIG A Scott 7 12 0	Mr R Shiels (7)
8 00000	HUME CASTLE Mrs D Tweedie 9 12 0	Mr J Grossick (7)
9 0	MISTER BENSON Mrs Hutchinson-Bradbourne 6 12 0	Mr J Bradbourne (7)
10 400/04P-	NELSONS BEACH G R Dun 7 12 0	Mr J M Dun (7)
11 2300-30	PANEGYRIST C Alexander 10 12 0	Mr A Dudgeon (4)
14 0000-02	MERRY HATTON Mrs H White 9 11 9	
15 0000-02	MISS COLONNETTE Mrs C Braithwaite 8 11 9	Mr R Drysdale (7)
17 PF	OVERDINSDALE Mrs P Claxton 8 11 9	
19 U/000-0	SHINING BANN R W Johnson 10 11 9	Mr P Johnson (7)

PROBABLE SP: 5-2 Rabinski, 7-2 Bawneen, 4-1 Panegyrist, 5-1 Nelsons Beach, 6-1 Gilston Hill, 10-1 Miss Colonnette, 12-1 Hetha Brig, 14-1 others.

4.30 CLYDE BRIDGE CH'ENGE CUP (H'CAP CHASE) £1,200 2m (8 runners)

2 442231	PRESS GANG (C-D) J S Wilson 10 11 10	P Tuck
3 1F11F2	THE DIVIDER (BF) Mrs T Calder 7 11 8	T G Dun
4 PP4P00	SUNSET CRISTO R Hawkey 11 11 7	C Grant
7 32F244	JETHARTS HERE (C) G Renison 11 11 4	P A Farrell (7)
8 0P230F	STRAIGHT DOWN (C-D) N Crump 8 11 3	C Hawkins
16 22421-1	BELCRAIG Lord Kilmany 10 10 0	C Pimlott
17 F404U2	GREEN MENELEK J Charlton 9 10 0	B Storey
18 0-UP000	COMMAGH S Leadbetter 9 10 0	M Barnes

PROBABLE SP: 9-4 The Divider, 5-2 Press Gang, 11-2 Jetharts Here, 6-1 Straight Down, 12-1 Belcraig and Sunset Cristo, 14-1 Green Menelek, 25-1 Commagh.

5.00 BOWMONT NOVICE HURDLE £500 (4-Y-O) 2m (9 runners)

1 431	TAELOS (C-D) A Scott 11 6	P A Charlton
2 0021	HALF ASLEEP (D) W Elsey 11 1	P A Farrell (7)
6	FRED ASTAIRE N Crump 10 12	C Hawkins
7	KIMSUA W A Stephenson 10 12	R Lamb
9 0P	SINGING SABRE Lord Kilmany 10 12	C Pimlott
12 P00003	SQUIRES GOLD M Dickinson 10 12	
13 00000	TASAR W A Stephenson 10 12	K Jones
14 0	TURN AND FLY (USA) B Wilkinson 10 12	Mr G Harker (4)
15 100300	UNCLE OLIVER (D) V Thompson 10 12	Mr M Thompson (7)

PROBABLE SP: 5-4 Taelos, 15-8 Half Asleep, 10-1 Fred Astaire and Kimsua, 12-1 Turn and Fly, 14-1 Uncle Oliver, 16-1 others.

KEMPTON

DRAW ADVANTAGE: high numbers favoured beyond 7f

2.00 POLYANTHUS MAIDEN STAKES £2,000 (2-Y-O) 5f (8 runners)

1 (6)	DOUBLE CHAI A Jarvis 9 0	T Rogers
2 (7)	MERRYMOLES M McCourt 9 0	R Wernham
3 (8)	MOORGATE MAN R Boss 9 0	P Eddery
5 (4)	TEETOY (USA) M Jarvis 9 0	B Raymond
6 (1)	TERBINTH G P-Gordon 9 0	W Ryan (3)
7 (3)	BERNIGRA GIRL M Haynes 8 11	I Jenkinson
9 (5)	HOTBEE J Bridger 8 11	R Guest
10 (2)	MISS VENEZUELA C Horgan 8 11	P Cook

PROBABLE SP: 15-8 Teetoy, 7-2 Merrymoles, 5-1 Terbint, 11-2 Moorgate Man, 8-1 Hotbee, 10-1 Double Chai, 12-1 others.

2.30 AMARYLLIS HANDICAP £4,000 1m 4f (14 runners)

1 (1)	411-0 CORINTH (FR) I Balding 4 9 10	Pat Eddery
4 (2)	132120- LIBRATE (D) J Bradley 4 9 2	B Rouse
5 (13)	014000- TRAPEZE ARTIST N Vigors 4 9 1	J Reid
6 (11)	22110-2 OLD HUBERT (D) A Bailey 4 8 13	S Dawson (3)
7 (3)	401424- DOMINATE P Mitchell 4 8 10	T Ives
8 (12)	103040- MOON JESTER (C-D) M Usher 5 8 9	D McKay
9 (10)	204030- NESTOR G Lewis 5 8 6	P Waldron
10 (5)	022104- WESTERN DANCER (D) C Horgan 4 8 4	P Cook
12 (4)	000104- LOBKOWIEZ (D) C Brittain 6 8 0	W Carson
13 (9)	033300- BOCODA LAD (D) C Benstead 4 7 13	D McKeown
14 (6)	144001- FLOYD (C) D Elsworth 5 7 13 (4 ex)	D Brown (7)
15 (8)	31011-0 ARBOR LANE (D) M Haynes 4 7 8	C Rutter (3)
16 (14)	00000-0 CATCHER IN THE RYE D Arbutnot 5 7 7	J Carter (7)
17 (7)	000000- EVEN BANKER O Sherwood 6 7 7	R Street

PROBABLE SP: 2-1 Floyd, 11-4 Old Hubert, 5-1 Librate, 6-1 Dominate, 8-1 Lobkowiez, 10-1 Trapeze Artist, 12-1 others.

3.00 SYRINGA HANDICAP £3,000 6f (10 runners)

1 (1)	100204- ALAKH (D) Tree 5 9 13	Pat Eddery
2 (2)	101100- GREEN RUBY (USA) (D) A Jarvis 4 9 7	T Rogers
5 (10)	30042-0 RANA PRATAP (USA) G Lewis 5 9 5	P Waldron

BEVERLEY

DRAW ADVANTAGE: High numbers best over 5f

2.15 SCARBORO' SPA SELLING STAKES £1,000 2-Y-O 5f (16 runners)

2 (16)	1 RUSSELLS TOY (D) N Tinkler 8 13	L Charnock
3 (13)	0 ANGLIAN HOME W Musson 8 11	P Gunn
4 (12)	03 BIMINI RIDGE G Moore 8 11	R P Elliott
5 (14)	0 CONNAUGHT LAD M Brittain 8 11	B Coogan
6 (15)	00000-0 JOHNS BUSINESS N Tinkler	Kim Spink (7)
7 (10)	0 LAUGH A LOT (BF) W Wharton 8 11	W Wharton
8 (9)	0 BONNY REEF D Weeden 8 8	Gay Kelleway (5)
9 (1)	0 EDNA-AR A Smith 8 8	S Webster
11 (7)	0 FREE TRADE W Holden 8 8	R Morse (7)
12 (3)	0 FUR BABY G Harman 8 8	G P Kelly
13 (6)	0 GUTSY Hbt Jones 8 8	N Connorton
16 (5)	0 MEGAWONDER P Rohan 8 8	C Dwyer
17 (11)	02 MISS MAGNOLIA (BF) R Hollinshead 8 8	S Perks
18 (2)	0 ROYALTY FAIR A Smith 8 8	M Birch
19 (4)	0 TANTOBIE WAH-HOO M W Easterby 8 8	M Hindley (5)
20 (8)	0 WARWICK WALLIES J Berry 8 8	S Horsfall (5)

PROBABLE SP: 5-2 Russells Toy, 100-30 Miss Magnolia, 4-1 Laugh A Lot, 11-2 Anglian Home, 8-1 Bonny Reef, 10-1 Megawonder, 12-1 Warwick Wallies, 16-1 others.

2.45 WITHERNSEA HANDICAP £1,500 5f (19 runners)

2 (17)	023300- HOOLIGAN P Rohan 5 9 13	B Thomson
3 (10)	310010- SPOILT FOR CHOICE (D) D Chapman 7 0 11	D Nicholls
4 (6)	404012- LOCHTILLUM (C-D) J Douglas-Horne 6 9 6	G Duffield
5 (4)	032430- BLESSIT W Pearce 5 9 4	N Connorton
6 (18)	00010-0 FAIRGREEN (D) D Chapman 7 9 2	M Wood
7 (19)	000-000 SPLIT ACES (C-D) P Brookshaw 4 9 2	S Perks
8 (16)	104040- CUDGEL P Rohan 12 9 1	J Quinn (7)
9 (1)	3300-00 PERGODA (D) I Vickers 7 9 1	R Fahey (7)
10 (2)	2000-01 LADY CARA (D) J Berry 5 9 1 (5 ex)	J Carroll (7)
11 (3)	010000- SPACEMAKER BOY (C-D) G Fletcher 5 9 0	A Bond
12 (13)	0403-30 CAMPS HEATH (BF) F Durr 4 8 13	R Cochrane
13 (12)	04002-0 CHAPLINS CLUB (USA) (D) D Chapman 8 12	Paul Eddery
14 (5)	20000-1 GODS SOLUTION T Barron 4 8 11	S Webster
15 (11)	02300-0 POKERFAYES (USA) (C-D) B McMahon 6 8 5	A MacKay
16 (14)	00000-1 JAVA JIVE (D) K Brassey 4 8 5 (5 ex)	S Whitworth (3)
18 (9)	044-21 EASTBROOK M H Easterby 5 8 1 (5 ex)	L Charnock
19 (15)	000-000 VEE BEE (D) D Leslie 6 8 0	D Dineley
21 (8)	0000-00 RIDALS CHOICE (D) M Camacho 4 7 13	J Lowe
22 (7)	0000/OTAR KID J Mulhall 10 7 7	A Proud

PROBABLE SP: 3-1 Lady Cara, 9-2 Gods Solution and Vee Bee, 11-2 Eastbrook, 6-1 Lochtillum, 7-1 Java Jive, 10-1 Camps Heath, 14-1 others.

3.15 LEONFIELD MAIDEN STAKES £1,000 1m (19 runners)

1 (2)	023- ALEGREMAN G Harwood 9 0	A Clark
5 (14)	0-0 DIPYN BACH M Camacho 9 0	N Connorton
6 (3)	03404-4 EL GALILEO (BF) F Durr 9 0	G Duffield
7 (8)	0 FORTUNE FINDER C Thornton 9 0	J Bleasdale
12 (17)	000-0 JACK'S ISLAND C Brittain 9 0	J Lowe
13 (16)	0 MUSICAL MYSTERY R Boss 9 0	M Miller
15 (12)	02- PARIS MATCH M Stoute 9 0	W R Swinburn
16 (11)	0 PELLINCOURT G Wragg 9 0	Paul Eddery
18 (9)	0-0 STEPPED SEAL D Garraton 9 0	S Perks
19 (6)	0 TREMAR LAD M Camacho 9 0	T Meek (7)
22 (15)	0002- CADENETTE M Camacho 8 11	O Gray
23 (5)	0000-0 CUSHY P Rohan 8 11	L Charnock
24 (18)	0 IT HAPPENS W Wharton 8 11	W Wharton
26 (4)	000430- JUST A BIT M W Easterby 3 11	M Hindley (5)
27 (1)	004000- LOCHFEST C Tinkler 8 11	M Birch
30 (7)	0-0 PINWIDIE P Rohan 8 11	B Thomson
31 (13)	000-0 QUALITAIR LADY K Stone 8 11	G Brown (7)
32 (19)	000-0 RUBY JAMES T Barron 8 11	S Webster
33 (10)	40- UP SHE GOES J Leigh 8 11	R Cochrane

PROBABLE SP: 15-8 Paris Match, 9-4 Alegrem, 7-2 Pellincourt, 10-1 Cadenette, 12-1 El Galileo, 16-1 Musical Mystery, 20-1 others.

3.45 HORNSEA MERE HANDICAP £1,500 1m 2f (19 runners)

2 (1)	2200/40- BLACK FALCON (USA) J Glover 5 9 8	
3 (13)	04100-1 STEEL VENTURE (D) M Ryan 6 9 8	P Robinson
4 (18)	01120-0 SKYBOOT (BF) E Carter 6 9 6	Wendy Carter (7)

8 (5)	330000- NUMISMATIST (D) M Salaman 6 8 8	R Street
9 (8)	000030- FUN GALORE (USA) (D) R Akehurst 4 8 8	W Carson
10 (10)	00100-2 BRIDGE STREET LADY (D) J Bosley 4 8 4	P Cook
11 (4)	04/000- GOLDEN FLAME R Simpson 4 8 4	K Radcliffe (7)
12 (6)	00000-3 AL AMEAD (D) C Benstead 5 8 3	B Rouse
13 (3)	002200-0 REAR ACTION R Smyth 5 8 1	R Fox
15 (7)	000000- HAWKINS TENDER S Harris 3 7 7	M L Thomas

BLINKERS: 1
PROBABLE SP: 9-4 Bridge Street Lady, 3-1 Rana Pratap, 9-2 Alakh, 11-2 Al Amead, 10-1 Numismatist and Green Ruby, 16-1 others.

3.30 LABURNUM STAKES £5,000 (3-Y-O) 1m (3 runners)

1 (2)	03-1 SUMMER KING R Armstrong 9 1	P Tulk
2 (1)	11- THAT'S YOUR LOT H Cecil 9 1	S Cauthen
5 (3)	0- DOO BAYSH (USA) P Cole 8 10	T Quinn

PROBABLE SP: 5-4 On That's Your Lot, 2-1 Summer King, 7-2 Doo Baysh.

Sports Line

BRADY HEADING FOR EURO FINAL

ITALY'S Inter Milan beat Real Madrid 2-0 in a one-sided first leg UEFA Cup semi-final thanks to a goal in each half by Liam Brady and skipper Alessandro Altobelli.

Brady now seems certain to figure in the final, probably against Videoton of Hungary.

But the match between the two great sides who have won the European Champions' Cup eight times between them, failed to reach the heights anticipated.

Inter squandered several opportunities to take a more commanding lead to Madrid in two weeks time.

BY A SPORTS LINE REPORTER

Inter broke the deadlock in the 25th minute after the referee awarded a penalty when Spanish defender Sanchis elbowed Antonio Sabato to the ground.

Irish midfield star Brady converted the spot kick which galvanised Inter. Yet they failed to capitalise on their advantage despite impressive attacking moves by Altobelli, Brady and Inter's bright young hope Enrico Cucchi.

Altobelli brought groans of dismay from the 80,000 crowd when he ran on to a pass from West German Karl-Heinz Rummenigge and shot wide of an open goal.

He made up for the miss in the 57th minute when the tireless German striker again sent him away. This time the Italian international slipped past Miguel Angel and rolled the ball home to complete his side's triumph.

● VIDEOTON of Hungary moved within sight of the UEFA Cup final when midfielder Imre Vadasz struck a 82nd minute goal to seal an impressive 3-1 win over Zeljeznicar Sarajevo of Yugoslavia in their semi-final first leg match.

Zeljeznicar had begun by applying tremendous pressure, but, after Mihailovic had shot over

an empty net in the third minute, they were swept aside as Videoton took an early two-goal lead.

Zeljeznicar's reply came a minute later, midfielder Skoro beating goalkeeper Peter Diszl with a fluent shot on the turn.

● RAPID VIENNA struck Dynamo Moscow with a five-minute whirlwind as they swept to a 3-1 win in the Cup Winners' Cup semi-final.

Dynamo seemed to be well on their way when they led 1-0 midway through the second half thanks to Vasili Karataev's 26th minute penalty.

But Rapid staged a dramatic comeback. A 30-yard shot by Leo Lainer in the 68th turned the game Rapid's way.

Striker Hans Krankl put Rapid ahead with a 70th minute penalty and Peter Hrstic added the third three minutes later.

● JUVENTUS and Liverpool are odds on favourites to meet in the 30th European Champions' Cup final in Brussels.

Juventus enjoyed an impressive 3-0 win over French champions Bordeaux in the first leg of their semi-final match in Turin.



LIAM BRADY . . . helped Inter Milan take a comfortable first-leg lead

Giant killer Neal is a threat

NEAL FOULDS attempts the hardest job in snooker when he tries to beat defending champion Steve Davis in the first round of the £300,000 Embassy World Professional Championship in Sheffield today.

The 21-year-old qualifier from Perivale, west London, sent Alex Higgins tumbling out of the first round a year ago and followed up by beating world No.2 Tony Knowles on his way to the semi-finals of the Rothmans Grand Prix last autumn.

But a wise old head fits on young Foulds shoulders and neither he nor his fellow professional father Geoff, who narrowly failed to reach the world first round himself, are taking any notice of the rumours that say snooker's brightest star, Davis, is on the wane.

The 27-year-old multimillionaire from Romford, who is chasing a hat-trick of world titles, and his fourth in all, won three of this season's first four tournaments and in January added the English Professional title.

But he has struggled by his standards since then, losing three times to arch-rival Alex Higgins, the



STEVE DAVIS

last time only a fortnight ago in Dublin.

Davis' answer has been to lock himself away at Romford for two weeks to follow a rigorous schedule of physical exercise and practice to try to find his form.

'I have never played Steve and I don't have any illusions about the size of my task. He is the best there is. Forget last year, this is a whole new thing,' said Foulds junior.

And his father added: 'We are taking no notice

of all the talk that Steve is supposed to have 'gone'. He has won four tournaments.

Davis admits: 'It has been harder than ever this season to get motivated but the World Championship is something apart. I never have to gee myself up for this one. My preparations have been perfect and I'm back in the groove.'

'I know what a great young player Neal is but you don't win world titles unless you are really sharp, so a nice hard game to start off will suit me fine.'

Order of play today is: First round (best of 19 frames) — 10.30a.m. S Davis (Romford) v N Foulds (Perivale), T Knowles (Bolton) v T Jones (Chesterfield); 3p.m. David Taylor (Manchester) v D O'Kane (NZ), D Mountjoy (Ewyns Harold) v M MacLeod (Edinburgh).

7p.m. Davis v Foulds and Knowles v Jones both to finish.

Hull KR can clinch title

HULL Kingston Rovers have a great chance to clinch the Rugby League title in real champions style this weekend.

The leaders face old rivals Hull at the Boulevard tonight, while on Sunday they take on second placed St Helens at Knowsley Road.

Tonight's match should be the easier of the two. Hull will be playing their fourth game in seven days, including two epic Challenge Cup semi-finals against Castleford.

In Wednesday's clash O'Hara, Sterling, James and Leuluai scored the tries which saw the Robins through to a 22-16

victory over Castleford and a place at Wembley against Wigan in May.

Rovers have to take the title to salvage a season which promised so much.

A win at the Boulevard tonight will set them up nicely for the big one against Saints on Sunday.

St Helens had good wins against Lancashire rivals Wigan and Widnes this week, to keep their outside chance of the title alive.

A defeat by Hull KR would almost certainly condemn them to the runners up spot or worse.

Rovers have already beaten them twice this season. They knocked them out of the Challenge Cup in the first round, while earlier in the season Saints were hammered 32-6 in a League game at Craven Park.

Despite their recent slump Hull KR are probably the best side in the country.

Two away wins this weekend would set them up to win the championship which they won last season by pipping

Hull by one point.

Bradford Northern star Ellery Hanley is all set to become the first player, since the legendary Billy Boston in 1961-62 to score more than 50 tries in a season.

Hanley has already got seven hat-tricks in his 46 tries this season and will be looking for more in Northern's game at Featherstone on Sunday.

The same four teams have led the Second Division for weeks now and all four have comfortable home games this weekend.

It will be a real surprise if it isn't two League points all round and another steps towards First Division rugby next year.

Leaders Swinton should have no problem against lowly Bramley tonight. While on Sunday Salford and Dewsbury are in action against Runcorn and Southend respectively.

Both the newcomers to the Rugby League are in the bottom six and easy wins should be in store for the promotion hopefuls.

York's task could be a little more tricky. They play Wakefield, who although only half way up the League have put together some good results lately.

But York have also had two good wins in the last week, scoring 64 points in the process, and should end Wakefield's good run.

Olympic bid delayed

THE British Olympic Association has been granted an extra three months to prepare their bid to stage the 1992 Olympic Games.

Charles Palmer, chairman of the BOA, had asked the International Olympic Committee to extend the May 15 deadline for notification of intention to bid for the 1992 games. Yesterday he learned that the IOC had agreed.

Juan Antonio Samaranch, the IOC president, sent a telex from Switzerland saying:

'Taking into account the reasons for the delay requested, and having given due consideration to the arguments contained in your telex of 3rd April 1985, the IOC hereby agree to extend the deadline, provided the BOA names the bid city for the 1992 Olympic Games prior to 15th August 1985.'

Four British cities — Birmingham, London,

Manchester and one which did not wish to be revealed until local councillors had come to a formal decision — have shown interest in staging the games.

The BOA said that they needed the extra time to examine them individually before putting their final recommendation to the IOC.

RACING RESULTS

BRIGHTON:

2.00 (6f): ARCTIC GUARD T Quinn (11-8 on fav); Hermits Wood (9-2); Sir Wilmore (14-1); Arnoux (5-1) 4.9 ran. 3/4. (P Cole) T: £1.80; £1.10, £1.40, £2. CSF: £5.12. NR: Via Satellite.

2.30 (1m 2f): DHOFAR S Childs (9-4); Noble Mount (15-8 fav); Sandiliffe Again (50-1); Carmel State (11-2) 4.8 ran. 1/2. 10. (G Pritchard-Gordon) T: £3.40; £1.60, £1.10, £7.70. CSF: £6.54.

3.00 (7f): Jody's Boy D McKay (10-1); Boas Festas (8-1); Kassak (5-2) 4.8 ran. 1/2. 10. (A Stewart) T: £6.40; £1.80, £3. £2.70. CSF: £29.36.

4.00 (1m 4f): ROYAL CRAFTSMAN P Cook (5-1) 4.8 ran. 1/2. 10. (A Stewart) T: £6.40; £1.80, £3. £2.70. CSF: £29.36.

on fav); Snap Decision (3-1); Miami In Spring (12-1); Solent Lad (12-1) 4.8 ran. 8. nK. (K Brassey) T: £1.90; £1.10, £1.60, £2.20. CSF: £4.30. NR: My Advocate.

CHELTENHAM

2.15 (2m 4f): HORN OF PLENTY S Wegner (15-2); Steel Yeoman (5-1); Vick the Busker (33-1); Rainbow Lady (11-4 fav) 4.12 ran. 4. 1/2. (J A C Edwards) T: £6.20; £1.60, £2.50 (3m); Celtic Cracker P Caus (8-1); Mossy Bell (5-2 fav); Alfie Dickens (7-1); Secret Finale (7-2) 4.8 ran. 2 1/2. 2 1/2. (R W Hartop) T: £10.10; £2.10, £1.70, £1.40. CSF: £26.09. NR: Gold Measure & The Disco Dago.

3.25 (2m): BROAD BEAM A Frick (7-2); Dodgy Future (100-30); Jade And Diamond (11-2); Monza (25-1) 4.8 ran. 3/4. 15. (Mrs M Rimell) T: £3.90; £1.10, £1.20, £1.50. CSF: £13.90.

4.00 (2m 4f): POYNTZ PASS S Weg-

ner (4-1); Tom's Little Al (13-2); Restless Shot (5-2 fav); Celtic Brew (4-1) 4.8 ran. 1 1/2. 10. (R F Fisher) T: £3.80; £1.40, £2. £1.30. CSF: £26.14.

4.45 (2m): SUPER GRASS D Hood (16-1); French Union (25-1); Celtic Princess (50-1); Cherry Melody (25-1) 4.16 ran. 1. 2. (S Mellor) T: £12.80; £2.90, £5.80, £10.50. CSF: £318.19. NR: Celtic Bob.

5.20 (3m 2f): TEN CHERRIES Mr M Bell (2-1); Sidbury Hill (8-1); Pillager (40-1); Only 3 fshd. 7 ran. 6. 7. (Mrs M Rimell) T: £4.70; £2. £1.90. CSF: £16.62. NR: Himavan.

5.55 (2m): MRS MUCK Mrs S Twiston-Davies (9-1); Hasty Gamble (4-1); Little Jack Horner (14-1); Celtic Mercy (20-1) 4.28 ran. 2. 15. (N A Twiston-Davies) T: £5.20; £1.40, £3.40, £4.20. CSF: £43.09. NR: Blue Vix & Le Plat d'Or.

6.25 (2m): SHEER STEEL S Cowley (4-1); Cavvies Clown (20-1); Cadeby (8-1); Platinum Blond (7-1) 4.29 ran. 6. 8. (P D Cundell) T: £4.40; £2.80, £7. £2. CSF: £90.49.

Dons wait on Black

ABERDEEN will know today whether striker Eric Black can spearhead their attempt to reach the final of the Scottish FA Cup for the fourth year in a row.

The 21-year-old attacker spent last weekend in a Glasgow hospital after being concussed in the League match against Rangers and his participation in Saturday's semi-final against Dundee United hangs in the balance.

Black, who has scored in the last two of Aberdeen's three successive Cup final victories, visits a specialist today to learn his fate.

Manager Alex Ferguson said yesterday: 'I would like Black to play at Tynecastle and the lad himself is keen to play but the specialist will have the final say in the matter.'

Clearance

If Black gets medical clearance Aberdeen will travel to Edinburgh without any major worries. International Neil Simpson, who has missed the last two matches due to suspension, is back in contention for a midfield place.

Battle of the fly-halves

THE GREAT Wales fly-half debate will continue today before a show-down between Gareth Davies and Malcolm Dacey at Cardiff Arms Park tomorrow.

The national selectors yesterday named their line-up for the rearranged international against England on April 20, but have left the fly-half position vacant until after Saturday's matches.

Welsh rugby union official John Dawes said: 'The Wales No.10 for the England game will almost certainly be named on Saturday night. There will be selectors at the match between Cardiff and Swansea and Neath and Gloucester.'

Dundee United felt more optimistic yesterday when tough tackling defender John Holt and Scottish international full back Richard Gough were able to train after recovering from minor knocks.

Angry

However, United manager Jim McLean is angry that Saturday's neutral venue, Tynecastle Park, will also be used in the event of a replay next Wednesday.

McLean remarked: 'It seems unfair that the supporters of both clubs might have to travel to Edinburgh twice in four days. It is asking a lot of them financially.'

'We would be perfectly happy to leave any decision on a replay to a toss of a coin between Pittodrie and our own ground, Tannadice Park.'

Motherwell, the only non-Premier Division side in the semi-finals, meet Celtic at Hampden Park with fitness doubts surrounding two players.

Graeme Forbes, who spent the first half of the week in bed with a virus complaint, is likely to be fit but a pulled muscle may force Rab Stewart to miss the tie.

Countdown to semi-finals

NORMAN TO CONQUER CROWD

BY A SPORTS LINE REPORTER

THERE is only one road to glory left for Manchester United, and striker Norman Whiteside is determined to overcome the barrackers to get his side to Wembley.

Whiteside, the 19-year-old Northern Ireland international, is ready to take on the Liverpool boo-boys at Goodison tomorrow when the sides clash in the FA Cup semi-final.

He is not sure why Anfield supporters have singled him out for hostile treatment on recent trips to Merseyside.

But Whiteside won't let it affect him, saying: 'I have come to expect it from Liverpool's fans.'

'I know I have not been too popular with them. Perhaps it is because of my style of play but I can assure them I will not change.'

Conversion

Whiteside's conversion to a makeshift midfielder has been such a success that he could now be the key man in the semi-final that has come to mean everything to both clubs.

Not least amazed at his development is Whiteside himself, saying: 'I am really enjoying the midfield role.'

'I have surprised a lot of people by the way I have adapted to the position. In fact, I have surprised myself as well.'

Whiteside missed the defeat at Sheffield Wednesday on Tuesday that wrecked United's title hopes.

But he has now recovered from his back trouble and warns Liverpool that United are hungry to reach Wembley.

'We bounced back from our last defeat — against Videoton in the UEFA Cup in Hungary — and won our next four games,' he says.

'Now we are looking forward to doing it again on Saturday. Everyone in football respects Liverpool, including ourselves. But they also respect us.'

'They are a consistently good team and will be keen to put the record straight after we beat them in the League at Anfield a few weeks back.'

'But that win will not mean we will sit back, thinking we are favourites.'

'We are looking forward to it — it's a game that has got the whole of Manchester buzzing with excitement and anticipation.'

Liverpool, set for the European Cup final after their 4-0 first leg trouncing of Panathinaikos, look set to blood young Irish defender Jim Beglin in domestic Cup competition.

Beglin scored against the Greeks and will play if Alan Kennedy fails to recover from ankle trouble.

Manager Joe Fagan,

delighted with the European performance, could face a semi-final selection poser.

Former England midfielder man Sammy Lee effectively filled in for calf victim Steve Nicol, but Fagan will leave his team selection until late.

In their usual professional manner, Liverpool players are putting Wednesday's performance out of their minds, with Mark Lawrenson saying:

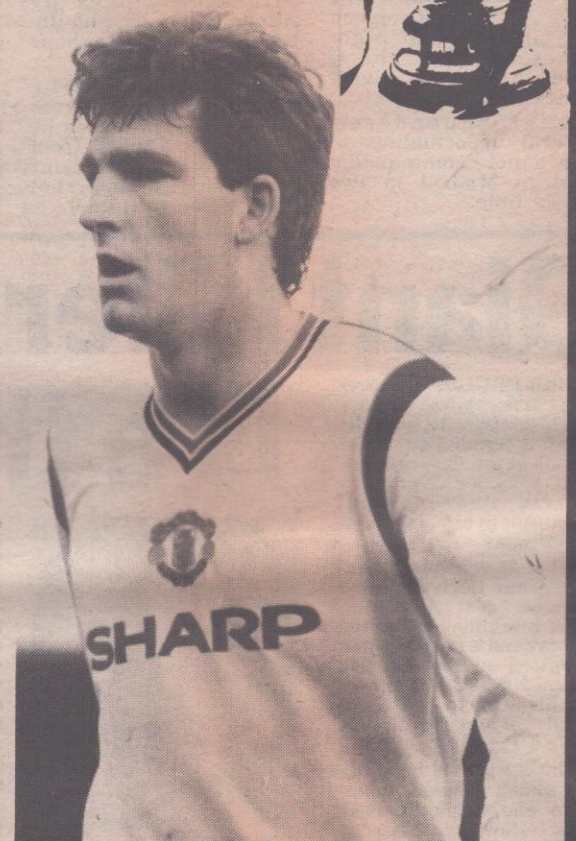
Bearing

'It will not have any real bearing on the semi-final on Saturday.'

'United players would have been sitting at home listening to our result and saying "Liverpool won — so what?". Saturday will be a completely different game.'

Lawrenson was at the centre of a penalty row against the Greeks, with manager Jacek Gmoch insisting his side had been denied a spot kick.

The Liverpool star countered: 'The referee was right up with play. It wasn't a penalty, but the player lay poleaxed as though somebody had shot him.'



Norman Whiteside . . . aims to silence Liverpool fans

Gray back for treble chase

ANDY GRAY will return to lead Everton's attack in the FA Cup semi-final against Luton at Villa Park tomorrow.

A troublesome knee injury forced the Scottish striker to miss Everton's first leg game in the semi-final of the European Cup Winners' Cup when they grabbed a vital 0-0 draw away to Bayern Munich.

The result kept them on course for a possible treble of the League, FA Cup and Cup Winners' Cup.

Everton manager Howard Kendall confirmed yesterday that Gray would be fit to face Luton and further strengthen an already buoyant team.

There are still doubts, however, about midfielder player Kevin Sheedy, who was also sidelined in Munich with damaged ankle ligaments.

Everton's hectic schedule allowed them little time for reflection on an immensely impressive performance against Bayern.

'Our thoughts are firmly fixed on Villa Park,' said Kendall, who brushed aside suggestions that Everton might be weary after their mid-week trip.

He said: 'It was a good thing to go away and play on such a good pitch which did not take too much out of the players. We will make sure that they get plenty of rest between now and Saturday. The travelling is not a problem.'

'Our preparation will be thorough and I have no reason to be anxious about anything because I am delighted with what I have seen on the field.'

It is hard to imagine that Luton will succeed where Bayern Munich failed and bring an end to Everton's 20-match unbeaten run.

But Kendall said: 'The bookmakers can say what they like but I don't think that anyone can be favourites in an FA Cup semi-final.'

Luton manager David Pleat is already preparing for the event of a Luton win and will make sure there is no Wembley heartbreak for Steve Foster.

Manager David Pleat will protect his centre-half, currently on 19 disciplinary points, by leaving him out of a League match if a further booking looks likely to cost him a place in the May 18 final — if Luton get there!

Two years ago, Foster, then with Brighton, missed the FA Cup final when a late League booking resulted in a Wembley ban. Even a High Court battle

failed to earn him a reprieve.

'He played in the replay but it wasn't the same,' said Pleat yesterday. 'I know it really affected him, missing that big day at Wembley. I wouldn't want it to happen again.'

Pleat spotlighted the signing of Foster, Peter Nicholas and Mick Harford as the key to Luton's revival, along with injured goalkeeper Andy Dibble.

'We bought a spine for the team. Foster is a commanding figure, Nicholas was in the wrong environment and Harford is one of the best traditional English centre-forwards.'

Though his heart wants a Wembley place, Pleat admits that realism dictates that First Division survival is Luton's prime objective.



ANDY GRAY

KIWIS ESCAPE

WEST Indies opener Gordon Greenidge hit an unbeaten half century by lunch as the second cricket Test against New Zealand laboured towards an inevitable draw on the fifth and final day.

Greenidge, dismissed for 10 in the first innings,

was on 59 at the interval as West Indies reached 121 for two — an overall lead of 192.

West Indies, resuming at 41 for one, lost night-watchman Clyde Butts for nine in the second over from pace bowler Richard Hadlee.

Greenidge was joined by first innings century-maker Richie Richardson and neither player appeared in any hurry to force the scoring rate.

Scores: West Indies 511 for six declared and 121 for two. New Zealand 440.